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NATIVE AMERICAN BASKETBALL INVITATIONAL

GRIC teams and athletes compete in the 16th Annual NABI tournament

Gila River team makes it to quarterfinals in Boys Division 2

Aaron J. Tohtsoni Gila River Indian News

The 16th annual Native American Basketball Invitational took place from July 8-14 in Maricopa and Casa Blanca before concluding at Talking Stick Resort Arena in Phoenix and featured 128 teams spread across four divisions battling for championship trophies.

Teams came from as far as Alaska, Canada, Florida, New York, North and South Dakota, respectively with goals of claiming the championship from the world's largest Native American basketball tournament.

The Community was represented on a couple of teams in both the boys' and girls' divisions.

In the girl's division was Gila River that was coached by Ronald Paul. A couple of Community members also competed with the Ak-Chin girls' basketball team.

In the boy's division, there were a few teams from the Community and a few teams that featured players from the Community. There was Gila River, GR Hawks, Three Nations and 21st Natives that competed in both division 1 and Division 2.

21st Natives were in Pool A of division 2 and fell to LHoops-FMD, Team Jordan and eventual tournament champions, Team Indigenous. In bracket play, Oklahoma Tushka eliminated them from bracket play with a 77-42

Three Nations, based out of Sells, competed in Division 1 and finished in a three-way tie for second place in Pool H with a 1-2 record. They defeated Chaos, 66-59, but fell to Seneca Chiefs and Cheyenne-Arapaho. In bracket play, they dropped a close game to Tribal Boyz, 70-66.

GR Hawks, coached by Stan

Pratt, competed in Pool F of Division 2. They played Oklahoma Tushka (64-70), Intertribal CA (40-61) and Team Revolution (54-59). In bracket play, they fell to a NAZ Elite from Flagstaff, 57-

Gila River, coached by Rudy Flores, claimed the top seed from Division 2, Pool E sweeping Six Nations from Canada (51-41), San Lucy Cobras (84-41) from Gila Bend and Fort Yuma (66-32) from Winterhaven, Calif.

Emerging as the top seed from Pool E, Gila River opened bracket play with a 71-60 victory over AZ Future from Mesa. They followed that win up by dismissing Ak-Chin 63-54.

In the quarterfinals, Gila River was knocked out of the tournament by eventual Division 2 champion Team Indigenous, 78-

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GR Hawk's Reynold Pratt drives for a lay up during a NABI tournament game. Aaron J. Tohtsoni/GRIN

GILA CROSSING COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Groundbreaking ceremony held for Gila Crossing Special event begins year-long construction for brand new school in District 6



Tribal leaders and special guests break ground on the Gila Crossing school project. Roberto A. Jackson/GRIN

Roberto A. Jackson Gila River Indian News

The Gila River Indian Community is one step closer to bringing a new school to District 6 after a groundbreaking ceremony in Komatke. Guests and dignitaries gathered at the site of the new Gila Crossing Community School to see the project break ground on Saturday morning, July 14 at the GCCS North Campus on Pecos

Anthony Villareal Sr., Gila Crossing School Construction Owner's Team Chairperson and District 6 Community Council Representative, welcomed all the attendees, which included Community Council representatives, GCCS staff, students and board members, special guests including Mark Swenson, Deputy State Treasurer of Arizona and Rep. Tom O'Halleran, D-1.

Villareal thanked Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis for his dedication to the project as well as Community Council. "I want to thank the Community Council for approving this and supporting this," he said of the "much needed" proj-

In his address, Gov. Lewis described the plan to build the school and how it will meet the needs of the students. "Your Community Council and I decided that we couldn't wait any longer," he said. He said he was proud of Council prioritizing the project and "We have a very aggressive building schedule for this school but if we all continue to support this project and each other, we will be standing here next July holding the grand opening for this school."

Before Gov. Lewis introduced Rep. O'Halleran, he praised the congressman for his commitment to GRIC. "There is

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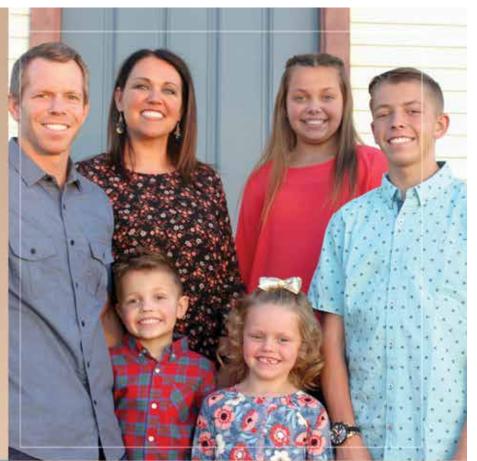
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GRIN student intern heads back to school



From left, Lt. Gov. Robert Stone and Aeneas Antone during a visit to the Executive Office on July 18 in Sacaton. Roberto A. Jackson/GRIN

Aeneas Antone

Gila River Indian News

My time at the Gila River Indian News is coming to an end. It probably already has, by the time you're reading this. My last day at the GRIN is on July 20, 2018; However, I plan on applying at the GRIN through the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Program next year. I enjoyed my time at the GRIN very much and I learned so many new things here

While I was here at the GRIN there were a lot of places to go for different events. It was always fun getting to use the camera and seeing what people talked about or the activities that were being done at the events. Doing tasks in the office were also fun because I would always be able to enjoy doing my task while talking to someone.

My coworkers taught me a lot while I interned here at the GRIN. I learned how to use the cameras, how to write articles, transcribing, what it is like to be in a work environment and management skills. The best skill that

CORRECTION

The proper spelling for the cottonwood grove referenced in the July 6 GRIN on page 16 is Nui Kosh (Buzzard's nest/roost) and is not related to Aji Mountain.

I learned while I was here was how to talk to new people I never even met before. I used to feel very weird having to interview people for a story or working the front desk but now it just feels normal. Being an inside person, or an introvert, it was a struggle I knew I would have to overcome. However, interviewing and meeting new people everyday helped me talk to new people. My Dad would tell me communication is one of the biggest parts of work



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and business and it's true.

During my stay at the GRIN I would go home and tell my parents all the things I did during the day. In fact, I still go home and tell them what I do on a daily basis. I realized that I love the job that I do and I want to work here longer. Therefore, becoming a career I really look forward to

I remember being very scared on the days before I started work. I decided I had to train myself to

be ready for work, mentally of course. However on my first day I was welcomed with smiles from everyone. I walked in the doors and the smiles made me feel very relaxed and like I would fit in well here. Now I feel sad that I have to go. People keep asking, hey are you glad work is almost over? I give the same response; The response being a no and that I will miss working at the GRIN with my peers and my boss, Roberto A. Jackson.



Gila River Police Department Incident Logs

Certain reports may not be available or are currently under investigation which GRPD holds the right to restrict public release.

Incident Log
June 24-30, 2018
Calls for services this
week: 598
Arrest made: 72

District One (Blackwater):

Theft – Officers were request to meet with the reporting party. Upon the officer's arrival it was reported copper wire had been stolen.

Status: Under Investigation

District Two (Sacaton Flats):

No Incidents Involving Part 1 Crime

District Three (Sacaton):

Burglary – Officers were dispatched to a Church after the staff had discovered someone had broken into the church. During the course of the investigation it was discovered multiple items had been removed from the church. Evidence was discovered on the scene and follow ups are being conducted.

Status: Under Investigation

Burglary— Officers were dispatched to a local Church in reference to a burglary. Contact was made with the reporting party who stated that a suspect entered the church, while it was closed, and took items.

Status: Under Investigation

District Four (Stotonic Area):

Auto Theft– Officers were dispatched to a residence in reference to a suspicious subject. Upon officer arrival a male subiect was observed standing next to the driver's side of a maroon in color vehicle. Contact was made with the victim who would not answer officers when asked if everything was ok. The suspect did admit to having a weapon but would not identify or show the weapon. The suspect quickly stood up and ran into the kitchen area, holding a screwdriver. The suspect was taken into custody during the incident. Upon further investigation the victim stated the suspect was attempting to steal her vehicle. The suspect was booked into DRS.

Status: Suspect was arrested and booked into jail

Theft (Shoplifting) – Officers were dispatched to the Toka Sticks Chevron in reference to three unknown juveniles exiting the store without paying for a total of eight items. The juveniles were last seen running south into the desert.

Status: Under Investigation

District Four (Lone Butte Area):

Aggravated Assault -Officers were dispatched to Snaketown Housing in reference to there being two males fighting in the area with a possible stab wound to one of them. Contact was made with the reporting party who stated the suspect and victim were arguing and pushing each other when a knife was observed in the suspect's hand. The victim was located and stated he had been "stabbed" by the suspect. The victim was treated by GREMS and released. The suspect was arrested and booked into

Status: Suspect was booked into jail

Auto Theft- Officers were dispatched to Lone Butte Casino in reference to an auto theft. Contact was made with the victim and she relayed that while gambling at the casino she reached in her purse to get some money and dropped her valet tag. The victim proceeded to valet to inform them of her lost tag when she was informed her vehicle was already claimed by an male subject. The victim stated she did not give anyone else permission to take her vehicle. A stolen affidavit form was filled and the vehicle was entered into NCIC as sto-

Status: Vehicle was recovered by Chandler PD

Theft (Shoplifting) – A Hispanic male subject committed the offense of shoplifting at a store in the Phoenix Premium Outlet after he stole purses from the store. The subject left the scene in a late 90's early 00's green Chevy minivan. A screenshot has been sent to Arizona Department of Public Safety Facial Recognition Unit for analysis and results are pending.

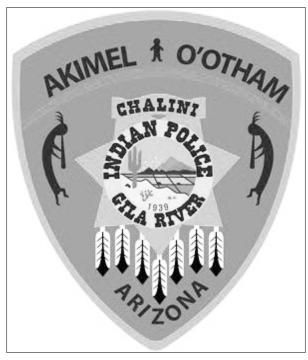
Status: Under Investiation

Theft- Officers were dispatched to the Lone Butte Casino in reference to a female subject committing theft by taking the victim's purse. Contents inside the purse were cards, identity cards, and currency. The victim stated she left her purse on the chair and went to the machine directly behind her when the suspect then came and took her purse. The suspect is observed on video surveillance taking the purse and leaving the casino.

Status: Under Investigation

District Five (Casa Blanca):

Theft - Officers were dispatched to the Casa Blanca Chevron in reference a theft. Contact was made with the store manager whom stated the store employee intentionally took several items during her work hours without paying. The employee was informed they were no longer allowed to be on premises and if they returned they would be arrested for trespassing. The investiga-



tion is still ongoing to see if there are any additional items that were taken.

Status: Under Investigation

Theft- The victim called dispatch to report a theft that occurred at their residence. Contact was made with the victim who stated that he is disabled and uses a motorized wheelchair. The wheelchair batteries were replaced and the old ones were left as back up batteries and left outside in the carport. A family member came to the residence and a witness observed the family member taking the batteries and placing them in their vehi-

Status: Under Investigation

Weapon— The reporting party woke up when they heard shots occurring outside of their residence. The Police Department received multiple calls regarding shots fired possibly occurring within the area. During the course of the investigation it was discovered both the house and vehicles were hit.

Status: Under Investigation

District Six (Komat-

Aggravated Assault—A female victim stated she was stabbed on the left arm and back along with a gash to the head. EMS responded to the scene to treat the victim for the gash on the left side of their head along with the small stab wound to the left forearm.

Status: Under Investigation

Burglary – Officers were dispatched to a residence in reference to a burglary. Contact was made with the victim who stated unknown person(s) committed burglary by forcing entry into the victim's home and removing personal items. The door was observed to have pieces of the door frame on the floor inside the home and damage to the locking mechanism.

Status: Under Investigation

Robbery- An attempted robbery occurred approximately a hundred

yards south of west Maverick Rd on south Palomino St. The reporting party stated two subjects pulled a black handgun on her and tried to steal the vehicle she was driving (medical transportation). The victim stated the suspects were unsuccessful and fled into the desert.

Status: Under Investigation

Robbery- The victim reported the vehicle she was driving was stolen when one male subject pointed a black handgun at her instructing her to get out of the vehicle. A second male appeared and was coming to the passenger side while the vehicle motor was on, and parked at a residence. The suspects left the area and the vehicle was later entered into NCIC as stolen. The vehicle was recovered after being involved in a motor vehicle accident and towed to the police impound yard.

Status: Under Investigation

District Seven (Maricopa):

No Incidents Involving Part 1 Crime

> Incident Log July 1-7, 2018

Calls for services this week: 632
Arrest made: 55

District One (Blackwater):

Auto Theft – Officers were dispatched in reference to a stolen vehicle. Contact was made with the victim who stated a work truck had been taken from the work site. It was verified no other employee had taken the vehicle home so they wished to list it as stolen. The vehicle was entered into the database as stolen.

Status: Under Investigation

Burglary – The victim called dispatch requesting an officer to the residence in reference to a burglary. Upon the officer's arrival, contact was made with the victim who stated when they returned home they noticed a rock had been thrown through a window

to gain entry. The victim stated that electronic and some personal items had been removed from the home.

Status: Under Investigation

District Two (Sacaton Flats):
No Incidents Involving

District Three (Sacaton):

Part 1 Crime

Aggravated Assault – Officers were dispatched to a residence in the District One area for a prior assault which had taken place in District Three. The officer's investigation revealed that the suspect had a physical altercation with a pregnant victim and kicked the victim in the stomach.

Status: Under Investigation

Aggravated Assault – Officers were dispatched to the hospital in reference to a male victim that reported he had been stabbed. The investigation revealed the male was intoxicated and could not give exact information as to the location of the incident. The victim sustained two lacerations to the front torso and had been transported to an area hospital for further medical treatment.

Status: Under Investigation

District Four (Stotonic Area):

Burglary – The victim reported theft of medication. The victim believes the suspect is possibly a family member.

Status: Under Investigation

District Four (Lone Butte Area):

Aggravated Assault Officers were called to Chandler Regional Hospital in reference to an assault that took place on the Gila River Indian Community. The investigation revealed the victim and suspect engaged in a physical altercation while at the Love's Truck Stop. The victim stated that the incident occurred at the Love's Truck Stop and also while they drove in their vehicle off of the community. The suspect did admit to striking the victim multiple times.

Status: Under Investigation

Theft – Officers were dispatched to the Phoenix Premium Outlet in reference to a male suspect that allegedly stole a watch from one of the stores. The investigation revealed the suspect was in the store shopping for three watches and according to the store manager he failed to return one of the watches.

Status: Under Investigation

Theft– The victim reported that his back pack was stolen off his bicycle while at the Lone Butte Casino. Video surveillance shows the victim's backpack on the bike near the

entrance while the suspect is walking by and looking at it. The suspect returns back to the bike a few minutes later and takes the backpack. The suspect is observed leaving in a white SUV.

Status: Under Investigation

Theft- Officers responded to Wild Horse Pass Casino in reference to a theft. Investigation revealed the victim cashed out his casino ticket at an ATM kiosk located inside the casino. The victim took the coins that were dispensed from the ATM but forgot to take the cash. The suspect was later identified, did admit to taking the money indicating it was "found" and they did not steal it. Contact was made with the victim who stated a payment arrangement would be set up between the two.

Status: Under Investigation

Theft— Officers were dispatched to the Lone Butte Casino in reference to a stolen purse. Contact was made with the victim, who stated she left her purse next to the machine where her husband was still playing. When the victim returned she realized her purse was gone and she notified security.

Status: Suspect (non native) was identified and charges forwarded to MCAO

Theft- Officers were dispatched to Lone Butte Casino in reference to a theft. Contact was made with the victim whom stated her cell phone was left to charge in the charging kiosk. When the victim returned she noticed her phone was gone. Video shows a suspect walk to the charging kiosk and remove the phone out of the locker. The suspect then hands it to another individual who placed it in his back pocket. The suspect who took the phone out of the charger has been identified and follow up is being conducted.

Status: Suspect (non native) was identified and charges forwarded to MCAO

Weapon— Officers responded for a report of a subject in a red Toyota driving recklessly and pointing a firearm at the reporting party. The investigation revealed the suspect brandished a plastic toy gun and pointed it at the victim and her family. The suspect was located and taken into custody where he was booked into Maricopa County Jail.

Status: Bryce Russell was arrested and booked into Maricopa County Jail

District Five (Casa Blanca):

No Incidents Involving Part 1 Crime

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Community member is now a Stanford grad

Aaron J. Tohtsoni Gila River Indian News

District 3 Community member Joseph Manuel Jr. graduated this past spring from a world top-10 university, a huge accomplishment but it wasn't without trials. In the end, personal growth and determination helped Manuel Jr. return and finish his degree, a Bachelors of Arts from the School of Humanities & Sciences at Stanford University.

A Science, Technology and Society major with a concentration in Innovation and Organization, Manuel Jr. started on the Farm in September 2010 after graduating the spring prior from Basha High School in Chandler.

After starting in 2010, Manuel stayed at Stanford through March 2012 before taking a three-year break. Returning to summer school in June 2015, Manuel Jr. planned for his major and political science minor classes to be completed by 2018.

With his degree completed. Manuel Jr. made the decision to return home with plans to enter the workforce.

"I thought about staying in the Bay and working for a tech company," said Manuel Jr. "I figured I'd come back and help the Community somehow and apply [for a job] here. There are different opportunities here and there but I am still figuring it out now. I got a scholarship from the Community and I figured I should give back in a tangible way."

In comparison to other universities, Stanford uses a quarter system compared to semesters, which meant it moved at an accelerated rate squeezing semester-length classes shorter timeframes.

"If you fall behind it's hard to get back on track," said Manuel Jr. "Time moves by fast and slow there. Time moves by slow day-to-day but moves by quick week-to-week and next thing you know it's the end of the school year."

Other challenges that Manuel Jr. said are important to remember are mental health issues and identity struggles. According to Manuel Jr. the urban setting can easily lead one to forget their identity and "get lost."

Of things that Manuel Jr. enjoyed about his time attending Stanford was the Native American community that included members from the Navajo, Lakota, Ponca and Cherokee Tribes. Manuel Jr. also said there was one other Akimel O'otham, Noah Anselmo, from South Pasadena, Calif. that attended school alongside him.

One of his favorite memories was when the Native Community would host a candlelight vigil in White Plaza on Indigenous Peoples Day. Manuel Jr. served a term as co-chair of the Stanford American Indian Organization.

The biggest culture shock that Manuel Jr. saw was the liberal atmosphere of Northern California's

wealthy, tech-driven area compared to the conservative Arizona state that he grew up in.

"I've gotten a lot of education just by talking to people," he said. "You have to be more educated on issues...even saying certain words and certain things that I never really thought about before because its normal [in Arizona] but isn't necessarily okay there."

When asked, what advice he would give to any Community members seeking a higher education at a top-level university, Manuel Jr. replied "Go all in for your education. It will expand your mind and make you a better person."

Ending up in Palo Alto was in direct relation to a project that he worked on while attending Basha High School. In his English class, the students were instructed to research two instate schools and a dream school to learn about the classes they offered, tuition prices and cities they are in.

Joseph Manuel Jr. recently graduated from Stanford University with a Bachelor of Arts. Photo Courtesy of Joseph Manuel Jr.

From that assignment, master's degree and work Manuel Jr. found that he wanted to attend Stanford University since it aligned with what he was looking for in a school.

Now, Manuel Jr. will find his footing in the workplace but eventually wants to return to school for a

his way up to earning his doctorate. While he would attend Stanford in the future, Manuel Jr. may find himself on the East Coast, where he almost went for undergraduate studies at the University of Pennsylvania.

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2:00pm	GRIC EVENTS	Fighting for Happiness	Pushed to the Limit	Diving In	Moving Forward	Inside Out	She Represents
2:30pm	Urban Native Girl	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY &	From The Spirit	From The Spirit	From The Spirit	From The Spirit	People of the Pines
	Into Arms of Community	GRIC EVENTS	Lee Claremont	James Wedzin	Roy Henry Vickers	George Littlechild	Reservation and Survival
2,000	Every Emotion Costs	Native Planet-Mexico	Indian Pride	On Native Ground: Youth	The New Zealanders- Life	Storytellers in Motion	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY &
3:00pm	An exploration of the	The indigenous defending	Culture,Tradition,Celebratio	Report	on Crater Rim Coffin	Town Crier: Jim Compton	GRIC EVENTS
3:30pm	reality of returning home	their way of life against	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY &	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY &	making mid-wife, souped-	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY &	Children of the Desert
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4:00pm	family, community and	First Talk	First Talk	First Talk	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY &	First Talk	The New Zealanders- Life
4.00pm	death.	Nisga's Territory	Buffy Sainte Marie Pt 1	Children's Hospital	GRIC EVENTS	Racial Passing	on Crater Rim Coffin
4:30pm	K'ina Kil: The Slaver's Son	Behind The Brush	People of the Pines	Making Regalia	People of the Pines	Native Report	making mid-wife, souped-
4:30pm			Legacy of Casinos	Jingle Dress (conclusion)	Contact to Colonization		up good Samaritans.
5:00pm	The Other Story of the	BARNABY V. LEWIS	Holders of Wisdom	The Young Ancestors	How to Trace Your Native	More Than A Word	Indigenous Focus
	Forgotten Slaves	CULTURAL	Elder wise women, sharing	The burgeoning movement	American Heritage	Analyzes the Washington	Little Girl & Monster Boy
5:30pm	The story of the oriental	PRESENTATION	their wisdom with the	led by Native Americans to	Bound to Tradition	football team use of the	Osiyo, Voices of the
	slave trade.		world.	save their native languages.		derogatory term R*dskins.	Cherokee People
6:00pm	Native Voice TV	Democracy Now!	Democracy Now!	Democracy Now!	Democracy Now!	Democracy Now!	Wapos Bay
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7.00	Aboriginal Adventures	Dabiyiyuu	The New Creative India	Osiyo, Voices of the	Wassaja	Sharing Circle	Hit The Ice
7:00pm	Grey Whales	The Caribou Hunter		Cherokee People	She Represents	Living Earth	Wild Pickings
7.20	Toa Hunter Gatherer	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY &	Fish Out of Water	Fish Out of Water	Fish Out of Water	Fish Out of Water	Fish Out of Water
7:30pm		GRIC EVENTS	Red Bank First Nation	Oconaluftee Indian Village	Seminole Tribe	The Hawaiian Village	Bear River First Nation
0.00	Native Shorts	Wild Archaeology	Urban Native Girl	Kvcarts	Native Shorts	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY &	GRTV NEWS WEEKLY &
8:00pm	Rocket Boy	Helltsuk Nuyems	End Is Just Starting Point	Pete Sands Part 2	Rocket Boy	GRIC EVENTS	GRIC EVENTS
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8:30pm	GRIC EVENTS	Sonny	GRIC EVENTS	GRIC EVENTS	GRIC EVENTS		Surviving Moose
9:00pm	The Aux	Trail of Tears Part 1& 2	Lighthouse Lesvos	Gringo Favelado	First Nations Comedy	Standing on Sacred Ground	More Than Frybread
7.00piii		America's darkest period:	Battling bad weather and	Favela residents share why,	Experience	Islands of Sanctuary	22 tribes in Arizona,
9:30pm	When I Hear Thunder	President A. Jackson's	inadequate resources, a	despite varying threats,	Cathy Ladman, James		convene in Flagstaff to
7.50piii	Boxing intact on rez's in	Indian Removal Act of	small team begins training.	stand by their communities.	Mane Jr., Gilbert Brown,		compete for the first ever,
10·00pm	Arizona, where young men	1830. Nearly a quarter of	Landing	Landing	Landing	Jr Redwater: Full Blooded	first annual, state of AZ
10:00pm	train by their fathers, who	members died, arriving in				Hilarious	Frybread Championship!
10:30pm	hung up their gloves after	Indian Territory with few	Sheltered	Sheltered	Sheltered		Rez
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District Six (Komat-

Aggravated Assault - A suspect committed aggravated assault, misuse of firearms, endangerment and criminal damage while at a residence in the District Six area. The suspect fired a gun striking several vehicles on the property and also the residence. In one of the vehicles a victim was stuck in the left ankle and

upper thigh. The victim was later transported to an area hospital for further medical treatment. Two other vehicles and the structure were hit but no other injuries were reported.

Status: Under Investi-

District Seven (Maricopa):

Auto Theft – The suspect took a vehicle belonging to the victim without permission from a residence on the community. The victim left the vehicle

unsecured with the keys inside of it prior to it being stolen. The victim did not wish to report the vehicle stolen and only an attempt to locate as she later learned an a friend had possession of the vehicle. The friend later called the victim, stating an unknown female suspect just stole the vehicle in the Phoenix area. The vehicle was listed as stolen in the National Crime Information Center (NCIC).

Status: Under Investi-

21st Natives' Emery Jackson Jr. drives through traffic for a basket. Aaron J. Tohtsoni/GRIN

FROM THE FRONT **PAGE**

In addition to playing in the tournaments, athletes attended "NABI Night" at UltraStar Multi-tainment Center and attended college and career fairs. According to NABI, the tournament was formed to inspire Native youth to pursue higher education and create college scholarship opportunities.

The Gila River Indian Community was one of the major donators to the tournament and the Vah Ki Multipurpose Gymnasium was used as a facility for games.



Nickolas Harrison lays up it passed an opponent. Aaron J. Tohtsoni/GRIN



Haili Gonzales shoots a free throw during pool play for team Ak-Chin. Aaron J. Tohtsoni/GRIN

Game coverage: Gila River tops AZ Future in NABI opener

Aaron J. Tohtsoni Gila River Indian News

After emerging as Pool E's top seed, Gila River opened up division 2 bracket play with a 71-60 win over AZ Future from Mesa at the 16th annual Native American Basketball Invitational at Maricopa High School on July 12.

During NABI games the teams played two 20-minutes halves with a running clock.

Gila River opened the game on a 11-0 scoring run

fueled by Nickolas Harrison and Anthony Escalante with four points apiece during the run. They played an up-tempo game forcing steals and getting out in transition.

AZ Future ended their scoring drought with 13:27 left in the first half scoring back-to-back baskets but Escalante and Harrison responded with a lay-up and three-pointer, respectively.

A five-point swing by Robin Whittaker put Gila River up 21-11 with 9:12 left in the first half.

The Gila River team continued to add to their point total doubling up AZ Future, 26-13, on a three-pointer. Gila River took a 16-point lead on an Escalante trey but AZ Future scored five straight points to cut into the lead.

Wesley Cooper ended the first half with four freethrows for Gila River. They led 35-20 at halftime.

Gila River opened up the second half continuing to play pressure defense. A steal and play up by Jara Amador with 16:04 left in the game pushed Gila River to a 17-point lead. But in a fast-paced 'rez ball' style game, AZ Future started to mount a comeback.

After a Harrison drive to the basket for a 16-point lead with 13:31 left in the game, AZ Future's Logan drained a three-pointer. Harrison responded on the other end with a three-pointer but Logan drained back-to-back three-pointers to get within

With 9:55 left in the

game, Logan brought AZ Future within single digits, after being fouled shooting a three-pointer and draining three free-throws.

With the game on the line, Gila River turned to the dynamic duo of Harrison and Escalante who scored the team's final 18-points over an eight-minute span. During the final stretch, Escalante added 10 points.

Leading Gila River was Escalante's 29 points and Harrison added 22.

Gila River continued

in bracket play, topping Ak-Chin 63-54.

They were stopped in the quarterfinals by eventual champion Team Indigenous, from Shawnee, Okla., 78-60 ending their NABI run.

Gila River was coached by Rudy Flores and team members included Harrison, Escalante, Whittaker, Amador, Wesley Cooper, Malachi Case, Joseph Juan, Timothy Curley, Zachary Lupe, Isaac Lupe and Allen June.

NABI Night highlights week of games in Arizona for Native basketball teams



Gila River players make their way through the procession. Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN

Christopher Lomahquahu long NABI tournament. Gila River Indian News

Students took center stage at the Native American Basketball Invitational Night at the Ak-Chin Indian Community Ultra Star Multi-tainment Center on July 11.

128 teams made their way in front of a large stage during a parade of tribal flags that recognized the over 300 tribal nations, that participated in the week-

NABI Co-founder GinaMarie Scarpa said the turnout of teams from all over Indian country each vear has made the tournament a success and is a sign of fast growing movement of Native youth in sports.

She thanked former Phoenix Suns player and three-time NBA champion power forward A.C. Green, who was in attendance at the event, and has been a long-time supporter of the

NABI tournament.

She also thanked the NABI tournament's many sponsors, that included the Ak-Chin Indian Community, Gila River Indian Community, Tohono O'odham Nation, San Lucy District, and the Seminole Tribe of Florida

Additional sponsors of the NABI tournament included Nike N7, the City of Maricopa and the Arizona Chamber of Commerce.

Gov. Stephen Roe



From left, Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis, Jr. Miss Gila River Samaira Juan and A.C. Green. Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN

Lewis said the NABI tournament has become a movement among indigenous athletes.

"[You] guys are making a statement, you are making your elders and your villages back home proud," said Gov. Lewis.

He said as a co-sponsor of the NABI games, it is an honor to support the games along with the Ak-Chin Indian Community.

Ak-Chin Indian Community Vice-Chairman Gabriel Lopez welcomed the teams to their community, and he said it was a good sign to see many Native youths involved playing on teams in this year's NABI tournament.

"My heart feels good that you are with us today,' said Lopez, "We thank you for your blessings and being here with us. We want to wish you safe travels as you return back home."

NABI Executive Board member Ernie Stevens Jr., said the tournament brings together youth from all over Indian country, which builds character and opens the doors to many possibilities in life.

"The world of basketball and education has taught me life principals of respect of helping one another," said Stevens, "It's about helping people, helping others...that's what our life is all about."



Jukbig Mashath



This month's Ethnobotanical plant highlight will be Chu:ggia, Palmer's Amaranth Amaranthus palmeri. Chu:ggia grows in disturbed soils and in places where rainfall collects and remains on the ground as puddles. The young leaves and stems of Chu:ggia are gathered and cooked by boiling in a pot on the stove. This wild-spinach shrinks in volume as it cooks, so a lot has to be gathered in order to feed a family. Chu:ggia is usually eaten as a side dish, or combined with other foods. When we were kids our Mom often mixed cooked Chu:ggia with Mu:ñ, pinto beans, or ha:1, squash. Chu:ggia will grow into fall and grow as tall as an Otham if taken care

of and watered frequently. We always saved the seeds and grew Chu:ggia in our summer garden every year when we were growing up.

Akimel O'otham Ñeo'ok

In November of 1979 GRIC-Council recognized Resolution GR-153-09, but was never approved to be the official Orthography. In 2005 the late Governor Williams Rhodes directed the Community with the Unification of Schools, where all schools are under the same school curriculum. At that time many of the GRIC schools were using their own way of writing in O'otham. The community and educator members of the Education Culture Committee (ECC)

initiated the efforts to develop an Orthography that will be utilized in all GRIC school campuses and Community. In January of 2009 GRIC-Council once again voted upon and approved Resolution GR-08-09 in support of the updated Orthography. The efforts of the Education Culture Committee utilized the Native American Language Act of 1990, Public Law101-477, which helped in the case to GRIC-Council. Today, the Akimel O'otham Orthography is being implemented by many Community members and Educators in Our Community. The Huhugam Heritage Center's Language Program will be contributing by showing a four-part series which includes the Alphabet, Vowels, Diphthongs and Diacritics. These four sections make up our Akimel O'otham Orthography.

Section One: In the Akimel O'otham Alphabet the letters F, f; Q, q; R, r; X, x; and Z, z are not used. We encourage you to practice the sounds of the Akimel O'otham Alphabet every

Akimel O'otham Alphabet

	ALPHABET	O'OTHAM SOUND	English Sound
1.	A, a	ash – laugh	was
2.	B, b	ban – coyote	bear
3.	Ch, ch	chuchul – chicken	chicken
4.	D, d	Ju d om – bear	deer
5.	Ď, đ	ma d – mother's child	stopped
6.	E, e	esh – chin	Own distinct O'otham Sound
7.	G, g	g a:th - gun	gun
8.	H, h	hu:ñ – corn	horse
9.	I, i	ipuḍ – dress	fish
10.	J, j	Ju:kam – Mexican/Hispanic	j uice
11.	K, k	ke:k – standing	kite
12.	L, l	lu:lsi – candy	Spanish 'r'
13.	M, m	mu:val – fly / bee	money
14.	N, n	na:k – ear	nachos
15.	Ñ, ñ	ñe:ñ − tongue	pi ñ ion
16.	Ο, ο	o:g – father	saw
17.	P, p	pa:n – bread	pottery
18.	S, s	s-he:pith – cold	soup
19.	Sh, sh	shu:shk – shoe	tongue touches roof of mouth
20.	Th, th	thothoñ – ant	throw
21.	U, u	u'us – sticks	m oo n
22.	V, v	vonam – hat	vote
23.	W, w	wippo – eyelashes	water
24.	Y, y	y a:v - key	yellow

Youth attend Phoenix Suns basketball camp in Prescott

About 70 youth attend annual camp as part of the Gila River Health Initiative

Aaron J. Tohtsoni Gila River Indian News

Nearly 70 Community youth basketball players spent a week in Prescott to refine their skills while attending the Phoenix Suns basketball camp.

The basketball camp hosted by the Phoenix Suns is funded by the Gila River Health Initiative and this is the 10th year that the Community has sent youth to the camp. This is one of a few sports camps that the GR health initiative sends kids to

"We send about 70 kids every year and the kids really enjoy it," said Alie Walking Badger, who accompanied the kids to camp and is in charge of the health initiative. "It's important because the kids can advance their skills and also gives them an opportunity that they otherwise might not have."

The campers are divided into age groups from five to seven year olds,



70 Community youth members attended the Phoenix Suns week-long basketball camp. Aaron J. Tohtsoni/GRIN

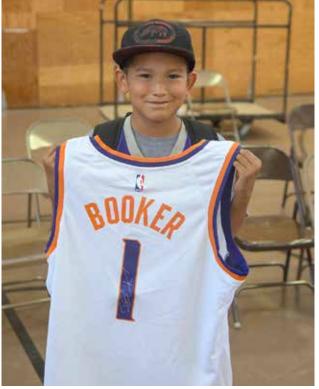
eight to nine year olds, 11 to 13 year olds and 14 years and up. The teams are also leveled out on a skill level so that each team has the same talent level.

From 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., the campers are practicing with their teams going through different basketball drills aimed at improving their dribbling, shooting, passing and physical stamina. They also compete in a basketball tournament that lasts the remaining part of the week.

On the last day of camp, all of the participants meet with camp officials and members from the Phoenix Suns basketball organization, including team mascot the Gorilla,

for an awards presentation and raffle prizes. Also on hand was former Phoenix Suns player, Mark West.

A handful of campers from the Community received special award plaques for their hard work and basketball skills including Haili Gonzales, Miranda Enos, Candace Foulke, Steven Hutchinson, Bria



One lucky camper won a Devin Booker autographed jersey in a raffle drawing. Aaron J. Tohtsoni/GRIN

Hutchinson, Maddox Gregorio, Nick Harrison, Jeremiah Davis, Gianni Miguel and Amare Pratt.

Harrison, Enos and Emery Jackson Jr. were also on the tournament championship team for the 14 and up age group.

"Our kids have talent

and can play basketball and it showed by the number of awards they got," said Walking Badger. "Overall, I think it was a good experience for everyone that attended and this is something we want to continue providing to the youth to experience."

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Youth Council holds 30th Annual Youth Conference at Rawhide



Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis addresses the youth. Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN



AOPPYC members sing at the youth conference. Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN



Educational workshops were provided for the youth at the conference. Christopher Lomahguahu/GRIN

Christopher Lomahquahu Gila River Indian News

30th Annual The Akimel O'odham/Pee Posh Youth Conference marked a three-decade milestone for the Gila River Indian Community organization that provides a voice for Native youth. This year's conference was held at the Rawhide Event Center from July 13-14.

As in previous year's, the conference empowers the youth of the Community and highlights their contributions as the next generation of leaders.

The 29th Youth Council President Randel Curran welcomed the youth to the conference and encouraged the youth to learn as much as they can during the twoday conference.

He talked about the theme of the conference "Kai/Dish," which is the O'otham and Pee Posh translation of "seed."

He said, "The thought behind that is, we cannot grow as a person without knowing where we come from, recognizing the people that lived here before us and honoring them."

Part of that legacy is acknowledging their himdag, or way of life, and the Community's history and people.

Curran said, "Take the initiative to learn your

roots. Take the first step in the right direction and use these next two days to take in as much as you can and

The conference offered a variety of workshops and activities set on building relations with one another and empowering the youth to take the initiative in pursuing an education.

Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis said, "30 years this has been going on. 30 years makes up a generation of Community youth that are our future leaders."

He said the youth conference cultivates the next generation of leaders from within the Community who will go on to accomplish great things.

"It's important that you exercise your leadership now, that you exercise important things to change what's around you," said Lewis.

The first president of the AOPPYC Tim Terry Jr., from Hashen Kehk, District 2, said everyone is related in some way and that we should support each other as in the past generations.

Terry, who overcame a rough upbringing, said there are many challenges present in the Community that the youth have to deal

"I know sometimes as young people you have challenges and things that bother you or your family," said Terry, "I want to encouraged you guys to not give up in where you're going in life...you can make

One of the conferences themes recognizes the pressures of teen life in the Community, but that there is a way and opportunity to make positive strides, even when life seems unfair.

"I want to encourage

you that even though you may be growing up with things that have been difficult, your life means a lot, you can think out of the box and do better in your lives," said Terry.

The conference brought several GRIC departments together, including representatives from the University of Arizona, Northern Arizona University and Arizona State University.

It also provided a chance for the attendees to showcase their talents during a live music entertainment sessions provide by Youth council Representatives Adrian Thomas and David Romero.

The conference also offered physical activities including a 3-on-3 basketball tournament, and a golf clinic hosted at the Whirlwind Golf Club.

Sacaton Elementary School District #18

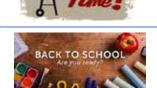
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"Putting Our People First"







Stephen Roe Lewis

FROM THE FRONT

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no one who works harder for the Community than Congressman O'Halleran," said Gov. Lewis.

O'Halleran called the occasion a "joyous day," and said he was excited for the many years ahead. "This is about our children and the future of the [Gila River Indian Community,]" he said.

Deputy State Treasurer Swenson followed O'Halleran and read a letter from State Treasurer Eileen Klein. The letter stated: "The Office of the State Treasurer Arizona is honored to be here today for the official groundbreaking of your new Gila Crossing Community K-8 School project. It is a privilege to be part of tribal history on this momentous day and to stand with you in your con-

tinued commitment to education at all levels of this community."

Elders Alma Johns and Priscilla Antone provided a prayer and special message which was followed by a basket dance by Achem A'al Traditional Dance Group. After the dance, Community officials and members of the Owner's Team performed the groundbreaking ceremony to mark the beginning of the year-long building proj-

Lt. Gov. Robert Stone gave the closing remarks and also blessed the food. Lt. Stone said it was "an exciting day," and commented on the accelerated pace of the work leading up to the groundbreaking. "We've come a long way in a short period of time,"

he said.

The builder on the project is Tutor-Perini Building Corporation, and the architect is JCJ Architecture.

Gila Crossing School Construction Owner's Team Members: Gov. Stephen R. Lewis Arzie Hogg Anthony Villareal, Sr. (Chair) Rodney Jackson Barney Enos, Jr. Devin Redbird Terrance B. Evans Charles Goldtooth Treasurer Robert Keller Treasurer Mentee Suzanne Johns

Advisory Members: Anthony Hill, Gila Crossing School Board Chair Isaac Salcido, Tribal Education Department Director



From left, Lt. Gov. Robert Stone, Rep. Tom O'Halleran, Anthony "Chris" Villareal Sr., and Gov. Stephen Roe Lewis at the groundbreaking on July 14. Roberto A. Jackson/GRIN

GRIC applauds House passage of Homelands Legislation, H.R. 4032

Communications & Public Affairs Office Gila River Indian Community

The House of Representatives passed H.R. 4032, the Gila River Indian Community Federal Rights-of-Way, Easements and Boundary Clarification Act, on July 17 with bipartisan support. The legislation was introduced by Congressman Tom O'Halleran (D-AZ) with sponsorship from other members of the Arizona delegation including Congressmen Paul Gosar; Andy Biggs, and David Schweikert and Congressman Ruben Gallego, who is also the Ranking Member on the Subcommittee on Indian, Insular and Alaska Native Affairs.

Gila River Indian Community Governor Stephen Roe Lewis applauded the passage of the bill because it will enable the Community to protect culturally significant lands in the Estrella Mountains. The primary purpose of the bill is to fully implement a prior settlement agreement with the federal government which settles a trust accounting suit brought by the Community and requires recordation of all federal rightsof-way on the Reservation. The legislation also clarifies a section of the Community Reservation boundary that will avoid a title dispute

with the City of Phoenix. In exchange for the lands at issue in the disputed area along the Northwest boundary of the Reservation, the bill allows the Community to add approximately 3,400 acres of culturally important lands in the Estrella Mountains to its Reservation. The Community is in the process of purchasing this culturally significant land from the Bureau of Land Management.

The legislation passed the House of Representatives by a voice vote and will be sent to the Senate where it is expected to be referred to the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs.

When the legislation passed the House, Governor Lewis remarked, "I am pleased that this bi-partisan legislation was passed out of the House of Representatives today. This legislation will help correct decades of mismanagement of our trust resources and allow the Community to put its reservation lands to their best use for housing, economic development and natural resource uses. The Community will also be able to acquire culturally relevant lands to ensure these areas are respected and left undisturbed. The Community looks forward to swift action in the Senate on this non-controversial legisla-

OFFICE OF THE ARIZONA STATE TREASURER EILEEN I. KLEIN

TREASURER



July 14, 2018

Honorable Stephen Roe Lewis Governor of the Gila River Indian Community 525 West Gu u Ki Sacaton, AZ 85147

Re: Gila River Community School Groundbreaking Ceremony

Dear Governor Lewis:

The Office of the State Treasurer Arizona is honored to be here today for the official groundbreaking of your new Gila Crossing Community K-8 School project. It is a privilege to be part of tribal history on this momentous day and to stand with you in your continued commitment to education at all levels of this community.

I want to acknowledge the wisdom and foresight of tribal leaders who are taking action to protect and care for so many generations of young people to come. The new school that will one day sit on this land will help place many future generations of Community school students on the right path for success.

With the school's state-of-the-art technology and many other innovative programs, I am confident you will succeed in growing enrollment for this school, but also creating promise and hope for other native children throughout this country.

This school will become part of the land and river and people of this proud community. I offer my respect and congratulations and look forward to July 2019 and the beginning of an exciting and rewarding new chapter for Community schools.

Sincerely,



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GRPD meets with the public at the Coffee With a Cop event

Aeneas Antone

Gila River Indian News

Elders and the Gila River Police Department came together for Coffee with a Cop at the District 2 Service Center on July 10.

Coffee with a Cop gave the police department an opportunity to interact one-on-one with people from District 2. The Police Department often meet people in times of distress so this event gave them time to talk without distrac-

Elders enjoyed a hot cup of coffee, some donuts and fruit. Although the event was mainly for

elders, the doors welcomed teenagers to come in and talk to the police officers. "See Chief [Elliott] is over there really talking to [the teenagers]" said Francis-co Osife, "They're really engaged with her and so I think that's the good thing for the kids."

The relationship between the GRPD and the Gila River Indian Community has improved throughout the years. Officer Jerrod Rosson said he has seen a "180-degree change in the last seven years."

Osife said that putting more officers on the road has allowed GRPD to make meaningful contact within

the Community. "I think putting more officers on the road was a big deal... you still have your officers responding to calls for service, but it frees up those others officers and gives them the chance to really get out and make contact with the elders, the youth, the community in general," he said.

The event also was a chance to change people's view of the Police Department. "I mean it made me feel good because [the police are] taking time to acknowledge people that are here" Osife said.



GRPD Chief Kathleen Elliot meets with youth at the Coffee with a Cop event on July 10 in Dis trict 2. Aeneas Antone/GRIN

Arizona Coyotes invite youth from the Boys & Girls Club to Gila River Arena



A club member receives some assistance while skating. Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN

Christopher Lomahquahu Gila River Indian News

Children from the Gila River Indian Community Boys & Girls Clubs took to the ice at a special skate party in Glendale.

The Boy & Girls Club

members from the Sacaton and Komatke branches skated with the Arizona Coyotes at the Gila River Arena on June 27.

The club members were nervous at first, but overcame their fear of fallaround the ring.

Some of the youth were clinging to the side rails, and others were right at home on the ice running laps around the rink.

The kids were in for a treat when prospect players from the Coyotes showed up to teach them a few basic skating tips.

Little did the kids know, that among the prospective players was their number five overall pick Barrett Havton, who will play center in an Arizona Coyotes jersey.

Gila River Hotel & Casinos Public Relations Coordinator Manuel Hernandez said the event is part of the partnership between the Community and the Arizona Coyotes to organize

ing and skated their way events for the youth.

Youth skate on the Arizona Coyotes' home ice. Christopher Lomahquahu/GRIN

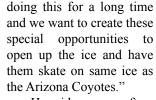
Sacaton Elementary School District # 18

Introducing Ms. Wanda Burton, Principal of Sacaton Elementary School Ms. Burton has been a nurse at CIGNA Healthplan in pediatrics and urgent care, an allergy office, and taught nursing at the Bryman School. She was a stay at home mom and a homeroom mom in when her first child entered kindergarten. This is where she found her passion for teaching in elementary education. She took online classes to become a teacher when her youngest child started preschool. When she went to first grade, Ms. Burton completed her student teaching. When she promoted to second grade, Ms. Burton became a first grade teacher. She taught first grade for seven years, then moved to third grade to help students pass math and science on state tests. She felt that teaching writing was her weakest link as a teacher, so she became National Board Certified in Literacy: Reading-Language Arts to complete her skills. Ms. Burton remained in the classroom for 13 years teaching ELL, gifted, after-school enrichment classes and volunteered as a leader and coach for Girl Scouts. Boy Scouts. 4-H, softball, soccer, and basketball. She believes experience and exposure is critical to education, so she encouraged her children and the

children she works with to embrace opportunities. This is her passion as a teacher, leader, mother to make opportunities available to children, learning and growing through obstacles and failures to reach personal success that builds and sustains a better world.

Introducing Mr. Andre Gillespie, Principal of Sacaton Middle School

Mr. Gillespie is an experienced building level administrator who has served as an administrator in several large metropolitan school districts across the country. He has nearly twenty years of experience as an administrator at both the elementary and middle school levels. Before earning a promotion into administration, Mr. Gillespie began his educational career as an elementary physical education teacher and a teacher of Spanish. He has served in the United States Army Reserves within the engineering division. During his military service, he deployed to several Central American countries where he continued to serve, learn more on leadership, teamwork, and Spanish. Through his experiences, he has become a systematic and passionate educational leader who works to make a difference in the lives of those whom he



He said every so often, they host events like this to bring kids out on the ice.

"We have such a great Cohen said, "We've been relationship with the Gila River Indian Communitv. because its beyond just sponsorship agreement, it's an integrated partnership," said Cohen.

Cohen said it's a great opportunity to expose kids to hockey and promote physical fitness and is a creative way to get out of the heat and cool down.



He said around 100

kids from the Community's

two Boys & Girls branch-

es took part in the event,

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Mr. Andre Gillespie

COMMUNITY COUNCIL ACTION SHEETS

Courtesy of the Community Council Secretary's Office • June 20, 2018

ACTION SHEET

Community Council; PO Box 2138; Sacaton, Arizona 85147; Phone (520) 562-9720; Fax (520) 562-9729 CALL TO ORDER

The Second Regular Monthly Meeting of the Community liot Council held Wednesday, June 20, 2018, in the Community Council Chambers at the Governance Center in Sacaton, 2. A Resolution Rescinding Resolution GR-086-Arizona was called to order by Governor Stephen R. Lewis 17 And Consenting To And Approving The 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, Rodney Jackson; D4-Nada Celaya, Jennifer Allison, Barney Enos, Jr., Pamela Johnson; D5- Janice Stewart, Marlin Dixon, , Franklin Pablo, Sr.; D6-Terrance Evans; D7-Devin Redbird

Council Members Absent:

D5- Lawrence White, Sr.; D6-Anthony Villareal, Sr., Charles River Fire Department To Opt-Out Of The Public Goldtooth

APPROVAL OF A GENDA APPROVED AS AMENDED

PRESENTATIONS/INTRODUCTIONS (Limit to 5-minutes) *1. Introduction-Julian Garza, Tribal Social Services Direc-

Presenter: Pamela Thompson

MS. PAMELA THOMPSON INTRODUCED MR. JULIAN GARZA. MR. GARZA PROVIDED A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF HIS BACKGROUND AND HIS PLANS FOR THE DE- APPROVED PARTMENT. VARIOUS COUNCIL MEMBERS AND GOV-ERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS EXPRESSED WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT.

2. Introduction of American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES) Staff

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO TABLE **REPORTS**

*1. Community Technology Center 2 Quarter Report APPROVED FY2018.

Presenter: Connie Jackson

TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2. Ira H. Hayes American Legion Auxiliary Unit 84 FY 2018 2nd Quarter Report

Presenter: Carletta McDaniel TABLED AT APPROVAL OF AGENDA

3. GRHC Red Tail Hawk (Hau'pal) Health Center Phase II

Presenter: Scott Gemberling

REPORT HEARD

4. April 2018 Head Start Monthly Report

Presenter: Lori Stinson REPORT HEARD

GRICUA FY18 Quarter 2 Report Presenter: John

Lewis, Leonard Gold REPORT HEARD

6. GRTI Notice of Filing-Connect America Fund Inter- Car-

rier Compensation (CAF-ICC) Data

Presenter: James Meyers, Board of Directors

REPORT HEARD

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO ENTER

EXECUTIVE SESSION

GOVERNOR STEPHEN R. LEWIS TURNED THE CHAIR OVER TO LT. GOVERNOR ROBERT STONE

7. Monthly Activity Report Ending May (Executive Session)

Presenter: Suzanne Johns

REPORT HEARD IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO EXIT

EXECUTIVE SESSION

[LT. GOVERNOR ROBERT STONE CALLED FOR A 5-MINUTE BREAK. THE MEETING RECONVENED AT 10:52 A.M.]

RESOLUTIONS

*1. A Resolution Authorizing The Intergovernmental Agreement Between The Gila River Indian Community and Ak-Chin Indian Community To Enter Into Interoperable

Talkgroups In The Gila River Public Safety Radio System Rescinding Resolution GR-28-18 (NRSC (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenters: Commander Ronald Blass, Chief Kathleen El-

APPROVED

Acquisition For Right Of Way For A Grant Of Easement For The Gila River Indian Community Department Of Transportation Project No. ROW-D4-14-001 Crossing Allotted And Community Trust Land Parcels For The Purpose Of Constructing, Operating, Managing And Maintaining A Roadway And Utilities Corridor By The Gila River Indian Community Department Of Transportation Located In District 4 And As Shown On Drawing Number 4014-0689-EA-01 (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval, NRSC concurs) Presenters: Calvin Touchin, Antonelli Anton

APPROVED 3. A Resolution Ratifying The Decision Of Gila Safety Risk Pool (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Sharon Harvier

APPROVED

4. A Resolution Ratifying The Decision Of Gila River Police Department To Opt-Out Of The Public Safety Risk Pool (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: Sharon Harvier

5. A Resolution Approving Modification No. 42 To The Gila River Indian Community Capital Projects Fund Budget For Fiscal Year 2018 Through 2022 (G&MSC forwards to Council with

recommendation for approval) Presenters: Treasurer Robert Keller, Suzanne Johns

6. A Resolution Authorizing The Gila River Indian Community To Amend The FY 2018

Intergovernmental Agreement With The Regional Public Transportation Authority To Accept ATAN Bus Stop Improvement Funds (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval, NRSC concurs)

Presenters: Gregory McDowell, Debra Brunner **APPROVED**

7. A Resolution Approving The Gila River Indian Community Tribal Transportation Improvement Program For Fiscal Year 2018 Through Fiscal Year 2022 (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval, NRSC

concurs)

Presenters: Gregory McDowell, Steve Johnson **APPROVED**

8. A Resolution Granting The Pima-Maricopa Irrigation Project Permission To Permanently Remove A Portion Of The Spur Rail Line In The Former Santan Industrial Park For The Construction Of The Santan Flood Protection System In District 4 Of The Gila River Indian Reservation (NRSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: David H. DeJong **APPROVED**

9. A Resolution Granting A Permanent Irrigation Easement, A Permanent Drainage Easement. And A Temporary Construction Easement To the United States Of America For Reach Santan IB Canal On Portions Of Allotted Trust Land Located Within The Exterior Boundaries Of The Gila River Indian Reservation And Setting The Amount Of Compensation Due To The Community For The Community's Undivided Interests In Such Allotted Trust Land And

forwards to Council with recommendation for approval)

Presenter: David H. DeJong

APPROVED

10. A Resolution Approving The Relinquishment Of Jennifer Ruth Flores From The Gila River Indian Community Membership Roll (LSC motioned to forward to Council with recommendation for approval) Presenter: Sheila Riley-White

APPROVED ORDINANCES

1. The Gila River Indian Community Council Hereby Enacts The Following Ordinance Amending Title 1, Chapter 1 Of The Gila River Indian Community Code To Add Sections 1.105 And 1.106 And Adding Chapter 7, Specifying The Duties And Standards Of Conduct For The Chief Judge And Other Judges Of The Community Court (LSC motioned to forward the Ordinance to Council for discussion and action striking H of 1.708)

Presenter: Mandy Cisneros

APPROVED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. Gila River Telecommunications, Inc., Independent Auditor's Report And Consolidated Financial Statements, December 31, 2017 and 2016 (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval; EDSC concurs)

Presenters: Robert Bresnahan, James Meyers,

Board of Directors

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE

2. Gila River Indian Community Culture And Language Teacher Cohort Capstone Narrative (ESC motioned to forward to Council under New Business and to include the additional language from Isaac Salcido; CRSC concurs)

Presenters: Starleen Samegustava, Priscilla Espinoza, Edwardine Thomas, Nina Allison MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE

3. Deficiency Response Plan And Procedures (ESC motioned to forward to Council with recommendation to approve the deficiency Response Plan And Procedures)

Presenter: Lori Stinson

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE

4. Basic Financial Statements, Independent Auditors Report, And Single Audit Reporting Packaging Ending September 30, 2017 (Executive Session) (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval) Presenters: Treasurer Robert Keller, Suzanne **Johns**

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE 5. Independent Account's Report On Applying Agreed-Upon Procedures Related To Compliance With The Revenue Allocation Ordinance Year Ended September 30, 2017 (Executive Session) (G&MSC forwards to Council with recommendation for approval) Presenters: Treasurer Robert Keller, Suzanne **Johns**

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE **MINUTES**

1. March 21, 2018 (Regular)

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE

2. June 6, 2018 (Regular)

MOTION MADE AND SECOND TO APPROVE WITH ADD-**ED NOTATION**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

> G&MSC & LSC WORK SESSION, JUNE 21, 2018, 9AM >G&MSC WORK SESSION WITH GILA RIVER GAMING ENTERPRISES, JUNE 22, 2018, 9AM >IOPC MEETING, JUNE 21, 2018, 1PM

ADJOURNMENT

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11:13 p.m.

* Denotes TABLED from previous meeting(s)

Native Right to Vote



Gail Hunnicutt, Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation, at the Native Right To Vote event in Sacaton discussed the long battle for voting rights in Arizona on July 14. Christopher Lomahquahu/

In Loving Memory of Warren K. Williams

A very heartfelt "Thank You" to all those who helped put our son Warren K. Williams, aka "Weets" to rest.

Thank you for the many cards of encouragement it really helped lifted our spirits during our time of mourning. In gratitude we recognize and thank all who donated their time and help during this time of loss:

District Three Staff, District Three Maintenance Crew and all those who helped dig the grave

Gila River Police Department escort

details & EMS on standby. Thank you, Arturo Anton for officiating

the wake and burial.

To all our relations & friends for making the picture badges, the "In Loving Memory" banner, donated food, water, flowers. We could not have done this without your well wishes, love and concern for our family. Please if we did not acknowledge you, forgive us. God Bless your care and generosity. Respectfully,

Dennis & Delores Williams & Family

Congratulations



Roman Drake Sabori Sorry this is late but we your family congratulate you on receiving your diploma at RSI. Love, Your Family

What's New at GRICUA?

GRICUA Summer Interns



Henry Williams High School <u>Intern</u> My name is Williams. I am 17

and I am originally from District 1, but I live in District 3. I have 5 brothers and 4 sisters. I am the second oldest and help take care of my brothers and sisters. I like the Dallas Cowboys and when I get older I want to join the Marines so I can protect and serve our country. I currently go to Coolidge High school where I am a part of the JROTC. My parent's names are Jason and Antoinette Williams. My favorite hobbies are basketball and being in JROTC. Fun fact: I like to cook for fun. Mira Jose - High School Intern



Hi, my name is Mira Jose, My mom's name is Danielle Allen and my dad's

name is Ryan Jose. I also have a little sister named Persephone. I am 16 years old and go am enrolled at Florence High School. I don't go out much because I like to stay home. My favorite hobbies are drawing and reading. Fun fact about me is I like chocolate and mint ice cream, they're good!



My Name is Reddsun Mack. mom's name is Danielle Allen and my step- father

is Ryan Jose. My biological father is the late Robin Mack. I currently go to school at Florence High School and I will be a junior this year. My usual hobbies are either hanging out with my friends or teaching myself how to make music/code or either gaming. I am originally from District 7 and I am somewhat self-taught in programming but just the basic stuff.

Elyssa Withrow - College Intern My name is Elyssa Withrow and I am



from Blackwater. My mother is Kimberly Antone. I attend Commu-College nity

studying GIS and Digital Art. After that, I will finish my bachelor's degree in Environmental Design. I like to work out and binge watch "The Originals" on Netflix and a fun fact about me is I want to own a 1967 ford mustang. Erica Dawahoya - College Intern

Reddsun Mack - High School Intern



District 4. I currently go to Gateway Community College to get my AA in Accounting and then I will transfer to a university. I worked at GRICUA before as a high school intern in 2015 and was a WYT student in 2016. I like anything music related, reading and spending time with my friends and family.

480.641.9552

GRICUA's New Board Member Felicia Kaufman



Felicia Kaufman is oldest daughter Travis Jackson, (District and Elberteen Mul-

Red Mountain Behavioral Health Services

My name is

Erica Dawa-

hoya. I am

18 years old

and I'm from

tine (Diné), and the granddaughter of the late Verton Jackson, Sr. and Shirley Jackson. She was born in Sacaton and raised in Central Phoenix where she attended Longview Elementary and graduated from North High School. She went on to attend

Phoenix College while working as a legal assistant and transferred to Arizona State University where she received her Bachelor of Science in Global Business, with an emphasis in Information Systems Management in 2003. She has worked as a legal assistant for over 25 years and currently also serves on the Board of Directors for the GRIC Urban Members Association, Inc. She is the mother of 2 children; a son who is currently attending Arizona State University, and a daughter who is a senior in high school. In her spare time, she enjoys running 5k's, 10k's and half marathons with family and friends.

GRIEF & LOSS

SUPPORT GROUP

WEDNESDAY, JULY 25, 2018 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM

Please join us for a **FREE** support group for the

Gila River Indian Community.

(You do not have to be enrolled in behavioral health to attend)

Monsoon Season and Safety Tips The Monsoon season is officially here Every family should prepare a family disaster supply kit in the event of severe weather conditions. The disaster supply kits should contain essential items such as food, water, and sturdy clothing; to sustain a family for up to three days since electric power, gas and water services may be interrupt-

Flash Flood Safety

· Store materials like sandbags, plywood, plastic sheeting and lumber for protection from floodwaters and to make quick repairs after a severe

· Do not let children play near storm

· Driving too fast through standing water can cause a car to hydroplane. The best defense is to slow down or pull well off the road (with lights off) for a few minutes to wait out heavy rains.

No place outside is safe from lightning during a thunderstorm. When a storm approaches go to a nearby large substantial building or a fully-enclosed

Bring pets indoors.

 Tie down trampolines and make sure above ground swimming pools are full and secured.

· If you are driving: PULL ASIDE, STAY ALIVE! If you encounter a dust storm, and cannot avoid driving into it. Pull off the road as far as you can safely do so and turn off your lights.

GRICUA District Days 2018 GRICUA will be at the Public Health Resource Center (433 W Seedfarm Rd in Sacaton) on the following days to accept payments from 10am to

September 6

A SAFE SPACE TO FIND HEALING

MONTHLY SUPPORT FROM OTHERS IN THE COMMUNITY

COME TO LISTEN, OR **COME TO SHARE**

NON-THREATENING AND SUPPORTIVE **ENVIRONMENT**

PIZZA AND REFRESHMENTS WILL BE **PROVIDED**

GROUP HELD AT: SACATON DIALYSIS CENTER

Large Conference Room (located on the east side of

drains or washes after a heavy rain. Avoid low-water crossings.

Outdoor Safety

metal topped vehicle.

health and welfare of the Community

August 9

October 4

November 8 December 6

GRICUA will also be at District 1 and 2 Service Centers on the following days from 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM:

District 2 – August 8

District 1 – September 5

District 2 - October 8

District 1 - November 7

District 2 - December 5 **CALL BEFORE YOU DIG**

GRICUA is a member of Arizona Blue Stake Please call 1-800-782-5348 to request an underground line locate of both GRICUA and SCIP on reservation facilities

GRICUA welcomes your comments. You can email comments to gricuacomments@gricua.net. You can also go to our website at www.gricua.net.

GRICUA's Hours of Operation Monday - Friday 7:30 AM to 4:00 PM Payments are accepted on-line and by phone both during our normal operating hours as well as afterhours. If you have any questions regarding your statement or payment options please call during normal business

NOTICE OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Title 20, Chapter 2 Homesite Ordinance

The Legislative Standing Committee ("LSC") will be considering revisions to the Homesite Ordinance at their regular meeting on August 07, 2018 at 1:00 p.m., located in Conference Room B of the Community Council Secretary's Office. A copy of the Homesite Ordinance with the proposed revisions is available for review at all District Service Centers and the Community Council Secretary's

If you are interested in providing comments to the proposed revisions to the Homesite Ordinance, please attend the scheduled LSC meeting, or you may also contact your

Council representative, and/or the LSC's Chairperson at (520) 562-9720. Written comments may also be sent to: The Gila River Indian Community, Office of the General Counsel Attention: Javier G. Ramos, P.O. Box 97, Sacaton, Arizona 85147. CHAPTER 2. **HOMESITE**

20.201. Authority. This chapter is adopted pursuant to Sections 1 (a) (9), (13), (19), and Section 4 of Article XV and Section 2 of Article XVI of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Gila River Indian Community (1960).

A. Authority; Purpose; Intent. The Gila River Indian Community ("Community") has enacted this ordinance under its inherent legislative, adjudicative, and regulatory authority pursuant to the express delegation of authority by Congress under the Indian Reorganization Act (25 U.S.C. §§ 461 et seq.), which provides the Community the authority to organize and adopt the Gila River Indian Community Constitution and Bylaws (March 17, 1960) and to enact ordinances governing conduct within the exterior boundaries of the Gila River Indian Reservation ("Reservation") (25 U.S.C. §476). The Community enacts this ordinance to

regulate certain activities within the

Reservation in accordance with Mon-

(1981). The Community finds that the

activities regulated under this ordi-

tana v. United States, 450 U.S. 544

nance threaten or affect the political integrity, economic security or health and welfare of the Community, including activities of non-members where: 1. the non-members enter into consensual relationships with the Community via commercial dealings, contracts, leases, or other arrangements; 2. the conduct of a non-member threatens or affects the political integrity, economic security or health and welfare of the Community; and

3. the Community provides the privileges and benefits of Community services or other advantages of civilized society to non-members

B. Findings. The Community Council finds that providing homesites on Reservation land has a direct effect on the and its members and is an action taken pursuant to the inherent powers of the Community to exercise civil authority and to provide for the welfare of its members. The Community Council intends for this ordinance to govern the provision of homesites and residential leases on both Community and allotted trust land within the exterior boundaries of the Reservation. The Community Council further intends that this ordinance requires that Community members and non-Community members abide by this chapter and disclose all relevant information to the Community in the assignment of homesites

C. Residential Leases. Any violation of

this chapter is a violation of the residential lease: the lessee agrees not to use any part of the leased premises for any unlawful conduct or purposes and will comply with all applicable Federal Laws, including the Code of Federal Regulations and Community Code. The Bureau of Indian Affairs ("BIA") is responsible for the enforcement of approved residential leases on allotted land. The BIA administers oversight of residential leases on allotted land pursuant to the Code of Federal Regulations 25 CFR 162

"A copy of this proposed ordinance in its entirety is on file and available for review at all District Service center coordinator's offices and the Community Council Secretary's office."

GET APPROVED TODAY!



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A SPECIAL INVITATION FOR GRIC MEMBERS PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE



Gila River Health Care's Board of Directors and Executive Leadership Team are honored to advance the Gila River Indian Community's vision of providing a compassionate, self-governed healthcare system that reflects the cultural and spiritual needs of the Community.

We kindly request the pleasure of your company for a celebration for the official opening of Hau'pal Health Center.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2018

10am - 4pm

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