

# HAPPY NEW YEAR! SRPMIC RINGS IN THE NEW YEAR

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The sounds of music and laughter filled the air during the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community's New Year's Eve Family Celebration. The event was held at the Community Building.

Every year the SRPMIC hosts the New Year's Eve celebration on December 31 with festivities outside the Community Building and inside the Pi-Copa Gym. Close to 1,000 people came throughout the evening to have fun and ring in the New Year.

Rides opened up during the evening and DJ Reflection played popular hits inside the gym. Youth flocked to a game truck with a video game party, as well as photo booths and a social dance inside the Community Building hosted by Vice-President Ricardo Leonard. Gertie and the TO Boys played later on that evening.

Vendors were selling food and sweets, and party favors were handed out throughout the evening. The balloon drop took place at midnight in the gym while everyone was on the dance floor. Then everyone enjoyed a spectacular fireworks show to start off the New Year.



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## Native Youth Well Represented in the Westwood High School Girls Basketball Teams

BY TASHA SILVERHORN  
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This season, the Westwood High School girls' basketball teams have seven girls from the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. During their game against the La Joya Community Lobos on December 7, the varsity starting five were all Native American, with three of them representing Salt River: Maggie Makil and sisters Daycee Achin and Nyese Jones. The team also includes juniors Sydney Carlos and Morning Star Scabby, who play's for both the junior varsity and varsity teams.



Maggie Makil, No. 11, senior has been playing on the Westwood High School Basketball team since she was a freshman; in her final season she hopes to make it to the championships.

"We have quite a bit of girls from Salt River that have been playing for a while and they go out there and shoot the ball," said Ron Compton, the Westwood girls' varsity basketball coach. "[In] our program, top to bottom, we've probably got about 60 percent Native American [players], so our starting five tonight were Native American."

Before kicking off their 2018-2019 season, the girls participated in the Moon Valley Feast or Famine Tournament against

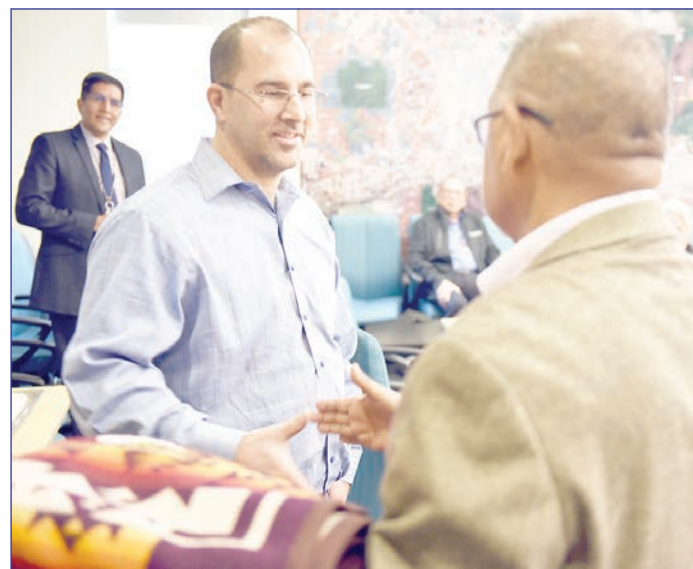
the Flowing Wells Caballeros, Sunnyslope Vikings, Boulder Creek Jaguars and Liberty Lions; Westwood went 2-2 in the tournament.

The varsity girls kicked off their first game of the season of the 6A East Valley Division playing against the Westview Knights, winning 62-21. The varsity team won their next three games against the Shadow Ridge Stallions, 68-30; San Luis Sidewinders, 57-11; and Copper Canyon Aztecs, 69-36. Their

first loss of the season was to the Mountain Lions at Red Mountain, 43-47. That loss didn't keep them down, as they won their next four games in December against the La Joya Community Lobos, 81-17; Tucson Badgers, 56-52; Maryvale Panthers, 57-43; and Alhambra Lions, 43-27. In their final game of the first half of the season, Westwood lost to the Dobson Mustangs in a close game with a final score of 53-55.

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## Council Recognizes Outgoing BIA Superintendent Patton



President Delbert W. Ray Sr. thanked former Bureau of Indian Affairs Salt River Agency Office Superintendent George Patton for his many significant contributions to the Community.

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At a Council work session on December 6, the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community recognized Bureau of Indian Affairs Salt River Agency Office Superintendent George Patton for his work with the Community as he prepares to leave his position after eight years for a new position with the Indian Health Service.

President Delbert W. Ray Sr. thanked Patton for his many significant contributions to the Community. Patton

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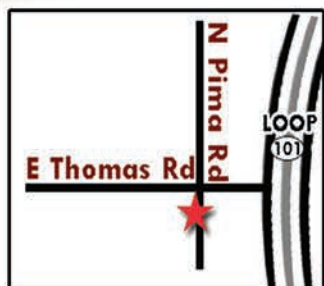
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# SRPMIC Host 2018 Annual CANAR Conference

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The 2018 Annual Consortia of Administrators for Native American Rehabilitation (CANAR) Conference was hosted by the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community and held at the Talking Stick Resort December 9-13.

CANAR's mission is to serve as an avenue of collaboration and cooperation between administrators of rehabilitation agencies serving American Indian and Alaskan Native persons with disabilities to enhance the quality of service, resulting in positive employment outcomes.

On December 10, the conference kicked off with an opening ceremony and grand entry of people from more than 40 tribes representing their communities. The Salt River High School JROTC posted the colors, and SRPMIC Vice-President Martin Harvier delivered the welcome address.

"I was impressed with the display of the flags of the tribes that are represented here," said Harvier. "I want



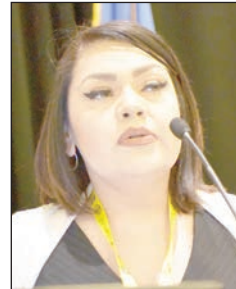
Tribes take part in the grand entry during the opening ceremony of the Annual CANAR Conference at Talking Stick Resort.



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to thank you for what you do. I want to thank our [SRPMIC] staff as far as working with our members with disabilities and giving them the opportunities of employment. It takes special people in different fields to do the work they do... the understanding that you have, the heart that you have .... That's how I feel that people have to genially feel the love that they do work for to help their lives be better, and that's a reflection on each and every one of you here representing your tribes."

Throughout the conference, Arizona tribes including the Navajo Nation, the Hopi Tribe and the White



Community Employment Manager Crystal Banuelos gave a presentation on all the programs that the Human Resources Department offers.



Cultural Resources Director Kelly Washington gave a brief overview of the Community during the SRPMIC spotlight.

Mountain Apache Tribe were spotlighted. SRPMIC Cultural Resources Director Kelly Washington gave a brief overview of the Community and the two tribes that it represents during the SRPMIC spotlight. Community Employment Manager Crystal Banuelos gave a presentation on all the programs that the Human Resources Department offers to better their employment goals.

Workshop topics included Rehabilitation Services Administration, Tribal/State Collaboration of Culture Sensitivity, Career Readiness, Communication with Difficult Clients, Grant Writing and others.

## Salt River High School's Culture Night Features Traditional Storytelling by Barnaby Lewis

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O'odham elder Barnaby Lewis shared a traditional story for the second straight year at the Salt River High School.

His precious storytelling was part of Culture Night and guests enjoyed a light dinner of traditional foods, sampling from blue corn mush, prickly pear lemonade, and *poshol* made with roasted corn, brown tepary beans and pima wheat berries.

After the meal, Barnaby Lewis, who is from the Blackwater village in Gila River, told the traditional O'odham story to about 200 visitors inside the school's auditorium. He recited the story in O'odham first, then in English. He was presented with a gift basket after he finished.

Culture Night coincided with the school's annual Book Fair and Canned Food Drive.



Barnaby Lewis shares traditional stories.

## Ho'ok A'aga t-Kihhimo

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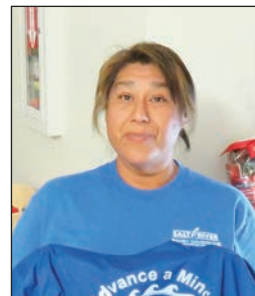
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## AROUND THE COMMUNITY



On December 13, the Salt River Community Children's Foundation partnered with the Salt River High School Book Fair to sponsor families through the school's Stuff the Bus campaign. Here, a family poses for a photo with members of the foundation's board. Families selected were able to visit the Book Fair and select items. For more details about the foundation, visit [www.srpmic-nsgov/community/foundation/](http://www.srpmic-nsgov/community/foundation/). —Dalton Walker, O'odham Action News

## WHAT'S YOUR NEW YEARS RESOLUTION



I would like to spend more time with family. Have more family dinners, weekend trips and spend more with my new grandson.  
BenRita Ortiz, ECEC Teacher Aide



Get better at math and exercise more.  
Braille Toney, 1st Grade Whittier Student



My New Year's resolution would be to maintain good health for me and my son.  
Debbie Hayes, ECEC Teacher Aide



Peace and understanding within one another and health and happiness for all.  
Chalyise Schurz, Saddleback Communications LNP Specialist



Be more active, stay fit and healthy.  
Cholla Turley-Johnson, ECEC Teacher Aide



Get my financials in order and perform healthier habits.  
Dasha Enos, Social Recreation Coordinator

**KIM ANTON**



Skeg Tas! My name is Kim Anton. I am the oldest son of past president Gerald Anton and Rita Summers (89 years young). I have three siblings, three children and three

grandchildren. On my father's maternal side I am the grandson of Edna Jackson and great-grandson of Cherlis Jackson. On my father's paternal side I am the grandson of Nelson Anton. I am a sixth-generation descendant of an original allottee. I am a graduate of Mesa High School and Northern Arizona University with a bachelor's degree in General Studies and a minor in Business.

I seek to represent the Community on the Tribal Council because I believe in the vast potential that our people have to excel and thrive. We can control our own destiny! I applaud the advancements made by previous administrations, and I believe that my life experiences give me the tools to help our youth become self-sustaining and more world-wise in order for them to maximize the opportunities available to them. Financial education of the youth is my priority.

I believe that families are the strength of our Community! Govern-

ment must support Community families but not replace families or their responsibilities. I support programs that strengthen individual health, mentally, emotionally and physically.

I have been serving in the Community since returning in 2010. I was a member of the golf enterprise board for six years and played a key role in making the changes that have resulted in the enterprise making an annual profit. As chairman of the Cultural Subcommittee, I spearheaded the efforts to incorporate more of the Piipaash and O'odham culture into the golf course experience.

For the past three years I have served on the Education Board in a professional position and for the last two years as the Vice-Chairman of that body. I am also currently serving on the Head Start policy council as the Education Board representative.

In my career I have worked in the regional accounting office for the Safeway Corporation and for Walgreen's as a store manager for almost 10 years. For two years I was a project manager for the Economic Development Office of the Oneida Tribe in Wisconsin. For the last three years I have worked as a tax auditor in the Salt River Treasurer's Office.

I look forward to helping Community families grow stronger. I respectfully request your vote for Tribal Council.

**ANDREW DAVID ANTONE**



I am married with five grandchildren in my household. I practice a vakial lifestyle in cattle ranching and horse care.

**PLATFORM**

My administrative background includes completion of a Council term for 2014-2018, with over 20 years of prior tribal employment with experience in law enforcement, court advocacy and enterprise board chairmanships. During my Council term I continually practiced transparency in government. I've advocated for individual rights of employment and the ability of members to openly voice concerns in private and open forums. I've aided individual Community members in their personal issues or complaints regarding governmental services.

There is still work to be done within our government. My main concern is the path our government has taken this Community in matters crucial to our rights and well-being in regard to laws, tribal services and especially our own governmental practices. Our need for communication, service and accountability from our administration and employees who are responsible for providing services is my agenda.

At one time in our history, the ultimate goal was to have members lead

this Community and serve as directors and managers in every department. Realistically that hasn't happened, not in the past and not now. We're lacking in the nature of true self-governance wherein we allow implementation of foreign or individual personal standards in government functions that affect us and ultimately benefit ... in my opinion, someone else. Good or bad, those standards and practices remain, and we live with the consequences. There needs to be accountability from management to stop this practice through adherence to policy and procedure.

I would like to proactively transition into a government that functions in an effective and efficient manner with structured accountability from all employees and management. This can be accomplished by utilizing our own members with technical expertise, affirming policy and procedure, and adherence to job requirements.

We as O'odham and Piipaash have the ability to govern ourselves to make the best decisions, relying on wisdom, experience, education and our own history.

My prior Council and employment experiences, personal knowledge and education prepare me for this election. As a Council member, protection of your interests and welfare is my responsibility. I believe that I fulfilled that duty to the best of my ability during my prior term.

I ask for your vote in the special election for the vacant District I Council member seat.

**WI-BWA GREY**



My name is Wi-Bwa Grey, but most people may know me as the security officer at the Salt River Schools. I am a single mother of two children who keep me running in all directions, and

I have a loving companion who supports me in all I do. I graduated from Westwood High School and attended Scottsdale Community College. Presently I am a student at Grand Canyon University. I also hold the position of Security Director of the Salt River Community Schools, where my passion is school safety.

For the past 37 years, I have been fortunate to live in, work in and be part of the Salt River Community. This has also provided me with opportunities to be involved politically, traditionally and spiritually. My family and elders have taught me dedication, perseverance, hard work and teamwork. They have also taught me to handle success along with failure.

The reason why I have decided to run for this leadership role is I have seen this Community grow and prosper due to previous Councils' visions and accomplishments, and I thank them. Now I feel it is time for my generation to step up and turn the attention to the people and their needs.

**Some of my concerns are:**

- \* Providing a rehabilitation center for our children.
- \* Providing a foster care program that will pay our own people the same that is paid to the outside.
- \* Provide a sober home for our people.
- \* Provide halfway homes for our members who are being released from prison.
- \* Improve our drug and alcohol rehabilitation center.
- \* Enhance education in our Community schools.
- \* Provide some multi-family apartments.

**My qualifications are:**

- \* Served nine years on the Law Enforcement Commission, with five years as Commission Chair.
- \* Member of the Arizona Tribal Gang Task Force
- \* Recipient of the 2018 Gang and Drug Prevention and Intervention Award
- \* Anti-gang, drug and Community violence advocate
- \* Safe Schools advocate
- \* 15 years dedicated to education and youth leadership
- \* Member of the Salt River Tribal Emergency Response Commission
- \* FEMA certified
- \* Emergency response instructor
- \* Drug Court panel member

If I am elected, I will do my best to bring honor to my people and look forward to the visions of our Community. This is our day to live, to speak and to lead.

**JENELLE HOWARD**



My name is Jenelle Howard. I am the oldest daughter of Re-chanda Howard and the late Ryle Howard. My paternal grandparents are the late Nan and Eugene Howard; my maternal grand-

parents are the late Rawlinson Manuel and Gussie Ray Williams. I have four brothers and one sister, with several nieces and nephews. I myself have four daughters and one grandson.

My educational and professional background has always been to serve and assist others, especially my fellow Community members. Over the past four years, I had the privilege and honor serving as SRPMIC District A Council representative and with your help I can continue to serve our Community. There

are many concerns and issues at hand that still need addressing. I understand the processes needed to make improvements for/ in our government which impact the members, present and future.

It is with an eager heart that I run for the vacant Council member seat in this special election. So, don't forget to vote on January 14, 2019.

**EXPERIENCE**

- \* 2014-2018: SRPMIC District A Council representative
- \* 2004-2014: SRPMIC Social Services-Life Enhancement and Resource Network (LEARN) program
- \* 2001: Bachelor of arts degree in Christian Counseling from Nazarene Bible College, Colorado Springs, Colorado
- \* 1998: Associate of arts degrees in Human Services and Office Administration from Nazarene Indian Bible College, Albuquerque, New Mexico

# SPECIAL ELECTION - DISTRICT I - SALT RIVER - CANDIDATES

## JANET L. JOHNSON



Good day, my name is Janet Johnson. I am seeking the position of Council Member for the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community (SRPMIC) to further expand my knowledge,

apply the traits I have gained over the years to the position, and as a member and leader continue to contribute to our great Community.

### CURRENT STATUS

Over the years, I have served as our Director of Community Relations (CRO), providing public relations through advertising, marketing, communication, media relations, community outreach, tourism, events and special projects. Community Relations has been my passion on opportunities, growth and educating others about Salt River. As the first public relations office in Indian Country, the department began with two staff members in 1982. Today, SRPMIC Community Relations employs 15 full-time staff members, along with three apprentice and two temporary staff members. Community Relations has mentored students, apprentices and interns and has closely worked with the Day Work Program. The team at Community Relations is the best ever! Each staff member provides special qualities that contribute to the deliverables we provide in services.

### ABOUT EDUCATION

Education has been a personal goal of mine. I am very fortunate to be a student in the Grand Canyon University (GCU) Cohort Program through SRPMIC. I began at GCU in September 2017; in May 2019, I will complete my bachelor's degree in Applied Management. In June 2019, I begin a dual master's degree program in Business Administration with a secondary in Leadership. GO LOPES! I am grateful that the Community provides the opportunity for members to continue their education. I have come full circle; in my early years, it was tough going to college. I was employed full-time and the Community was facing many issues that warranted long and sometimes unpredictable hours. What has provided the drive for me today is online classes. I just love the concept of interacting and learning with students across the nation. Pursuing an education is definitely a commitment of perseverance.

### ABOUT FAMILY

I am the daughter of Barbara C. Johnson of Salt River and the late Lloyd Johnson of Tohono O'odham, Sells. I am one of 11 siblings, two of whom are deceased. I am blessed with five children and 10 grandchildren.

### ABOUT VOTING

Since turning 18, I have been active voting in tribal, state and national elections. I encourage you to vote in our tribal election on Monday, January 14, 2019.

# NOTICE OF 2019 SRPMIC SPECIAL ELECTION

**DISTRICT I (SALT RIVER) VOTERS ONLY**  
**Monday, January 14, 2019**  
**Polls Open: 6 am – 6 pm**  
**Salt River Community Building**

A Special Election has been called to fill an upcoming vacant District I (SR) Council Member Seat. The vacancy is due to District I (SR) Council Member Ricardo Leonard being newly elected as the Vice-President at the recent General Election. The remaining two year term will be filled by this Special Election.

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 District I (Salt River) for at least one (1) year; or if you are a non-resident, declared District I (SR) as your 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.

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District I (Salt River) voters vote at the SALT RIVER COMMUNITY BUILDING. (Polls open from 6 a.m. - 6 p.m.)

### 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 the Salt River Community Building. Non-resident voters who have filed a form with the Office of Membership Services declaring District I (Salt River) as their home district are eligible to vote in this Special Election. If you are not sure which district

you vote in, please contact the Office of Membership Services at (480) 362-7600.

### A SRPMIC TRIBAL ID IS REQUIRED TO VOTE.

Enrolled 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) 362-7600 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 your name, tribal ID number, and address are up-to-date with the Office of Membership Services (located at Two Waters Building B, 3rd Floor).

### ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Deadline for Residents to request an Absentee Ballot was Monday, December 31, 2018.

### THE DEADLINE FOR RESIDENTS WHO ARE ELDERLY, DISABLED OR IN THE HOSPITAL (if you cannot come to the polls and would like to home vote) is

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## CANDIDATE FORUM FOR SR COUNCIL SEAT

**Thursday, January 10, 2018**  
**Salt River Community Building**  
**6– 8 p.m.**

### FORUM GUIDELINES:

- \* Each candidate will be given two (2) minutes for an opening statement.
- \* Community members will be encouraged to ask questions of the candidates.
- \* Questions should relate to issues and not be of a malicious (attacking) nature.
- \* Community members may direct a question to an individual candidate or more than one candidate.
- \* Community members asking more than one question shall be considerate of others wishing to address candidates.
- \* Candidate response to questions will be limited to two (2) minutes.
- \* Each candidate will be given two (2) minutes for a closing statement.
- \* A prompter will be seated up front with time cards at 1 minute and 30 seconds to assure responses are met in a timely manner.
- \* Candidates that will be absent during the Community forums may have a statement read by the forum Moderator or a person of their choosing. So long as adequate notification is provided to Community Relations (at least 24-hour notice). Should a candidate request this process they must provide Community Relations with the individuals name, contact number and copy of the statement. The statement shall be no longer than five (5) minutes. The individual representing the candidate will not sit on the candidate forum panel.
- \* All candidates will make their presentation in a panel setting with a Moderator present.
- \* A table will be available for collateral materials. (i.e.: fliers, brochures, promotional items, etc.)

**\*\*\*A Light Snack will be provided\*\*\***

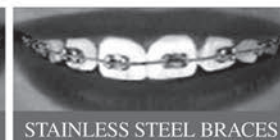
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# News and Events In and Around Indian Country

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one of 40 founding engineers at the highly secretive Skunk Works project at Lockheed Corporation, according to the Cherokee Phoenix newspaper. Ross died in 2008 at age 99.

The coin depicts Ross writing calculations, among other features. Native American athlete Jim Thorpe was on the 2018 Native American coin. Sacagawea remains on the front of the coin.

## \$3 Million Awarded to Tribal Business Communities

In December, the U.S. Department of Commerce's Minority Business Development Agency awarded more than \$3 million to support American Indian, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian-owned enterprises.

Ten enterprises received awards, including the American Indian Science and Engineering Society and United Tribes Technical College.

To read more about each project, visit [www.mbd.gov/news](http://www.mbd.gov/news).

## Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation Selected to Host Tourism Conference

The American Indian Alaska Native Tourism Association (AIANTA) has announced that the Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation will host its annual conference in 2020.

We-Ko-Pa Resort and Conference Center will host the tourism conference in September 2020.

The annual conference attracts hundreds of people and features the latest news on tourism in Indian Country.

The Cherokee Nation is hosting the 2019 conference in Tulsa. For more information, visit [www.aianta.org](http://www.aianta.org).

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## Ryan Zinke Steps Down as Secretary of the Interior

Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke has resigned after serving almost two years under the Trump Administration.

The U.S. Department of the Interior oversees the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Bureau of Indian Education.

Zinke visited the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community in 2018. He toured the Way of Life Facility and met with tribal leaders from the four O'odham tribes.

## Stanley R. Liston, Founder of 'Shadow Wolves,' Walks On

Stanley R. Liston, known by many as "Shadow Man," has walked on.

Liston, who was born on the Tohono O'odham Nation and was a former member of the tribe's police department, founded "Shadow Wolves," a unique team recruited by the U.S. Customs Service in 1972 to help track drug smugglers crossing the border onto Tohono O'odham land.

His tracking skills became legendary and Customs officers called him "Shadow Man."

Shadow Wolves remains part of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

## Cherokee Engineer Featured on 2019 Native American Coin

Mary Golda Ross, a Cherokee engineer, is featured on the 2019 Native American dollar coin in a design that celebrates Native peoples in the space program.

Ross was the first known Native American female engineer. She was

# WHAT'S YOUR NEW YEARS RESOLUTION



Get even better in basketball so I can dunk on my friends. Diante Anderson, 8th Grade, Salt River High School



Come to the Boys & Girls Club more and make new friends. Michael Galles, 2nd Grade, Whittier Student



To lose weight and finish my second Associate's Degree with a 4.0 GPA. Also to focus more time on my family." Natasha Lopez-Turner, Casino AZ Dining Shift Supervisor



Not to commit myself to a resolution. I might get worse in my habits. Roger Thomas, SR Transit Dispatcher



To be on time for school and travel more. I'd like to go to tropical islands, like Fiji, and study abroad. Seneca Johnson, Senior, Coronado High School



I'd like to exercise and eat more fruits and veggies and learn more in school. Especially when writing. Trevor Alothey, 2nd Grade, Whittier Student



To be healthy, watch my eating habits and diabetes and make sure I take care of myself. Also work on my finances. Veronica Patton, Saddleback Communications Customer Service Representative

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# 2018 YEAR IN REVIEW



**JAN 16**

Demolition of the old two-story Salt River Court House begins. The building first opened in the summer of 1992 and was replaced by the Judicial Center, which opened in 2017. The old court house started off with two courtrooms, a main courtroom and a juvenile courtroom. A third courtroom was later added.



**JAN 19**

The Great Wolf Lodge breaks ground in the Community. The 350-room family resort will include an 85,000-square-foot indoor water park and a 27,000-square-foot family entertainment center. The lodge will be the first in Arizona and is being built near Salt River Fields in the Talking Stick Entertainment District.



**FEB 10**

More than 200 people participate in the annual Walk for O'dham Piipaash in Lehi. The theme of walk was "Walking in Prayer for Our Past, Present and Future." Participants received a free T-shirt and a burrito breakfast after the walk.



**FEB 28**

Candace Lewis becomes the first person to earn any kind of postsecondary degree or certificate as an inmate of the Salt River Department of Corrections. Lewis earned a Certificate of Completion in Workforce Development through the Rio Salado Community College Reentry Program, a partnership made possible by the SRDOC and the Salt River Schools Higher Education Department. A small ceremony took place in the SRDOC to award Lewis her certificate.



**MAR 10**

The grand-opening ceremony for the prized Way of Life Facility (WOLF) is held, with a ribbon-cutting and other activities. The 119,000-square-foot, two-story WOLF features three full-size basketball courts, an indoor pool with a waterslide, a running track, a fitness center, a dining area, and classroom and office space. Outside, it features a unique skate park, a soccer field and a baseball field.



**MAR 19**

U.S. Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke visits the Community and tours the Way of Life Facility. Zinke met with SRPMIC elected leaders and leaders from the O'dham sister tribes. He held a scheduled press briefing after meeting with tribal leaders to discuss the nation's opioid epidemic and how it's affecting Indian Country.



**MAR 23**

SRPMIC Cultural Resources Department Director Kelly Washington is the honoree at the Third Biennial Ken Hale Memorial Lecture for his years-long work researching the Piipaash language. The American Indian Language Development Institute (AILDI) presented the event at Talking Stick Resort. In photo, AILD Director Ofelia Zepeda helps present Washington with a plaque.



**APR 6**

The medieval battle begins in the Community in the form of the popular Medieval Times Dinner and Tournament. The new castle, the first in Arizona, breaks ground in the Talking Stick Entertainment District.



**APR 19**

The SRPMIC Council holds a special meeting in the packed Council Chambers to announce its renewed effort to battle the increasing trend of illegal drug and alcohol use affecting the Community. The meeting launched an Anti-Drug Awareness Campaign and included President Delbert W. Ray Sr. signing a proclamation.



**MAY 12**

Less than a month after the SRPMIC Council announced its Anti-Drug Awareness Campaign, it holds an Awareness Walk that brought out dozens of Community members and supporters. The walk started at Salt River High School. After, a series of speakers discussed the matter in the school auditorium.



**JUN 2**

The Lehi Raiders capture the D-Backs Inter-Tribal Youth Tournament's Triple A division, led by star pitcher Eric Makil. Lehi went 6-0. The annual tournament features four divisions, with most games played in the Community.



**JUN 9**

The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community celebrates Community Day with a gathering at Two Waters that included live music and dancing. The day commemorates the executive order by U.S. President Rutherford B. Hayes establishing the reservation in 1879.



# 2018 YEAR IN REVIEW



**JUN 28**

The Salt River Clinic holds an open house to show off the facility's renovations. New exam rooms and other space had been added to the clinic.



**JUL 7**

The Young River People's Council is named Youth Council of the Year by the United National Indian Tribal Youth, Inc. (UNITY). The announcement came at UNITY's annual conference, which took place in San Diego.



**JUL 31**

About 60 teenagers take part in a Youth Roundtable at the Way of Life Facility. The roundtable was part of the Community's Anti-Drug Awareness Campaign and gave youth a voice on this important issue. The roundtable lasted three hours and included brainstorming sessions and presentations.



**AUG 3**

SRPMIC breaks ground on the Salt River Police Property and Evidence Bureau building. The building is an investment in public safety, SRPD Chief Karl Auerbach said. The roughly 14,000-square-foot building is west of the fire station at the corner of Indian School Road and Center Street.



**SEP 4**

The Community elects a new president and vice-president. Longtime Community Vice-President Martin Harvier was elected president, and longtime Council member Ricardo Leonard was elected vice-president. Council members Thomas Largo and Michael Dallas were re-elected, and Diane Enos and Cheryl Doka were elected to Council. Chief Judge Ryan Andrews was also re-elected.



**SEP 15**

Behavioral Health Services holds a Recovery Walk for those in the process of recovering from addiction in the Community. The walk started and ended at the Way of Life Facility. The walk was one of three recovery-related events held by Behavioral Health Services.



**SEP 25**

A film crew representing "Success Files with Rob Lowe" visits the Community to get footage for an upcoming episode. An O'odham and Piipaash village was arranged outside the Huhugam Ki Museum for filming. The village coincided with Native American Recognition Day at the Two Waters Complex. Other footage included tribal economic development examples, like Talking Stick Entertainment District.



**OCT 13**

The Community's Recycling Program serves as Grand Marshal of the Native American Connections Parade in Phoenix. The popular parade included many SRPMIC entries, several of which won awards.



**OCT 13**

SRPMIC member Ki-Ana Reina is named First Attendant for Miss Indian Arizona. She placed second behind winner Niagara Rockbridge of the Navajo Nation. Reina was one of five women to compete.



**OCT 30**

Little Caesars Express comes to the Community. The national pizza franchise opened at the Beeline Hwy Pit Stop in another first for the Community, as it's the first to open a location on tribal lands.



**OCT 30**

Sierra Bloom breaks ground on its 43-acre wellness campus in the northwestern corner of the Community. The massive healthcare campus will include assisted living, a behavioral health hospital, medical office clinic, a hotel, retail amenities and build-to-suit space.



**NOV 7**

An O'odham team of three artists is selected to receive \$50,000 to develop a public art project in metro Phoenix. The team, called The Continuum Sudagi Haichu Agga (SRPMs Story) consists of (L-R) Jacob Butler and Dwayne Manuel, both SRPMIC members and Thomas "Breeze" Marcus (Tohono O'odham). The team was one of five selected by the Arizona Community Foundation's Water Public Art Challenge.

# WHAT'S YOUR NEW YEARS RESOLUTION

# HAPPY NEW YEAR!



My New Years resolution is to spend more time with family and get out doors more...  
*Ramon Scott, SR Finance Accounts Receivable*



My new year's resolution is to eat healthier. I would like to do a couple half-marathons.  
*Jessica Scabby, Casino AZ Slot Tech*



I'm going to try to spend more time with my family and especially my grandkids, to get to know them better. They haven't been with us for a while and now they're here. They are a handful but I love them. Family will be my focus this coming year.  
*Carol Baptista, Community elder*



Try make this better this year better than last year.  
*Russel Valenzuela, self-employed*



To get rich.  
*Marieka Dallas*



My 2019 resolution is to spend more time with my growing family.  
*Allison Lewis, School Bus Monitor*



I was born in California. I came back to Salt River to get to know my Pima family in which I only have cousins left and to learn m Pima culture. That's my New Year's resolution.  
*Beverly John*



Prosper and improve my health. Health above everything else.  
*Shayne Joseph*



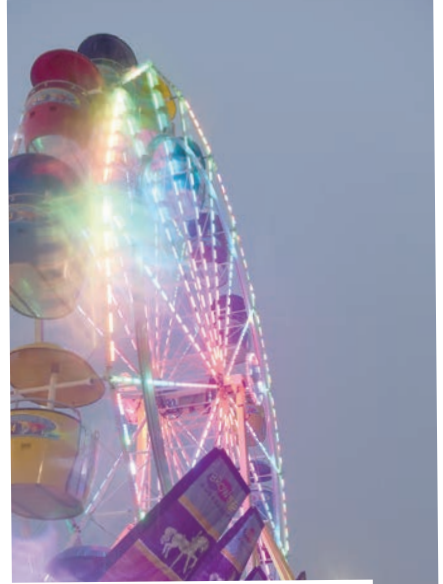
To be stress free and to have more time with the kids.  
*Emily Arthur*



Get my health back by eating better and taking better care of myself. Go to the Sr. Center more because it's different; way better now than before. The staff are good.  
*Glenford Lewis, Community elder*



Exercise more. I want to find a job.  
*Delsie Burton, Community elder*





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## Chili's Opens It's Doors at Pavilions



Representatives of Chili's Grill, staff and Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Vice-President Ricardo Leonard (center, black and gray jacket) all participate in the ribbon cutting of the restaurant located at the Pavilions shopping center.

BY RICHIE CORRALES  
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Chili's Grill is the newest restaurant to open in the Pavilions at Talking Stick, and a ribbon-cutting ceremony was held on the morning of December 19 with staff ready to welcome customers.

The ceremony took place outside the restaurant. "Thank you for making us a part of your Community," said Brent Stevens, managing partner for the Chili's at Talking Stick location. "We look forward to the opportunity to grow and build relationships."

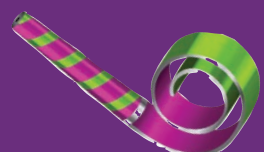
Incoming SRPMIC Vice-President Ricardo Leonard thanked everyone at the opening. "I know you all will do well in this location; there are so many things that go on here," he said. "You are now a part of our Community, and I hope you feel that way."

After Leonard welcomed restaurant staff, he sang an O'dham song before participating in the ribbon-cutting.

Chili's is a Tex-Mex casual dining restaurant and is located on the southwest end of The Pavilions. For more information on the restaurant and menu, visit [www.chilis.com](http://www.chilis.com).



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# Native Youth Well Represented in the Westwood High School Girls Basketball Teams

This is Achin's third year at Westwood and she was moved up to the varsity team. Younger sister Nyese Jones is in her freshman year and has been placed on the varsity team as well.

"It feels good to be a Westwood Warrior. I am happy I came here," said Jones. "I just want to have fun and win it this year."

Carlos, a junior, has been playing basketball at Westwood for the last three years. Makil, a senior, has been on the varsity team since she was a freshman. Makil shared some advice for the girls who will continue playing in the years to come: "To keep it going, and they know what to do to keep winning."

About the team's future, Compton said, "We're hoping we make it to playoffs and see if we can make a decent run in 6A with some of the big dogs out there."

Westwood's junior varsity team has two girls from the Community in Cassandra Montana and Morning Star Scabby, who occasionally plays on the varsity team. The JV team played their first four games against the Westview Knights, winning 35-22; Shadow Ridge Stallions, 39-28; San Luis Sidewinders, 75-2; and Copper Canyon Aztecs, 43-26. They lost to the Mountain Lions at Red Mountain by 17 points with a final score of 34-51. The girls lost to the Tucson Badgers on December 11, with a score of 31-43. In their final three games before the winter break, the girls beat the Maryvale Panthers, 35-33; the Alhambra Lions, 44-21; and the Dobson Mustangs, 47-26.

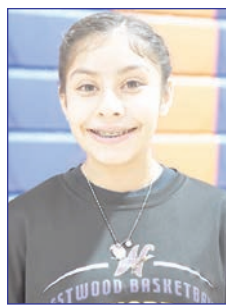
This is Scabby's third year at Westwood. She said that her personal goals are to be more helpful with the team and play her part. Montana, who is the sister of freshman player Torri Smith, has been playing since she started at Westwood and hopes to make varsity next year; if not, she will continue to develop her skills on junior varsity. Smith is a freshman coming from Carson Junior High School.

The freshman girls' season started off with a win by forfeit against the



Morning Star Scabby, Junior plays on both Junior Varsity and Varsity teams.

Westview Knights. They lost to Shadow Ridge in their second game, 26-32, then won their next two games against the San Luis Sidewinders, 61-13, and the Cooper Canyon Aztecs, 41-35, in early December. They took their second loss against the Mountain Lions at Red Mountain, 28-34. They beat the La Joya Community Lobos, 25-20, and lost to the Tucson Badgers, 22-53. In their last three games they won against Maryvale Panthers, 27-23 and the Alhambra Lions, 34-27, and lost their last game before Christmas break against the Dobson Mustangs, 20-30.



Tori Smith, Freshman is in her first year at Westwood and starts on the freshman team.

"It feels good! It's really fun; I like playing with the girls," said Smith. "I like making [three-point shots]; it's something I try to work on."

For more information on the Westwood High School girls' basketball teams go to [www.azpreps365.com/teams/basketball-girls/2122-westwood/119229-jv](http://www.azpreps365.com/teams/basketball-girls/2122-westwood/119229-jv).



Westwood High School Girls Varsity Basketball team players (L-R) Sydney Carlos, Maggie Makil, Nyese Jones and Daycee Achin are all smiles after defeating the La Joya Community Lobos, 81-17 on Friday, December 7, 2018.



Sydney Carlos plays defense as she plays against the La Hoya Community Lobos.



Morning Star Scabby tries to block the ball as the Lobos attempt to score.



Sisters Daycee Achin and Nyese Jones attempt to steal the ball from Lobos player.

## Westwood High School Girls' Basketball Schedule

January 8: vs Red Mountain, home

January 9: vs Kofa, home

January 11: vs Mesa, away

January 15: vs Mountain View, home

January 18: vs Skyline, away

January 22: vs Dobson, away

January 25: vs Mesa, home

January 29: vs Mountain View, away

February 5: vs Skyline, home

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# SRPD Awarded \$70,000 for DUI Enforcement and Sustained Traffic Enforcement Programs

BY DET. JO SEPH OROZCO  
Salt River Police Department

The Salt River Police Department (SRPD) was awarded a total of \$70,000 in grant funds from the Arizona Governor's Office of Highway Safety (AZ GOHS) in October. The grant awards will assist the Salt River Police Department (SRPD) in increasing its ability to detect impaired drivers and enforcement of traffic laws pertaining to aggressive driving, speeding, racing, distracted driving and red-light running. The Salt River Police Department will focus on increased Community awareness about the dangers of aggressive driving, distracted driving and impaired driving to reduce and prevent vehicle collisions.

The funding is distributed as follows:

- \$55,000 for DUI/Impaired Driving Enforcement. This grant will fund overtime pay to increase the number of officers on the roadways, enhancing impaired driving/DUI enforcement and education within the Community.
- \$15,000 for Sustained Traffic Enforcement Programs (STEP). This grant provides support for sustained traffic enforcement programs throughout the year. The traffic enforcement campaigns include speed enforcement, reckless driving, red-light running and DUI laws within the Community.

"The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community and the Salt River Police Department are very appreciative of the Arizona Governor's Office of Highway Safety for selecting the SRPD to receive these grants," said SRPD Chief Karl G. Auerbach. "These grant awards will assist the SRPD to increase our operations to better serve and protect our Community."

The grant awards are reflective of the SRPD's commitment to improving roadway safety within the Community. The SRPD encourages everyone in the Community to do their part in making our roadways safe by diligently obeying traffic laws, not texting while driving, and driving safely.

## AROUND THE COMMUNITY



Salt River Early Childhood Education Center students spent their Friday before winter break at the Winter Wonderland on December 21. The students and their families were visited by Santa and had time to explore in the special snow. The children played in the snow, having snowball fights and making snow angels. Tasha Silverhorn, O'dham Action News

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## AROUND THE COMMUNITY



One of the larger construction projects in the Talking Stick Entertainment District celebrated another milestone with its "topping out" ceremony. Great Wolf Lodge Arizona has taken form near Salt River Fields in the northwestern part of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. On December 11, the destination family indoor water park resort hoisted into place the final steel beam of the structure. SRPMIC President Delbert W. Ray Sr. took part in the ceremony. Great Wolf Lodge Arizona is scheduled to open in late summer/early fall 2019. For details about the resort, visit [www.greatwolf.com](http://www.greatwolf.com). Dalton Walker, O'dham Action News. (Photo courtesy of Great Wolf Lodge Arizona)

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## Council Recognizes Outgoing BIA Superintendent Patton

helped with projects including the approval of several large commercial leases and lease amendments that benefit countless landowners such as OdySea, Medieval Times, Talking Stick parking lot, The Block and Expansion of Sierra Bloom; the implementation of the Cobell Land Buy-Back Program, which allowed the Community to purchase almost 195 acres of high-fractionated land; implementations of new lease and regulations that provide clarity; and improving long-needed right-of-way for commercial and residential support. These were just a few of the many goals that Patton has helped the Community achieve.

"We have enjoyed our relationship with you over these past years," said Ray. "We appreciate the time you have spent here with us."

The Council presented Patton with a Pendleton blanket embroidered with his name and years he spent working at the BIA.

"I appreciate everything; this means a lot to me," said Patton. "Growing up, I was close to my grandpa and I learned a lot of things from him. One of the things he always shared with me is that you shouldn't receive 'thank-yous' for things that you do; you should just do it because that's what you just do. I always tried to use that as a guiding principle in my professional and personal life."

Praise for the long list of accomplishments mentioned should be directed toward the staff here in the Community, explained Patton.

"They did all the heavy lifting. I had the easy job of reviewing the documents and signing my signature because that's what Congress required," said Patton. "The bulk of the work was really with your staff, and I think you should be proud of your staff with all the things they've accomplished. I just played a small role."



Salt River Elementary School held its annual Jingle Jog Fun Run on December 21. Students from grades K-6 wore fun-run T-shirts and Christmas accessories as they ran down Highland Road to Country Club Drive and back to the school. Parents and families were welcome to participate in the run or stand on the sidelines and cheer for all the runners. As the youth crossed the finish line, they were greeted with high-fives from Santa and serenaded by Christmas carolers. Tasha Silverhorn, *O'odham Action News*



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# Salt River Junior High Basketball Hoops II

BY RICHIE CORRALES  
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With two teams, a Team I and Team II, the Salt River Junior High Eagles have been playing some intense basketball games this season. Team II is making great progress this year. They are a young group of boys excited to learn the game of basketball.

"The team's strength consists of them being able to listen and execute their defensive side of the game," said head coach Leroy Eswonia. "The team has overcome the challenges of close nail-biter games where they ran plays that were drawn up. [One of the] challenges... would be that they are shorter than [the players on] most teams."

Recently, the Eagles played against Heritage in a tough rematch after beating that team recently. "We were outsize by their players, but the team played with their heart and their head," said Eswonia. "That's what I always tell the boys when we come out of a timeout: 'Play with your heart and play smart.'" The final score was 29-32.

The team has five more games left in the regular season. Please visit [www.azcaa.com](http://www.azcaa.com) and search "Salt River High School" for the full schedule.



Salt River Junior High Hoops II play against Heritage in a home game at Salt River High School.



EJ does his best to guard the basket.



The junior high team tries their best on the court against a team that had a few taller opponents than them.



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Gang-related apparel and behavior will not be tolerated in Memorial Hall ~ Xalychidom Piipaash Nyvaash or the surrounding area. Any and all applicable drug and alcohol ordinances shall be strictly enforced, including law enforcement if necessary. Section 6-7(b)(6) of the SRPMIC Code of Ordinances.



Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community

# AGRICULTURAL LEASE PAY OUT\*

## Friday, January 18, 2019

**8:30am**  
Seniors and Disabled

**10:00 am – 6:00 pm**  
General Landowners

Round House Café  
at SRPMIC Two Waters Government Campus  
10,005 E. Osborn Road, Scottsdale 85256 - Look for directional signs

**Checks not picked up on January 18, 2019** can be picked up at Finance - Cashiers Office (Two Waters Bldg. A) January 22<sup>nd</sup> through February 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Checks not picked up** by 5:00 pm February 1<sup>st</sup> will be mailed out to the address on file.

**Power of Attorney (POA)** - Only originals accepted, written notes will not be accepted. Must be verified before release of check. Verification done at pay out.

**Ensure SRPMIC has your current mailing address** - Incorrect information will cause a delay in receiving your check. To update, contact SRPMIC Finance Leasing Payment Office.

**Payments Less than \$15.00**  
All direct deposit payments will be deposited into your bank account regardless of the amount. If you currently receive a check, but would like direct deposit, complete an ACH request in Finance three (3) weeks prior to the payout date. Checks less than \$15.00 are not printed for payout date, however, you may request a check and it will be processed within 7-10 business days.

**Questions?**  
Contact SRPMIC Finance Leasing Payment Office (480) 362-7730.  
\*Agricultural lease payments will be made based upon farmer payments received and cleared through banking institutions by January 4, 2019.







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 SPECIALS**

FULL DELI | SOFT SERVE  
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 FRESH BAKED COOKIES  
 & BROWNIES

FRESHLY MADE 1 LB. BURROS  
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AND MUCH MORE!

**STAYSHONS CAR WASH**

**EXPRESS MENU**

**ULTIMATE** \$12  
**PREMIUM** \$8  
**EXPRESS** \$5

AIR FRESHENER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
DASHBOARD WIPE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
MICROFIBER TOWEL	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SURFACE PROTECTANT	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
FIRE BATH	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BLAZIN' GLAZE CLEAR COAT	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
HAND TOWEL DRY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
TRIPLE SHINE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
RIM & TIRE CLEANER	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
TURBO DRY	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
SPOT FREE RINSE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
FOAMING PRESOAK	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**FREE VACUUMS!**

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 UNLIMITED  
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**Our new remodeled  
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dba Salt River Materials Group,  
both divisions of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## JANUARY

**3 SRPMIC NO COUNCIL MEETING.** Have a safe holiday season! For more information please contact the Council Secretaries at (480) 362-7466 or (480) 362-7469.

**5 MCDONALD'S ROCK 'N' ROLL CAR SHOW,** 4 p.m.-8 p.m. at The Pavilions at Talking Stick Shopping Center. Every Saturday evening, rain or shine, over 250 classic, sport and muscle cars and motorcycles gather for the McDonald's Rock 'n' Roll Classic Car Show in and around McDonald's. Celebrating over 20 years! For more information call (480) 443-0080.

**5 2ND ANNUAL FAMILY FUN WINTERFEST,** 12 p.m. - 4 p.m. located at Odyssea In The Desert. Free Event. Join family fun Arizona for their 2nd Annual Family Fun Winter Fest on Saturday. Enjoy a live band in center stage while the kids play in the real snow!! There will also be contests for prizes, bounce houses, rides, games, snowflake crafts for the kids, face painting, balloon artists and more! The parents can enjoy shopping from our various local vendors, eating yummy food from a variety of restaurants and taking in the cooler weather! special character guests will appear and fun will be had by all! For more information on this event please contact Odyssea in the Desert at website [www.odysseainthedesert.com](http://www.odysseainthedesert.com).

**5 NAGI FOUNDATION GIVEAWAY,** 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. located at 11889

E Glenrosa Dr. (Old Boys & Girls Club). Community Member Only. Come celebrate new beginnings in 2019 with a giveaway, Hosted By The Nagi Foundation! (or until all items are gone) Many new or gently used items will be available including: furniture dishes and cookware, household items, appliances, clothing & shoes, electronics, bedding & more. How it works: guests may begin lining up at 9 a.m. and each family will put their name in a jar. At 10 a.m. names will be randomly drawn and each family may browse the available items, one family at a time, and select one item. After every family has had their turn, if items are still available, you may be able to go in a second time. For questions please call Sheila at (602) 730-2092.

**6 HO'OK A'AGA T-KIHHIMO** - (Traditional Storytelling in our Village) All are invited and welcome. Please join us and share an evening of traditional O'odham songs and winter stories under the stars! Storytelling by Barnaby V. Lewis. Outdoor gathering. Dress warm. Meal provided at 5 p.m. Canalside Neighborhood Center 4621 N. 117th Ave., Scottsdale, AZ 85256 Contact (480) 599-9369.

**6 32ND ANNUAL RESOLUTION RUN 5K - PAPAGO PARK.** Traditional way to start the New Year, shirts, refreshments, drawings for prizes, 5K run and walk. \$45. 7 a.m. (480) 609-3978 or <http://www.fieldworksevents.com>

**10 CANDIDATE FORUM - POLLS OPEN FROM,** 6 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Salt River Community Building. A Special election has been called to fill an upcoming vacant District 1 (SR) Council Member Seat. The vacancy is due to District 1 (SR) Council Member Ricardo Leonard being newly elected as the Vice-President at the recent General Election. The remaining two year term will be filled by this Special Election. Contact Salt River Administration for more info. (480) 362-7466, (480) 362-7469 or (480) 362-7400.

**11-3/24 15TH ANNUAL ARIZONA FINE ART EXPO,** 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. located at the Southwest corner of Jomax and Scottsdale Rd. 100 nationally acclaimed fine artisans working in studio environment, hands-on art demonstrations and workshops, entertainment, a café, weekends feature musical entertainment. \$8-10. For more info. contact (480) 837-7163 or <https://www.ARizonaFineArtExpo.com>

**12 & 19 NATIVE AMERICAN CULTURAL EXPERIENCE DAYS,** 11 a.m.-2 p.m. located at Butterfly Wonderland. Enjoy local Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian community artist Alice Manuel as she demonstrates how to weave Native American baskets. She will share information about the art of basket weaving and its significance to their culture. Ambassadors the SRPMIC Community will be on hand to share about cultural traditions and history. FREE with Admission. For more information on this event at Butterfly Wonderland please call (480) 800-3000

**12 SCENIC ARIZONA PHOTOGRAPHY FROM JOAN WOOD,** 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. located at Butterfly Wonderland. Come and see the scenic photography of Arizona Native, Joan Wood. Joan will be at Four Peaks Mining Co., on the ground floor of the Odyssea In The Desert Complex. Camping under the darkest skies, chasing storms in rugged canyons and exploring the past through historic towns around our cactus state. Her gallery represents the state of Arizona, where the most wicked ghost towns and landscapes get to tell their own stories under the stars. You can follow Joan on Instagram at @joanwood01 and enjoy her travels around our incredible state.

**12 MOVIES IN THE DESERT-BEAUTY AND THE BEAST,** 5 p.m. located at the Odyssea in the Desert. Come experience "Movies in the Desert" presented by Cox Communications and Johnny Rockets OdysSea. A free family event with music, games, and tons of prizes beginning at 5 p.m. Come early to claim your spot while seating last but recommend bringing your own folding chairs. The movie will begin at 6:30 p.m. free admission. There are plenty of options to grab a bite before the movie in the courtyard. For more information [www.odysseainthedesert.com](http://www.odysseainthedesert.com)

**14 NOTICE OF 2019 SRPMIC SPECIAL ELECTION FOR DISTRICT 1 (SALT RIVER) VOTERS ONLY** - Polls open from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Salt River Community Building. A Special election has been called to fill an upcoming vacant District

1 (SR) Council Member Seat. The vacancy is due to District 1 (SR) Council Member Ricardo Leonard being newly elected as the Vice-President at the recent General Election. The remaining two year term will be filled by this Special Election. Contact Salt River Administration for more info. (480) 362-7466, (480) 362-7469 or (480) 362-7400.

**16-2/20 EMPOWERING YOU PARENTING PROGRAM,** 2 p.m.-4 p.m. located at 1759 N. Longmore Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85256. Register now. Space are filling fast. Take a six week journey through parenting by empowering your knowledge through two classes. A collaboration with SCC earns college credit. Meet other parents and learn great parenting skills! Eat food and win prizes! For more info. On this class contact Parent Education Edith Eubank at (480) 362-2148 or email [edith.eubank@saltriverschools.org](mailto:edith.eubank@saltriverschools.org)

**17 O'ODHAM PIIPAASH BINGO,** 6 p.m.- 9 p.m. located at Lehi Community Building free bingo games, food vendor, fun for all, games in O'odham & Piipaash. For more information on this event O'odham Piipaash Language Program please contact (480) 362-6325 or visit [www.saltrivercrd.org](http://www.saltrivercrd.org)

**18 DATE NIGHT,** 6 p.m.-8:30 p.m. located at Butterfly Wonderland. Enjoy light refreshments and the showing of the full-length version of Flight of the Butterflies movie. Tickets: \$35 per couple. Pre-registration is required; call (480) 800-3000, ext. 210 to reserve.

**18 SRPMIC AGRICULTURAL LEASE PAY OUT,** 8:30 a.m., Seniors and Disabled, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. General Landowners at Round House Cafe, 10,005 E. Osborn Rd., Scottsdale, AZ (see ad on page 16 for more info.).

**21 TRIBAL OFFICE CLOSED MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY,** please plan accordingly.

**25-27 A FESTIVAL OF TRIBAL, AZ ARTS & ENTERTAINERS** - 1 p.m. located at Fountain Hills. Avenue of the Fountains. Hoop dancing, arts, crafts, food. Highlights Native American Hoop dancing, music and storytelling daily at 1 p.m., shop handcrafted Native American & Southwestern artisan creations, discover cottage industry packaged edibles and unique health & wellness products, food truck and snack concessions. <https://www.carefreeazfestivals.com/fountain-hills-events.html>

**28-2/3 83RD ANNUAL WASTE MANAGEMENT PHOENIX OPEN,** 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. located at the Scottsdale. Tournament Players Club of Scottsdale. One of the PGA Tour's top events, with the largest crowds on the tour, attracts the finest golfers in the world. \$10/ day or ticket packages. For more info. contact (602) 870-0163 or <http://wmphoenixopen.com>

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