



Cemait/Modiily Tortilla Festival Brings Community Together



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Over the years, tortillas have brought family, friends and acquaintances together around the table mixing dough, preparing the fire, cooking the tortillas and, most important, feeding the people. Tortillas could always be found at Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community celebrations, feasts and family gatherings, or just given as a thank-you.

On Saturday, March 23, the Huhugam Ki Museum and SRPMIC Cultural Resources Department hosted the Cemait/Modiily Tortilla Festival, the first event of its kind to share information about this traditional staple food.

The festival took place at the

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Spring Horse Camp Teaches Ranching Traditions



Young campers of the 2019 Spring Horse Camp learn how to rope a calf as they plan to tie it down and brand it.

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The Salt River Rodeo Committee sponsored a three-day Horse Camp March 22-24 for youth of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. More than 35 youth attended the camp, which was held at the Wild Horse facility in the northern part of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. O'odham and Piipaash traditional methods were taught and used throughout the camp.

The event started off with

a presentation by an archeologist. After a performance by traditional dance group Singing and Dancing by the River, youth were introduced to the horses and taught how to feed and water them at the campsite. That night, all the campers slept by a large fire that camp leaders kept going throughout the night.

The next day, participants woke up with the sunrise and took a prayer walk around the campsite. They visited Butterfly Wonderland and returned to camp for a hands-on demonstration by Com-

munity member David Antone on calf castrating, ear tagging and branding. The youth were eager to participate. They also learned how to wrestle calves and tie them down.

Antone gave specific instructions for each process and shared how everything the youth were going to be learning was something that was passed down to him by his father. The youth learned how to rope and got to work on five calves; they also watched how Antone and other camp leaders roped a steer they caught. Horsemanship was

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HOPE: Helping O'odham Piipaash Excel Summit

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Over spring break, a group of young people from the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community dedicated a full day to a summit focused on substance-abuse issues affecting their Community.

About 50 youth spent Thursday, March 14 at the Courtyard by Marriott Scottsdale Salt River on the western edge of the Community to attend Helping O'odham Piipaash Excel (HOPE). The summit was geared for youth in seventh through 12th grade.

The participants were divided into smaller groups, and tribal government employees who helped organize the event worked with individual groups during various activities. Each group brainstormed on a question related to substance abuse and wrote out solutions on a large sheet of paper that was

posted on the wall for all to read.

"It was amazing, we got to go over different outlooks on drug abuse and alcohol," Caleb Dash said. "To better our Community with different ideas on how we could stop this and prevent this from occurring in our families, or our schools. I walked around in the beginning just introducing myself to new, different individuals my age. It was cool meeting them because they were diverse, they have their own experiences. I think the Community is in good hands."

Questions included:

- What situations or experiences are going on among your friends and family when you see them start using substances?

- Among friends and family your age who choose not to use, what are things you see that motivate and support that choice?

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Youth discuss potential solutions to illegal substance-abuse issues affecting their Community at a recent summit on March 14.

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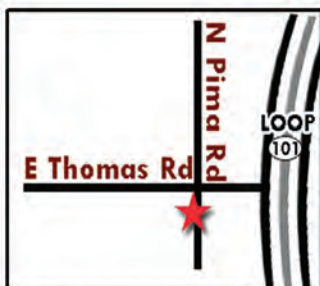
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Angela Salazar-Willeford (standing), of the SRPMIC Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs, shares a Community health update with the youth. Salazar-Willeford was one of more than a dozen tribal government employees assisting.



Community youth share their perspective on substance abuse happening in the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. On March 14, youth gathered for the HOPE: Helping O'odham Piipaash Excel summit to share potential solutions to issues affecting their Community.



Large sheets of paper packed with Community youth perspective were posted along the walls at the summit for all the read.

- What behaviors and situations do you see among friends and relatives, younger and older, that concern you?
- What do you see among friends and younger/older relatives that makes you feel encouraged and happy?
- What supports, if they were in place, would be helpful to youth your age and younger/older?

Chance Rush (Hidatsa), a motivational speaker from Oklahoma, was the summit's emcee. Angela Salazar-Willeford of the SRPMIC Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs shared a Community health update with important Community demographics. For example, in 2017, 45 male Community members died at an average age of 46, and 43 females died at an average age of 58, according to the data. The SRPMIC five-year rolling average age of death is 48, compared with age 78 for the United States as a whole. Data also included how many tribal members are affected by diabetes, substance abuse and suicide.

"Seeing what we are going through in this Community is important to see

where we are. Our Council is very serious in making sure these [age of death] numbers go up and your voices are heard," Salazar-Willeford said.

She said the summit was about encouragement and giving the youth a platform to share potential solutions. One example of the power of the youth voice was asking for a skate park, which turned into one of the best parks in the area at the Way of Life Facility.

"It was really good to elaborate on everyone's ideas," Nalani Lopez said. "Sometimes, I think I have lots of ideas on what we can do, but once I hear other people's ideas it makes me think more of what else we can do to better the Community."

SRPMIC President Martin Harvier and Vice-President Ricardo Leonard shared words of encouragement with the youth. Council members Deanna

Scabby and Wi-Bwa Grey were also in attendance.

Harvier welcomed everyone and screened a TED Talk video of Tame Iti, an Indigenous man from New Zealand who talked about his ancestral homeland and the power in knowing who you are. Harvier said the talk was relatable to the O'odham Piipaash.

"I believe the message is there; you've got to know who you are and where you're from," Harvier told the youth. "Your family, our family members probably went through great strides to create a name you carry today. And what are you doing to protect that good name?"

"[Think about] all the struggles that our ancestors went through with the hope that you would have a better life. And as leaders, that's what we want, is for you to have a better life. I'm telling

you that you can't have a better life with drugs or alcohol."

Leonard shared a cultural presentation that focused on the Man in the Maze. He encouraged the youth to speak up if they see substance abuse and emphasized that it can lead to serious health risks and even death.

The summit received support from the Arizona Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family. Breakfast and lunch were provided, as well as transportation to and from the hotel. Youth also won raffle prizes.

"I felt it was a really good experience, lots of fun," Antonio Montoya said. "I met some new people. Obviously, the ice breakers and lunch were my favorite part."

Reporter Marissa Johnson contributed to this report.

Casino Arizona Leaving Mark on Pro Sports Teams

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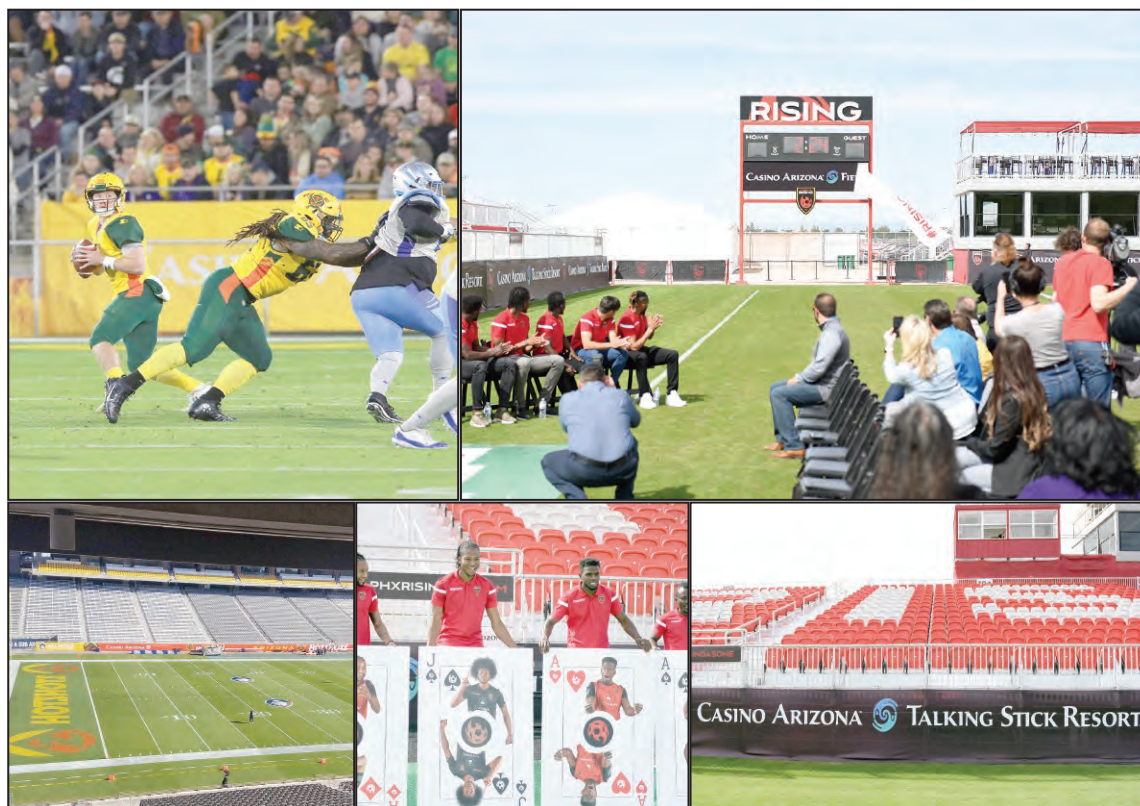
If you're an Arizona pro football fan, or fútbol fan, you're going to see a lot more of Casino Arizona's logo.

In March, Casino Arizona announced two new sponsorships: at Casino Arizona Field, home to the Phoenix Rising Football Club (soccer), and at Sun Devil Stadium in Tempe for Arizona Hotshots football games. The sponsorships join Casino Arizona's other area sports partners, including Talking Stick Resort Arena, home of the Phoenix Suns and Phoenix Mercury, and a variety of other events such as concerts.

Phoenix Rising FC is Arizona's pro soccer team and a member of the United Soccer League (USL). Since 2017, the team has been playing its home matches at the Phoenix Rising Sports Complex on the southwestern edge of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. The soccer team started 2019 season play in March.

The Hotshots are a member of the Alliance of American Football (AAF), a new football league with eight teams across the country that started play in February. The casino's logo will be prominently displayed on signage throughout Sun Devil Stadium. The Hotshots host the Birmingham Iron team on April 7 in their regular-season home game.

On March 15, Phoenix Rising hosted an event to announce the naming rights



to the field, one day before the team's home opener. Ramon Martinez, director of public relations for Casino Arizona, was one of the speakers as the new signage was revealed.

"Casino Arizona has long maintained a reputation for supporting major sports in the Valley, and Phoenix Rising is among the most exciting teams to watch," Martinez said. "We are proud to be associated with these 2018 Western Conference Champions and to be represented in their stadium."

Phoenix Rising FC Governor Berke Bakay also announced plans to construct a second entrance/exit to the field. The current entrance is off Mc-

Clintock Drive, north of Loop 202.

"It is a great honor for Phoenix Rising to partner with Casino Arizona, an iconic entertainment destination in the Valley," Bakay said. "We have had a wonderful relationship with the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community and its member families of the Solanna Group, who own the land where our stadium resides. Our stadium is located in close proximity to Casino Arizona, also making this agreement a natural fit."

In front of a sellout crowd of 6,607 fans on March 16, Phoenix Rising and New Mexico United ended the match with a 3-3 draw. For ticket information,

visit www.phxrisingfc.com.

In addition to the casino logo being at Sun Devil Stadium for Hotshots football games, coaches from the team will host the "Arizona Hotshots Coach's Show" at the casino's newest amenity, the CAZ Sports Bar. The bar is the new "Home of the Arizona Hotshots," holding viewing parties for all televised games. On February 10, the Hotshots opened the season with a 38-22 win over the Salt Lake Stallions.

"Casino Arizona has long been a supporter of sports in the state and we are thrilled to be part of this new iteration of football," Martinez said. "The Arizona Hotshots is an exciting team with great potential to win, as their first game clearly showed. We have no doubt fans will flock to the games."

The Hotshots was the fifth team to join the AAF, founded by Bill Polian, ESPN analyst and former Indiana Colts general manager. For ticket information, visit www.aaf.com/teams/arizona-hotshots.

"To have a partner like Casino Arizona is truly unbelievable," Hotshots President Scott Brubaker said. "Their commitment to Arizona sports is unmatched, and we are privileged to have their support for the Hotshots. We will continue to give fans the best possible experience at Sun Devil Stadium and look forward to making the viewing parties at CAZ Sports Bar the place to be when the team is on the road."

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The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Family Advocacy Center, in collaboration with other SRPMIC departments, will be hosting events throughout April in recognition of Child Abuse Prevention Month. Providing support and education to caregivers can help prevent child abuse.

Child abuse can occur in different forms:

- Physical abuse is inflicting or allowing physical injury to a child.
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trusted adult.

It can be difficult to report child abuse because it means acknowledging that the abuse is happening. If you suspect a child is being abused, it is vital to report. Childhood abuse affects overall development and can leave lifelong impacts on a child's physical and mental health.

Within the Community, various departments offer support programs, such as Health and Human Services' WIC program, Education's Child Find, Social Services' Parent Training, and Behavioral Health's Circles of Support and counseling services. These, along with many other Community programs, can be used as a proactive approach to prevent child abuse and help start the healing process for families and children.

As a Community, we can prevent child abuse by providing support, encouragement and assistance to caregivers and children. To report child abuse (with the option to remain confidential), call the SRPMIC Child Abuse Hotline at (480) 362-2600 or the Salt River Police Department, (480) 850-9230. For support and resources, contact Social Services at (480) 362-5645, Central Intake at (480) 362-5700 or the Family Advocacy Center at (480) 362-5425.



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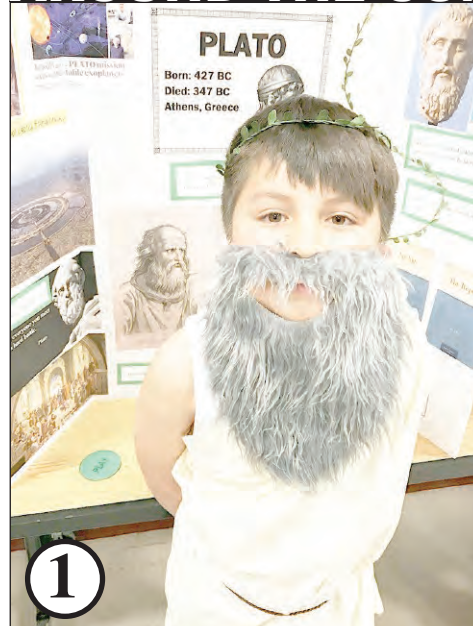
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News and Events In and Around Indian Country

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Red Dresses Displayed at Smithsonian Raise Awareness About Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women

During March, a display of red dresses could be seen outside the Smithsonian's National Museum of the American Indian in Washington, D.C.

The REDress Project is an outdoor art installation created by Métis artist Jaime Black. The goal is to raise awareness about missing and murdered Indigenous women. The project already has been displayed at various locations in Canada, and the Museum of the American Indian was the first showing in the U.S.

Violence is perpetrated against Indigenous women at a disproportionately high rate, and hundreds are reporting missing annually in Canada and the U.S. For more information on the project, visit www.redressproject.org.

Yup'ik Musher Wins Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race

Yup'ik musher Pete Kaiser took first place in the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race in March, becoming the fifth Alaska Native to win the coveted long-distance race.

Kaiser finished the race across Alaska on March 13, nine days, 12 hours, 39 minutes and six seconds after leaving the starting line. The 900-plus-mile race course stretches from Anchorage to Nome.

John Baker (Inupiaq) was the last Alaska Native to win the race, in 2011. Athabaskan musher Carl Huntington was the first Native winner, in 1974, one year after the inaugural race, according to Indian Country Today.

For a profile on Kaiser, visit www.newsmaven.io/indian-countrytoday and search "Pete Kaiser."

Yakama Nation Wins U.S. Supreme Court Treaty Rights Case

Yakama Nation citizens are not required to pay a fuel tax to the state of Washington, according to a 5-4 U.S. Supreme Court decision handed down on March 19.

The court upheld an 1855 treaty with the United States in the case known as Washington State Department of Licensing v. Cougar Den. Cougar Den is a business on the Yakama Nation.

The decision was the first Indian law decision of the current Supreme Court term.

'The Sioux Chef' Wins Prestigious Award

Sean Sherman (Oglala Lakota), known as "The Sioux Chef," received the James Beard Foundation Leadership Award in March.

The award recognizes those who advocate for sustainability, food justice and public health. Sherman is the founder and CEO of The Sioux Chef, a catering and food education company, and he released a cookbook in 2017 titled The Sioux Chef's Indigenous Kitchen.

For more on the award, visit www.jamesbeard.org.

Lumbee Singer Advances to 'Hollywood Week' on American Idol

Alexis Jones (Lumbee) is making her way up the ladder on the reality TV singing show American Idol. She qualified for "Hollywood Week" in late March. The show continues throughout April, with the winner announced on May 20.

Jones sang "All I Ask" by Adele and "Spotlight" by Jennifer Hudson to advance.

The show is televised Sunday and Monday on ABC at 8 p.m. EST.

To read more about Jones and her journey, visit www.newsmaven.io/indiancountrytoday and search "Alexis Jones."

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lot next to the Huhugam Ki Museum, where booths were set up with information and display tables showing cemait/modiily history and participants had the opportunity to shape and flatten premade dough and cook their own tortillas. For those wanting to learn the fine art of tortilla making from scratch, instructor Sharilyn Belone shared tips and tricks in her class on how to prepare the "perfect tortilla."

Tables and chairs were set up for guests to sit down to eat, talk and laugh with each other while the Pick-Up Kings band played.

"The festival is a way we can impact the Community and pass down tortilla making to the younger generation and show them it's a way of helping others," said Gary Owens, Huhugam Ki Museum manager.

Owens went on to say that for an event like this, many guests will know how much of an impact SRPMIC had on growing the wheat and distributing it to the Hayden Flour Mill in Tempe and ways we as a Community will always have this tradition as a part of our culture.

"One of the main reasons for having this event was to celebrate an aspect of our culture that continues to survive," said Kelly Washington,



Cultural Resources director. "[We're] paying tribute to those who continue to make cemait/modiily in a traditional way."

Washington explained that the festival provides knowledge for those who may not know about the tortilla-making tradition passed down in and around our Community each and every day.



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Upcoming Traffic Modifications Near Bunnyville



SRP Canal Bridge Closure: Beginning April 2019, SRP will be restricting access over the canal service bridge located at the Arizona Canal and the Evergreen Wash. A gate has been installed at the bridge to permanently close it to public access. Advanced road closed signage will also be installed. Please let tribal and emergency services personnel know of this upcoming change so that they can re-route accordingly. For more information, contact Jennifer Jack, Public Works Department Roads Section Manager, at 480-362-7747 or jennifer.jack@srpmic-nsn.gov.

Thank You for Helping With the Tortilla Festival

The SRPMIC Cultural Resources Department/ Huhugam Ki Museum would like to thank the following for their help in planning and staging the Tortilla Festival:

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Above all, the Community's cemait/modiily makers, past and present

The following tortilla makers deserve special thanks for coming out to help at the event with demonstrations, dough making, fire making, etc. They deserve a special nod because they all volunteered:
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Rebecca Collins
Meredith Duwylene
Josie Enos
Pamela Garcia
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Thanks for your help!

Cemait or Modiily?

For some who might not know, cemait is the Onk Akimel O'odham (Pima) word meaning "tortillas." Modiily is "tortillas" in the Xalychidom Piipaash (Maricopa) language. The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community derived from these two distinct tribes with two different cultures and languages, but we share many of the same values.



Vaccinations Essential to Prevent Disease

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Many parents in the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community want to do what is right for their children when it comes to their health and well-being.

According to the Salt River Clinic, on-time vaccinations throughout childhood are essential to provide immunity before children are exposed to potentially life-threatening diseases.

Earlier this year, Arizona health officials warned that the measles outbreak in the Pacific Northwest that has affected more than 75 people was making its way toward Arizona.

Did you know that vaccines are tested to ensure that they are safe and effective for children to receive at the recommended ages? Immunization is one of the best ways to protect your child and family from vaccine-preventable diseases when traveling both domestically and internationally.

Not for Children Only

All adults need immunizations as well, to prevent diseases that could result in health complications, missed work, medical bills, and not being able to care for family.

• All adults need a seasonal flu (influenza) vaccine every year. The flu vaccine is especially important for people with chronic health conditions, pregnant women and

older adults.

- Every adult should get the Tdap vaccine once, if they did not receive it as an adolescent, to protect against pertussis (whooping cough), and then a TD (tetanus, diph-

us at higher risk for certain diseases. You might also ask your healthcare provider about:

- Shingles vaccine, which protects against shingles and the complications from the disease (recommended for

old and for adults younger than 65 years who have certain chronic health conditions).

The United States' long-standing vaccine safety system ensures vaccines are as safe as

INFO (800-232-4636) or www.cdc.gov/vaccines/.

Vaccines Protect Children From These ALMOST Forgotten Diseases

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Mumps
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Polio
Rotavirus
Rubella (German measles)
Tetanus
Whooping cough (pertussis)

For preteens and teens, parents also may want to get the meningococcal vaccine and the HPV (human papillomavirus) vaccine. Bacterial meningitis can spread where many people share personal spaces, such as locker rooms, bathrooms and college dorms. HPV is a sexually transmitted disease that can cause cancer in both women and men.

Source: www.vaccines.gov

Reporter Richie Corrales contributed to this report.

the benefits of flu vaccination 2017-2018

The estimated number of flu illnesses prevented by vaccination during the 2017-2018 season:

7 million

About the population of New York City



The estimated number of flu hospitalizations prevented by vaccination during the 2017-2018 season:

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About the number of vehicles crossing the Golden Gate Bridge each day



The estimated number of flu deaths prevented by vaccination during the 2017-2018 season:

8,000

Twice the number of hospitals in the United States



DATA: Journal Clinical Infectious Disease, Effects of Influenza Vaccination in the United States during the 2017-2018 Influenza Season, <https://doi.org/10.1093/cid/ciz075>



get vaccinated
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theria) booster shot every 10 years. In addition, women should get the Tdap vaccine each time they are pregnant, preferably at 27 through 36 weeks.

As we get older, our immune systems tend to weaken, putting

healthy adults 50 years and older).

- Pneumococcal vaccines, which protect against pneumococcal disease, including infections in the lungs and bloodstream (recommended for all adults over 65 years

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The Salt River Fire Departments Honor Guard took part in a color guard presentation moments before the start of a football game to the inaugural season between the AAF Arizona Hotshots and Atlanta Legends. The game took place at the Sun Devil Stadium on March 3. Community member and Salt River Fire Department Honor Guard Commander Ray Martinez and firefighter Mike Samudio represented the SRPMIC in the color guard. The two took part in the presentation to recognize all first responders as well as remember the 19 Granite Mountain Hotshots that perished in a wildfire five years ago. A halftime show also honored the 19 Arizona hotshots. *Richie Corrales, O'odham Action News*

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For more information: SRPMIC Administration Office at 480-362-6654.

2019 COUNCIL MEETINGS AT LEHI COMMUNITY BUILDING












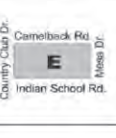



SRPMIC COUNCIL MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AT LEHI COMMUNITY BUILDING ON THESE DATES:

- **June 12, 2019 at 5:00pm**
- **September 18, 2019 at 5:00pm**
- **December 11, 2019 at 5:00pm**

*Lehi Community Building is located at 1231 E. Oak Street, Mesa, AZ 85203 (Closest intersection is Stapley & Oak Streets.)
Questions, contact Administration at (480)362-7466 or 362-7469

APRIL 2019 – DISTRICT MEETINGS

Dates, times, agenda items, and locations are SUBJECT TO CHANGE.



| MEETING DATE/TIME | AGENDA | COUNCIL MEMBER | DISTRICT AREA |
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| District A Thursday, April 18 6:00 pm SR Council Chambers | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposed Gaming Ordinance Amendment Crisis Response Network Housing Overview & Needs |  Diane ENOS |  |
| District B Saturday, April 20 th 9:00am SR Community Building | Combined with District C *SEE BELOW * |  Archie KASHOYA |  |
| District C Saturday, April 20 th 9:00am SR Community Building | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposed Gaming Ordinance Amendment Fire Prevention Presentation by SRFD Salt River Schools |  Cheryl DOKA |  |
| District D Saturday, April 27 th 10:00am SR Council Chambers | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SRPD Tip of the Month Proposed Gaming Ordinance Amendment Emergency Management Crisis Response Network Council Meeting Live Portal Information |  Wi-Bwa GREY |  |
| District E Monday, April 22 nd 6:00pm WOLF – Multi-Purpose Room 56 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SRPD Tip of the Month Proposed Gaming Ordinance Amendment Emergency Management Crisis Response Network |  Thomas LARGO, SR. |  |
| Lehi District Tuesday, April 16 th 6:00 pm Lehi Community Building | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> HHS Director Introduction Proposed Gaming Ordinance Amendment Emergency Management Crisis Response Network |  Deanna SCABBY  Michael DALLAS, SR. |  |

Questions can be directed to the Council Secretaries Office at (480) 362-7469

April Council Meetings

Date, time, agenda, and location subject to change. Council may enter Executive Session as necessary.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS: April 3, 10, 17, 24 Wednesdays at 3pm / Executive Conference Room / Closed session
REGULAR SESSIONS: April 3, 10, 17, 24 Wednesdays at 5pm / Council Chambers / Open session
WORK SESSIONS: April 4, 11, 18, 25 Thursdays at 10am / Council Chambers

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Arizona Legislature Adopts Resolution in Remembrance of SRPD Officer Clayton Townsend

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Fallen Salt River Police Department Officer Clayton Townsend was recognized by the Arizona Senate and House of Representatives through a reading of House Concurrent Resolution 2035 on Thursday, March 14, at the Arizona Capitol.

A concurrent resolution is a measure adopted by both houses of the legislature that is used to express an opinion on a matter, effect a procedural change, note a commendation, or to express sympathy and commemorate someone who has passed away.

Representative Athena Salman, Democrat representing Arizona's 26th District, read the resolution on the House floor in the presence of Townsend's wife, Deanna, and his mother, Toni. Townsend's other family members were present in the gallery.

The resolution read:

"Salt River Police Officer Clayton Townsend was tragically killed in the line of duty on January 8, 2019, at the age of 26.

"Officer Townsend was born on May 30, 1992, and always dreamed of becoming a police officer. He had a genuinely caring and compassionate heart which enabled him to serve and protect others as a true guardian of the people.

"Throughout his five years in law enforcement, Officer Townsend earned a richly deserved reputation as a capable, highly skilled and dedicated public servant, and he distinguished himself as a humble and loyal individual. Officer

Townsend was recognized several times in his career for his communication skills and excellent performance and received awards for his community-based policing.

"On January 8, 2019, while on a traffic stop on State Route 101 and McDowell Road in the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, Officer Townsend was struck by a vehicle and did not survive his injuries. In the investigation, the Arizona Department of Public Safety determined that the driver of the vehicle had been texting and driving just before striking Officer Townsend. The driver was arrested and booked on manslaughter, aggravated assault and endangerment charges.

"It is fitting that we recognize those individuals such as Officer Townsend who have given the ultimate sacrifice in their efforts to preserve and protect the public peace and safety of all citizens. His untimely death serves as a reminder to the citizens of this state to never text and drive, but rather, 'drive and arrive safely.'

"The effect of Officer Townsend's sudden and unexpected death has been immeasurable to the community, his co-workers and friends, and, above all, his beloved family. A devoted and caring husband, father, son, brother and grandson, Officer Townsend leaves behind his wife, Deanna, and his 10-month-old son Brixton. Clayton Townsend will be deeply missed by his family, his colleagues at the Salt River Police Department, the community and his many friends in the State of Arizona.

"Therefore,

"Be it resolved by the House of Rep-



The family of the late Officer Clayton Townsend gather at the Arizona State Capitol to witness the Arizona Legislature adopt a Concurrent Resolution 2035.

representatives of the State of Arizona, the Senate concurring:

"That the Members of the Legislature express sincere regret on the passing of Officer Clayton Townsend and extend their heartfelt condolences to his family and friends."

Following the reading and passing of the resolution on the House floor, the family then moved over to the Senate, where they met with Senate President Karen Fann prior to the hearing. In the hearing, Senator Kate Brophy McGee, Republican from District 28, read the resolution, followed by adopting the resolution and asking that the Senate stand in a moment of silence in remembrance of Townsend.

The Townsend family continues to focus on helping to pass Senate Bill 1165, which would require hands-free cellphone use in Arizona.

"We're trying to get S.B. 1165 done because it's critically important," said Pete Johnson, Townsend's father-in-law, who also wanted to share his gratitude to the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community for their support. "The Community has been very helpful to the family. There aren't words to hear all the stories from the Community. I have nothing but the highest respect for the Community."

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emphasized at the camp, which included not only riding but also learning about saddling a horse and the different parts of a saddle.

"I always come to the horse camp. I think it is a lot of fun," said returning camper Sivilik Stepp. "I like working on the calves."

"I like the camp so far. I liked when we got to brand the calves," said Daniella Rodriguez.

After Antone's presentation, the campers had lunch and welcomed guest speaker Steve Saffron, who gave a motivational speech. Community member Thosh Collins then gave a presentation on Native wellness.

On the last day of camp, there were more presentations on traditional foods and gardening and a speaker from Mid-western University. Then as the camp wound down, all the youth joined in a traditional song and dance.



Youth learn about branding and ear tagging a calf at the Horse Camp. Instructions were given by David Antone.



David Antone (left) gives serious instructions to the campers on dealing with the animals they will work with.



The circle area where campers slept and listened to speakers.



Youth wrestle a calf to the ground in an attempt to tie it before it gets away.



Instructors give a presentation of roping a steer during the camp.



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Westwood 15th Annual Social Pow-Wow



Mesa's Westwood High School hosted the 15th annual Social Powwow on March 23. The powwow was held on the school's football field, and turnout was great as students, families and friends enjoyed the one-day event. Arts and crafts and food vendors were abundant, selling crowd favorites. The free powwow was sponsored by Westwood's Native American Club. Marissa Johnson, *O'dham Action News*



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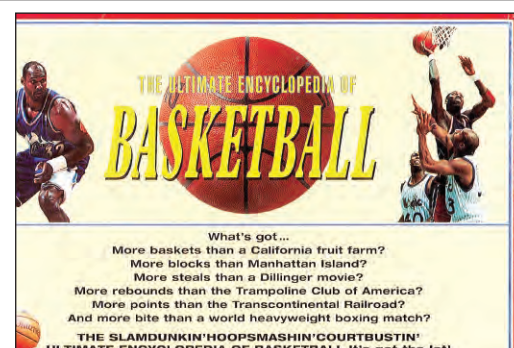
(ABOVE) RESERVATION NEEDED

Basketball is not a city phenomenon. It also has found its way to rural America and even some of the more isolated areas of the country. The weather-beaten, pole-supported basket and abandoned ball are signs of the time on the Salt River Indian Reservation in Arizona.

(BELOW) PLAYGROUND BALL

The New York playgrounds are famous for the quality of basketball they inspire, and the hope for life away from the mean streets of the inner city. Playground baskets often are the hub of activity for neighborhoods with few other recreational options.

Community Basketball Court Featured in Basketball Encyclopedia. Whose basketball court can this be? Ronald McGertt recently purchased the 1997 edition of the Ultimate Encyclopedia of Basketball at a Goodwill. In the book, he found a photo of a basketball court said to be in the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. McGertt shared the photo with *O'dham Action News*, hoping that someone may recognize the court and know where it was. If you know, send an email to Richie.Corrales@srpmic-nsn.gov. — Richie Corrales, *O'dham Action News*



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Local Artist Share their Knowledge of Graffiti Art

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of the flowers blooming, like yellows, oranges and so on.”

The youth started by sketching their designs on paper. They each had a plywood board to prime and then outline their design. Then they went back to their drawing to color it in; once they completed the drawing, they moved on to the acrylics and spray paint to paint their drawings onto their boards.

“The older two boys used spray paint on larger boards,” said Lady Rise. “They tested out the spray paint tips to see what kind of effect it gives when drawing on the board. They were a bit nervous, but after they started painting, they quickly got the hang of it.”

Graffiti artists Janette “Lady Rise” Rocha and Natasha “Rezmo” Martinez taught youth about the process of making graffiti art in their “Aerosol Art” class during Youth Art Month at the Salt River Tribal Library. Nine students from age 9 to 13 attended the class to create works of art using different mediums like spray paint, acrylics, pencil, colored pencil and markers.

“We’re teaching the youth about aerosol muralism, but we are mixing in the acrylic [paints],” said Lady Rise. “We are focusing on symbolism. As artists, we do that a lot; we use a lot of colors as symbols, because we work a lot with letters. For example, if I want the inside of my letters to represent springtime here in the desert, I would use the colors



Elijah Jackson learns how to outline his lettering during the aerosol art class taught by Lady Rise and Rezmo.



Daniella Robles paints a sunset using acrylic and spray paint.

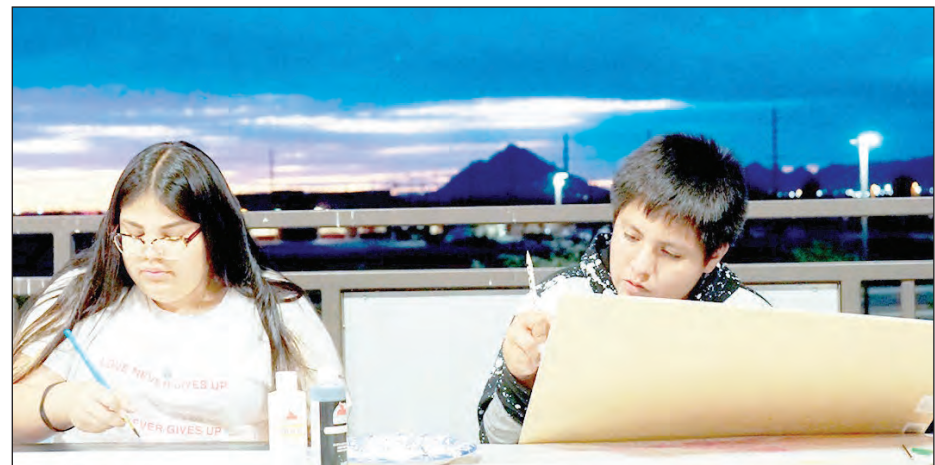


Yesenia Rodriguez paints O'odham designs and basket dancers using acrylic paints.

“Breeze” Marcus Educates Youth on Graffiti Art



Youth learn graffiti art from local artist Thomas “Breeze” Marcus during his aerosol art presentation for Youth Art Month with the Salt River Tribal Library. Photo submitted by Thomas “Breeze” Marcus.



Cianne Kitchuyan and her cousin Madden Kisto paint using acrylic and spray paints, as the sun goes down. Photo submitted by Thomas “Breeze” Marcus.

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On Thursday, March 21, O’odham artist Thomas “Breeze” Marcus shared his knowledge of aerosol art with youth in a presentation at the Way of Life Facility (WOLF). The presentation was part of Youth Art Month sponsored by the Salt River Tribal Library. Six students came to learn about the history, culture and techniques of graffiti art and to learn about Marcus’s experiences.

Marcus explained how the ancient Huhugam would draw on large rock surfaces by using sharper rocks as scrapers. The symbols they left behind tell the story of how they lived, the animals they saw and how they left the land with a canal system so they could water their farmlands. He explained that the rocks they used to create their drawings and symbols are a medium, which is any tool used to create art. Mediums include pencil, markers, chalk, spray paint, clay, metal, ink, a camera and so on.

He said graffiti art was introduced after the military began using spray paint to help camouflage military vehicles. Spray painting was then adapted by street artists in New York, who would paint subway train cars with colors and designs of all kinds.

Marcus shared examples of his own artwork, including murals he’s done in downtown Phoenix and collaborations with fellow artists in the Community. He then discussed how he first sketches out his design ideas, and he asked the

youth to come up with different ways to draw a water design.

After they sketched their designs, the students started to paint them on wooden boards, which they could take home when they were finished.

For more information on upcoming activities at the Salt River Library, call (480) 362-6600. To see more of Marcus’s art, visit the free First Friday Art Walk on Roosevelt Row in downtown Phoenix.

Jeffery Fulwilder Inspires Future Artists

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During the spring break activities at the WOLF, artist and Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community member Jeffery Fulwilder gave a presentation to the youth about his sculptures and ink drawings. He displayed some of his drawings and models of his large-scale sculptures, which can be seen around the Community. He spoke about the process of creating a sculpture and how long it takes, as well as “thinking outside the box” to create his work. Fulwilder, along with a number of other artists in the Community, took part in the Salt River Tribal Library’s Youth Art Month during March.



Jeffery Fulwilder shares his process of his statue artwork to youth at the WOLF.



Youth participating in the Spring break activities view Jeffery Fulwilder's pen drawings he has created over the years.

RMEP Princess Sienna Primeaux Enjoys Her Reign



Sienna with Alcatraz in the background. Attending the Two Spirit Pow-Wow in San Francisco, California.

Submitted photos.

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Sienna Primeaux is halfway through her reign after being crowned Red Mountain Eagle Pow-Wow Princess back in November.

Primeaux is 11 years old and is a fifth-grader at Lehi Elementary. She is the daughter of Stephanie Manning and Cleveland Primeaux. Her maternal grandparents are Vona Pablo and Devere Manning, and her paternal grandparents are Bernice Primeaux and the late Silas Primeaux.

So far, her schedule has been busy, with lots of traveling alongside her mom and grandma. Her favorite appearance so far has been her visit to San Francisco to attend the Bay Area American Indian Two-Spirit Pow Wow in February. She said it is the same as any other powwow, except for the pastel colors of the flags. This is Primeaux's second time traveling as a RMEP title holder; the year prior she was the First Attendant.

"I saw all the things that I could do last year and I thought they were really cool," Primeaux said. "I wanted to experience more of that, so I went back and [decided to compete again]. And it was really cool because I got to learn all about everything and about different tribes and cultures."

She says her biggest inspiration for making the decision to run again was the support of Community member Bryce McGertt, whom she considers a role model. McGertt is the former Mr. Indian Scottsdale Community College.

"He's like a big brother to me. He helped me run and encouraged me," Primeaux said. "When we were just standing there, he said, 'You got this.' I know him because he was Mr. Indian SCC and [because of] his sister Kennise McGertt [the current Jr. Miss Salt River]."

Her platform for the year is to show the youth how to speak our language.

Regarding what she's learned so far, Primeaux said she has become more familiar with other tribes and how many are in the Southwest and across the country. "They do things in unique ways," she said. She has met other tribal princesses.

One of her goals is to make an appearance at the Oklahoma City Pow-Wow because her dad's family is from there. She wants to be able to experience that culture, see family members she hasn't seen in a long time, and share the title she has achieved.



Sienna with Tohono O'odham traditional dancers at the Miss Tohono O'odham pageant.



Sienna with other visiting royalty at the 25th Annual Avi Kwa Ame Pow-Wow in Nevada



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Walk for the Luck of It' 5K

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Runners, joggers, walkers and those who were just along for the ride were up early Saturday morning, March 16 for the "Walk for the Luck of It" 5K at the Way of Life Facility (WOLF). Participants arrived at around 7:30 a.m. to register for the 3.1-mile walk, which took place on St. Patrick's Day weekend. They received green T-shirts to wear along the route.

Following registration, the participants were led in a warm-up before hitting the road. The 3.1-mile route took the walkers west on Indian School Road to Country Club Drive. Next it was north on Country Club to Chaparral Road, back east to Center Street, and south back to the WOLF, where a special treat awaited them.

Along the route, WOLF staff members cheered for the walkers, waving signs of encouragement and handing out water. As walkers arrived at the finish line, they were also greeted by Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Recreation staff members, who supported each walker with high-fives. The walkers finished the event with St. Patrick's Day theme cupcakes and other continental breakfast items.



Davon Strong, Raja Reyes and Eric Meraz, III have a blast walking the 3.1 miles together as they joke and laugh all the way.



Recreation staff encourage walkers, runners, and joggers as they participate in the Walk for the Luck of it 5K.



Norman Wellington, Jr. high fives recreation staff as they wait along the sidelines cheering and encouraging the 5K participants.



Les Sampson makes his way round the curve on Chaparral Road at the half way mark of the 3.1-mile route.



Monica Shaw and her husband Kent Burleigh participate in the 5K together.



Community Youth Attend Larry Fitzgerald Football Camp

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"We are! Teammates!"

About two dozen youngsters from the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community participated in a private three-hour football camp.

The March 23 camp was in Glendale at Copper Canyon High School, not far from State Farm Stadium, home of the Cardinals. The camp featured area

football coaches and experts. Longtime NFL player and former San Francisco 49ers offensive lineman Adam Snyder was also on hand at the camp, showing youth proper technique. Arizona Cardinals star wide receiver Larry Fitzgerald was supposed to lead the skills instruction but didn't show.

Campers were divided into groups and rotated through multiple fundamental drill stations. Campers received a T-shirt and a meal.

The chant of the day was coaches saying, "We are!" and youth responding with "Teammates!"

In all, 27 Community youth, ages 8 to 13, signed up for the camp through the SRPMIC Community Relations Department.

The camp was part of Teammates for Kids, a foundation created by country music star Garth Brooks. Brooks was in the Valley for a concert at State Farm Stadium, where Fitzgerald joined

him on stage and presented Brooks with a custom Cardinals jersey. For more information on Teammates for Kids, visit www.teammatesforkids.com.

A week later, on the weekend of March 30, Community youth attended another Larry Fitzgerald football camp held at Mountain Pointe High School in Phoenix.



2019 UNITY RUN STRENGTHENS COMMUNITY TIES



The Unity Run camp at Red Mountain. Organizers and volunteers prepare plenty of food for dinner before the start of the 2019 Unity Run.



Youth setup camp at Red Mountain a day before the start of the Unity Run.

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They ran.

They ran next to the sacred Red Mountain. They ran along the canal toward the center of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. They ran along the streets to the Community Building. They ran south to the Gila River Indian Community and to other O'odham villages in southern Arizona.

They ran dozens of miles in small groups of two. They ran united.

Roughly 200 individuals took part in the 24th Annual

Unity Run, a relay-style run from March 17 to 23 that started at the base of Red Mountain. The run, known to many as a prayer run, brings people of all ages together to strengthen their Himdag (way of life) and Ihmigi (relationship).

In Salt River, police officers assisted runners with an escort along Community streets before and after a stop for lunch at the Community Building during the first day. The day before the run started, many camped at Red Mountain in preparation. Some even enjoyed the nearby, higher-than-usual Verde River. Coordinator Serena Padilla and others

prepared and cooked a delicious meal.

The camp was a social setting, with many familiar faces; some said it was like a family reunion. SRPMIC Public Works assisted with tables, chairs, a large tarp and waste management. The Unity Run is more than physically running—those who take part have roles like driving, cooking, cleaning, coordinating and whatever else is requested to help make it a smooth process. All did their part to help, whether by helping set up someone's camp, chopping firewood, cooking or a number of other ways.

Michael Enis loaded up his

truck with camping gear and supplies for the almost week-long run. From his Tohono O'odham home, he brought along a handful of young men who wanted to run. Enis grew up hearing about the run from his mom and knows the significance of the run and its powers. In past years he's run sections of the Unity Run through the Tohono O'odham Nation, but this year he planned to drive and make sure everyone arrived safely.

"To come, it's a good feeling," he said. "It really connects that this is O'odham land. We are united even though we live in different areas and our reservations are

not connected. We are diverse, not divided; that's what makes us unique."

Cousins Julene Narcia and Wynona P. Larson came together with a group of young people.

"I'm really glad I have the opportunity to share this with a younger generation," Narcia said.

Larson has always been a runner. She's taken part in the Unity Run since before she was a teenager. She said when you run, "The feeling is truly genuine.

"When you're praying, the miles don't matter."

Spring Into Wellness!

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It's springtime! To celebrate, the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Prevention & Intervention Services and WIC Program hosted Spring Into Wellness, a wellness fair for the Community, at Salt River High School on March 19.

The evening gave Community members the opportunity to visit information and demonstration booths to learn about various aspects of health and wellness while having a little fun. Booths included Cultural Resources Department, Crisis Intervention Team, Community Housing Services, Vocational Rehabilitation, Parent Training Program, Community Health Education and others. The University of Arizona Extension Program had guests power a blender to make smoothies by riding a specially equipped bicycle. There was also a wooden pillow demonstration to learn more about exercise and flexibility.

The free evening also included entertainment, a healthy dinner and drawings for raffle prizes.



Salt River Elementary Holds Field Day

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Salt River Elementary School held Field Day on Friday, March 8, and the students participated in a number of fun athletic activities. The students could invite their families to participate in the events as well.

The day's activities started at 8:30 a.m. The classes rotated among the different activities, which included tug-of-war, hot lava, sponge relay race, three-legged race, kickball and cultural games. There were also water stations and a basketball challenge. After completing their activities,

the classes headed back to get ready for lunch.

This was the tenth activity at SRES for the 2018-19 school year. As the final semester wraps up, upcoming events include a Book Fair, Education Fair, Spring Music Concert, Culture Night, Mother's Day Event and a F.A.C.E. Ceremony. The fifth and sixth grades also will go on a camping trip before the end of the year.

For more information on upcoming Salt River Elementary School events, visit the Salt River Schools Facebook and Instagram pages at www.facebook.com/saltriverschools/ and www.instagram.com/saltriverschools/?hl=en.



These young girls test their balance as they walk across the lawn with baskets filled with balls on top of their heads.



A game of tug of war test the strength of these young students as they compete against their teacher and the girls of their class.



All students were able to participate in water activities including this water sprayer activity.



Student participate in a three-legged race against their classmates.



The students play games such as the classic The Floor is Lava; the students jump from stone to stone trying not to touch the ground.

Spring Break Activities Include Trip to Northern Arizona

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During their spring break, many Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community youth participated in the 2019 Spring Break events, held the week of March 11-14. Activities started off at the Way of Life Facility on Monday morn-

ing with registration and daily activities for all ages. The week included arts and crafts projects, field trips to Dave & Buster's, movies, lunch at the Cheesecake Factory, and an "escape room," a fun problem-solving, team-building event.

Something different was offered during the spring break activities this

year. A handful of teens signed up to take a four-day trip to northern Arizona to visit the Hopi and Yavapai-Apache tribal communities and governments. At Hopi, the first stop was to the Museum of Northern Arizona in Flagstaff. The next day students enjoyed a tour of the tribal government offices, where they received a presentation about the village

and government. The following day, the group traveled to the Yavapai-Apache Nation in Camp Verde, where they were greeted by tribal council members and received a presentation and tour.

All events were hosted and organized by Salt River Community Recreational Services and the Community Relations Department.



Teens participate in the spring break activities. Photos by Tara Gonzales and Sheila Romero



Teens took a trip up to northern Arizona.



Games were popular during Spring Break Activities.



Youth went bowling for another activity during their break.



Youth also did crafts at As You Wish.



Teens visited a museum in the Hopi community.

SPRING SKATE JAM

AT THE WOLF



The design is depicting the Pima and Maricopa tribe's. Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, this is representing you guys; thank you.

said Paul Molina of Seven Layer Army before handing out skateboards to all the participants.

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The roaring sound of skateboards rolling over the asphalt echoed across the Way of Life Facility as more than

50 youth glided through the parking lot to make their way to the skate park for the 2019 Spring Skate Jam on Friday, March 15. The competition was hosted by the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Recreational Ser-

vices Athletics and Seven Layer Army Skateboards.

The afternoon event attracted 27 youth, ages 7 to 22, who showed off their moves and gave their best performances for a shot at first place in three different age categories: 7-10, 11-15, and 16 and older. Each participant was given two 1-minute runs to show off their skills. The youth encouraged each other and cheered when a trick was landed. They rode on the concrete obstacle course as tunes blared through the radio speakers and Seven Layer Army founder Ruben Ringlero announced the competitors and their tricks.

Prior to the winners being announced, Seven Layer Army and SRPMIC Recreational Services Athlet-

ics provided each participant with grip tape, a T-shirt and a custom-designed skateboard created by Paul Molina of Seven Layer Army.

"The design is depicting the Pima and Maricopa tribe. Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, this is representing you guys; thank you," said Molina before handing out the boards.

"This is the second skate competition held at the WOLF Skate Park," said Athletics Program Manager Michael Douglas. "We plan on doing more competitions and skateboarding classes in the near future."

For more information on WOLF Activities, call (480) 362-6365. To learn more about Seven Layer Army Skateboards, visit www.sevenlayerarmy.com.



Ages 7-10

First place: Lorenzo Reyes

Ages 11-15

First place: Ethan Wood
Second place: Anthony Brown
Third place: Joseph Rangel

Ages 16 and older:

First place: Gabriel Fleming
Second place: Xavier Lewis
Third place: Byron Donahue

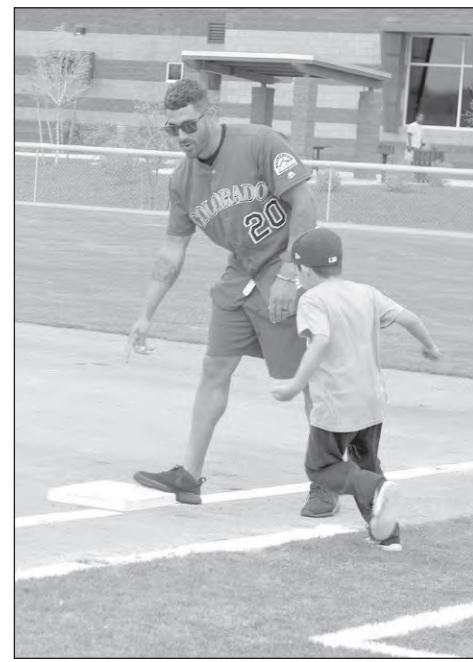
Youth Learn the Game of Baseball From a Major Leaguer



Staff from the Colorado Rockies Organization took time to help youth work on baseball skills at the WOLF.



Ian Desmond plays a game of baseball with youth at the end of the baseball clinic.



Desmond teaches the youth about running bases during baseball.

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On March 21, youth in the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community enjoyed a casual game of baseball with Colorado Rockies star Ian Desmond, no. 20. Desmond, who plays first base, spent time with more than 100 participants at the baseball clinic at the Way of Life Facility baseball field.

Desmond, as well as staff from the

Rockies, divided the kids into three large groups and took time to teach them the baseball basics: throwing, catching, running bases and hitting.

Many of the children were excited to be working with the professional baseball player, who also explained his warm-up techniques and what he does during practices.

"I thought the camp was fun. I like to play baseball and softball at school," Tianna Toney said.

The kids were treated to pizza when the camp was over. Desmond also gathered all the youth together for a fun game of baseball that everyone enjoyed.

"The Colorado Rockies and Ian Desmond always enjoy spending time with the kids from the Community," said Jim Kellogg of the Colorado Rockies. "We look forward to the visit every spring training. It is our honor and pleasure to share time with each child! We hope they learn something about life and

baseball during our visits. We have a great time."

Many of the participants also attended last year's inaugural baseball clinic. "Today, I learned that you don't have to be a professional to play baseball," said Lloyd Brown.



Desmond helps youth with their batting skills during the clinic.



Youth of the Community enjoyed participating in the Rockies baseball clinic where they got tips from Major League staff.



Desmond showed his stance at the plate when he is up to bat.



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Salt River Ba'ag Teams Participate in March Madness Showcase



During the month of March, SRPMIC and enterprise employees took part in March Madness co-ed basketball games. Ten teams participated in two games, and if won both games they made it to the tournament bracket. Teams included; IT March Madness, Justice League, Cookies N Kareem, EDU Scores on You, Band of Misfits, Wreckreation, CDD Moon, Pdub, Gate's Greats, and ECS. The March Madness Single Elimination Tourney took place March 21 to April 2 held at Pi-Copa Gym and Friendship Park. Nalani Lopez, Young River People's Council

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The 14-and-under Salt River Ba'ag boys' and 12-and-under Ba'ag girls' teams traveled to play in the Central Arizona March Madness Showcase on the weekend of March 16.

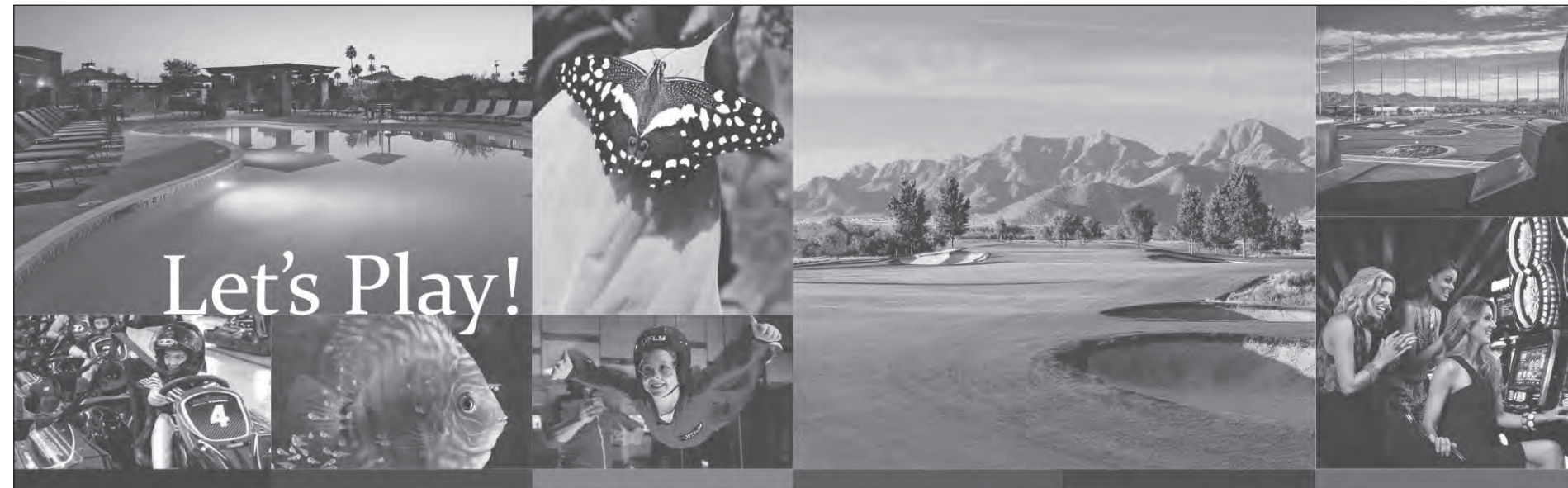
For the girls, this was their first out-of-town tournament, and they represented Salt River well. They played tough competition in both games and put up a good fight, but they could not get any wins against more seasoned teams from up north. Team MVP was Samira Dockerty.

The boys went 3-0 on the weekend and faced the Northern AZ Gunnerz in the championship game. They overcame a 12-point deficit and stormed back at the end of the game. Tournament MVP Diante Anderson had the ball in his hands with eight seconds left in regulation and took the ball to the basket to score the game-winning and go-ahead basket with three seconds left. Ba'ag stole the next inbound pass to run out the clock and earn their first tournament win of the club season.



Last month, Young River People's Council members Nalani Lopez spent the day with O'dham Action News staff. She rotated among staff learning about all aspects of newspaper production including layout and design, photography and even helped do a voice over for an online video. Pictured (L-R): Reporter Richie Corrales, Newspaper Assistant Deborah Stoneburner, Reporter Tasha Silverhorn, Youth Nalani Lopez, Reporter/Ad Sales Jessica Joaquin and Senior Reporter Dalton Walker. In the back, Managing Editor Dodie Manuel. Photo by Daniel Martinez

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Let's Go Back Twenty Years...

Twenty years ago, on April 6, 1999, to be exact, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community member Monica Shaw and her husband Kent Burleigh found themselves at the Appalachian Trail trailhead in Springer Mountain, Georgia, ready to embark on a journey that few attempt and even fewer complete. The couple had just recently retired, gotten married, sold their house and found themselves determined to walk through 14 states, a trek of 2,100-plus miles to Mount Katahdin in Maine. Enjoy this article by news reporter Claude Jackson, first published in March 2001.

Please visit www.oodhamnews.org for a video about their journey.

Hiking the Appalachian Trail

Editor's Note: This article first appeared in Au-Authm Action News in March 2001.

BY CLAUDE JACKSON
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Some of us have walked the long and winding path metaphorically. For Monica Shaw, it was all too real, when she and her husband, Kent Burleigh, decided to undertake one of the most grueling, time-consuming adventures in America: hiking the Appalachian Trail.

The A.T. is a footpath through the oldest mountain chain in the United States. It snakes from Georgia to Maine, a total of 2,162 miles. This is no tour group.

"It took us six and a half months of continuous hiking with a backpack to walk this trail," said Shaw. "We started in Springer Mountain, Georgia, on April 6th of 1999." Fourteen states later, Shaw and Burleigh ended up on Mount Katahdin in Maine's Baxter State Park on October 13.

So what brought this Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community member, born in Parker, Arizona, and former manager of an accounting department in Colorado, to attempt such a feat? Well, it certainly was not on the spur of the moment.

"It took a lot of planning," Shaw said. "I had read about the Appalachian Trail many years prior to attempting it. I had read a book that sparked my interest on it."

Shaw said that back in 1998, she and Burleigh talked seriously of taking this long and winding road. "We were both working full-time, and we just decided this was the time to do it," she said. "We were getting older. My husband is retired, so he was able to go ahead and quit his job. I ended up selling a home and quitting a job after 15 years in the same position and said, 'Let's go for it.' If this is what we really wanted to do, those are the sacrifices you make to attempt something of this magnitude."

Growing up, Shaw admitted she was anything but the ath-

letic type. "I was not athletic," she laughed. "I have always been non-athletic. I do like to walk a lot. I never hiked until I was well into my thirties. I'm 49 right now. At the time I was living in Colorado—and Colorado is such a beautiful state—I really got into hiking."

After putting their personal affairs in order, Shaw and Burleigh set out to conquer the A.T. They both felt they were ready. Despite her developing passion for hiking, Shaw spent extra time in the gym.

They started off in the spring and ended in autumn. Summer was not as bad as one would suspect. "You think, 'Oh, they are outside all the time and they are going to get really tan,'" said Shaw. "But you don't get the sun all that much because you got the shade from the trees. As we moved more north we began to see more foliage," Shaw recalled, "and I would have to say the majority of the path is a lot of trees. You're hiking in trees all the time."

Added her husband, "It's like hiking in a tunnel."

They would travel with a

Shaw and Burleigh estimated that there were about 3,000 people who started the trek and about 300 reached the top of Mount Katahdin, the northern terminus of the trail.

Along the way, friendships were spawned as pleasant-ries were exchanged between groups and individuals, and nobody referred to each other by their given name. Instead, you went by your trail name.

"A lot of people on the trail don't go by their real names," Shaw explained. "Either somebody on the trail will give you a trail name or you can give it to yourself. My husband went by 'Smoke.'"

As for Shaw, fittingly, "Pima Lady" was her trail name. "I did some education along the way," she said. "A lot of people had not even heard of the Pima tribe in Arizona, but now they [have]."

Pima Lady and Smoke would often cross paths with "Buck-eye" from Ohio; "Shamrock," whose mother was Irish; and "Pigpen," the name given to a hiker because she was always messy.



On April 6, Monica Shaw, a Salt River Community member, and her husband, Kent Burleigh, began their journey at Springer Mountain in Georgia. The plaque commemorates the southern terminus of the Appalachian Trail.

five- to six-day supply of food, lugging their backpacks, which weighed in excess of 40 to 50 pounds. Their diet resembled that of a college freshman away from home: mostly freeze-dried food boiled in water over a camper stove, such as ramen noodles, supplemented with soy protein, granola and power bars. Alas, there were no Golden Arches in sight, so Big Macs were not on the menu.

After a few days, their packs would get lighter. Unfortunately, that meant they had to restock their food supply. "Along the trail we would have to hitchhike into town and go to a post office where we had prepackaged boxes of food sent to us," Shaw said. "[We would] pick that up and hitchhike back on the trail, and keep going until we hit the next town."



Monica Shaw on the Appalachian Trail in her hiking gear. In the springtime, Shaw sports her backpack, light clothing and hiking poles, which resembled ski poles. They help her maintain balance on some of the rockiest parts of the trek.

And they could not forget about "Buttercup," "Geppetto," "Firefly," "Zorro" and "Laohu," named for the Year of the Tiger.

"You get to know people that stay with you all the way," Shaw said. "There's a real grapevine also. There's a lot of verbal communication by person like in the old days—storytelling. So people keep tabs on each other so you know we are all kind of moving like a little group. We know who is out there and who is two days ahead of us. It was a real neat thing."

Burleigh likened the experience to a tribe of people, which is certainly something Natives could relate to. "It's a community," he said. "You keep running into the same people all the time, and you pass each other on and off. If somebody is a

fast hiker, then they might relax in a town for four days and you pass them on the trail again. Then, they pass you again. You are constantly seeing people on and off all the time."

The shared effort among these people was to complete the trail, to get from point A to point B without falling down too much. Shaw admitted she stumbled often.

"As you're hiking the trail, yes, there's a lot of beauty to be seen and you do get the sense that you are out there with the animals because you are isolated out there."

Burleigh said the task of hiking, sometimes as much as 11 hours a day, was the most important responsibility. "You tend to look at the ground a lot because you don't want to fall

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In the heat of summer, Shaw is at Spring Lake in southern New York around late July. She said the New York she and her husband saw was a lot different than the metropolis we are so used to seeing.



over,” he said. “You don’t want to trip over a rock or a root. So when you talk about enjoying the scenery, in reality you are looking at flowers because you are looking at the path.”

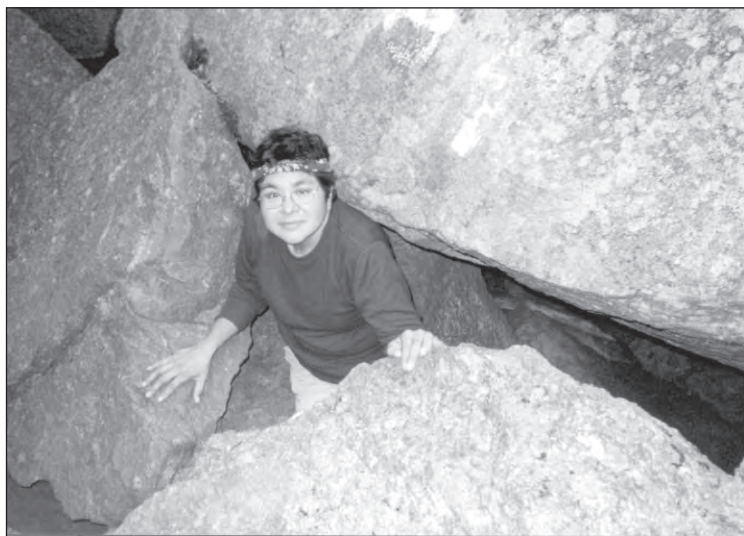
If their eyes were occupied by the trail, Shaw said their sense of sound was alive and well. “You’re more aware of noises in nature,” she said.

“For instance, with the camping on a mountaintop. Prior to that you are just not used to radios or a train, and you would be where the sound would be carrying through the hills and the mountains. You would be out there and all of a sudden you would hear a train out in the distance. You would hear somebody way down there playing a radio.”

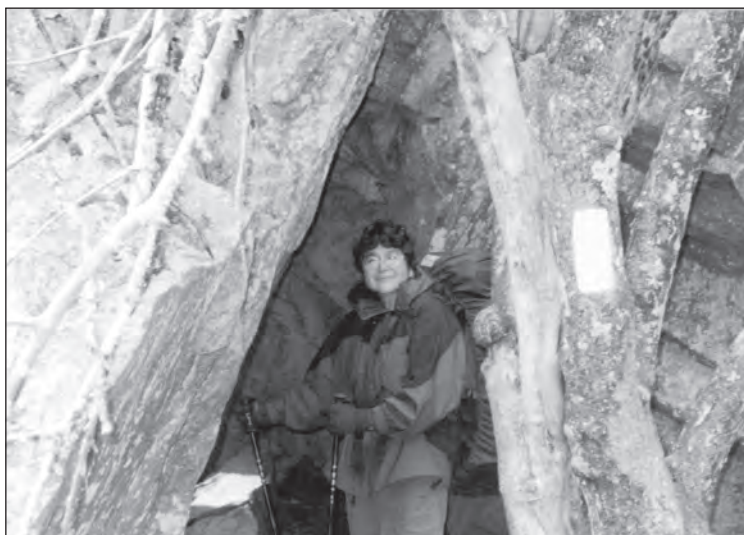
On the trail there were different animals, such as deer; but thankfully, Shaw and Burleigh did not encounter any bears, especially hiking through the famous Smoky Mountains, where a Yogi or a Boo-boo would wait for the first chance to snag an unsuspecting hiker’s precious snacks.

During the final stretch through Maine’s 281 miles of mountains and water bogs, the snow started to fall. Besides fighting fatigue, Shaw and Burleigh had to constantly keep themselves dry, especially their feet.

Towards the end they had to detour off the trail to reach Mount Katahdin before Baxter State Park closed for the season. Upon reaching the end,



Shaw tries to maneuver through the Mahoosuc Notch in Maine, regarded as “the toughest mile on the trail.” She said the Notch looked “like somebody sprinkled these huge boulders down. It was actually fun.”



In early May, Shaw made her way through Fat Man's Squeeze in southern Virginia. She and her husband were anything but fat as they lost a combined weight of 60lbs. on the trail.

Shaw and Burleigh backtracked to make sure the entire journey was completed.

Burleigh said the end was filled with mixed emotions. “You would think that people would be ecstatic and really happy about finishing the hike,” he said. “But you don’t see that. With hikers it feels kind of sad, because this lifestyle that has been so much a part of your life is over.”

More than six months of hiking, Shaw called it, “is intensely a part of your life. You

get up and you hike and that is your whole day. It is how you get from the morning to the evening. You amaze yourself how little you can get along with. You’re carrying everything on your back.”

Now that the trail is com-



New Hampshire and Maine, the last leg of the trail, was filled with some interesting obstacles. Here Shaw poses in front of a bog board, which is used to get across muddy areas and standing water when it rains.

pleted, Shaw reflects that today she no longer sees any more “white blazes,” white rectangles placed on tree trunks and rocks to serve as guides, nor are there any “trail angels,” fellow hikers who leave little snacks for those following behind.

Her trail is different now.

Today there still is a period of adjustment. For a while, Shaw said sleeping in a bed was uncomfortable. She and Burleigh are currently staying with her mother here on the Salt River Community, trying to decide what their next adventure will be. For now, they live with the realization that they did something few of us will even think to attempt. “There isn’t a day that goes by that we don’t talk about it,” Shaw said.

“Pima Lady” represented the Community on the Appalachian Trail.

What was life like on the week of April 6, 1999?

- President - Bill Clinton
- Arizona Governor - Jane Dee Hull
- SRPMIC President - Ivan Makil
- SRPMIC Vice-President - Merna L. Lewis
- Casino Arizona was 1 year old
- #1 song - Believe - by Cher
- #1 movie - The Matrix
- The statewide average price of unleaded fuel was \$1.25 per gallon
- OAN staff consisted of an editor and reporter
- OAN was printed monthly



Shaw admitted that she fell down often along the trail. Perhaps she was paying too much attention to the beautiful scenery and not the ground—a sure sign of getting a case of the stumbles.



Shaw and Burleigh reached the end of the treacherous Appalachian Trail at Mount Katahdin in Baxter State Park in central Maine on October 13. That year they estimated only about 10 percent of those who started actually completed the 2,100-mile hike.

Annual Easter Sunrise Service

April 21, 2019 @ 6 a.m.
Salt River Ballpark



"He isn't here!
He is risen from
the dead, just as
he said would
happen. Come,
see where his
body was lying."
Matthew 28:6

EDUCATION FAIR AIM HIGHER

Prizes, Fun, Food

Salt River Community Building
Thursday, April 4
4-7 P.M.

Memorial Services & Cemeteries -PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT-

The death of a loved one is a very difficult time, the staff at Memorial Hall and Xalychidom Piipaash Nyvaash (MH/XPN) job is to help make it just a little bit easier. Burial assistance is offered to all enrolled members of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community.

Locations

MEMORIAL HALL
9849 East Earl Drive, Scottsdale, AZ

XALYCHIDOM PIIPAASH NYVAASH
3660 North Horne Road, Mesa, AZ

SERVICES PROVIDED
Wake Services | Funeral Services
| Memorial Services

Meldrum Mortuary & Cremation
(480) 834-9255

Contracted Mortuaries
Contact Memorial Services to
receive contract approval to work with
mortuaries.

Cemetery Requests
Headboard Replacement | Restore Mound
on Gravesite | Concrete Headstone Slabs

**Bunker Family Funerals &
Cremation**
(480) 964-8686

Cemetery Crew
Cemetery Crew Hours:
6 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Tuesday thru Saturday
(480) 278-7050

Hours may vary according to
Funeral Services Schedule

**Lowmans Arizona Funeral Home
& Mortuary**
(602) 276-3601

Providing a hospitable place to honor loves ones at the end of life's journey.

Main Office Hours: Mon. - Fri. at Memorial Hall
8 a.m. - 5 p.m. / Phone number (480) 278-7050

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.

HELPING HANDS THRIFT STORE APRIL 2019

50% OFF SALE DAYS
5,9,16,19,25 & 26
Easter Drawing
4/18 AT NOON
NO PURCHASE NECESSARY

HELPING HANDS HOURS: 8:30 A.M.- 4:30 P.M. PH: (480) 362-5625



O'ODHAM ACTION NEWS DEADLINES

| ISSUE | DEADLINE AT NOON |
|--------|------------------|
| APR 18 | APR 5 |
| MAY 2 | APR 15 |
| MAY 16 | MAY 3 |
| JUNE 6 | MAY 17 |

SEND INFORMATION TO DODIE MANUEL at dodie.manuel@srbmic-nsn.gov or 10,005 E. Osborn Road, Scottsdale, AZ 85256. For more information please call (480) 362-7750.

1st Quarter 2019 ELIGIBILITY DEADLINE March 31, 2019

Must be eighteen (18) years old, enrolled, and living to be eligible for the April 2019 Per Capita Payment. Per Council approval: Time Change for Thursday's Per Capita 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Payout Dates for the next Per Capita will be:

THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2019
10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
SR Community Bldg
FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 2019
8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
SR Finance Cashier's Window

Please remember Tribal ID is required in order to obtain your Per Capita check.

DEADLINES FOR CHANGES

Direct Deposit Start-Ups and Changes: Friday, March 29, at 5 p.m. This deadline is for new start-ups for direct deposit or changes to existing information. All forms MUST be submitted with a "VOIDED" check or statement from the bank with the Routing and Account #. Forms received by this date will be effective for the April 2019 payout. Forms received after this date will not be effective until the July 2019 payout.

Per Capita Eligibility & Change Forms: Tuesday, April 23, at 5 p.m. This deadline is for making address changes or submitting the Adult SRP-MIC Member's Per Capita Information Certificate. Forms received by this date will be effective for the April 2019 payout. Forms received after this date will not be processed until the first

week of May 2019.

Discontinue Direct Deposits: Wednesday, April 17, at 5 p.m. This deadline is to discontinue an existing direct deposit.
***Failing to notify the Per Capita department when an account is closed may delay your Per Capita payment.

Tax Withholding Changes: Wednesday, April 17, at 5 p.m. This deadline is for making changes to "Additional" tax withholding percentage or amount.

Tax forms are available at the Membership Services (Enrollment) and Finance Departments. Please submit completed forms to the Finance-Per Capita Department.

If you have any questions regarding: Tribal ID, Per Capita Eligibility & Change Forms call Membership Services at (480) 362-7600; Membership Services is located at: 10,005 East Osborn Road. Two Waters - Building B, 3rd Floor

Tax Withholding & Direct Deposits call Finance-Per Capita at (480) 362-7710; Finance Department is located at: 10,005 East Osborn Road. Two Waters - Building A, 1st Floor

Salt River ID Cards
Tribal ID is required in order to obtain your Per Capita check.
***EARLY HOURS ARE FOR SALT RIVER ID'S ONLY *** Salt River Identification cards will be issued at the Salt River Community Building only on **Thursday, April 25, 2019 from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.**

POSITION OPENINGS /OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC

| POSITION | DEADLINE |
|--|------------|
| Database Administrator | Continuous |
| Police Records Clerk | 4/6/19 |
| Purchase/Referred Care (PRC) Coordinator | 4/12/19 |
| Water Distribution Worker II. | Continuous |

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THESE POSITIONS PLEASE CONTACT THE HR RECRUITMENT DIVISION AT (480) 362-7925

To apply for any of these positions a completed SRPMIC Employment Application is required.

A resume may supplement an application however, a resume alone will not be considered.

Prior to hire as an employee, applicants will be subject to drug and alcohol testing. Will be required to pass a pre-employment background/fingerprint check. Employees are subject to random drug and alcohol testing.

"SRPMIC is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer" Preference will be given to a qualified Community Member, then a qualified

Native American and then other qualified candidate.

In order to obtain consideration for Community member/Native American preference, applicant must submit a copy of Tribal Enrollment card or CIB which indicates enrollment in a Federally Recognized Native American Tribe by one of the following methods:

- 1) attach to application
- 2) fax (480) 362-5860
- 3) mail or hand deliver to Human Resources.

Documentation must be received by position closing date.

- The IHS/BIA CIB form is not accepted.
- Your Tribal ID must be submitted to HR-Recruitment-Two Waters.

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

ALVARADO, ANTHONY-

Adjudication Hearing Case: JO-19-0023 Court Date: May 21, 2019 at 2 p.m.

BECERRA, OSCAR GARCIA-

Review Hearing Case: J-15-0041/0042/0043 Court Date: April 16, 2019 at 1:30 p.m.

BENITEZ, ELIA LEANN VICTORIA VALLES –

Review/Permanency Hearing Case: J-15-0174 Court Date: May 15, 2019 at 10 a.m.

BURKE, MARSHA VANESSA-

Review Hearing Case: J-17-0193/0194 Court Date: April 23, 2019 at 3 p.m.

BURKE, ROBERT DANIEL -

Review Hearing Case: J-17-0193/0194 Court Date: April 23, 2019 at 3 p.m.

CACHORA, MELISSA FAYTHE -

Review Hearing Case: J-17-0245 Court Date: April 22, 2019 at 3 p.m.

CARLISLE, MAURICIA LANDEAN

- 6 Month Review Hearing Case: J-11-0042/ J-12-0050/ 0051/ J-08-1059 Court Date: May 7, 2019 at 3 p.m.

CARLOS, ARLISSA FRANCES -

Review Hearing Case: J-17-0065/0066 Court Date: May 20, 2019 at 1:30 p.m.

CASIAS, SAMUEL RAY -

Review Hearing Case: J-17-0231 Court Date: May 22, 2019 at 9 a.m.

CHIAGO SR., VINCENT VERNON LEE -

Evidentiary Child Support Hearing Case: J-17-0238/ J-17-0239/ J-17-0240 Court Date: June 24, 2019 at 1:30 p.m.

CHIAGO SR., VINCENT VERNON LEE -

Review Hearing Case: J-16-0173/ 0174/ 0175 Court Date: June 24, 2019 at 1:30 p.m.

CONTRERAS JR., RUBEN DAVID

- Review Hearing Case: J-16-0176 Court Date: June 24, 2019 at 1:30 p.m.

DOE, MANUEL -

Disposition Hearing Case: J-18-0044 Court Date: May 15, 2019 at 3 p.m.

ENOS, KENNEDY JOHN -

Review Hearing Case: J-18-0008 Court Date: May 9, 2019 at 11 a.m.

ENOS, ROCHELLE MICHELLE

–Review Hearing Case: J-12-0162 Court Date: May 13, 2019 at 9 a.m.

ENOS, ROCHELLE MICHELLE

– Review/Permanency Hearing Case: J-17-0039 Court Date: May 21, 2019 at 10 a.m.

ENOS, YVETTE MARIE -

Initial Paternity Hearing Case: J-19-0024 Court Date: May 14, 2019 at 4 p.m.

GUTIERREZ, TONY ULYESSE HILLIAN -

Review Hearing Case: J-12-0161 Court Date: April 15, 2019 at 3 p.m.

HERNANDEZ, GABRIEL SHERWIN

- Review Hearing Case: J-12-0162 Court Date: May 13, 2019 at 9 a.m.

HILL SR., NEHEMIAH LAMUEL -

Review Hearing Case: J-12-0006 Court Date: April 30, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.

HOWARD, RITA -

Review Hearing Case: J-12-0161 Court Date: April 15, 2019 at 3 p.m.

JACKSON SR., ADAM BRIAN -

Review Hearing Case: J-12-0214/ J-14-0143 Court Date: April 22, 2019 at 10 a.m.

JAMES, ALEXANDRA--

Initial Guardianship & Review Hearing Case: J-17-0244 Court Date: April 24, 2019 at 4 p.m.

JOHNSON, MANUEL LEE –

6 Month Review Hearing Case: J-11-0042/ J-12-0050/ 0051/ J-08-1059 Court Date: May 7, 2019 at 3 p.m.

KAVOKA, JESSICA ANN -

Evidentiary Guardianship Hearing Case: J-18-0086 Court Date: April 29, 2019 at 9 a.m.

KAVOKA, TARA VIANN -

Adjudication Hearing Case: JO-19-0023 Court Date: May 21,

2019 at 2 p.m.

KAVOKA, TARA VIANN -

Disposition Hearing Case: J-19-0010-0015 Court Date: April 10, 2019 at 10 a.m.

LOPEZ, CAMILLE -

Evidentiary Termination of Parental-Child Relationship Case: J-18-0137 Court Date: May 6, 2019 at 3 p.m.

MAEZ, SCOTTY JOE –

Permanency/ Exceptional Care Hearing Case: J-14-0136 Court Date: May 16, 2019 at 9 a.m.

MANUEL, CHELSEA PAIGE -

Disposition Hearing Case: J-19-0045/ 0046 Court Date: May 14, 2019 at 3 p.m.

MARRUFO, MARISSA SHARON -

Review Hearing Case: J-17-0191/ 0192 Court Date: April 25, 2019 at 9 a.m.

MURPHY LEWIS, STEPHANIE

- Initial Termination of Parental/ Child Relationship Case: J-19-0070 Court Date: April 29, 2019 at 1:30 p.m.

MURPHY LEWIS, STEPHANIE -

Review Hearing Case: J-12-0038 / J-12-0039 Court Date: June 5, 2019 at 10 a.m.

MURPHY LEWIS, STEPHANIE -

Review Hearing Case: J-12-0037 Court Date: May 6, 2019 at 4 p.m.

PABLO, ANTHONY -

Disposition Hearing Case: J-18-0045/ 0046 Court Date: May 15, 2019 at 3 p.m.

PABLO, ANTHONY -

Adjudication Hearing Case: J-18-0047 Court Date: May 15, 2019 at 3 p.m.

PERKINS SR., TERRENCE LANFORD -

Disposition Hearing Case: J-18-0022 Court Date: April 24, 2019 at 11 a.m.

RHODES, LAKOTA FELIX -

Initial Paternity Hearing Case: J-19-0024 Court Date: May 14, 2019 at 4 p.m.

ROMO SR., DAVID WAYNE -

Review Hearing Case: J-17-0092-0094 Court Date: May 23, 2019 at 10 a.m.

SALAZAR JR., JOSE -

Evidentiary Guardianship Hearing Case: J-18-0086 Court Date: April 29, 2019 at 9 a.m.

SANTO, CARMELITA IRIS -

Review Hearing Case: J-15-0041/ 0042/ 0043 Court Date: April 16, 2019 at 1:30 p.m.

SANTO, CARMELITA IRIS –

6 Month Review Hearing Case: J-16-0113 Court Date: May 13, 2019 at 3 p.m.

SATCHELL, JOHN DARRICK-

Review Hearing Case: J-14-0047 Court Date: May 13, 2019 at 11 a.m.

SAUNSOZI, AMANDA -

Review Hearing Case: J-17-0092-0094 Court Date: May 23, 2019 at 10 a.m.

SHENAH, CLARISSA LITTLE DOVE -

Review Hearing Case: J-14-0047 Court Date: May 13, 2019 at 11 a.m.

SMITH, MELANIE ROSE -

Truancy Disposition Hearing Case: ATR-19-0021 Court Date: April 18, 2019 at 4 p.m.

STEPP, ANNLYNN MAE. -

Review Hearing Case: J-12-0006 Court Date: April 30, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.

UNKNOWN FATHER –

Evidentiary Termination of Parental-Child Relationship Petition filed: 6/25/2018 Case: J-18-0156, Minor DOB: John Doe D.O.B 02/22/2016 Mother: Amber Leigh Elena Baptisto Court Date: May 16, 2019 at 9 a.m.

“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."

VALLES SR., ROBERT ANTHONY

– Review/ Permanency Hearing Case: J-15-0174 Court Date: May 15, 2019 at 10 a.m.

DEFAULT NOTICE

IN THE MATTER OF: SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY V. JORDAN JAMES ANTONE, REGISTERED OWNER (S) CASE NO. VI-19-0006

SUMMONS (Notice of Seizure and Vehicle Forfeiture) THE COMMUNITY OF SALT RIVER TO THE REGISTERED VEHICLE OWNER(S):

Jordan James Antone, YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to appear and defend within the time applicable in this action and in this Court. Within twenty (20) days after the mailing or publication of the Notice of Seizure and Complaint for Vehicle Forfeiture, the owner of the seized vehicle may file a verified answer in response to the allegations. Any response must be filed in writing with this Court within twenty (20) calendar days after notice is complete. Notice is considered complete 1) upon mailing of the Notice; or (2) upon first publication, S.R.O. § 14- 157 (d).

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that in order to appear and defend, you must file a verified answer or other proper response in writing with clerk of the Salt River Community Court, within the time required and you are required to serve a copy of any response upon the Plaintiff. No extension of time shall be granted for the purpose of filing the answer, S.R.O. §14-157(d).

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that if a written response (verified answer) is filed within the time period, a forfeiture hearing shall be set for a day not less than fifteen (15) days or more than thirty (30) days after the answer is filed, S.R.O. §14-157 (f) (2)

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that if you fail to defend and/ or appear within the time applicable, the Court shall hold an evidentiary hearing no later than twenty (20) days after the answer was due and the Court may order the vehicle forfeited at such time, S.R.O. §14-157 (f)(1).

Dated this February 21, 2019, CLERK OF THE SRPMIC TRIBAL COURT

TITLEMAX V. NADIA RENEE BANASHLEY, RESPONDENT CASE NO. C-19-0008 DEFAULT NOTICE

TO: Nadia Renee Banashley, 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 22nd of February 2019 CLERK OF THE SRPMIC TRIBAL COURT

THERESA SHAW, PETITIONER V. BENNETT BENITEZ, RESPONDENT CASE NO. D-19-0019 SUMMONS (DIVORCE)

TO: Bennett Benitez, Respondent

1. A Complaint / Petition has been filed against you in this Court. A copy of the Complaint/ Petition attached to this Summons. The ground for divorce sets forth in the Petition are §10-35;(a-1)-Grounds-The court may grant or issue a decree of separate maintenance when one spouse willfully deserts or abandons the other spouse or when facts exist which would be grounds for granting an absolute divorce. An action for separate maintenance may be brought by a spouse without the necessity of an action for absolute divorce. The action for separate maintenance for the judgment of separate maintenance shall not bar the plaintiff from maintaining an action for absolute divorce upon the same grounds.

2. If you want to Deny the Claim and have the Court hear your side of the case, you have to file a Written Answer, within Thirty (30) DAYS of service unless the law requires otherwise.

3. You should go at once to a Legal Counsel or Advocate who will prepare a written answer for you.

4. If you do nothing, the Court may give Judgment for what the Complaint demands. (Section 5-16, Judgment by Default)

5. You must appear for a hearing scheduled on May 7, 2019 at 10 a.m. in Court Room #1 before the Honorable Judge Raymond L. Deer. DATED this 12th day of March, 2019 CLERK OF THE SRPMIC TRIBAL COURT

SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY, PLAINTIFF V. GILBERT GARZA III, DEFENDANT, CASE NO. CF-18-0125 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

TO: Gilbert Garza III, Defendant YOU ARE HEREBY ORDERED to appear before the above-entitled court on the 17th day of April, 2019 at 9 AM, in Court Room #2, and show cause why you should not be held in contempt for FAILING TO APPEAR AFTER BEING NOTICED. 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 21st day of February, 2019.

Chief Judge Ryan Andrews, SRPMIC TRIBAL COURT

TITLEMAX V. NOHALANNIE ERIN MARTINEZ, RESPONDENT CASE NO. C-19-0055 DEFAULT NOTICE

TO: Nohalannie Erin Martinez, 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 20th of March, 2019 CLERK OF THE SRPMIC TRIBAL COURT

COUNTRY CLUB CARS V. DEANNA ILENE MIRANDA, RESPONDENT CASE NO. C-19-0028 DEFAULT NOTICE

TO: Deanna Ilene Miranda, 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 20th of March, 2019 CLERK OF THE SRPMIC TRIBAL COURT

VEST, JACOB SEAN -

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Review Hearing Case: J-13-0160 Court Date: April 23, 2019 at 10 a.m.

WASHINGTON, VICTOR THOMAS

- Initial Guardianship & Review Hearing Case: J-17-0244 Court Date: April 24, 2019 at 4 p.m.

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Review Hearing Case: J-14-0121/ 0122 Court Date: April 29, 2019 at 4 p.m.

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Restraining Order Hearing Case: R-19-0034 Court Date: May 7, 2019 at 4 p.m.

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BENALLY, RANDALL -

Initial Guardianship and Status Hearing Case: CF-19-0027 Court Date: April 25, 2019 at 11 a.m.

BENITEZ, BENNETT FRANCISCO -

Divorce Hearing Case: D-19-0019 Court Date: May 7, 2019 at 10 a.m.

BURNS SR., COLE ADAN -

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Status/ Default Notice Hearing Case: CFCs-18-0060 Court Date: May 1, 2019 at 11 a.m.

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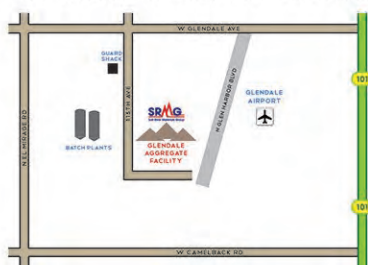
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4 SALT RIVER POLICE DEPARTMENT HIRING PREPARATORY CLASS,

6 p.m. - 8 p.m. located at Round House Café, SRPD is excited to host a preparatory and coaching class designed to assist applicants in becoming better prepared for the necessary processes involved in becoming a Salt River Police Department team member. Light refreshments. For more information on this event questions, contact: Sergeant A. Flores at (480) 362-6991 or email: anslem.flores@srpmic-nsn.gov

5 12TH ANNUAL MINI POW-WOW,

10 a.m.-12 p.m. located at ECEC 4836 N. Center St. Scottsdale AZ 85256. Join our little ones for a day of non-competitive celebration. Dancers and drum groups welcome! All ECEC families are invited to attend the ECEC social event of the year: Mini Pow Wow. Wear your traditional clothing and come

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6 5TH ANNUAL PIIPAASH MATA-SHEEVM WALK,

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6 PIIPAASH MATASHEEVM,

8 a.m.-11:30 p.m. located Lehi Gathering Area 1231 E. Oak Street, Lehi, AZ 85203 (N.E. corner of Oak Street & Stapley Drive). Everyone is welcome Free and public event. Bring your family, friends, chairs and blankets/ Rain or shine event arts, crafts and food vendor space available. All bird singers and dancers invited. Questions can be directed to: Ardell Moore (480) 362-7469 / Emily King (480) 362-2626 / Elaina Parchoom (480) 635-6692 provided by the Piipaash Matasheevm Committee and Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community.

6 15TH ANNUAL EARTH DAY CELEBRATION,

10 a.m.- 2 p.m.

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6 IN CONJUNCTION WITH EARTH DAY- PUBLIC WORKS DAY,

10 a.m. - 2 p.m. located at Two Waters Complex 10,005 East Osborn Road Scottsdale, Arizona 85256. The SRPMIC Public Works Department presents Public Works Day. For more information, please call (480) 362-5600

10 PRE-K CAP DECORATING NIGHT,

4:30 p.m.- 6 p.m. located at ECEC. Pre-K students and families are invited to attend the ECEC Cap Decorating Night from 4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m. in the pre-k classrooms. This event is for families with students who are going to Kindergarten for the 2019-2020 school year. You are welcome to bring your own material to share. You will create and decorate a cap. For more questions speak with the classroom teacher or call (480) 362-2200.

10-20 2019 SEXUAL ASSAULT

AWARENESS MONTH, (times do vary for each class) location is various location in and around the Community. Sexual Assault Awareness Month is a campaign to raise awareness about sexual violence and educate the communities on how to prevent it, here are a few activities that we will be hosting during the month of April. For more information on this various classes please contact Vurlene Notsinneh-Bowekaty (480) 362-2706.

12-14 33RD ANNUAL POW WOW AT ASU,

Friday 5:30 p.m., Saturday-Sunday 11:30 a.m. located at ASU Sun Devil Stadium. Dancing in 28 categories, Native American arts & crafts, Indian fry bread, intertribal dancing. \$10. For more information on this event please visit website <http://www.facebook.com/Pow-wowASU> or <http://powwow.asu.edu>

13 SRPMIC EASTER EGG HUNT,

9 a.m. located at Salt River Baseball Field. Come and enjoy the fun filled day of Face Painting, Easter Card Making, Easter Coloring Station, Photos with the Easter Bunny vendors and treats. Events of the day begins with Easter Egg Hunt 9:15 a.m. 2-3 years old, 4-6 years old, 7-9 years old, 10-14 years old following Easter Dress Parade 9:50 a.m. 0-3 years Boys & Girls. Field Games 10 a.m., Egg Eating Contest (first 10 adults) 10:30 a.m., Announcement of Winners/ Prizes 10:30 a.m. For more information on this event contact Community Relations (480) 362-7740.

13 MOVIES IN THE DESERT- RALPH BREAKS THE INTERNET,

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15 COMMUNITY WIDE MEETING: SUBSTANCE ABUSE,

6 p.m. located at Salt River Community Building 1880 N. Longmore Road-Scottsdale, AZ, 85256. Presenting Anti-Drug Awareness Campaign Journey of Healing: Understanding the Basics of Trauma. The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community is committed to battle the increasing trend of illegal drug distribution, illegal drug use and the resulting deaths from alcohol and illegal drug use occurring in the Community. For more information on this meeting please contact SRPMIC Administration Office at (480)362-6654.

17 DIABETES MANAGEMENT 101,

Wednesday afternoon from 12 p.m.- 1:30 p.m. Or Wednesday evening from 6 p.m.- 7:30 p.m. located Building 15- 10211 East Osborn Rd Scottsdale Az 85256. Join us every Wednesday afternoon from 12 p.m.- 1:30 p.m. or Wednesday evening from 6 p.m.-7:30 p.m. To learn about living a healthy lifestyle with diabetes. One-on-one sessions are available upon request. For more information on

this event please contact Cheyenne Roanhorse or email: cheyenne.roanhorse@srpmic-nsn.gov or call (480) 362-7496.

18 DISTRICT A MEETING (COUNCIL MEMBER DIANE ENOS),

6 p.m., SR Council Chambers. For more information contact the Council Secretary Office at (480) 362-7469.

20 DISTRICT B & C MEETING (COUNCIL MEMBER ARCHIE KASHOYA & CHERYL DOKA),

9 a.m., SR Community Building. For more information contact the Council Secretary Office at (480) 362-7469.

20 THE GREAT EGG HUNT AND FAMILY FAIR,

10 a.m. - 4 p.m. located at Odysea in the Desert. Free. Enjoy an Easter Egg Hunt with Grand Prizes! Meet and take professional photos with the Easter Bunny (\$5 per photo)! The kids can enjoy the Bounce Houses, Slides, Face Painting, Coloring Contest and Easter Crafts. Thank you to our corporate sponsors! For more information www.odyseainthedesert.com

21 ANNUAL EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE,

6 a.m. located at Salt River Ballpark. Please join us for the Annual Easter Sunrise Service at the SR Ballpark. For more information contact Elyse contact (480) 362-7469.

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