



IN HONOR OF OUR VETERANS AND FAMILIES



The parade in District 1 began with Post 51 marching with the colors on Nov. 10. Roberto A. Jackson/GRIN

Community members offer input in Governor's Sustainable Housing Plan



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

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Gila River Indian News

Part of Governor's Sustainable Housing Plan is to revitalize traditional home building in an environmentally conscious way.

With the assistance of Arizona State University, a group of Community members and students from the Master's of Business Administration program at the W.P. Carey School of Business hosted a design session on the Gila River Indian Community Culturally Responsive Affordable Sustainable Housing Project presentation on Oct. 30.

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 ASU Herberger Institute for Design and the Arts and the School of Construction professor, led the session, which was incorporated into a classroom of MBA students, who lent their knowledge of design and budgeting to each of the projects presented.

The groups 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 interest," said Eddie.

She said the interesting and unique part of the project was how ASU design students incorporat-

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

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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., 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 Dis-

trict 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 Com-

mander Virgil Brown, Maria Pablo 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

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'George Lopez's Chingon Kitchen' coming to Vee Quiva

Comedian partners with Gila River Hotels & Casinos for new restaurant that will open early next year

Christopher Lomahquahu
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A special visitor with a distinguished career in entertainment is bringing his love of food and family to the Gila River Indian Community.

Chingon Kitchen, a Mexican restaurant started by comedian George Lopez, will open at Vee Quiva Hotel & Casino early next year. The partnership was announced at a special engagement at the Wild Horse Pass Hotel & Casino Shula's Steakhouse on Nov. 5.

Gila River Hotels & Casinos Chief Executive Officer Kenneth

Manuel said in a press release, "We are proud to partner with a beloved comedian and personality like George Lopez and introduce his exciting dining concept to Arizona."

This is the second restaurant Lopez will be opening at a tribal gaming entity. Last year, Lopez opened his first restaurant with the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians' casino located in California.

Lopez said, "When people come to you with ideas, usually they go away as fast they come,

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Comedian George Lopez presents a dish with Kenneth Manuel, Gila River Hotels & Casinos CEO, that will be available at his upcoming restaurant. Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN

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Heard Museum recognizes veterans and families at sunset tribute

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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 that 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 ultimately sacrifice in service to their country,” he said.

Dr. George Blue Spruce, Ohkay-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



Ira H. Hayes Post 84 salutes the posting of the colors at the Heard Museum's Sunset Tribute in Phoenix on Nov. 13. Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN

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-Posh 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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Gila River Police Department Incident Logs

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Incident Log

October 21 – 27, 2018

Calls for services this week: 610

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 action within the relationship. A minor scratch was located on the victim's person. The suspect was located and questioned 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 into jail

District Four (Stotonic Area):

Theft – Officers were dispatched to the residence in reference to a theft. Upon the officer's arrival the victim stated the suspect arrived at her residence and asked for some water. When the victim went inside to get water the suspect grabbed the victim's tablet and left the area. Attempts were made to locate the suspect and yielded in negative results, follow ups to be conducted.

Status: Under investigation

Lone Butte Area:

Auto Theft – Police spoke to a victim reference a vehicle theft which occurred at Love's Truck Stop 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 GRIC.

Status: Charges forwarded to law office.

Theft – Officers were dispatched a store at the Phoenix Premium Outlets in reference to 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 the 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 – Suspect(s) climbed over a fence and entered through a door on a storage shed. The suspect removed a black chain saw and circular saw belonging to 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 both bicycles on 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 theft. Through further investigation it was discovered the victim reported to have left several of her travel 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 in reference to a stolen 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 but 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 an 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 vehi-

cle 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 on foot prior to police arrival but was later located by officers.

Status: Suspect was arrested and booked into DRS.

Theft – Suspect(s) entered a computer area during normal operation hours and stole a laptop from the facility. The suspect(s) placed the computer outside of a fence to later retrieve the item. Law enforcement was notified by employees upon finding the laptop missing from the facility.

Status: Under investigation

District Four:

(Stotonic Area)

Aggravated Assault – The suspect assaulted the victim by striking her with a closed fist and hitting her once with the butt end of a pocket knife. These actions caused a laceration requiring stitches in the left side of her mouth along the gum line. The officer's were able to locate the suspect hiding inside of the residence.

Status: Suspect was arrested and booked into jail.

Aggravated Assault – The suspect shot the victim as he was walking in between houses towards his place of residence. A vehicle was heard speeding away from the subdivision. Law enforcement was notified and responded to investigate. Gila River Emergency Medical Services arrived on scene, and transported the victim to a local trauma hospital for further treatment of his injuries.

Status: Under investigation

(Lone Butte / WHP Area)

Auto Theft – Suspect(s) stole the victim's black 2000 Ford F350 pickup truck from the parking lot of the Sheraton Wild Horse Pass Resort.

Status: Stolen vehicle has been recovered by the Gila River Police Department.

Burglary – Suspect(s) made entry into a store at the Phoenix Premium Outlet by manipulating the main door lock. Once inside suspect(s) disabled the alarm and took approximately 800-900 designer watches. Surveillance video was obtained during the initial investigation. A detective has been assigned to this case.

Status: Under investigation

Theft – 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 – Suspect entered a store at the Phoenix Premium Outlets 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 located within the Phoenix Premium Outlets and concealed several items. 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.

Shoplifting – Suspect(s) entered a store located inside the Phoenix Premium Outlets and removed security tags from several items and concealed them in their shopping bags. The suspects were confronted by security at which time one of the suspects emptied their bag of the stolen merchandise. However, the second suspect did not and when pressed by security became aggressive and would not cooperate. Law enforcement was notified and officers responded to investigate.

Status: Under investigation

District Five:

Aggravated Assault – The suspect drove their SUV towards the victim who had left their residence on their bicycle. After a verbal exchange the suspect ran the victim off the roadway causing him to fall off his bicycle. This incident was observed by a Pinal County Sheriff's Deputy who contacted the Gila River Police Department. Officers responded to investigate and were able to locate the suspect.

Status: Suspect was arrested and booked into jail.

District Six:

Burglary – Suspect(s) entered a residence and stole a television from the victim while they were away from an extended amount of time. The victim arrived home and found the TV missing and her home in disarray.

Status: Under investigation

Burglary – Suspect(s) used force to enter a boarded duplex by physically forcing the door to open. They entered and damaged the ceilings, walls, and entrance doors to get the copper wiring.

Status: Under investigation

Theft – The suspect entered an employee only area behind a bar, took a bottle of liquor which he drank from, then concealed in his backpack. He later returned to the bar and gave back the bottle of liquor. The suspect left prior to police arrival.

Status: Under investigation

Burglary – Suspect(s) forced entry into a building by breaking through a door and stole multiple items to include electronics. Upon discovery, the victim notified law enforcement and officers responded to investigate.

Status: Under investigation

District Seven:

No Incidents Regarding Part 1 Crime.

Gila River Indian Community members see traditional house designs come to life

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

Mary Beth Fuller
ASU Now
Arizona State University

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

That was the key concept that members of the community told a group from Arizona State University earlier this week. About 30 community members participated in an idea session with several graduate students and an architecture 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 on the concept for about three years. She calls it “design sovereignty.”

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



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

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.”

Thousands of years ago, the Gila River tribal members built dwellings with thick 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 effi-

cient. 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 about half 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 Huhugam Heritage Center, the residents divided into groups,

took those initial designs and talked more specifically about what they wanted. The students offered different wall, roof and window options, which were then visualized in a three-dimensional computer program.

Skyler Anselmo, 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 crowded together and there’s no synergy.”

“The foundation of our culture is to share and prosper together,” said Anselmo, who works in Sacaton 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 patio and a play area. They were also interested in traditional features that are sustainable, like a rainwater catcher.

And everyone wants a garden.

“It’s part of our history, when we were self-sustaining,” 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 science and technology policy degree at ASU and now works in the planning department 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 doable now, but maybe we can do it later. It might even be far off, but we should be forward-thinking.”

Belinda Ayze, a graduate student in the American Indian Studies program at ASU, sat with an elderly resident and helped to facilitate her discussion about the design.

“I was asking her how she lived her life and how she cooked and if she wanted wheelchair 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 talked to wanted traditional adobe walls and doors that face east.

“I think it’s a good idea to make the houses the way they want and the way they’ve always dreamed of living with their families,” she said.

The goal is to train Gila River residents to build the houses. Last spring, ASU architecture master’s student Selina Martinez designed a traditional adobe shade 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 construction drawings. Then a prototype would be constructed within the next year.

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

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12:30pm	First Talk	First Talk	First Talk	First Talk		First Talk	First Talk	
1:00pm	Native Planet-United States <i>Simon travels to the Navajo Nation.</i>	The Child of the Sahara <i>The death of his parents, a French teenager is informed that he was adopted.</i>	American Outrage <i>Shoshone sisters endure five terrifying livestock roundups by marshals.</i>	Washakie Last Chief of the Eastern Shonshone		More Than A Word <i>Analyzes many issues surrounding the Washington team name.</i>	Shadow Nation <i>A group of people travel through Native American reservation.</i>	
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2:00pm	Storytellers In Motion <i>The Entrepreneur: Brenda</i>		Samaquan Water Stories <i>Posonut - Basket</i>	Ravens and Eagles <i>Naxine Weaver</i>		Ravens and Eagles <i>From Hand to Hand Part 1</i>	Champions of the North <i>The Great Whale Cup</i>	
2:30pm	Behind The Brush	Tribal Journeys	Vatality Gardening <i>Warehouse Garden</i>	Vatality Gardening <i>The Northern Harvest</i>		Vatality Gardening <i>The End of the Season</i>	Make Prayers to the Raven	
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4:00pm	The Modoc War <i>The War of 1872 was one of the costliest American Indian wars.</i>	Native Planet-United States <i>Simon travels to the Navajo Nation.</i>	Indian Pride <i>Health and Healing</i>	On Native Ground: Youth Report <i>Billy Mills</i>		Storytellers In Motion <i>Starting Out: Lisa Jackson</i>	Making Regalia <i>Leather Belts</i>	
4:30pm			Aboriginal Adventures	Common Ground		On Native Ground: Youth Report <i>Chris Eyre</i>	Children of the Desert	
5:00pm	The Child of the Sahara <i>The death of a French teenagers parents was informed he was adopted.</i>	First Talk <i>Aboriginal Economics</i>	First Talk <i>Hopi Nation</i>	First Talk <i>Fear of Success</i>		First Talk <i>Leaving The Rez</i>	The New Zealanders <i>A series introducing us to some of the quirkiest locations.</i>	
5:30pm		Behind The Brush	People of the Pines <i>Invasion and Response</i>	Making Regalia <i>Leather Belts</i>		Native Report	Indigenous Focus <i>Resilience / The Reward</i>	
6:00pm		American Outrage <i>Shoshone sisters endured five terrifying livestock roundups by marshals.</i>	Washakie Last Chief of the Eastern Shoshone	Journey of Hope <i>Inspiring story of a transforming journey involving Cree youth at risk.</i>		Shadow Nation <i>A group of people travel through Native American Reservation.</i>	Osiyo, Voices of the Cherokee People	
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7:30pm	The New Creative India		The New Creative India	Osiyo, Voices of the Cherokee People		Sharing Circles <i>Water</i>	Hit The Ice	
8:00pm	Aboriginal Adventures <i>Prawn Opening - Sydney</i>	Dabiyiyuu <i>First Steps</i>				GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY & GRIC EVENTS	
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9:00pm	Native Shorts <i>X Rangimarie</i>	Wild Archaeology <i>Inuit of Rigolet, Part Two</i>	Urban Native Girl <i>Gay? Queer? Two-Spirited?</i>	Kvcarts <i>Dewzus</i>		The Aux <i>Music videos and diverse talents of Native & World Indigineous cultures.</i>	Mixed Blessing <i>Choices</i>	
9:30pm	The Aux <i>Music videos and diverse talents of Native & World Indigineous cultures.</i>	Indians and Aliens	Hit The Ice	Indigenous Focus <i>Resilience/The Reward</i>		Turquoise Rose <i>Her grandmother becomes ill and now she has to decide between Rome and the Rez.</i>	Moose TV <i>Technical Difficulties</i>	
10:00pm		We Are The Indians	Cousins Across The Sea <i>Skeletons of New Zealand - Part 3</i>	Standing On Sacred Ground <i>Fire & Ice</i>			Blue Gap Boyz <i>Three brothers combine their talents to form the greatest band.</i>	
10:30pm	Whaledreamers <i>A heartfelt story of an aboriginal whale dreaming tribe from the edge of extinction.</i>	Lives Around Annapurna <i>A documentary movie about hardship, culture, traditions, and a way of living life.</i>	Lighthouse Lesvos <i>Lifeguards from around the world traveled to the beaches of Lesvos, Greece.</i>	Kanie'keha:Ka <i>Living The Language</i>				
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Sua:m Mashath



District 4 - Shelma O'otham Neo'ok Language Immersion Class of 2018 Photo Courtesy A. Joyce Hughes



District 6 - Shelma O'otham Neo'ok Language Immersion Class of 2018 Photo Courtesy A. Joyce Hughes

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 Neo'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-ko-Sia:nt;h; 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.

Forty-three certificates total were awarded to students from Us Ke:k, Ge'e Ki:, Va'aki and San Thañ Districts. Some students made the long commute from Florence village. This was the first language immersion sessions taught in District 4. 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 Neo'ok Language Immersion class. On that day fifteen '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 Mrs. Barbara Parsons, Lead Instructor and Ms. Ernestine Nelson, Mentor Instructor. The Language Immersion sessions were managed by Miss. A. Joyce Hughes, Senior Curator-Language 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; O'otham kwintha

from hemako to sia:nt;h; The song 'Hevel 'o mel', a lesson about the weather; and several others 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 award for both classes. For some members of the District 6 class this was their fifth Akimel O'otham Language Immersion Course.

Women's Prayer Run 2018



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. Photo Courtesy Faith Walking Badger

Thova Thash – Match the O'otham word with the picture of items found on our Thanksgiving Table!

Ha:l



Thova



Hu:n



Ko:ji Chu:kug/Hamo:n



Pa:n



U:dvis



Thova Kayio





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Environmental Health Services

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 - There is no vaccine or medicine for Zika.
 - Zika virus can be passed from a pregnant woman to her fetus.
 - Zika virus infection during pregnancy can cause certain birth defects such as microcephaly.
 - Zika virus can be passed from

an infected person to their sex partners.

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- If you believe that you or someone you know may have Zika, please consult a doctor.

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Notice of Unclaimed Property

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 (CPAO) 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.

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Veterans pose at the Keli Akimel Ballpark in District 1 for special presentations follow the Veterans Day parade on Nov. 10. Roberto A. Jackson/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:

1. American Legion Haskell Osife-Antone Post 51
2. Grand Marshal – Kenneth Morgan
3. Blackwater Community School Color Guard
4. Governor Stephen R. Lewis
5. Lt. Governor Robert Stone
6. Gila River Royalty
7. 2017-2018 Jr. Miss Ak-Chin – Alison Siv-lik.
8. Miguel & 2017 Jr. Miss Ak-Chin Attendant –

9. Jilayne Hall Heosig Miguel
10. Coolidge High School Tribes Club
11. Commander, Breecher Anderson IV
12. Haskell Osife-Antone Unit 51
13. Blackwater Youth Group
14. District 1 Little Quails T-Ball Team
15. District 1 Recreation Committee
16. Blackwater Community School – Gate Program
17. District 1 Staff
18. Gila River Fire Department

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 Ira. H. Hayes 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 Lomah-quahu/GRIN



Winter Bird Count

December 1, 2018

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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Gila River Indian Community

Holiday Book Drive

October 22, 2018 to November 20, 2018

Give the Gift of Reading!

Book donations will benefit the Gila River Boys & Girls Club

- New or gently used children's books*
- Age range: 12 and under*

Donations can be dropped off at the following locations:

Komatke Boys and Girls Club (51ST Ave & Pecos Rd, Laveen, AZ 85339)

Sacaton Boys and Girls Club (116 S W Holly St, Sacaton, AZ 85147)

Governance Center (525 West Gu U Ki Rd., Sacaton, AZ 85147)



*For more information, please contact Alle Walking Badger at (520) 562-9713
or Shannon Redbird at (520) 562-9859.*



Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis poses with comedian George Lopez at the announcing of his new restaurant opening at Vee Quiva Hotel & Casino. Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN

FROM THE FRONT PAGE

but the idea of creating [this] restaurant was probably 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 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 on before, this restaurant that I’ve created is a tribute to all of that.”

The restaurant will introduce a Day of the Dead theme and offer a variety of Mexican dishes. They will serve wood-fired carne asada,

herb crusted rotisserie chicken and spit-fire al pastor, said the press release.

Lopez said, “With my other restaurants and the one here, it’s things people can clearly understand when ordering, like burrito and churros...but with Chingon, it’s Chingon, so I am really excited about expanding the brand.”

As a very hands-on individual, Lopez sees himself 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 representatives for working with the Gila River Hotels & Casinos, 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 opening 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 constantly working to give our guests the best in dining, entertainment and gaming, and George Lopez’s Chingon Kitchen will fit in perfectly with that goal at Vee Quiva.”

“It’s very Chicano, and the price point is very incredible as well,” said Lopez, “You have a tremendous partner with me and I am very excited with the opening of [the] restaurant and as the times goes on with the restaurants.”

10 GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY ★ ★ VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT ★ ★

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

Board/Committee	Number of Vacancies	Deadline
Gila River Sand & Gravel Board of Directors	One (1)	Deadline Extended November 30, 2018 12:00 noon

Community members interested in serving on the Gila River Sand & Gravel Board of Directors, must submit one original copy of a Letter of Interest, a Résumé, an Application/Affidavit, and Financial Disclosure Statement to the Community Council Secretary’s Office by the deadline date, (include your address and phone number on your résumé). Community Council Secretary’s Office is located at the Governance Center, 525 West Gu u Ki, mailing address P.O. Box 2138, Sacaton, AZ 85147; Phone (520) 562-9720.

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 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, as defined in Title 1, chapter 2, Section 1.201.B., in the preceding five years; b) removed from office pursuant to this title in any of the preceding five years; c) currently delinquent with respect to a debt owed to the Community; d) 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.

Pursuant to GRIC 2011 Code of Conduct, Chapter 6, Section 1.601.F. Community Employees: *A Community Employee may sit on a Community enterprise board subject to the Community’s Employee Policies and Procedures Reference Guide.* A copy of the specified job description can be obtained from the Community Council Secretary’s Office.

Pursuant to GRIC 2010 Code of Conduct, Chapter 6, Section 1.601.G. Duties of Community Enterprise Boards: *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 one that would be made with the degree of care that would be exercised 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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Tribal experts meet at Construction in Indian Country Conference, Urban Giff honored

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.

Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis, welcomed the conference attendees, saying, "We are proud of the relationship we've had with the Construction in Indian Country conference, which has grown into a premier showcase for construction and sustainability, because we are building a brighter future for our community members," said Lewis.

He said a combination of bright minds and supportive tribal leaders allows initiatives and tribally owned businesses to thrive. "We are stepping into new chapters for the Community, we are building a state of the art school on the west side of our community in Gila Crossing," he said.

"What makes [this] undertaking so unique is that we are doing a lease buy-back approach, where we are negotiating a commercial lease with the Bureau of Indian Education," said Lewis.

He said the new school will incorporate areas to teach subjects around culture and science, technology, engineering, mathematics and agriculture and architecture (STEAM) to the students at the school.

He said the Community will be building another school in District 1 Uhs Kehk, Blackwater, adding that there are other examples of progress in construction in the Community, like the Hau'pal Health

Center that will serve the surrounding Native American population and Community members.

On building for the future, Lewis said the Community has a great partnership with ASU on a sustainable housing initiative, that he said is about bringing back the traditional architecture in a very modern sense, with the incorporation of "green" technology.

"Part of that initiative is re-educating our people and getting them excited about introducing a design that is part of our traditional historic building, because the people don't want to lose [those] ties to our past," said Lewis.

A night of honors

On Nov. 8, the CIIC hosted an inaugural banquet at the Wild Horse Pass Hotel & Casino theater, recognizing three organizations and one individual for their contributions to construction in Indian Country.

In the Lasting Impact Award category, Community member Urban Giff was the recipient of the inaugural award.

"I'm speechless to the point that I want to recog-



Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis welcomes tribal housing experts from across Arizona. Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN

nize all of you, that have been there with me for me and taking things that we need to do for the benefit of others," said Giff, "It's a special blessing that I have enjoyed because of you and those that have been there time and again to organize the CIIC, I owe you the gratitude that I feel very much in my heart."

He said he owes the award to those involved in the tireless work of providing opportunities to Native students, who will contribute to initiatives within the construction world, while benefiting their tribal communities.

Giff was presented with an eagle feather by Vice President for CIIC



Jacob Moore presents Urban Giff with an award at the inaugural awards banquet. Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN

Jeff Begay in appreciation of his work with veterans and construction initiatives within Indian Country.

Revisiting the sustainable housing project

On Nov. 9, a presentation was provided by ASU Herberger Institute for Design and the Arts and the School of Construction professor, Wanda Dalla Costa, ASU Architecture student Selina Martinez (Yaqui), Sky Dawn Reed, Community member and ASU graduate, and Tamara

Trahant, a student at ASU.

The presentation was about the sustainable housing initiative project, providing an update of where the project is at in regards to home designs, based on Community members feedback.

In the presentation, three points of discussion were covered on timeline of activities, cost & constructibility, and jobs & training. Various aspects of the project included terms like place keeping, which is the process of keeping the

local community in mind regarding input and direction while the project is on-going.

Other subjects talked about the use of materials that are sourced from the location, where 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: Outstanding Community Enrichment Award: Wa-Di Housing, Santo Domingo Pueblo

Outstanding Design & Planning Award:

Cedar Hills, Pueblo of Acoma

Outstanding Construction Award:

Cloud Song Center, Scottsdale Community College

Pony Express Ride promotes Gilbert Days Rodeo in Sacaton



Riders from the Pony Express made their way into Sacaton with a special greeting to the Gila River Indian Community on Nov. 10. Each year, a re-creation of the Pony Express is carried out by members of the Gilbert Days Rodeo committee, who meet with students from the Community to talk about the history of the all but forgotten mail service. 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 Kennadee Riggs and Rodeo Teen Queen Karlie Brewer. Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN



Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis and Selina Martinez, Yaqui, at the CIIC Conference. Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN

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ed elements of culture and energy savings into each of the home designs.

Eddie said that her focus was on larger gathering rooms for Community members, because that is an essential part of how the people socialize in their homes around various activities.

"It has been a very exciting time working with the design students, learning about architecture, some of the designs are ahead of anything that is seen here in Gila River," said Eddie, "But most all, I would like to participate in future design sessions that will eventually lead to the final design plans."

Community members

voted on each of the design elements and which ones are cultural responsive, while being energy efficient ant.

Dalla Costa asked the group, what is it that we've missed, what is it that we can improve upon and what is really important.

Dalla Costa asked the Community members, who were in attendance at

a meeting on Sept. 11 to work with the same group of students for 45 minutes to talk about their interpretation of what was presented and what changes could be made to the home design.

"After this, we are going to get into the costing and the value engineering, that will involve scaling down to change the mate-

rials, to alter the plans, so they are affordable."

The homes ranged in several designs that keep sustainable energy in mind, while utilizing traditional structures and materials. At the center, was a place to gather and place to cook outside, like a vatho, which is used to cook chumath.

Several of the Community members used the

stickers to vote on the home designs they thought meant the most to them in terms of affordability, environmental

"We want to make sure we are heading towards one option and we are pulling from other options to drive with," said Dalla Costa.

Each team listed the strengths, weaknesses and design action items.

ASU hosts “Doing Research in Indigenous Communities Conference”

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

Christopher Lomahquahu
Gila River Indian News

The “Doing Research in Indigenous Communities” conference invited tribal representatives to Arizona State University Skysong building on Nov.

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 In-

dian 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 fa-

cilities,” 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.”



Gov Stephen Roe Lewis speaks at the “Doing Research in Indigenous Communities Conference” at Arizona State University. Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN



GILA RIVER HEALTH CARE



Dr. Yamada and his podiatry staff.

Celebrating Dr. Yamada's 30 Years of Service

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CHRISTMAS IN TOYLAND

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2018

6:00 P.M.

SACATON, AZ

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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COMMUNITY COUNCIL ACTION SHEETS

Courtesy of the Community Council Secretary's Office • November 7, 2018

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, Arzie Hogg; D2-Carol Schurz; D3-

Carolyn Williams (9:24), Rodney Jackson; D4-Monica

Antone, Jennifer Allison, Barney Enos, Jr., Pamela

Johnson; D5- Janice Stewart (9:18), Marlin Dixon,

Lawrence White, Sr., Thomas White; D6-Anthony

Villareal, Sr., Charles Goldtooth, Terrance Evan

Council Members Absent:

D7-Devin Redbird

APPROVAL OF A GENDA

APPROVED AS AMENDED

PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS (Limit to 5-minutes)

1. Introduction Of Kristine Morris, Superintendent Of Union Elementary School District

Presenter: Isaac 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

4. Maricopa Village Christian School 3rd Quarter/ Annual Report SY 2017-2018

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 RECONVENED 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 RHIP Housing Construction Project Report

Presenter: JoAnn Garcia

REPORT HEARD

10. Haskell Osife-Antone American Legion Post 51 FY183rd & 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

(Executive Session)

Presenters: Dale Enos, Courtney Moyah

TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

18. Gila River Gaming Enterprises, Inc. Monthly

Report for September 2018 (Executive Session)

Presenters: Kenneth Manuel, Interim Oversight &

Planning Committee

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; NRSC concurs)

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 Com-

munity Department Of Transportation Project No.

ROW_005.D1.08 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 Com-

munity Department Of Transportation Project No.

ROW_0058.D7.09 Crossing Allotted 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 40712-0494-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 Com-

munity 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 40512-0130-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 Com-

munity Department Of Transportation Project No.

ROW_0499. D7.11 Crossing Allotted 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

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Presenters: Governor Stephen Lewis, Lt. Governor Robert Stone, Treasurer Robert Keller

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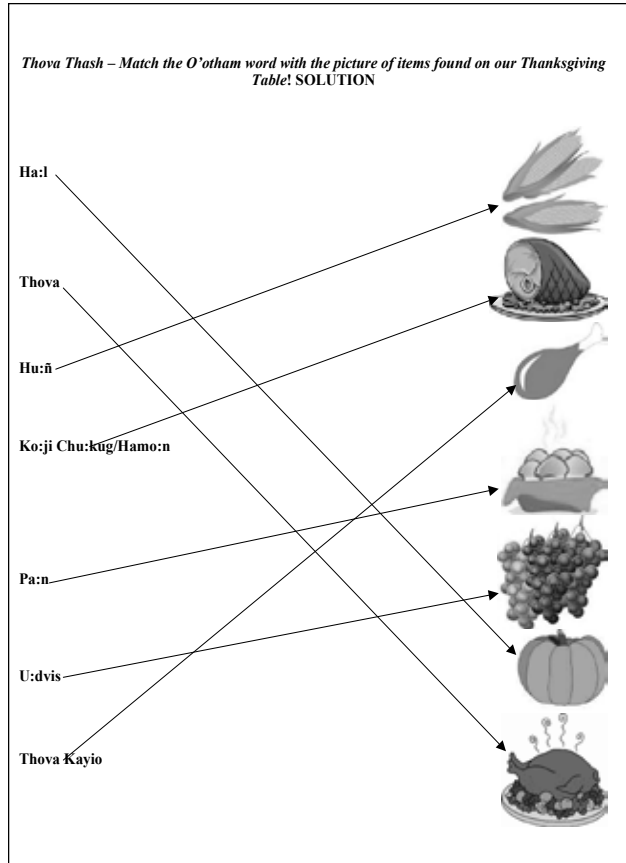
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vices Office (G&MSC forwards to Council under New Business with recommendations)
 Presenters: Lt. Governor Robert Stone, Casaundra Wallace
 MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO REQUEST TREASURER, GOVERNOR, AND LT. GOVERNOR TO COME UP WITH THE BUDGET PLAN FOR 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 [ADDENDUM 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,

NOV,8, 2018 , 1PM
 >JOINT EDSC/G&MSC/NRSC/CRSC/LSC MEETING, RE: DEVELOPMENT REVIEW PROCESS, NOVEMBER 15, 2018, 9AM
 >CEOT MEETING, NOVEMBER 8, 2018, 9AM, LONE BUTTE CASINO
 >REVIEWING COMMITTEE INTERVIEWS, NOVEMBER 9, 2018
 >LITIGATION TEAM MEETING, NOVEMBER 16, 2018 , 9AM
 ADJOURNMENT
 MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:09 P.M.
 * Denotes TABLED from previous meeting(s)



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 overwhelming 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 traditional 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 Bryson. During the Eulogy, his birthplace was not mentioned; nor was his education mentioned. What was important was the life he lived. To describe his life was to say "Giving to the Lord". See he went to Dialysis on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays; so majority of the time he would come home rush to get ready and be out the door. Heading to a Rosary, on Gila River, T.O. Nation, Salt River etc, despite of how he was feeling. Regardless the destination, Bryson would close his eyes, swing his gourd and have God use his voice to Bless those who are in hearing distance of

his voice. What is important to remember 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 unnoticed. We would like to give a Special thanks to Mata 'china's, Pocola, De-Colores, Cursillo, Native All Stars, All Traditional Singers who stayed up all night singing, the Traditional Dance Groups, All the Gospel Groups, Jeremiah & Austin's group from T.O., St. Peters School, Governor S. Lewis, West Casa Blanca Worshipping Center, GRIC Police Department, GRIC First Responders, D5 Service Center Staff, D4 Service Center, CPAO Staff, CTC Lab Staff, KOHN 91.9 radio 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 Everyone; for all your hard work. May God Bless & Keep You. Merry Kris Kyyitan & Family

Happy Birthday

I would like to wish my youngest son, "Jase William Stone" A happy 3rd birthday on November 22nd. 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 older. 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 all.

I get to remember how it felt the first time I held you 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 from me and I won't allow myself to leave you again. "Promise" "Happy Birthday Baby!"- Love Dad Community Reminder: Don't Drink & Drive

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

TEACHER SENTENCED TO 21 YEARS IN PRISON FOR MOLESTING KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS
 PHOENIX - Yesterday, Tadashi Mitchell Harvey, 30, of Gilbert, Ariz., was sentenced by U.S. District Judge David 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, Harvey will be required to register as a sex offender. Harvey's crimes came to light earlier this year, when a kindergarten student disclosed the molestation. The investigation ultimately identified a total of six alleged victims, all of whom were current or former students of Harvey. Harvey admitted to sexually touching 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 sentence appropriately punishes Harvey's breach of that trust," said First Assistant U.S. Attorney Elizabeth A. Strange. "Protecting school children from predators is one of the U.S. Attorney's Office's most important responsibilities, and we will continue to prosecute such crimes to the fullest extent of the law." The investigation in this case was conducted by the Gila River Police Department. The prosecution was handled by Christine D. Keller and Dimitra H. Sampson, Assistant U.S. Attorneys, District of Arizona, Phoenix.

NOTICE OF HEARING
 IN THE GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY COURT

STATE OF ARIZONA
 In the matter of the Estate of: CARMELITA JUAN
 CASE Number: PB-2018-0004-DE
 CIVIL
 NOTICE OF HEARING
 To: Michelle Villegas,
 Please take notice that a Review Hearing has been scheduled in the Gila River Indian Community Court. This matter has been scheduled at the place and time set forth below: Monday, December 3, 2018 at 9:00 AM in Courtroom VII, Westend Judicial Center, 4751 West Pecos Road, Laveen, AZ.

HEARINGS
 Apodaca, Vincent - Review / Evidentiary Child Support & Evidentiary Guardianship Hearings
 Case: J-12-0227 / J-16-0152 / J-17-0025 Court Date: December 6, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.

CORRECTION

From: The Culture and Language Cohort
 Nina Allison
 Priscilla Espinoza
 Marcella Hall
 Starleen Somegustava
 Edwardine Thomas
 Correction :

In the November 2, 2018 issue of Gila River Indian News, we inadvertently forgot to thank the Lone Butte Trade Center, owners David Montiel and Sterling Thomas for their support in providing the snacks for the "I CHE KT HO HEG ETH HI MT HAG" event. We offer our heartfelt appreciation, as well as a big thank you! To our soul sister Marcella Hall who was on travel on the dates of our event, know that your presence was truly missed.

DRYER FIRE

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 which 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 time

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COLLECTION DATES:

NOVEMBER 5 - DECEMBER 5, 2018

TOY DROP OFF LOCATIONS:

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FIRE STATION 426 – 4793 W. PECOS RD. LAVERN VILLAGE, AZ

FIRE STATION 423 – 599 EAST SEEDFARM RD. SACATON, AZ

FIRE STATION 429 – 5002 NORTH MARICOPA RD. CHANDLER, AZ

FIRE STATION 421 – 829 BLACKWATER SCHOOL RD. COOLIDGE, AZ

GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY UTILITY AUTHORITY – 6640 W. SUNDUST RD. STE. 5091 CHANDLER, AZ

GILA RIVER POLICE DEPARTMENT – 639 W. SEED FARM RD. SACATON, AZ

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