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Mathew B. Juan Honored by Arizona USA Run for the Fallen

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Arizona USA Run for the Fallen is an organization with different chapters spread out across the United States. Their primary goal is to honor and celebrate the brave soldiers who gave their life in the line of duty while serving in the military. Arizona USA Run for the Fallen pays tribute to military service members and their families by hosting a statewide relay foot race. This past October 27, a hero was honored.

"It was for my Great Uncle Mathew B. Juan," said Kathy Ludlow. "He has a monument by Ira Hayes. He was killed in action in France," she said. Gila River was fortunate enough to receive Pvt. Juan's WWI medals from the military, which allowed for Ludlow to receive them in a ceremony held at the St. Peter Indian Mission School in Bapchule, Arizona.

"Originally, Gila River reached out to me trying to find family members for him. They knew me so I signed papers to get his records. It took about a year and a half, almost two years," Ludlow said while describing the paperwork process.

Private First-Class Harry Miguel who served in the Korean War was also honored at the ceremony along with Private First-Class Lloyd Miguel. However, Pvt. Mathew B Juan was the only recipient of the Ari-

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In a ceremony held last fall at the St. Peter Indian Mission School in Bapchule, Arizona, Kathy Ludlow (seated) received her Great Uncle Mathew B. Juan's World War I medals along with Gila River Governor Stephen Lewis, SRPMIC Vice-President Ricardo Leonard, and Kathy's daughter Sabrina Villafranco. Photo courtesy of SR Veterans Representative Troy Truax.

U.S. Army Private Mathew B. Juan, Company K, 28th Infantry Regiment, was the first American Indian and Arizonan to be killed in World War I.

SRPD Welcomes New Police Chief Walter Holloway



New SRPD Chief Walter Holloway. Photo courtesy of CRO Multimedia Division.

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The Salt River Police Department has promoted Walter Holloway, an 18-year veteran of the department and a Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community member, to the post of police chief following the recent retirement of Chief Karl Auerbach.

Holloway was most recently a commander for the SRPD after serving in a variety of roles for the department since starting

his career in the Community in 2005. He said those previous roles have shaped his approach to policing and leadership.

"It's an honor to be the chief of the Salt River Police Department. This is something I have worked for my entire career in policing," said Holloway. "This means the Community has the trust in me to lead the department and be both responsive and respectful to the Community."

Holloway said his philosophy centers around promoting col-

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Transportation Secretary Buttigieg Meets With Leadership From Four Sibling Tribes at GRIC



USDOT Secretary Pete Buttigieg (middle) meets with SRPMIC Council members Jacob Butler (left) and Michael Dallas, Sr., at the Gila River Indian Community's Huhugam Heritage Center on March 5 for a roundtable discussion with O'odham tribes.

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Leadership from the Four O'odham Sibling Tribes convened at the Gila River Indian Community's (GRIC) Huhugam Heritage Center on March 5 for a roundtable discussion with U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Secretary Pete Buttigieg about transportation infrastructure projects and needs within their tribal communities.

This was Secretary Buttigieg's second stop at the GRIC. The first was in 2021, when GRIC Governor Stephen Roe Lewis emphasized to Buttigieg the importance of federal funding for infrastructure improvement on the stretch of Interstate 10 that runs through the Community.

On January 25, Secretary Buttigieg let the GRIC know that the Community would be receiving a \$95 million grant that had been submitted to the USDOT by the GRIC and Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT).

Buttigieg's visit to the GRIC after the announcement of the grant conveyed his commitment to tribes and the importance of meeting their needs. His visit was met with a warm introduction from tribal leaders at the top of the stairs of the center's courtyard, where the leaders were welcomed with a cultural performance by Keli Akimel Hua Modk Cudkdam (Gila River Basket Dancers).

After the performance, Governor Lewis and GRIC Lt.

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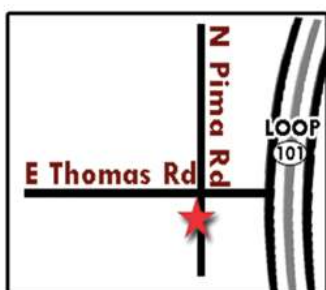
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Congressman Morelle, Tribal Leaders Convene For Voting Rights Discussion at SCC

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On February 22, the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community and Scottsdale Community College welcomed Arizona tribal leaders and U.S. Congressman Joseph Morelle (D-25 NY), ranking Democratic member of the Committee on House Administration, to SCC's Indigenous Cultural Center to discuss voting rights in Arizona and across Indian Country.

The purpose of the discussion was to hear statements from tribal leaders on the history of the vote since the Indian Citizenship Act of 1924, also known as the Snyder Act, which was signed into law by President Calvin Coolidge on June 2, 1924. The 100th anniversary of the Act is coming up this year, and the minority side of the Committee (Democratic) plans to use the material from the discussion to release a report either on or close to the anniversary.

Although the Snyder Act was passed in 1924, Native American voters in Arizona still were barred from voting because the state considered Native Americans to be "under guardianship" and wards of the federal government. At the time, the court defined "under guardianship" as persons who basically lacked the understanding and capacity to vote, according to Gila River Indian Community Governor Stephen Lewis, who spoke at the discussion.

"In Arizona, it was our own Gila River Indian Community members Peter Porter and Rudolf Johnson who brought litigation after they were denied the right to register to vote in Pinal County," Lewis told Morelle. "When they attempted to vote, they were turned away by the county recorder.

It wasn't until 1948, when the Ari-



SRPMIC President Martin Harvier (center left) holds up a copy of O'odham Action News to talk about election coverage at the convening of tribal leaders at Scottsdale Community College on February 22. Also pictured: Gila River Indian Community Governor Stephen Roe Lewis (left), Congressman Joseph Morelle (middle right) and his wife Mary Beth Morelle (right).



Left to right: SRPMIC Council member Mikah Carlos, Alfred Lomahquahu (Hopi Tribe), GRIC Governor Stephen Roe Lewis, Congressman Joseph Morelle, Mary Beth Morelle, SRPMIC President Martin Harvier, Scottsdale Community College President Dr. Eric Leshinskie.

zona Supreme Court overturned Porter v. Hall, that Native Americans in the state of Arizona could vote, after Fort McDowell Yavapai members Harry Austin and Frank Harrison successfully challenged the 1924 decision.

"Our purpose here today is both solemn and sacred," said Morelle. "We believe fundamentally that the right to

vote is the most precious of all rights we have and that all rights flow from it. If people don't have the right of self-governance, if people don't have the right to participate fully and to make sure that their vote is counted, then it calls into question all the other rights that we all share as Americans.

Morelle continued, "It's striking to

me that almost a century after Native citizenship, many have yet to enjoy its full privileges." Morelle went on to say that even though there has been formal recognition of Native American voters in Arizona, there are still barriers preventing Native Americans from having access to the ballot.

SRPMIC Council Member Mikah Carlos used her discussion time to talk about recent instances of voter intimidation at local polling places and her own experiences attempting to vote.

"My experience with voting issues goes back to 2016. I went to vote with my tribal ID and I was told by a poll worker that I couldn't use it," said Carlos. "I had to sit there and look up the actual poll laws and show them and say, 'Well, it says right here legally I'm allowed to use this.' And they're telling me I still can't, until another poll worker intervened."

As recently as last year, Carlos voted with her tribal ID and was told by a poll worker that she was inconveniencing them because she wasn't using a state ID that they can scan.

SRPMIC President Martin Harvier gave Morelle a copy of a 2015 Arizona Law Journal book, The History of Indian Voting Rights In Arizona: Overcoming Decades of Voter Suppression, which Morelle said he will add to his personal collection.

"With Congress passing the Voting Rights Act in 1965, overcoming the imposed literacy requirements put on Natives and overcoming county opposition by placing polling locations in tribal communities and many other areas where it made it difficult for Native citizens to vote, going forward I hope that with these discussions we make it easier for Native Americans to vote," said Harvier.

Colorado Rockies Visit with SRPMIC Seniors at Mardi Gras Senior Breakfast

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Jim Kellogg has been executive vice president of community and retail operations for the Colorado Rockies since 2006. In his 30th year working for the team, Kellogg has continually ensured that the Rockies players spend time in the Salt River-Pima Maricopa Indian Community during spring training.

During the March Senior Breakfast on March 6, Kellogg, as well as Colorado Rockies pitchers Lucas Gilbreath and Daniel Bard, made guest appearances and spent time with the SRPMIC seniors at the Salt River Community Building.

SRPMIC Senior Services staff decorated the center with Mardi Gras-themed decorations and table settings, and they also set up a photo booth with Mardi Gras props for everyone to utilize.

"We're happy to be here," said Kellogg as he opened the floor for the Community seniors to ask questions. Gilbreath was drafted by the Rockies in 2017 and is entering his seventh year with the team. Bard is entering year five with the Rockies and has spent time playing with the Red Sox, the Los Angeles Angels, the Chicago Cubs and the Texas Rangers.

Seniors asked Kellogg if it was snowing in Colorado around this time of the year. "I'm very happy to be here in Arizona," Kellogg immediately replied, which made everyone chuckle. He then stated to the seniors that back home in Colorado they are experiencing heavy snowfall and he was planning on returning there later in the week.

Following the question-and-answer portion, Kellogg, Gilbreath and Bard posed for photos with the seniors in the Mardi Gras photo booth. The line to take photos with the Rockies nearly reached the kitchen area. Each senior took home a printed copy of their photo with Gilbreath and Bard.

"This is a wonderful time for us," said Kellogg. "We enjoy coming out here every year to spend time with the [Community] seniors."



The March Senior Breakfast was held at the Salt River Community Building and featured a Mardi Gras-themed celebration for all to enjoy.



Colorado Rockies Pitcher Daniel Bard (left), Deanna Burns (middle), and Lucas Gilbreath posed for photos at the March Senior Breakfast. All received printed copies of the photos.



Francia Neisen and Phobe Rosales were crowned Mardi Gras royalty as they were the winners who found the tiny baby inside of the baked goods served at the Senior breakfast.

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Governor Katie Hobbs was at the medal ceremony in Bapchule, Arizona. Governor Hobbs delivered the medals to Ludlow and her family.

zona Gold Star at the ceremony, a medal that Ludlow now possesses. "He was the only one to get awarded the Gold Star at the ceremony," said Ludlow.

"My daughter and I went to the ceremony and Governor Katie Hobbs presented the medals to me," stated Ludlow.

A member of the Arizona national guard, United States military reserves, or regular United States armed forces who was a legal resident of this state at the time the member was killed in action or died in the line of duty while deployed in support of combat operations from and after February 13, 1912 is eligible to receive the Arizona Gold Star Military Medal.



The WWI medals given to U.S. Army Private Mathew Juan, Company K, 28th Infantry which are now in the possession of Kathy Ludlow and her family.

"We're really proud of him, even if we didn't get to meet him," said Ludlow.

On their website, Arizona USA Run for the Fallen hosts a detailed database of all of the fallen service members who are no longer with us as of October 12, 2000. The organization's goal is to feature and commemorate all servicemen regardless of branch and cause of death. Presently, they have also began featuring ceremonies for service members who are alive but have experienced struggles with their emotional wellbeing since returning home from service.

Currently, Arizona USA Run for the Fallen is looking for volunteer relay-race runners for their 2024 ceremony this coming November. If you are interested in participating or volunteering, you can submit a volunteer form by visiting their website at <https://arizona.usarunforthe-fallen.org>.

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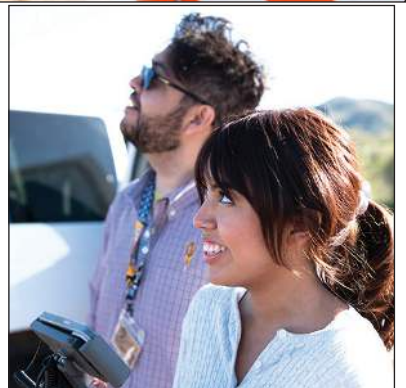
OAN reporters Juan Ysaguirre and Nalani Lopez learn to operate a drone.

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The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community's News Team is getting ahead by going above! As part of their commitment to enhanced storytelling, staff from *O'odham Action News* joined staff from other divisions of Community Relations for a hands-on drone training session.

The Multimedia Division led the demonstration, which took place on March 22 near where the Salt River meets Red Mountain. The goal was to learn and practice safe drone flight and go over best practices when filming events and utilizing drone footage in future projects. The in-house training was part of the collaborative effort among divisions to share knowledge and insights learned through experience.

Training on this new technology is essential for visual story-



telling, but working with drones requires more than the technical aspects of flight and control. Additional considerations include airspace regulations, privacy concerns and the potential for intrusive or sensationalist imagery. The use of drones in news projects not only adds to visual storytelling, it reminds and empowers us as journalists to uphold principles of accuracy, fairness and respect for subjects along the way. This "elevation" in visual storytelling can help deliver immersive experiences that inform, inspire and encourage new perspectives.

National Native American Boarding School Healing Coalition Hosts Legislative Briefing in Washington, D.C.

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The National Native American Boarding School Healing Coalition (NABS) is a nonprofit organization leading the way in helping to eliminate intergenerational trauma caused by U.S. federal Indian boarding schools.

On Tuesday, February 13, NABS held a legislative briefing on Senate Bill 1723/H.R. 7227, otherwise known as a bill to establish a Truth and Healing Commission on Indian Boarding School Policies Act, with four of the co-sponsors at their congressional offices in Washington, D.C.

The delegation for the legislative briefing panel consisted of tribal leaders and individuals from across Indian Country. Moses Brings Plenty (Oglala Lakota) served as the keynote speaker and also detailed his experiences as an Indian boarding school survivor.

If the bill is approved by the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives, President Joe Biden will sign the act into law. The law will create a six-year federal commission to investigate the traumatic impacts of Indian boarding schools in the United States. The committee will locate and interview survivors, descendants and

relatives of those who were forced to attend Indian boarding schools. As part of the commission's objective, the committee will also release the information they find to the public. These efforts are part of NABS' mission to begin the healing process for those who have been impacted by Indian boarding schools.

During the legislative briefing, members from Indian Country spoke their truth about their experiences in Indian boarding schools. A representative from the Cheyenne Nation stated that when she was at an Indian school when she was younger, she and her classmates were sexually, emotionally, physically and spiritually abused. Now an elder, she told the panel that she supports the bill and said, "We cannot change the past, but we can still help the future."

The legislative briefing also featured a banquet dinner on February 13 and a lunch-and-learn on February 14 to continue generating support for the Truth and Healing Commission on Indian Boarding School Policies Act.

Currently, the bill to establish the Act has been submitted to the Senate floor for voting. *O'odham Action News* will continue to monitor and update the bill's progress as it moves through Congress.

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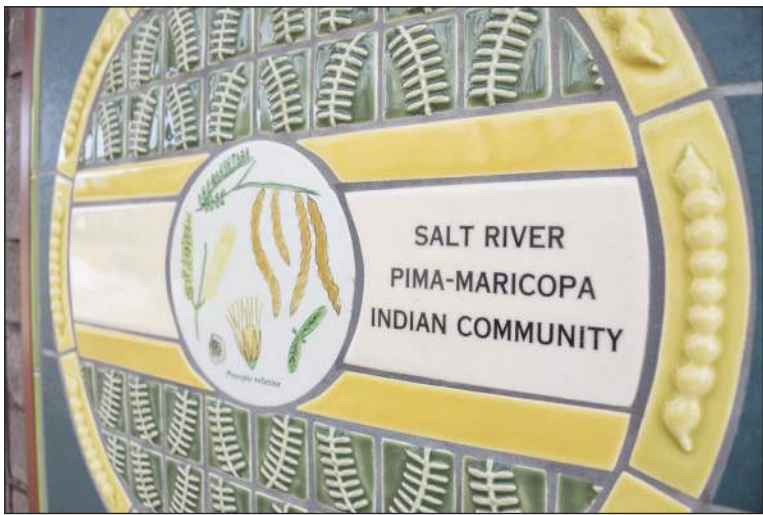
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SCC Students Propagate Trees for SRPMIC Earth Day



Scottsdale Community College students donate their time and labor to assembling velvet mesquite trees for the SRPMIC.



Within the Scottsdale Community College Campus is a plaque dedicated to velvet mesquite trees and their significance to the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community.



The 50 prepared mesquite trees will be sprouted in time to plant during the SRPMIC Earth Day celebration in April.

Trading in their pencils and notebooks for a pair of gloves and soil bags, Scottsdale Community College students got their hands dirty with the school's Center for Native and Urban Wildlife program on February 23 to propagate mesquite trees for the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community's upcoming Earth Day celebration.

"Since Scottsdale Community College is on tribal land, we want to have a relationship with the Community," said SCC Education Programs Developer Natalie Case. "For close to 20 years, we have worked with the Community on various projects like Earth Day, the Fall Overhaul and the Aurora Project."

With the tree-propagation project, the CNUW program will plant velvet mesquite tree seedlings to restore barren

areas of the Community. As they are native to the Sonoran Desert, the seedlings will survive the dry seasons and high temperatures of the desert.

"Mesquite trees have an incredible root system. The taproots can go down far to any soil moisture it can find; some can even reach up to 150 feet deep," said Case.

To begin the planting, Case prepared germinated mesquite pods for the students.

"The seedlings have a long pod you break open to free the seed from its coating. Then, you do a pre-treatment to tell the seed to germinate, because it won't do it on its own," said Case.

Adding some fun science to the process, Case and the students performed three different pre-treatments with the mesquite pods: one group received sprinkled soil from an existing mesquite tree, another biological soil crust, and

the last group was left in its natural state.

Working side by side in an assembly line, the SCC students filled pots with soil and saplings to reach their goal of 50 mesquite trees.

By the time SRPMIC Earth Day arrives in April, the velvet mesquite trees will be ready for planting in the shared habitat between Scottsdale Community College and the SRPMIC.

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2024 Mesa State of the City Address Focuses on Tribes

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Amid the excitement of the extravagant, space-themed multimedia presentation that was the Mesa State of the City 2024 was a focus on the city's relationship with surrounding tribes. This was one of many topics touched on by Mesa Mayor John Giles in his final State of the City address after serving as mayor for 10 years.

Mayor Giles announced that, a week prior to the February 13 address, he issued a proclamation that acknowledges the history of the land that comprises present-day Mesa, along with a land acknowledgement statement.

The address began with the following land acknowledgement being read over the speakers and displayed on the screens at the Mesa Convention Center:

The City of Mesa acknowledges that we gather on the homeland of the Native people and their ancestors who have inhabited this landscape from time immemorial to the present day. The landscape is sacred and reflects cultural values central to the O'odham (Pima) and the Piipaash (Maricopa) way of life and their self-definition. This acknowledgement demonstrates our commitment to work in partnership with Ancestral Indigenous Communities to foster understanding, appreciation and respect for this heritage.

Both Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community President Martin Harvier and Gila River Indian Community Governor Stephen Roe Lewis attended the address and were recognized by Mayor Giles.

President Harvier opened the address by giving a blessing and publicly thanking the City of Mesa's first responders for their support as the SRPMIC lost a couple of first responders in the line of duty in recent times.

"Our great state of Arizona is Native land. It's important that we honor the legacy of our tribal ancestors and recognize the tremendous impact



SRPMIC President Martin Harvier opened the Mesa State of the City 2024 with a prayer and words of appreciation for Mesa first responders. Screenshot courtesy of City of Mesa/Youtube

that our tribal partners will always have in our state and on the city that we love," said Mayor Giles during his address. "For example, the canal system in our region is one of the most sophisticated in the world. The Indigenous people that are here now are the direct descendants of those canal architects."

Giles introduced a video produced by the city which talked about the Mesa Grande Cultural Park, an archaeological site with a platform mound built by the Huhugam, the relatives of the O'odham here in the Community.

SRPMIC Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Shane Anton was featured in the video. "We're actively working with the Arizona Museum of Natural History to provide better access to Mesa Grande. We understand progress has to happen. Things have to be built. But there needs to be a respect [for] what the aboriginal people had here, and I think we're starting to do that and hope to continue to do that," Anton said.

Mayor Giles announced that the name of Mesa Grande Cultural Park will be changing to better reflect the traditions and culture of the Huhugam, with the specifics of the name change yet to be released.

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Governor Regina Antone took Secretary Buttigieg on a tour of the center and all of the traditional and cultural items on display before heading to the roundtable.

At the roundtable discussion, Governor Lewis remarked that it is a tremendous opportunity for tribes to have a Cabinet secretary visit their communities, and that Secretary Buttigieg in particular has been an advocate for tribal access to critical transportation funds.

“In the past few years of working together with you, I’ve been impressed by your philosophy of true partnership for tribal government and sovereignty,” Governor Lewis said to Secretary Buttigieg.



SRPMIC Council member Michael Dallas, Sr. addresses Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg about transportation issues within the SRPMIC, as SRPMIC Council member Jacob Butler looks on.

“During your time as secretary, you’ve acknowledged that prior federal

and state policies often excluded or disregarded tribal lands and lacked tribal input. Under your leadership, that’s changing.”

Secretary Buttigieg said that he was especially grateful that the Sibling Tribes were invited, so that he could get a sense of what is affecting the communities. He also recognized the resiliency of the GRIC in coming back and trying again after their first attempt at obtaining the grant funding was unsuccessful.

“So many of our best stories have to do with transportation projects that were brought forward, didn’t get the answer they were hoping for the first time, came back, revised the approach, strengthened the case and then came back victorious,” said Buttigieg. “And that is true for this I-10 project, and it reflects a readiness to work with our team, a determination to work with each other and of course the merits of the project itself, which is part of why we’re so pleased to be able to support it.”

Present at the roundtable for the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community were Council members Michael Dallas, Sr. and Jacob Butler.

“The SRPMIC has more than 650,000 vehicles traveling on the highways and roadways through our Community every day. While our connectivity with the [surrounding] jurisdictions encourages economic development, it also creates unique negative impacts,” Dallas told Secretary Buttigieg.

“With a significant number of vehicles [using] the Community’s surface roads as an alternate to regional arteries as cut-through traffic, [the] wear and tear on our roads creates potential risk for injuries. As you can imagine, this puts



Tribal leaders, Secretary Pete Buttigieg and Keli Akimel Hua Modk Cudkdam (Gila River Basket Dancers) pose for a photo in the Courtyard of the Huhugam Heritage Center.

a tremendous strain on the SRPMIC’s public safety and public works agencies that are responsible for maintaining and keeping roadways safe for travel.”

When asked what the USDOT can do to help offset the cost of transportation infrastructure projects within tribal communities that often see heavy traffic from commuters from other communities in the fast-growing Phoenix metropolitan area, Buttigieg told *O’odham Action News* that it’s a topic that he hopes to take back with him to Washington after talking with tribal leadership.

“Sometimes [outside traffic] can happen during a disruption or closure, and then a lot of traffic is pushed through Indian Country. Sometimes it happens routinely, and many of the people who

benefit from the roads are not necessarily the same people who are funding the creation of the roads,” said Buttigieg.

“I heard what the Ak-Chin Indian Community was saying about their complicated challenges with [the City of] Maricopa, for example. Often just by setting the table and making sure those conversations happen, we can help create a better path forward.”

Create Your Defensible Space Before Wildfire Season

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Have you seen Salt River Fire Department trucks driving by residences within the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community more often than usual? Don’t worry; with wildfire season approaching, the Salt River Fire Department is examining the 1,500 residences throughout the Community checking for “defensible spaces” to prevent house fires.

Making a defensible space involves clearing away bushes, trees or other vegetation surrounding a building, such as a house. If a wildfire were to occur, the cleared space would lower the chances of the house catching fire. For Community homes, the SRFD is looking for about 30 feet of clearance around the residence.

During wildfire season in Arizona, roughly between late April and early August, the vegetation dries up from the heat and becomes a fuel source. With this extra fuel, larger and more aggressive fires are more likely to occur.

“If you have weeds and tumbleweeds up next to your house, and then a fire picks up during monsoon season, fires can become fast-moving and harder for fire crews to contain,” said SRFD Capt. Robert Scabby.

A few summers back, a brush fire took off in the Community and threatened multiple homes within its direction of travel. This quickly could have become devastating for the affected families and homes; it could also be difficult for fire crews to manage, especially with afternoon winds during the peak of summer heat.

“To prevent fire and mitigate the



To prevent wildfires, the Salt River Fire Department is aiming for about 30 feet of defensible space (Zone 1) around Community homes.

likelihood of a potentially dangerous wildfire season, we are trying to go out, be proactive and work with other [Community] departments to identify the houses and potentially get [the homeowners] some assistance with cleaning and clearing a defensible space around their residence,” said Scabby.

The SRFD will conduct house-to-house evaluations through mid-April and rate them according to hazards identified. Homes within the Dangerous/Severe category require immediate preventive action. Community housing programs, Public Works or the Senior Home Repair and Replacement Program (SHRRP) will offer assistance to help clear defensible space around those homes, while the owners of private residences will be given information on how to keep their homes safe.

Clearing defensible spaces will keep Community homes more resilient, safe and out of harm’s way should a wild-

fire happen within the Community this upcoming season.

“It’s better to act early, not when a wildfire is approaching,” said Scabby.

The National Fire Protection Association offers tips for homeowners on how to protect their homes during wildfire season.

Go online to <https://www.nfpa.org/Education-and-Research/Wildfire/Preparing-homes-for-wildfire>.

You can read the information there or download the handy fact sheet: [How to Prepare Your Home for Wildfires](#).



A couple summers back, Salt River Fire Department responded to a growing fire approaching Community homes. Photo courtesy of Robert Scabby

Salt River Joins Celebrations at 60th Mul Chu Tha

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The Gila River Indian Community Celebrated 60 Years of Unity at their annual Mul Chu Tha Fair and Rodeo over the weekend of March 16-17. The Celebrations opened with a parade featuring dignitaries from various tribes across the state and beyond.

Birds Singing and Dancing by the River performed along the parade route just ahead of SRPMIC Council, who were joined by Wiley the Wolf of the Great Wolf Lodge, and Baxter from the Arizona Diamondbacks. SRPMIC President Martin Harvier and Council members David Antone and Jacob Butler rode horseback while Council members Wi-Bwa Grey, Cheryl Doka, and Deanna Scabby joined Miss Salt River and Jr. Miss Salt River as representatives from Journey to Recovery carried the banner.



Birds Singing and Dancing by the River participated in the 60th Mul Chu Tha parade.



Council member David Antone and SRPMIC President Martin Harvier.



Birds Singing and Dancing by the River.



Jr. Miss Salt River and Miss Salt River.



Birds Singing and Dancing by the River.



Left: Journey to Recovery carried the banner ahead of SRPMIC Council and President Harvier.



Right: Council member Jacob Butler.

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SRPD Welcomes New Police Chief

laboration and Community-oriented policing in the department. “I believe in building a strong relationship with the Community and working together to address issues effectively,” said Holloway. “Going forward, I see the department as one that embraces technology and innovation to enhance our police efforts. We will continue to prioritize professional development

“Chief Holloway is a direct, hardworking, responsible and honest person who will not shy away from telling you the truth even if it is something you do not want to hear, which I believe are qualities that are needed in law enforcement,” said SRPD Sgt. Christopher Davis

for our officers, ensuring they have the equipment, knowledge and skills to better serve the Community.”

SRPD Lt. Forest Wood has known Chief Holloway for most of his life, attending Webster Elementary, Carson Junior High and graduating from Westwood High School together. They even played basketball together as teenagers.

“[Holloway] was very good at defense and rebounding,” recalled Wood. “He enjoys sports. You can ask him about any player on any team and he could tell you all about them.”

Wood has confidence that Holloway

will focus on building a stronger relationship between the SRPD and Community members.

SRPD Sgt. Christopher Davis shares a similar sentiment, saying that he only sees positivity and growth within the SRPD under Holloway’s leadership.

“What I look forward to in regard to Chief Holloway’s leadership is nothing more than how he has carried himself since I met him in 2005,” said Davis. “Chief Holloway is a direct, hardworking, responsible and honest person who will not shy away from telling you the truth even if it is something you do not want to hear, which I believe are qualities that are needed in law enforcement.”

Davis reminisced about when he and Holloway were both hired together, and both were asked about what their future goals were while working for the SRPD. Holloway said at the time that he would someday like to become chief of the SRPD.

“I also remember Holloway saying that after he retires, he would like to work towards becoming the president of his Community,” said Davis. “It is pretty awesome to think about him making that statement way back in August of 2005 and seeing where he is now in 2024. I have no doubt that if he decides to, he will become president as well.”

Chief Holloway said that he is very approachable and committed to serving the Community with integrity and compassion.

“I am excited about the opportunity to lead our department into the future,” said Holloway.



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Native Plants Series Gets Hands on Learning



Participants of the Native Plants class filled seed starter trays with a mixture of soil, manure, and flower seeds.

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Jonathon Curry and Veronica Flores have a passion for growing their own foods. Since their first harvest in the spring of 2020, the pair have planted various traditional crops such as Pima 60-day corn, tepary beans and squash blossoms.

They started Salt River Valley Farm and share their ever-growing knowledge of gardening and traditional harvesting with those interested through their social media and, as of recently, their Native Plant classes with the Salt River Tribal Library.

On March 12, they opened up their property to allow participants of the series to gain some hands-on gardening experience.

"From when the land was first allotted here in Salt River, it has been worked and farmed by six generations," said Curry.

Gathering with the participants under the

vato (ramada), Curry began the planting with an O'odham corn-planting song.

"When we sing, we bless the field. We pray for a strong harvest and a good growing season," said Curry.

In the first session, Curry introduced seed starting, soil building and soil amendments to the class. Participants filled seed starter trays with a mixture of compost and soil amendments including perlite, while sowing cut-flower seeds such as zinnia, dahlia, and celosia. Once the seeds sprout, they will be transplanted into the garden beds Curry and Flores built for use by the Community.

As a result of the classes and sharing of knowledge, they hope participants will feel encouraged to return for more planting.

The next hands-on gardening class is on March 26 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. and will cover traditional planting techniques. Follow Salt River Valley Farm on Instagram to follow their journey: @srvalleyfarm.

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AROUND THE COMMUNITY: Elementary Students Learn About Journalism



Recently, O'odham Action News Reporter Intern Nalani Lopez gave a presentation to the fifth- and sixth-grade members of the Salt River Elementary School Eagles Club on all facets of storytelling, including photography, video and the key elements of journalism. Lopez shared her experiences since joining the OAN team and explained what goes into a newspaper and how to tell a story through words and images. The students then implemented what they learned in a hands-on exercise creating cover pages for a newspaper. Armed with the Five W's of journalism—who, what, where, when and why—they reported on the facts of the event, drew pictures to accompany the cover story, and even captured quotations about the event.

Salt River Ba’ag Continues to Shine On and Off the Court

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This year, the players on the Salt River Ba’ag club basketball team have been showcasing their skillsets on and off the court. Head coach Miyone Roanhorse has seen major improvements from this year’s team and has nothing but positive remarks about their progress.

“I’ve seen all of our players grow,” said Roanhorse, “in their communication, maturity, IQ of the game and their shooting selections.” In their varsity game against local team AZ MonStarz over the March 3 weekend in Avondale, Salt River Ba’ag took home second-place honors. The following weekend, Salt River Ba’ag finished the Fort McDowell Jam (FMD JAM) tournament in first place with an impressive record of 5-0.

“If we compare them to when they started with the program in their sixth-grade year to now, it’s phenomenal growth ... on and off the court,” said Roanhorse. Salt River Ba’ag continued the season with another tournament in Ganado, Arizona, on the Navajo Nation for the annual NAZ Soldiers Tournament, March 14-16. “It’s our annual trip up north to our parents’ house and [a chance for] the boys to enjoy northern Arizona,” Roanhorse said.

The boys will continue their stellar play on the court during this year’s Native American Basketball Invitational (NABI) tournament, to be held July 22-27. “Our players have made the arrangements to play NABI this year,” said Roanhorse. Celebrating its 21st year, the Indigenous basketball tournament will be hosted by Grand Canyon University, utilizing the school’s 13 courts.

Succeeding in this year’s NABI tournament is the expected goal for Salt River Ba’ag. However, the players are looking toward how basketball will continue to help shape their lives as they all individually approach graduation at their respective schools.

“A main goal of our players is setting them up for success in their next chapter in life after high school,” said Roanhorse. “[I am] proud to say [that] our team averages a 3.7 GPA, with many of [the players] taking honors classes.”



Above: Celebrating their second place win, the Salt River Ba’ag are primed for greatness at the next level. From (l-r): Beau Burns Jr., Logan Johnstad, Kylen Bonner, Conor Doka, O’shea Bonner, Kenny White, Ray Angulo, Jarred Johnstad, Jase Benjamin, and Will Gordon. Photo courtesy of Michelle Fulwilder.

Right: Salt River Ba’ag continued their winning ways by going 5-0 in the Fort McDowell Slam (FMD Slam). Photo courtesy of Michelle Fulwilder.



From the Classroom to the Field: Toka Students Play Their First Match



The entire McGilbary family came out to support mom Lindsay Cuch and daughter Ella McGilbary in gathering their *usagas*.

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Following their teaching by Jessica Ruiz at the Salt River Tribal Library (see February 15 issue), participants in the three-part Toka Workshop series prepared their own *usaga* for a scrimmage on March 5.

Beginning earlier in the month, class participants first learned the history of toka, the traditional women’s stick game. Then, later in the month, the women and their families took a field trip to the Red Mountain Preserve area to gather an *usaga*, the playing stick.

About a quarter-mile from the Salt River, the participants had abundant mesquite trees to choose from.

“The farther away from the water you search, the stronger your branches are going to be,” said Ruiz. “If you have more moisture in your branch, it will make the firing process longer.”

Most important was the grip and thickness of the stick. Some women preferred a thick branch, others a thin branch.

With the support of male family members, a pair of gloves and a saw, the workshop participants cut their ideal mesquite tree branches for their *usagas*. The freshly cut branches reveal a dark ring of sap.

“The ring shows that the sap in the branch has hardened, so it will keep your stick from breaking when you play. If the ring is smaller, it’s just as good too, but if it doesn’t have a ring, the branch has a higher chance



With their mesquite branches freshly cut, women place the ends of their sticks into fire to begin the “step and bending” process.

of splitting during the drying process and breaking out on the field,” said Ruiz.

Preparing for the game’s fierce nature, participants searched for two *usagas* in case one snaps.

Following the cutting of the branches, participants learned the firing and bending process for usagas. From the heat of a fire, one end of the stick is placed into the flames. After removing it from the heat, you step on the affected section, then slowly lean against the upright part of the stick. Through this combination of heat and pressure, the *usaga* achieves its iconic curved shape.

“It takes time to find the right stick and figure out what you like,” said participant Mauricia Carlisle. “It’s a good feeling to learn about this process with all the women in our group.”

Once the stick is bent to their preferred curve, the women peel the toasted bark of their usaga to prepare it for sanding. Once they’re sanded smooth and free of bumps and splinters, the *usagas* are ready to use.

Gathering for their third time, the women of the workshop brought their freshly prepared usagas to their first scrimmage. In a circle, the women began with the game’s traditional O’odham song. The song sings of the women chasing the *o’da*, the game piece, across the field with their usaga. After the song, the women lined up across from each other, holding their usagas in hand, waiting for Ruiz to toss the *o’da* into the middle.

The goal of the game is to hit the *o’da* across the team’s goal line. Positioned on opposite sides of the



After their hard work, women in the class played a couple of friendly scimmages with each other using their new *usagas*.



The participants in the class smile after completing the three part toka series.

field, the women were in for lots of running and swift hits with their new *usagas*. From learning the game together in the library to playing together out on the field, the women brought their traditional journey full circle.

“It was incredible to have everyone come out. It felt like bringing the old ways back to our family. It was meaningful to share this experience with my daughter,” said participant Lindsay Cuch.

Interested O’odham women are invited to contact either Salt River toka team, Onk Akimel Siviliki or Salt River Tadaí, on Facebook for additional information.

SRPMIC Hosts Teen Dating Violence Webinar

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For the month of February, the Salt River-Pima Maricopa Indian Community ensured that Community members and employees were aware of Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month by hosting a webinar for adults and teens.

"It's never too early to start talking about what a healthy relationship is," said SRPMIC Health Educator Vurlene Notsinneh-Bowekaty during the webinar, which was titled "Fast Facts: Teen Dating Violence 101 for Parents." The presentation was an initiative of the SRPMIC Department of Health and Human Services Prevention and Intervention Services.

Notsinneh-Bowekaty and Community Health Educator Melanie Nosie hosted nearly 100 Community members and employees for the webinar presentation.

"Sometimes when we talk about violence, we only know about the physical part. We don't think about the psychological part. This includes the internet and social media. Our children are so involved in that," said Notsinneh-Bowekaty.

Teen dating violence on the internet has become an unfortunate occurrence. When power and control are used in a negative manner by an individual, the person is committing dating violence against their significant other. Behaviors associated with teen dating violence include using extreme emotions like jealousy, sending harassing text messages, using verbal put-downs, controlling a person's wardrobe, smashing objects, making threats and quickly resorting to anger.

According to loveisrespect.org, a project of the National Domestic Violence Hotline, 1 in 3 U.S. teens will experience sexual, emotional or physical abuse from someone they're in a relationship with before becoming adults. Nearly 43% of U.S. college women report experiencing violent or abusive behaviors.

"We always [cast] the male as the aggressor and the female as the victim," said Notsinneh-Bowekaty. She then added, "I've witnessed the roles switched the other way. When I was teaching, I remember seeing a boy who was being abused by his girlfriend. I asked him, 'Why do you allow her to do that?' He made excuses for her behavior, telling me, 'Oh, she's just having a



Staff members at the River People Health Center's Pharmacy Department got together in February to bring awareness to "Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month" by wearing the official color, orange. Photo courtesy of Vurlene Notsinneh-Bowekaty

bad time, her parents are on her a lot," she said.

Notsinneh-Bowekaty informed the class that the significant other who is being abused normally takes the blame as a way to cover up dating violence committed by their partner.

Throughout the presentation, Notsinneh-Bowekaty and Nosie asked questions of the group, specifically regarding how they talk with their teens about dating and the dangers of dating violence. Many people mentioned that they have established family rules for their children, with some invoking a "no dating until 18" rule.

"Sometimes, kids don't feel comfortable coming to adults asking for help," said Notsinneh-Bowekaty. "They'll come home from school, and a parent will ask how school was and what they learned. The teen will answer, 'It was okay' and 'Stuff,'" she said. "We have to take the time and sit down with our kids to make sure they're okay," she added.

Notsinneh-Bowekaty said by providing teens with an open space free of judgment, kids become more comfortable around adults, which makes it easier for them to communicate if they are being abused in a relationship. "It's never okay to use pressure or control in a relationship," added Notsinneh-Bowekaty.

As the presentation came to an end, Notsinneh-Bowekaty educated the group on how damaging the cycle of abuse can be.

"Those who don't understand, they'll say, 'Why don't you just leave?' Well, it's challenging. A relationship can start out well. Then something can happen. He might talk to someone else. She may do the same. Then they're mad. That opens the door for violence, like hitting and shoving," she said. "Then he apologizes and promises never to do it again. Then the relationship goes back to being okay. After a while, the tension begins again. We need to be educated on when and how to leave an unhealthy relationship," she said.

New O'odham Language Street Signs Installed in Community

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To more accurately reflect the cultural and historical significance of certain areas of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, five new street names featuring words in the O'odham language have been installed in two areas of the Community.

The street signs were posted in the ground on February 1 in the Cemaimagi Subdivision (formerly the Monte Vista Subdivision) off North Extension Road, and at Temporary Housing Site F, off North Country Club Drive.

At the Cemaimagi Subdivision, the new street names are Cemaimagi Vo:g (Horned Toad Road), Matai Vo:g (Ashes Road) and Cuamaikud Vo:g (Roasting Pit Road). At the Temporary Housing site, the new street names are Ceul Vo:g (Willow Road) and Hiosig Vo:g (Flower Road).

The new street names are a result of an SRPMIC Council resolution signed on November 30, 2022. A Council work session in 2018 set policy guidance on Native language street names, which the roadways in the subdivision all qualified for, according to Engineering and Construction Services Department (ECS) Design Division Manager Rueben Malin, GISP.

"The process is initiated once we receive a request from either the landowner(s)/resident(s) or from within the tribal government," said Malin.

"As of now, the policy states that a roadway qualifies as long as it does not already exist elsewhere in the Community. If a road meets this requirement, we can start the process of looking into finding an approved O'odham or Piipaash street name."

The criteria for the chosen words are



New street signs and maps of where they are placed in the Community. Photos courtesy of ECS Design Division Manager Rueben Malin, GISP.

that they be easy to pronounce, have no special characters and do not exceed a set number of characters due to the space available on street signs.

Recommendations for street names of significance to the geographic area of the roadway begin with the Cultural Resources Department (CRD). After reviewing the plan, if there are no recommendations, there is an approved list of names for ECS to choose from.

According to Malin, the name Cemaimagi Vo:g (Horned Toad Road) was selected because, during the archaeological process, a horned toad effigy carved out of stone was found on the floor of a pit house. Matai Vo:g (Ashes Road)

was selected because the soil in the area is very dark, almost black, due to the amount of ash and charcoal-filled roasting features. Cuamaikud Vo:g (Roasting Pit Road) was selected because there were so many roasting pits found in that area.

"Once a street name is selected, we get consensus from the stakeholders, the Salt River Police Department, the Salt River Fire Department, CRD, Community Development Department (CDD), Public Works (PW), ECS and residents and/or landowners," said Malin. "We then take it through the public process, the Land Management Board and Council."



Malin said that when new street signs are implemented, the ECS Design Division sends an address letter to the residents affected by the change. The division then notifies the appropriate parties of the change, such as Emergency Services, PW, ECS, Saddleback Communications, the U.S. Postal Service, Salt River Project, SRPMIC Membership Services and third-party mapping services such as Apple, Google and Here.

SRPMIC residents are responsible for implementing the changes with CDD Membership Services, their service providers, on their driver's licenses, and with any other private services they might have.

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		CHIAGO	Tatum Ann	036545T
		CHISCHILLY KEYONNIE	Joshua H	069635J
		CHISCHILLY KEYONNIE	Laureen	082335L
		COLBERT	Chloe Anne	047080C
		CONGER	Aaron Tyrone	033547A
		CORREA III	Ronald M	012585R
		CUMMINGS	Scott	0S
		DEER JR	Melvin B	037866M
		DIAZ	Victoria	093329V
		DINA	Alberta E	026466A
		DOCKERTY	Christian Daniel	068147C
		DOCKERTY	Randy Nephi	071493R
		DOMINGO	Manuel Chiago	0M
		DOMINQUEZ	Frances Karen	0F
		EASCHIEF WHITMAN	Izabella	015704I
		ENAS	Delfina K	053478D
		ENOS	Clauncey	084604C
		ENOS	Ella M	003978E
		ENOS	Preston E	044093P
		ESCHIEF	Myra J	033028M
		FAVELA	Irene J	096718I
		FRANCISCO JR	Domingo Rey	032897D
		FRANCO	Consuelo	0CO
		FUENTES	Mary	52745M
		FULWILDER	Delbert Hollis	034572D
		FULWILDER	Tyler Joseph	016473T
		GALLEGOS	Christina M	062032C
		GARCIA	Aaron Alexander	071885A
		GARCIA	Rocynthia G	056372R
		GOMEZ	Jose Francisco Enos	003561J

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	PROPERTY ID	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	PROPERTY ID
GOODWIN	Guy Gabriel	078257G	MORGAN	Bryanna Grace	004966B
GORMAN	Anissa	60119A	NAHSONHOYA	Hale Alexander	037005H
GRANADOS	Priscilla	033731P	NAMOKI	Della	046298D
GREEN	Everett	0EV	NAPELEE	Betty Jo	066300B
HANCOCK	Jay L	057051J	NAVENMA	Jennifer Lee	048027J
HARRISON JR	James	075918J	NORRIS	Marcus	090530M
HAYES	Alyssa A	034120A	OCHOA	Rhea Ann	070056R
HAYES	Brianna Kellene	042320B	OLMEDO	Gaetano Armando	010074G
HAYES	Deborah J	012601D	ONTIBEROS	Carol M	081904C
HENDRIX	Joseph Jordan	088297J	ORTIZ	Marisella Sharlisa - Shenee	014239M
HERNANDEZ	Alfredo Jesus	024374A			
HERNANDEZ	Carlos Raul	026738C	OSIFE	Serena Sky	069109S
HERNANDEZ	Juanita Lorena	010985J	OSIFE JR	Dushane Lloyd	056691D
HERNANDEZ	Luis Robert	045146L	OSTLER	Zane Douglas	094446Z
HILL	Kathleen Monique	054822K	PATRICK	Beldon J	057714B
HILL	Nahemah	030903N	PEMBER	Joseph R	091014J
HOOD	Maurice T	054270M	PERKINS	Tranety	048012T
HOOKE	Travis	0TR	PESIS JR	Jon Elwood	043729J
HOWARD	Ashley M	052493A	PETE	Karen	52725K
HOWARD	David C	098711D	PETERS	Christina Marie	010091C
HOWARD	Jonas Calvin	064293J	PHILLIPS	Anna Lori	073578A
HOWARD	Leatrice	084466L	PHILLIPS	Flora M	060548F
HOWARD	Nadine	036825N	PINTO	Rosemary	081346R
HOWARD	Norman Lester	032233N	PRIETO	Ricky E	087751R
HOWARD	Sylvester Sullivan	029375S	PUGGIE	Grace	094218G
HUNT	Wendell T	0WE	RABAGO	Summer R	003369S
IBARRA GUTIERREZ JR	Ricardo Renee	040545R	RAMIREZ	Gabriel Mark Jr	0G1
JACKSON	Bionca Lynn	031234B	RAMIREZ	Ryan Alexander	071305R
JACKSON	David Jerel	092663D	RAY	Angela J	057802A
JACKSON JR	Victor E	053603V	RAY	June	006597J
JACOBSON JR	Donald E	074114D	RAY JR	Jonah F	023762J
JANIS	Jaden Wayne	066776J	RAYBON	Virginia Louise	050103V
JEFFERSON	Joyce Ann	046006J	RINGLERO	Anthony David	074218A
JOHNSON	Bernadette Lois	035232B	RIVERS	Zack	044836Z
JOHNSON	Leland	057674L	ROBINSON	Christopher	0C
JOHNSON	Teya Z	071550T	ROBLEDO JR	Rudolfo	021001R
JOHNSON	Wilma R	085372W	RODRIGUEZ	Jesse	072052J
JOHNSON JR	Lawaun Gregory	011075L	RODRIGUEZ	Obed	016927O
JOSE	Alonzo	0A	ROMO	Emmaleigh	76424E
JUAN	Jordan	008002J	RUIZ	Julia Anne Serena	081501J
JUAN	Saigean Eddie	016396S	SALSTROM	Jennifer June	032847J
JUDGE	Janice	064849J	SAMPSON	Tammy L	034878T
JUDGE	Richard Matthew	020654R	SANCHEZ	Isabella A	089694I
JUSTE	Allen Samuel Lawrence	088487A	SANCHEZ - SMITH	Yasmin Citaly	065370Y
KAUAKAHI	Lorinda	068476L	SANTO	Lisa Christina	089939L
KEENE	Teresa	0TE	SAWYER	Daja Rose	047201D
KELLY	Daniel A	015678D	SCHURZ	Brandon Joshua	056816B
KEWANIMPTewa	Nicholas Russell	077948N	SCHURZ	Royal A	042237R
KEY	Frances A	048832F	SCOTT	Joseph Lyle	024861J
KING	Denes P	076946D	SECRET	Wilfred Joseph	0W
KING	Germain Dean	012995G	SHAW	Louise A	013188L
KING	Nayland	044022N	SMITH	Eliza	60068E
KING SR	Delbert Floyd	056255D	SMITH	Kristen C	068426K
KISTO	Mariah Claudine	047125M	SMITH	Michael James	054932M
LANDIS	Michael John	018481M	SOLIZ	Miguel E	002411M
LEWIS	Eric	090158E	STRONG	Danielle	063307D
LEWIS	Jissell Raven	045102J	TAYLOR	Delores	082195D
LEWIS	Marc T	094630M	THOMAS	Holyan Ricardo	028967H
LEWIS	Roxie A	003309R	THOMAS	Irene J	007420I
LEWIS	Saundra Andrea	006645S	THOMAS	Leigh	52755L
LEWIS	Shannon Tara	002597S	THOMAS	Melvin	079036M
LOPEZ	Abel Eschief	071700A	THOMAS-HARVEY	Tobias Guy	046502T
LOPEZ	Loren	002285L	TOBLER III	John Darwin	024004J
LOPEZ	Monica Marie	095654M	TOMASKIN	Drew Violet	015742D
LOPEZ	Nathanuel Hector	029762N	VALENZUELA	Lucille E	056415L
LOPEZ	Shealee A	093621S	VALENZUELA	Raymond	083465R
LORING	Lynette	036513L	VARELA	Francisco Javier	019558F
LORING	Natalie M	017222N	VASQUEZ	Kyle	012575K
LOVELACE	Roselene J	068446R	VASQUEZ-KOORY	Lupe	014955L
LUDLOW	Joseph M	056910J	VAVAGES	Kamea	76436K
MACKETT	Clinton	063298C	VAVAGES-LEWIS	Mateo Littlecreek	031380M
MANUEL	Cassandra	046574C	VICTORIAN	Anita F	032417A
MANUEL	Charline	039677C	VILLALOBOS	Emaline Etta	077919E
MANUEL	Jacob Ian	049716J	VUYK	Samantha	60029S
MANUEL	Patricia Elaine	025108P	WASHINGTON	Freida M	031892F
MANUEL	Talon Reaching Skye	076016T	WATERS	Dale K	065080D
MANUEL SR	Gilbert G.	081532G	WATEUMA	Bert	006180B
MARQUEZ	Gwendolyn Ione	027248G	WELLINGTON	Darius Allan	040581D
MARRERO	Geneva Ann	062747G	WESLEY	Caroline S	037564C
MARROQUIN	Anna M	059420A	WHITE	Elizabeth	001069E
MARTIN	Gregory	0G	WHITE	Gabriel Siawogi	073226G
MARTINEZ	Gabrielle A	081974G	WHITE	Razmei L	068474R
MARTINEZ	Lori Ann	054081L	WHITE	Roxana	044416R
MARTINEZ	Rayleen	76416R	WILLIAMS	Eric Ray	000017E
MARTINEZ JR	Hector Lorenzo	051457H	WILLIAMS	Lucas R	008736L
MCANLIS	Cheyenne L	000433C	WOOD	Dallin Nace	098494D
MILLER	Donna Jean	057616D	WOPSOCK	Selene Estelle	080528S
MOORE	Ambrose Erickson	033264A	WYRICK	Charles Edward	038983C
MORATAYA	Maria M	002470M	YOUNG	Madeline G	0MA
MORENO	Gary D	046062G	ZAYAS	Cynthia Irene	012288C

4th Quarter 2023 ELIGIBILITY DEADLINE March 31, 2024

Must be eighteen (18) years old, enrolled, and living to be eligible for the April 2024 Per Capita Payment.

DEADLINES FOR CHANGES

Direct Deposit Start-Ups and Changes: Thursday, March 28th at 5:00 PM. This deadline is for new start-ups for direct deposit or changes to existing information. All forms MUST be submitted with a “VOID-ED” check or statement from the bank with the Routing and Account Numbers. Forms received by this date will be effective for the **April 2024** payout. Forms received after this date will not be effective until the **July 2024** payout.

Discontinue Direct Deposits: Thursday, March 28th at 5:00 PM. 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 16th at 5:00PM. 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 2024 payout. Forms received after this date will not be processed until the first week of July 2024.

Tax Withholding Changes: Tuesday, April 16th at 5:00 PM. 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 @ **(480) 362-7600**

-Tax Withholding & Direct Deposits: call Finance-Per Capita @ **(480) 362-7710**



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**JUVENILE COURT
JURISDICTION: SALT RIVER PIMA
MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY
COURT
ADDRESS: 10040 EAST OSBORN RD.
SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85256
CONTACT: (480) 362-6315
ALL JUVENILE COURT CASES
REPORT TO COURTROOM #3 ON THE
1ST FLOOR.
FAILURE TO APPEAR CAN AFFECT
YOUR RIGHTS**

Andrade, Pamela - Entry of Default
Judgement Case: CV-23-4657 Court Date:
March 27, 2024 at 11 AM

Andrews, Dracy - Review Hearing Case:
J-23-0040/0041/0042 Court Date: April 1,
2024 at 10 a.m.

Baptisto, Nathaniel Allen – Review/
Permanency Hearings Mother: Carolynnda
Namoki (DOB: 04/07/1991) Minor: F.V.
(DOB: 11/12/2010) Case: J-13-0087 Court
Date: April 8, 2024 at 9 a.m.

Barraza, Michelle Annmarie – Initial
Guardianship Hearing Case: JV-23-3006
Court Date: March 14, 2024 at 10 a.m.

Burns, Julie – Adjudication Hearing Case:
JV-24-0016 Court Date: March 27, 2024
at 9 a.m.

Francisco, Marissa Martina – Adjudication
Hearing Case: J-22-0071 Court Date:
March 25, 2024 at 10 a.m.

Francisco, Marissa Martina – IAA Review
Hearing Case: J-23-0026 Court Date:
March 25, 2024 at 9 a.m.

Gutierrez, Nicholas - Review Hearing Case:
J-23-0040/0042 Court Date: April 1, 2024
at 10 a.m.

Jaime, Carmen - Change of name Hearing
Case: J-14-0168 Court Date: March 28,
2024 at 10 a.m.

Lewis, Julia – Review Hearing Case: J-20-
0136/0137 Court Date: April 4, 2024, 2024
at 10 a.m.

Lewis, Robi Corey – Adjudication
Hearing Mother: Marissa Francisco
(DOB: 03/13/1999) Minor: C.L-F (DOB:
02/08/2020) Case: J-23-0071 Court Date:
March 25, 2024 at 10 a.m.

Lewis, Robi Corey – IAA Review Hearing
Mother: Marissa Francisco (DOB:
03/13/1999) Minor: C.L-F (DOB:
02/08/2020) Case: J-23-0026 Court Date:
March 25, 2024 at 9 a.m.

Schurz, Passion Elliah - Review Hearing
Case: J-21-0126/J-21-0127 Court Date:
April 18, 2024 at 1:30 p.m.

Spex, Deven Arlees – Initial Hearing for
Termination of Parental Rights Case:
J-11-0186 Court Date: March 19, 2024 at
1:30 p.m.

Stacey, Jeffrey Arthur - Mother: Patricia
Smith (DOB: 11/23/1981) Child: A.L.S.
(DOB: 05/26/2007), L.S (DOB: 07/12/2008)
Review/Permanency Hearings Case: J-20-
0091/0092 Court Date: March 20, 2024 at
10 a.m.

Thomas, Yolanda Marie - Evidentiary
Guardianship Hearing Case: JV-23-3030
Court Date: April 17, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

**Unknown Father – Evidentiary
Guardianship Hearing**, Mother: Yolanda
Thomas; Minor: J.O.T. (DOB: 10/10/2020)
Case: JV-23-3030 Court Date: April 17,
2024 at 9 a.m.

**Unknown Father – Initial Guardianship
Hearing**, Mother: Michelle Annmarie
Barraza (DOB: 07/08/1988) Minor: N.N.B.
(DOB: 01/01/2023) Case: JV-23-3006
Court Date: March 14, 2024 at 10 a.m.

Valencia, Victor Patrick Sr. – Review/
Permanency Hearings Mother: Carolynnda
Namoki (DOB: 04/07/1991) Minor: A.V.
(DOB: 03/30/2008) Case: J-13-0086 Court
Date: April 8, 2024 at 9 a.m.

Wellington Sr., Spencer - Review Hearing
Case: J-21-0055 Court Date: April 11, 2024
at 9 a.m.

**CIVIL COURT
JURISDICTION: SALT RIVER PIMA
MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY
COURT
ADDRESS: 10040 EAST OSBORN RD.
SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85256
CONTACT: (480) 362-6315
CIVIL COURT CASES REPORT TO
COURTROOM #1/ #2 ON THE 1ST
FLOOR.
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Andrews, Jacqueline Susie - Civil Complaint
Hearing Case: CV-24-1340 Court Date:
April 2, 2024 at 9 AM

Beltran, Allan - Motion Hearing Case: CV-24-
0805 Court Date: March 19, 2024 at 10 AM

Butler, Adam Dustin - Notice of Entry
of Default Judgment: Salt River Pima
Maricopa Indian Community Court, State
of Arizona, Maricopa County original
jurisdiction court case number CV-23-3089
Notice of Entry of Default Judgment is
hereby given ORDERED AND ADJUDGED
that entry of default judgment against
Respondent, Adam Dustin Butler is hereby

ENTERED. It is further, ORDERED AND
ADJUDGED that Respondent, Adam
Dustin Butler, shall abide by Child Support
Order. This order is final and shall be
served on Respondent in accordance to
Rule 5-20(c). *Respondent has (10) ten
days to respond from date received. For a
copy of this Order please contact the court
at 480-362-6315.

Chiago, Adonia Marie - Order to Show
Cause/Entry of Default Judgement
Hearings Case: CV-23-4019 Court Date:
April 2, 2024 at 9:30 AM

Chiago, Janette Pauline - Civil Complaint
Hearing Case: CV-24-0851 Court Date:
March 19, 2024 at 9:30 AM

Gonzales, Vanessa Rene - Order to Show
Cause Hearing Case: C-23-0109 Court
Date: March 28, 2024 at 9:30 AM

Goodwin, Joe Conan - Civil Complaint
Hearing Case: CV-24-0852 Court Date:
March 26, 2024 at 10 AM

Gutierrez, Angela Lynn - Child Support
Hearing Case: CV-23-3671 Court Date:
April 9, 2024 at 9 AM

Lewis, Michelle-Initial Child Support Hearing-
Case: CV-24-0977-March 20, 2024 at 9:30
a.m.

Makil, Josephine - Civil Complaint Hearing
Case: CV-24-0844 Court Date: March 19,
2024 at 9 AM

Manuel, Cherish Noelle - Initial Child Support
Hearing Case: CV-24-1374 Court Date:
March 25, 2024 at 11 AM

Manuel, Roy - Order to Show Cause Hearing
Case: C-22-0144 Court Date: March 13,
2024 at 9:30 AM

Martinez, Molly Marie - Civil Complaint
Hearing Case: CV-24-0805 Court Date:
March 19, 2024 at 10 AM

Martinez, Molly Marie - Civil Complaint
Hearing Case: CV-24-0649 Court Date:
March 19, 2024 at 10 AM

Masawistewa, Moriah - Evidentiary Hearing
Case: CV-23-3859 Court Date: April 3,
2024 at 9 AM

Osife, Serena Sky - Annual Guardianship
Review Case: CF-15-0108/CF-15-0026
Court Date: April 18, 2024 at 9:30 AM

Prieto, Maria - Entry of Default Judgement
Case: CV-23-3755 Court Date: March 27,
2024 at 10 AM

Saunders II, Fred Kenneth - Probate
Hearing Case: CV-24-0737 Court Date:
March 26, 2024 at 9 AM

Saunders-Russell, Barbara Helen - Probate
Hearing Case: CV-24-0737 Court Date:
March 26, 2024 at 9 AM

Standing Elk, Carla Anne - Order to Show
Cause Hearing Case: C-23-0045 Court
Date: March 13, 2024 at 9 AM

Thomas Sr., Dillon - Order to Show Cause
Hearing/Status Hearing Case: CV-23-3521
Court Date: March 18, 2024 at 9 AM

Wesley-Howard, Aristen Jared - Civil
Complaint Hearing Case: CV-24-0864
Court Date: March 19, 2024 at 10:30 AM

Williams, David - Probate Hearing Case:
CV-24-1411 Court Date: April 1, 2024 at
9 AM

Williams, Gabriel Davis - Probate Hearing
Case: CV-24-1411 Court Date: April 1,
2024 at 9 AM

DEFAULT NOTICES

**ANDRADE, PAMELA
DEFAULT NOTICE
CV-23-4657**
To: Pamela Andrade, RESPONDENT

1. A Complaint / Petition has been filed
against you in this Court and your
immediate attention to this fact is urgent if
you do not want judgment entered against
you.
2. The Court record reflects that you have
failed to respond to defend by filing an
answer, motion to dismiss, request for
extension of time or other responsive
pleading and you have failed to attend
hearings at the Court called for this matter.
3. If you do not defend against this suit within
Thirty (30) days from the date the Process
Server hands you this or you are served
with it otherwise as permitted under the
Community Code, the Court may enter
default judgment against you.
4. A default judgment may have serious,
adverse, and irreversible consequences
against you.
5. If you want to defend against the claim
and avoid default judgment entered against
you, you must file a written answer, motion
to dismiss or other responsive pleading
within thirty (30) days from when you are
served with this Notice. The Court will not
extend time for your response and you
must make your response in writing, no
oral responses will be accepted
6. If you do nothing, the Court may give
Judgment for what the Complaint
demands. (Section 5-16.1, Judgment by
Default)

DATED this 14th of February 2024.
CLERK OF SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA
INDIAN COMMUNITY TRIBAL COURT

**CHIAGO, ADONIA
DEFAULT NOTICE
CV-23-4019**
To: Adonia Chiago, RESPONDENT

1. A Complaint / Petition has been filed
against you in this Court and your
immediate attention to this fact is urgent if
you do not want judgment entered against
you.
2. The Court record reflects that you have
failed to respond to defend by filing an
answer, motion to dismiss, request for
extension of time or other responsive
pleading and you have failed to attend
hearings at the Court called for this matter.
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with it otherwise as permitted under the
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default judgment against you.
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and avoid default judgment entered against
you, you must file a written answer, motion
to dismiss or other responsive pleading
within thirty (30) days from when you are

served with this Notice. The Court will not
extend time for your response and you
must make your response in writing, no
oral responses will be accepted

6. If you do nothing, the Court may give
Judgment for what the Complaint
demands. (Section 5-16.1, Judgment by
Default)
- DATED this 1st of February, 2024
CLERK OF SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA
INDIAN COMMUNITY TRIBAL COURT

**CHIAGO, ADONIA MARIE
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CV-23-4019**
TO: Chiago, Adonia Marie:

YOU ARE HEREBY ORDERED to appear
before the above-entitled court on the
2nd day of April 2024 at 9:30 AM, in Court
Room #1, and show cause why you should
not be held in contempt for failing to
adhere to court orders.

FAILURE TO APPEAR will result in a
Bench Warrant issued for your arrest for
Contempt of Court from (\$6-41) of the
Code or Ordinances.

ORDERED this 1st day of February 2024
Judge Raymond L. Deer
SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN
COMMUNITY TRIBAL COURT

**GONZALES, VANESSA
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CV-23-0109**
TO: Vanessa Gonzales

YOU ARE HEREBY ORDERED to appear
before the above-entitled court on the 28th
day of March, 2024 at 9:30 AM, in Court
Room #2, and show cause why you should
not be held in contempt for failing to obey
Court Orders

FAILURE TO APPEAR will result in a
Bench Warrant issued for your arrest for
Contempt of Court from (\$6-41) of the
Code or Ordinances.

ORDERED this 25th day of January, 2024.
Judge Darayne Achin
SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN
COMMUNITY TRIBAL COURT

**HILL, INDARIA
DEFAULT NOTICE
CV-23-3390**
To: Indaria Hill, RESPONDENT

1. A Complaint / Petition has been filed
against you in this Court and your
immediate attention to this fact is urgent if
you do not want judgment entered against
you.
2. The Court record reflects that you have
failed to respond to defend by filing an
answer, motion to dismiss, request for
extension of time or other responsive
pleading and you have failed to attend
hearings at the Court called for this matter.
3. If you do not defend against this suit within
Thirty (30) days from the date the Process
Server hands you this or you are served
with it otherwise as permitted under the

Community Code, the Court may enter
default judgment against you.

4. A default judgment may have serious,
adverse, and irreversible consequences
against you.
5. If you want to defend against the claim
and avoid default judgment entered against
you, you must file a written answer, motion
to dismiss or other responsive pleading
within thirty (30) days from when you are
served with this Notice. The Court will not
extend time for your response and you
must make your response in writing, no
oral responses will be accepted
6. If you do nothing, the Court may give
Judgment for what the Complaint
demands. (Section 5-16.1, Judgment by
Default)

DATED this 6th February 2024
CLERK OF SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA
INDIAN COMMUNITY TRIBAL COURT

J.L.
Notice of Judgment and Order of Child
Support:

Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community
Court, State of Arizona, Maricopa County
original jurisdiction court case number
CFCS-23-0016

Notice of Judgment and Order of Child
Support is hereby ORDERED AND
ADJUDGED and is hereby ENTERED
on the 29th day of August 2023. It is
further, ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that
Respondent J. L. shall pay child support
in the amount of \$1,139.00 per month to
Petitioners, K.G. and R.G. Payment shall
be made to Petitioners within thirty (30)
days of this Order. Petitioners are granted
a judgment of back support in the amount
of \$2,695.00 against the Respondent. The
Order of support presumptively terminates
on May 30, 2040.

THIS ORDER IS FINAL FOR PURPOSES
OF APPEAL.

**MANUEL, ROY
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
C-22-0144**
TO: Roy Manuel, Respondent,

YOU ARE HEREBY ORDERED to appear
before the above-entitled court on the 13th
day of March, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. in Court
Room #2, and show cause why you should
not be held in contempt for:

Failing to abide by the Court Order issued on
July 11th, 2023.

FAILURE TO APPEAR will result in a
Bench Warrant issued for your arrest for
Contempt of Court from (§ 6-41) of the
Code of Ordinances.

ORDERED: this 19th, day of January, 2024
Judge Anthony Little
SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN
COMMUNITY TRIBAL COURT

**N.S.A.
JUDGMENT
CFCS-23-0018**
Notice of Judgment and Order of Child

Support:
Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community
Court, State of Arizona, Maricopa County
original jurisdiction court case number
CFCS-23-0018

Notice of Judgment and Order of Child
Support is hereby ORDERED AND
ADJUDGED and is hereby ENTERED
on the 4th day of January, 2024. It is
further, ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that
Respondent N. S.E. shall pay child support
to Petitioner, B. P. Payment shall be made
to Petitioner within 30 days of service
of this order and once every thirty (30)
days thereafter until this order expires or
otherwise modified. The Order of support
presumptively terminates May 30th,
2039. This order is final for purposes of
appeal. Please contact the Salt River Pima
Maricopa Indian Community Tribal Court
for any questions regarding this matter at
480-362-6315 Monday through Friday 8am
to 5pm.

**PRIETO, MARIA
DEFAULT NOTICE
CV-23-4289**
To: Maria Prieto, RESPONDENT

1. A Complaint / Petition has been filed
against you in this Court and your
immediate attention to this fact is urgent if
you do not want judgment entered against
you.
2. The Court record reflects that you have
failed to respond to defend by filing an
answer, motion to dismiss, request for
extension of time or other responsive
pleading and you have failed to attend
hearings at the Court called for this matter.
3. If you do not defend against this suit within
Thirty (30) days from the date the Process
Server hands you this or you are served
with it otherwise as permitted under the
Community Code, the Court may enter
default judgment against you.

4. A default judgment may have serious,
adverse, and irreversible consequences
against you.
5. If you want to defend against the claim
and avoid default judgment entered against
you, you must file a written answer, motion
to dismiss or other responsive pleading
within thirty (30) days from when you are
served with this Notice. The Court will not
extend time for your response and you
must make your response in writing, no
oral responses will be accepted
6. If you do nothing, the Court may give
Judgment for what the Complaint
demands. (Section 5-16.1, Judgment by
Default)

DATED this 30th of January, 2024
CLERK OF SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA
INDIAN COMMUNITY TRIBAL COURT

**SANTO SR., BLAINE
SUMMONS
J-14-0016/0017**
In the Matter of Termination of the Parental
Rights of:

B.S. Jr. (DOB: 06/12/2012)
N.S. (DOB: 01/31/2011)
TO: Blaine Santo Sr.

A Petition to Terminate Parental Rights has
been filed on January 19, 2024 in this
Court against you, which alleges grounds
for the termination of your parental rights
of the above captioned child(ren). You
may obtain a copy of the Petition by calling
(480) 362-6315. A hearing has been set
to determine whether the petitioner has
proven that allegation(s) support a legal
basis for termination of parental rights.

THEREFORE YOU ARE ORDERED
to APPEAR for an Initial Hearing for
Termination of Parental Rights before the
Honorable Judge Achin, the Salt River
Juvenile Court on Monday, March 25,
2024, at 11:00 am, in Court Room #3.

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.

NOTICE: Violation of this Order is Subject
to Proceedings for Contempt of Court
Pursuant to Salt River Community Code
Section 6-42. If Good Cause is Not
Shown, 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. Further,
the Parties Should be Advised that the
Hearing for Termination of Parental Rights
May Proceed Without the Parent or
Necessary Respondent Present. Failure
to Appear May Result in the Hearing Being
Held Without the Parent and the Parental
Rights of the Parent may be Terminated.

SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN
COMMUNITY TRIBAL COURT

**SPEX, DEVEN ARLEES
SUMMONS
J-11-0186**

In the Matter of Termination of the Parental
Rights of:

K.S. (DOB: 09/08/2006)
TO: Deven Arlees Spex

A Petition to Terminate Parental Rights has
been filed on January 18, 2024 in this
Court against you, which alleges grounds
for the termination of your parental rights
of the above captioned child(ren). You
may obtain a copy of the Petition by calling
(480) 362-6315. A hearing has been set
to determine whether the petitioner has
proven that allegation(s) support a legal
basis for termination of parental rights.

THEREFORE YOU ARE ORDERED
to APPEAR for an Initial Hearing for
Termination of Parental Rights before the
Honorable Judge Darmody at the Salt
River Juvenile Court located at 10040 E.
Osborn Road Scottsdale, Arizona 85256
on March 19, 2024 at 1:30 P.M. in Court
Room #3.

Pursuant to Administrative Order No. 14-

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1452 E. Oak St.
Mesa, AZ 85203
Pastor Merrill Jones
(480) 234-6091
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-Sun. School, 9:30 a.m.
-Worship Service, 10:45 a.m.
-Sun. Night Bible Study, 6:30 p.m.
-Wed. Devotion Night at church, 6:30 p.m.
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-Mon. night Prayer Meeting, 6 p.m.
-Singspiration, last Sunday of the month at 6 p.m.

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Mesa, AZ 85203
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Pastor Annette Lewis
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-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.

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SERVICES
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-Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.
-Sunday Bible Class 6 p.m.
-Bible Study Wednesdays 7 p.m.
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Scottsdale, AZ 85271
E: SaltRiverPresbyterian@gmail.com
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SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY TRIBAL COURT

FAILURE TO APPEAR will result in a Bench Warrant issued for your arrest for Contempt of Court from (§6-41) of the Code or Ordinances.

Ordered this 19th day of January, 2024

Judge Anthony Little

SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY TRIBAL COURT

**THOMAS SR., DILLON
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CV-23-3521**

TO: Dillon Thomas Sr.

YOU ARE HEREBY ORDERED to appear before the above-entitled court on the 18th day of March, 2024 at 9:00 AM, in Court Room #1, and show cause why you should not be held in contempt for failing to obey Court Orders

FAILURE TO APPEAR will result in a Bench Warrant issued for your arrest for Contempt of Court from (§6-41) of the Code or Ordinances.

ORDERED this 22nd day of January, 2024.

Judge Raymond L. Deer

SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY TRIBAL COURT

**STANDING ELK, CARLA
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
C-23-0045**

TO: Carla Standing Elk, Respondent

YOU ARE HEREBY ORDERED to appear before the above-entitled court on the 13th day of March, 2024 at 9 AM, in Court Room #2, and show cause why you should not be held in contempt for failing to abide by the Court Order issued on September 28th, 2023

March 21, 2024

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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

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**SUPERINTENDENT
DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION**

**CANDIDATE
FORUM**

SAVE THE DATE!

**TUESDAY
APRIL 30
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ALA LECTURE HALL**

More details at
SaltRiverSchools.org.
[#SaltRiverRising](https://twitter.com/SaltRiverRising)

The public is invited to meet the finalists in the search for the next Superintendent / Director of Education at Salt River Schools. This event is open to the public.

SALT RIVER PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT NOTICE

**COMMUNITY PARK CLOSURES
PARK IMPROVEMENTS - PHASE 1**

The following Community Parks will be closed to Community residents for repairs and improvements.

VICTORY ACRES 1 PARK - 4190 NORTH MACDONALD ROAD CLOSED Monday, March 11 to Friday, March 22, 2024	RED MOUNTAIN VISTA PARK - 11840 EAST GLENROSA DRIVE CLOSED Monday, March 18 to Friday, March 27, 2024
VICTORY ACRES 2 PARK - 11737 EAST GLENROSA DRIVE CLOSED Thursday, March 28 & Friday, March 29, 2024	FRIENDSHIP PARK - 3297 NORTH LONGMORE ROAD CLOSED Monday, April 15 to Friday, April 19, 2024

Park improvements are by Exerplay Inc.
Public Works Project Manager: Jeff Rind, 480-362-5744 or email jeff.rind@srpmic-nsn.gov

SALT RIVER PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

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SAVE THE DATE!

**THURSDAY
APRIL 4
4-7PM
ALA GYM**

#SaltRiverRising

More details at SaltRiverSchools.org.

SALT RIVER SCHOOLS

EDUCATION FAIR

Veterans Open House Provides Resources and Services to Community Veterans

BY CHRIS PICCIUOLO
O'odham Action News
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The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Veterans Services Department held a Veterans Open House on February 23 at the Round House Café. The event offered resources and information to support Community veterans, their families and SRPMIC employees who are veterans.

The event provided services such as health insurance eligibility and enrollment, benefits and claims assistance, toxic exposure screening and more.

"It's crucial [for Community veterans to have access to these services] because some veterans are well-informed about resources but may not actively seek them out," said Veterans Representative Amanda White. "By bringing these resources and services to the Community and raising awareness, we can engage our Community veterans and families, who often prefer hands-on, face-to-face interactions."

A total of 13 vendors had booths at the event, including the U.S. Department



Representatives from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs set up a booth with information about toxic exposure screenings at the Veteran's Open House.

of Veterans Affairs (VA) and other local organizations that provide housing and homelessness assistance for veterans.

One of the vendors was the VA at Home Telehealth Program, which offers telehealth services that align with a veteran's healthcare plan.

"These services allow you to meet virtually with your VA provider, adapt to

your lifestyle, and support your well-being and independence at home by using computers or mobile devices," said White. "During our discussions, I discovered that they can also supply iPads to veterans in need."

Veterans Representative Troy Truax Jr. said that tribal communities should ensure that veterans are not only ac-

knowledgeable for their military service, but are also empowered to reach their future goals by raising awareness, advocating for them and providing direct support.

A primary goal of the event, according to Truax, was to facilitate a smooth process for Community veterans within the VA system and ensure that they are accounted for and enrolled in the system.

"The Veterans Representative team's goal is to provide the best possible healthcare for our veterans, whether through the VA system or from established healthcare providers like the River People Health Center," said Truax.

Truax added that Veterans Services aims to improve this annual event and welcomes input from both the Community and SRPMIC employee veterans. You may share your thoughts at Veteran-Services@srpmic-nsn.gov. "We hope to see you next year at our annual Veterans Open House event," he said.

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Saturday – April 13, 2024
8:00am to 12:00pm

Saturday – April 20, 2024
8:00am to 12:00pm

Bids may be submitted During viewing

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Calendar of Events

ONGOING

- YOGA FOR FALL PREVENTION**, Mondays 9 a.m. – 10 a.m. at WOLF Senior Room. All Fitness Levels Welcome! Sign up with Celinda Joe at (480) 876-7180 and request transportation if needed.
- YOGA FOR FALL PREVENTION**, Fridays 1 p.m. – 2 p.m. at WOLF Senior Room. All Fitness Levels Welcome! Sign up with Celinda Joe at (480) 876-7180 and request transportation if needed. **Last Fridays of Each Month are YOGA BINGO with prizes!
- BEADING CIRCLE AT SALT RIVER TRIBAL LIBRARY**, 5:30 p.m. – 8 p.m. alternating Wednesdays. Scheduled to be held 3/20, 4/3, and 4/17.
- WATER AEROBICS AT WAY OF LIFE FACILITY POOL**, 45-minute sessions on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays at 10 a.m., 12 p.m., and 1 p.m. No registration required. Questions? Call (480) 362-6310
- VITA TAX PROGRAM**, Tax assistance by appointment available until April 18. Seniors/Disabled Priority *NO Filing Back Taxes and Itemized Taxes. Requirements: Must have an appointment, Income of \$58,000 or less, Social Security Card for tax filer & all dependents or any official government document with SS#, Copy of Drivers License or Government ID, All tax documents (W-2, 1099's, etc.), IRS Child Tax Credit letter, if applicable, Bank Account/ Routing number (for direct deposits). Contact the Vita Message Line: (480) 362-7540. Leave your Full Name & Phone Number. A VITA Volunteer will promptly return your call with further details.
- WELLBRIETY 12 STEP AND MEDICINE WHEEL**, Wednesdays and Fridays 9:30 a.m. – 11 a.m. Wellbriety is a Native American recovery fellowship that blends spiritual practice with the 12-Step program. Its approach to recovery focuses on healing and is rooted in the Teachings of the Medicine Wheel, the Cycle of Life, and the Four Laws of Change. Wellbriety emphasizes creating new thought patterns,

- attitudes, and feelings about sobriety based on traditional concepts and Native American teachings.
- TALKING CIRCLE FOLLOWING WELLBRIETY**, Wednesdays and Fridays 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. Following the Wellbriety session, participants are invited to join the Talking Circle to share insights and experiences related to living in recovery and honoring traditional practices, including fellowship, community, and connection. Talking Circle sessions also take place every Wednesday and Friday, from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM.
- WARRIOR'S SUPPORT CIRCLE**, 2nd Thursday Warrior's Support Circle is a talking circle aimed at offering our Veterans a safe space to meet and share their life experiences, challenges, and successes. The circle offers a free, confidential space for members to take steps towards recovery by gaining insight from others and learning more about PTSD, adjustment issues after reintegration into the civilian world, and to discuss general challenges that accompany service in the our military.
- CRAFT COMMUNITY REINFORCEMENT AND FAMILY TRAINING**, Support group for families of loved ones battling substance abuse/addiction/dependence. Fridays 4p.m. - 5:30 p.m. at RPHC Room 3106 (3rd Floor) For More Information please contact Shea Hinton at (480) 362-2739
- KUI 'I'IVAGIDAG MAŞAD XLY'A XMOK MARCH**
- 23 HUHUGAM KI: MUSEUM'S ANNUAL TORTILLA FESTIVAL**, 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. Demonstrations, Tortilla History, Tortilla Making, Chicken Scratch Band, Food Vendors, Games & More!
- 26 SPECIAL ELECTION ON PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS TO THE ELECTION PROCESS**, Vote

- at your respective district! District I (Salt River) Voters - Vote at Salt River Community Building, 1880 N. Longmore Road, Scottsdale, AZ 85256; District II (Lehi) Voters - Vote at Lehi Community Building, 1231 E. Oak Street, Mesa, AZ 85203; Polls Open: 6 a.m. – 6 p.m. SRPMIC Tribal ID Required. Questions, contact: Council Secretaries at (480) 362-7466 or (480) 362-7465.
- 27 K-POP DAEBAK KLUB**, Way of Life Facility, Room 56. 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Join us to celebrate, connect, and embrace the vibrant world of K-Pop, no matter your age or ability. Please contact the Tribal Library at (480)362-6600 or TribalLibrary@srpmic-nsn.gov with questions
- 28 CM BUTLER DISTRICT A MEETING**, 6 p.m. at SRPMIC Council Chambers 10091 E Osborn Rd Scottsdale, 85256. Topics to include Introduction of New Police chief, introduction of new fire chief, amendments to the child support ordinance, and community member comments. Please contact council secretaries office to confirm meeting and agenda at (480) 362-7469
- 28 ADULT WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT (WIOA) INFORMATION SESSION**, 9 a.m. - 10 a.m. at Two Waters Building B-102. Join the Salt River WIOA Program for an information session on how the program offers support to individuals toward their career goals through education and training. For questions, contact Illeana Ray, WIOA Specialist at (480) 362-3071
- 28 PRE-DIABETES BINGO NIGHT**, 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. at WOLF Room #247. Bring your friends and family for a night of knowledge, "Know Your Numbers", and helpful resources and tips for your health. Prizes will be awarded to the lucky bingo winners! For more information, contact Karina J Watson Community Health Educator at (480) 362-3278 or karina.watson2@srpmic-nsn.gov
- 30 COMMUNITY EASTER EGG HUNT**, see ad on page 12 for more information.

- KUI HIOSIG MAŞAD XLY'A CHMPAP APRIL**
- 4 ADAPTIVE RECREATION TABLE TALK**, Join Community Recreational Services Adaptive Recreation division from 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at the Social Suite at 1880 N Longmore for an evening filled with dinner, discussion, and feedback. Share your input on what you would like to see offered from Adaptive Recreation programs. See ad on page 12 for more information!
- 4 EDUCATION FAIR**, 4 p.m. - 7 p.m. at ALA Gym. See ad on page 18 for more information!
- 5-6 PIIPAASH MATASHEEVM COMMUNITY SOCIAL**, 12 p.m. at Lehi Gathering Area. All bird and O'odham singers and dancers are invited to join us for dinner (while supplies last) and dancing. For questions, please contact piipaashmatasheevm@srpmic-nsn.gov
- 10 K-POP DAEBAK KLUB**, Way of Life Facility, Room 56. 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Join us to celebrate, connect, and embrace the vibrant world of K-Pop, no matter your age or ability. Please contact the Tribal Library at (480) 362-6600 or TribalLibrary@srpmic-nsn.gov with questions
- 13 PROBATE AND WILL OPEN HOUSE**, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at Way of Life Facility. Presented by Community Development Department and Legal Services Office. See ad on page 10 for more information!
- 20 EARTH DAY**, Save the date! More information to come!
- 24 K-POP DAEBAK KLUB**, Way of Life Facility, Room 56. 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Join us to celebrate, connect, and embrace the vibrant world of K-Pop, no matter your age or ability. Please contact the Tribal Library at (480)362-6600 or TribalLibrary@srpmic-nsn.gov with questions
- 25 THRIVING WITH DIABETES**, 830 a.m. - 3 p.m. at River People Health Center's Teaching Kitchen. Every fourth Thursday

- of the month, providers will go over major topics of diabetes care including food, medication, physical activity, and stress management. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. Call (480) 362-3355 for information and to reserve a spot.
- 30 SUPERINTENDENT DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION CANDIDATE FORUM**, 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. at ALA lecture hall. See ad on page 18 for more information!
- ‘U’US VIOHOGTALIG MAŞAD XLY'A SARAP MAY**
- 2-5 NATIVE FASHION WEEK IN SANTA FE**
- 14 WIC & PARTNERS SPECIAL EVENT AT SRPMIC FOOD BANK**, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. at 1952 N. Longmore Rd. Enjoy Indigenous Ingredients & Take Home A Tribal Food Box. Quantity is Limited and Indigenous Ingredients may vary. Contact us at: 480-362-7300 or Email: wic@srpmic-nsn.gov