District 1 and CVS partner for Domestic Violence Awareness Fair

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Gila River Indian News

The Domestic Violence Awareness Fair, held Oct. 21, was another event that chipped away at the once-off-limits topic of domestic violence. Stories that never left the home, and pain that was never spoken of, found a room full of people at the District 1 Multipurpose Building that were willing to listen and learn about the blight of domestic violence on families and children.

Crime Victim Services (CVS), in partnership with District 1 Housing & Community Awareness Committee, hosted this event, which took a difficult topic and made it bearable for a community that is willing to confront violence and abuse among intimate partners.

“It was always something that was kept quiet,” said Barnaby Lewis, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, at the event.

The day started off with a run in the morning then commenced with District 1 Council Representatives Arzie Hogg and Joey Whitman dictating the agenda, which included a welcome from Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis and presenters Pam Vega, Candra Alaniz, Barnaby Lewis, Joanne Brewer, Lt. Gov. Monica Antone, Aaron Sabori, Robin Begay, among others.

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Lt. Gov. Antone also gave an update on the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) implementation. The Community was recently awarded a federal grant for the purpose of VAWA implementation.

One hundred ten people

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4th Annual Women’s Prayer Run held in GRIC

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Runner in the 4th Annual Women’s Prayer Run to the Residential Treatment Center in District 6 for lunch on Oct. 21.

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“The gathering of women is a powerful thing,” said Renee Jackson, organizer of the 4th Annual Women’s Prayer Run. For the 100 women who participated in the 65-mile run, the aim wasn’t so much fitness as it was solidarity and the power of prayer. From Oct. 20-22, the female runners traveled from the West to East in the Community camping along the way and finding strength in one another.

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Youth council members inaugurated in District 2

Thomas R. Throsell
Gila River Indian News

The 2017 Akimel O’odham/Pee Posh Youth Council (AOPPYC) Inauguration was held in-side District 2’s Service Center’s gymnasium on Oct. 28, where 18 new members were sworn in to their seats, and outgoing members were recognized for fully completing their terms.

The inauguration was attended by several tribal dignitaries, including Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis, Lt. Gov. Monica Antone, and District 5 Representative Robert Stone.

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signed in at the event, which was a substantial improvement from the first CVS domestic violence awareness functions. “I’ve seen a lot of growth from when I started here,” said Robin Begay, CVS Coordinator of her five years in GRIC.

GRPD Sgt. Manuel Duarte was also a part of the participation of youth and elders allowed the women to make strong connections across the generations. “A lot of the power in the run really resides in the conversations we have along our route,” Jackson said.

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Begay also described the Quilts of Healing project that has been passing through the Community for Domestic Violence Awareness month. Panels were available for Community members to decorate to show support for the survivors. “You’re showing us that you’re a community that cares,” said Begay.

The event also featured several informational booths for guests to visit such as CVS, Probation Department, GRPD, Office of the Prosecutor, On Eagles Wings, the Wellness Center, H.O.P.E. group, the Prevention Coalition and judicial representatives.

With a run, presenters and raffles completed, the morning concluded with a balloon release as an observance for victims of domestic violence. Guests were given a purple balloon and a card on which to write the name of a loved one or friend. After a few solemn words, and with a little wind, the guests let go of their ribbons and the sky dotted with purple prayers of support and encouragement.

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Community gets first peek at Huhugam Heritage Center expansion

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The Huhugam Heritage Center hosted a series of presentations about the expansion project that will provide a thorough story of the Community with the addition of more space.

Promising to be even more in-depth and diverse in arrangement, the exhibit space will offer visitors to the HHC more information about the history of the Gila River Indian Community.

According to HHC Director Shirley Jackson, the important parts of the exhibits is the text, which Community members had a chance to review and comment on at the project meetings, which were held Oct. 18, 19, 24-26 and with an upcoming meeting on Nov. 8.

“This is the first time they will be going to see what the exhibit text is going to present, what photographs we have and other points relating to the expansion project,” said Jackson.

The meetings also discussed how the information will be presented to visitors, which includes the use of display monitors that will show portions of the Gila River and other historical information, which Jackson said will provide a more immersive experience.

“It’ll give them an idea of what the Gila River might have looked when it was flowing,” Jackson said. “Then they’ll go into the ‘No Boundary’ section, which talks about the land.”

She said the new portion of the museum will cover the Community’s connection with the Tohono O’odham, Ak-Chin Indian Community and Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community.

Other topics that were covered in the meetings Jackson said, presented the idea of who to present the role of plants and animals and their connection to culture, as well as male and female roles in Akimel O’odham society.

Notable periods in the Community’s history will include the history of contact with North America’s earliest explorers like Spanish Missionary Padre Kino, who came to the area of the O’odham people around 1695.

A tribute to veterans

On the upper level of the exhibit hall there will be sections for veterans, that will have a video wall highlighting the selfless service of Community veterans in past wars and conflicts.

“We are going to include a touch table that will have photographs provided by veterans, if they choose to provide their photographs along with details about where they were in their time of service and branch of the military they served in,” said Jackson.

“For veterans, what we are really trying to do is use their voice, so we’re doing oral history interviews,” she said.

Some interviews will be done with World War II veterans, while including stories of veterans from past and present wars.

What’s the takeaway for visitors?

Jackson said it would be important for visitors to know that a river once flowed through the Community and that is where the people get their name Akimel O’odham from.

“People ask where’s the river, so it’s our opportunity to share with them that ‘yes’ we did have a river and that was our life,” she said.

All of the exhibits as a whole is to convey that the Akimel O’odham and Pee Posh are here and thriving, from a farming rich people to a very innovative society of people.

The last portion of the exhibit will go down the mezzanine towards an amphitheater, that will serve as a place congregation, showcasing films and hosting lectures, said Jackson.

The past represented today

Plans for the expanded area will make room for a revolving gallery area that will display work created by Community artists.

“That’s part of our vision, was a community connected and inspired by the past. Coming together in unity to celebrate our vibrant and innovative culture,” said Jackson.

She said the gallery is a powerful tool to showcase how contemporary artists have been inspired by objects and imagery used in the past.

How well the past will be represented will not be left to art alone, but in the text used to describe each exhibit.

During the meetings, Community members had a chance to look over the text and provide their input into whether it best described who the Akimel O’odham and Pee Posh are, said Jackson.

“It will give them the opportunity to comment about it and see if we need to change anything, maybe for example using a different picture,” said Jackson, noting the various artistic styles of Community that will be on display.
Mike Miguel is congratulated by District 5 Council Representative Robert Stone.

The path Miguel set out on was one shared by GRIC, who had the goal of producing more Community member Jour-

nely Lineman. Kathy Gallaway, GRIC

CUTS OPERATINGS Director, said that the program, “was a vision by GRIC senior management and board to create a highly qualified ap-

prentice lineman program.”

She said the vision of the GRIC apprentice-

ship program is to provide exceptional customer ser-

vice in the form of a highly qualified and skilled work-

force from the Communi-

ty’s own membership, that is available 24/7 to bring power to its customers.

“The program would train GRIC Community members to become the next generation of GRIC-

nian Lineman,” said Gall-

away. Gallaway compared

the length of time to become

a fully-fledged Journey Lineman to that of a four-

year college degree, which combined 8,000 hours of work experience and 7,200 hours of self-study.

Miguel said, “I have a lot of people to thank and I am truly thankful to be here, especially GRICUA for giving me the opportu-

nity to succeed in this program that I have completed.”

Christopher Lomahquinah/GRIC

Gila River Indian Community’s first Journey Lineman introduced at Council

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Gila River Indian Community Utility Authority staff

He said there were many mentors, who encouraged him along the way, and called for a mo-

ment of silence for former board members who have passed on.

“I’d also like to thank my mentors behind me for mentoring me through the process,” said Miguel, who acknowledged his wife and family for their support in completing the apprentice-

ship program.

Miguel said individual-

uals like his sister, who informed him about the appren-

ticeship program and the help from the Computer Technology Center math tutors have played a crucial role in where he is today.

District 2 Council Rep-

resentative Carol Schulz called for Community members to take advan-

tage of opportunities like the one Miguel has taken up to set themselves up for success.

She said Miguel’s accomplish-

ment is an example of the success that can be achieved when tribal de-

partments and entities cre-

ate programs that help them grow professionally.

District 4 Council Representative Robert Stone said Miguel’s path to becoming a Journey Lineman, can be influential to other Community mem-

bers looking to get into a similar apprenticeship pro-

gram.

“She is seen by other Community members who have successfully made it to a professional trade pro-

fession, it’s a milestone,” said Lewis.
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By Billy Allen

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and our ancestors prepared for November was a busy time. Additions to O’otham and winter by storing summer

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Each candidate provided a summary of the issue as it pertained to the ques-
tion and provided a plan on how to improve that spe-
cific situation or condition in an effort to address the question. In addition to the four candidates for the Community’s top two positions, the candidates for Associates and Chief Judge were also introduced to the audience. To close out the debate the candidates for Lt. Gov-
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Candidate debate for the office of Governor and Lieutenant Governor

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ers ventured into the surrounding mountains where deer, and enemies, were more likely to be found. Our hunters were on guard not to become the hunt-
ed. Songs were sung to and for the deer. Bighorn sheep were also an important food. Spanish explorer Juan Matio Mangre wrote about a visit near Black-
water in 1697. So many bighorn sheep antlers were piled up, it resembled a small hill. (Antonio Arul would later discount that
tory. His view was that O’otham hunters would not bring antlers near the village.) Growing up in Vah ki, my father raised horses, managed a cattle herd, farmed, always said “no” when I asked him to buy me Beatle boots, and worked a full-time job! When our families gathered to eat, there was a delicious mixture of O’otham and camp cuisine. Jack rabbit and turkey or tova! Coffee and chía or pinole! Biscuits and cheese! (If I close my eyes I can recall the smoky smell of the fire in my mother’s hair when I used to hug her.)

But the aroma of tova is what my dack or nose will always remember.

U’valig or odor is another name for November. When fall breezes cool the
desert, deer mating or rutting season starts. Their strong November scent attracts possible mates and carries over the terrain with the breezes. Sort of like Brut or Stetson cologne for our four-legged brothers and sisters.

Since our southern cousins did not have a dependable water source in year round fields they

moved to the mountains for winter. Deer wasn’t just venison; it was medicine, so November deer songs were culturally essential. Hunters’ songs enticed the deer to come. Hunt-
ers surrounded large areas and slowly herded deer to-
wards a rocky area where bow and arrow marksmen waited. Certain villages felt it was not right to shoot

the deer; their able runners chased the deer until it could not run anymore and then killed it. A skilled set of hunters who could hunt the deer alone were known as “head bearers.” These hunters wore a deer head, and painted their bodies to resemble deer. To com-
plete their disguise and get closer, they walked on all fours. I just felt a chill; I’ll chop some wood, so when I sit outside and watch the sun descend, I’ll make a fire to warm up. Did the ancestors know how to name months or did they know how to name months? Information was taken from Tohono O’odham/Pima

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Candidate for the Gila River Indian Community general election had a chance to voice their cam-
paign platform during the last debate session on Oct. 28. The Lone Butte Casino event center was near full capacity as the candidates for Governor and Lt. Gov-
ernor discussed key issues they hope to address if

elected to their respective positions.

Before starting the event the Pee Posh Na-
eran’s Association posted the colors, which was fol-
lowed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

In a similar format to presidential debates, each candidate was allotted two minutes of time to speak about their position on issues pertaining to their platform.
Gov. Lewis honored as Outstanding Alumni by Arizona State University

Christopher Lomahquahu
Gila River Indian News

Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis was honored as an Outstanding Alumni of the College of Liberal Arts at Arizona State University on Oct. 27.

Since it’s inception in 1997, only 55 individuals have earned the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Leaders distinction from a pool of 115,000 alumni. Gov. Lewis is among this select group of outstanding ASU alumni.

Gov. Lewis talked about the life as a tribal leader and the responsibilities that come with holding the Community’s highest position.

The leaders program is hosted by CLAS to invite them into the classroom to speak about how their education from ASU has shaped the individuals they have become since graduation.

According to the CLAS website, alumni from the college are invited to speak each year, “Showcase extraordinary leadership skills while driving positive change locally and internationally.”

This year, Gov. Lewis was among three other CLAS alumni invited to speak at the annual leader event.

Gov. Lewis received a Bachelors of Arts in American Indian Studies from ASU and studied at the John F. Kennedy School of Government and Public Policy at Harvard University.

They were also recognized during an awards reception later in the day at Interdisciplinary Science and Technology building IV.

The awards were presented by CLAS Dean Patrick Kenney, who recognized all four, for their commitment to service in improving the lives of the communities they represent.

During the class speaker session held at Discovery Hall, Gov. Lewis described the governmental structure of the Community and how it is comprised of seven districts, which are represented by council representatives.

He then went on to talk about the concept of tribal sovereignty and how that is represented in the Community today through various projects and initiatives.

Lewis used the Community’s water rights as a catalyst for talking about how tribes are successful in addressing their needs through advocacy through the courts and other avenues to achieve social justice.

He touted projects like the Managed Aquifer Recharge site #5, that is revitalizing the Community’s natural riparian habitat and bringing back native vegetation along the Gila River.

“With the return of the water, we are keeping with the agricultural view of the Community,” said Lewis, “It impacts our traditions and ecosystem and our ability to work with surrounding communities over important resources like water.”

He said the knowledge he obtained as a CLAS student through many of the American Indian Studies courses offered at the college, are invaluable when applied to being in a leadership position over a tribal community.

For students interested in policy and law, Lewis said they are connected together, because many of the policies that are developed by the federal government can influence the livelihood of tribal members across the nation.

After speaking with the AIS students, Gov. Lewis was led on a tour of the CLAS section of the ASU campus, which is expanding into the old Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law located at Armstrong Hall.

Office of the Dean, Associate Development Officer, Clayton D. Tenquist, said the CLAS leaders program is in its 17th year of bringing in alumni that serve as “models of excellence” in inspiring students.

While selection as a member of CLAS leaders personalizes honor achievement, and provides accompanying recognition from peers, it also comes with duty and responsibility,” said Tenquist, raising the point about the leader’s program.

Some of Lewis’s notables accolades, includes serving as an Alternate Executive Board Committee member for the Native American Rights Fund, At-Large Delegate for the National Indian Gaming Association, and is a member of the American Indian Studies Advisory Board at ASU.

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Submitted by
Miss Indian Arizona Association

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This year’s River of Lights Parade theme will celebrate “Christmas in the Desert”

Friday, December 1, 2017
6:00 p.m.
Sacaton, AZ

For more information or to obtain an application please contact Alie Walking Badger at (520) 562-9713 or Shannon Redbird at (520) 562-9859.
**GRIC Environmental Health Urges Members to Mosquito Proof Their Property**

**Richard Bracha**

**Community Health Education Specialist**
**Tribal Health Department**

The GRIC Environmental Health Services Program would like to remind Community members to empty or dispose of any likely mosquito harborage areas around their property. As quickly as the rain showers come down, the Gila River valley lands become a spawning area for pesky mosquito larvae. The mosquito can complete their life cycle in four days. The many areas of standing water the rains produce now provide new breeding areas for mosquitoes to reproduce. Property owners should be on the lookout for anything that can hold water such as the following: dog bowls, buckets, planters, wading pools, and bottles. It only takes a bottle cap full of water for a mosquito to produce larvae. Please be persistent and patient when it rains and empty standing water around your home every three to four days.

In order to decrease mosquito populations throughout the Gila River Community, the Environmental Health Services Program conducts fogging between dusk and dawn. Fogging is applying pesticide in the form of a fine mist. The challenges fogging presents have environmental and safety concerns. Applications are most beneficial with calm winds and no rain. Drift is also a concern while conducting fogging. The GRIC Environmental Health Services Program is very careful when applying pesticide as not to disrupt any other beneficial insect populations or set fogging that ultimately produces pesticide resistant mosquitoes.

An increase in the number of mosquitoes caught during routine trapping or the presence of West Nile Virus in these mosquitoes or in humans can justify a planned fogging regimen. If fogging is going to be conducted in your community and a notice has been put out, keep your loved ones inside as much as you can for the duration of the set fogging time. So, as the loud truck with the yellow warning light slowly drives through your community spewing out fogging pesticide, please be courteous and not follow the track or run behind it. The GRIC Environmental Health Services Program would like to thank you for your cooperation and if you have any concerns about the fogging please call (520)562-5100 and ask to speak with a representative of the Environmental Health Services Program.
Ghosts, ghouls, and goblins come out for local Halloween skateboard competition

Around 30 skateboarders participated in the Tricks for Treats skateboarding event.

Thomas R. Throssell
Gila River Indian News

District 5’s basketball court became the spooky Halloween showdown filled with ghosts, ghouls, and goblins for the Tricks for Treats skateboarding competition, which kicked-off on the evening of Oct. 27.

Around 30 Community skateboarders participated in the skate competition, which was hosted by the District 5 Recreation Department, Reuben Ringlero and Paul Molina, co-owners of Seven Layer Army Skateboards. The temporary skate park was built with the help of GRIC Facilities Maintenance, Mark Mullins, and Darin Mendoza.

Event organizer, Reuben Ringlero, who hosts many skateboarding competitions throughout the Gila River Indian Community, said “The event was a success because the amount of kids we had, and the prizes we were able to get with the help of District 5. Seeing the kids leave with a smile on their face after getting a prize or t-shirt, it felt successful.”

The skate competition had a Halloween costume theme. Skaters competed in costume dressed as a variety of characters from Donald Trump, Pikachu, an evil scientist, to Jason Voorhees, and many more comical and frightening characters.

Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis took part in the competition by handing out prizes, including free skateboards to Community youth. He said he supported skateboarding in the community, emphasizing it was a good activity and that he would like to see it continue in the future.

Winners of the 7-10-year-old category
1st: Mickey Allison
2nd: Van Johns
3rd: Aniceto Ortiz

Winners of the 11-15-year-old category
1st: Jacob Jones
2nd: Johnny Brown
3rd: Jeremy Rhodes

Winners of the 16 & Up Category
1st: Adrian Thomas
2nd: Taymen Chatlin
3rd: Aniceto Ortiz

For more information about upcoming skateboard competitions visit www.facebook.com/sevenlayer-army

Winter Bird Count
December 2nd, 2017

Meeting Sites & Schedule

7AM Meet at the location nearest you:
District 5: Casa Blanca Shell Station (Casa Blanca Rd. & I-10)
District 6: Komatke Chevron Station (51st Ave. Pecos Rd.)
District 7: District 7 Service Center (83rd. Ave. & Baseline Rd.)

11 AM Cultural Activities
Huhugam Heritage Center

1 PM 2017 Winter Bird Count Concludes

FAMILY EVENT — EVERYONE WELCOME

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Please Note: Transportation is not provided for this event
ALL Minors Must Be Accompanied By an Adult

Post 51 & D1 Community Veteran’s Day
Celebrating Our Freedom
At the D1 Multi-Purpose Building
Blackwater, Arizona
November 11, 2017

“Land of the Free, Home of the Brave”

Festivities include:
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Vendors
Music

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ANTHONY J. HILL for CHIEF JUDGE

MY COMMITMENT TO THE COMMUNITY:

* Create a Legal Services Office to provide advice and representation.
* Establish a Bar Association for attorneys and advocates.
* Propose laws that set judges’ qualifications and duties.
* Vigorously enforce child support orders.
* Issue child support orders for children who are in a relative’s custody.
* Establish Grandparents’ visitation rights.
* Longer sentences and no early release for repeat offenders.
* Increase substance abuse treatment as an alternative to jail.
* Ensure victims have a voice in the justice system.

Bachelor of Arts Degree, Political Science and Classics Studies, University of Arizona

Law Degree, Arizona State University College of Law

Associate Judge 2006-2011

Chief Judge 2008 & 2012-2015

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Anthony J. Hill for Chief Judge

Thank You Gila River for Your Support

GRIC hosts Meet & Greet with Sun Devils at Tempe Campus

Azcentral.com recently reported that the enrollment for Arizona State University has topped 100,000 students with over 51,000 at the Tempe campus. If you sort through those several thousands, you’ll find a small but distinctive number of students who are also enrolled as members of the Gila River Indian Community. Forty-three GRIC members attend ASU and with the assistance of GRIC Student Services and the American Indian Student Support Services program, Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis and representatives from the Community convened at the Tempe campus for a day of outreach and discussion with the students.

“The Community has invested in your education and we don’t want to lose all this experience that you’ve gained here,” Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis told the students in hopes that they will have opportunities in GRIC following their education.

Gov. Lewis also discussed the need for GRIC members to help manage important resources in scientific fields like agriculture and hydrology.

Tribal Education, Human Resources, the Executive Office and Gila River Health Care was available at the campus in Discovery Hall (formerly the agriculture building) from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. with GRIC students stopping to chat with the representatives and helping themselves to a lunch provided by the Community.

The engagement went a long way to strengthening the connection between the students and the Community according to Jacob Moore, Assistant Vice President of Tribal Relations at ASU. “I think it’s good for the students that they get that kind of support,” said Moore.

Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis with ASU students. From left, Velia Moncada, Daniel Lewis, Gov. Lewis, Darius Jackson, Napoleon Marrietta.

Darius Jackson, right, meets with representatives from GRIC.

Representatives from GRIC meet in Discovery Hall at ASU Tempe campus.

With the late Johnnie Cochran

My family

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Roberto A. Jackson
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COMMUNITY COUNCIL ACTION SHEETS

Persons: Cheryl Pablo

1. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community's State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Apache Junction For The Parks And Recreation Senior Transportation Project (G&MSC motioned to forward to Council with recommendation for approval)

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Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #2
22. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community’s State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Phoenix For Fire Protection (G&MSC motioned to forward to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #2
23. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community’s State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Mesa For The Gene Lewis Boxing Club And Youth Center Every Child A Champion Project (G&MSC motioned to forward to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #2
24. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community’s State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Mesa For The Jewish Family And Children’s Service Whole Health Wellness Initiative (G&MSC motioned to forward to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #2
25. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community’s State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Mesa For A New Leaf Inc. Homeless And Domestic Violence Shelter Programs (G&MSC motioned to forward to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #2
26. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community’s State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Glendale For The Glendale Police Department Special Operations Division Portable Weighing Scales (G&MSC motioned to forward to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #2
27. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community’s State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Goodyear For The Goodyear Fire Department Thermal Imaging Camera (G&MSC motioned to forward to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

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Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #2
29. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community’s State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Prescott For The Arizona Wildlife And Incident Management Academy (G&MSC motioned to forward to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #2
30. A Resolution Authorizing A Grant Award From The Gila River Indian Community’s State Shared Gaming Revenues To The City Of Glendale For The Sandy Coo VFW Post 1435 Roof Replacement (G&MSC motioned to forward to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Cheryl Pablo

APPROVED AT RESOLUTION #2
31. A Resolution Authorizing The Tribal Health Department To Submit A Grant Application To The National Indian Health Board For The 2017-2018 Request For Applications For The Tribal Accreditation Support Initiative Grant (G&MSC motioned to forward to Council with recommendation for approval)

HSSC concurs

Presenters: Christina Floyd and Rachel Hernandez

APPROVED
32. A Resolution Authorizing And Approving The Termination Of Per Capita Trust Accounts And Directing The Distribution Of Trust Assets To Certain Beneficiaries (G&MSC motioned to forward to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenters:

Treasurer Robert G. Keller and Suzanne Johns

APPROVED
33. A Resolution Approving A Temporary Construction Easement To The Maricopa County Department Of Transportation On Community Trust Lands Located In District Six Of The Gila River Indian Reservation Allowing The Construction Of The Bus Pullouts On 51st Avenue And Shown In Maricopa County Department Of Transportation Engineering Division Right Of Way Map 51st Avenue Bus Pull Outs Project No.T0404 (NRSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenters: Calvin Touchin and Antonio Antion

APPROVED
34. A Resolution Approving And Authorizing An Agreement Between The Gila River Indian Community And DCI Group, LLC For Public Relations And Other Services For Fiscal Year 2018 (Executive Session) (G&MSC motioned to forward to Council with recommendation for approval in Executive Session)

Presenters: Linus Everling and Thomas Murphy

APPROVED
35. A Resolution Approving And Authorizing An Agreement Between The Gila River Indian Community And Leibowitz Solo, LLC For Public Relations And Other Services For Fiscal Year 2018 (Executive Session) (G&MSC motioned to forward to Council with recommendation for approval in Executive Session)

Presenters: Ronald Rosier

APPROVED
36. A Resolution Authorizing Agreement To The Interim Over-Sight And Planning Committee Of The Gila River Gaming Enterprises, Inc. To Grant Limited Waivers Of Sovereign Immunity For Purposes Of The Gila River Gaming Enterprises, Inc. Transacting Business And Conducting Gaming Activities Within The Gila River Indian Reservation (Executive Session) (G&MSC motioned to forward to Council with recommendation for approval in Executive Session, NRSC concurs)

Presenters: Seaver Fields III

APPROVED

ORDINANCES
UNFINISHED BUSINESS
1. Lease Back Proposal Request (G&MSC motioned to forward to Council with recommendation for approval ESC concurs)

Presenter: Michael Carter

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE A RECOMMENDATION BY THE TREASURER BY ENGAGING LOBBYING EFFORTS BY AKIN & GUMP FOR THE LEASE BUY BACK WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT BIA-BIE MOTION MADE AND SECOND DIRECTING THE TREASURER TO PROCEED IN ESTABLISHING FUNDING OPTIONS FOR THE NEW SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION AND TO REPORT BACK WITH A PLAN WITHIN 30-DAYS TO INCLUDE THE THREE SCHOOLS FOR CONSIDERATION EXPANSION EFFORTS, GILA CROSSING COMMUNITY SCHOOL, BLACKWATER COMMUNITY SCHOOL AND CASA BLANCA COMMUNITY SCHOOL

2. A Resolution Authorizing Broadcasting Corporation (GRBC) Webcast Launch Update (CRSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval with additional information)

Presenters: Bruce Holdridge, Michelle Bowman and Board of Directors

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE GILA RIVER BROADCAST CORPORATION GRBC WEBCAST LAUNCH UPDATE CULTURAL RESOURCE STANDING COMMITTEE FORWARD TO COUNCIL WITH RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL WITH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, THE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WAS INCLUDED IN THE PACKET

[80 minute break; Meeting reconvened at 2:00 pm.]

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO SUSPEND THE RULES AND ENTERTAIN NEW BUSINESS ITEMS 1-5 AT THIS TIME

Addendum

3. Gaming Compact Update (Executive Session)

ITEM HEARD AFTER NEW BUSINESS ITEMS
NEW BUSINESS
1. District Three Motion Sheet For The Housing Advisory Committee (G&MSC motioned to forward to the appointment of Ruth Cox to Housing Advisory Committee to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Kelly Gomez

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE DISTRICT THREE MOTION SHEET FOR THE HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE WITH THE APPOINTMENT OF RUTH COX
2. District Five Motion Sheet For The Housing Advisory Committee (G&MSC motioned to forward to the appointment of Christina Pablo to the Housing Advisory Committee to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Kelly Gomez

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE DISTRICT FIVE MOTION SHEET FOR THE HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE WITH THE APPOINTMENT OF CHRISTINA PABLO
3. District Four Citizens Advisory Board Member Appointment (LSC forwards the appointment of Delaine Enos to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Joyce McAlie

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE DISTRICT FOUR CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER APPOINTMENT LSC FORWARDS TO COUNCIL THE APPOINTMENT OF DELANE ENOS AND TO BE TAKEN OUT OF DUES AND DELEGATIONS

Addendum to Agenda

Report #7 moved to New Business #5)
5. Housing Owners Team Council Report Presenters: Franklin Pablo Sr. and Kimberly Antoine

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ACCEPT THE HOUSING OWNERS TEAM REPORT AND MOVE FORWARD WITH THE RECOMMENDATION FOR DISMISSING THE TEAM FROM FUTURE SERVICES

UNFINISHED BUSINESS
MOTION WAS MADE AND SECOND TO EXECUTE EXECUTIVE SESSION
Addendum
3. Gaming Compact Update (Executive Session)

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION
MOTION WAS MADE AND SECOND TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION
MOTION WAS MADE AND SECOND TO AUTHORIZING OGC AND OUTSIDE COUNSEL AND THE COMMUNITY’S LOBBYIST TO RESUME PARTICIPATION IN THE ATTORNEY LOBBYIST MEETINGS IN THE CURRENT GAMING COMPACT NEGOTIATIONS BUT WITHOUT SHARING ANY COMMUNITY GAMING DATA THE COST WILL BE FUNDED BY OGC BUDGET LINE ITEM NOT TO EXCEED $12,000 MINUTES

ADJOURNMENT

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 3:41 P.M.

* Denotes TABLED from previous meeting(s)
VETERANS DAY CLOSURE
Hu Hu Kam Memorial Hospital
Komatke Health Center • Ak-Chin Clinic
In observance of Veterans Day, ALL CLINICS will be closed FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10th and SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11th.

PHARMACY HOURS
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10th OPEN 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11th CLOSED
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12th OPEN 12:00 PM - 10:00 PM
Normal business hours will resume Monday, November 13, 2017.
If you need immediate assistance, call 911 or visit the Emergency Department at Hu Hu Kam Memorial Hospital.

NEXT GRHC CAREER FAIR
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2017
10:00 am - 1:00 pm
Native Connections Building 6th Floor, Community Conference Room 4520 N. Central Avenue, Suite 600, Phoenix, AZ 85012
To learn more about available positions, go to GRHC.ORG/CAREERS or call (520) 562-3321 ext. 1342

JUST MOVE IT! OUTCOMES
Just Move It! 2017 had great participation for their October events.

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Thank you for your participation, and we look forward to seeing you at future Life Center and Wellness events.

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Fire Station 429 - 5002 North Maricopa Rd. Chandler AZ  520-796-5900
Fire Station 421 - 829 Blackwater School Rd. Coolidge AZ  520-796-4510
Gila River Indian Utility Authority - 6640 W. Sundust Rd. Ste. 5091 Chandler 520-796-0600
Gila River Police Department - 639 W. Seed Farm Rd. Sacaton, AZ  85147

All collected gifts directly benefit underprivileged youth of Gila River Indian Community
A partnership between Gila River Indian Community Fire Department & Police Department.

For more information or drop off locations, please contact:
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