Community members offer input in Governor’s Sustainable Housing Plan

Former educator Billy Allen participates in the meeting. Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN

Haskell Osife-Antone Post 51, the Women’s Auxiliary Unit 51 and District 1 hosts Veterans Day celebration

Roberto A. Jackson
Gila River Indian News

District 1 opened their arms to veterans on Nov. 10 for the Veterans Day Celebration. The parade and ensuing program was hosted by Haskell Osife-Antone Post 51, Haskell Osife-Antone Women’s Auxiliary Unit 51 and District 1. Kenneth Morgan Sr., Hotels & Casinos CEO, was the grand marshal as veterans, school groups and other supporters lined Blackwater School Road for a crisp morning of patriotism and gratitude for the men and women who served in the U.S. armed forces.

The parade started at the District 1 Service Center and the procession ended at the Keli Akimel Ballpark for special presentations and a meal for families and visitors. Following the final entry, a special flyover roared over the crowd of onlookers. The program consisted of a welcoming by Post 51 Commander Virgil Brown, Maria Pab- lo with the Women’s Auxiliary and remarks by Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis and Lt. Gov. Robert Stone.

“I’m proud today to be here to celebrate Veterans Day with you on this very special occasion, we should never forget how our veterans fought for us,” said Eddie. The goal of the session was to narrow down the home designs for the Community that make use of traditional earthen materials like adobe brick, while incorporating contemporary materials to reduce energy usage.

Wanda Dalla Costa, a group of ASU design students incorporated. She said the interesting and unique part of the project was how those two areas can benefit from the input of the residents from the Master’s of Business and MBA students, who lent their knowledge of design and budgeting to each of the projects.

The group discussed how certain amenities can be incorporated into the design that is culturally sensitive and energy smart. Dalla Costa previously met with Community members to discuss the project, which has gone through several iterations, leading up to the recent design session.

One of the participants of the project, Cecilia Eddie, said her input focused on the cultural elements and energy savings and how those two areas can benefit the home design.

“It’s opened up my eyes to the building aspect of it; I’ve known a lot, but not this in-depth with the material costs and the types you can use and how to reduce energy use, that’s what caught my inter- est,” said Eddie.

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Gila River Indian News

As the sun set over the sprawling concrete landscape of Phoenix, visitors from tribal communities flocked to a special ceremony to recognize Native veterans at the 6th Annual Heard Museum Sunset Tribute on Nov. 13.

The Sunset Tribute ceremony was held in front of the American Indian Veterans Memorial, which opened to the public in 2012. The American Legion Ira H. Hayes Post 84 from Sacaton raised the colors to start the evening ceremony.

David M. Roche, Dickey Family Director and Chief Executive Officer of the Heard Museum, said “[We] remember and reflect on the outstanding commitments that American Indian veterans and all veterans have made in service to our nation.”

The veterans tribute was near the 100th anniversary of the Armistice that ended World War I. He said the monument is there to remember the service and sacrifice of American Indian men and women who have served to defend the country, so that future generations will remain free. “We remember their sacrifices tonight and offer our humble thanks to those who remained behind and so passionately loved and supported the men and women who fought and sometimes offered the ultimate sacrifice in service to their country,” he said.

Dr. George Blue Spruce, Oh-kay-Owingeh/Laguna, a retired U.S. Navy veteran who served as Assistant Surgeon General gave the invocation.

Blue Spruce talked about the history of service by American Indians, who have served in all conflicts and branches of the armed forces and how he was the first American Indian to serve on a nuclear powered submarine the USS Nautilus.

Dr. Wayne Lee Mitchell-Mandan-Dakota Sioux and Vietnam Veteran, remembered the late Sen. John McCain, who was a Navy veteran and Prisoner of War, who rose to prominence as the state’s senior senator. “He always championed for more money for Indian programs, especially health and education,” said Mitchell. He said it was the help of the late Sen. Morris Udall, whom which McCain became familiar with the conditions of Native people across the state of Arizona.

He said though McCain was known to address many Native issues, Udall had a big influence as well on his fellow law maker, who worked to get the necessary resources to American Indians, to reach tribal sovereignty.

Lawrence Jackson Sr., Vice-Chairman, Yavapai-Apache Nation, a retired U.S. Army Master Sergeant, also spoke about the service of American Indians.

Robert Harrison, a member of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and U.S. Army veteran, handed ceremonial medals to the veterans present at the ceremony.

He said military service for American Indians is a noble call to arms, because it takes Native service men and women to far off lands away from their traditional homelands, that is even greater by being away from children and family.

Jackson said, “Never forget we still have sons and daughters serving around the world, and still paying the ultimate prices.”

Pee-Poo Bird Dancers and Singers took center stage in front of the veteran’s memorial to honor the veterans for their service. A banquet followed the tribute, inviting veterans and family members to speak about their service or the service of a family member.

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ATTENTION
MANDATORY 2018 HOMESITE WAITING LIST UPDATES

Community Members currently on the Homesite Waiting List who have not contacted LUPZ in 2018 to update their information must do so by December 31, 2018.

Annual updates are required to ensure current data is updated for contact purposes. as per GRIC Homesite Ordinance 20.208A.

Please call or visit the Department of Land Use Planning and Zoning at the Executive Ki’ Bldg. #2 291 W. Casa Blanca Rd. Sacaton, AZ

(520) 562-6003
Arrest made: 44
District One (Blackwater)
No Incidents Involving Part 1 Crime

District Two (Sacaton Flats)
No Incidents Involving Part 1 Crime

District Three (Sacaton)
Aggravated Assault – Officers were dispatched to the Department of Rehabilitation and Supervision (DRS) in reference to an inmate wanting to report an assault. Contact was made with the subject who stated that an incident had occurred prior to being arrested. The suspect had strangled the victim for approximately three minutes. The suspect and victim were in a prior relationship and the suspect became upset due to actions that occurred in the relationship. A minor scratch was located on the victim’s face. The incident was located and questions about the incident.

Status: Under investigation

Aggravated Assault – Officers were dispatched to a residence in reference to unknown trouble. The investigation revealed the suspect became upset and threw a house phone in the general direction of the victim. The phone struck the victim in the facial area causing a two to four inch laceration. The suspect was arrested and admitted to the incident.

Status: Suspect was booked in jail

District Four (Stotene Area)
Theft – Officers were dispatched to a residence in reference to a theft. Upon the officer's arrival he noticed the victim at his residence and asked for some water. When the victim went inside to get water the suspect grabbed the water and left the area. Attempts were made to locate the suspect and negative results follow up was conducted.

Status: Under investigation

Lone Butte Area: Aggravated Assault – Police spoke to a victim referring to a vehicle theft which occurred at Love’s Truck Stop approximately 24 hours earlier in the day. Through further investigation it was discovered the suspect stole a vehicle belonging to the victim and left the premises without permission. The vehicle was later impounded by Maricopa PD and the suspect was arrested for another offense outside of GRC.

Status: Charges forwarded to the law office.

Theft – Officers were dispatched to the Phoenix Premium Outlets to investigate a shoplifting that had just occurred. The store manager stated that the male suspect entered the store and selected a jacket from the display. The suspect then proceeded to put the jacket on. After a few minutes he puts his personal jacket on over one from the display. The suspect then proceeded to walk out of the store, passing the point of sale without paying for the jacket.

Status: Pending further suspect information.

Theft – Suspects climbed over a fence and entered through a door on a storage shed. The suspect removed a black chain saw and circling saw before leaving. The victim was the caretaker of the Church grounds.

Status: Under investigation

Theft – Officers responded to the residence in reference to a theft of bicycles. Upon the officer’s arrival contact was made with the reporting party.

Two bikes were taken from the front porch of the residence. The victim reported seeing a bicycle parked by the porch the night before and they were then gone by morning.

Status: Under investigation

Theft – Police responded to the Wild Horse Pass Casino in reference to a shoplifting. Through further investigation it was discovered the victim reported to have left several of her ticket bags and items in a male subject’s vehicle, who she knew for approximately a month. Attempts were made to locate the male subject however, they were unsuccessful.

Status: Under investigation

District Five (Casa Blanca)
No Incidents Involving Part 1 Crime

District Six (Komatke)
Theft – Officers were dispatched to Vee Quiva Casino reference to a theft ticket. Contact was made with casino staff who stated that the suspect cashed a ticket belonging to another casino patron. The suspect denied taking a ticket and was subsequently placed under arrest for the theft of the money. The suspect was booked into Fourth Avenue Jail.

Status: Suspect was arrested and booked into jail

District Seven (Maricopa)

Aggravated Assault – Officers were dispatched to a domestic call. The investigation revealed the suspect struck the victim three times with a metal pole and struck a second victim with the same pole once. After the original altercation the suspect threw a knife at one of the victims as well. The suspect was arrested and booked into Department of Rehabilitation and Supervision (DRS).

Status: Suspect was booked into jail

Incident Log October 28, 2018 – November 03, 2018
Gila River Police officers responded to 618 calls for service and made 44 arrests.

District One: Aggravated Assault – The suspect and victim were involved in a altercation inside their residence. The suspect punched the victim in the face causing lacerations around the victim’s eye. The suspect left the scene prior to police arrival and the victim went to a neighbor’s residence to obtain help. Gila River Emergency Medical Services arrived on scene and transported her to a local hospital for further medical care.

Status: Under investigation

District Two: No Incidents Regarding Part 1 Crime

District Three: Aggravated Assault – The suspect and victim were in a verbal domestic altercation in front of a family member’s residence. During the altercation the suspect became aggressive several items at the victim. The items struck the victim’s vehicle that was occupied by three juvenile children. Additionally, the suspect brandished a large kitchen knife during the altercation and used it to intimidate the victim. Law enforcement was notified and responded to investigate. The suspect left foot prior to police arrival but was later located by officers.

Status: Suspect was arrested and booked into DRS.

Theft – Suspects entered a store at the Phoenix Premium Outlet and by manipulating the main door lock. Once inside suspect(s) disabled the alarm and took approximately 900-900 designer watches. Surveillance video was obtained during the initial investigation. A detective has been assigned to this case.

Status: Under investigation.

Shoplifting – The suspect(s) made entry into a parked vehicle belonging to the victim at the Lone Butte Casino. Suspect(s) stole currency from the middle console of the vehicle.

Status: Under investigation.

Shoplifting – The suspect(s) made entry into a parked vehicle belonging to the victim at the Phoenix Premium Outlet and stole merchandise. The suspect entered the dressing room with shirts and sweat shirts. When the suspect exited the dressing room they no longer had one of the white shirts. As the suspect exited the store they set off the theft alarm.

Status: Under investigation.

Shoplifting – The suspect entered a store at the Phoenix Premium Outlet and stole merchandise. The suspect then left the store without paying for the merchandise and triggered the theft alarm. Law enforcement was notified and officers responded to investigate.

Status: Under investigation.
Gila River Indian Community members see traditional house designs come to life

ASU professor, students with residents on more efficient, culturally relevant housing

Mary Beth Fallar
ASU Now
Arizona State University

Family is the most important aspect of people who live in the Gila River Indian Community, and the houses they live in should reflect that.

That was the key concept that members of the community shared during an idea session with several graduate students and an architect professor to design new housing that would be culturally relevant.

Wanda Dalla Costa, an architect and Institute Professor in the Herberger Institute for Design and the Arts, has been working with the Gila River Indian Community in the concept for about three years. She calls it “design sovereign.”

“They’ve been residents of the desert for thousands of years and they’ve figured out how to live in the climate,” said Dal- la Costa, a member of the Saddle Lakes First Nation in Alberta, Canada. Dal- la Costa was the first First Nations woman to become a registered architect in Canada.

“I don’t use the word design—it’s co-design, because I’m not living there, they are living there. Even though I am indigenous, it’s not my culture.”

Even though I am indigenous because I’m not living on the land, I’m not living in that climate. It’s not my land, it’s not my culture.”

Thousands of years ago, the Gila River tribal members built dwellings with adobe walls to protect them from the heat. But in the 1960s, the federal government began providing standardized housing to reservations, which wasn’t designed for the desert climate. The Gila River Indian Community wants future housing to not only be culturally relevant but also more energy efficient.

Last year, Dalla Costa met with several Gila River residents for the first time to talk about what their houses should look like. They produced a dozen designs, ranging from about 1,600 to 2,600 square feet. On Sept. 11, Dalla Costa gathered the community members together with about 30 ASU graduate students in the architecture, business administration, construction and American Indian Studies master’s degree programs.

In a classroom at the Huilugam Heritage Center, the residents divided into groups and took those initial designs and talked about what they needed. The students offered different wall, roof and window options, which were then visualized in a three-dimensional computer program.

Skyler An- selmo, a 23-year-old member of the community, said that many times, more than one family lives in a house.

“We grew up sharing space,” he said. “The houses we have now are crow- ded together and there’s no synergy.

“The foundation of our culture is to share and prosper together,” said An- selmo, who works in Sa- caton in the AmeriCorps program.

Dalla Costa told the groups they could push the envelope, and Anselmo’s group did. They designed a house with a large, open, round central family room, with other rooms coming off of it like spokes.

The community members were nearly unani- mous in their desire for an outdoor cooking area, as well as a shaded play area. They were also interested in traditional fea- tures that are sustainable, like a rainwater catcher.

And everyone wants a garden.

“It’s part of our his- tory, when we were self-sus- taining,” Anselmo said. “It goes back to the roots of our culture, when we grew our own food.”

Sky Dawn Reed, who earned a master’s in sci- ence and technology poli- cy degree at ASU and now works in the planning de- partment of the Gila River Indian Community, said the design should be flexible.

“We should think about making the houses solar-ready,” she said. “It might not be double now, but we could be using it later. It might even be far off, but we should be forward-thinking.”

Belinda Ayze, a gradu- ate student in the American Indian Studies program at ASU, sat with an elderly resident and helped to facili- tate her discussion about the design.

“I was asking her how she lived her life and how she cooked and if she wanted wheel chair ramps and bars in the shower,” she said.

“I asked why she wants a cooking area outside, and she said, ‘Food tastes better with fire.’”

Ayze, a Navajo, said the older residents she talk- ed to wanted traditional adobe walls and doors that faced east.

“It think it’s a good idea to make the houses the way they want and the way they want to live,” she said.

The goal is to train Gila River residents to build the houses. Last spring, ASU architecture master’s stu- dent Selina Martinez de- signed a traditional adobe shad shape structure, or “vatho,” which was constructed by a team of Gila River builders, led by master builder Aaron Sabori.

Dalla Costa hopes to come up with about six final designs, with one or two selected to go into construc- tion drawings. Then a prototype would be con- structed within the next year.

“The design belongs to you, and construction should belong to you because there is a long history of constructing your own homes,” she told the community.

Members of the Gila River Indian Community took over several of the housing designs for the Gila River Indian Community in a collaboration between graduate students from ASU schools of architecture, business, engineering and American Indian studies, at the Huilugam Heritage Center on Tuesday. Photo by Charlie Leigh/ASU Now.

Gila River Indian Community
For the fifth consecutive year, a group of Akimel O’otham and Pee Posh women made a spiritual journey from one end of the Community and finished on the other end. The two-day journey started in the Maricopa Village and ended in Uhs Kehk and this year honored the missing and murdered Indigenous women movement. The annual women’s run was in remembrance of Indigenous sisters lost at the hands of violence, a symbolic red O’otham dress also made the journey, a symbol of the sisters lost. The prayer journey featured runners and walkers of all ages and was led by Pamela Thompson.

On Oct. 17, HHC’s Language Program held a Language Class Appreciation Event at the District 4 Service Center to celebrate the completion of the Shelma O’otham Ñeo’ok Language Immersion class.

On Oct. 24, HHC’s Language Program held a Language Class Appreciation Event at the District 6 Health Center to celebrate the completion of the Shelma O’otham Ñeo’ok Language Immersion class.

On that day, thirty ‘e mamshchamtham (students) were awarded Certificates of Completion, given celebratory gifts, and shared a meal together to commemorate the ending of the twelve-week language immersion course. The class was taught by Ms. Henrietta Lopez, Lead Instructor and Mrs. Eugenia Apkaw, Mentor Instructor. The Language Immersion sessions were managed by Robert Johnson, Language Specialist of the HHC Language Program. The immersion sessions focused on teaching everyday language on various subjects spoken in the home on a daily basis. The lessons included traditional gender roles and responsibilities; I:mig, O’otham relationships within each family, O’otham Kwintha Hema-kosia:nth; the song ‘Hevel ‘o mel’, a lesson about the weather; and several other topics. Many families attended together and learned their Akimel O’otham language by the HHC fluent O’otham speaking teachers. Twenty-one certificates total were awarded to students from the villages of District 6 with a few members from District 4.

Sixty-four total certificates were awarded for both classes. For some members of the District 6 class this was their fifth Akimel O’otham Language Immersion Course.
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The Gila River Health Care (GRHC) Finance Department of The Caring House has been asked to publish official notice in the Gila River Indian Newspaper, on the official web site for the Gila River Indian Community and on the official web site for Gila River Health Care before disposing of unclaimed money, payroll checks, refunds of employee benefits, or other checks. Therefore, we are requesting Community Public Affairs Office (CPO) to publish the following message in the Gila River Indian Newspaper and Gila River Health Care’s official web site for a period not to exceed thirty days from the date of publication.

The following list contains the names of individuals and other parties with outstanding checks recorded as of 11/13/18. Public notice of unclaimed checks will be published in the Gila River Indian Newspaper and Gila River Health Care’s official web site.

In order to claim the check, the owner must submit a claim form in person and bring in a current W-9 within 30 days of publication or posting. In addition, the person must provide the department, program, or entity with positive identification, including photo identification showing the person claiming the check is the last known owner. If the check is unclaimed for 60 days after publication, it shall escheat and title thereof shall vest in Gila River Health Care, or as applicable, the Federal, State, or other agency that provided the funding. If you are the recipient of unclaimed property, please e-mail mhaake@grhc.org for further instructions.

Adonnia Young, Angelina Flores, Artemisa Corredova, Betty Sparks, Catherine Hinga, Diana Ruiz Kayil Garcia, Kyraan Carson, Leah Foster, Lorna Shilbe, Michelle Hugo, Mengyang Dinht, Rachel Lopez, Sarah Sullivan
District 4 pays tribute to Vets

Community members paid tribute to veterans for their military service at the District 4 Service Center on Nov. 10. District 4 Service Center Recreation Committee organized the event that included a traditional dance by the Keli Akimel basket dancers and the raising of the colors by the H. Hayas American Legion Post 84. Wesley Rhodes, former Marine and Veterans Peer Support Specialist with the Veterans and Family Services Office (VFSO), talked about getting veterans connected with services, like those provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs. Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN

FROM THE FRONT PAGE

veterans lived, how our veterans fought, how our veterans sacrificed,” said Gov. Lewis.

Lt. Gov. Stone said he was honored to attend the event and all the festivities. “Thank you for inviting us to the parade, it was a great parade,” he said.

Winners of the parade awards were Blackwater Community School Cheer Squad (Originality), Blackwater Community School Gate Program (Patriotism) and Haskell Osife-Antone Post 51 and Auxiliary Unit 51 (Symbolism).

The entries were: American Legion Haskell Osife-Antone Post 51
1. Grand Marshal – Kenneth Morgan
2. Blackwater Community School Color Guard
3. Governor Stephen R. Lewis
4. Lt. Governor Robert Stone
5. Gila River Royalty

7a.m. Meet at one of the locations nearest you:
District 5: Casa Blanca Chevron Station (Casa Blanca Rd. & I-10)
District 6: Komatke Chevron Station (51st Ave. Pecos Rd.)
District 7: Service Center (83rd Ave. & Baseline Rd.)
11 a.m. Cultural Activities Begin
Huhugam Heritage Center, 23159 S. Maricopa Rd.
1 p.m. 2018 Winter Bird Count Concludes

FAMILY EVENT – EVERYONE WELCOME

Participants will receive a T-shirt upon arrival
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Sacaton Boys and Girls Club (116 S W Holly St, Sacaton, AZ 85147)
Governance Center (525 West Gu U Kl Rd., Sacaton, AZ 85147)

For more information, please contact Alle Walking Badger at (520) 562-9713
or Shannon Redbird at (520) 562-9859.
but the idea of creating [this] restaurant was prob-
ably from my grandmother, who raised me and cooked for me.” He said when people pass away, they don’t write down their recipes, and ventures like the restaurant are about remembering his grandmother, because ev-
everything is all connected through food.

Lopez, said, “If there’s one thing that connects us all is the food and the hands that make the food to all our family and those that gone-

before, this restaurant that I’ve created is a tribute to all of that.”

The restaurant will intro-
troduce a Day of the Dead theme and offer a variety of Mexican dishes. They will serve wood-fired carne asa-
du, herb crusted rotisserie chicken and spit–fire al pasto,

or, said the press release.

Lopez, said, “With my other restaurants and the one here, it’s things peo-
ple can clearly understand when ordering, like burri-
to and charros... but with Chingon, it’s Chingon, so I am really excited about ex-
panding the brand.”

As a very hands-on individual, Lopez sees him-
self visiting and observing the operation of each of his restaurants.

Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis thanked the casino leadership for making the partnership possible. He also commended Community Council representa-
tives for working with the Gila River Hotels & Casi-

nos, to make the partner-

ship possible in bringing Chingon Kitchen to the Community.

“We are welcoming a friend of our Community, Mr. Lopez and the open-
ing of Chingon Kitchen,” said Lewis, “It’s going to be a great addition that will be added to the line-up of restaurants [here].

In the press release, Manuel said, “We are con-
stantly working to give our guests the best in dining, entertainment and gaming, and George Lopez’s Chin-

gon Kitchen will fit in per-
fectly with that goal at Vee Quiva.”

“It’s very Chicano, and the price point is very in-
credible as well,” said Lo-

pez, “You have a tremen-
dous partner with me and I am very excited with the opening of the [restaurant] and as the times goes on with the restaurants.”

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

The Gila River Indian Community Council has declared the following Board vacancy:

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Pursuant to GRIC 2011 Code of Conduct, Chapter 6, Section 1.601.C-4: All individuals who apply for a vacancy shall submit to the Community Council Secretary a letter of interest, resume, an application and financial disclosure statement in a form as may be prescribed by the Community Council Council from time to time and an affidavit attesting that he/she has not been or is not a convicted of any crime involving moral turpitude; b) attended an application and financial disclosure statement in a form as may be prescribed by the Community Council for at least five years; c) currently delinquent with respect to a debt owed to the Community; or able to meet any other condition imposed by the office in questions. The GRIC 2011 Code of Conduct, application, financial disclosure, and affidavit can be obtained from the Community Council Secretary's Office.

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Pursuant to GRIC 2011 Code of Conduct, Chapter 6, Section 1.601.G: Duties of Community Enterprise Board: Community enterprise boards and their members shall follow a standard of care requiring that any decision of, or action taken by, the Community enterprise board members shall be to one that would be made with the degree of care that would be assumed by a reasonably prudent and competent person seeking a reasonable return on investment and preservation of financial resources. A copy of the specified board position description can be obtained from the Community Council Secretary’s Office.

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a distinct sulfur-like odor, similar to rotten egg, even if it’s faint or momentary.

HEAR:

a hissing or roaring coming from the ground, above-ground pipeline, or natural gas appliance.

SEE:

dirt or water blowing into the air, unexplained dead or dying grass or plants, or standing water continuously bubbling.

IF YOU SUSPECT A LEAK

• Exit the area or building immediately. Tell others to evacuate and leave doors open.
• From a safe place, call 911 and Southwest Gas at 877-860-6020, day or night, whether you’re a customer or not. A Southwest Gas representative will be there as soon as possible. Don't smoke or use matches or lighters. Don't turn on or off electrical switches, thermostats, or appliance controls; or do anything that could cause a spark. Don't start or stop an engine, or use automated (garage) doors.

For more information about natural gas safety visit swgas.com/safety or call 877-860-6020.

GRIC Tribal Education Department Program Culture

Phone: 520-562-3052
Email: Anthony.Gray@gric.rsnhs.us

Qualifications:

• Must be a 18 years and Older
• Must have Intermediate Sewing skills
• Must be able to pass background check
• Must be available to work flexible times during Jan–April (Evening Time)
• Tribal Business License (preferred)

All inquiries please contact

GRIC Tribal Education Department

Pursuant to GRIC 2011 Code of Conduct, Chapter 6, Section 1.601.C.4: All individuals who apply for a vacancy shall submit to the Community Council Secretary a letter of interest, resume, an application and financial disclosure statement in a form as may be prescribed by the Community Council Council from time to time and an affidavit attesting that he/she has not been or is not a convicted of any crime involving moral turpitude; b) attended an application and financial disclosure statement in a form as may be prescribed by the Community Council for at least five years; c) currently delinquent with respect to a debt owed to the Community; or able to meet any other condition imposed by the office in questions. The GRIC 2011 Code of Conduct, application, financial disclosure, and affidavit can be obtained from the Community Council Secretary's Office.
Christopher Lomahquahu
Gila River Indian News

Arizona State University hosted the 15th Annual Construction in Indian Country Conference to discuss how best practices in building techniques and business models can be implemented within Native communities.

This year, the conference brought together tribal housing experts from across the state of Arizona and neighboring states on Nov. 7-9 at the Wild Horse Pass Hotel & Casino.

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To greet the horseback riders, were students from Sacaton Middle School who awaited the dusty travelers from over the hill. The students met with the 2018 Gilbert Days Rodeo Queen Kenediigg and Rodeo Teen Queen Karlie Brewer. Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN

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Other subjects talked about the use of materials that are sourced from the land, which the Indigenous people live, that includes its members as part of the manufacturing process. This led into the idea of a circular economy, where the local population is part of the building process, that could lead to opportunities into specialized fields and careers, while promoting tribal sovereignty.

Others recognized:

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**ASU hosts “Doing Research in Indigenous Communities Conference”**

Gov. Lewis sat on the tribal leaders panel to discuss best practices with other tribal representatives.

1-2 to discuss scientific research and how tribal communities serve an important role in the process.

Key themes of the conference were on transparency, reciprocity, understanding sovereignty and sustainability. Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis spoke on the tribal leader’s panel on best practices, along with three other tribal representatives. He talked about the history of moving away from the Indian Health Services to its own healthcare services.

“We are proud to be a very progressive community that fits and aligns and respect our own value system, especially when we run our own healthcare facilities,” said Lewis.

He said moving away from IHS was an important step for the Community.

“Research has to be used as a means to build up tribes and not tear them down, we have to reverse that negative stigma around it,” said Lewis.

He pointed to the Hau’pal (Red Tail Hawk) Health Center as an example of a tribal community opening its own healthcare facility.

He said the success of a community to thrive is to provide opportunities for its members go off to colleges and universities to get educated on the best practices related to research and come back to the Community to serve the people.

Havasupai Tribe Councilwoman Carletta Tilousi said, “It’s about going back to your communities to lead them in a good way, I think that is very commendable that you are here at ASU and that you want to take on this big challenge in this modern day and age.”

The controversial Havasupai blood research has left a negative impact on her and other tribal members is still felt today.

She said when they asked if they would like to take her blood and asked her the question, if she wanted to know if she would be diabetic.

“That blood was taken brought to ASU, not just mine, but hundreds of other tribal members and it was brought to the laboratories here and we never got word from [this] institution, if I was going to be diabetic,” said Tilousi, “[We] still have unanswered questions to this day.”

Tilousi said, as a word of advice for researchers is to provide outreach in this way that will allow it to be done in the right way, which means having someone who knows the language to be a part of the communication process.

“We are not against, research, we want to know, but we want it done in the right way, because elsewhere bad research practice has affected a lot of people,” she said, “Although we are all different sovereign nations, and all we all have different protocols, there still has to be enforcement.”

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**Celebrating Dr. Yamada’s 30 Years of Service**

We congratulate Dr. Wesley Yamada for 30 years of service to the Gila River Indian Community. No words are enough to appreciate the service you do. You made your patients feel safe, cared for, and comfortable. Thanks for your warmth, humor, care, and attention. You’re doing a wonderful job!
Celebrate the light parade theme Christmas in Toyland!
Winners of each category will receive a trophy and a prize!

In partnership with the River of Lights Parade the Huhugam Heritage Center will host First Friday in the Ira H. Hayes Park. Visit the park for arts and crafts, vendors and food booths!

For more information or to request a parade application, please contact: Alie Walking Badger (520) 562-9713 or Shannon Redbird at (520) 562-9859.
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ACTION SHEET
Community Council; P.O. Box 2138; Sacaton, Arizona 85147; Phone (520) 562-9720; Fax (520) 562-9729

CALL TO ORDER
The First Regular Monthly Meeting of the Community Council held Wednesday, November 7, 2018, in the Community Council Chambers at the Governance Center in Sacaton, Arizona was called to order by Governor Stephen R. Lewis at 9:10 a.m.

INVOCATION
Provided by Councilwoman Pamela Johnson

ROLL CALL
Sign-in Sheet Circulated
Executive Officers Present:
Governor Stephen R. Lewis
Lt. Governor Robert Stone
Council Members Present:
D1-Joey Whitman, Annie Hogg; D2-Carol Schurz; D3-Carolyn Williams (9/24), Rodney Jackson; D4-Monica Antone; Jennifer Allison, Barney Enos, Jr., Pamela Johnson; D5-Janice Stewart (8/19), Martin Dixon, Lawrence White, Sr., Thomas White; D6-Anthony Villareal, Sr., Charles Goldtooth, Terrance Evan
Council Members Absent:
D7-Devin Redbird

APPROVAL OF Agenda
APPROVED AS AMENDED

PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS (Limit to 5-minutes)
1. Introduction Of Kristine Morris, Superintendent Of Union Elementary School District
Presenter: Issac Salcido

MR. ISAAC SALCIDO INTRODUCED MS. KRISTINE MORRIS. MS. MORRIS PROVIDED A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF HER BACKGROUND. VARIOUS COUNCIL MEMBERS AND GOVERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS EXPRESSED WORDS OF WELCOME.

REPORTS
1. Community Technology Center 4th Quarter and Annual Report
Presenter: Connie Jackson
REPORT HEARD
2. St. Peter Indian Mission School Annual Report SY2017-2018
Presenter: Sister Martha
REPORT HEARD
3. Gila Crossing Community School Annual Report SY 2017-2018
Presenter: Jim Mosley
REPORT HEARD
Presenter: Patrice Laura
REPORT HEARD
5. Blackwater Community School Annual Report SY 2017-2018
Presenter: Jagdish Sharma
REPORT HEARD
[GOVERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS CALLED FOR A 10-MINUTE BREAK. THE MEETING RECONVENE AT 11:45 A.M.]
6. Skyline Gila River School Annual Report SY 2017-2018
Presenter: Vaughn Flannigan
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ACCEPT REPORTS #6, #7, #8
7. Sacaton Elementary School District Annual Report SY2017-2018
Presenter: Cheryl Paul
ACCEPTED AT REPORT #6
8. Travel Report, 4th Quarter – Fiscal Year 2018
Presenters: Treasurer Robert Keller, Suzanne Johns
ACCEPTED AT REPORT #6

9. Department of Housing Development 2014 RHP
Housing Construction Project Report
Presenter: JoAnn Garcia
REPORT HEARD
10. Haskell Osile-Antone American Legion Post 51 FY18 Q1 & 4th Quarter Report
Presenters: Virgil Brown, Avery White
TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA
[MOTION MADE AND SECOND FOR A 1-HOUR LUNCH BREAK. THE MEETING RECONVENED AT 2:25 P.M.]
11. 4th Quarter Capital Projects Report as of 9/30/18
Presenter: Lt. Governor Robert Stone
REPORT HEARD
12. Tribal Social Services FY 2018 90 Day Report
Presenter: Julian Garza
REPORT HEARD
13. FY 2018 Annual Report – Finance Department
Presenters: Mike Jacobs, Treasurer Robert Keller
REPORT HEARD
14. FY 2018 Annual Report – Office of Special Funding
Presenters: Cheryl Pablo, Treasurer Robert Keller
REPORT HEARD
15. Gila River Sand & Gravel Quarterly Report FY 18 Quarter 3
Presenters: Michael Morago, Bob Gazis
REPORT HEARD
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION
16. Bondurant Sublease (Executive Session)
Presenters: David White, SVMC Board, Osborn Maledon
REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION
17. Gaming Commission General Report to the Community Council For September 2018
(Presenters: Dale Enos, Courtney Moyah
TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Presenters: Kenneth Manuel, Interim Oversight & Planning Coordinator
TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION
19. FY 2018 Quarterly Treasurer’s Report Ending September 30, 2018 (Executive Session)
Presenters: Treasurer Robert Keller, Suzanne Johns
REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION
MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION
RESOLUTIONS
1. A Resolution Approving The Lease Agreement For CAP Water Between Central Arizona Water Conservation District And The Gila River Indian Community (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)
Presenter: Jason T. Hauter
TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA
2. A Resolution Approving The Stored Water Recovery And Central Arizona Project Water Exchange Agreement And Contributed Funds Agreement Between The Central Arizona Water Conservation District And The Gila River Indian Community (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval, NRSC concurs)
Presenter: Jason T. Hauter
TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA
3. A Resolution Rescinding Resolution GR-242-16 And Approving The Acquisition For Right Of Way For A Grant Of Easement For Gila River Indian Community Department Of Transportation Project No. ROW_005.D10 Crossing Allotted And Community Land Parcels For The Purpose Of Constructing, Operating, Managing And Maintaining A Roadway And Utility Corridor By The Gila River Indian Community Department Of Transportation Located In District 1 And As Shown In Drawing Number 40112-0492-EA, Page 1 And 2.
(NRSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)
Presenters: Warren Wiltshire, Eugene Blackwater
TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA
4. A Resolution Rescinding Resolution GR-233-16 And Approving The Acquisition For Right Of Way For A Grant Of Easement For Gila River Indian Community Department Of Transportation Project No. ROW_005.D10 Crossing Allotted And Community Land Parcels For The Purpose Of Constructing, Operating, Managing And Maintaining A Roadway And Utility Corridor By The Gila River Indian Community Department Of Transportation Located In District 7 And As Shown In Drawing Number 40712-0454-EA, Page 1 And 2.
(NRSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)
Presenters: Warren Wiltshire, Eugene Blackwater
TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA
5. A Resolution Rescinding Resolution GR-122-16 And Approving The Acquisition For Right Of Way For A Grant Of Easement For Gila River Indian Community Department Of Transportation Project No. ROW_0407.D5.10 Crossing Allotted And Community Land Parcels For The Purpose Of Constructing, Operating, Managing And Maintaining A Roadway And Utility Corridor By The Gila River Indian Community Department Of Transportation Located In District 5 And As Shown In Drawing Number 40512-0103-EA, Page 1 And 2.
(NRSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)
Presenters: Warren Wiltshire, Eugene Blackwater
TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA
6. A Resolution Rescinding Resolution GR-128-16 And Approving The Acquisition For Right Of Way For A Grant Of Easement For Gila River Indian Community Department Of Transportation Project No. ROW_0499. D7.11 Crossing Allotted And Community Land Parcels For The Purpose Of Constructing, Operating, Managing And Maintaining A Roadway And Utility Corridor By The Gila River Indian Community Department Of Transportation Located In District 7 And As Shown In Drawing Number 30712-0064-EA, Page 1 (NRSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)
Presenters: Warren Wiltshire, Eugene Blackwater
TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA
7. A Resolution Approving The Gila River Sand And Gravel Restated Articles Of Incorporation Which Include, Among Other Things, Authorization To Create Subsidiary Entities, Greater Protection Of Sovereign Immunity And General Updates Regarding Board Services (EDSC approves and forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)
Presenter: Michael Morago
APPROVED
ORDINANCES
UNFINISHED BUSINESS
NEW BUSINESS
1. Special Council Meeting Request – Housing Department Update – NAHASHDA & RHP (G&MSC forwards to Council)
Presenters: Governor Stephen Lewis, Lt. Governor Robert Stone, Treasurer Robert Keller
TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA
2. Plan To Establish The Veterans and Family Ser-

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vices Office (G&MSC forwards to Council under New Business with recommendations)

Presenters: Lt. Governor Robert Stone, Casandra Wallace

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO REQUEST TREASURER, GOVERNOR, AND LT. GOVERNOR TO COME UP WITH THE BUDGET PLAN FOR BUDGET MODIFICATION

3. Authorization For Lobbying Activities (LSC motioned to forward authorization for lobbyist to work on Legislation for tribal representation on AZ POST to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Thomas Murphy

MOTION MADE AND SECOND FOR AUTHORIZATION FOR LOBBYIST TO WORK

ON LEGISLATION FOR TRIBAL REPRESENTATION ON AZ POST

[ADDITION TO AGENDA] MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

COUNCIL CONCERNS (Executive Session)

Presenters: Community Council

ITEM DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO EXIT EXECUTIVE SESSION

MINUTES

1. October 17, 2018 (Regular)

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE ANNOUNCEMENTS

G&MSC REGULAR MEETING, THURSDAY,

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

TEACHER SENTENCED TO 21 YEARS IN PRISON FOR MOLESTING KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS

PHOENIX – Yesterday, Tadashi Mitchel

Harvey, 35, of Gilbert, Ariz., was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Da

id G. Campbell to 21 years in prison, followed by lifetime supervised release for molesting two six-year-olds in the Gila River Indian Community. Harvey had previously pleaded guilty to two counts of abusive sexual contact of a minor. Upon release from prison, Har

vey will be required to register as a sex offender.

Harvey’s crimes came to light earlier this year, when a kindergarten student described the molestation. The investiga

tion ultimately identified a total of six alleged victims, all of whom were current or former students of Harvey. Harvey admitted to sexually touch

ing two minor victims, both of whom were members of the Gila River Indian Community. At the time of the crimes, Harvey was an enrolled member of the White Mountain Apache Tribe. “Our society places immense trust in teachers, and yesterday’s 21-year sen

tence appropriately punishes Har

vey’s breach of that trust,” said First Assistant U.S. Attorney Elizabeth A. Strange. “Protecting school children from pedophiles is one of the U.S. Attor

ney’s Office’s most important responsibili

ties, and we will continue to prose

cute such crimes to the fullest extent of the law.”

The investigation in this case was con

ducted by the Gila River Police Depart

ment. The prosecution was handled by Christine D. Keller and Dimitra H. Sampau, Assistant U.S. Attorneys, District of Arizona, Phoenix.

NOTICE OF HEARING

IN THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMU

NITY COURT

STATE OF ARIZONA

In the matter of the Estate of:

CARNELLI, LIVIAN

CASE NUMBER: PB-2018-0004-DIE

NOTICE OF HEARING

To: Michelle Villegas,

Please take notice that a Review Hear

ing has been scheduled in the Gila River Indian Community Court.

This matter has been scheduled at the place and time set forth below:

Tuesday, December 3, 2018 at 9:00 AM in Courtroom VII, Westend Judicial Center, 4751 West Pecos Road, Laveen, AZ.

HEARINGS

Apodaca, Vincent – Review / Exhi

bition Child Support / Enfamilary Guardianship

Hearings

Case: J-12-027 / J-16-0152 / J-17-

005 Court date: December 6, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

Thank You...Thank You...

Thank You!

When we hear of a loved one passing. There doesn’t seem to be words that describe the feelings we go through. The disbelief shock, then the overwh

eling grief sets in.

Listening to the countless stories from individuals describing how Bryson was there for them. How he sat all night praying Rosary, singing tradi

tional songs, being with the families throughout the services. Even after it’s all over how he would still check on the families and let them know he is still praying for them. Not only did it make me look at myself, but hearing this made me all the more proud of my Navajo heritage.

During the Eulogy, his birthplace was not mentioned; nor was his educ

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Regardless the destination, Bryson would close his eyes, swing his head, and have God use his voice to Bless

Those that are in hearing distance of his voice. What is important to remem

ber is what Legacy Bryson left, which was always giving. Bryson was not a giver of wealth but a “Giver As Unto the Lord.”

Because many of you gave, not only of your time but through a shared dish or perhaps you said a prayer thank you! All your efforts did not go unno

ticed.

We would like to give a Special thanks to Mata’ina’ena, Picona, De

Colores, Cutlito, Native All Stars, All Traditional Singers who stayed up all night singing, the Traditional Dance Groups, All the Gospel Groups, Jere

niah & Audry’s group from T.O., St. Peters School, Governor S. Lewis, West Casa Blanca Worshiping Cen

tral, GRC Police Department, GRC First Responders, OS Service Cen

ter Staff, OI Service Center, CPNO Staff, CTC Lab Staff, KOHN 91.9 ra

dio station, All our Sister Tribes that attended. Spiritual Runners, Chucky, Bernella, all who helped with the food and chu’myth makers. Thank you Iris Jackson for ALL you have done! Thank you Economic, for all your hard work. May God Bless & Keep You.

Happy Birthday

I would like to wish my youngest son, “Jase William Stoner” A happy 3rd birthday on November 23rd. My Jase baby I love you so much I know there’s so many miles, mistakes and missed memories that separate us right now but Daddy will come back home to you again someday. You’re too young to understand why I chose the life of an alcoholic over you and our family but I pray I’ll be able to explain myself to you when you’re old

er. I look at your pictures, I see your smiling face and it takes me out of this place. I get to remember again how it was before I made a mess out of it.

I get to remember how it felt for the first time I held that wonderful Sunday morning, the cry that filled the room and my heart still echoes through my mind. “You’ll always be on my mind and in my heart, for now we will be just one prayer apart.”

Every child deserves a good father but I don’t feel much like one here. In time you’ll get the better one you need form me and I won’t allow myself to leave you again. Promised.

“Happy Birthday Baby!” Love Dad

Community Remindar: Don’t Drink & Drive
PREVENTION TIPS

- Dryer duct made of solid metallic material. Vinyl and foil burn easily and the spiral surfaces can catch lint more rapidly.
- Avoid kinking or crushing the dryer duct in tight areas where it blocks airflow.
- Dryer duct should vent to the outside.
- Use a 4-inch diameter vent pipe for dryer duct.
- Clean the lint screen/filter before and after each use.
- Lint buildup and blocking airflow could start a dryer fire. Lint is a highly combustible material, easy to burn which makes it very dangerous. Many dryer vent problems.
- Clean the vent duct and dryer drum of lint.
- Clean behind and around the dryer, where lint can build up.
- Minimize the length of the exhaust duct, keep as short as possible.
- Ensure you have a Fire Extinguisher readily available at all times.

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