PRESS RELEASE

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By Annie Gutierrez
Gila River Indian News

O’otham Celebrate Traditional New Year with Games and Ceremonies

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Many guests gathered at the Mul-Chu-Tha Cultural Circle to celebrate the start of the O’otham New Year June 20 – 21. Historically in O’otham tradition, the New Year began during the summer solstice at the end of June when the hashan baithag (saguaro fruit) is ripening and the summer rains begin to fall. This is the second year the Community gathered to celebrate the event.

The gathering included women’s thoka and men’s shongival (kickball) tournaments, plus singing and dancing. Approximately eighty basket dancers ranging from toddlers to elders performed for guests in the cultural circle to four traditional songs: basket, swing, circle to four traditional songs: basket, swing.

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D-Backs Host Native American Recognition Day

By Christopher Lomahquahu
Gila River Indian News

The Gila River Bears won the Single A Division Championship at the Arizona Diamondbacks Inter-Tribal Youth Baseball and Softball Tournament. The team is led by coaches Gordon “Shoo-ni” June and Joe Cooper.

The Arizona Diamondbacks host the tournament and Native American Recognition Day event at Chase Field every year in collaboration with the Gila River Casinos to bring awareness to the American Indian heritage of Arizona, while promoting sports.

On June 19, it was no different as Native American cultural performances took over the ballpark. The annual event, now in its 17th year, is special in that no other Major League Baseball organization hosts an event of this kind. A special recognition ceremony preceded the game as participating teams from reservations across the state of Arizona, were recognized for their spirited effort.

In total, six teams participated in this event at Chase Field every year in collaboration with the Gila River Casinos to bring awareness to the American Indian heritage of Arizona, while promoting sports.

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Casa Blanca Community School
Reminders
Registration for grades K-4 is Monday – Friday 8:00am - 3:00pm returning students will need to complete an enrollment packet only.
NEW students will need to complete an enrollment packet AND provide a birth certificate; proof of tribal enrollment/certificate of Indian blood; proof of residency; and updated immunization records.
MEET THE TEACHER Day is on July 30th from 4pm - 7pm.
THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL is on Monday, August 3rd. Breakfast is served at 7:25 and classes begin at 8:00am.

Dress Code Reminder: We will begin enforcing the Casa Blanca Community School Dress Code starting day one, August 3, 2015. The dress code is a school shirt (T-shirt or Polo) and tan or black shorts/pants/skirts. Teachers will ask a student to change or wear a cover if they have other clothing items. We will contact parents to bring a change of clothes if the situation cannot be fixed here at school. School shirts may be purchased at the school. Cost of the shirts: T-Shirt $5.25, Polo Shirts $8.65.

Transportation: On the first day of school there may be some bus issues. We request your patience in dealing with bus concerns over the first week of school. Contact the CBCS Student Transportation Department at 520-315-2204, if you have concerns about your child's route or bus stop.

CORRECTIONS

July 2, 2015

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DEQ Employee Retirement

Submitted by Department of Environmental Quality

Mr. Dan Blair, retired Compliance & Enforcement Manager for the Gila River Indian Community’s Department of Environmental Quality (GRIC DEQ), received the 2015 Virgil Masayesva Excellence Award at the National Tribal Forum on Air Quality Management in May, which was hosted by the Notwassapeeg Hurun Band of Potawatomi in Battle Creek, Michigan. The award is given in honor of Virgil Masayesva.

Virgil Masayesva was the Director of the Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals at Northern Arizona University from its inception until his passing in 2005. Virgil is remembered for his leadership, dedication, innovation and commitment to the support of tribal air programs; their creation, development, advancement, and ultimate success in promoting tribal sovereignty, tribal culture, and tribal environmental protection. This award was developed to recognize and perpetuate continuing contributions to that legacy.

Dan was instrumental in developing the GRIC DEQ Air Quality Program (AQP), which is responsible for protecting the ambient air quality of the Community by regulating local air pollution sources and monitoring the ambient air across the Community. Once the AQMP was approved by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), GRIC became the first Tribe in the country with a comprehensive set of air regulations. In addition, Dan served as a mentor to many DEQ staff over the years.

Ryan Dherle, GRIC DEQ Environmental Program Manager, who oversees the AQP said, “Dan was truly passionate about the advancement of the AQMP and implementation of the AQMP that we worked tirelessly to develop. He was a talented and assertive inspector who loved to mentor staff. He never ceased to amaze staff with his ability to recall information about the contents of the AQMP or stories about how the AQMP was developed. His story-telling was unprecedented. His knowledge, insight, joviality, kindness, and stories will be missed.”

GRIC DEQ Executive Director Ondrea Barber said, “It has been an honor and privilege to work with Dan over the years. Dan has humbly shared his extensive knowledge of environmental programs and issues with the Community and with Tribes across the nation. Dan helped to establish GRIC DEQ and did so with integrity and professionalism. We will miss seeing Dan on a regular basis and wish him a long and enjoyable retirement.”

Dan was nominated for this award by GRIC DEQ Executive Director Ondrea Barber for his outstanding efforts in tribal program development, as well as his excellence in policy development. Congratulations Mr. Dan Blair!

Career Pathways Program Trains Members to Be Leaders

By Annie Gutierrez

Gila River Indian News

The Community is breeding its own leaders to tomorrow’s workforce and one tribal department is taking on the task.

On June 25, the first and second cohort of participants in the Career Pathways program received their certificate of completion in front of a packed crowd at the Van-Ki Multipurpose Center. The ceremony recognized forty-three students who completed hands on training and studies in the fields of: medical, small business, government, construction and hospitality.

Through Career Pathways, Community members of different ages were able to complete college courses and obtain basic skills training before interning with Community businesses in their field of interest.

During the ceremony, representatives and teachers highlighted student success and accomplishments. The nurses from Gila River Health Care Center praised the students in the medical sector for facing their fears and overcoming their obstacles. They presented phlebotomy student, Jacqueline Marques with the outstanding student plaque. An Emotional Marques thanked her teachers and said, “It’s been a journey... I wanted to give up but my classmates and [teachers] encouraged me to keep going forward and pushing me. I like the program because they worked with me and it was hands-on. I’m amazed at myself. I didn’t think I could do it.”

In addition to the crop of awardees, nine students from Iru Hayes High School completed their course work from the culinary arts program at Central Arizona College. The group of high school students earned electives as well as college credit and a summer work experience placement with the Employment & Training Department.

Career Pathways coordinators, Melody Lewis and Lynette Clark couldn’t be happier about the program’s success. Lewis and Clark have been the brains behind the operation creating and structuring programs to meet student, employer and college needs. Lewis and Clark worked with Gila River businesses such as Gila River Casinos, Pima Leasing, Gila River Healthcare, and Kewee Coffee among many others to obtain job placements for participants. They also worked with local college communities and universities to create a course to help students succeed based on requirements and needs of selected in-demand occupations. The first few sector programs began in May 2014.

The program slowly progressed adding more programs with seventy participants being trained and educated. By the end of the program, all seventy participants will be trained to occupy in-demand positions. After seeing the results of a program that started eight months ago, Lewis said, “When I see the numbers, the product and outcome, it’s a success for us. It worked. It was successful and they liked it.”

Career Pathways is a federally funded program through a grant called Workforce Innovation Funds (WIF) and is the first in Indian Country to be implemented into a workforce assistance program. From the program’s brochure, the career program “connects job training, education, employers and other employment systems together with the sole purpose of meeting the needs of today’s working learner.” The Career Pathways program is extended until March 2016.
### GILA RIVER TV - Program Guide: Sunday, July 5th - Saturday, July 11th, 2015*

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**Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program**

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July 2, 2015
GRIN Kids Art Contest Winners

By Ashely Pasqual
Gila River Indian News

The Gila River Indian News held a GRIN Kids Art Contest to honor the Year of Celebrating Gila River Water Rights. The rules were to draw a photo of a favorite water activity or body of water, make it colorful, and most of all, be creative! Fourteen drawings were entered and featured at the Water Resources Research Center Conference on June 10. Two winners were selected by the Community Executive Office.

The winners of the GRIN Kids Art Contest came into the Communications and Public Affairs Office, with a parent/guardian at their side, and told their story of how they use water. Being shy at first, the two also shared what inspired them to draw their colorful piece of artwork.

Amare Pratt, 7, is in second grade and loves to draw and garden. Gardening was introduced to her at school where she planted radishes, tomatoes, carrots, and lettuce with other students. She now plants by herself at home.

“I’m gardening flowers and chile for my grandma,” she said.

Her mother didn’t anticipate that she’d have trouble with the contest.

“Shes has markers, crayons, pencils… I’ll go in [her bedroom] and she’ll be sitting at her little desk area just coloring or drawing.”

Amare’s older brother is her inspiration and she dreams of becoming an artist in the future.

Caitlyn Benally, 9, is in the fourth grade at St. Peter Indian Mission School. Her drawing features a water balloon fight with her brother and sister.

“My favorite water activity is a water balloon fight! It is fun like awesome!” said Caitlyn.

Not only does Caitlyn enjoy a good water balloon fight, she also likes to spray her siblings with the water hose and go swimming.

The girls were each given a duffle bag filled with prizes, including coloring books, a water rights blanket and a Harkins Theatre gift card.

The purpose of the contest was to emphasize water importance and usage to the young ones of the community.

The “GRIN kids” who entered in the contest expressed how much fun they have with water, especially on hot Arizona summer days.

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Lt. Gov. Monica Antone with art contest winners Amare Pratt, 7, and Caitlyn Benally, 9, displaying their artwork in front of the Governance Center.

Police Cadets Begin Summer Program, meet Gov. Lewis

GRPD Summer Cadets met with Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis in the governor’s office. Left to right: Cadet Gabriel Makil, Cadet Skylar Jones, Officer Milano, Cadet Ayana Eddie, Officer Smith, Cadet Jordan Notah, Gov. Lewis, Cadet Cassidy Cook, Cadet Breanna Johnson, Sgt. Manuel, Cadet Roxy Myore, Officer Poolaw.
GRIC Leadership Attends Tohono O’odham Nation Inauguration

O’odham New Year

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flower and the whirlwind.

Basket dancer Brianna Wi-throw led the dancers, who learned how to dance to the songs from elder and experienced dancers in the days leading up to the event. She said, “It was beautiful to see the participation . . . [there were] at least fifty ladies who wanted to learn about their tradition.”

Although every dance group is different in performing the songs, the ladies were able to catch on quickly to the graceful dances. She said, “As a basket dancer you learn many things from what you were taught, but one thing that I took away from the practice is dancing with your heart – going the same flow as the rattles in the gourd. The rattles will carry you through the song.”

The highlight of the event was not only the good food, but the singing and dancing until sun-rise. Many people stayed the whole night dancing or socializing with strangers, family and fellow Community members. At midnight, guests also had a good time dancing for gifts for themselves and the elders.

Four runners kept the New Year spirit going by finishing the event off with a run from the fairgrounds to Sivan Vahki, or the Casa Grande Ruins. In years prior to the official event, the small group of runners had attempted to revive the occasion and celebrate the traditional New Year by running from Maricopa Colony to Sivan Vahki. Community member Jiyvik Siiki said that, “in the past they have had up to twenty runners and as low as four,” who participated in the independent group.

He hopes the Community will acknowledge the event as a tribal holiday in the future alongside the other holidays.

The O’odham New Year Celebration was hosted by the Community Services Department.
Community Graduates Honored at Banquet

By Christopher Lomahquahu
Gila River Indian News

As the graduation season comes to an end, many students start their summer break on a high note. For the Community’s recent high school and college graduates, that high note was a banquet held at the District 2 Hashan Kehk Multipurpose building on June 19. The evening was marked with laughter and success. Many of the higher education students are first generation college graduates in their families, and several of the high school graduates have already made plans for college.

Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis congratulated the students for their educational success with a round of applause. “There is so much to be thankful for tonight,” he said, and praised the Tribal Education Department and the Johnson O’Malley student advisors for the work they commit to the Community’s students.

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Lt. Gov. Monica Antone was excited to see the large number of graduates and said the financial aid provided through Student Services is a blessing to the Community, because with it, students are able to obtain an education. “We need people like engineers to manage our water resources and people in healthcare, social services, [and] behavioral health to connect with our own people,” she said.

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• Tell your child that you love them. Even if your baby is small, talk to them and reassure them with hugs and affection.
• Keep your child’s life as normal as you can. Try to stick to familiar routines throughout the day.
• Communicate with your child as much as possible. Prepare them for situations that deviate from their normal schedule and daily routines. Children understand more than they express and preparing them for change reduces their stress.
• Relax and stay calm. This will help your child feel that way as well.
• Read to your child every day and play with them. Sing songs and find things to laugh about together.
• If your child is clingy during these times, let them stay by you and cuddle. Don’t be afraid of spoiling your baby if you hold them and comfort them.
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Dwayne Manuel breathe life into a ragged concrete wall with a can of electric green spray paint. He’s in an abandoned building in the middle of nowhere throwing up his graffiti name in bright, erratic letters.

At six-foot-five with partially dreadlocked hair and a stoic scowl, Dwayne Manuel strikes an intriguing figure. But he’s a nice guy, who smiles easy, jokes a lot and whose laugh fills the room.

Manuel is Onk Akimel O’otham of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. He got his start as an artist growing up and doing graffiti on the reservation, but now, at 30, he is an accomplished artist, a high school art teacher, holds a Master of Fine Arts degree from the University of Arizona and is well-known for his recent partnership with Nike in which he designed the sportswear company’s Desert Journey Collection, earlier this year.

Dwayne will also be a featured artist at the Huhugam Heritage Center in August. The exhibit, entitled Piecing the Desert, will run August 7 through Nov. 6 and feature works from Dwayne, Breeze, Strike, and Gila River Indian Community member artists Lokey, Dreamt One, TekNeik and others.

The grand opening is set for August 7 from 5 – 9 p.m. and will incorporate O’otham designs into his artwork. He said, “I always liked the designs. For his Master’s thesis project, he created a surreal mural in southern Arizona desert. The shoes, hats, jacket and jersey are all Native American graffiti artists…and I always wanted to get them together in one place to paint,” said Manuel.

Manuel created the show last year with his friends Martina Dewley and Tohono O’odham artist Striker. The show takes place on the lawn of the Arizona State Museum on the U of A campus and will be on Oct. 24 this year.

He said hosting the show at the Arizona State Museum was a conscious decision because the museum has a larger-than-life anthropological focus and looks at Native American culture through a historical lens, but Neoglyphix is all about modern Native American art.

“ASM gives a voice to Native people, he said, but through it, Native people are saying “we WERE here. Neoglyphix is telling people that we ARE here.”

With Neoglyphix, he wanted people to see “there are contempor- ary Native American graffiti artists do- ing work now…We’re not just images trapped in time.”

He also hopes for people to see that graffiti is not just based in gang and criminal activity – it’s serious art. And at the same time, Native art isn’t always just folk art, pottery and basket weaving.

Artistic Expression

Dwayne Manuel was destined to be an artist long before he started doing graffiti. It was his mother, Alice Manuel, a basket weaver, who inspired him.

“I remember when I was real little, she taught me how to draw a turtle one time and I really liked it. I drew it all over the place after that,” he said.

The graffiti started in high school.

“What I liked about graffiti, what made me gravitate towards it was all the colors,” he said, “and seeing it on such a large scale, like walls… It’s in your face and it just pulled me in. I was like, I want to do that.”

For a quiet teen growing up on the reservation, tagging was a means of expression.

“It gives you a voice,” he said, “and for me – I was really shy growing up – it did empower me a little more. I think art, in general, empowers.”

Manuel loved to sketch and draw. He spent his time at the former Desert Eagle High School on the Salt River reservation, developing his style as an artist and a graffiti writer. In art, Manuel found his voice, but he had yet to discover what, exactly, he was trying to say. For that, he went to art school.

Art School

Manuel attended The Institute of American Indian Arts in Santa Fe, New Mexico, where he got his Bachelor of Fine Arts degree.

Going to college was “the most positive thing I could do,” said Manuel, “for myself and for my family and for my community.”

While at school, he began to see the value of implementing his heritage into his artwork. He said in college, seeing the pride that his peers had in their culture and how they played through their artwork got him thinking about his heritage and how he might be able to incorporate O’otham designs into his work.

“It made me realize I could do the same thing with my work, because at the time, I wasn’t real- ly doing anything too tribal or tradi- tional or Native American,” he said.

After graduating from IAIA, Manuel returned home and took some time off from school. But after a stint working 12-hour night shifts at a local convenience store, he found himself physically and creatively drained.

“I didn’t have any ideas. I wasn’t drawing that much and… I get really depressed or irritable or emotional when I don’t create or draw or whatever,” he said. He quit his job and applied for grad school.

Grad School

“Very rarely do we get Na- tive American artists… [especially] to apply to this program, so this was a big thrill for us to have [Dwayne] here,” said Alfred Quirizo, an art professor at the University of Arizona. Quirizo was a very special teacher to Man-uel and eventually headed his Mas- ter’s thesis committee.

“I didn’t look at Dwayne so much as a student, but to me he was just another artist, who had a great talent,” said Quirizo. “He’s an incredible drawer, and a really fine artist. … He wasn’t trying to prove anything with anybody. He just made his work and knocked everybody’s socks off.”

Manuel has always aimed for a certain “shock value” in his work, he said. For example, he likes to draw pictures of things like death and human skulls with worms, bugs and parasites.

In the early months of his graduate program, he said, he did a large drawing full of dark imagery. But when his instructor asked him what it meant, Dwayne didn’t have a clear answer. His instructor gave him some names of artists to research.

“ ‘These are artists who went through real horror, real terror… war stuff and stuff like that. So your horror, your what’s your terror, and what can you paint about?’”

Manuel realized the terror of his life, and the lives of many Na- tive Americans, is life on the res- ervation. Here, he discovered what he wanted to say through his art and he started focusing on Native American issues.

Growing up on the reserva- tion, he said, “I was so used to… all the negative stuff that happens.”

After returning home from IAIA, “I got to see everything from an outsider’s point of view, … That’s when…my eyes opened up and I started seeing the issues that are going on, you know – [diabetes], deaths, alcoholism, all that stuff.”

Working on these topics, Manuel hoped for him to research the history of oppression imposed upon Na- tive Americans and the ill effects that have evolved.

“It was very emotional having to read through this and seeing the damage and the wrongs that were done to our people,” he said. “It was hard getting myself together and doing those pieces. It was a journey.”

For his Master’s thesis proj- ect, he created a surreal mural in beautiful, vibrant colors depicting scary, cartoonish scenes of pain and despair – a blue bird sick from cigarettes, a man crucified on a Sa- guaro, a beer can laughing, a video game controller with a sad face, a river damned by a suited hand and after it, aNative man filling the void with a stream of waste and vomit.

“His work had this edge to it that just really excited me,” said Quirizo. “He’s thinking about certain poli- tics [and] he’s not afraid to speak up.”

Quirizo expects Manuel to make an impact on the art world.

“I told him, ‘Once you’ve graduated, now the real work be- gins. You’ve got to get out there, get your name out there,’ he said, “and I did it with the Nike thing.”

The Professional

While Manuel was still preparing for his Master’s thesis he was already working on another major project that would not be revealed for another year.

Nike released the Desert Journey Collection in January just before the Super Bowl, when all eyes were on Arizona. The shoes, hats, jerky and jen- sey feature traditional O’otham designs drawing attention to the Native inhabitants of the Arizona desert.

“Manuel’s design…interprets two traditional symbols,” reads the Nike website, “the water shield and the whirlwind, which together reflect Man-uel’s heritage and illustrate the modern competitor’s long, bat- tle-filled journey to reach the final destination.”

Manuel viewed this as an opportunity to show the world who his people are, and put O’otham people on the map. Over all, he said, it was a very positive and rewarding experi- ence.

A lot of his artwork draws from traditional O’otham bas- ket designs.

“It pretty much goes back to my mom,” he said. His works based on basket designs are his palette for his mom and grandmothers, who weep.

As a male, he is not allowed to weave baskets – in his communi- ty, that is a woman’s role. But, he said, “I always liked the designs. The designs are just amazing,” es- pecially the whirlwind and coyote tracks designs.

He started drawing and paint- ing the designs and “I started hav- ing ideas when I was painting… Baskets are already abstract imag- es anyway…so I pushed them to be more abstract.”

Manuel and an artist friend of his, Breeze, hosted an art show in February called Jethogs at The Hive in central Phoenix. Manuel displayed a number of his paint- ings, which featured circular de- signs that started at O’otham bas- kets that became abstracted, blown apart and infused with color.

Manuel has a couple of up- coming shows later this year. He will host Neoglyphix again this year, which is a show for Native American graffiti artists.

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year’s tournament from the across the Community: Blackwater, Outkast, Gila River Bears, Goodyear Warriors, and Casa Blanca Indians who played in the Single A Division (Little League).

The Gila River Outlaws played in the girls Triple A Softball Division (High School).

Before a crowd of 35,000-plus sports fans, the Ira H. Hayes American Legion Post 51 posted the colors as the National Anthem ushered the start of America’s pastime.

To start the evening match up between the D-backs and San Diego Padres, Gila River Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis threw out the first pitch, sending it over home plate.

Although the D-backs dropped their game against the Padres 8-1, the game still ended on high note with fireworks courtesy of the Gila River Casinos.

Clockwise from top right: Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis throws out the ceremonial first pitch at the Arizona Diamondbacks Native American Recognition Day game, June 19, against the San Diego Padres. Theodore Santos (center), GRIC District 5, won the Coach of the Year Award from the Diamondbacks for the Inter-Tribal Youth Baseball Tournament. His team is the Indians, who won one out of three games in the tournament. He is flanked by Virgilyn Talas (left) and son/assistant coach Alex Santos (right).

The entire GRIC royalty delegation: Jr. Miss Gila River Second Attendant Siasek Lucero, Jr. Miss Gila River First Attendant Ashley Thompson, Jr. Miss Gila River Charisma Quiroz, Miss Gila River First Attendant Cheyenne Jackson, and Miss Gila River Sienna Whittington.

The Outlaws showed their Gila River Indian Community Pride on Native American Recognition Day at Chase Field. Photos by Roberto A. Jackson.

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Presenter: Linda Sauer
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GOVERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS CALLED FOR A 15-MINUTE BREAK. THE MEETING RECONVENED AT 5:43PM
RESOLUTIONS
1. A Resolution Authorizing The Gila River Indian Community’s Department of Environmental Quality To Partner With The United States Environmental Protection Agency And Participate In The “Making A Visible Difference In Communities Initiative” For A Period Of Two Years (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval, NRSC concurs)
Presenter: Ondrea Barber APPROVED
2. A Resolution Approving And Authorizing An Agreement Between The Department Of Environmental Quality Of The Gila River Indian Community And Roger Ferland D/B/A Consulting Services By Roger Ferland L.L.C. (NRSC for Office Of G&MSC with recommendation for approval, G&MSC concurs)
Presenter: Ondrea Barber APPROVED
3. A Resolution Approving And Authorizing Amendment #1 To The October 1, 2014 Agreement Between The Gila River Indian Community And Osborn Maloney, P.A. (G&MSC motioned to forward to Community Council with recommendation of Kahlton of approval)
Presenter: Office Of General Counsel APPROVED
4. A Resolution Authorizing Gila River Telecommunications, Inc. To Enter Into A General Agreement And Statement Of Indemnity For The Benefit Of Native Technology Solutions, Inc. (G&MSC motioned to forward to Community Council with recommendation of approval, EDSC concurs)
Presenter: GRTI Board of Directors, Bruce Holdridge APPROVED
5. A Resolution Authorizing The Gila River Indian Community Police Department To Submit A Grant Application To The United States Justice Bureau Of Justice Assistance Technology Innovation Public Safety (TIPS) For The FY 2015 Competitive Grant Announcement (G&MSC motioned to forward to Community Council with recommendation of approval)
Presenter: Kathleen Elliott APPROVED
6. A Resolution Authorizing The Gila River Indian Community Police Department To Submit A Grant Application To The United States Department Of Justice Bureau Of Justice Assistance Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program For The FY 2015 Local Solicitation (G&MSC motioned to forward to Community Council with recommendation of approval)
Presenter: Kathleen Elliott APPROVED
7. A Resolution Authorizing The Department Of Community Housing To Submit A Grant Application To The United States Department Of Housing And Urban Development, Public And Indian Housing, Community Development Block Grant Program For Indian Tribes And Alaska Native Villages-Mold Remediation And Prevention (G&MSC motioned to forward to Community Council with recommendation of approval with corrections)
Presenter: Laurie Thomas APPROVED
8. A Resolution Granting 2.1382 Acres of Reservation Land in District 5 & 6 To The Gila River Indian Community And Roger Ferland D/B/A Consulting Services by Roger Ferland L.L.C. To Enter Into A General Agreement And Statement Of Indemnity For The Benefit Of Native Technology Solutions, Inc. (G&MSC motioned to forward to Community Council with recommendation of approval, NRSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval, EDSC concurs)
Presenter: Barney Bigman APPROVED
Presenter: John Roberts, Esther Manuel APPROVED
ORDINANCES
22. Gila River Telecommunications, Inc. – Connect American Fund (CAF) And Inter-Carrier Compensation (ICC) Data As Of April 3, 2015 (G&MSC motioned to forward to Community Council with recommendation of approval)
Presenters: GRTI Board Of Directors, Bruce Holdridge
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION
1. Department Of Community Housing – Audit (Executive Session) (G&MSC motioned to release the DCH (Department Of Community Housing)audit to the Community Council and to reconcile the discrepancies between the two budgets (Indian Housing and Amerind)
Presenter: Office Of General Counsel
ITEM DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION
[GOVERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS CALLED FOR A 30-MINUTE BREAK. THE MEETING RECONVENED AT 8:32PM]
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MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO DIRECT THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF DCH TO RE-ESTABLISH THE DISTRICT 4 ELDERLY COMPLEX AS A PROJECT TO BE CONSTRUCTED
2. Coyotes Naming Rights (Executive Session)
Presenter: Linux Everling
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO EXIT BEFORE UNFINISHED BUSINESS #1
NEW BUSINESS
1. Information On First Things First Summit 2015 (H&SSC forwards to Council)
Presenter: Melissa Madrid
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MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO HEARD AFTER UNFINISHED BUSINESS #1 MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION
3. Employee Matter (Executive Session) (G&MSC motioned to forward to Community Council, LSC concurs)
Presenter: Governor Stephen R. Lewis, Michelle Bowman
ITEM DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO DIRECT THE GOVERNOR TO TERMINATE THE EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT WITH MS. PLEVE
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPOINT MR. MURDOCK HOLLOWAY AS ACTING CHIEF PROSECUTOR
4. Letter for Direction on Interim Gila River Farms Interim Board (G&MSC motioned to forward the request for an extension to the Interim Board of Directors for Gila River Farms and to include the resignation letter from Councilwoman Carolyn Williams in regards to her seat on the Interim Board of Directors)
Presenter: Gila River Farms Interim Board
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO EXTEND THE APPOINTMENTS TO THE INTERIM BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GILA RIVER FARMS FOR 60-DAYS
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ACCEPT THE LETTER OF RESIGNATION FROM COUNCILWOMAN CAROLYN WILLIAMS
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPOINT NADA Celaya To The Interim Farm Board
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION
5. Tribal Education Department SPECIAL AUDIT REPORT (Executive Session) (ESC moves to forward to Community Council)
Presenter: Treasurer Robert G. Keller
ITEM DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION
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This survey is part of an effort to determine how common bed bug infestations are in the Community and what efforts are currently being conducted to address them. Take the survey at www.griqe.gov and please email, mail or drop off your completed survey to the designated drop box at any of the GRC service centers or the DEO office. 

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**Public Notice**

IN THE CHILDREN’S COURT OF THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY 
IN THE STATE OF ARIZONA 
IN THE MATTER OF: A.A.M 

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Case No.: JC-2015-0105
Case No.: JC-2015-0104

NOTICE OF INITIAL RESPONSE/ANSWER

HEARING ON PETITION FOR TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS

TO: JOHN DOE

Notice is hereby given that you are ordered to appear before the Honorable Joy Pildes on July 21, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. at the Gila River Indian Community located at 1215 Seed Farm Road, Sacaton, Arizona 85147 for purposes of a continued Initial Response/Answer Hearing on a Petition for Termination of Parental Rights filed on May 26, 2015 involving the Minor Child, A.A.M., date of birth April 14, 2011. If you fail to appear at the above noted hearing, the hearing may go forward in your absence and a warrant may be issued for your arrest, forfeiture of your bond, judgment in favor of the other party, or jail time may be imposed.

**COURT DATE NOTICES**

**SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICopa Indian Community**

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Dear Gila River and Ak-Chin Indian Community Members:

We apologize for the postponement of the job fair.
Details for the rescheduled Gila River Health Care Job Fair will be in the next issue of the Gila River Indian News.

Your friends at GRHC

For information call GRHC at:
(520) 562-3321 ext. 1342
grhc.org/careers

Gila River Health Care is committed to providing a healthy environment for our patients, visitors and employees. We invite and encourage everyone to respect our tobacco free facilities and parking lots.

Thank You,
Gila River Health Care

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17487 S. Health Care Drive
Laveen, Arizona 85339
(520) 550-6000

Ak-Chin Clinic
48203 W. Farrell Road
Maricopa, Arizona 85239
(520) 568-3881

Gila River Indian Community
Crisis Line
1-800-259-3449
SUMMER MONTHS ARE HERE AND EVERYONE IS LOOKING TO STAY COOL.

ABOVE GROUND POOLS HAVE BECOME VERY POPULAR. NO MATTER THE SIZE, POOLS CAN BE DANGEROUS.

NEVER LEAVE A CHILD UNATTENDED NEAR WATER.
It only takes a second for a small child to fall into a pool and slip underwater. When infants or toddlers are playing near a pool, an adult should be no more than an arm’s length away, providing “reach supervision.”

KNOW POOL RULES.
Make sure your child understands that jumping or diving into water can result in injury and never try to rescue a pet, always call an adult.

KEEP TOYS AWAY FROM THE POOL AREA.
Because toys can attract children, it is safest to keep them out of sight when the pool is not being used.

NEVER ALLOW YOUR CHILDREN TO SWIM ALONE.
Never think or assume that someone is watching your child always have an adult present.

GRIC COMMUNITY HOUSING PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

In case of an emergency or drowning dial 911
For information regarding CPR call Gila River Fire Department (520) 796-5900