

Community Awarded Collaborative Spirit Award for their Contribution on Helping in the Founding of TGen Over 20 Years Ago

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The Translational Genomics Institute (TGen) in Phoenix held its 20th Anniversary Founders Dinner on Thursday, April 7 in Scottsdale. The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community was one of many who were recognized as contributing to the founding of the institute. The Community received the Collaborative Spirit Award, and SRPMIC President Martin Harvier, former Community Presidents Ivan Makil and Joni Ramos, Council Representative Michael Dallas, Health and Human Services Director Joseph Remitera and Chief Public Health Officer Nancy Mangieri were all present to receive the award.

TGen is a medical research facility focused on unraveling the genetic components of disease to help develop more targeted and effective treatments. President and Research Director Dr. Jeffery Trent introduced the Community as the recipients of the Collaborative Spirit Award. "A common thread of all

these achievements, a founding tenet of TGen then and now, is maintaining a collaborative spirit, and this is displayed in no greater way than our work over the past 20 years with the 10,000-member Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community," said Dr. Trent. "Recently, Salt River's affiliation with TGen was instrumental in helping us secure an \$18.3 million federal grant that I co-lead with the Cancer Center Director of the Mayo Clinic. President Harvier is a member of the Tribal Advisory Council for this grant, which is set to begin shortly and upon its completion will be the largest clinical-oriented study of genomics of cancer patients of Native American ancestry in our nation's history. The precision medicine will actually be precise for American Indians and other underrepresented populations. This is why it's my great honor to present the Collaborative Spirit Award to the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community."

A video featured President



(Right) TGen President and Research Director Dr. Jeffery Trent presents the Collaborative Spirit Award SRPMIC President Martin Harvier at the 20th Anniversary of the TGen's Founders Dinner.

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Community Members Participate in Bald-Eagle Banding Event



AZGFD staff and SRPMIC members gather around to watch and participate in the bald-eagle banding event on April 4.

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On Monday, April 4, as the nervous and protective mother and father bald eagles soared above in a circular pattern, the Salt River Fire Department (SRFD) aided efforts by the Arizona Game and Fish Department (AZGFD) to band two young bald-eagle nestlings from a nest on the southwest side of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community.

The purpose of the banding

was to weigh and measure the young eagles and fit them with transmitters to track their movements and habits to help keep them safe from harm in an urban environment.

To reach the nest, the SRFD engineer slowly backed the fire engine into the best position to raise the ladder. Firefighter Kenneth "Tuk" Jacobson, AZGFD's coordinator of raptor management, was inside the bucket.

Once at the nest, Jacobson used an extendable pool-cleaning

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Violence Against Women Act Reauthorized by Biden Administration

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In March, President Joe Biden signed into law the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) Reauthorization Act of 2022.

The 2022 reauthorization of VAWA increases services and support for survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking from underserved and marginalized communities, including those who are LGBTQI+.

The act establishes a federal civil cause of action for individuals whose intimate visual images are disclosed without their consent, allowing a victim to recover damages and legal fees, and supporting state, tribal and local government efforts to prevent and prosecute cybercrimes.

The act also expands criminal jurisdiction of tribal courts to cover non-Native perpetrators of sexual assault, child abuse, stalking, sex trafficking, and assaults on tribal law enforcement officers on tribal lands.

Carol Colmenero, director of the Family Advocacy Center (FAC) on the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, said that the VAWA will impact the FAC because the department sees many domestic violence and sexual assault crimes against



The patch of the U.S. Department of the Interior Bureau of Indian Affairs Office of Justice Services, which recently formed a new Missing and Murdered Unit (MMU).

both women and men in the Community.

"When a non-Native person [commits a crime against] a Native Community member out here, many times we can't arrest them," said Colmenero. "We have to utilize stateside services as well as federal services to get them detained, and many times they flee the scene by the time our police department gets there. We end up, at times, not being able to find the perpetrator because they cross the state line very quickly and disappear; [then they] come back into the Community, re-victimize our victim and flee again. With VAWA, ...

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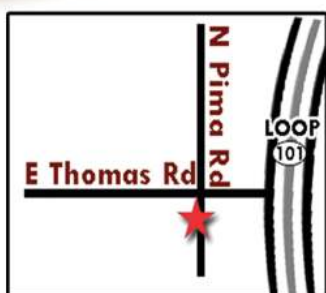
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Harvier and former Community Presidents Ivan Makil and Diane Enos. In the video, President Harvier explained that the Community’s average age of death is 52 years for females and 49 for males. “We miss out on almost 30 years of life compared to other [ethnic groups],” said Harvier.

Bringing TGen to the Valley

After being in office, President Makil saw the needs of the Community and identified the lack of resources in healthcare. The federal government was supposed to provide tribes with healthcare, but Makil started to better understand that the resources for the health of the people were deficient in many ways. Because of the concern for the Community’s health and the health of future generations, when late Senator John McCain contacted President Makil about the opportunity to bring TGen to the Valley, Makil felt it was something that could benefit the people. Makil explained that he took the idea to Council, and after one long night of discussions they agreed to contribute \$6 million to the effort to bring TGen to Phoenix because of the high rates of diabetes, kidney disease and renal cell carcinoma among the Salt River population.

Being from Arizona, Dr. Trent recognized the great medical research need for tribal communities, and working with the Community would give other tribal communities same access to medical breakthroughs of the Human Genome Project.

“I had the privilege on a regular basis to meet and explain opportunities that we could work on at the request of the Community, starting with diabetes and moving to renal cell cancer,” said Dr. Trent.

Dr. Trent has kept the Community informed through five administrations, explaining the research and helping the Community understand its potential for improving tribal health.

“Keeping that communication line open is important. It [brought] us where we’re at today as far as our relationship,” said President Enos in the video. “What we’re doing here with TGen will enable other tribes to look at genetic research, and there may be [discoveries] that can apply to them because we’re all related.”

“When this opportunity (investing in TGen) came along, Salt River was really growing,” Makil said. “We had the opportunity to not only participate and [improve] the health of our people, but also to make a huge leap in our relationship with the surrounding communities and the state that would give us the political capital that was important to advance the issues that were important to our people, beyond healthcare,” said Makil. “I was very fortunate with the relationship that I had established at that time. [I trusted] when they told me this was a possibility and we would have a voice at the table for our people about our healthcare. Council at that time took a huge risk, but it turned out great because there have been so many benefits for the Community.”

Fighting for Native Health

Before beginning his speech, President Harvier recognized the individuals at his table, including President Makil.



As President Harvier addressed the room he recognized the work that past Community Presidents have done to help TGen become a part of helping find ways to take care of the Community’s health.



Former Community President Ivan Makil, Joni Ramos and President Harvier, meet the actress who played Wonder Woman; Lynda Carter at the Founders Dinner.



HHS Director Joseph Remitera and Chief Public Health Officer Nancy Mangieri mingle with TGen staff prior to the Founders Dinner.



Former SRPMIC President Ivan Makil introduces his significant other to former President Joni Ramos before the event.

“As I was sitting and listening to Ivan as he was giving me some of the history, he explained there were other cities that were in the running for TGen, and it was the funding that the Community gave that landed TGen here in Phoenix,” said Harvier. Harvier also recognized SRPMIC’s first female president, Joni Ramos, as well as former Presidents Diane Enos and Delbert Ray Sr., who were not in attendance. Harvier also recognized Council Representative Michael Dallas, HHS Director Joseph Remitera and Chief Public Health Officer Nancy Mangieri. Thanking TGen for the award, Harvier said, “I recognize our health officials, because ... going through this whole COVID period, the Community has been shut down for about two years. We had to implement [policies] in our Community that were probably more stringent than outside our boundaries because of the underlying health conditions of diabetes and other things [our Community members] have. We felt it was necessary to protect our members the best way that we could. “We’re like everyone else—we want long lives, we want to spend time with our families, and there are

things we need to change in our lifestyles,” Harvier said. “Hopefully, with the people we have in place and the encouragement of parents, things will change. We’ve all been affected by cancer—my dad passed away when I was 18 years old from stomach cancer, and I am sure everyone here has been affected. And in my life, I keep thinking to myself, ‘When do I get it?’ But I really believe that is why our Community invested in TGen, we want our members to have good, long lives. Those 30 years that we’re missing [in average lifespan], we want to have it for our future.”

Community Members Participate in Bald-Eagle Banding Event



A parent bald eagle of the bald eagle nestlings flies around in circles over the nest as SRFD and AZGFD attempt to lure the nestlings onto the pole.

stick with soft fabric wrapped around it, which he calls a “Q-tip,” to grab hold of the nestlings before they could jump out of the nest.

Witnessing the action from a distance was a small group of Community members, elders and bird watchers, which included former SRPMIC President Delbert Ray Sr. and current Council member David Antone.

“The nestlings have the light feathers to keep themselves from crash-landing, but not the muscles yet to have sustained flight. The first nestling, the big one, she jumped off the pole and fluttered to the ground, but all was good there. [That was] somewhat expected,” said Jacobson.

“I was able to get the other nestling on the pole, and he held on just for a split-second longer so I could get hold of him and get him secured, at which point we brought him back down to the ground. There we were able to [get] the bands on and get them fitted for the transmitters.”

Some elders and SRPMIC employees were able to hold the nestlings and assist with the banding, an experience that Planning Assistant Nicholas Moreno of the Community Development Department’s Planning Services said was moving.

“[The nestling] was a lot lighter than I was expecting. The heartbeat was intense as well. You could really feel it,” said Moreno.

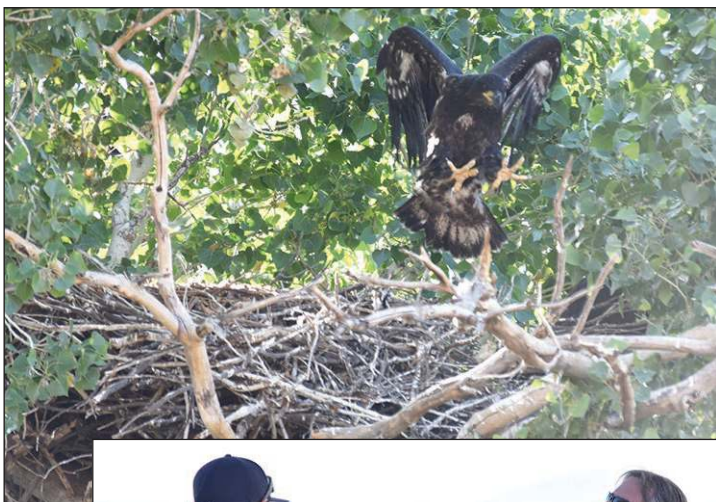
“I know that having the bald eagles here in the Community holds a great significance to us, and that’s why I couldn’t pass up the opportunity to hold one, even though I was a little trepidatious about it at first.”

Within the next one to three weeks, the nestlings are expected to begin flying around for about a five- to six-week period, during which the adults will be teaching them how to fly, navigate the landscape and find food.

Then, the nestlings will leave the nest, flying north on their own. The transmitters often indicate that they will leave together on the same day and at the same time, sometimes reaching Utah, Yellowstone National Park, Montana, Oregon, Washington or the Northwest Territories of Canada before heading back to Arizona in September or October.



Community members, including former President Delbert Ray, Sr., and current Council member David Antone, watch from afar as the SRFD ladder reaches the bald-eagle nest.



The bald-eagle nestling jumps out of the nest and falls gracefully to the ground where AZGFD and SRFD staff are available to bring the nestling to safety.



A bald-eagle nestling gets measured and weighed before banding.



Salt River Animal Control Technician Cye Goseyun poses with one of the bald-eagle nestlings.

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2022 SRPMIC ELECTION
**NOMINATION
MEETING
FOR CANDIDATES
OF
PRESIDENT AND
VICE-PRESIDENT**

The purpose of the meeting is to nominate candidates for the SRPMIC Primary/General Election.

**Thursday, June 2, 2022 /
6 p.m.**

**at the SRPMIC Community Building
(1880 N. Longmore) Rd.,
Scottsdale, AZ 85256)**

**MEETING WILL START PROMPTLY AT
6:00 P.M.**

**Only SRPMIC enrolled members will be able to
nominate candidates.**

**QUALIFICATIONS FOR PRESIDENT AND
VICE-PRESIDENT**

- (SRPMIC Constitution, Article IV, Section 2)
1. Be an enrolled member of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community.
 2. Has physically resided in the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community for at least one (1) year immediately preceding the election date.
 3. Is at least twenty-five (25) years of age.

**Meeting Procedures due to Covid-19
Precautions:**

**The Phase the Community will be in on this
date will dictate the Covid-19 Precautions that
will be used.**



SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY

2022 PRIMARY ELECTION

Tuesday, July 26, 2022

Polls Open: 6:00am – 6:00pm

The following Council terms will be expiring, therefore a Primary Election will be held.

- Martin Harvier - President
- Ricardo Leonard - Vice-President
- Cheryl Doka, Diane Enos, Thomas Largo - District I (SR) Council Members
- Michael Dallas, Sr. - District II (Lehi) Council Member

**For a Safe Voting Experience for All, COVID-19 Precautions will be followed.
Masks will be required in and around the voting area.**

POLLING SITES:

District I (Salt River) voters vote at the SALT RIVER COMMUNITY BUILDING. (Polls open from 6am-6pm)
District II (Lehi) voters vote at the LEHI COMMUNITY BUILDING. (Polls open from 6am-6pm)

Who is a Voter?

You are able to vote in SRPMIC elections if you are: 1) an enrolled member of the Community, 2) 18 years or older on the day of the election, and 3) a resident of the relevant electoral district for at least one (1) year; or if you are a non-resident, declared a home district. Persons who are in jail or prison on the date of election, or have been declared to be mentally incompetent are not eligible to vote.

WHAT DISTRICT DO I VOTE IN?

Members who live West of North Mesa Drive are considered to be a District I (Salt River) voter and should vote at Salt River Community Building. Members who live East of Mesa Drive are considered to be a District II (Lehi) voter and should vote at Lehi Community Building. Non-resident voters must fill out a form to declare their "home district" for voting purposes, and they should contact the Community Development Department ("CDD") to obtain the form for declaring a home district.

A SRPMIC TRIBAL ID IS REQUIRED TO VOTE:

Community members must show a (picture) tribal ID card at the polls before they will be given a ballot. Contact the Office of Membership Services at (480) 362-7618 if you need a new tribal ID card. The Community membership rolls determine voter eligibility and the district in which you vote in, so please make sure that your name, tribal ID number, and address are up-to-date with the Office of Membership Services in CDD.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS:

**To minimize the risk of contracting Covid-19, it is HIGHLY recommended that you vote via
absentee ballot via mail or drop off.**

To request an absentee ballot contact Erica Harvier or Ardell Moore at (480) 362-7466, 362-7465 or 362-7400 or by email at Erica.harvier@srpmic-nsn.gov or ardell.moore@srpmic-nsn.gov.

ABSENTEE REQUESTS (Provide Name, Tribal ID #, Mailing Address)	PRIMARY ELECTION DEADLINES
Deadline for Resident AND Non-Resident Voters to request an absentee ballot. <i>If you live on OR off the Community and would like to receive and mail in your ballot.</i>	Wednesday, July 13, 2022
Home Voting - Deadline for Elderly, or Disabled or in the Hospital and within a 25 mile radius. <i>If you cannot come to the polls and would like to home vote.</i>	Thursday, July 21, 2022

QUESTIONS? Contact SRPMIC Administration at (480)362-7466 or 362-7465 or 362-7400.



**2022 Primary and General Election Info
NOMINATION MEETINGS FOR
COUNCIL MEMBERS**

District I – Salt River Thursday, June 23, 2022 / 6:00pm SALT RIVER COMMUNITY BUILDING	District II – Lehi Thursday, June 23, 2022 / 6:00pm LEHI COMMUNITY BUILDING
*** Meetings are held simultaneously at each district ***	
The purpose of the meetings is to nominate Council Member candidates. 3 District I (SR) Council Members / 1 District II (Lehi) Council Member	
Important Note Please make sure you are nominated in the district you are registered in. Persons that nominate candidates must be an enrolled member and eligible voter of SRPMIC and must be either a resident of the particular district or their home district must be the same as the district in which the candidate is nominated to represent. (SRPMIC Code of Ordinances, Ch 3, Section 3-5(b)(3).	

Qualifications for Council Members (SRPMIC Constitution, Article IV, Section 3):

- Be an enrolled member of Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community.
- Has physically resided in the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community for at least one (1) year and in the district as provided in Article V, Section 1 for at least six (6) months immediately preceding the election date.
- Is at least twenty five (25) years of age.

Meeting Procedures due to Covid-19 Precautions:

- The Phase the Community will be in on this date will dictate the Covid-19 precautions that will be used.
- Nomination results will be posted immediately via internet and social media.

Questions can be directed to the Council Secretary office at (480) 362-7466.

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SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY

2022 ELECTION - IMPORTANT DATES

For a Safe Voting Experience for All, COVID-19 Precautions will be followed.
Masks will be required in and around the voting area.

PRIMARY DATES	MEETING & DEADLINES	NOTES
Thursday, June 2, 2022	Nomination Meeting for President and Vice-President. Depending on the phase, this meeting may or may not be limited to Nominators and Nominees.	Nomination meeting will be held at Salt River Community Building at 6:00pm sharp. Names of those nominated will be posted ASAP via internet and social media.
Monday, June 6, 2022	President and Vice-President Nominees must accept or decline the nomination no later than 5:00pm.	Within 2 business days after the nomination meeting. Contact Council Secretary at (480)362-7466 to receive an accept/decline form.
Wednesday, June 8, 2022	Election Board Certification Meeting to Certify President and Vice-President Nominees.	Depending on the phase we are in this may be a virtual or in-person meeting. More information to come.
Thursday, June 23, 2022	Nomination Meetings for Council Members at each district. District I (SR) Meeting—Held at Salt River Community Building. District II (Lehi) Meeting – Held at Lehi Community Building	Candidates will be nominated at their respective district. Nomination results will be posted ASAP via internet and social media.
Monday, June 27, 2022	Council Member Nominees must accept or decline their nomination no later than 5:00 pm.	Within 2 business days after the nomination meeting. Contact Council Secretary at (480)362-7466 to receive an accept/decline form.
Monday, June 29, 2022	Election Board Certification Meeting to Certify Council Member Nominees.	Depending on the phase we are in this may be a virtual or in-person meeting. More information to come.
ADVANCEMENT TO GENERAL ELECTION	<u>President:</u> Top 2 vote getters will move on to the General Election. <u>Vice-President:</u> Top 2 vote getters will move on to the General Election <u>(3) District 1 (SR) Council Members:</u> Top 5 vote getters will move on to the General Election <u>(1) District II (Lehi) Council Member</u> – Top 2 vote getters will move on to the General Election.	Per SRPMIC Code of Ordinances, Section 3-6(a)(2)(b), there will not be a primary election if the number of certified candidates running for office meet or are under the amount listed in subsection (a) of this section. **Certified candidates will be on the General Election ballot.
Wednesday, July 13, 2022	Deadline for Non-Resident and Resident Voters to request an absentee ballot. Non-Residents and Resident Voters may request an absentee ballot if away from the Community or unable to come to the polls on election day.	Make request by phone, email, or fax by deadline by contacting the Council Secretary at (480)362-7466.
Thursday, July 21, 2022	Deadline to make request for Home Voting. If you meet the criteria for home voting (disabled or bedridden and within a 25 mile radius) and would like to receive a ballot and vote at home.	Contact Council Secretary to make this request at (480)362-7466. (2) Election Board Members will deliver the ballot and do the home voting process at your location.
Tuesday, July 26 th	SRPMIC PRIMARY ELECTION DAY POLLS OPEN: 6:00am – 6:00pm After polls close the Election Board will prepare results and count absentee ballots for Council certification.	Last Tuesday in July. The final tally and election results will be presented for Council certification.
Thursday, Aug 4, 2022	Primary Candidates that are not advancing to the General Election MUST take down ALL their campaign signs.	Per Section 3-5 (b)(4)(e) of the SRPMIC Code of Ordinances.

GENERAL DATES	MEETING & DEADLINES	NOTES
ASAP after the Primary Election	Notice to all SRPMIC voters of which candidates will be in the general election.	General Election information will be mailed out and posted.
Wednesday, August 24, 2022	Deadline for Non-Resident and Resident Voters to request an absentee ballot. Non-Residents and Resident Voters may request an absentee ballot if away from the Community or unable to come to the polls on election day.	Make request by phone, email, or fax by deadline by contacting the Council Secretary at (480)362-7466.
Thursday Sept 1, 2022	Deadline to make request for Home Voting. If you meet the criteria for home voting (disabled or bedridden and within a 25 mile radius) and would like to receive a ballot and vote at home.	Contact Council Secretary to make this request at (480)362-7466. (2) Election Board Members will deliver the ballot and do the home voting process at your location.
Tuesday September 6 th	SRPMIC GENERAL ELECTION DAY POLLS OPEN: 6:00am – 6:00pm After polls close the Election Board will prepare results and count absentee ballots for Council certification.	First Tuesday in September. The final tally and election results will be presented for Council certification.
Friday, September 11	Deadline for General Election Candidates MUST take down ALL their campaign signs.	Per Section 3-5 (b)(4)(e) of the SRPMIC Code of Ordinances.



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SRFD Loses One of Its Own; Another in Critical Condition



Top: Firefighter/EMT Brendan Bessee, from Globe, was escorted to back to his hometown in a procession that passed through the Community on Saturday, April 9. Photo courtesy of the CRO Communications Division.
R: Salt River Fire Department ladder trucks hold an American flag over the entrance of the funeral services of SRFD Firefighter/EMT Brendan Bessee. Photo courtesy of SRFD



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First responders of the Salt River Fire Department were on an emergency call on the afternoon of Friday, April 8, when they were hit by a semi-truck on State Route 87 (Beeline Highway) and Center Street. Firefighter/EMT Brendan Bessee was killed when his ambulance collided with the truck, and Firefighter/Paramedic Tyler Packer was seriously injured.

A vigil was set up at Station 294, located on the southwest corner of Indian School Road and Center Street, on Friday evening. Ribbons were hung on a tree outside of the station in remembrance of Bessee and offering prayers for Packer, who continues to recover from his injuries. Many Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community members, including Council members, stopped by to show

their support for the SRFD.

"They were two of my firefighters for the Community and recent hires," said Chief Daryl Dash. "They've been with us for a little over four months, great guys, great individuals. It's a tragic loss that we've lost one of them."

Bessee, from Globe, was escorted to back to his hometown in a procession that passed through the Community on Saturday, April 9. The SRFD and Salt River Police Department helped escort Bessee home, passing by SRFD stations 291 and 294 in the Community before heading to Globe. Many surrounding fire departments honored Bessee by positioning their ladder trucks and hanging flags as the procession passed.

Bessee's funeral was held on Saturday, April 16, in Miami,

Arizona. Bessee loved hockey, skiing, golfing, hiking and all other sports. He played hockey at Grand Canyon University and was a reserve with the Globe Fire Department before joining the SRFD.

East Valley Firefighter Charities has set up a GoFundMe account for Packer. You can donate at www.gofundme.com/f/help-injured-salt-river-firefighter-tyler-packer?qid=b3ca86cc9abf7d4242d7677c5e810b02.

Both Bessee and Packer had been with the Salt River Fire Department for less than four months after transferring from other fire departments.

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ONLINE DONATIONS

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Help Injured Salt River Firefighter Tyler Packer
Tyler Cameron Packer is a Firefighter/Paramedic with the Salt River Fire Department.

This year marks his 9th year in his fire career, and he absolutely loves it.

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Community Artists Featured in ASU’s ArtSpace “Boardz and Arrowz” Exhibit



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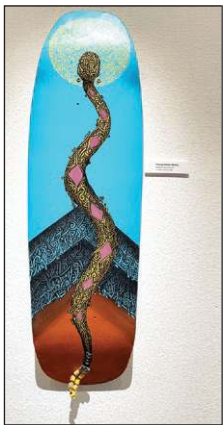
During March, nearly 50 hand-painted skateboard decks created by 39 different Native artists from around the country were on display at ArtSpace West, the gallery at the Arizona State University West campus in Phoenix. The goal of the exhibit, called “Boardz and Arrowz,” was to celebrate skateboard culture “as a grounding and connective force among Native youth and communities nationwide,” as well as to raise money to support the GuVo Tohono O’odham Skate Park near Sells. The boards all were available for auction through March 31.

As the ArtSpace gallery staff were coming up with ideas on what to feature for their next exhibition, ASU Assistant Professor Jacob Meders, a skateboarder himself, came up with the idea to use skateboard decks after the COVID-19 pandemic made it difficult for artists to obtain supplies such as canvases. He had been commissioned for an exhibit at the Scottsdale Museum of Contemporary Art (SMoCA) when the lack of supplies became a problem.

“I originally was looking for boards to help me create these items to sell in the Scottsdale Museum of Contem-



Sophia Villalpando



Thomas “Breeze” Marcus



Anitra “Yukue” Molina



Rachel Espinosa

porary Arts gift shop, but due to the supply issues I couldn’t get the project done in time,” said Meders. “But it led to something more. I was talking with Cowtown Skateboards and Alex Soto of the Labriola Library at ASU about possibly doing this all-Native artist skateboard exhibition to raise money for GuVo Skate Park.”

Meders and the ASU School of Humanities, Arts and Cultural Studies partnered with Cowtown Skateboards, ASU Library, the Skate Project, Endure Skate Park Group, Native American Advancement Foundation, PTM Foundation and ASU West Labriola National American Indian Data Center to put on “Boardz

and Arrowz.”

The boards were on display and up for auction at the ArtSpace at ASU West for a month. More than \$10,000 was raised to help fund the completion of the GuVo Skate Park.

Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community member Sophia Villalpando was one of the artists who painted a board using acrylic paints. Her piece was called “Los O’odham del Rio Salado” and featured a traditional O’odham woman wearing a beaded shell necklace and a basket on her head with the desert landscape in the background.

“I wanted to help raise money for our sister tribe, the Tohono O’odham Na-

tion, to get their skate park built,” said Villalpando about why she participated in the exhibit. “It’s always good to go for opportunities to gain experience and meet new people.”

Other participating Community artists included Thomas “Breeze” Marcus, Anitra “Yukue” Molina and Rachel Espinosa.

‘BOARDS AND ARROWZ’ PARTICIPATING ARTISTS

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HonorHealth Behavioral Health Hospital Opens in Community



HonorHealth staff, business partners and SRPMIC President Martin Harvier (second from right) cut the ribbon signifying the opening of the new HonorHealth Behavioral Health Hospital in the Community.

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On April 22, HonorHealth held a ribbon-cutting ceremony for its new Via Linda Behavioral Health Hospital on Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community land.

The hospital will offer substance abuse treatment and specialized mental health services for teens, adults and older adults who are experiencing a behavioral health emergency such as severe anxiety, depression or suicidal thoughts.

To begin the ceremony, SRPMIC Vice-President Ricardo Leonard addressed everyone in attendance.

“I want to thank you all for having this facility here. There is a great need [for behavioral health emergency care] after the pandemic. I think this is going to be a great piece to add to our Community. It’s a beautiful building,” Leonard said before standing to the east and performing a blessing song.

“This song talks about how our souls rise up toward a certain place in the heavens. He or she reaches their arms out as they’re going toward the Sun. Our people have always been Sun worshippers. When he or she reaches a certain place, the Sun touches them on the tips of their fingers and this brightness shines and they become part of the spirits that are up there.”

SRPMIC President Martin Harvier was also in attendance, and the Salt River Basket Dancers performed the traditional basket dance.

The 73,000-square-foot facility has 120 beds, four outdoor spaces with outdoor turf, and a special design that Via Linda Behavioral Health Hospital CEO Jaclyn Hull said is designed with safety in mind.

“We’re thankful for the partnership with SRPMIC,” said Hull. “We’re really excited to provide this service. Normally, Community members would have to leave the Community and go to Maricopa, so now they’re able to come

here voluntarily and sign in. Nobody has to feel like they are alone anymore and leave their land, so that’s huge. We’re looking to provide a space that’s compassionate, comfortable, and that [the patient feels] totally at ease when they walk in the door. There’s nothing worse than being in a behavioral health emergency and not having that opportunity to feel like you have the time and space to heal.”

The hospital is located at 9160 E. Horseshoe Road.

Dwayne Manuel’s Mural

As patients enter the hospital through the ambulance entrance, they will see a mural made by Community-member artist Dwayne Manuel representing peace-fulness, harmony and togetherness.

Manuel said it took him about a month to come up with the concept, and he started and finished the mural in a

couple of weeks in March.

“My idea, since it is a hospital, is that it needed more color to lift up the spirits of a patient. I felt that with this mural I wanted a lot of color,” said Manuel.

“I wanted it to be like the pyramids in Mesoamerica, where you come into an entrance and you know you’re there for a healing. The image has three human figures: a family with a mother, a father and a daughter. Together, they are walking toward the hospital and are all carrying Şegoi (O’odham for creosote), a metaphor for embracing healing. The landscape and the sky are all my way of adding serenity and peace through [gradients of color in different sections of the mural].”

Manuel said that he is currently finishing a second mural in the adolescents’ waiting room of the hospital. It will be a colorful landscape with a focus on plant life.



Dwayne Manuel's mural at the ambulance entrance of the new HonorHealth Behavioral Health Hospital.

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Debbie Nez-Manuel Elected DNC Western Region Vice Chair

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In March, Debbie Nez-Manuel, longtime community leader and activist, was elected as the Democratic National Committee (DNC) Western Region Vice Chair. Nez-Manuel’s term begins immediately and will last for four years. The region covers 16 states and territories and includes Arizona Democrats abroad.

She was elected to the Democratic Party in January 2020, becoming its first Indigenous national committee chairperson. “We serve the Democratic party and support the Democratic administration. We do a lot of work like fundraising, strategizing and looking at data,” said Nez-Manuel.

“We look at our regions and focus on issues that are happening in those regions. We work really hard to get work done. When I did my presentation for the [vice chair] seat, I talked about the issues that are really challenging in Arizona. Maricopa County is the fourth-largest county in the United States, and it’s one of the battlegrounds. I talked about what it’s like to live in Arizona with the voter-suppression issues.”

Nez-Manuel said that the recent reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act was a huge victory for the safety of women.

She was instrumental to the passage in the Arizona Senate and House of HB 2570, which was legislation that established a 21-member study committee on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls.

During a virtual awards program on March 25, Nez-Manuel was recognized



Debbie Nez-Manuel at the Arizona Foundation For Women fundraising event in March, 2022. Photo courtesy of Debbie Nez-Manuel

with the 2022 Community Impact Award from the Arizona State University School of Social Work.

With a theme of “The Time Is Right For Social Work,” the school celebrated Social Work Month by recognizing organizations that embody the values, principles and commitment to empowering individuals and families in our communities.

Nez-Manuel is a Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community resident and spouse of the late Royce Manuel. In 2020, she campaigned for election to the Arizona House of Representatives to represent District 26, losing in the Democratic primary.

“My social work started in Salt River. The 15 years of work I did in Salt River was the foundation of the work that I do today,” said Nez-Manuel.

Update: See Something, Say Something!

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In a community awareness campaign, the Salt River Police Department is encouraging people to report suspicious persons or activity as part of the “See Something, Say Something!” program.

On Saturday, March 26, SRPD Lt. Travis Mathews gave a quick update to Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community members at the District C meeting. He explained that the program has already had some success with preventing illegal dumping in the Community and recovering lost or stolen property from transients lingering along the borders of the Community.

“We had a Community member who saw something and asked the police department to go out there,” said Mathews. “Someone was illegally dumping their trash. When officers responded, there were no suspects. But the officers found information from the person’s mail. They were able to find an address and follow up with that person. After making contact with six people, including the person who dumped the trash, the officer was able to educate them on illegal dumping in the Community. The person who initially dumped their trash was charged with illegal dumping and made to come clean up the mess.”

Another issue is with transients. As the surrounding cities push them out of their communities, they are moving towards the SRPMIC. Rangers often patrol the riverbed and washes around the Community, where they find transients in possession of stolen property from surrounding stores such as Walmart and

Home Depot, explained Mathews.

“The SRPD is able to assist with helping the surrounding cities return stolen property and charge [the transients] with trespassing here in the Community,” said Mathews.

Remember, If You See Something, Say Something! Call SRPD Dispatch Non-Emergency at (480) 850-9230 to

report any disturbance, suspicious persons or suspicious activity in your area.

“Even if it is somebody in a vehicle moving from one place to another, we can go investigate it,” said Mathews. “This can help prevent illegal dumping, someone stealing property or other crimes. We will be able to stop crime ahead of time.”

“IF YOU SEE SOMETHING SAY SOMETHING!”



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The Salt River Police Department Officers are the first responders for the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, but Officers cannot respond unless they know something is wrong.

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Spring Training Game Brings Community Partners Together

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The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community’s Community Development Department (CDD) hosted a gathering of vendors, developers and SRPMIC staff on the Pepsi Patio at the Arizona Diamondbacks vs. Los Angeles Dodgers spring training game on March 28 at Salt River Fields at Talking Stick.

Around 160 people responded to an RSVP for the celebration of tourism and development within the Community.

“Because of the uncertainty of spring training this year, we decided to put [the recognition of tourism and development] together for one big celebration,” said CDD project manager Aaron Studebaker.

“It’s a way for us to get face to face with partners we haven’t seen in a couple years, or those we’ve only been talking to through masks or on Zoom, so it’s re-engaging in those relationships. I met five people today that I’ve been working with for a year, and we realized we hadn’t met each other [in person] before. I think that was a great thing, [and so was] being able to brainstorm and talk and see the facilities and experience what we had all been used to experiencing for years. That has been kind of taken from us in the last couple of years. It reinvigorated the mentality of partnerships, and we’re excited to get back to the new normal.”

A mixture of Diamondbacks and Dodgers fans cheered on the teams from the patio. The Dodgers took a quick 2-0 lead in the third inning, but the Diamondbacks scored five runs in the seventh inning to make the score 5-2 as rain began to drizzle on the field.



Employees from businesses within the Talking Stick Entertainment District who were invited to the game watch the game from the Pepsi Patio.

The Dodgers scored another run in the eighth, but they were not able to produce any more runs after that, so the Diamondbacks came out on top 5-3.

Dwayne Manuel’s Digital Painting

Near the winding stairs a few feet from the stands along the third base line at Salt River Fields is a new digital art installation by SRPMIC artist Dwayne Manuel.

Designed on a digital illustration app on an iPad, the art piece ties in elements of the Community with baseball, using the visual of two baseball bats.

Manuel added a basket design and gave it the feel of floating water splashing around, a nod to the O’odham being the River People.

“The last piece I added to incorporate baseball was the baseball diamond. I always thought it would be cool to tie in the desert landscape with a baseball diamond, like when we were kids playing in the middle of the desert,” said Manuel.

“There is a small hint behind the basket design with a subtle reference to the Man in the Maze (I’itoi or Se’ehe).”



A sign that says, “SRF Welcomes Talking Stick Entertainment District.”



Dwayne Manuel’s digital painting, which hangs along the third base line at Salt River Fields at Talking Stick.



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- * A copy of most current utility bill in the applicant’s name.

Siblings' Artwork Featured at New City Studio in Downtown Phoenix

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The artwork of siblings Bugg and Calliope Manuel was featured in an exhibit titled “Prodigy” at the New City Studio in downtown Phoenix in early March. The two are the children of Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community member Dushane Manuel and Natasha Martinez (Navajo). Martinez, who is no stranger to the art scene, stumbled upon the opportunity to submit her children’s work after seeing a call for young artists on social media.

The family was invited to the opening of the exhibit on Friday, March 4. Bugg created a set of paper puppets of Sonic the Hedgehog characters, and Calliope did an acrylic painting of her favorite YouTube characters, Foxy and Boxy.

“I made Sonic, Tails and Knuckles,” said Bugg. “It felt good. The gallery set up the display very well; they made it look like the puppets were flying. I didn’t expect it to look like that, but it looked good.”

Bugg also likes to draw, paint and make plush dolls. This past year he took up sewing so he can make plush dolls of his favorite characters. He currently is struggling with creating patterns to make the dolls, but in time he hopes to overcome that.

The painting on display was only the third one that Calliope has ever done. She also likes to make “squishies,” the foam toys that help relieve stress and come in array of shapes such as animals and food items.

“I wanted to submit their artwork to this exhibit not only to feature their work, but I also wanted them to feel excited about themselves and to have them keep doing what they’re doing—give them some encouragement,” said Martinez.

“It was really cool to see all these young people’s work and to see them excited to see it on display,” said Manuel about the exhibit’s opening reception.

The Prodigy exhibit featured artwork from elementary, middle and high school students showcasing their talents in all artforms, including painting, drawing, sculpture, digital art, poetry, prose, photography and mixed media. The exhibit also gave 12 children



Fifth grader Bugg Manuel, 10; takes a photo with his paper puppets characters from Sonic the Hedgehog as the Prodigy Exhibit at the New City Studio in Downtown Phoenix. Photo courtesy of Natasha Martinez



Calliope Manuel's acrylic paint of Foxy and Boxy. Photo courtesy of Natasha Martinez



Third grader Calliope Manuel, 8; stands next to her painting of her favorite YouTube characters Lanky Box's Foxy and Boxy. Photo courtesy of Natasha Martinez

from Ohana group homes a chance to feature their talents. All artwork was for sale, and the money went back to the artists. Bugg sold one paper puppet and Calliope sold her painting. Both items were purchased for \$20.

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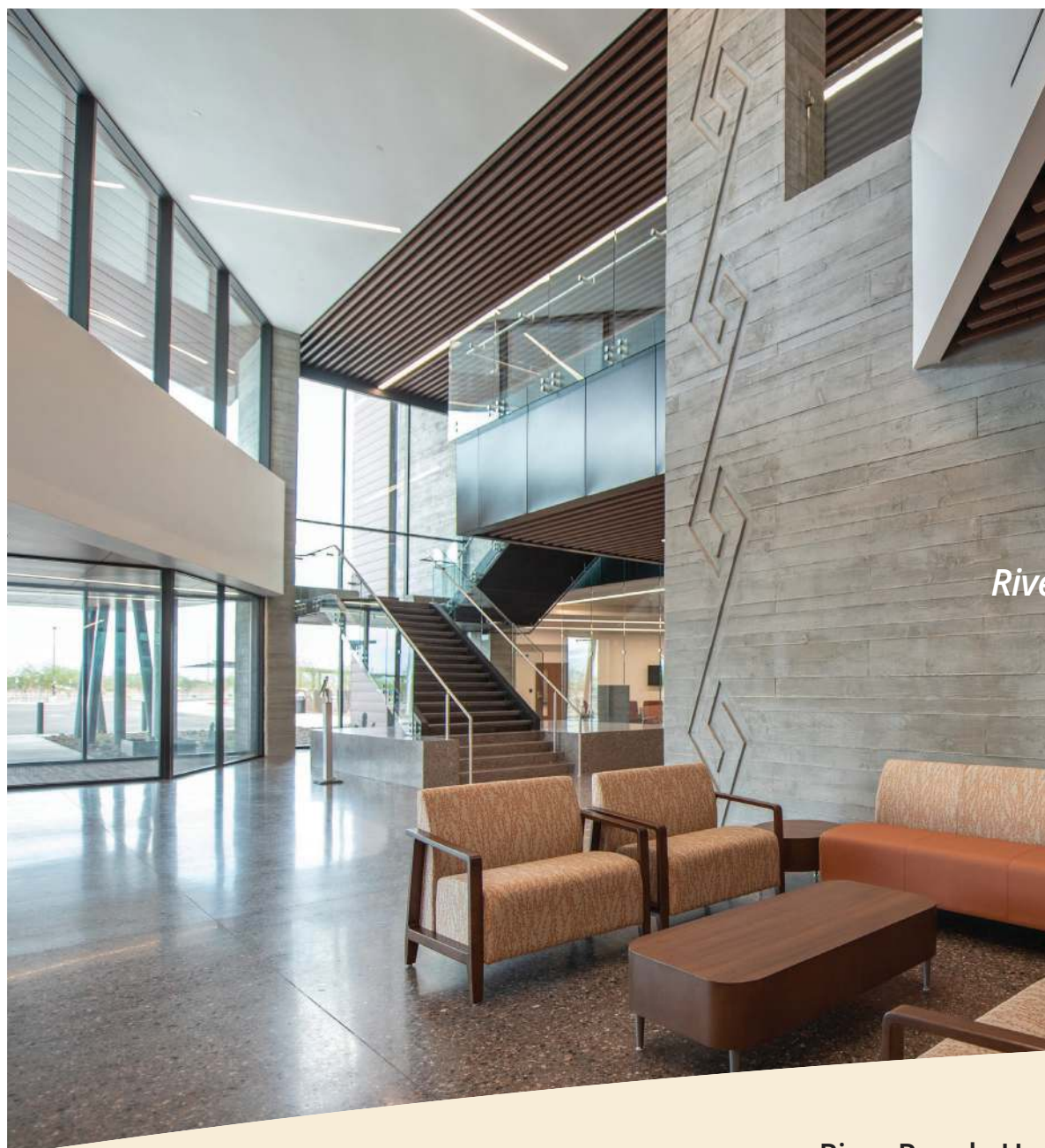
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SRPMIC Receives Child Passenger Safety Team of the Year Award

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Over the past two years, the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community's Child Passenger Safety Team has kept busy coming up with new ways to continue its services during the pandemic. The team promotes child passenger safety by providing parents and caregivers with up-to-date car seats, one-on-one training, and car-seat checks to make sure the seats are properly installed, safe and secure.

In recognition of this work, the team was named Child Passenger Safety Team of the Year by the National Child Passenger Safety Board in March.

"I was informed in January that we won the award," said Monte Yazzie, injury prevention coordinator for the SRPMIC Department of Health and Human Services' Injury Prevention Program. "We're pretty excited about it. For me personally, the joy of doing [this] kind of work is the people—the new parents, the guardians and those grandparents who are doing the very best that they can ... for their little ones. And it's also [about] those technicians and partners who dedicate their hours to provide education and instruction to parents. All those people show a commitment to ... child passenger safety [and saving lives]."

After starting with only two technicians, the Child Passenger Safety Team now has 17 technicians who come from many different SRPMIC departments, including the Salt River police and fire departments, Social Services and Salt River Schools. This team of people has worked keep Community children safe and their families informed of child passenger safety throughout the pandemic



Early Childhood Education Center Health and Nutrition Coordinator Melinda Hansen, Injury Prevention Coordinator Monte Yazzie, Environmental Health Tech Anthony Phillips and Early Childhood Education Center Family Advocate Martha Villalobos receive the 2022 National Passenger Safety Team of the Year Award. Photos courtesy of Health and Human Services

by providing one-on-one consultations, as well as demonstrations, virtual trainings and car-seat checks at the school lunch pickups.

The Child Passenger Safety Program is a product of the Injury Prevention Program with Health and Human Services. The Injury Prevention Program operates under a grant from the Indian Health Service that brings intervention into the Community focusing on child passenger safety, fall prevention for seniors, preventing traumatic brain injury, and opioid abuse prevention.

"Back in 2016, when I started, [the

Community] had a car-seat distribution program, but they didn't really have a full-fledged program dedicated to [child passenger safety]. So, the Injury Prevention Program started that up, and part of what we did was build partnerships within the Community," said Yazzie. "We started working with the schools, Social Services, Community health educators and nurses, the Family Advocacy Center and different places where parents and newborns are receiving services."

Five years, the team received another grant to continue this work in the Com-

munity.

"We will continue to pursue the work of child passenger safety and getting people to buy into that idea of safety. ... [T]here's no reason why we can't take a few seconds to make sure we buckle in a child correctly and make sure that we're traveling safely," said Yazzie.

The team will be hosting a car-seat check near the end of the school year in May, and during the summer they will be releasing a number of safety videos. For more information about child passenger safety, call the Injury Prevention Program at (480) 362-7542.

Easter Egg Hunt Event at the Salt River Baseball Fields



On April 9, 315 participants in three age groups (2-3 years, 4-6 years, 7-9 years) attended the Easter Egg Hunt put together by the SRPMIC Events team at the Salt River Baseball Fields.

Grand prizes were given to kids who found the grand prize golden eggs, which included Playdough Ice Cream Toy Carts, Little Tikes Easy Score Basketball Hoops, a 5ft. tall Play Day Dinosaur Sprinkler, Razor Light Up Scooters and Easter baskets.

Photo booths were set up so kids could take photos with the Easter Bunny or utilize the Easter mobile station with custom Easter egg props.

Violence Against Women Act Reauthorized by Biden Administration

it gives us a little bit more power in the sense that if we are able to locate them, we can arrest them and detain them at [the Department of Corrections] here, and then move forward with tribal charges.”

The FAC provides therapeutic and victim advocacy services, creates a culturally inclusive safe space for crime victims, and ensures that they receive a proper investigation and justice.

Biden Administration Prioritizes Missing and Murdered Indigenous People

Over the past year, the Biden administration prioritized missing or murdered Indigenous people, including victims of gender-based violence, by issuing an executive order directing the departments of Justice, Interior, Homeland Security, and Health and Human Services to create a strategy to improve public safety and justice for Native Americans and to address the epidemic of missing or murdered Indigenous peoples, which the administration said disproportionately affects Native women, girls and LG-BTQI+ individuals.

In the past year, the administration relaunched the United States’ leadership and participation in the Trilateral Working Group on Violence Against Indigenous Women and Girls with the governments of Mexico and Canada.

In a statement, the White House said that it will host the Fourth Convening of the Trilateral Working Group this summer to “improve and reaffirm our respective national and regional commitments to prevent and respond to violence against Indigenous women and girls through increased access to justice



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and prevention services.”

Secretary Haaland Announces New Missing and Murdered Unit

On April 1, Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland announced the formation of a new Missing and Murdered Unit (MMU) within the Bureau of Indian Affairs Office of Justice Services (BIA-OJS) to provide leadership and direction for cross-departmental and interagency work involving missing and murdered American Indians and Alaska Natives.

“Violence against Indigenous peoples is a crisis that has been underfunded for decades. Far too often, murders and missing persons cases in Indian country go unsolved and unaddressed, leaving families and communities devastated,” said Secretary Haaland. “The new MMU unit will provide the resources and leadership to prioritize these cases and coordinate resources to hold people accountable, keep our communities safe, and provide closure for families.”

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10:00 am

May
9th

PALS (Social Services Young Adult Program)

14 new 2 bedroom/2 bathroom units
Location: NE Corner of Alma School & Osborn

9:00 am

May
14th

Mesquite Trails Rentals

18 new 2 bedroom/2 bathroom units
Location: 118th Pl & Minnezona Ave
(Near Camelback & Mesa Dr)

8:30 am

May
17th

Transitional Housing & Temporary Housing

31 single and double tiny living units
Location: NE Corner of Two Waters north parking lot
(north side of Osborn)

8:30 am

Light refreshments will be served at each event. For more information, please contact CDD at 480-362-7600 or look for announcements on the SRPMIC Facebook page and website.



Welcome to the Council Corner. Here you will find a recap of the weekly Council Meeting actions and other important information. During Phase III of the Return to Work Plan the SRPMIC Council is continuing business by holding Council meetings in-person (adhering to COVID precautions and no audience). Regular Sessions and Work Sessions will be available for a delayed viewing at <https://www.srpmic-nsn.gov/> click on Tribal Government, Virtual Council Meetings.

Enrolled Community Members are now able to submit comments to: membercomments@srpmic-nsn.gov. Reminder, Council should not receive comments about any pending court issues, any Human Resources issues, or issues related to juveniles.

March 02, 2022 – Skype Council Meeting Items:

Community Member Service Area –
* Council approved a resolution for the right-of-way applications, and consent to the grants of easement for the new ROW easements on tribal lands for the general benefit of the Community and the Community member service area on the Northeast corner of Alma School Road and Osborn Road.
* Council approved a designation of land use for the community service area.
* Council approved a resolution for consent to the existing road-only ROW easement on Osborn Road (SR 28-2) and for the assignment and assumption of that same grant easement from the BIA to the Community.

Lonely Cactus Expansion – Council approved a resolution to 1) Cancel business lease B-044 between the SRPMIC and the SR Community Housing Division for the Lonely Cactus complex and 2) to amend resolution non SR-2640-2008 and 2695-2008 to provide for the designation of certain tribal land for use and expansion of the Lonely Cactus complex.

PCC and SR S&R Enabling Ordinances – Council approved a comment period on the amendments to sections of the enabling ordinances for Phoenix Cement Company and Salt River Sand & Rock Company.

Community Healing Event Outline Proposal – Council approved the outline for the Community Healing event.

Materials Recovery Agreement with River Recycling LLC. – Council approved a resolution for the materials recovery agreement between the SRPMIC and River Recycling, LLC, for processing recyclable materials that includes a limited waiver of sovereign immunity.

Resolution for COVID-19 MOA with ITCA – Council approved a resolution for a MOA between ITCA and the SRPMIC for supporting tribal public health capacity in coronavirus preparedness and response.

COVID-19 Update – The Community Manager provided an overview of the current Community COVID-19 situation and testing results for the week.

Administrative Reports: The Community Manager asked if Council would like to move to phase 3. Council motioned to move into Phase 3 of the Return to Work Strong plan with the proposed rule sets presented at the meeting. Council meetings will resume with Council executive session at 3pm and regular session at 5pm in the SRPMIC Council Chambers.

Also, the Drug Symposium will be in lieu of the March CMO meeting.
Community Member Comments: None.
Executive Session Items: Gaming Update, Gaming Project Update, Opioid Settlement, SRPD Update, Office of General Counsel Legal Matters.

March 03, 2022 – Skype Council Work Session Items:

Executive Work Session Items: Gaming Board

Week of March 11, 2022

No Meetings held during the week of Spring Break.

March 16, 2022 – Council Meeting Items: START OF IN-PERSON MEETINGS

Public Hearing: N. 84th Street ROW Easement – Council approved a public comment period on the 84th street proposed road and utility easement (McKellips Road to Salt River Boundary).

SDVCJ Implementation Status Update – An informational update was given on the notification/education efforts, training efforts, technology efforts, and tasks that are in-progress, to implement.

CMO Meeting Direction –Community Only Meetings will continue in phase 3.

IGA with Maricopa County for Animal Care Service and Sheltering – Council approved a resolution for an intergovernmental agreement (IGA) for animal control services between SRPMIC and Maricopa County. Council approved a resolution an IGA for the use of facilities with respect to animal sheltering services between SRPMIC and Maricopa County.

Emergency Management Overview – An informational presentation on Community emergency preparedness. It takes all of us...Government and Community Members to effectively prevent, respond and recover from a disaster or significant event in the Community.

COVID-19 Update – The Community Manager provided an overview of the current Community COVID-19 situation and testing results for the week. He informed that 4912 Community members are vaccinated and total individuals vaccinated is at 51%.

Administrative Reports: The Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs provided an update on the State and Federal Legislation activities. Representative Sharice Davids toured the River People’s Health Center with Vice-President Leonard. President Harvier met with Senator Lisa Murkowski, Vice-Chair for the US Senate Committee on Indian Affairs to encourage passing voting and election policies. Chief Auerbach provided an update on police operational activity in the Community.

Community Member Comments: A comment was presented on ground water and water drought concerns, future of the high school, and Red Mountain preserve. Next commenter gave Council a statement on behalf of Onk Akimel Kikam (OAK) group, and informed the purpose of the protest about police brutality. Next commenter asked about President’s meetings with Salt River Project. Commenter read a letter on behalf of Oak regarding a shooting of a Community member. Next commenter

asked about the Lehi Cryhouse and the previous denial of his request for use of Memorial Hall for a drive-through viewing. Next commenter asked about the Education Superintendent hiring process. Also, commented on the comments prohibited at the virtual CMO meeting.
Executive Session: Minor’s Trust Account, Executive Summary, Salt River Fields, General Counsel Legal Matters.

March 17, 2022 – Council Work Session Items:

Law Enforcement Commission – Council was presented information on types of review boards. Recommendations were provided in regards to LEC roles, composition options.
Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) – Information was provided to Council on the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2022 for discussion and direction.

Executive Session items: SR Auto-Show

March 23, 2022 – Council Meeting Items:

Exclusion – This agenda item was tabled.

(2) Special Use Permits (SUP) – Council approved a SUP for “Run to Fight Children’s Cancer 5K/10K Council approved SUP for “Aquari 5K run

12% Gaming Grant IGA with the City of Tempe – Council approved a resolution for an IGA and accompanying resolution to implement the Community’s 12% contribution requirement of the gaming compact between SRPMIC and the State of Arizona.

Council approved a resolution for an IGA between the SRPMIC and City of Tempe to implement the Community’s 12% contribution requirements of the gaming compact between SRPMIC and the State of Arizona.

Grant Application Request for Drought Mitigation – Council approved a resolution for grant funding application through the US DOI Bureau of Reclamation Native American Affairs Drought Mitigation Program to address drought impacts to Indian tribes.

IGA for Officer Training Academy with MCSO – Council approved a resolution for and IGA for sworn officer basic training academy between the SRPMIC on behalf of the SRPD and Maricopa County on behalf of Sheriff’s office.

eCR Grant Request – Council approved a resolution for grant funding application through the National Indian Health Board electronic case reporting (eCR) for Tribal Nations Program.

COVID-19 Update – The Community Manager provided an overview of the current Community COVID-19 situation and testing results for the week.

Administrative Reports: The Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs provided an update on the State and Federal Legislation activities. Chief Auerbach provided an update on police operational activity in the Community.

Community Member Comments: Commenter expressed concerns about the firefighter recruitment process.

Executive Session: Gaming Update, Gaming Enterprise Monthly Report, Exclusion, Minor’s Trust Account, Financial Update, General Counsel Legal Matters.

March 24, 2022 – Skype Council Work Session Items:

Housing Updates – Council received information on Housing Programs and services.

Minutes – Council approved the regular session minutes that were presented.

Executive Session: CDD Development Request, SRMG Information, Minutes (Exec)

March 30, 2022 – Skype Council Meeting Items:

SRMG Budget Amendment Request – Council approved the SRMG budget amendment request.

Exclusion – Council approved a resolution to uphold the decision of the SRPMIC exclusion committee to permanently exclude Gervase Francisco Soto.

SRPAZ Canal Wells – Council received information on the SRP Wells in the Arizona Canal ROW.

Gaming Ordinance Amendment – Council approved an amendment to the SR Community Gaming Enterprises Governing Ordinance to clarify debt, increase board terms, and authorize number and types of board meetings.

Rescinded 11th Directive - Council approved the Declaration to rescind the 11th Directive and permit wakes or any type of funeral services to be held in private homes.

COVID-19 Update – The Community Manager provided an overview of the current Community COVID-19 situation and testing results for the week.

Administrative Reports: The Assistant Community Manager presented information on the River People’s Health Center and gave general announcements on Community events. The Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs provided an update on the State and Federal Legislation activities. Chief Auerbach provided an update on police operational activity in the Community.

Executive Session: SRMG, Financial Update, Community Member Request, General Counsel Legal Matters.

March 31, 2022 – Skype Council Work Session Items:

Devco Strategic Plan – Devco staff presented their Strategic plan and other supplemental items.

Residency Ordinance – Council received information on a proposed Residency Ordinance for SRPMIC.

Minutes – Council approved the regular session minutes that were presented.

Executive Session: Gaming Enterprise Update, Indian Gaming Association, 84th Street ROW

WEEKLY - President, Vice-President, and Executive Administration hold Skype meetings for various other meetings.

For the most recent updates, check the SRPMIC Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/SRPMIC/>

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1st Quarter 2022 ELIGIBILITY DEADLINE March 31, 2022
Must be eighteen (18) years old, enrolled, and living to be eligible for the April 2022 Per Capita Payment.

Deadlines for CHANGES

DIRECT DEPOSIT START-UPS AND CHANGES:

Tuesday, April 12 at 5 p.m. This deadline is for new start-ups for direct deposit or changes to existing information. All forms **MUST** be submitted with a "VOIDED" check or statement from the bank with the Routing and Account Numbers. Forms received by this date will be effective for the April 2022 payout. Forms received after this date will not be effective until the July 2022 payout.

DISCONTINUE DIRECT DEPOSITS:

Tuesday, April 12 at 5 p.m. This deadline is to discontinue an existing direct deposit.

*****Failing to notify the Per Capita department when an account is closed may delay your Per Capita payment.**

PER CAPITA ELIGIBILITY:

Tuesday, April 19 at 5 p.m. This deadline is for submitting the Adult SRP-MIC Member's Per Capita Information

Certificate. Forms received by this date will be effective for the April 2022 payout. Forms received after this date will not be processed until the first week of July 2022.

TAX WITHHOLDING CHANGES: Tuesday, April 19 at 5 p.m. This deadline is for making changes to "Additional" tax withholding percentage or amount.

Tax forms are available on the Finance Per Capita Intranet Site and can also be requested by e-mailing FINPERCAP1@srpmic-nsn.gov .

If you have any questions regarding: Tribal ID, Per Capita Eligibility & Change Forms call Membership Services at (480) 362-7600

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LOCAL EMERGENCY DECLARATION

****COVID-19****
RESCINDED

TO RESCIND THE LOCAL EMERGENCY DECLARATION ISSUED ON MARCH 18, 2020 AND ALL SUBSEQUENT DIRECTIVES STILL IN EFFECT.

The COVID-19 virus continues to be a public health threat to the Community and as of April 13, 2022 the Arizona Department of Health Services and local public health departments have identified 2,016,797 cases of COVID-19 with 29,823 deaths in the state and within the Community 2,800 cases of COVID-19 have been identified and 58 deaths; and

While current infection rates and positive tests rates in the Community are low, the Community desires to rescind the Local Emergency Declaration and will continue to 1) offer vaccinations as the best method of prevention and reduced health complications from the COVID-19 virus, 2) offer testing for infections, and 3) focus on health protocols to safeguard against the COVID-19 virus.

NOW THEREFORE the SRPMIC Local Emergency Declaration for COVID-19 of March 18, 2020 is rescinded and the Thirteenth Directive – *ALLOW ALL BUSINESSES IN THE COMMUNITY TO BE EXEMPT FROM SRPMIC COVID-19 DIRECTIVES AND ELIMINATE THE MANDATE FOR FACE COVERINGS*—issued on February 24, 2022 is rescinded.

April 13, 2022

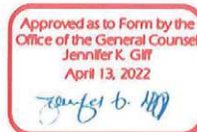
Date

Salt River Pima-Maricopa
Indian Community Council

Martin Harvier
Martin Harvier, President

Attest:

Erica Harvier
Erica Harvier, Secretary



THE JEDI COUNCIL REQUESTS YOUR PRESENCE AT THE COMMUNITY RECREATIONAL SERVICES HEADQUARTERS

LIGHT UP THE SUMMER REGISTRATION

A CELEBRATION WALK THROUGH AWAITS YOU AS WE KICK OFF SUMMER

MAY 4TH, 2022

COME AND REGISTER YOUR YOUNG PADAWAN STARTING AT 5:30PM - 7PM

- WOLF BALL FIELD

- CHARACTER PHOTO OPPORTUNITIES

- RAFFLE PRIZES
(DO NOT NEED TO BE PRESENT TO WIN)

- SNOW CONES

For more information contact Community Recreational Services at 480-362-6365



Public Input Requested on Roads Program

The Community has a Tribal Transportation Improvement Program (TTIP) showing the road projects planned over the next 5 years. The plan includes new roadway construction, reconstruction, safety improvements, pedestrian facilities, pavement rehabilitation and road maintenance.

A copy of the TTIP can be found on the Community's website at <https://www.srpmic-nsn.gov/government/public-works/roads/#Planning>.

A hardcopy is also available for pick up at the Public Works Utilities and Roads office located at 9010 East Osborn Road, Scottsdale, AZ 85256.

Please contact Jennifer Jack, Public Works Department, Roads Section Manager, with any questions at 480-362-7747 or jennifer.jack@srpmic-nsn.gov. Comments may be submitted at the address or email indicated above. The deadline for comments is April 30, 2022.



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PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY

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NOTICE OF EXCLUSION DECISION
GERVASE FRANCISCO SOTO (DOB XX/XX/1978)

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community (“SRPMIC”) Council pursuant to Article VII, §1(g) of the SRPMIC Constitution and Sections 7-72 through 7-75 of the SRPMIC Code of Ordinances voted on March 30, 2022 to permanently excluded Gervase Francisco Soto from the boundaries of the Community. It was determined that Gervase Francisco Soto is a nonmember whose presence is detrimental to the peace, health, or morals of the SPRMIC.

The SRPMIC Council's decision is in an order entitled “An Order by the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community (“SRPMIC”) Council to uphold the decision of the SRPMIC Exclusion Committee and Permanently Exclude Gervase Francisco Soto from the territory and boundaries of the SRPMIC”. See SR-3960-2022. **Gervase Francisco Soto is not allowed to be within the territorial boundary of the Community and therefore, he is not to drive through, work, visit others, reside or come within the Community boundaries at any time for any reason.**



MEMORIAL SERVICES
Wake and Funeral Services

As part of our continuing efforts to help prevent the spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19) throughout the Community, the following restrictions are in place for all funeral services and planning

CONTACTING MEMORIAL SERVICES

- Memorial Services and Cemeteries office open regular hours: 8:00AM-5:00PM Monday—Friday
- Family may meet staff in office or cemetery

FULL WAKE AND FUNERAL ARE PROVIDED AT FACILITIES

- One (1) wake or funeral service per day at each facility: Memorial Hall and Xalychidom Piipaash Nyvaash
- If a family chooses to keep loved one at the facility overnight, family allowed to stay with loved one
- Overnights in the facilities will be allowed
- Families will be responsible for overseeing and running the kitchen during services to include the serving of food and removing personal items and leftover food after services. Day labor may not be available
- Nursery and family room will be open
- Memorial Services will create and post funeral announcements, if requested by family
- Wakes and/or overnight services are allowed at the homes
- Facilities will be available to hold family meetings
- Masks will be required, and if you are sick please stay home
- Families can have services at churches, if they receive permission from churches

CEMETERY SERVICES PROVIDED DURING

- Tent, tables, and chairs provided
- Staff will assist with burial
- Casket cart or table for urn
- If family wishes to dig grave, tools available
- Handwashing station, hand sanitizer, and port-a-john available
- No requirement for mask or social distancing at cemetery

Please call Memorial Services at 480-278-7050 for any questions

PUBLIC WORKS NOTICE

SRPMIC Council has approved the nightly closures of the Salt River and Lehi Cemeteries due to continued vandalism.

The Salt River and Lehi Cemeteries will be closed from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m.

If you have any questions, please contact
Memorial Services at (480) 278-7050

CHURCH LISTING

LEHI CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

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Mesa, AZ 85203
Mailing Address:
PO Box 4628
Mesa, AZ 85211
Pastor Merrill Jones
(480) 234-6091
SERVICES
-Visit us on Facebook Live and in person. Search for Lehi Church of the Nazarene
-Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.
-Worship Service, 10:45 a.m.
-Sunday Night Service, 6:30 p.m.
-Wed. Bible Study at church, 6:30 p.m.
-SOAR Group 2nd & 4th Friday every month at the church 7 p.m.
-Monday night Prayer Meeting, 6 p.m.
-Singspiration, last Sunday of the month at 6 p.m.

FERGUSON MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

1512 E. McDowell Rd. (Lehi)
Mesa, AZ 85203
Pastor Neil Price
(480) 278-0750
SERVICES
-Worship Service, 10 a.m.
-Thurs. Bible Study Service, 7 p.m.
-Sunday service 10 a.m. now available through the Zoom app call church for Zoom ID.
LEHI PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
1342 E. Oak
Mesa, AZ 85203
Pastor Annette Lewis
annette.f.lewis@gmail.com
(480) 404-3284
SERVICES
-Sunday Services 10 a.m.

-Communion First Sunday of every month 10 a.m.
Birthday Sunday Potluck- Last Sunday of the Month, after services
-Youth Devotion/Music (bring your instruments!) last 2 Saturdays of the month at 4 p.m.

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST PAPAGO WARD

2056 N. Extension Rd. Scottsdale AZ, 85256
(480) 947-1084
SERVICES
-Sunday service begins at 10 a.m.

PIMA CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

12207 E. Indian School Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85256
Pastor Marty Thomas
(480) 874-3016/
Home: (480) 990-7450
SERVICES
-Sunday service 11 a.m.
-Lord's Supper very first Sunday of the month (potluck after)

SALT RIVER ASSEMBLY OF GOD

10657 E. Virginia Ave. Scottsdale, AZ 85256
(480) 947-5278
Rev. Jim Lopez
SERVICES
-Sunday Morning Prayer 10 a.m.
-Worship 11 a.m.
-Evening Worship 6 p.m.
-Thursday Evening Worship 6 p.m.

SALT RIVER CHURCH OF CHRIST

430 N. Dobson Rd. Mesa, AZ 85201
(720) 626-2171
SaltRiverChurchofChrist.com
SERVICES
-Bible Class 9:30 a.m. -10:30 a.m.
-Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
-Sunday Bible Class 6 p.m.
-Bible Study Wednesdays 7 p.m.
-Provides transportation services for Community members call phone number

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Salt River Presbyterian Church
P.O. Box 10125
Scottsdale, AZ 85271
E: SaltRiverPresbyterian@gmail.com
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SERVICES
-Sunday Service, 1 p.m.
-Communion first Sunday of the month

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3090 N. Longmore, Scottsdale, AZ 85256
(602) 292-4466 (cell)
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Parish President: Cindy Thomas
Father Peter McConnell and Father Antony Tinker
SERVICES
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-Holy Hours 1 p.m.

Please call the Church ahead of time to confirm information. Information was correct at the time of print, however, services may have changed since then.

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John Doe 1/XX/2011

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Jane Doe 12/XX/2019

TO: Unknown father

A Petition for Appointment of Guardian of Minor has been filed in this Court in which it is represented that you are a parent or legal guardian of the child(ren) named above. The Petition includes a request for the Court to appoint proposed person(s) as guardian(s) for the child(ren) named above.

Within 30 calendar days after receiving this Summons and the Petition for Appointment of Guardian of Minor, you must file a written response. If you fail to attend the hearing or to defend by filing a written response, the Court may enter a default guardianship order appointing the proposed person(s) as legal guardian(s) and take any other action that is authorized by law.

THEREFORE YOU ARE ORDERED to APPEAR for an Initial Guardianship Hearing before the Salt River Juvenile Court on May 16, 2022, at 10 A.M., in Court Room #3.

NOTICE: Violation of this Order is Subject to Proceedings for Contempt of Court Pursuant to Salt River Community Code Section 6-42. The Court May Find the Parent, Guardian or Custodian in Contempt for Failure to Appear at a Court Hearing or For Failure to Follow Court Orders.

CLERK OF COURT - SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA COMMUNITY COURT

UNKNOWN FATHER SUMMONS

J-21-0009/010/0011/0012/0013

Summons for Appointment of Guardian

S.R.P.M.I.C §§10-114 thru 10-126

Jane Doe 8/XX/2006

John Doe 1/XX/2007

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judgment against you.

Within 30 calendar days after receiving this Summons and the Child Support Petition, you must file an answer with Court and serve a copy of it upon the Petitioner. If you refuse to attend the hearing or to defend by filing an answer, the Court shall proceed to hold a hearing on the basis of the Petitioner's evidence. As a result of the hearing, the Court may enter a default order of child support obligating you to pay child support until the child(ren) reach(es) the age of majority or longer.

Pursuant to Administrative Order No. 14-0004, effective August 4, 2014, legal counsel, parties, and their respective witnesses shall be present in the courthouse at least fifteen (15) minutes prior to any proceeding.

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Calendar of Events

NOT ONE MORE, A SUBSTANCE ABUSE SYMPOSIUM scheduled for mid-April was POSTPONED. WATCH FOR UPDATES ON FACEBOOK, ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR NEW DATES.

ONGOING- SENIOR SERVICES FOOD DISTRIBUTION FOR SENIORS, times vary. The Senior Services Department will be returning to hot lunch meals delivery and served meals for drive thru Monday through Friday. The meals giving out will include: (1) hot lunch meal served daily. Scheduled times are: Home Delivery Meals- 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and Drive thru Meal pickup- Salt River and Lehi locations at 11 a.m.- 12 p.m. If you have any questions, please call Senior Services (480) 362-6350.

ONGOING- SALT RIVER TRIBAL LIBRARY, 10 a.m. – 7 p.m. Monday - Friday. No appointments needed during phase 3.5 Tribal Library is open to WOLF members, SRPMIC enrolled Community members and SRPMIC residents. Curbside Services are available, contact to find out more 480-362-6600 or TribalLibrary@SRPMIC-nsn.gov

APRIL

- 23 EARTH DAY DRIVE THROUGH EVENT**, 7 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the Two Waters Employee Parking Lot. Includes Household Hazardous Waste Collection, Paper Shredding and Giveaways (while supplies last). See ad on page 14.
- 23 CASINO ARIZONA/TALKING STICK RESORT JOB FAIR**, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. at the Talking Stick Resort Salt River Grand Ballroom. \$1,500 sign on bonus. Positions include Line Cook, Kitchen Steward, Room Attendant, Cage Cashiers, Security Officer, Banquet Set-Up Attendant, Front Desk Agent, Retail Sales Person. See ad on page 15.

23 WAKING UP WITH BUTTERFLIES, 8:30 - 9 a.m. at Butterfly Wonderland, 9500 East Via de Ventura F100, Scottsdale, AZ 85256. Enjoy a quiet hour photographing the butterflies, birds, or reptiles. Entomologist Derek Kellogg will be available to answer questions from guests about butterflies, plants, and the rainforest environment. Registration required. Call (480) 800-3000, ext. 206.

- 25 CM LARGO - DISTRICT E**, 6 p.m. at the WOLF ROOM #56, 11725 E. Indian School Road, Scottsdale, AZ 85256 Topics: Emergency Management Overview, Other Items to be added. Masks Required to Attend Meetings. For more information contact the Council Secretary Office at (480) 362-7469.
- 28 SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL**, 5:30-6:30 p.m., ALA Lecture Hall, 4827 N. Country Club Drive, Scottsdale. Food and refreshments. For more information call (480) 362-2500. See ad on page 15.

MAY

- 3 HOUSING GROUNDBREAKING EVENT, LONELY CACTUS EXPANSION RENTALS**, 10 a.m., across from the WOLF. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, contact CDD at (480) 362-7600. See ad on page 15.
- 4 SRPMIC MAY THE VOTE BE WITH YOU**, 6-8 p.m. at the Scottsdale Community College, 9000 E. Chaparral Rd., Indigenous Center. Register to vote

at the event for great prizes. For more information call Heaven Sepulveda at (480) 300-9680. See ad on page 12.

- 4 The Jedi Council Request Your Presence at the Community Recreational Services Headquarters, LIGHT UP THE SUMMER REGISTRATION**, Register your Padawan starting at 5:30-7 p.m. at the Wolf Ball Field. Character photo opportunities available. Raffle Prizes. For more information call (480) 362-6365. See ad on page 17.
- 7 SRPMIC HEALING & MEMORIAL TRIBUTE**, 6 p.m. at the Salt River Ballfield, 1839 N. Longmore Rd., Scottsdale, Az. A reflection in remembrance of our Community members whose lives were lost during the pandemic.
- 9 HOUSING GROUNDBREAKING EVENT, PALS (Social Services Young Adult Program)**, 9 a.m., NE Corner of Alma School and Osborn. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, contact CDD at (480) 362-7600. See ad on page 15.
- 14 RIVER PEOPLE HEALTH CLINIC GRAND OPENING**. Tours will take place every 15 minutes beginning at

10:30 a.m. RSVP at RPHC_RSVP@SRPMIC-nsn.gov or call (480) 362-3630. See ad on page 8.

- 14 HOUSING GROUNDBREAKING MESQUITE TRAILS RENTALS**, 8:30 a.m., 118th Pl & Minnezona Ave. (near Camelback & Mesa Dr.). Light refreshments will be served. For more information, contact CDD at (480) 362-7600. See ad on page 15.
- 17 HOUSING GROUNDBREAKING EVENT, TRANSITIONAL HOUSING & TEMPORARY HOUSING**, 8:30 a.m., NE Corner of Two Waters north parking lot. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, contact CDD at (480) 362-7600. See ad on page 15.
- 18 SALT RIVER TRIBAL LIBRARY, OCEANS OF POSSIBILITIES**, Summer Reading Program. For all ages, fun activities earn prizes based on your points. See ad on 6.