Sacaton Middle School students create street signs for GRIC

Mikhail Sundust
Gila River Indian News

It’s going to be a little bit easier to find your way around in the Community, thanks to some fifth through eighth graders at Sacaton Middle School.

Twenty-four students cut, sanded, stenciled, and painted a number of wooden street name signs to go up in the Community.

The idea came from bus driver and teacher’s aide, Barbara Wilson, who said, “A lot of the kids don’t know what roads they live on. I think a lot of it has to do with” how we give directions on the reservation, she said.

It is well known in GERIC that directions are commonly given based on landmarks. For example, “Turn left at the big tamarack tree, keep going until you cross the canal, and turn right after the blue house.” Wilson said sometimes that’s how she gets directions to students’ homes.

“The only reason I know the names of the streets is because I have maps,” said Wilson. But, she added, “I’ve worked here for 13 years and I still have a hard time... navigating the reservation.”

Alexandra Washburn said, “It can be very difficult to get around if you’re not familiar with the area, so I really think that this project—will be helpful to, not only Community members, but people who come from the outside.”

The signs benefit the Community and the students had fun making them. Some kids connected with the hands-on work better than they do with classroom work, and the project felt more personal to them.

In a project presentation binder, the class wrote, “We noticed that most of the streets on the Gila River Indian Reservation do not have signs because of vandalism or other issues. Our class made signs for our streets to give back to the community. With the help of Mrs. Barbara Wilson, we..."

After a presentation at the HHC, the signs were distributed to the Community members. With the help of Mrs. Wilson, we..."

Demonstrations bring new life to traditional foods

Mikhail Sundust/GRIN

“Eating desert foods is so simple and easy to make. It’s going to be a little bit easier for your health... What makes them special is that they provide a well rounded diet that our bodies are able to process,” she said.

Her edible creations, such as a Pima Corn polenta, wolfberry tea, and O’otham pea sauce paired with chumath for dipping are just a few examples of what will be shared over the four weeks of demonstrations at the HHC.

To keep individuals from becoming discouraged, Button emphasized that there are different ways of preparing traditional foods and that are not specific to one recipe.

“I like to [play] with my food, because I start out with an idea of what I want to make, but it usually morphs as the process goes along.”

She encourages people that are cooking with traditional foods to try them out before adding any other ingredients, because she recommends retaining as much of the natural taste as possible.

“When I was a kid my mom...

Continued on Page 5

Outkast wins softball title

Page 3

GRFD Fire Captain saves life in Gilbert

Page 4

St. Peter pays tribute to Garagiola

Page 5

Districts 6, 7 Headstart promotion

Page 6

Hasan Baidag Masad

Page 7

Pee Posh seek to complete dictionary project

Page 7

Department of Public Works Water Quality Report

Page 10

Tribal Education works with new technology for teaching language

Page 13

GRPD COMPSTAT

Page 13

Ottawa University graduate

Page 15
**Faster Internet Speeds**

Starting July 1st you will automatically be upgraded from 6 Mbps to **10 Mbps FOR FREE!***

Need even faster DSL Speeds?
Upgrade your DSL speeds to 15 Mbps on any bundle for only $7/month.*

**PLUS...**

**My Backup**

“My Backup” is a new feature included with your DSL service.

DSL customers will now have **5 gigabytes** to store data for up to 5 devices.

**OHH YEAH!**

Contact a Customer Service Representative at 520-796-3333 if you do not have a DSL bundle.

*Speeds may vary in some areas*
Team Outkast adds another Championship to the trophy case

Christopher Lomahgahu
Gila River Indian News

The Outkast softball team’s near perfect record of 12 wins and 1 loss was rewarded with a very special prize capturing the Lady Fox Fast Pitch Softball League Championship, April 30.

Avery White, who has been coaching the Outkast teams for five years said, “They were really on the ball. [They] knew what was ahead of them and went for it.”

Even though the 10-and-under (10u) team only had one loss the whole season the team worked even harder to make sure it didn’t happen again.

White said the families are the ones that really kept the team going, adding they deserve a huge thanks for supporting their kids.

The 10u girls team wasn’t the only one to have a successful run in this year’s Tempe Lady Hawks Fast Pitch Softball League.

From the start of the season, Team Outkast fielded three teams in the 10u, 12u and the 14u age divisions, which took them across different parks in Tempe playing evening games, Monday through Thursday.

In a league fielded with a diverse line-up of teams, Team Outkast was the only one to originate from a true community.

Team Outkast chose to enter into the Tempe league based on how the rules are setup, because other leagues don’t allow them to field a whole team consisting of 13- to 14-year players.

White said playing away from the Community was a little demanding on the parents and players, but that he owes a lot of gratitude to the parents.

When the playoffs were in full swing, the fourth seed 14u Outkast team went up against a first seed team finishing in third place overall.

Despite falling short in their last game, they made the game interesting, coming back from a 9-2 deficit, showing the opposing team that they weren’t going to give up.

“It’s a spirit that runs throughout all of the Outkast teams, they give other teams that are more equipped logistically and financially, a run for their money,” said Santiago.

Outkast has two children that play on two teams, a son, who plays on the 14u baseball team, and her daughter, who plays on the 10u fast pitch softball team.

“These young ladies played their hearts out every single game, which resulted in an outstanding season,” said Sanchez.

She said it is a talented group of players that have accomplished much and represent the Community.

The celebrations will be brief as other Outkast teams prepare to participate in the Native baseball and softball tournaments, including urban leagues across the Valley.

White said they plan on going back to play in the Lady Hawk League, because the kids have really shown an interest in playing.

Another parent, Chandace Thomas, said the 10u teams individual efforts have contributed to the team’s successful run at the championship.

“It goes back to the coaches who were always there to help them...[they] take it out of their heart to help them,” said Thomas.

She said the girls have shown a true passion for the game and are always working on their form on their off time.

“For me and my husband...we will continue to support the girls on the team...[We are] ready for next season,” said Thomas.

28th Annual Gila River Youth Conference (ages 13-21) June 23-24, 2016 Ultrastar Multi-tainment Center 16000 N Maricopa Rd, Maricopa, AZ 85139

TRANSPORTATION SCHEDULE

Thursday June 23, 2016 (Registration opens at 9:45am, Conference starts at 10:30 am)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Districts</th>
<th>Letter</th>
<th>Service Center</th>
<th>Depart Maricopa</th>
<th>Depart Ultrastar</th>
<th>Depart Ultrastar Maricopa</th>
<th>Arrive @ Service Center</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>#1 (Bus 1)</td>
<td>8:30 am</td>
<td>9:45 am</td>
<td>10:00 am</td>
<td>11:00 am</td>
<td>11:45 pm</td>
<td>12:15 am</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>#2 (Bus 1)</td>
<td>9:00 am</td>
<td>10:15 am</td>
<td>10:30 am</td>
<td>11:00 am</td>
<td>11:45 pm</td>
<td>12:15 am</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>#3 (Bus 1)</td>
<td>9:30 am</td>
<td>10:45 am</td>
<td>11:00 am</td>
<td>12:00 pm</td>
<td>12:45 pm</td>
<td>1:15 pm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>#4 (Bus 1)</td>
<td>9:45 am</td>
<td>10:45 am</td>
<td>11:00 am</td>
<td>12:00 pm</td>
<td>12:45 pm</td>
<td>1:15 pm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>#5 (Bus 2)</td>
<td>9:20 am</td>
<td>10:05 am</td>
<td>10:20 am</td>
<td>11:00 am</td>
<td>11:45 pm</td>
<td>12:15 am</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>#6 (Bus 2)</td>
<td>9:35 am</td>
<td>10:20 am</td>
<td>10:40 am</td>
<td>11:00 am</td>
<td>11:45 pm</td>
<td>12:15 am</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>#7 (Bus 3)</td>
<td>8:45 am</td>
<td>9:05 am</td>
<td>9:20 am</td>
<td>10:00 am</td>
<td>11:00 am</td>
<td>12:00 pm</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Friday June 24, 2016 (Registration opens at 9:45am, Conference starts at 10:30 am)

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Districts</th>
<th>Letter</th>
<th>Service Center</th>
<th>Depart Maricopa</th>
<th>Depart Ultrastar</th>
<th>Depart Ultrastar Maricopa</th>
<th>Arrive @ Service Center</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>#1 (Bus 1)</td>
<td>8:30 am</td>
<td>9:45 am</td>
<td>10:00 am</td>
<td>11:00 am</td>
<td>11:45 pm</td>
<td>12:15 am</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>#2 (Bus 1)</td>
<td>9:00 am</td>
<td>10:15 am</td>
<td>10:30 am</td>
<td>11:00 am</td>
<td>11:45 pm</td>
<td>12:15 am</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>#3 (Bus 1)</td>
<td>9:30 am</td>
<td>10:45 am</td>
<td>11:00 am</td>
<td>12:00 pm</td>
<td>12:45 pm</td>
<td>1:15 pm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>#4 (Bus 1)</td>
<td>9:45 am</td>
<td>10:45 am</td>
<td>11:00 am</td>
<td>12:00 pm</td>
<td>12:45 pm</td>
<td>1:15 pm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>#5 (Bus 2)</td>
<td>9:50 am</td>
<td>10:25 am</td>
<td>10:45 am</td>
<td>11:00 am</td>
<td>11:45 pm</td>
<td>12:15 am</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>#6 (Bus 2)</td>
<td>9:55 am</td>
<td>10:30 am</td>
<td>10:50 am</td>
<td>11:00 am</td>
<td>11:45 pm</td>
<td>12:15 am</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>#7 (Van)</td>
<td>8:55 am</td>
<td>9:10 am</td>
<td>9:30 am</td>
<td>10:00 am</td>
<td>11:00 am</td>
<td>12:00 pm</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

May Charters is the official transportation carrier for the Gila River Youth Conference. Transportation is provided daily to GRIC youth ONLY! Please respect the transportation drivers, chaperones, & passengers. Any misconduct with result in immediate expulsion from the bus and the event.

All backpacks, bags, luggage, will be subject to inspection by Youth Conference staff, chaperones, and/or police escorts for the safety of conference participants.

Transportation times are subject to change. Sign up at your local District Service Center. All registrations need to be turned in at Ak-Chin UltraStar with all required signatures. If you have any questions, please contact youth council office at (520) 562-1866 or youthcouncil@gric.nsn.us.

Open Invitation
You are invited to attend a meet- ing of concern to Veterans. This meeting addresses a Wall, Park, and information Center in Gilbert, Arizona. JUNE 10, 2016 - 0800 - 1300 VAH-KUCSANA BUILDING 3456 West Casa Blanca Road - Exit 175 110 The original Wall displaces 58,307 names, 625 are from Arizona, half were Arizona Natives. This Wall in Gilbert wishes to honor those Natives and all Arizona Veterans with information. The focus is on the Viet Nam era because of the 50 year anniversary and because honor was not given to those returning from the Viet Nam war.

FOR INFORMATION: Douglas Juan (520) 315-3441 Lisa Rigler, President (480) 400-9349

CORRECTIONS
The correct date for the Day of Hope 2016 conference was on May 6, 2016 and not on May 10, 2016 as stated in the GRIN. The GRIN encourages comments and suggestions about content that warrants correction or clarification.
To report an error call (520) 562-9719 or email grin@gric.nsn.us
GRFD Fire Captain saves lives in Gilbert

Capt. Jesse Zuniga holds his award from Gilbert Fire & Rescue surrounded by family with GRFD Chief Thomas Knapp on the right.

Submitted by
Money Morris
Gila River Fire Department

Fire Captain Jesse Zuniga, Gila River Fire Department, was recently given a distinguished award by Gilbert Fire & Rescue for his lifesaving efforts at a Life-time Fitness in the Town of Gilbert.

On Jan. 1, Zuniga was exercising at the gym when he noticed another patron had collapsed. Zuniga immediately recognized the other patron was in cardiac arrest, and began giving CPR to the patient. Employees from Lifetime Fitness showed up and Zuniga requested an Automated External Defibrillator (AED), which was brought to him while performing CPR.

Zuniga then utilized the AED and shocked the patient, effectively restoring the patient’s pulse. The patient was breathing on his own and was starting to wake up by the time that Gilbert Fire Department members arrived on scene, to take over. The patient was transported to the hospital and regained full use of his body and is alive today.

Zuniga was awarded the Gilbert Fire & Rescue Department’s Citizen Heroism Award at an event attended by the Gilbert Fire and Rescue Department’s senior staff (including the Fire Chief Jim Jobusch), members of the responding fire company, senior staff members from Gila River Fire Department (including Fire Chief Thomas C. Knapp), members of Zuniga’s engine company, Zuniga’s Shift Commander (Matt Pierce) and members of Zuniga’s family.

“We need more people like you Jesse, that understand the importance of community and helping your fellow citizen in their time of need,” said Deputy Chief PIO of Gilbert Fire & Rescue MikeConnor at the Citizen Heroism Award ceremony.

**GRFD TV GUIDE**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Time</th>
<th>Event Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>12:00</td>
<td>Standing on Sacred Ground</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12:30</td>
<td>Why Treaties</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1:00</td>
<td>Storytellers in Motion</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1:30</td>
<td>Native Report</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2:00</td>
<td>Native American Spirit Teas</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2:30</td>
<td>From The Spirit</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3:00</td>
<td>Dakota 38</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3:30</td>
<td>Native American Spirit Teas</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4:00</td>
<td>Montana &amp; Montana</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4:30</td>
<td>Back to The Day Overmount</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5:00</td>
<td>First Talk</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5:30</td>
<td>Native Report</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6:00</td>
<td>Native Voice TV</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6:30</td>
<td>Native Ground Youth Report</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7:00</td>
<td>Wapsi Bay All’s Day</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7:30</td>
<td>Oat’t Out of Water</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8:00</td>
<td>Oat’t Out of Water</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8:30</td>
<td>Oat’t Out of Water</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9:00</td>
<td>Colorado Indian A Tribal Story</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9:30</td>
<td>Nick Thomas &amp; Anu Indian &amp; Los Angeles</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10:00</td>
<td>Field Game: The Native American Game of Life Performance</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10:30</td>
<td>Original Patrons: Northern California Indian Veterans</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11:00</td>
<td>How Does Life Affect the Community</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11:30</td>
<td>Stories from the War to Win the Wins</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**GRIC College Readiness Community Event**
In partnership with NC State University, GRIC College Readiness Community Event.

**GRIC Graduation Recognition Banquet**

**Gila River Family Fitness**

“Learn how to work out in your own home or at your local gym [with] the Native American Fitness Council.”

**GRIC Community Events**

- Life and Beauty
  - By Isabella Sneezey
  - Huhugam Heritage Center
  - June 6 – August 8
  - www.mygilariver.com for details

- Veterans Meeting
  - Park in Gilbert
  - D5 Multipurpose Building
  - Friday, June 10
  - 1 p.m. – 1 p.m.
  - More info: azwall-project.com

- Dougobble Co-ed Tournament
  - Vah-Ki Multipurpose Building
  - Thursday, June 23
  - Deadline to register: Thursday, June 16
  - To register and for more information call Anissa Garcia: 520-315-3441

- GRIC Graduation Recognition Banquet
  - District 7 Service Center
  - June 11
  - 4 a.m. – 4 p.m.

- GRIC Graduation Recognition Banquet
  - District 5 Service Center
  - Saturday, June 4
  - 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

- GRIC Graduation Recognition Banquet
  - District 5 Service Center
  - Saturday, June 4
  - 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

**GRIC TV Guide**

- GRIC News Weekly and GRIC Events showing at 6:30am, 10:30am, 3:30pm and 8:00pm.

**GRIC TV Guide**

- GRIC TV Guide
  - GRIC News Weekly and GRIC Events showing at 6:30am, 10:30am, 3:30pm and 8:00pm.

**GRIC TV Guide**

- GRIC TV Guide
  - GRIC News Weekly and GRIC Events showing at 6:30am, 10:30am, 3:30pm and 8:00pm.

**GRIC TV Guide**

- GRIC TV Guide
  - GRIC News Weekly and GRIC Events showing at 6:30am, 10:30am, 3:30pm and 8:00pm.

**GRIC TV Guide**

- GRIC TV Guide
  - GRIC News Weekly and GRIC Events showing at 6:30am, 10:30am, 3:30pm and 8:00pm.

**GRIC TV Guide**

- GRIC TV Guide
  - GRIC News Weekly and GRIC Events showing at 6:30am, 10:30am, 3:30pm and 8:00pm.

**GRIC TV Guide**

- GRIC TV Guide
  - GRIC News Weekly and GRIC Events showing at 6:30am, 10:30am, 3:30pm and 8:00pm.

**GRIC TV Guide**

- GRIC TV Guide
  - GRIC News Weekly and GRIC Events showing at 6:30am, 10:30am, 3:30pm and 8:00pm.

**GRIC TV Guide**

- GRIC TV Guide
  - GRIC News Weekly and GRIC Events showing at 6:30am, 10:30am, 3:30pm and 8:00pm.

**GRIC TV Guide**

- GRIC TV Guide
  - GRIC News Weekly and GRIC Events showing at 6:30am, 10:30am, 3:30pm and 8:00pm.

**GRIC TV Guide**

- GRIC TV Guide
  - GRIC News Weekly and GRIC Events showing at 6:30am, 10:30am, 3:30pm and 8:00pm.

**GRIC TV Guide**

- GRIC TV Guide
  - GRIC News Weekly and GRIC Events showing at 6:30am, 10:30am, 3:30pm and 8:00pm.

**GRIC TV Guide**

- GRIC TV Guide
  - GRIC News Weekly and GRIC Events showing at 6:30am, 10:30am, 3:30pm and 8:00pm.
St. Peter Indian Mission School pays tribute to “JOE”

Mikhail Sundust
Gila River Indian News

Baseball legend Joe Garagiola, who passed away in March at age 90, had a heart for the St. Peter Indian Mission School. Throughout the last 20 years of his life, Garagiola donated countless hours and dedicated untold resources to the school. But his legacy of love and generosity lives on through the Arizona Diamondbacks, which hosted a special tribute night on May 16 to honor the late baseball catcher and announcer, and to recognize the school to which he was so dearly connected.

Joe Garagiola Night featured pre-game ceremonies in honor of Joe and all the charitable work he did for the Mission. Sisters from the Mission attended the game and three students threw out the ceremonial first pitch. The Diamondbacks sold commemorative “JOE” logo patches, donating all proceeds to the Mission. The team raised over $60,000 for the school that night.

School principal, Sister Martha Mary Carpenter, told the Arizona Republic it was the first time they’d been to a game without Joe, but she said he was there in spirit. Sister Martha said the school plans to use the funds to purchase a new school bus.

“Joe Garagiola had a wonderful way of taking the recipes [her] mom made, by kicking it up a notch, the way [we] liked it,” said Button.

Foods like the wolfberry, which grows in the Community were once in abundance, but now are difficult to come by and require a lot of time to harvest.

Button said that spring is the best time of year to harvest many foods because that is when many plants have dropped their seeds.

Above all, the demonstrations are a way to promote that traditional foods still have a place at the table and should be incorporated into our regular meals when possible.

“We have been eating a non-native diet for many years...we are accustomed to these things,” said Button. “It’s about taking our traditional foods and replacing the not-so-healthy parts of the recipe to have the best of both worlds.”
Twenty-six youngsters promoted from District 6 & 7’s Head Start program

The laughter of children echoed throughout the District 6 Boys & Girls Club's gymnasium, May 20, as 26 youngsters from District 6 and 7’s Head Start program accepted their promotion certificates, surrounded by cheering mothers and fathers.

The children, all around the ages of 4 and 5, were wearing a variety of outfits, from the traditional to the modern and stylish.

While some of the youngsters will continue their education outside of the Community, many of the children will attend the same schools in Gila River and remain classmates.

Bruce Hutchinson, Head Start Family Service Advocate, said of the children’s next steps into the world of schooling, “We are a large Community, with our families [coming] from District 6 and 7... They will have their choice of going to Gila Crossing Community School, the Laveen School District or other schools in the surrounding area.”

Gila River Indian Community’s Head Start program, which has been in operation since 1965, provides child-care services for children ages 3 to 5-years-old.

The Early Head Start program provides services to children 6-weeks to 3-years-old. The organization provides educational, nutritional, physical, health, and social services to children in an effort to ensure that no Community child is left behind.

Hutchinson said of the children being promoted, “Most of the children here, they started when they were babies.” He highly encourages that Community members to make use of our program so they, as parents, can go back to school or further their work careers.

“That’s what it all entails... keeping families together and close, within our Community.”

“It is a wonderful feeling to have a family go through [the] program and succeed. We want our children to be set up for success,” Hutchinson said.

For more information about the Head Start or Early Head Start programs, call District 3’s program at (520) 562-3423, District 4’s program at (520) 418-3471, District 5’s program at (520) 550-2434, or District 6 and 7’s program at (520) 550-2434.

Gila River Indian News June 3, 2016
By Billy Allen

On June 20, our desertion, or mas, signal spring’s new cycle of life. In the not-so-distant past, our hearts “set up right” or “take up the post” and anticipate the skinning running high again and farms being revitalized. It was like an O’otham new year, in parts of the O’otham world this month is known as Sagwala, or “First Moon,” or a Hákán Baidag Masad. But as we’re aware that Native Americans walk in many worlds and adapt all the time, June has another O’otham term: in Antonio Arzú’s time, it was known as Wheat Ripening Month or Pilkan Baidag Masad. That name shows how a new “traditional” food became part of our culture or himdá: our taste buds went out of control.

In 1901, Frank Russell spent a winter on our reservation and later published “The Pima Indians.” Mr. Russell wrote that wheat quickly became a key crop for GRIC dwellers - millions of pounds were grown. Early “store crops” in our land were truly trading posts where wheat was the exchange or currency. Russell goes on to describe how wheat seeds were parched or lightly dried with hot mesquite and gently tossed. The parched seeds were ground and mixed with water to make a drink called “chi” or pineole, a word borrowed from the Mexicans. Thanks to these “buds” most wheat was used to make Mexican style tortillas. I remember my uncle’s wife’s tortilla routine: Start the fire, go inside to make dough; put on a scarf to go back outside; sit next to the fire and put the tortillas out onto the kómmal or comal (an other Spanish word) - in the middle of the afternoon, in the summer! When uncle came home at 5:30, supper had to be ready.

George Webb devotes a chapter of his book “A Pima Remember’s,” to harvesting wheat. Since we had a river and had plenty, all visitors were greeted with water and something to eat. At this time of the year, many of our southern cousins came to help in the wheat fields. When they arrived an exchange took place; they gave us rice, or cactus syrup and salt. (Back then, Tohono O’odham males ran to the Gulf of California to get salt. Salt gathering was and still is a ceremonial event for our southern cousins.) In turn we offered melons and corn, crops which needed lots of water. The Tohono O’odham camped near the wheat fields to prepare for the harvest work. A hand-held sickle or a long curved knife was used to cut stalks of wheat. The stalks were tied and placed on the ground as the men continued cutting down more stalks of wheat to be piled high in wagons pulled by teams of horses. The work was hard, but it was part of O’odham life back then. Sometimes separating the wheat kernels from the stalks was done on a moon lit, breezy night. At the end of the harvest, the Southern cousins came back to their desert homes.

Mr. Webb adds this may be why many of us have Toho no O’odham relatives from side by side during the wheat harvest.

Mr. Webb also wrote of an incident concerning our notebook. While he was having dinner at a friend’s house, the lady of the house asked him to pass the butter and charhn. He did so, but tells readers that the word is “che-maht.” (Webb, 73)

Two words, two worlds, overlapping. Can you imagine the dinner table without che-máht? May we welcome the O’odham New Year with either a tortilla or by drinking pineole? New Year can come twice a year for two world walkers.

A’AGA

Something to be told

By Billy Allen

On June 20, our desertion, or mas, signal spring’s new cycle of life. In the not-so-distant past, our hearts “set up right” or “take up the post” and anticipate the skinning running high again and farms being revitalized. It was like an O’otham new year, in parts of the O’otham world this month is known as Sagwala, or “First Moon,” or a Hákán Baidag Masad. But as we’re aware that Native Americans walk in many worlds and adapt all the time, June has another O’otham term: in Antonio Arzú’s time, it was known as Wheat Ripening Month or Pilkan Baidag Masad. That name shows how a new “traditional” food became part of our culture or himdá: our taste buds went out of control.

In 1901, Frank Russell spent a winter on our reservation and later published “The Pima Indians.” Mr. Russell wrote that wheat quickly became a key crop for GRIC dwellers - millions of pounds were grown. Early “store crops” in our land were truly trading posts where wheat was the exchange or currency. Russell goes on to describe how wheat seeds were parched or lightly dried with hot mesquite and gently tossed. The parched seeds were ground and mixed with water to make a drink called “chi” or pineole, a word borrowed from the Mexicans. Thanks to these “buds” most wheat was used to make Mexican style tortillas. I remember my uncle’s wife’s tortilla routine: Start the fire, go inside to make dough; put on a scarf to go back outside; sit next to the fire and put the tortillas out onto the kómmal or comal (an other Spanish word) - in the middle of the afternoon, in the summer! When uncle came home at 5:30, supper had to be ready.

George Webb devotes a chapter of his book “A Pima Remember’s,” to harvesting wheat. Since we had a river and had plenty, all visitors were greeted with water and something to eat. At this time of the year, many of our southern cousins came to help in the wheat fields. When they arrived an exchange took place; they gave us rice, or cactus syrup and salt. (Back then, Tohono O’odham males ran to the Gulf of California to get salt. Salt gathering was and still is a ceremonial event for our southern cousins.) In turn we offered melons and corn, crops which needed lots of water. The Tohono O’odham camped near the wheat fields to prepare for the harvest work. A hand-held sickle or a long curved knife was used to cut stalks of wheat. The stalks were tied and placed on the ground as the men continued cutting down more stalks of wheat to be piled high in wagons pulled by teams of horses. The work was hard, but it was part of O’odham life back then. Sometimes separating the wheat kernels from the stalks was done on a moon lit, breezy night. At the end of the harvest, the Southern cousins came back to their desert homes.

Mr. Webb adds this may be why many of us have Toho no O’odham relatives from side by side during the wheat harvest.

Mr. Webb also wrote of an incident concerning our notebook. While he was having dinner at a friend’s house, the lady of the house asked him to pass the butter and charhn. He did so, but tells readers that the word is “che-maht.” (Webb, 73)

Two words, two worlds, overlapping. Can you imagine the dinner table without che-máht? May we welcome the O’odham New Year with either a tortilla or by drinking pineole? New Year can come twice a year for two world walkers.
Blackwater student earns bachelor’s degree from U of A

Thomas R. Throsell
Gila River Indian News

Duane Jackson Jr., 22, has spent the past 4 years rushing to early morning classes, quickly eating meals in-between assignments, and spending numerous late nights studying inside the University of Arizona’s Main Library, all in the pursuit of knowledge and a bachelor’s degree.

Jackson, who earned his Bachelor’s of Arts in Political Science with an emphasis in Law and Public Policy from the U of A, May 13, said that earning his undergraduate degree is something he is proud of and could not have accomplished without the family’s support.

“This degree is for me but it is also for them because they put a lot of work on their end to help me get through to this day,” he said. “If it wasn’t for them I wouldn’t have succeeded.”

For Jackson, being able to hold his university diploma in his hands and share a moment of happiness with his family was the joyful culmination of a journey that began many years ago in the village of Blackwater.

Jackson up in Blackwater with his parents Lor-ain and Duane Jackson, his three sisters, two brothers, and two young cousins. He attended Blackwater Community School and eventually went to Hohokum Mid-dle School, where the first spark of wanting to pursue a higher education was lit afame.

Jackson said that it was while he was in the eighth grade and involved in the GEAR UP (Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs) grant program that he really began to think about his future.

“We would go up to Northern Arizona University,” Jackson said, and spend a week living on campus, eating with students and working on projects.

The trips northward to NAU aided Jackson in figuring out what major he wanted to pursue and what university would best fit his goals.

Jackson eventually chose to attend the U of A. “Their academics, the school spirit, environment, everything there fit me,” he said. “It just felt right, it felt like home to me when I was there,” he said.

While being accepted to his university of choice and becoming the first in his family to attend college were great accomplishments, the first two years of school were a diffi-cult time of adjustment.

“It was a big shock to me,” said Jackson. “I was hard to adjust to the whole envi-ronment. Not having fam-i-ly. Going from knowing a lot people to [only] maybe five,” he said.

Jackson was when he and his fellow students were pulling an all-night study session when a certain well-known mascot decided to make a surprise visit.

“As soon as sophomore and junior year came around, I got to know a lot people, branch out more, and that’s when [life] be-came better,” he said.

A memorable moment that stands out for Jackson during his time at the U of A was when he and his fellow students were pulling an all-night study session when a certain well-known mascot decided to make a surprise visit.

“As soon as sophomore and junior year came around, I got to know a lot people, branch out more, and that’s when [life] be-came better,” he said.

A memorable moment that stands out for Jackson during his time at the U of A was when he and his fellow students were pulling an all-night study session when a certain well-known mascot decided to make a surprise visit.

“As soon as sophomore and junior year came around, I got to know a lot people, branch out more, and that’s when [life] be-came better,” he said.

A memorable moment that stands out for Jackson during his time at the U of A was when he and his fellow students were pulling an all-night study session when a certain well-known mascot decided to make a surprise visit.
Eighth grade students look on during the GCCS promotion ceremony on May 17.

Eighth Grade Students Say Goodbye to Sacaton Middle School

For Andreana "Lady" Penhaver said he is proud of the students and feels that they have grown consider-
ably, both academically and socially. In her farewell ad-
dress, Valedictorian Taron Dillon thanked the school, its teachers, and the fami-
lies in the audience for pre-
paring the students for the road ahead.

She said that while the school she’s been at-
tending since kindergarten may appear unassuming on the outside, “it sure seems to provide amazing oppor-
tunities to its students” on the inside. Likewise, Dil-
on said, while she and her peers are seen as outsiders, “within them they have the same talent and power as anyone else to make a dif-
ference. To her fellow students, she said, “It makes me so happy to see that you all turned out to be amazing people, always willing to face the challenges that face you.” May your ed-
ucation flourish, and may there be no person or ob-
stacle to keep you from reaching your goals.”

Tafv will attend Betty Fairways High School this fall. Her long-term goal is to study obstetrics.

Dillon is a disciplined, hard-working student, whose family places great emphasis on culture and ed-
ucation. As Dillon’s father Anthony pointed out, “It’s only a promotion, not a graduation.” He said, “Ed-
ucation is infinite. You can learn anything when you put your mind to it.”

The school also places an emphasis on culture and extra-curricular activities such as sports, gardening, and helping students pre-
pare for their futures in high school and beyond.

Copenhaver congratulated the students and said he can’t wait to see them all graduate high school as the class of 2020.

Gila Crossing Community School class of 2016:

Kyl Allison
Rayanna Avery
Civilla Avila
Priscilla Bilagody
Tafv Dillon
Jordan Enos
Daman Evans
Nicholas Hendricks
Alexander Jackson
In’Lionie Jackson
Kyle Jackson
Elena Kisto
Jordan Lewis
Justin Lopez
Matthew Ludlow
Christina Madrid
Xavier Mallow
Aurelio Morrillo
Samuel Nunny
Malaya Pablo
Shawn Peltier
Lorenzo Peters
Serenity Silvas
Aashiyak Soke
Jonathan Soke
Mikalisa Sosolida
Devin Standing Elk
Ada Stevens
Tehya Tashquinh
Eliza Tate
Carlos Verdugo
Marcus Villa
Eleanor Zambrano

High School Junior planning to attend GCU

Christopher Lomahquahu Gila River Indian News

An aspiring high school graduate from District 6 is ready to start college later this year.

As high school finals and graduations are just about finished, the thought of what’s next in life makes for some important deci-
sions to be made.

For Andreares “Lady” Medina the decision came quicker than most her age.

She graduated at the age of 16 as a junior at the Chemawa Indian School in Salem Oregon on May 13. At the time of her gradu-
ation, she received two letters of acceptance from Grand Canyon University and Arizona State Universi-
ty, but chose to attend GCU to pursue a Bachelor’s De-
gree in Secondary Educa-
tion with an emphasis in math.

Medina’s grandmother, Joyce Lopez also shared a similar perspective of how her granddaughter had grown. “She’s a little more ma-
ture for her age and I’ve al-
tways trusted that when she puts her mind to it, things will work out,” Joyce said. “It’s very rewarding to see my granddaughter graduate and go to Grand Canyon University.”

Medina said the de-
cision to attend GCU was based on her positive expe-
rience during a preparato-
ry trip in which the school flew her back to Arizona to tour its Phoenix campus. She said the tour gave her an idea about the school’s environment by allowing prospective stu-
dents to spend a night in a campus room.

To top it off they got to see the school’s basketball team, the Antelopes, play a game at the GCU Arena.

According to her mother and grandmother, Medina expressed an interes-
test in becoming a teacher, because she has worked with children before at the

Andreares Medina graduated from Chemawa Indian High School and will soon be a Grand Canyon Univer-
sity Antelope.

Komatke Boys & Girls Club and the Early Educa-
tion Center as a summer Workforce Investment Act interm. Medina said that she

Continued on Page 15
Water Quality Table

The tables in the report list all of the drinking water contaminants detected during the calendar year of this report. The presence of contaminants in the water does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. Unless otherwise noted, the data presented in this table is from testing done in the calendar year of the report. The EPA or State requires monitoring for certain contaminants less than or equal to one part per million because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently.

**WATER QUALITY TABLE**

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that set the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health. The table below lists the action levels, which are the maximum amounts of certain substances that are allowed in drinking water. The table also identifies the sources of the substances.

### Microbial Contaminants

- **Leaves**: Elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead drinking water can cause blue baby syndrome. Nitrate levels may rise quickly for short periods of time because of rainfall or irrigation. Elevated nitrate levels may have an increased risk of getting cancer. The EPA standard balances the current understanding of arsenic's possible health effects against the costs of removing arsenic from drinking water. The EPA or state requires monitoring for certain contaminants less than or equal to one part per million because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently.

### Toxicological Contaminants

- **Heavy Metals**: Typical sources of contamination include factories, refineries, local refineries, transportation systems, discharges from industrial manufacturers, runoff from fertilizer use, and erosion of natural deposits.

### Radionuclide Contaminants

- **Radon**

### Other Summary Information

- **Water Quality from 2 ground water sources**: Community District served by the District 6 drinking water system.

### Unregulated Contaminants

- **Naturally present in the environment**: These contaminants are by-products of industrial processes; petroleum and gas production; and storage; runoff and leaching from fertilizer use; and erosion of natural deposits.

### Definitions

- **Microbial Contaminants**: mrem/yr
- **MRDL**: ppm
- **Units**: ppb

---

### Lead and Copper Rule

- **Erosion of natural deposits**: Runoff and leaching from fertilizer use; and erosion of natural deposits.

### Radiological Contaminants

- **Fluoride**

### Other Summary Information

- **Water Quality from 2 ground water sources**: Community District served by the District 6 drinking water system.
The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) invite you to attend a public scoping meeting as part of the environmental study for Interstate 11 (I-11) between Nogales and Wickenburg. Public Scoping is a time at the beginning of the environmental information for the study team to learn from the community. As part of the scoping process, a series of public meetings will be held throughout the Corridor Study Area, including Wickenburg, Buckeye, Casa Grande, Marana, Tuscon, and Nogales. The public scoping meetings will provide study information, obtain community feedback on issues in the Corridor Study Area, and solicit input to form potential corridor alternatives. This public input will help ADOT and FHWA identify the selected corridor alternative and type of transportation facility.

**WHAT IS I-11?**

I-11 is envisioned as a continuous high-capacity transcontinental transportation corridor that has the potential to enhance movement of people and freight, and a corridor to facilitate regional connectivity, trade, communications and technology.

**PUBLIC SCOPING MEETINGS**

**INTERSTATE 11 TIER 1 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (NOGALES TO WICKENBURG)**

**PUBLIC INVITATION:**

**GILA RIVER INDIAN NEWS 6/3/16**

**YOU'RE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE:**

**PUBLIC MEETING #1**

Wednesday, June 15 | 4–6:30 p.m.

Durley Powell Senior Adult Center-Dining Room
405 E 6th Street | Casa Grande, AZ

**PUBLIC MEETING #2**

Wednesday, June 15 | 4–6:30 p.m.

City of Buckeye Community Center
201 East Centre Avenue | Buckeye, AZ

Presentation: Approximately 4:15 p.m.

Following the presentation, the meeting will be held in an open house format. Study team members will be available to answer questions. The same information will be presented at each public meeting. For more information on the other public meetings, please visit i11study.com/Arizona.

**really environmental information? Are you in contact with other?**

**CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM**

Please print clearly. Fill in all blanks. Some information is needed in case of emergency.

**First Name:** ________________________ **Last Name:** ________________________

**Tribal Affiliation:** ________________________ **Contact Telephone:** ________________________

**Email:** ________________________ **State:** ________________________ **City:** ________________________ **ZIP-Code:** ________________________

**Date:** ________________________ **Gender:** ________________________ **Age:** ________________________ **Birthplace:** ________________________

**CONSENT TO PUBLISH**

I give consent to release my personal information to media outlets as part of the conference.

**MEDICAL INFORMATION:**

I am under the care of the following physicians.

I give consent to the use of my medical information.

I authorize the release of my personal information to media outlets as part of the conference.

**SPECIAL EDUATION**

I give consent to the release of my special education information to media outlets as part of the conference.

**CONSENT TO PUBLISH**

I give consent to release my personal information to media outlets as part of the conference.

**INTERSTATE 11 TIER 1 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (NOGALES TO WICKENBURG)**

**PUBLIC SCOPING MEETINGS**

The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) invite you to attend a public scoping meeting as part of the environmental study for Interstate 11 (I-11) between Nogales and Wickenburg. Public Scoping is a time at the beginning of the environmental information for the study team to learn from the community. As part of the scoping process, a series of public meetings will be held throughout the Corridor Study Area, including Wickenburg, Buckeye, Casa Grande, Marana, Tuscon, and Nogales. The public scoping meetings will provide study information, obtain community feedback on issues in the Corridor Study Area, and solicit input to form potential corridor alternatives. This public input will help ADOT and FHWA identify the selected corridor alternative and type of transportation facility.

**WHAT IS I-11?**

I-11 is envisioned as a continuous high-capacity transcontinental transportation corridor that has the potential to enhance movement of people and freight, and a corridor to facilitate regional connectivity, trade, communications and technology.

**PUBLIC SCOPING MEETINGS**

**INTERSTATE 11 TIER 1 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (NOGALES TO WICKENBURG)**

**PUBLIC SCOPING MEETINGS**

The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) invite you to attend a public scoping meeting as part of the environmental study for Interstate 11 (I-11) between Nogales and Wickenburg. Public Scoping is a time at the beginning of the environmental information for the study team to learn from the community. As part of the scoping process, a series of public meetings will be held throughout the Corridor Study Area, including Wickenburg, Buckeye, Casa Grande, Marana, Tuscon, and Nogales. The public scoping meetings will provide study information, obtain community feedback on issues in the Corridor Study Area, and solicit input to form potential corridor alternatives. This public input will help ADOT and FHWA identify the selected corridor alternative and type of transportation facility.

**WHAT IS I-11?**

I-11 is envisioned as a continuous high-capacity transcontinental transportation corridor that has the potential to enhance movement of people and freight, and a corridor to facilitate regional connectivity, trade, communications and technology.
COMMUNITY COUNCIL ACTION SHEETS

Courtesy of the Community Council Secretary’s Office • May 18, 2016

ACTION SHEET
Community Council: PO Box 2138; Sacaton, Arizona 85147; Phone (520) 562-9720; Fax (520) 562-9729

CALL TO ORDER
The Second Regular Monthly Meeting of the Community Council held Wednesday May 18, 2016, in the Community Council Chambers at the Governance Center in Sacaton, Arizona was called to order by presidenting Lt. Gov. Governor Monica Antone at 9:15 a.m.

INVOCATION
Provided by Sister Martha

ROLL CALL
Sign-In Sheet Circulated
Executive Officers Present: Lt. Governor Monica Antone
Council Members Present: D1- Joey Whitman, Aceo Hogg, D2-Carlo Schultz, D3- Carolyn Williams, Rodney Jackson, D4- Nada Celaja (9:23), Jennifer Allison (11:30), Allison Angela, Christopher Mendosa, D5- Brian Davis, Sr., Martin Dixon, Robert Stone, Franklin Pablo, Sr., D5-Albert Pablo, Sandra Nasewleywa; D7- Devion Redbird

Council Members Absent: D6- Anthony Villareal, Sr.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
APPROVED AS AMENDED

PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS (LIMIT TO 5 MINUTES)
1. Maricopa Village Christian School Performance
Presenters: Elda Diaz & Larisa Oquiano
MS. LARISA OQUIANO INTRODUCED THE STUDENTS AND THE ROUTINE PROGRAM. THE STUDENTS PERFORMED 4 SONGS FOR THE COUNCIL MEMBERS AND LT. GOVERNOR ANTON. IN ADDITION, EACH OF THE STUDENTS INTRODUCED THEMSELVES.
2. Office of Head Start- W.J. Strickland
Presenter: Isaac Salcido
MR. ISAAC SALCIDO INTRODUCED MR. W.J. STRICKLAND. MR. STRICKLAND EXPLAINED THE WORK AND PROGRESS OF THE HEAD START PROGRAM. VARIOUS COUNCIL MEMBERS AND LT. GOVERNOR ANTON EXPRESSED WORDS OF WELCOME.

REPORTS
Presenter: Patricia Avalos
REPORT HEARD
Presenter: Sister Martha
REPORT HEARD
3. Gila River Broadcast Corporation; Elder Interview Questions
Presenters: GRTI Board of Directors, Bruce Holdridge
REPORT HEARD
4. 1/2Q16 GRIC Update
Presenters: GRTI Board of Directors, Bruce Holdridge
REPORT HEARD
Presenter: Shauna Schultz
REPORT HEARD
6. Certification of the 2016 Community Council Election and Special Constitution Amendments Election Results
(LSC forwards to Community Council the Certification of the 2016 Community Council Election Results and the Special Constitution Amendments Election Results)
Presenter: Nadine Sheldes, Shannon White
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO CERTIFY CAROL SCHURZ
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO CERTIFY CAROLYN WILLIAMS
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO CERTIFY BARNEY ENOS, JR.
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO CERTIFY ROBERT STONE
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO CERTIFY CHARLES GOLDTOOTH
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO CERTIFY DEVIN RED-BIRD
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ACCEPT THE 2016 CONSTITUTION AMENDMENTS ELECTION RESULTS; WHEREBY THE ELECTION RESULT DID NOT MEET THE REQUIRED 30% OF REGISTERED VOTER PARTICIPATION THEREBY NULLIFYING THIS ELECTION
[LT. GOVERNOR ANTON CALLED FOR A 10-MINUTE BREAK. THE MEETING RECONVINED AT 3:46 P.M.]
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION
7. Status Report On Efforts To Implement The Five Year Water Plan (Executive Session) (GMSC motioned to forward to Community Council for discussion and recommendation) (NRSC consents)
Presenters: Linus Everling, Jason Hauser
ITEM DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION
8. Delegation to Cocopah May 24, 2016
Presenters: Community Council
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO MAKE A DELEGATION TO THE COCOPAH TRIBE
ADJOURNMENT
MEETING ADJOURNED AT 5:20 P.M.

* Denotes TABLED from previous meeting(s)

COURT DATE NOTICE
IN THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY COURT
STATE OF ARIZONA

HOLLY JACKSON
Plaintiff/Petitioner,

vs.

MARIO PABLO
Defendant/Respondent

CASE number: CV20150157

CIVIL SUMMONS
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED, that a civil action has been filed against you in the Gila River Indian Community Court.
YOU shall respond at an ANSWER/RESPONSE HEARING regarding this matter on the following date and time at the place set forth below:
(5) Sacaton Community Court
721 West Seed Farm Road
Sacaton, Arizona 85147
(520) 562-9860
DATE: Thursday, July 06, 2016
Time: 09:30 AM
IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR AND DEFEND, JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT OR PETITION.
DATED this Monday, April 18, 2016

Gila River Indian News June 3, 2016
Page 12

* Denotes TABLED from previous meeting(s)

COURT DATE NOTICE
IN THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY COURT
STATE OF ARIZONA

HOLLY JACKSON
Plaintiff/Petitioner,

vs.

MARIO PABLO
Defendant/Respondent

CASE number: CV20150157

CIVIL SUMMONS
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED, that a civil action has been filed against you in the Gila River Indian Community Court.
YOU shall respond at an ANSWER/RESPONSE HEARING regarding this matter on the following date and time at the place set forth below:
(5) Sacaton Community Court
721 West Seed Farm Road
Sacaton, Arizona 85147
(520) 562-9860
DATE: Thursday, July 06, 2016
Time: 09:30 AM
IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR AND DEFEND, JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT OR PETITION.
DATED this Monday, April 18, 2016

Gila River Indian News June 3, 2016
Page 12

* Denotes TABLED from previous meeting(s)

COURT DATE NOTICE
IN THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY COURT
STATE OF ARIZONA

HOLLY JACKSON
Plaintiff/Petitioner,

vs.

MARIO PABLO
Defendant/Respondent

CASE number: CV20150157

CIVIL SUMMONS
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED, that a civil action has been filed against you in the Gila River Indian Community Court.
YOU shall respond at an ANSWER/RESPONSE HEARING regarding this matter on the following date and time at the place set forth below:
(5) Sacaton Community Court
721 West Seed Farm Road
Sacaton, Arizona 85147
(520) 562-9860
DATE: Thursday, July 06, 2016
Time: 09:30 AM
IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR AND DEFEND, JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT WILL BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF DEMANDED IN THE COMPLAINT OR PETITION.
DATED this Monday, April 18, 2016

Gila River Indian News June 3, 2016
Page 12

* Denotes TABLED from previous meeting(s)
**Mikhail Sundust**

**Gila River Indian News**

COMPSTAT is a crime data tracking system that helps law enforcement document crime and visualize patterns in criminal activity and see how crimes relate to one another. The Gila River Office Department holds regular meetings to review its COMPSTAT reports.

**The COMPLETED LEGISLATION**

A copy of the final enacted legislation is on file and available for review at all District Service Centers located in Sacaton, Arizona, and the Community Council's Office.

**CHAPTER 6. WASTEWATER AND RECLAIMED WATER MANAGEMENT**


A. Purpose. The purpose of this chapter is to provide for the proper disposal and management of wastewater and septic tank waste, to provide minimum performance standards for water and sewage systems, to establish requirements for local wastewater treatment and septic tanks, and to provide viable alternatives to existing wastewaters which are a viable resource. This chapter is also designed to prevent and minimize environmental degradation and contamination of surface water and groundwater, and to protect public health, safety, and welfare of the members, nonmembers, residents, and employees of the Gila River Indian Community. This chapter is designed to achieve these purposes through establishing standards, regulations, and permits.

B. Authority.

Tribal Education partners with U of A to help language teachers

**June 3, 2016**

Christopher Lomahquahu

Gila River Indian News

The Tribal Education Department is boosting efforts to make the O’otham language accessible to cultural teachers at early education centers and schools across the Community.

Through a partnership with the University of Arizona’s American Indian Language Development Institute, TED hosted two workshops for Community members who are tribal teachers at the District 2 Hashan Kehk Multipurpose Building on May 6 and 7.

The Gila River Office Department holds regular meetings to review its COMPSTAT reports. The meetings are held every 28 days at the police depart-

**Tribal Education partners with U of A to help language teachers**

munity centers for the proper disposal and management of wastewater and septic tank waste, to provide minimum performance standards for water and sewage systems, to establish requirements for local wastewater treatment and septic tanks, and to provide viable alternatives to existing wastewaters which are a viable resource. This chapter is also designed to prevent and minimize environmental degradation and contamination of surface water and groundwater, and to protect public health, safety, and welfare of the members, nonmembers, residents, and employees of the Gila River Indian Community. This chapter is designed to achieve these purposes through establishing standards, regulations, and permits.

B. Authority.

metropolitan areas to further define the ground-
ATTENTION
GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY
CALL FOR ARTISTS

GRHC invites local artists to submit artwork for display in the new Viola L. Johnson Administration Building.

The artistic theme will convey the late Viola L. Johnson’s spirit of leadership and passion for culture.

GRIC artists interested in participating are encouraged to contact Paul Molina by June 15, 2016, to schedule for an appointment.

Paul Molina
GRHC Public Relations & Marketing Department
(520) 610-3066
pmlolina@grhc.org

For more information, please visit GRHC.ORG/VLJArt

Gila River Family Fitness
For Community members only (Ages 10 - Up)

Events will be filled with fun presentations and hands-on activities for all ages! Join us and learn how to work out at home or at your local gym. Instruction provided by fitness staff from the Community and the Native American Fitness Council.

District 3 Boys and Girls Club, Saturday, June 4, 2016, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
District 7 Service Center, Saturday, June 11, 2016, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

For pre-registration, please call the Life Center at (520) 562-7940.
On-site registration available.

Funding provided by the Gila River Indian Community Tobacco Tax Grant, administered through the Office of Special Funding and Community Services Department.

BLOOD-SUCKING TICK MAY PASS ALONG POTENTIALLY FATAL DISEASES
ROCKY MOUNTAIN SPOTTED FEVER

Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever is a tick-borne disease caused by the bacterium Rickettsia rickettsii. Potentially fatal in humans, it is transmitted by the bite of infected tick. In the United States, these include the American dog tick, Rocky Mountain wood tick, and brown dog tick. The blood-sucking tick, commonly found in wooded environments, may pass along potentially fatal diseases to humans and dogs.

Typical Symptoms Include:
- Fever, headache, abdominal pain, vomiting, and muscle pain.
- Rash may or may not develop in the first few days.

Treatment may include:
Doxycycline, an antibiotic, is the first line of treatment for adults and children of all ages.

If you think you have been bitten by a tick, CALL your health care provider.

For more information, contact Marcy Hamblin Infection Prevention Specialist (520) 562-3321 ext. 1556.

CONFIRMED CASES OF MEASLES IN AZ INCREASING MEASLES IS AN EXTREMELY CONTAGIOUS DISEASE!
(According to ADHS and Maricopa and Pinal County Public Health Services)

Typical Symptoms Include:
- Fever (101°F degrees or higher), red and watery eyes, cough, and a runny nose.
- After a few days, a raised, red, and blotchy rash that starts at the hairline and spreads down the body may appear.
- Symptoms can begin up to 21 days after being exposed to an infected person.
- A person is infectious as soon as symptoms appear and up to four days after the rash goes away.

Exposed to measles or not vaccinated? CALL BEFORE arriving to the health care facility:
- To eliminate the possible spread of measles.
- To receive special instructions about how and when to visit the health care facility.

Measles can be prevented:
- By vaccine (2 MMR - Measles, Mumps, and Rubella - vaccines).
- If you have had measles previously.
- If you were born before 1957 and received 1 MMR vaccine.

To review a list of dates, times, and locations visited by an infectious person, visit stopthespreadAZ.com.

For more information, contact Marcy Hamblin Infection Prevention Specialist (520) 562-3321 ext. 1556.

TEACHER MOTHERS' CLUB
Dedicated and Passionate for Improving the Lives of Others

GRHC FMS staff celebrated National EMS Week by giving local middle schoolers a tour of the ambulance and by hosting a presentation with BHS staff. We are grateful for what our EMS do for our Community!
Whether you’re a homeowner or professional excavator, every digging job requires a call — even small projects — so be sure to:

- Call 811 at least two days before starting any digging project
- Wait for the site to be marked
- Respect the marks
- Dig with care

Not calling can be life threatening and costly. You can harm yourself or others, disrupt natural gas service to an entire neighborhood, and potentially be responsible for injuries, repair costs, and criminal penalties.

Natural gas lines can be buried anywhere. If you ever suspect a natural gas leak, call 911 and Southwest Gas at 1-877-860-6020 immediately, whether you’re our customer or not.

For more information about natural gas pipeline safety, visit swgas.com/safety or call 1-877-860-6020.
SATURDAY, JUNE 11, 2016

FIRST PITCH
7:10PM

Join the Arizona Diamondbacks for Native American Recognition Day presented by Gila River Casinos. Enjoy entertainment throughout the game. Festivities begin at 5:10PM and include Native American drum groups, dancers, vocalists, royalty, and more.