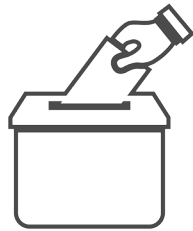


# SRPMIC 2024 COUNCIL ELECTIONS

**UP FOR ELECTION**  
2 District I (SR) Council Members / 1 District II (Lehi) Council Member

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## Continuing Traditions At The Huhugam Ki: Museum



Lyla Waters flipping her tortilla to the opposite side to cook evenly.

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For over 20 years, the Huhugam Ki: Museum staff has dedicated one week every summer to teaching young Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community members how to make tortillas (or, in the O'odham language, *cemait*). During the week of July 15-19, a group of youth spent their early mornings at the museum attending the Kids Tortilla Camp from 6 to 8 a.m. The camp is held on the museum's patio and is open to boys and girls in the Community who wish to learn how to make tortillas. Museum Specialist Debbie James and Museum Assistant Candice Manuel both demonstrated the process for making *cemait*. They

showed the young students how to prepare the dough mixture that is stretched out and laid flat onto a hot stovetop to cook.

"On the first day [of class], we bring out the flour, the salt, the lard and the water that we use, and we get in front of [the youth] and show them how to mix the dough," said James. "By the third day, they've learned how to do it on their own."

Throughout the week, the kids are taught the proper ways to mix, knead and stretch the dough and how to cook the tortillas. On the final day, the students are put to the test: They are expected to be able to prepare and cook their own batch of tortillas as their final task.

"The only way to be a great  
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## Preservation Anthropologist Aaron Wright Provides Piipaash History Presentation



Preservation Anthropologist Aaron Wright from Archaeology Southwest facilitated his presentation, "Intro to Arch: Triangulating Piipaash History along the Lower Gila River, Southwest Arizona," which detailed the Piipaash histories from pre-colonial times to the present day.

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Archaeology Southwest is a Tucson-based nonprofit organization that was established nearly three decades ago. The organization practices preservation archaeology, a term which contains three distinct phases: pursuing big-picture research questions through low-impact investigative methods, sharing results with professionals and the public, and actively protecting sites through ownership and/or conservation easements.

Aaron Wright is a preservation anthropologist and a staff member of Archaeology Southwest. Since earning his Ph.D. in anthropology in 2011, Wright has worked on various cultural resource projects in New Mexico, Arizona, California and other locations. More recently, Wright has focused his research on the Hohokam  
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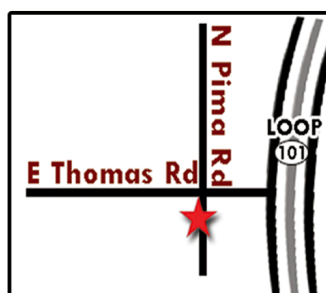
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Contact the Council Secretary at (480) 362-7466 for forms, ballots, and information.

## PRIMARY ELECTION DATES

**AUG  
13**

### Nomination Meetings for Council Members

Promptly at 6:00PM, at each voting district:  
- District I (SR) – Salt River Community Building  
- District II (Lehi) – Lehi Community Building

**AUG  
15**

### Council Member Nominees must accept or decline their nomination no later than 5:00PM

Nominees can contact the Council Secretary to receive the Accept or Decline form.

**4WEEK  
PROCESS**

### Background check process for nominees who accepted their nomination.

Per the amended SRPMIC Constitution, candidates must have not been convicted of a felony during the ten (10) years preceding the date of the election. A felony is any criminal offense punishable by more than one (1) year incarceration in the jurisdiction the person was convicted.

**AUG  
20**

### Election Board certification of Council Member nominees

Per SRPMIC Code of Ordinances, Section 3-5(c)(1)(c) Certification of candidates shall be determined by the Election Board based upon the qualification of the candidates as provided in Article IV, Sec. 3

**AUG  
23**

### Preliminary Notice of Certified Candidates

If the final background checks have not been received, a preliminary certification will be done. \*\*Upon receipt of a felony free background check, candidates will be officially certified and placed on the General Election ballot\*\*

**SEPT  
26**

### Deadline for Eligible Voters to request an absentee ballot

Eligible voters may request an absentee ballot if away from the Community, or unable to come to the polls, on election day. Request can be made via phone, email, or fax by contacting the Council Secretary.

**OCT  
10**

### Deadline to make request for Home Voting

Eligible home voters (disabled or bedridden and within a 25 mile radius) may request to have (2) Election Board Members deliver a ballot for home voting at your location. Request can be made by contacting the Council Secretary.

**OCT  
15**

### SRPMIC PRIMARY ELECTION DAY POLLS OPEN: 6:00am – 6:00pm

After polls close the Election Board will prepare results and count absentee ballots for the current Council to certify.

(At least one month prior to the General Election.)

#### District I (SR) Council Members:

Top 5 vote getters move on to the General Election

#### District II (Lehi) Council Member:

Top 2 vote getters move on to the General Election

**OCT  
24**

### Deadline for Primary Candidates who are not advancing to the General Election to take down their campaign signs.

(Within 7 business days).  
Per Section 3-5 (b)(4)(e) of the SRPMIC Code of Ordinances.

## SEATS UP FOR ELECTION



**DAVID  
ANTONE**  
DISTRICT B



**WI-BWA  
GREY**  
DISTRICT D



**DEANNA  
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LEHI DISTRICT

## GENERAL ELECTION DATES

**IMMEDIATELY  
AFTER  
PRIMARY  
ELECTION**

### Notice to all voters of General Election and candidates moving forward.

General Election mail out.

**OCT  
31**

### Deadline for Eligible Voters to request an absentee ballot.

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**NOV  
14**

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**NOV  
19**

### SRPMIC GENERAL ELECTION DAY POLLS OPEN: 6:00am – 6:00pm

After polls close the Election Board will prepare results and count absentee ballots for the current Council to certify.

(3rd Tuesday of November.)

The final tally and results will be presented for certification of the election results by Council.

**NOV  
28**

### Deadline for General Election Candidates to take down their campaign signs.

(Within 7 business days)  
Per Section 3-5 (b)(4)(e) of the SRPMIC Code of Ordinances.





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# NOMINATION

MEETINGS FOR COUNCIL MEMBERS

The purpose of the meetings is to nominate Council Member candidates.  
2 District I (SR) Council Members / 1 District II (Lehi) Council Member



**TUESDAY**



**AUGUST 13, 2024**

**DISTRICT I - SALT RIVER**

6:00PM | SRPMIC COMMUNITY BLDG.

\*\*DUE TO CONSTRUCTION PARK ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE BUILDING & ENTER THE MULTIPURPOSE ROOM

**DISTRICT II - LEHI**

6:00PM | LEHI COMMUNITY BLDG

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# Committee on House Administration Report on Voting Rights Released, Focuses on Native Americans' Experience

REPORT ON

## Voting for Native Peoples: Barriers and Policy Solutions

JULY 2024 | 118TH CONGRESS, SECOND SESSION

Graphic courtesy Committee on House Administration

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In March, *O'odham Action News* reported on a February 22 visit to the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community and Scottsdale Community College by tribal leaders and U.S. Congressman Joseph Morelle (D-25 NY), ranking Democratic member of the Committee on House Administration.

The purpose of the gathering, which took place at SCC's Indigenous Cultural Center, was for the committee to compile a Congressional report about the

continued and substantial barriers to the ballot that Native peoples have faced for decades.

The 124-page report, called "Voting for Native Peoples: Barriers and Policy Solutions," which includes information from the March *O'odham Action News* article, is composed of testimonies and stories from Native voters and tribal leaders from the SRPMIC as well as New Mexico, Montana, Oregon, South Dakota and Washington.

Committee staff members gathered evidence related to voting barriers and released a Congressional report on July 8 called "Voting for Native Peoples:

Barriers and Policy Solutions."

According to a press release by the Committee, the report "delves into the past, present, and future of Native American voting rights and proposes policy solutions to ensure every Native person can cast a ballot and have their voice heard."

The report is divided into five main sections that detail the history of the relationship between Native nations and the United States regarding the path to U.S. citizenship.

The report concludes with a statement that illustrates that "discrimination in voting is alive and well and has a significant impact on Native people" and "to truly fulfill the United States' treaty responsibilities to tribal nations and Native peoples, Congress must ensure equal access to representation for every Native person."

U.S. Congresswoman Sharice Davids (D-3 KS; enrolled member of the Ho-Chunk Nation of Wisconsin), who visited the Community on July 19 to learn more about the Community's resource needs and efforts related to restorative justice, released a statement on the report:

"Native American communities have long faced significant barriers to voting, from restrictive ID laws to inaccessible polling locations. Ranking Member Morelle's new report highlights these persistent challenges and historical injustices that have disenfranchised Native voters, underscoring the urgent need for legislative action to expand the Native vote. The Native American Voting Rights Act is a crucial step toward ensuring that all Native peoples can exercise their fundamental right to vote without undue obstacles, and I join the many voices across the country in calling for Congress to pass it."

Stay tuned to *O'odham Action News* for an upcoming article about Davids' visit to the Community.

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## Burritos & Ballots Entice Hungry Voters



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The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community's Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs set up in the lobby of Two Waters A on July 11 and 18 for a "Burritos & Ballots" event to encourage voters to deposit their primary election mail ballots in the outgoing mailbox.

In return, anybody who stopped by the booth received a coupon for a free burrito valid that day at the Round House Café. There was no limitation on who could receive a burrito, as the goal was to address any questions that individual voters had about candidates prior to mailing their ballot.

On July 11, 20 ballots were turned in for 34 burritos, and on July 18, 22 ballots were turned in for 78 burritos.

"The Get Out the Vote effort featuring

the Burritos & Ballots event was meant to target voters who are on the Active Early Voting List (AEVL) who have already received their ballots in the mail," said Gary Bohnee, legislative affairs assistant. "We know approximately 50% of Community-member registered voters are on the AEVL, and we know large numbers of voters in Maricopa County vote by mail. Our goal is to create opportunities for all Community-member and employee voters to build awareness and encourage voting."

With 2024 being a presidential election year, the OCLA is encouraging all Community members and employees to register and vote in the general election on Tuesday, November 5.

"It is also important to let all of the candidates for office know that the SRPMIC vote matters," said Bohnee.

For more information about the candidates running for office, head to [www.saltrivervotes.com](http://www.saltrivervotes.com).

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# PRIMARY ELECTION DAY

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# Community Garden Staff Harvests and Prepares Squash



Community garden technician Jared Butler holds up a basket of squash seeds that were extracted and dried by staff. Photos by Andreea Miguel

Butler highlighted the need to save a few of the squash seeds for your seed bank. “Set some [seeds] aside for your garden for the next season and give some to people who you love,” said Butler.

Butler said that, traditionally, some of the seeds would be harvested for consumption, usually eaten during winter storytelling time, kind of like popcorn.

“We would always look forward to enjoying those winter stories and those winter snacks,” said Butler.

The fresh squash can be cut up, diced and added to a stew or seasoned and eaten as is.

“We want the youth and this generation to learn about how healthy the people were back before the settlers came and [dammed the rivers],” said Butler. “A long time ago, we used to be some of the healthiest people on Earth. Now, our people have the highest



A melon with *ban* claw marks on its exterior. *Ban* is O’odham for coyote. The *ban* was most likely looking for an edible melon. Photos by Andreea Miguel

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The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community’s Community Garden staff invited *O’odham Action News* to the small garden space outside of the Cultural Resources Department offices on July 12 to demonstrate how to prepare squash after it has been harvested.

“I’m showing the youth workers and day laborers the importance of not only the meat of the fruit, but the importance of the seeds,” said Community Garden technician Jared Butler, who recently joined the staff.

Butler set up a table with a few squashes laid out. With a small carving knife in his hand, he demonstrated his technique of chopping, slicing and breaking down the inedible outer layer to get the squash down to about an inch thick.

“You do this to the whole squash,” said Butler.

“You get it down to the consistency of a potato.” What’s left is the edible meat of the squash.

Before the demonstration, the squash had already been cut open from the neck by day laborers and youth workers. Cutting off the neck also makes it easier to hold the squash from the inside while slicing it.

The inside is cleaned out and any debris removed so the squash won’t grow mold. This way, the squash tastes better, according to Butler. The seeds are dried and set aside for consumption or for future planting.

Once the outside of the squash is smooth, it’s sliced up.

Butler had the slices, which were cut into large rings, laid out on a stick that was resting between the trunks of two trees. The squash slices stay hanging on the stick for about two days before being checked on.

“Once you get it smooth, you slice it all up,” said Butler.

rate of diabetes.”

Butler also showed an example of what some O’odham communities have nicknamed the *ban* melon—*ban* meaning coyote in O’odham. You can tell that a *ban* has been into the squash because it has large claw marks from the animal.

“The *ban* will come out and check to see if there’s any watermelons there,” said Butler, holding up the scarred vegetable. “So these are a good deterrent to plant on the outside of your garden.”

Butler said that traditionally, sometimes this melon, which can’t be consumed, would be grown also to keep people away from the watermelons.



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Two Waters Building A - Red Mountain Computer Lab (A117)

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- Salt River Seniors - AUG 15
- Two Waters - AUG 22
- Salt River Seniors - SEPT 19
- Two Waters - SEPT 26
- Salt River Seniors - OCT 17
- Two Waters - OCT 24
- Salt River Seniors - NOV 14
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- Salt River Seniors - DEC 12
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**Continuing Traditions At The Huhugam Ki: Museum**



Community youth with their certificates after finishing their last day of camp.



Rayann preparing her dough before taking it to the stove top to cook.



Tortillas being packaged and ready to be enjoyed.

tortilla maker is to continue to do it—even though [your tortillas] may look like Texas or Alaska,” said Huhugam Ki: Museum Director Gary Owens jokingly, explaining how *cemait* isn’t always going to come out perfectly round.

But the challenge is not trying to make them the perfect shape; it lies in the heat from the stove and the possibility of burning your fingers.

“We tell them in the beginning that everyone burns their fingers. Anytime you’re at a stove making tortillas, you’re going to get a burned finger,” said James.

“I did that on the first day. I was talking to somebody, and I was going to pick up the *cemait* and I touched the stove instead,” James explained. “Now I can’t unlock my phone because my finger is burnt and it won’t take my fingerprint anymore,” she added, laughing.

On the final day, the young tortilla-makers are presented a certificate with the words *I’vamik, himk o he nato heg cecmat*, which translates to “Let’s go make tortillas.” They also receive a bowl and cheesecloth as a gift to encourage them to continue making tortillas.



Practice is the best way to get better - tortillas aren't always going to come out perfectly round.





# Salt River Ba'ag Competes in First Annual MarJon Beauchamp All-Native Invitational



NBA star MarJon Beauchamp with Salt River Ba'ag rising star, Kylen Bonner. Photos courtesy of Head Coach Kyronna Roanhorse.

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MarJon Beauchamp is a professional basketball player currently playing for the NBA Milwaukee Bucks. Beauchamp is from the Mission Indian tribes as well as the La Jolla Band of Luiseño Indians, both located in Southern California. He was a first-round pick in the NBA Draft in 2022 and will be entering his third year in the NBA during the upcoming 2024-2025 season, slated to begin this October. Along with Kyrie Irving, Lindey Waters III and RaeQuan Battle, Beauchamp is one of only four Indigenous athletes currently playing in the NBA.

In late June, Beauchamp hosted the first annual MarJon Beauchamp All-Native Invitational tournament, sponsored by the Native American Basketball Invitational (NABI). With the help of GinaMarie Garcia Scarpa, CEO and president of NABI Nation, Beauchamp held the invitational in Seattle, Washington, on the Muckleshoot Reservation, where more than 30 boys' and girls' basketball teams battled for the tourney's championship title.

The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community boys' basketball team Salt River Ba'ag traveled to Washington to compete in the tournament. Making the trip were coach Kyronna Roanhorse and the following

athletes of SR Ba'ag: Beau Burns Jr., O'Shea Bonner, Diante Anderson, Kylen Bonner, AJ Seumanu, Ray Angulo, Dogka Nephi, Akee Katneay and Conor Doka.

"Three players got to meet Beauchamp," said Roanhorse. "He was very nice, polite and always open to signing autographs and taking pictures with everyone. He was there from registration day to the end of the tourney. He roamed around and watched lots of games. We even saw a small workout he was doing with his trainer before the coaches' meeting on Thursday evening."

Playing in Washington in the MJB Invitational was the farthest north the boys of SR Ba'ag have ever traveled for a basketball tournament. Previously they traveled to Oregon back when they were in the eighth grade.

"The food was so good. The players had a 'meet and greet' night and were given food vouchers. They had the choice of a food truck serving barbecue or Indian tacos. The background of Mt. Rainier was amazing when [we were] walking out of the gym," shared Roanhorse.

In the MJB Invitational, SR Ba'ag ran into familiar competition when they went head-to-head against Unconquered, a team from Florida that beat SR Ba'ag in last year's NABI tournament. However, the boys were prepared.

"We had to play together as one team," said Roanhorse. "This was a great game, from tipoff to the ending buzzer. We won the game by one point, 67-66. It was a great game!"



Upon their arrival to the MJB Invitational in Washington, Salt River Ba'ag were ready to battle it out on the basketball courts against some talented competition. Photos courtesy of Head Coach Kyronna Roanhorse.



The 1st Annual MarJon Beauchamp Invitational was hosted on the Muckleshoot Indian Reservation. Photos courtesy of Head Coach Kyronna Roanhorse.

Throughout the tournament, SR Ba'ag was featured on the official MJB Invitational social media pages due to their stellar pool play, where they finished 3-0 and won each game by at least 15 points. "The team came to play ball and handle business," said Roanhorse.

After two days of competitive basketball play, SR Ba'ag were 6-0 with their eyes squarely set on the championship game. Sadly, in their semifinal game against Legendary Elite from Oklahoma, SR Ba'ag fell short. They lost a hard-fought game, bringing an end to their tournament play. Legendary Elite eventually won the tournament.

"They are blessed and thankful to be able to attend this tournament," said Roanhorse about the SR Ba'ag players. "They enjoy the hospitality of the Native community and their members."

Back home, SR Ba'ag continued playing basketball at a high level as they participated in the 2024 Native American Basketball Invitational (NABI) as well as the "Dunking in the Desert" tournament in Gilbert in late July.

Fans interested in following SR Ba'ag can follow their Instagram page at @salt\_river\_baag where they post updates regarding upcoming tournaments.

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# The Importance Of Mosquito Prevention



Some of the work done by SRPMIC Public Health/ Environmental Health involves catching and testing mosquitoes.

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In *Ju:Kiabig Maşad* (July), or the rainy month, we began to see more moisture in the Valley. Every year, this added moisture causes an increased presence of mosquitoes. Mosquitoes are the main carrier for West Nile virus and St. Louis encephalitis, two diseases that are harmful to humans. Whether you are out shopping or doing yard work around the home, prevention of these diseases is important. Here are some helpful tips for protecting yourself and your home.

## Tips for protecting yourself:

Use DEET or Picaridin products—A mosquito repellent containing 20% DEET or picaridin should be used when you're doing outside activities. Popular brands like OFF!, Ben's and Sawyer can be purchased at local chain stores like Walmart.

Use permethrin-treated clothing—Permethrin can be used to add a repellent layer to clothing that can last for several wash cycles. These clothing items can be purchased at local outdoor stores like REI, Dick's and Bass Pro Shop.

Protect your skin—Wear long-sleeve tops and long pants to prevent mosquitoes from biting you. You can also use mesh netting as a physical barrier.

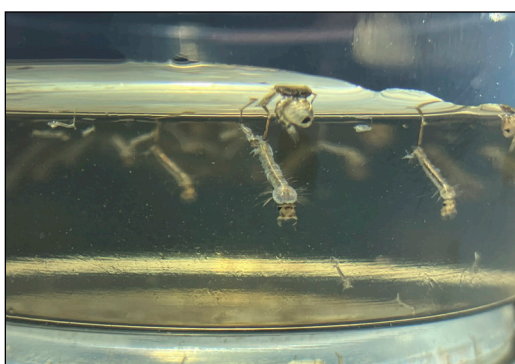
Watch the time of day—Avoid planning your outdoor activities around dusk or dawn, when mosquitoes are most active.

## Tips for protecting your home:

Standing water—Mosquitoes lay their eggs in water, so any standing water near your house should be removed or changed out daily to prevent eggs. Large water troughs, birdbaths, old tires and even small bottle caps are all potential breeding sites.

Moisture and shade—Mosquitoes will hide in shaded areas, especially around areas of high moisture. Ensure you are drying out patios and garden beds and keeping plants trimmed to eliminate these hiding spots.

Treatment—Any standing water that cannot be emptied can be treated with mosquito dunks, a safe method that will not harm other animals. Mosquito dunks are a bacterial treatment for mosquitoes that can be purchased at hardware stores. Try to avoid using any strong chemicals, but if you must use them, make sure you follow the label exactly.



Mosquitoes lay their eggs in water, so any standing water near your house should be removed or changed out daily to prevent eggs.

Physical protection—Ensure your home is secure from mosquitoes by repairing window screens, broken windows and any holes larger than a dime.



Store-bought options can be a good way to manage mosquitos when you're not able to empty standing water.

Following these tips can ensure that you and your family are protected from pesky mosquitoes and the diseases they carry.

At the SRPMIC Public Health/Environmental Health division, some of the work that we do is mosquito trapping. This means we go out once a week in various parts of the Community and catch mosquitoes for disease testing. This testing allows us to see if any mosquitoes present here are carrying any harmful disease and will determine which areas of the Community to treat, if the need arises.

Although mosquitoes can be a nuisance and carry some disease risk, SRPMIC members and residents can rest easy knowing that the Public Health team is working to ensure their safety. If you have any questions or concerns about mosquitoes, contact us anytime: call (480) 362-5706 or email [Environmental-Health@srpmic-nsn.gov](mailto:Environmental-Health@srpmic-nsn.gov).

# SRPMIC Athletes Compete in Annual Piestewa Games



Winning it all in the 2024 Piestewa Games in the Single-A baseball division: AZ Sons. Photo courtesy of Bennett Silvyn/Piestewa Games.

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This year, more than 4,000 Indigenous athletes from 50 tribes across Indian Country in the United States, Canada and Mexico participated in the annual Lori Piestewa Native American Games. Established in 2003, the games commemorate the life and legacy of Lori Piestewa, the first woman in the U.S. military to lose her life in action in the Iraq War. She was also the first Native American woman to die in combat with the U.S. Armed Forces.

The games took place over the weekend of July 5-7 at the Arizona Athletic Grounds in Mesa. The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community fielded several teams in softball, baseball and basketball.

For the first time, softball games were played later in the day and overnight, from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m., rather than during the daytime. This new schedule ensured players' safety in the scorching Arizona heat and also accommodated the large number of teams competing.

## Softball

On Saturday, July 6, teams were each given three pool-play games before bracket play began. Women's, men's and co-ed brackets were showcased throughout the night. For co-ed, 12 teams entered the brackets, two of which were from the Community: Tribal Forces and Yee Yee. Both teams battled in games throughout the evening, but both were eliminated from championship contention in bracket play.

## Baseball

SRPMIC dominated in this year's baseball tournament. After winning the single-A championship in this year's Arizona Diamondbacks Inter-Tribal Baseball



Double-A winners of the boys baseball tournament in the 2024 Piestewa Games: AZ Heat. Photo courtesy of Bennett Silvyn/Piestewa Games.

& Softball Tournament in June, team AZ Sons repeated their winning ways as they easily cruised through the competition en route to securing first place in the single-A division.

That dominance continued with the double-A and triple-A teams, AZ Heat, which also won their divisions and brought home the first-place championship hardware.

## Basketball

Coached by SRPMIC Tribal Council member Wi-Bwa Grey, team Zona Soldiers battled against fierce competition in the girls' basketball division. Playing inside the Arizona Athletic Grounds away from the hot sun, it would be team Rez Bombers that would clinch the girls' varsity division championship. Lady Blossoms would go on to win the junior varsity girls' division.

Grey also served as head coach in the varsity boys' basketball division for team Tribal Elite. Though they competed well, AZ Warriors ended up winning the boys varsity championship while team Roc Steady won the JV boys' title. For the men's open division bracket, team OTF would claim the top honors.

On October 5, the Piestewa Games will host the wrestling and track and field events. Full details will be released on August 1.

The event has grown from 26 athletes competing in the first Piestewa Games in 2003 to the more than 4,000 who competed this year. The 2024 Lori Piestewa Games featured the best of the best in baseball, basketball, powerlifting, softball and volleyball. Though Lori Piestewa is no longer with us in physical form, her family continues to build her legacy by hosting the games every year as a way to showcase the many athletic talents of Indian Country.



# Preservation Anthropologist Aaron Wright Provides Piipaash History Presentation



"We still are researching exactly where this is located," said Wright. "However, we do know that this is a snapshot of the Piipaash communities that were established in and around the 1700 and 1800's," he added.

and Patayan traditions across the southwestern part of Arizona.

On July 9, inside the Lehi Community Building, Wright hosted his latest presentation, "Intro to Arch: Triangulating Piipaash History along the Lower Gila River, Southwest Arizona."

Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Cultural Resources Director Kelly Washington provided a few welcoming words to the guests. Washington detailed how he has been following Wright's work for quite some time and was pleased to have him present his research to Community members and the public.

To begin, it is important to understand that for centuries, the Piipaash lived along the lower Colorado River and the Great Bend of the Gila River.

"It's an honor to be here on Salt River tribal land," began Wright. "Triangulation needs three different points to see where you are on the landscape: 1. Descendant insight, which is oral history. 2. Primary texts and historical

documents, known as ethnohistory. 3. Finally, there is material culture, known as archeology," Wright said. "All of this helps us in getting an accurate and comprehensive understanding of the past."

In his presentation, Wright detailed the oral history of the Piipaash migration narrative by sharing the origin story from Piipaash/Xalychidom member Hu He Shaal (English translation: Dog's Hand). "He was taught a history of Xalychidom migration from along the Colorado River from his father. Hu He Shaal would teach his nephew, Ike Gates, the same Xalychidom migration history. Later, Ike Gates would teach his nephew the same story. Ike Gates was from Lehi."

The narrative behind the history details internal strife which resulted in the Piipaash/Xalychidom relocating away from the Colorado River area. "According to the narrative, there was strife with the Mohave Tribe [at the time] regarding a marriage and/or rights to fishing areas. [During that

time] there were five chiefs among the Xalychidom, and over time, they all decided to relocate away from [the area of] Parker, Arizona. One of them decided to move west to the Pacific Coast, where they ended up staying," Wright shared.

Over time, the remaining four chiefs would relocate and establish communities along different areas of the southwestern part of the Gila River. "A group would then set up a community between Casa Blanca and Sacaton. The last chief at Parker would establish a community in Laveen. The Sacaton community would leave Sacaton to join the community in Laveen, while another branch of people moved here to Lehi," summarized Wright. "This is a Xalychidom narrative; we have strong reason to believe there were Piipaash on the Gila River that whole time," said Wright.

"Is this the same [Xalychidom migration] story that Hu He Shaal was taught by his father?" asked Wright. He then added, "I think it's a really interesting coincidence, nonetheless. If you trace the lineage back, those migrations and that narrative would've taken place in the 1700s, early 1800s," Wright said.

Wright then showcased ancient maps which detailed the southwestern part of Arizona, dating back to the early and mid 1800s. "When the 'Army of the West' came through the region in 1846, they do not mention encountering any Indigenous peoples, including Piipaash peoples. Whether they were [actually] there and were hiding, we don't know," said Wright.

The Army of the West was the United States Army battalion commanded by Stephen W. Kearny during the Mexican-American War of 1846-

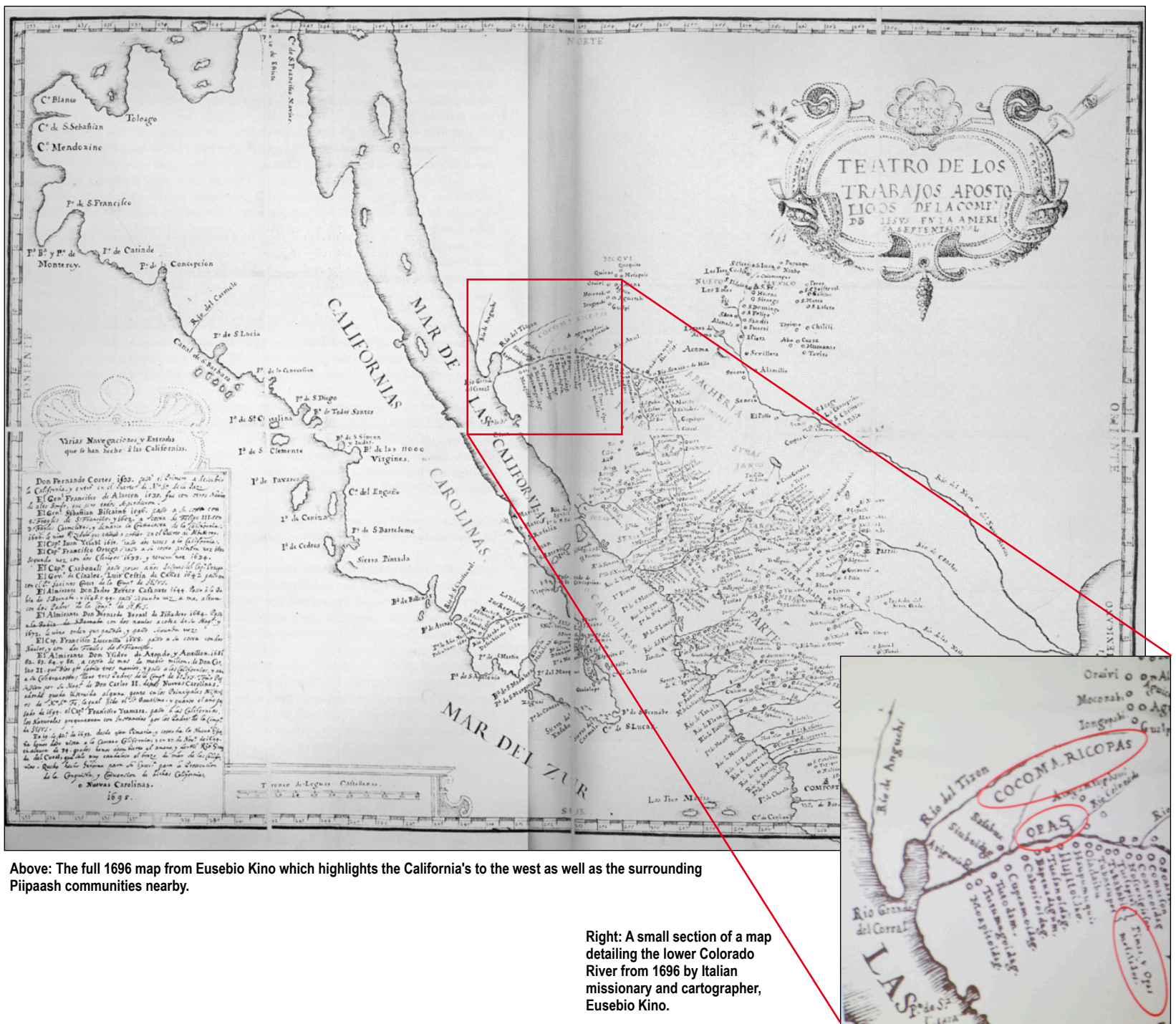
1848. As the presentation neared its end, Wright played a video titled "On and Of the Land" by RespectGreatBend, in which Piipaash elder Arnie Bread Sr. detailed his homelands in District 7, which is a current archaeological site that contains artifacts and remains of the Piipaash people. District 7 sits in the western part of the Gila River reservation at the base of the Estrella Mountains. Bread's mother was Barbara Johnson (baq), who passed in 2004. She was known for her pottery, which can be found in the S'edav Va'aki Museum (formerly the Pueblo Grande Museum in Phoenix) today.

The site is private property, and unfortunately trespassers visit the area to bring their trash and fire off ammunition at the mountains, damaging the land. Wright is featured in the video, detailing the Piipaash pottery found while walking the land with Bread and staff from Archaeology Southwest.

"There is an open invitation for Piipaash and Akimel O'odham people to come see [the land from the video]. If anyone is interested in taking a field trip there, I'd be happy to coordinate it," said Wright.

Wright finished his presentation by answering a few questions from the audience. He thanked the SRPMIC and staff for allowing him to present his findings.

*[Editor's Note: While it is still common for authorities to refer to the "Hohokam" culture, here in the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community we use the term "Huhugam."]*



Above: The full 1696 map from Eusebio Kino which highlights the California's to the west as well as the surrounding Piipaash communities nearby.

Right: A small section of a map detailing the lower Colorado River from 1696 by Italian missionary and cartographer, Eusebio Kino.



# ITCA Holds Tribal Voting Discussion, Honors SRPMIC Council Member as 'Emerging Leader'



SRPMIC President Martin Harvier speaks at ITCA's Tribal Voting Discussion on July 12 to recognize the 76th anniversary of the Native right to vote.

SRPMIC Councilmember Mikah Carlos (left) accepts the Emerging Leader Award presented to her by the Inter Tribal Council of Arizona Civic Engagement Coordinator Alexander Castillo-Nunez (right).

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On July 12, the Inter Tribal Council of Arizona held a luncheon at the Sheraton Grand at Wild Horse Pass on the Gila River Indian Community (GRIC) to recognize the 76th anniversary of the Native right to vote in Arizona and the 100th anniversary of the Indian Citizenship Act of 1924, also known as the Snyder Act. Because the event was hosted by the GRIC, Governor Stephen Roe Lewis gave the opening remarks, alongside Maria Dadgar, executive director at ITCA. After everyone watched a video about the history of the Native vote in Arizona, the Chi'Chino Spirit O'odham dance group performed. As attendees were finishing their lunch, a panel discussion moderated by Jay Tomkus, principal of Cor-

vid Consulting, featured Ak-Chin Indian Community Chairman Robert Miguel, Tohono O'odham Nation Vice Chairwoman Carla Johnson, Governor Lewis and SRPMIC President Martin Harvier. Harvier talked about prior voting initiatives and the importance of educating voters in the Community. "I really didn't think about voting until I started running for the office of vice-president of our Community," Harvier told the audience. "Growing up, to be honest, I don't remember my dad voting. Everything starts in your home." At the conclusion of the discussion, three awards were presented:

- The 2024 Frank Harrison and Harry Austin Voting Rights Essay Contest—Taylor Van Why (Tohono O'odham Nation)
- The "Honoring Our Past" Arizona Native Vote

Youth Video Contest—Bobbie James (Navajo Nation, Deer Spring Clan)

- The Emerging Leader Award—SRPMIC Council member Mikah Carlos (Onk Akimel O'odham/Tohono O'odham/Piipaash)

"The person we're recognizing today [is being honored for] the influence they bring to their community and the impact they have when it comes to raising the voice of the youth," said Thomas Throssell, assistant director of the ITCA, about Carlos. Carlos, who is the youngest SRPMIC member ever to be elected to Council, said that she was honored to receive the award. "I couldn't do this without the support of my Community," said Carlos. "As tribal leaders, when we start working with youth and talk about the importance of youth, we always hope that at some point they will be at the table with us." Carlos continued, "I encourage you, when you are working with youth, when they eventually reach that point where they are at the table in these rooms with us, that you continue to encourage them, and that the encouragement doesn't stop. And that you continue to support them. As long as we continue to do that, we'll have our communities in good hands."

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# Snakes on the Range: The Three Most Common Snakes in the Community



Left: the heads of a rattlesnake and a gopher snake are held side by side. Middle: a bull snake on the road. Right: a baby king snake at Two Waters.

snake and will shake its tail like a rattlesnake, but the two snakes have distinct defense and attack behaviors.

“All snakes can bite, but gopher snakes don’t bite to inject venom,” said Brian Gewecke, senior environmental specialist/Range Management for the SRP-MIC. “They are constrictors, which means they wrap their bodies around their food and squeeze until the food suffocates.”

Gewecke said that gopher snakes eat rodents like rats and mice. “That’s good for us, because rodents like to [chew on] electric wire insulation and water lines in our cars and houses. Rodents also chew holes in walls and carry fleas and disease.”

Like the gopher snake, all king snakes are non-venomous and kill their prey through suffocation, according to Gewecke. In fact, king snakes will kill and eat rattlesnakes, as they are immune to rattlesnake venom.

King snakes have many different colors and patterns with stripes or speckles. Here in the Community, the king snake is usually black and yellowish white, and it will usually grow to about 4 feet in length, with some reaching up to 6 feet.

“Due to their docile nature, many people have king snakes as pets!” said Gewecke. “Even a large king snake is a completely manageable pet.” In captivity, king snakes can live for well over 20 years, with 10 to 15 years being average.

Gewecke said that if you come across a king snake, don’t kill it just because it’s a snake. “There are good snakes and bad snakes. King snakes are good snakes that help protect us from dangerous rattlesnakes,” he said.

If you happen to see or hear a snake, take a step back and try to determine where it is. Figure out a safe way to get around it. If you are not sure, assume it is venomous. If you are safe, contact SRPMIC Animal Control or the Salt River Fire Department for removal of the snake. Rangers or Range Management might also be tasked with the removal.

Leave snakes alone, and they will leave you alone. If by chance you are bitten by a snake, seek immediate medical attention.

*(Editor’s Note: Brian Gewecke contributed to this article.) Photos courtesy of Brian Gewecke.*

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During this time of year, it’s not uncommon to see snakes out in the field and around our homes. For many people, the sight and even the thought of snakes evokes hair-raising emotions.

Three of the most common snakes you will see on the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community are rattlesnakes, king snakes and gopher snakes, which are also known as bull snakes.

Snakes in Arizona are more active in the springtime after hibernating, and their activity typically continues

through September and October.

Some snakes are more dangerous to humans than others, like the rattlesnake. In the Community, the two most commonly seen rattlesnakes are the Western diamondback and the sidewinder.

All of Arizona’s more than a dozen species of rattlesnakes are venomous; they use hollow teeth called fangs to inject their venom when they bite. Besides the trademark rattle, you can identify a rattlesnake by its triangular-shaped head.

In contrast, a gopher snake (Arizona’s longest snake) is shaped kind of like a bullet. The gopher snake may have coloring similar to that of a rattle-

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## AROUND THE COMMUNITY: CHRISTMAS ANGELS PROGRAM SELLS BAKED GOODS AT ROUNDHOUSE CAFÉ



An assortment of baked goods were available by donation with proceeds going toward Christmas Angels.

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On Friday, July 19, the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community’s Christmas Angels Program hosted its monthly bake sale at the Round House Café. The sales are a way to raise money to help families around the Community during the holidays, making Christmas time a little more special for them.

“Now that we are in the second part of the year, we are starting to get ready for [the holiday] Christmas Angels, so we’re hoping to start prepping for that in August,” said Katrina Ruiz, Christmas Angels representative.

The sales are held at Round House Café. A date for the August sale has not yet been set.

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**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SUPPORT GROUP**

**WHEN**  
**Tuesday's: Women**  
**Wednesday's: Men**  
**5:30pm-6:30pm**  
**Beginning 07/02/24**

**WHERE**  
**River People Health Center**  
**3rd Floor: Rm 3202**  
**10901 E. McDowell Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85256**

**Domestic Violence Victim Advocates**  
**480-362-3580**





**HEALING MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR THE COMMUNITY**

**LOCATION:**  
 Salt River Ballfield  
 1839 N. Longmore Rd.  
 Scottsdale, Az 85256

**WHEN:**  
 Saturday, September 7th,  
 10 AM – 6 PM

**Welcome! All Community Members**  
 This community event is for a remembrance & to honor our loved one(s) who have gone on before us. Throughout the memorial service, names will be announced.

**Emcee:** Tom Largo  
**Opening Prayer:** Michael Dallas Sr.  
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**Guest Speaker(s):**  
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 • Pastor Winter Elk Valencia, *Assembly of God*  
 • Pastor Merrill Jones, *Lehi Nazarene Church*  
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 • Pastor Jeff Chavez, *Standing on the Rock (Mesa, AZ)*  
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If you would like to add your loved one's name(s) to the list please send text to 480-849-0222.

Open seating available on the bleachers or you may bring your own chairs  
 \*\*\* Light Meal Provided\*\*\*

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

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



# Moving with Martin' Fitness Series Debuts in the Community



Nearly 20 participants joined Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community President Martin Harvier at the initial healthy series class, "Moving with Martin" which was held inside of the Way of Life Facility on July 16 in the early morning.

BY JUAN YSAGUIRRE  
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The all-new morning fitness series "Moving with Martin" held its first class on the early morning of Tuesday, July 16, at the Way of Life Facility. The series features Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community President Martin Harvier and is hosted by the SRPMIC Health and Human Services Department and SRPMIC Diabetes Prevention Services and Public Health.

The goal is to improve the health of Community members and SRPMIC staff. Allison Hayes, physical therapist at the River People Health Center, serves as the instructor.

More than 20 people joined President Harvier for the July 16 class. Together, the group performed mobility exercises which included stretching and range of motion of the upper and lower bodies. In some of the warmup exercises, people could remain seated if they preferred.

"Our muscles generally tighten back up when we move too quick, so we're going to be moving nice and slow and in control," said Hayes.

"Moving with Martin" will continue in August with a stop at the Lehi gym on August 1 for some tai chi exercises. The series concludes in September. Registered guests who attend at least two classes will receive a limited-edition T-shirt.

Upcoming classes will feature Zumba, tai chi, strength training with bands, water workouts and more. SRPMIC staff, Community members and their families are all welcome to join in the fun.

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AUGUST		<b>1</b> TAI CHI LEHI GYM
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**Resume normal activities, and use added precautions over the next five days, such as:**

- Taking more steps for cleaner air
- Enhancing your hygiene practices
- Wearing a well-fitting mask
- Social distancing
- Get tested for respiratory viruses



# Senior Services Celebrates Completion of First Aquatic Fitness Session



Jeanette "Jeannie" Grijalva (middle) received certificates for her participation in Toby's Turtles Aquatic Fitness and for Most Improved Mobility. Photos courtesy of Senior Services.

SUBMITTED BY SRPMIC SENIOR SERVICES

Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community's Senior Services recently celebrated the completion of its first aquatic fitness session with a catered luncheon on July 9. Health & Wellness Manager Celinda Joe presented certificates of completion and tickets to the OdySea Aquarium to the program participants, known as Toby's Turtles, a nod to the Senior Services mascot.

The idea came from seniors who remembered having a dedicated hour to use the pool before COVID-19, and they wanted to start one again. Through Health & Wellness' collaboration with Diabetes Prevention Services, Joe learned that the Community has a certified aquatic fitness instructor, Ryan Duran.

"I reached out to Ryan and he was excited to start a senior class again. He and Salt River Aquatics Manager Kyle Stephens, who worked with us to create a dedicated time for our seniors to use the pool, were instrumental in creating the class," said Joe. "We are so happy to offer this new fitness option for our seniors, especially in this heat. We know that water exercises help seniors to improve their strength, stamina and mobility while protecting their joint mobility."

Jeanette "Jeannie" Grijalva is proof.

"It is great for seniors—it's not hard on the body, and it's so beneficial. I couldn't walk for about two months and I was in pain," said Grijalva. "Now I have a little discomfort but no pain, and I can walk. I have much more function and mobility to do things—I can't

describe it, but I feel 90 percent better and see the others are improving too!"

Duran noted Grijalva's improvement as well.

"Jeannie came to the first class in a wheelchair and felt really good in the water. The next time, she walked in with a cane, and the third time she walked in by herself without a cane," said Duran. "Because aquatic exercise is low impact, it takes the pressure off the bones, joints and muscles. The water offers natural resistance, which can help strengthen the muscles, improve heart health and reduce stress."

Grijalva encourages more Community seniors to come and enjoy the benefits aquatic fitness has to offer.

"I encourage more seniors to try it because it is so beneficial. I noticed I was losing muscle mass, but [these classes] give you muscle and strength and make moving easier. I just wish more seniors would try it. Once they do, I know they will like it," said Grijalva. "And you don't have to worry about wearing a bathing suit—some people may be uncomfortable with that—quite a few people in our class wear a T-shirt and shorts, so don't let that hold you back."

A new Toby's Turtles Aquatic Fitness session begins



Toby's Turtles celebrated the completion of Senior Services' first aquatic fitness session on July 9. A new session starts on August 9, meeting Fridays from 10 to 11 a.m. at the WOLF. Photos courtesy of Senior Services.

on August 9. Classes will be held at the WOLF on Fridays from 10 to 11 a.m. through December 20.

Duran is looking forward to continuing the classes. "I had a senior class in 2019, so it was nice to bring it back," he said. "It kicked off really well; the seniors

really enjoyed it, and it continued to grow, especially in the last five weeks. It is a fun atmosphere. We have good laughs and good oldies music. Next session, I also want to get [the seniors] comfortable in the water—working with their swimming technique, breath-



Senior Services Health & Wellness Manager Celinda Joe presented Physical Fitness Specialist Ryan Duran with a certificate for his time, effort and positive attitude in launching the Toby's Turtles Aquatic Fitness program. Photos courtesy of Senior Services.

ing and strength. They often comment about how good it feels being in the water—how the water is soothing and relaxing. After the class, the seniors say they have the best sleep."

Joe is grateful for the collaboration and echoes Duran's enthusiasm.

"We're excited that the classes were so well received, and we look forward to our next session. We are even adding water volleyball to the last 15 minutes of class," said Joe. "Again, our thanks to Ryan and Kyle for making these classes possible for our seniors, and we are excited to introduce more seniors to the benefits of aquatic fitness classes. Go Turtles!"

To learn more about Senior Services Health & Wellness activities, contact Celinda Joe at (480) 876-7180 or celinda.joe@srpmic-nsn.gov.

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# River People Health Center Promotes Program Services with Ice Cream



The WIC Lobby was full of families looking to cool off from the hot summer sun. Luckily, staff from the River People Health Center were on-site to provide cool treats as well as info on upcoming WIC/RPHC programs and classes.

**BY JUAN YSAGUIRRE**  
*O'dham Action News*  
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With the record-breaking summer temperatures officially upon us, on Friday, July 12, the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community's River People Health Center held an ice cream social for all WIC (Women, Infants and Children) Program participants.

"This is our way of doing outreach and having our staff meet the Community," said Community Health and Nutrition Supervisor Margaret Fisher. "Families can walk in, see the services that we provide, and grab a free ice cream to stay cool."

Health center staff were on hand to answer questions regarding WIC and assist families with registering in the program. Additionally, there was a table for members to register to vote in the upcoming presidential election on Tuesday, November 5.

The WIC Program will be hosting a new class, "Intro to Pregnancy and Childbirth," on July 31 at 3 p.m. inside the WIC lobby.

The class will cover what to expect during each stage of pregnancy and the anatomy of giving birth. Katherine Roxlo, a certified nursing assistant and doula, will facilitate the class along with staff from the RPHC. Community members interested in attending the class can email [katherine@roxlo.com](mailto:katherine@roxlo.com) for information.

Contact the WIC office at the River People Health Center, (480) 362-7300, or email [wic@srpmic-nsn.gov](mailto:wic@srpmic-nsn.gov) for any questions regarding the program and upcoming events.



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**17 SAT**

**CM ANTONE**  
 District B, District I (Salt River)  
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**10 SAT**

**CM DOKA**  
 District C, District I (Salt River)  
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**08 THU**

**CM GREY**  
 District D, District I (Salt River)  
 6:00 pm | ALA Auditorium  
 4827 N. Country Club Rd., Scottsdale, AZ 85256

**27 TUES**


**CM CARLOS**  
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 6:00 pm | Way of Life Facility, Room #56  
 11725 E. Indian School Rd., Scottsdale, AZ 85256

**20 TUES**

**CM SCABBY/CM DALLAS**  
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## August 15, 2024

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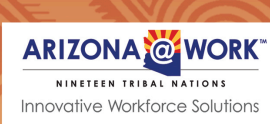
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100% AMERICAN™

Salt River Materials Group is a leading supplier of cement, pozzolans and aggregates in Arizona and the Southwest U.S for the over 65 years. SRMG has a wide variety of career positions, and we invest in our employees through extraordinary benefits, training and development opportunities to allow our employees to grow in their careers.

**BENEFITS**

**Life Disability**

**Long & Short-Term Disability Insurance**

**PTO (Paid Time Off) & PSL (Paid Sick Leave)**

**Bereavement Leave** - immediately available upon hire date.

**Holiday Pay** - 7 observed and paid holidays, 2 floating holidays!

**Health** – extensive medical, dental, vision and prescription drug coverage.

**Supplemental Programs** - Everyone Health, Teledoc (24/7 medical/mental heal services), GRAIL - pre cancer screen (based upon eligibility)

**Health Club Membership** – Health club membership for employee.

**401(k)** – A retirement savings plan with multiple investment options and **6% matching dollar for dollar** contributions.

**Tuition Reimbursement** – SRMG will pay up to 100% of tuition and books.

**Employee Local and National Discounts** - Theme Parks, Sporting Events, Plays & Concerts, Vehicle & Home purchases and much more!

**Green Vehicle Program** – Employees may receive up to \$1500 each calendar year for 3 years for the purchase of fuel-efficient vehicles.

**Home Energy Efficiency Incentive** – Employees may receive up to \$100 each calendar year for the purchase of energy efficient compact light bulbs (CFL's) and LEDs or an Energy Audit performed by SRP or APS.

**Does Salt River Materials Group have preference in hiring?**

Yes, Salt River Materials Group (SRMG) is the commercial trade name for marketing activities of Phoenix Cement Company and Salt River Sand and Rock. Phoenix Cement Company and Salt River Sand and Rock are independent divisions of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community (SRP-MIC).

However, all qualified individuals are encouraged to apply. During the hiring process, management will determine a prospective employee's ability, skill, competency and other qualifications needed for the job. When all these are equal between a qualified Community Member, a qualified Native American and other qualified candidate, preference will be given to the qualified Community Member, then a qualified Native American and then other qualified candidate.

**CURRENT CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

VIEW FULL JOB DESCRIPTIONS AND APPLY ONLINE AT SRMATERIALS.COM

**Arizona**

**Corporate**

- Transportation, Logistics & Supply Planning Analyst**  
Scottsdale, AZ (Chaparral)

**Cement**

- Electrical Technician I**  
Clarkdale, AZ (Clarkdale Plant)
- Industrial Repair Maintenance Utilityperson I**  
Clarkdale, AZ (Clarkdale Plant)

**Aggregates**

- Mobile Equipment Mechanic I-Sr**  
Glendale, AZ (Glendale Plant)
- Utilityperson I-Sr**  
Mesa, AZ (Higley Plant)

**Pozzolan**

- Facility Operator I-IV**  
St. Johns, AZ (Coronado Plant)

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# Calendar of Events

**ONGOING**

**AA MEETING TEMPORARY NEW LOCATION**, 5/23-8/22 at Red Mountain Neighborhood Center 11889 E Glenrosa Dr. AA meetings that were held on Thursday evenings at RPHC will be held from 6-8 p.m. at the above dates & locations. Contact: Lois Evanston (480) 362-1399

**DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP**, 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month from 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. in room 3104 (Cloud), 3rd floor of RPHC. This free, confidential, and safe group of individuals support one another by utilizing their collective experiences and learned wisdom. This gathering is for adults diagnosed with diabetes. For more information, contact (480) 362-3355

**SENIOR BOOK CLUB**, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays from 10:30-11:30 at the Tribal Library at WOLF. See ad on page 18 for more information!

**MOVING WITH MARTIN**, Tuesdays and Thursdays throughout August and the first week of September. Varying locations and activities for all to participate in! See ad on page 17 for more information.

**TAI CHI FOR SENIORS**, Tuesdays 9-10 a.m. at WOLF Senior Room and Thursdays 2:30 – 3:30 p.m. at Senior Services North Annex. Join Senior Services for tai chi, an ancient Chinese martial art used today as an effective moving meditation that improves the health of the mind and body. All abilities and fitness levels are welcome. For community seniors 55+ and adults with adaptive needs. Questions? Call 480.362.6350.

**YOGA FOR FALL PREVENTION**, Mondays 9 a.m. – 10 a.m. at WOLF Senior Room. All Fitness Levels Welcome! Sign up with Celinda Joe at (480) 876-7180 and request transportation if needed.

**YOGA FOR FALL PREVENTION**, Fridays 1 p.m. – 2 p.m. at WOLF Senior Room. All Fitness Levels Welcome! Sign up with Celinda Joe at (480) 876-7180 and request transportation if needed. \*\*Last Fridays of Each Month are YOGA BINGO with prizes!

**WATER AEROBICS AT WAY OF LIFE FACILITY POOL**, 45-minute sessions on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays at 10 a.m., 12 p.m., and 1 p.m. No registration required. Questions? Call (480) 362-6310

**NAMI FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP**, First and Third Wednesdays of each month from 12 p.m. – 1 p.m. at RPHC 3rd Floor, Room 3104. Contact (480) 362-6948 for more information.

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SUPPORT GROUP**, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. at RPHC. Mens meetings Wednesdays, Womens meetings Tuesdays. See ad on page 15 fore more details.

**WELLBRIETY 12 STEP AND MEDICINE WHEEL**, Wednesdays and Fridays 9:30 a.m. – 11 a.m. Wellbriety is a Native American recovery fellowship that blends spiritual practice with the 12-Step program. Its approach to recovery focuses on healing and is rooted in the Teachings of the Medicine Wheel, the Cycle of Life, and the Four Laws of Change. Wellbriety emphasizes creating new thought patterns, attitudes, and feelings about sobriety based on traditional concepts and Native American teachings.

**TALKING CIRCLE FOLLOWING WELLBRIETY**, Wednesdays and Fridays 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. Following the Wellbriety session, participants are invited to join the Talking Circle to share insights and experiences related to living in recovery and honoring traditional practices, including fellowship,

community, and connection. Talking Circle sessions also take place every Wednesday and Friday, from 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

**WARRIOR'S SUPPORT CIRCLE**, 2nd Thursday Warrior's Support Circle is a talking circle aimed at offering our Veterans a safe space to meet and share their life experiences, challenges, and successes. The circle offers a free, confidential space for members to take steps towards recovery by gaining insight from others and learning more about PTSD, adjustment issues after reintegration into the civilian world, and to discuss general challenges that accompany service in the military.

**CRAFT COMMUNITY REINFORCEMENT AND FAMILY TRAINING**, Support group for families of loved ones battling substance abuse/addiction/dependence. Fridays 4 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. at RPHC Room 3106 (3rd Floor) For More Information please contact Shea Hinton at (480) 362-2739

**SALT RIVER VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION ORIENTATION**, Bi-weekly on Tuesdays 10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. Human Resources, Two Waters Building B. Walk-ins welcomed! Contact (480) 362 2650 for more information.

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**2-3 BACK TO THE SCHOOL YARD YOUTH BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT**, to be held at WOLF & ALA HS Facility. Co-ed divisions. For more info, contact (480) 362-5785

**3 3RD ANNUAL PURPLE HEART RUN/WALK**, Registration begins at 6:30 a.m. at Lehi Community Center. T-Shirts will be distributed for attendees to wear on Purple Heart Day, August 7. See ad on page 9 for more information!

**5 COMMUNITY PRAYER BREAKFAST**, 6:30 a.m. – 7:30 a.m. at Salt River Community Building, 1880 N. Longmore Road | Scottsdale, AZ 85256. For those who wish to submit unspoken prayer requests can do so by emailing: srpmicprayerbreakfast@gmail.com. A light meal will be provided.

**6 VICTORY OUTREACH FATIH EVENT**, 6:30 p.m. at Lehi Community Center. Find Hope and Freedom! See ad on page 15 for more information.

**6 COOKING CLASS-BACK TO THE BASICS**, 5:30 -7:00 p.m. at RPHC Teaching kitchen. Back to the Basics is a 6-week, cooking and nutrition group class.This session will cover: Meal Planning-pozole and breakfast sandwiches. Call 480-362-3355 to reserve your space!

**7 AUGUST SENIOR BREAKFAST**, Great Gatsby themed August Celebration at Talking Stick Golf Club, 8:30 a.m. - 10 a.m. Questions? Call 480-362-7386

**8 CM GREY DISTRICT D MEETING**, 6 p.m. at ALA Auditorium. Please contact council secretaries to confirm meeting time and agenda at (480) 362-7469

**10 CM DOKA DISTRICT C MEETING**, 9 a.m. at SRPMIC Council Chambers. Please contact council secretaries to confirm meeting time and agenda at (480) 362-7469

**13 SRPMIC COUNCIL NOMINATION MEETINGS**, Held simulatenously at Lehi and Salt River Community Building. See page 4 for complete details!

**13 COOKING CLASS-BACK TO THE BASICS**, 5:30 -7:00 p.m. at RPHC Teaching kitchen. Back to the Basics is a 6-week, cooking and nutrition group class.This session will cover: Food storage-pizza party Call 480-362-3355 to reserve your space!

**15 COMPUTER CLASSES FOR SENIORS**, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. at Salt River Senior Center. See ad on page 9 for more information!

**17 LEHI CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE OUTREACH**, 4 p.m. at Lehi Church of the Nazarene. Join us for live music, food baskets, and prayer with Pastors Eddie and Edith Rodriguez and Pastor Bronson Taylor. Find us in Church Listings for more information!

**17 CM ANTONE DISTRICT B MEETING**, 9 a.m. at SRPMIC Council Chambers. Please contact council secretaries to confirm meeting time and agenda at (480) 362-7469

**20 CM SCABBY/CM DALLAS DISTRICT F&G LEHI MEETING**, 6 p.m. at Lehi Community Center. Please contact council secretaries to confirm meeting time and agenda at (480) 362-7469

**22 CM BUTLER DISTRICT A MEETING**, 6 p.m. at SRPMIC Council Chambers. Please contact council secretaries to confirm meeting time and agenda at (480) 362-7469

**27 CM CARLOS DISTRICT E MEETING**, 6 p.m. at WOLF Room #56. Please contact council secretaries to confirm meeting time and agenda at (480) 362-7469