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On Sept. 15, Salt River Schools Technology Teacher Keri Tuchawena was awarded \$1,000 by the Fiesta Bowl Sports Foundation as part of the College Football Playoff Foundation's #BigDayForTeachers celebration event.

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The annual 9/11 Stair Climb at Salt River Fields at Talking Stick continued to honor and commemorate the countless lives lost due to the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks in New York City.

Salt River Honors Heroes with 10th Annual 9/11 Stair Climb

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3 Takeaways:

- This year's 9/11 Stair Climb was held on Sept. 6. More than 1,200 climbers raised more than \$165,000.
- The annual event was the second-largest and second-best-attended stair climb in the country. The first is the stair climb hosted in Green Bay, Wisconsin.
- Participants completed two laps up and down the stadium aisles of Salt River Fields, representing the 110 stories of the two World Trade Center buildings.

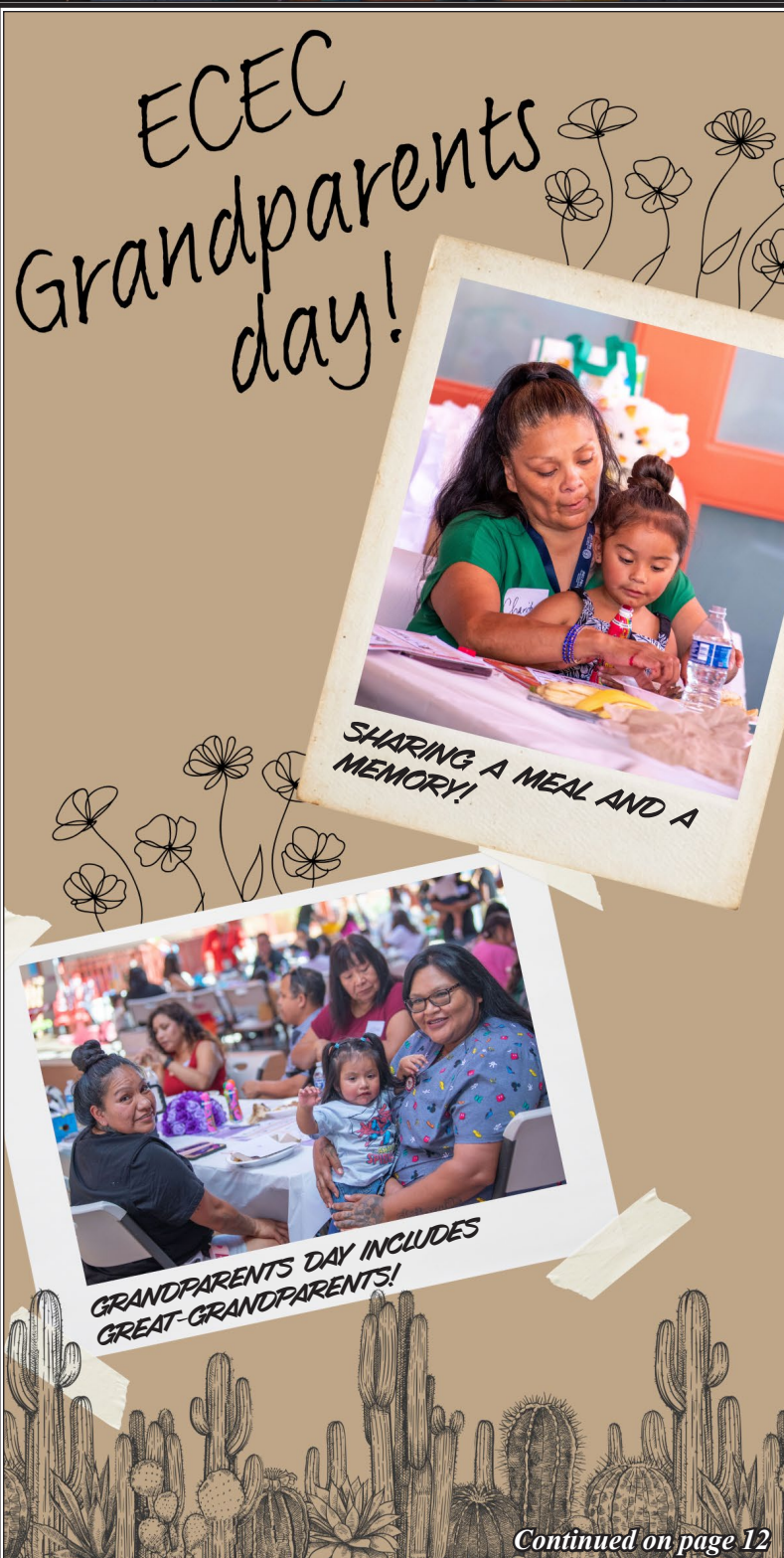
It was another record-setting year for the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community's annual 9/11 Stair Climb at Salt River Fields at Talking Stick.

This year's climb, the 10th annual, was held on Sept. 6. It featured more than 1,200 climbers and raised more than \$165,000. The event was sponsored by Discover Salt River, the Salt River Fire Department, Salt River Firefighter Charities, Plexus, Banner Health, 98KUPD, State Forty-Eight and others.

For some, like Salt River firefighter recruit Alex Haslam, the tragic events of Sept. 11, 2001, occurred before they were born, but that doesn't lessen the importance of community, togetherness and healing in his eyes.

"This is an amazing opportunity to get to know the area, meet some new faces, and see some old ones that I knew from the academy as well as from around the Community and other fire departments," Haslam said.

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- 26: General Election President Forum
- 29: Deadline for Absentee Ballot Requests (General Election)

For election information or to request an absentee ballot, home voting, or general election information visit <https://srpmic-nsn.gov/government/election/#voter> or contact Erica Harvier or Ardell Moore.

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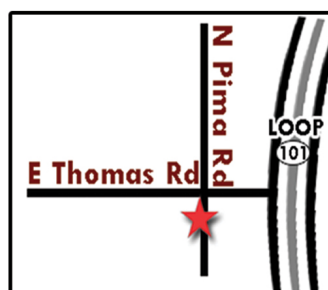
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Alaska Games Demonstrated at Ske:g Himdag Ki:

3 Takeaways:

- Kyle Kaayák'w Worl and Matthew Quinto shared traditional Alaska Native games with kids at Ske:g Himdag Ki:.
- They were in the area to demonstrate at the Heard Museum in Phoenix and reached out to Salt River for a visit.
- The traditional games teach helpful skills needed for survival in the cold winter months in Alaska.

Sareya Kisto (left) and Emma Juarez (right) sit on the floor with Matthew Quinto (back) cheering them on as they excitedly participate in a traditional game from Alaska.

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Athletes visiting from the Central Council of the Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska demonstrated and taught Alaska Native games to kids from programs housed at Ske:g Himdag Ki: on Aug. 31.

The athletes were in the Valley because they were invited by the Heard Museum in Phoenix for the closing day of the “Molly of Denali Experience,” a special adventure exhibition designed especially for kids at the museum throughout the summer. One of the episodes of the experience is about Native youth traditional games, said Kyle Kaayák'w Worl, a wellness administrator for the Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska. Worl and fellow athlete Matthew Quinto shared demonstrations and workshops at the museum before heading to Salt River.

“I always like adding an extra day to my travel to visit the local community,” said Worl, who connected with Athletics Program Manager David Willis at Salt River Recreation “out of the blue” for the stop.



Matthew Quinto (left) and Kyle Worl (right) demonstrate their skillset with traditional Alaska games.

As a group of excited kids entered the basketball court at Ske:g Himdag Ki:, two large tripods stood tall on the court, each with a long string and a ball hanging from it. This is what Worl and Quinto used to demonstrate their traditional games to the youth.

According to Worl, Alaska Native games are traditional games that have been passed down for hundreds of years. They were originally played by hunters to build strength and agility, characteristics that were needed for survival on traditional lands. Each game correlates to physical fitness or necessary skills.

Worl talked with *O'dham Action News* about some of these games.

“We have the scissor broad jump, which is based on ice hopping, and this was necessary for [hunters traveling] in search of seals. We have the high kicks that practice agility and balance and explosive strength, but they also had a practical purpose of signaling a successful hunt,” said Worl.

Another game displayed for the kids was the seal hop, a hunting technique game where participants mimic the motion of a seal hopping on ice.

“This is how they approached or snuck up to the seal,” said Worl.

Matthew Quinto stands on his hand while holding one foot and kicking another foot straight up to hit a ball hanging from a string above.



The Inuit stick pull represents using a harpoon to pull a seal from the water onto the ice. Other games included the one-hand reach and the Alaskan high kick, which are winter games played indoors to keep your body active during the coldest months. There were many other games demonstrated for the kids.

“Every game held its importance in daily life in terms of what we needed to be able to survive, to hunt, to move,” said Worl.

Worl was not only thankful to Ske:g Himdag Ki: staff for the opportunity to come out to the Community and showcase traditional games, but he was happy to try out a new sport himself.

Willis made sure the visitors experienced an elder chair volleyball game earlier in the day.

“I think that’s an awesome collaboration [showing] that, from tribe to tribe, we’re willing to share and support each other,” said Worl.

“I’m grateful for that connection with David Willis and the Salt River tribe here.”

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Did you know that free monthly training for Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Risk Reduction staff is open to all Community members and employees?

The trainings are hosted by the Community Risk Reduction Division of the Salt River Fire Department each month at Two Waters Building A, Room 109.

On Sept. 8, for National Preparedness Month, the training by Salt River Emergency Management focused on personal, home and Community preparedness.

This year's theme for National Preparedness Month is "Americans Stand Ready" and focuses on resourcefulness, self-reliance, resilience and community unity before disasters strike.

The presentation provided an overview of hazards and disasters that impact the SRPMIC, as well as what residents can do to prepare for them.

Emergency Management Coordinator Terry Nelson gave participants these core steps to take at home before an emergency strikes.

Know your risk

Understand the types of emergencies most common in your area, such as extreme heat, floods or severe weather, and sign up for local alerts.

Make a plan

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Build a kit

Gather essential supplies including non-perishable food, water (at least a

three-day supply for each person), medications and flashlights.

Get involved

Take classes like CPR or first aid, and support local community disaster planning.

Hazards identified in the SRPMIC's Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) and other Community-based risk assessments include dam inundation, drought, extreme heat, fissures, flood, levee failure, severe wind, subsidence and wildfires.

Nelson also talked in-depth about how the Community is prepared to prevent and respond to human-caused threats, including terrorism. There are terrorism liaison and emergency management liaison officers and "fusion centers" where law enforcement agencies share information with each other.

Emergency Management Coordinator Joseph Urrea and SRFD Capt. Robert K. Scabby also contributed to the training.

For more information about Community risk reduction, contact Fireprevention@srpmic-nsn.gov or call (480) 362-SRFD.

Upcoming Trainings

Oct. 6

Salt River Public Health
Communicate Diseases in the 2026 Winter Season

Nov. 3

SRPD Officer D. Brown
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Dec. 8

SRFD Health & Wellness Division
Supporting your mental health in the holiday season

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Chandler School District Approves Land Acknowledgment

A large school district in Arizona is the latest to approve a land acknowledgment statement at future board meetings and graduations.

The Chandler Unified School District in the Phoenix Valley approved it in September by a 3-2 vote. The district posted a land acknowledgement statement on its website in 2025.

University Installs Native American Language Signs

The University of Arizona unveiled new Native American language signs on four buildings in September. The initiative was started by the American Indian Language Development Institute and the University of Arizona Linguistics Department.

The university held a special event in early September for area tribal leaders and advocates to see the building signs.

Arizona Drivers Get More Time to Update Photo IDs

Arizona residents with state IDs will now have to update their ID photos every 16 years instead of every 12 years. The new law started Sept. 12.

The updated photo requirement will be the same for the standard Arizona driver license or the federally compliant Arizona Travel ID.

More Carlisle Boarding School Relatives to Come Home

The U.S. Army has started the repatriation of 12 Native American students who died at the Carlisle Indian Industrial School between 1879 and 1918. 58 Native American children have been

returned from the Carlisle Barracks Post Cemetery since 2017.

The relatives being return home are:

- Alaska Natives: Mabel Stock, Edward Angalook, Lucy Spaulding and Tum-massak (Tomicock)
- Fort Peck Tribes: Peter Howe, Richard Morgan and Christine Redstone
- Comanche Nation: Frances Bones
- Absentee Shawnee Tribe: Fannie Gibson
- Shoshone-Paiute Tribes: Della Atkins
- Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians: Susie King
- Keweenaw Bay Indian Community: Margaret Davis

Olivia Rodrigo Gives \$2 million to Native Health Program

A California concert in September resulted in millions of dollars for organizations supporting women. John Hopkins Center for Indigenous Health was among the organizations to receive funding from the Daisy Chain Fields festival headlined by popstar Olivia Rodrigo.

John Hopkins Center for Indigenous Health said the \$2 million will go protecting and growing programming for Indigenous mothers, women, children and families.

American Indian Chamber of Commerce of Arizona Hosts Conference

Native business leaders in Arizona spent two days in Flagstaff in September for the American Indian Chamber of Commerce of Arizona Business Conference.

The two-day event took place at the High Country Conference Center and brought together entrepreneurs, small business owners, tribal enterprises, corporate partners and economic development professionals.

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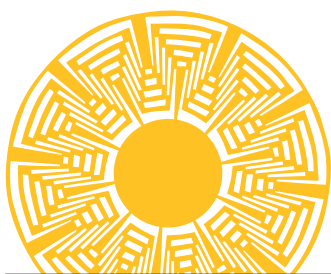
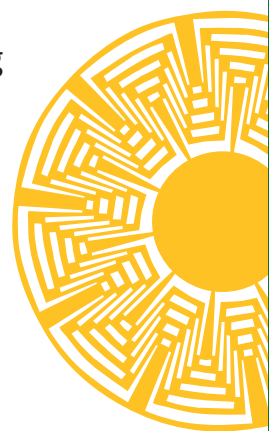
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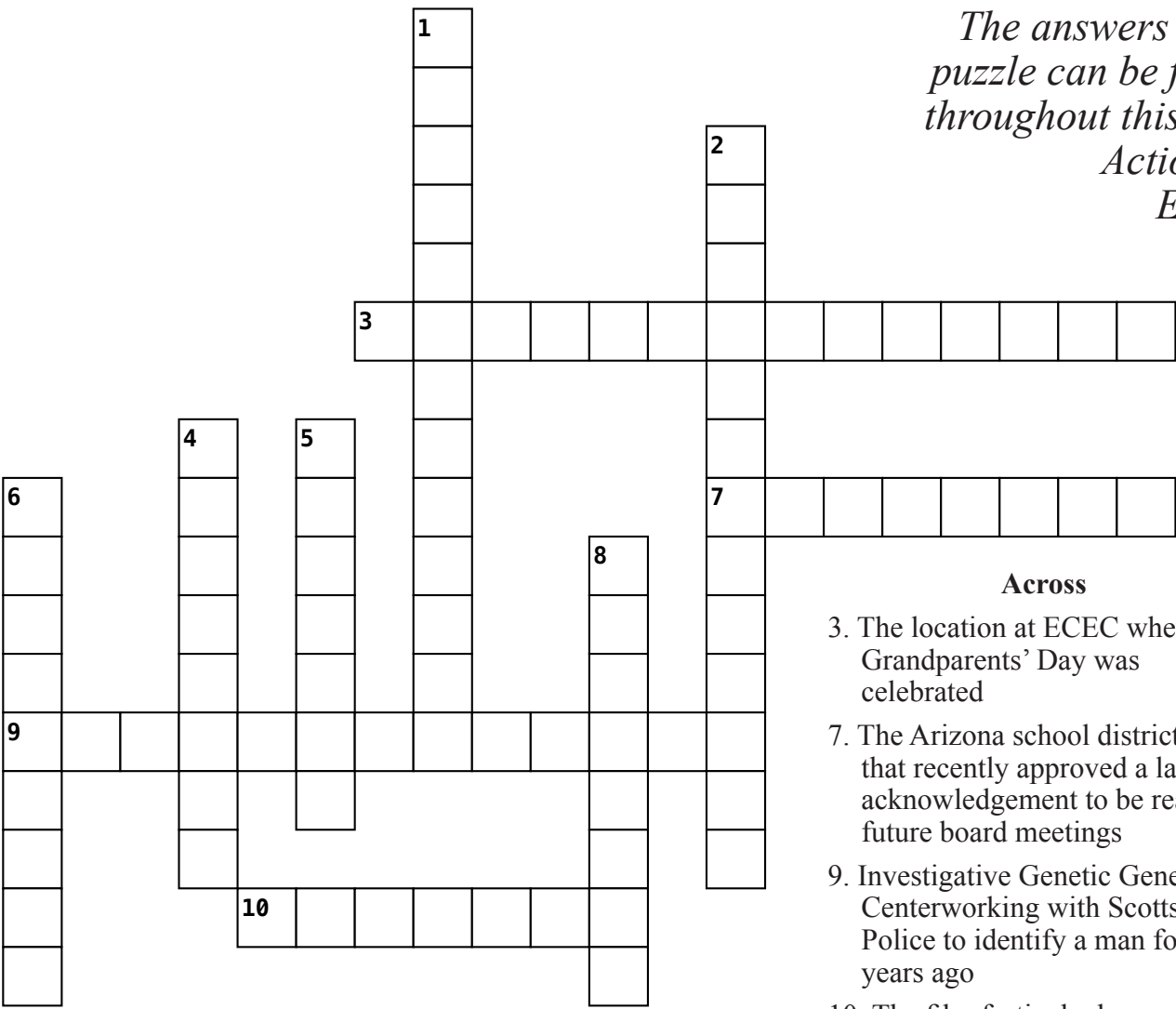
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Can you solve the crossword puzzle?

The answers to this crossword puzzle can be found in the stories throughout this issue of O’odham Action News. Enjoy!



- Across**
- 3. The location at ECEC where Grandparents’ Day was celebrated
 - 7. The Arizona school district that recently approved a land acknowledgement to be read at future board meetings
 - 9. Investigative Genetic Genealogy Centerworking with Scottsdale Police to identify a man found 20 years ago
 - 10. The film festival where “Burros” premiered in 2021

- Down**
- 1. The musician who donated \$2 million to John Hopkins Center for Indigenous Health
 - 2. The Salt River Schools teacher who was awarded by the Fiesta Bowl Sports Foundation
 - 4. Procedure establishing a physical location to house administration support specialists and any logistics an emergency team needs
 - 5. One of the Alaska games demonstrated that mimics an animal on ice
 - 6. The Flagstaff team the Dingers beat 9-2 in a rematch
 - 8. The Wisconsin city that holds the only stair climb larger than Salt River Fields

Language With O’ODHAM ACTION NEWS

Learning the orthographies of the O'odham and Piipaash

O'odham

Colors

Svegĭ	Red
Svegium	Pink
Soam	Yellow/ Orange/ Brown
Scedagĭ	Blue/ Green
Sibhaimagĭ	Purple
Scuk	Black
Stoa	White
Skomagĭ	Gray

Piipaash

Colors

Xwetm	Red
Pilyxwetm	Pink
Qwesm	Yellow/ Orange/ Brown
Xvshuuk	Blue / Green
Xashamiik	Dark green
Kalyaapk	Purple
Nyiilyk	Black
Xmaalym	White
Qweshm	Gray

Nature Word Search

Find the O'odham and Piipaash words from the list below!



<u>O’ODHAM</u>	<u>ŠEGOĬ</u> , Creosote	<u>PIPAASH</u>	<u>THPILY</u> , Cat tail
<u>DO’AG</u> , Mountain	<u>U’US KOKMAGĭ</u> , Arrow-weed	<u>XANYO</u> , Lake	<u>’A</u> , Saguaro cactus
<u>O’OD</u> , Sand	<u>IHUG</u> , Devils claw	<u>SHLY’AY</u> , Sand	<u>KAPITHAN</u> , North star
<u>HANAM</u> , Cholla buds	<u>VAKOA</u> , Gourd	<u>’IYYAA</u> , Mesquite bean	<u>MATXIIKWER</u> , Whirlwind/ dust devil
<u>AUPA</u> , Cottonwood	<u>AKIMEL</u> , River	<u>SHTHAK</u> , Palo verde tree	<u>UURAV</u> , Lightning
<u>KUI</u> , Mesquite		<u>XVIIXKWET</u> , Red Mountain	



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Salt River Honors Heroes with 10th Annual 9/11 Stair Climb



Over 1,200 participants registered to participate in this year's 9/11 Stair Climb. Drone photo by OAN.

Salt River Fire Captain Riley Murphy said, “Being here represents our Community; we now have national notoriety because of this event. We’ve raised almost \$900,000 over the last decade, and it goes to the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation, East Valley Firefighter Charities as well as the FDNY Counseling Services Unit, which we’re proud of because we’re not gifting off 9/11; some of that money is going back to the departments and families that this tragedy happened to.”

Furthermore, the climb is the second-largest and second-best-attended 9/11 stair climb in the country. The first is the climb hosted in Green Bay, Wisconsin. “It’s a unique opportunity,” added Haslam, “to be able to connect physically with what these brave men and women did and what they sacrificed, and to really look up to their example and think this is part of what my job involves, obviously.”

Prior to the official start of the stair climb, National Fallen Firefighters Foundation Board of Directors

Vice Chairman Bill Webb shared opening remarks. “We perform three missions,” he said. “One is to reduce the number of deaths and injuries in the fire service; [the second is] to provide support to the family members for as long as they need it, who are still grieving from the loss of their loved one. And third, to honor our firefighters by creating the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial in Emmitsburg, Maryland. This is a tremendous turnout.”

Moments later, three skydivers jumped from an airplane above Salt River Fields and floated down onto center field, each carrying the U.S. flag. All three landed safely and received rousing rounds of applause and cheers.

As for the stair climb, participants completed two laps in the stadium aisles, representing the 110 stories of the Twin Towers. Firefighters from the SRPMIC, Mesa, Queen Creek Fire and Medical, Scottsdale Fire Department and more donned their full kits in memory of the fallen heroes.

With every year’s stair climb seeing an increase in participants, it’s only a matter of time until the SRPMIC is known as the leader when it comes to honoring the first responder heroes we lost to the tragic events of 9/11.



After the speeches, three sky-divers jumped from a small airplane above Salt River Fields. All three landed safely and received cheers and applause.

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Per the SRPMIC Code of Ordinances, Chapter 3, Sec. 3-6, Conduct of Elections, (a)(1)a, with only two candidates remaining in the Vice-President race, both candidates will automatically advance to the General Election. Therefore, the Vice-President race will not appear on the Primary Election ballot. A write-in option for Vice-President will still be available on the General Election ballot.

CANDIDATES ADVANCING TO THE GENERAL ELECTION

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Desert Dingers’ Legacy Continues in Recent Tournaments

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At the end of August, the 12U Desert Dingers team placed third in a strong showing at the 99th Annual White Mountain Apache Tribe Fair & Rodeo Youth Baseball Tournament in Whiteriver, on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation.

The Dingers finished the tournament with a 3-2 record and scored 34 runs while allowing 16. They opened the tournament with a loss to the Flagstaff Underdogs but went on a run from there, winning three games in a row by a wide margin.

Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community players for this tournament were Kane Grey, Wazzie Fulwilder, Casey Toya, Levi Lewis, and Damon Adams. Their teammates represented a number of Tribes.

Fulwilder was dominant on the mound, striking out six over two scoreless, hitless innings. His teammate Mace Tovar hit two inside-the-park home runs as the Dingers beat the Aztecs 12-1.

They continued the momentum, defeating the San Carlos Apaches 5-1. Then came a rematch with the Flagstaff Underdogs that the Dingers won 9-2. The Dingers outthit the TC Kings in the next game 6-4, but defensive mistakes hurt the team and they fell short, 8-5, despite competing hard.

“What I’m most proud of can’t be measured by a stat sheet,” said Desert Dingers coach Whitney Grey.

“These boys battled through game after game with very little time to recover. They were tired, sore and tested physically and mentally, but they continued to answer the call every time they stepped onto the field.”

The whole team contributed to a well-played tournament, but Zion Westbrook, Tovar and Fulwilder particularly delivered on the mound and at the plate. Julian Shaffer produced big hits and RBIs, and Grey drove in two runs in the rematch vs. Flagstaff while contributing on the mound in relief.

“We may not have walked away with the championship, but I walked away extremely proud of these boys,” said Grey.

The Dingers played next in Guadalupe at the Pascua Yaqui 48th Annual Tribal Recognition Little League Baseball Tournament, which was at the end of September. After dominating their first three games in the tournament, they lost the next two games, ending up with a record of 3-2.

Grey said that the team is continuing to look for more opportunities to compete throughout Arizona and Indian Country.

How the Desert Dingers Came to Be

For as long as Grey can remember, baseball has been part of his life.

“I started playing when I was in T-ball, continued through Little League and played through high school,” said Grey. “So, when I eventually got into coaching, it gave me a way to stay connected to a game I had grown up playing.”

When the opportunity came to represent the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community on tribal land and coach in the triple-A division of the Arizona Diamondbacks Inter-Tribal Tournament in 2019, Grey swung at the first pitch.

For his nephews Bob and Mikey Maez, who are now coaches on the present-day team, Grey gave them chance to bridge the gap as they were finishing Little League and getting ready to move into junior high and high school. They still wanted to play.



12U Desert Dingers team huddles around outside the field at the 99th Annual WMAT Fair & Rodeo Youth Baseball Tournament in Whiteriver, on the Fort Apache Indian Reservation. The team listens to Coach Whitney Grey (middle right) give them some positive words about their play. Dingers finished the tournament with a 3-2 record and scored 34 runs while allowing 16. Photos courtesy of Whitney Grey.

“I wanted to make sure they and other kids their age had an opportunity to continue playing baseball,” said Grey.

His son Kane Grey was always around the team, and even though he was too young to play at first, he absorbed the game as the team’s batboy. Kane has since aged a few years and now plays on the squad.

“It’s pretty special to look back and realize that something that started because I wanted to give my nephews an opportunity to keep playing has continued with my son and so many other kids,” said Grey.

When that first team entered the Inter-Tribal tournament, they needed an identity. Grey, his wife Leah and nephews were sitting around the table throwing out ideas when the name “Desert Dingers” was spoken into existence. According to Grey, Leah is “the brains” behind the name.

Next, it was time for a logo. The family chose the shonick, a traditional O’odham war club.

“That choice had a deeper meaning for us,” said Grey.

“We wanted something that represented our culture and reminded our players that we still come from warriors. Our battles today may look different. For the Dingers, our battlefield is the baseball diamond, and our war club is our bat.”

Now, Desert Dingers is an intertribal baseball program for kids ages 9 to 18 from Salt River and several other tribal communities. Grey plans to continue adding teams and age divisions as interest grows.

Grey wants to make sure families can afford to send their players to compete with the Dingers.

“I try to make our organization as affordable as possible, if not completely free, for every player and family,” he said.

“Baseball and travel sports can become expensive very quickly, and I never want finances to be the reason a kid doesn’t get an opportunity to play.”

Organizations like Salt River Devco and Artisan Research Network have helped sponsor the program and create opportunities for Dingers players. The Salt River Children’s Foundation has also been a tremendous help, according to Grey.

“I’m extremely thankful for every organization, business and individual who has supported the Dingers,” said Grey, who is open to additional sponsors and community partners as the program grows.

“Whether it’s equipment, uniforms, tournament fees or travel, every sponsorship allows us to create another opportunity for these kids.”



Bottom row: RJ, Kane, Levi, Julian, Mace, Zion.
Top row: Coach Whitney Grey, Riley, Lane, Damon, Luka, Coach Casey, Casey, Coach Bobby, Wazzie, Coach Oscar, Coach Richard, Coach Ozzy.

One Teacher, One Community and One Thousand Dollars



Keri Tuchawena entered her classroom and was greeted with a blast from a confetti cannon while her students and many more guests joyfully yelled, “SURPRISE!”

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3 Takeaways:

- Salt River Schools technology teacher Keri Tuchawena received \$1,000 from the Fiesta Bowl Foundation as part of the College Football Playoff Foundation’s “Big Day for Teachers” celebration.
- The celebration was a surprise and brought tons of excitement for the young and old minds in attendance.
- The funds will be used to help purchase classroom equipment, supplies and more.

A surge of excitement whisked through the campus walls of Salt River Schools during the afternoon school day on Sept 15.

It was time for technology teacher Keri Tuchawena to be celebrated for all the hard work she does for her students. Tuchawena was nominated by her

colleagues and selected by the Fiesta Bowl Foundation to receive \$1,000 as part of the College Football Playoff Foundation’s “Big Day for Teachers” celebration. Red Mountain High School teacher Lindsay Decoste was the second awardee.

A giant oversized check—like the one Publisher’s Clearing House used to present with Ed McMahon years ago—red and orange balloons, confetti as well as smiles and high-fives filled Tuchawena’s classroom as her students patiently waited for her to arrive.

As she made her way down the hallway and was about to enter her classroom, Salt River Elementary School Principal Don Schopp quickly entered. “Surprise!” said one eager student, which filled the room with laughter. “That was a practice one for Mrs. T,” said another student.



Mrs. T’s students said they were all excited their classroom will soon receive upgrades to help ensure their futures remain bright while attending Salt River Schools.

When it was time, Tuchawena opened her classroom’s door, expecting to begin an impromptu meeting with Salt River Schools Superintendent Cheryl Houston. Instead, Tuchawena was greeted with confetti, hugs and high-fives from her students and guests as she was handed her \$1,000 check and additional prizes as part of her selection.

Overwhelmed with appreciation and happiness, Tuchawena thanked her students, their families, the Fiesta Bowl

Foundation as well as SRPMIC. Then, like a true dedicated teacher, she began setting up the remainder of the afternoon’s assignments and projects for her students.

The funds will go toward Tuchawena’s classroom to help purchase additional supplies, equipment and resources to ensure the quality of education she provides to her students remains at a high level.

Arizona Emergency Managers Hosts Annual Conference

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3 Takeaways:

- Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Emergency Manager Chuck Kmet and Emergency Manager Coordinators Terry Nelson and Kirsten VanDeventer attended the Arizona Association of Emergency Managers Conference.
- VanDeventer and Kmet both serve on the Arizona Association of Emergency Managers Board of Directors.
- Two presentations stood out, one on the World Cup and another on equine emergency evacuation.

The Hilton Scottsdale Resort and Villas could have been viewed as one of the safest places in the Valley this summer as emergency managers, disaster recovery professionals and safety officials gathered for the annual Arizona Association of Emergency Managers Conference from Aug. 31 to Sept. 2.

The half-week-long conference allowed for networking opportunities and presented panel discussions on how emergency managers help keep their respective communities safe. Representatives for the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community attended.

Two presentations of note featured equine emergency evacuation and the World Cup.

The equine emergency evacuation breakout session provided an opportunity for safety officials to explain the proper methods people should implement during an emergency to ensure the safety and well-being of equines—or, as they’re also known, horses.

The World Cup presentation featured Troy Lutrick and Robert Campa, two officials who worked basecamp and operational procedures during the soccer matches held this summer across the U.S., Canada and Mexico.

Basecamp procedures, often referred to as incident base, involve establishing a physical location to house administration support specialists and any logistics an emergency team needs. This can include shelter, food, sleeping areas and sanitary facilities such as restrooms.

Operational procedures involve the creation of step-by-step protocols that guide an individual/team regarding how to execute and complete tasks in the event of an emergency.

SRPMIC Emergency Manager Chuck Kmet and Emergency Manager Coordinators Terry Nelson and Kirsten VanDeventer also attended the conference.

VanDeventer serves as the vice president of the Arizona Association of Emergency Managers Board of Directors. Kmet is on the board as well, serving as the membership liaison officer. VanDeventer was quite busy during the conference, as she also served on the certification panel during the final day.

SRPMIC officials attended breakout sessions, shared insights and visited the vendor booths displaying advancements in emergency shelters, equipment and more.

Nelson attended several sessions, including “Community-Driven Post-Wildfire Recovery Planning at the Grand Canyon,” facilitated by Coconino County Emergency Management Director Tim Carter and Ashleigh Makuch, director of planning and preparedness with AC Disaster Consulting.

Together, the duo covered how the Grand Canyon and certain parts of northern Arizona will always experience wildfires, therefore it’s imperative for area residents to communicate with emergency and safety officials when it comes to creating prevention and recovery plans during wildfire season.

“This was a county-led effort,” began Makuch as she detailed how their recovery plan received a massive update from the public after last year’s wildfire season.

She added, “[This recovery plan] should be owned by all the individual jurisdictions and tribes that are involved. They’re the ones that saw the impacts; those communities are the voices that needed to be reflected in this plan. We held three meetings with the public; these were really fantastic ways for us to speak directly with the impacted communities.”

Though the conference was only three days long, its positive impacts will resonate far beyond those three days, or at the very least until next year’s conference in the Valley of the Sun.

For individuals interested in becoming a member of the Arizona Emergency Managers Association, check out their website at www.azemergencymanagers.org.



SRPMIC Emergency Management Coordinator Terry Nelson networked with many state emergency officials during the conference.



In between breakout sessions, Nelson was shown the latest and greatest in emergency management shelters and other equipment.



Coconino County Emergency Management Director Tim Carter provided insight on the wildfire season northern Arizona experiences and how his team implements safety plans during an emergency.

Short Film “Burros” Released Online Features O’odham Actors and Culture



Still photo from a scene in the short film “Burros” directed by Jefferson Stein. Photos courtesy of Jefferson Stein.

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An O’odham script-to-film that premiered at the Tribeca Film Festival in 2021 is now available to screen online for free after a few years on the festival circuit.

“Burros” is an emotionally resonant 16mm narrative short film that centers around a 6-year-old O’odham girl who comes across a migrant girl her age who was separated from her father near the Mexican border on the Tohono O’odham Nation. The girls become friends over the course of a day, even though they don’t speak the same language.

O’odham culture plays a significant role in “Burros.” Every actor in the film is from the Tohono O’odham Nation, and Virginia Patricio, who acts in the film, co-wrote the O’odham song she sings. Executive Producer Larry “Bear” Wilson, from Sells, received a Red Nation Honors Film Consultant Award for his work on the film. The other executive producers are Eva Longoria and Tohono O’odham Nation members Camillus Lopez and Sandra Conditto.

Highlighting Border Issues

“Burros” writer and director Jefferson Stein told *O’odham Action News* that before writing the script, he didn’t know anyone from the Tohono O’odham

Nation in southern Arizona, and he had never been there.

“The relationship was built by making [the film] together,” said Stein.

Stein was doing research on U.S.-Mexico border issues in 2015 when, he said, he came across an article about the militarization of the border and the consequences of its bisection of the Tohono O’odham communities on the U.S. and Mexico sides.

“This fracturing of family moved me in a way I couldn’t really let go of,” Stein shared. “It led me to want to learn more, and I did for a few years after that, including learning why the Tohono O’odham are in the news so often, which is that their 62-mile border had become a deadly migrant corridor.”

This new understanding of the complex issues surrounding the borderlands led to the script going from a writing exercise to pitching the idea to producer Liz Cardenas in Dallas.

Cardenas and Stein would travel back and forth to meet during preproduction. The two eventually secured a time slot on the Sells District Council meeting agenda after Wilson was elected Sells District Chair. The Council approved the film, and from there the team obtained permissions at the community and district levels to shoot the film across the Nation and at the national level from both the executive and legislative branches, according to Stein.

Casting O’odham Actors

“In the film, I wanted the world of the border that we typically hear about to stay in the background and put a kid who just wants a friend front and center,” said Stein.

In stepped young O’odham actor Amaya Juan, who plays Elsa.

Casting directors noticed her while she was playing on a local toka team, a talent she displayed in the film. Her aunt is her real-life coach. The film crew had the whole team come out for an afternoon and play toka for the movie.

Casting notices were placed at a grocery store. Patricio, who plays Elsa’s grandmother, came to help with the casting process but said she didn’t want to

3 Takeaways:

- “Burros” is a short film shot on the Tohono O’odham Nation that features O’odham actors, language and music.
- The film premiered in 2021, was screened at several film festivals and is now available to watch online for free.
- Learn about the script, how the film was made and what the casting process was like from writer and director Jefferson Stein.

audition.

“I knew she’d be perfect,” recalled Stein.

“She told me to find someone else, and we tried, but eventually I had to literally beg her, and she agreed. I’m so happy she did, because she’s just so amazing in it. The song she sings, she and I wrote together with Camillus [Lopez].”

Stein said people kept telling him he had to find the “O’odham Tom Cruise” to play Elsa’s dad. He had no idea who that was.

“That’s how I met Rupert Lopez, a Tohono O’odham police officer who also taught kids, and he was perfect for it.”

For the music, Stein went online and found “All Day,” by Franco Habre and Tohono O’odham hip-hop artist Alex Soto of Shining Soul. Soto is the director of the Labriola National American Indian Data Center at the Arizona State University Library. Stein reached out to Soto and was given the okay to use the song, as he wanted some kids to be rapping in the film.

“That image of the two girls on the tank, with a Border Patrol SUV driving by and two high school kids rapping their song, really captured how I was feeling about the border at that time,” said Stein.

The rest of the music in the film is courtesy of Canyon Records.

Preproduction for the film lasted about a month. Stein said that during this time he lived in Tucson and commuted almost every day, meeting families, walking through the desert, casting roles and hearing stories.

“That kind of collaboration was what made it so special to me, and I feel so grateful we were able to make it the way we did,” said Stein.

“It’s been one of the most moving and important experiences of my life.”

“Burros” can be viewed online for free at burros-thefilm.com/watch.

Law Enforcement Seeks Help Identifying Scottsdale John Doe

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Law enforcement officials in the Scottsdale area are working to identify a male whose body was found 21 years ago in a canal near the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community.

The body was found on May 20, 2005, and recent advancements in forensic genetic analysis have provided new potential leads. Advanced DNA testing and genetic genealogy revealed that he is of Native American descent and may be from the SRPMIC. However, his identity remains unknown.

Now, that analysis is renewing efforts to identify the man. A rendering by well-known forensic sketch artist Carl Koppelman was released earlier this year by the Ramapo College Investigative Genetic Genealogy Center, which is working with the Scottsdale Police Department and the Maricopa County Office of the Medical

Examiner to identify the man. The rendering includes a wooden cross lanyard the man was wearing when his body was found.

The Salt River Police Department issued a press release in April along with the wooden cross, saying that the testing revealed genetic markers consistent with Pima descent. “This development suggests the possibility that the individual may have ties to the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community or related populations,” the release read.

The man was between 19 and 34 years of age when he died. He was roughly 5 feet, 5 inches tall and weighed 130 pounds.

Anyone with relevant information or tips, no matter how small, is encouraged to call law enforcement. Scottsdale Police Detective Brady Bailey is the assigned investigator and can be reached directly at (480) 312-5762. Anonymous tips can be submitted by calling (480) 312-TIPS.



3 Takeaways:

- Area law enforcement is seeking the public’s help in identifying a male whose body was found two decades ago in a Scottsdale canal.
- A new rendering has been released in hopes of jump-starting the investigation.
- Testing revealed he is of Native American descent and may be from the SRPMIC or related populations.



Left: A wooden cross lanyard the man was wearing when his body was found. Right: An updated rendering of what he may have looked like. Photos courtesy of Scottsdale Police Department.

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Salt River Schools Hosts a Grand Celebration for Grandparents' Day

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For those of us who grew up with loving and supportive grandparents, it's always important to take time out of our busy lives to shower them with the support and love they have provided us.

On Sept. 4, Salt River Schools held a special Grandparents' Day celebration at the Early Childhood Education Center's Gathering Place. Vendor booths lined the outdoor ramada area as families and their loved ones visited with vendors and each another.

Free Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community tote bags in a wide array of colors were provided to all, as well as costume animal masks for the tiny kiddos and adults wanting to participate in the fun festivities.

Inside the Gathering Place, ECEC staff provided a meal consisting of squash with cheese and fresh *cemait/modilly*. Additionally, there was an official "Happy Grandparents' Day" banner as a backdrop for families to pose for photos inside the Gathering Place.

The celebration also featured O'odham/Piipaash bingo for various prizes and toys.

Poetically enough, the celebration was held on the same day as ECEC's Superhero Day—proving that, in some cases, our grandparents can be our own version of superheroes.



Tiphani Thomas and Adinidiin C. had a wonderful time and left with a bag full of goodies.



The annual Grandparents' Day Celebration at ECEC allowed for families and their loved ones to receive free goodies, such as books and toys, from Community department vendor booths.



Marie Paul was one of many grandparents and great-grandparents that attended the celebration event.

TRIBAL HOLIDAYS & EVENTS

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TRIBAL HOLIDAYS

2026 CALENDAR

Veterans Day.....Wednesday, November 11, 2026
Thanksgiving Day.....Thursday, November 26, 2026
Day After Thanksgiving (Discretionary1).....Friday, November 27, 2026
Day Before Christmas (Discretionary 2).....Thursday, December 24, 2026
Christmas Day.....Friday, December 25, 2026

2027 CALENDAR

New Year's Day.....Friday, January 1, 2027
Martin Luther King Jr. Day.....Monday, January 18, 2027
President's Day.....Monday, February 15, 2027
Good Friday.....Friday, March 26, 2027
Memorial Day.....Monday, May 31, 2027
SRPMIC Day.....Monday, June 14, 2027
Juneteenth (Observed).....Friday, June 18, 2027
Independence Day (Observed).....Monday, July 5, 2027
Labor Day.....Monday, September 6, 2027
Native American Recognition Day (NARD).....Friday, September 24, 2027

COUNCIL SPONSORED** AND SUPPORTED EVENTS

2026 CALENDAR

Piipaash Matasheevm Community Social.....Saturday, October 3, 2026
Community Safety Day.....Friday, October 9, 2026
Fall Festival**.....Friday, October 30, 2026
Red Mountain Eagle Pow-Wow.....Saturday, November 7 & Sunday, November 8, 2026
Veterans Day Parade & Celebration.....Wednesday, November 11, 2026
Community Thanksgiving**.....Saturday, November 21, 2026
Community Christmas Program**.....Saturday, December 5, 2026
Holiday Light Parade**.....Saturday, December 5, 2026
Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day.....Monday, December 7, 2026
Employee Holiday Event**.....Tuesday, December 15 & Wednesday, December 16, 2026
SRPMIC Inauguration Ceremony**.....Saturday, December 19, 2026
New Year's Eve Family Day**.....Wednesday, December 30, 2026
New Year's Eve Family Celebration**.....Thursday, December 31, 2026

2027 CALENDAR

O'odham-Piipaash Day**.....Saturday, January 23, 2027
Community Easter Egg Hunt**.....Saturday, March 20, 2027
Community Easter Sunrise Service.....Sunday, March 28, 2027
Piipaash Matasheevm.....Friday, April 2 & Saturday, April 3, 2027
Earth Day.....Saturday, April 17, 2027
Law Day.....Friday, April 30, 2027
Missing & Murdered Indigenous People Awareness Day**.....Wednesday, May 5, 2027
National Day of Prayer.....Thursday, May 6, 2027
Memorial Day Program.....Monday, May 31, 2027
SRPMIC Day**.....Saturday, June 12, 2027
Jr. Miss Salt River Pageant.....Friday, June 18, 2027
Miss Salt River Pageant.....Saturday, June 19, 2027
Community 4th of July Celebration**.....Saturday, July 3, 2027
Native American Recognition Day**.....Tuesday, September 21, 2027
Walk for O'odham & Piipaash**.....Friday, September 24, 2027



GENERAL WELFARE PAYOUTS

Thursday, October 29, 2026
Thursday, January 28, 2027
Thursday, April 29, 2027
Thursday, July 29, 2027

Events subject to change or cancel. Approved by SRPMIC Council on 09/02/26.

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 **Date / Time:** October 17th 5pm - 10pm

 **Contact Number:** 602-620-6549



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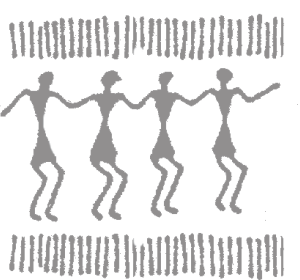
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Trick-or-Treat Community Address Sign Up List

Join our list of community houses that would like to participate in trick-or-treating this year!

DEADLINE TO SIGN UP: October 23, 2026

Submit your address:
srpmic-nsn.gov/trick-or-treat

Find the final list after October 23 through Community Relations or on the SRPMIC website.

Questions? Contact the Community Relations Office at 480-362-7740

3rd Quarter 2026 ELIGIBILITY DEADLINE: September 30, 2026

Must be eighteen (18) years old, enrolled, and living to be eligible for the **October 2026** General Welfare Payout.

DEADLINES FOR CHANGES

Direct Deposit Start-Ups and Changes: Friday, October 16th at 5:00 PM. This deadline is for new start-ups for direct deposit or changes to existing information. All forms **MUST** be submitted with a "VOIDED" check or statement from the bank with the Routing and Account Numbers.
Forms received by this date will be effective for the **OCTOBER 2026** payout. Forms received after this date will not be effective until the **JANUARY 2027** payout.

Discontinue Direct Deposits: Friday, October 16th at 5:00 PM. This deadline is to discontinue an existing direct deposit.
***Failing to notify the General Welfare department when an account is closed may delay your payment.

General Welfare Eligibility: Tuesday, October 20th at 5:00PM. This deadline is for submitting the Adult SRP-MIC Member's General Welfare Information Certificate. Forms received by this date will be effective for the October 2026 payout. Forms received after this date will not be processed until the first week of November 2026.

If you have any questions regarding:

-Tribal ID, General Welfare Eligibility & Change Forms: Membership Services @ **(480) 362-7600**
-Direct Deposits: Finance-Per Capita (General Welfare) @ **(480) 362-7710**

LEGAL NOTICES

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.
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Fair, Edward Glen – Adjudication Hearing; Mother: Adriana Kilgore (DOB 09/02/1995) Minor: E.A.B (DOB: 07/10/2016) Case: JV-26-0008, Court Date: November 2, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

Fair, Edward Glen – Adjudication Hearing Mother: Adriana Kilgore (DOB 09/02/1995) Minor: P.B (DOB: 10/31/2018) Case: JV-26-0009, Court Date: November 2, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.

Maynard, Calvin/Maynard, Teresa - Truancy Review Payment Hearing Case: JV-26-0193/0194 Court Date: November 12, 2026 at 3 PM

Miguel, Cory Curtis - Mother: Jaelynn Bejarano (DOB: 12/17/1994) Children: K.J.M. (DOB: 05/26/2012); K.J.M. (DOB: 07/20/2014); J.C.M. (DOB: 02/29/2016); J.M. (DOB: 03/23/2019); C.M. (DOB: 11/01/2020) Adjudication Hearing Case: JV-26-0113/0114/0115/0116/0117 Court Date: November 3, 2026, at 1:30 PM

Sharp, Jason Lawrence - Adjudication Hearing Case: JV-26-0229 Court Date: November 10, 2026 at 9 a.m.

Weatherspoon, Ruben - Mother: Anya Ticer (DOB: 02/22/1996) Child: N.M.W. (DOB: 06/05/2018)

Initial Guardianship Hearing Case: J-22-0126, Court Date: November 16, 2026 at 9 a.m.

CIVIL COURT
JURISDICTION: SALT RIVER PIMA MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY COURT
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CIVIL COURT CASES REPORT TO COURTROOM #1/ #2 ON THE 1ST FLOOR.
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Andrews, Dracy Adjudication Hearing Case: JV-26-0039 Court Date: November 5, 2026 at 1:30 p.m.

Burke, Daniel - Order of Protection Hearing Case: CV-26-6536 Court Date: November 9, 2026 at 11:30 AM

Carrillo, Daniel Renee - Evidentiary Hearing Case: CV-26-5245 Court Date: October 19, 2026 at 9 AM

Casias, Lisa Anne - Order to Show Cause Hearing Case: CV-26-0675 Court Date: November 2, 2026 at 10:30 AM

Frederick, Avis Guardianship Review Case: CF-22-0073 Court Date: October 19, 2026 at 9 AM

Gonzales, Vanessa Rene - Default Judgement Hearing Case: CV-26-4233 Court Date: November 19, 2026 at 10 AM

Harrison, Aliyah Aryanna - Entry of Default Judgement/ Order to Show Cause Hearings Case: CV-26-4221 Court Date: November 19, 2026 at 9:30 AM

Johnson, Brandi Morningstar - Entry of Default Judgement Case: CV-26-4231 Court Date: November 19, 2026 at 9 AM

Lovelace, Raylee James - Annual Review Hearing Case: C-16-0041 Court Date: October 20, 2026 at 10 AM

DEFAULT NOTICES

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 8th of September, 2026.

CLERK OF THE SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY TRIBAL COURT

HARRISON, ALIYAH ARYANNA
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
CV-26-4221

Country Club Cars v. Aliyah Aryanna Harrison

To: Aliyah A. Harrison, Respondent

YOU ARE HEREBY ORDERED to appear before the above-entitled court on the 19th day of November 2026 at 9:30am in Court Room #1, and show cause why you should not be held in contempt for failing to appear for a hearing on September 8, 2026 after being duly 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: September 22, 2026.

JUDGE ARISTINA SANCHEZ, SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY COURT

JOHNSON, BRANDI MORNINGSTAR
CV-26-4231

COUNTRY CLUB CARS V. BRANDI MORNINGSTAR JOHNSON

To: Brandi Morningstar Johnson, 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 8th of September, 2026.

CLERK OF THE SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY TRIBAL COURT

LEWIS, MAXINA
CV-26-2425

NOTICE OF DEFAULT JUDGMENT:

Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community Court, State of Arizona, Maricopa County original jurisdiction court case number CV-26-2425

Notice of Default Judgment is hereby given ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that default judgment against Respondent, Lewis, Maxina is hereby ENTERED. It is further, ORDERED AND ADJUDGED, that Respondent, Lewis, Maxina shall pay \$1,294.79 to Petitioner, Country Club Cars. Payment shall be made to Petitioner within thirty (30) days of this Order. This order is final and shall be served on Respondent in accordance to Rule 5-20(c).

PUBLIC WORKS NOTICE

SRPMIC Council has approved the nightly closures of the Salt River and Lehi Cemeteries due to continued vandalism. The Salt River and Lehi Cemeteries will be closed from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m.

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DECEMBER 17	DECEMBER 4

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Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
Community Regulatory Agency/Office of Alcohol Beverage Control

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the SRPMIC Code of Ordinances, Ordinance Number SRO-355-2010, a public hearing on a Liquor License Application for Costco Wholesale #1834 located at 4499 N. Pima Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85251 shall be held at the SRPMIC Community Regulatory Agency (CRA) on October 19, 2026, at 10:00 am, at 8840 E. Chaparral Rd., Suite 165, Scottsdale, AZ 85250 (Conference Room). Petitions and testimony will be heard from persons in favor of or opposed to the issuance of a liquor license that reside in the Community, or own or lease property located within the Community that is in close proximity to the proposed premises. To request for additional information regarding this application, contact Special Investigator Bambii Lewis at (480) 362-3468.



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✔ Juneteenth

✔ MLK Day

✔ Independence Day

✔ President's Day

✔ Labor Day

✔ Good Friday

✔ Native American Recognition Day

✔ Memorial Day

✔ Veteran's Day

✔ SRPMIC Day
- *and any other council proclamations that may occur

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AAR AFTERNOONS, Tuesdays & Thursdays, 1-3 p.m., Ske:g Himdag Ki: Senior Room. Engaging games, crafts and events for community members ages 18-54 with intellectual, physical and emotional needs. Questions? SSDAdultAdaptiveRecreation@srpmic-nsn.gov

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.

REZ READERS, Third Thursdays through April. Looking for a good book and a nice place to talk about it? Then come join Community Recreational Services and Salt River Tribal Library for the new Rez Readers Book Club. A club where we will focus on native authors and themes for fiction to some non-fiction reads and engage in some great conversations a we all share our insight, thoughts and experiences throughout each book. Starting February 19th, Rez Readers will meet every 3rd Thursdays, February - April from 5:30pm to 7:00pm. Copies of

the books will be available for check out (while supplies last). Questions Contact 480-362-6600 / Triballibrary@SRPMIC-nsn.gov

TAI CHI FOR SENIORS, Tuesdays, 9-10 a.m., Ske:g Himdag Ki: Senior Room. This ancient Chinese martial art uses slow and continuous movements to improve the mind and body. For seniors 55+ and adults with adaptive needs.

LOVE AND HARMONY COUPLES GROUP, Tuesdays | 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM | Behavioral Health Services, River People Health Center. Ready to strengthen your relationship and build deeper connection? Join our Couples Group, based on Dr. John Gottman's The Seven Principles for Making Marriage Work. Learn practical tools to: Improve communication; Resolve conflicts; Deepen intimacy; Navigate challenges around family, work, and more. Call (480) 362-5707 to learn more or sign up today.

NAMI FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP, First Wednesday of each month from 12 p.m. – 1 p.m. at RPHC 3rd Floor, Room 3203. Contact (480) 278-7742 for more information.

WELLBRIETY 12 STEP AND MEDICINE WHEEL, Wednesdays and Fridays 9:30 a.m. – 11 a.m. at RPHC. 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.

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.

HELPING HANDS HALF OFF FOR SRPMIC MEMBERS, Every Friday Community members get 50% off at Helping Hands. Open 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., closed 12 p.m. - 1 p.m. for lunch at 10213 E. Osborn Rd. Call 480-362-5625 for more information.

BEADING CIRCLE, Wednesdays 5:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. at Salt River Tribal Library inside Ske:g Himdag Ki: Open to enrolled SRPMIC members and Ske:g Himdag Ki: members. Call 480-362-6600 for more information.

CREATIVE WRITING GROUP, Every 1st Thursday of the Month, 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. at Lehi Community Building Room 109. This Group provides a creative environment to learn and explore prompt writing, literary discussion, and guest writers/authors. All genres and levels welcome. Open to adult Community Members and Ske:g Himdag Ki: members. For more information, call 480 362-6600.

ELEVATING ELDERS, Thursdays, 9-10 a.m., Ske:g Himdag Ki: Senior Room. Physical Fitness Specialist Nevelle Howard leads a fun, energizing class that boosts strength using body weight and light dumbbells. For seniors 55+ and adults with adaptive needs.

YOGA FOR FALL PREVENTION, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Wednesdays, 9-10 a.m., Ske:g Himdag Ki: Senior Room. Standing or chair options

available. Guided movements improve strength, balance and flexibility. For seniors 55+ and adults with adaptive needs.

S'HE:PIJIG MAŞAD XLY'A SHAXUK OCTOBER

3 ANIMAL HEALTH EVENT WITH NAGI, at the Salt River Ballfields (1837 N. Longmore Rd.). The day is divided into two separate clinic types: Drive-Thru Vaccine Clinic (First Come, First Served) Begins at 6:30 AM, Vaccines and Nail Trims ONLY. No appointment needed for this track. Wellness Clinic (Signup Required) Appointments begin at 9:00 AM, You must pre-register online at nagifoundation.org/ appointment. Open to SRPMIC members, residents, and employees. Pets must be brought by their legal owner, who must be 18 or older. Cats must be in their own carrier; dogs must be kept on a leash. For questions, you can contact the team at info@nagifoundation.org or leave a message at (602) 730-2092 (Voicemail Only). Follow updates on Facebook and Instagram @nagifoundation.

3 PIIPAASH MATASHEEVM COMMUNITY SOCIAL, 12:00 pm - 10:00 pm at Lehi Gathering Area, 3221 North Stapley Drive Lehi, Arizona 85203. Inter-Tribal Performances, Bird and O'odham singers and dancers are invited. (Singers sign up with MCs for 6:00 pm open rotations.) Program Highlights: Sunrise Blessing, Inter-Tribal Performances, Under 17 Song & Dance Round, O'odham Give-Away Dance, Bird Singing and Dancing, Singer Sign-ups, Dinner while supply lasts. The Fine Print: Family-friendly gathering, Open to the public, No alcohol or drugs. PMC/SRPMIC not liable for theft, injury, damages, or losses. Contact piipaashmatasheevm@

srpmic-nsn.gov

5 OCTOBER COMMUNITY PRAYER BREAKFAST, 6:30 a.m. – 7:30 a.m. Reminder: For those who wish to submit unspoken prayer requests can do so by emailing: srpmicprayerbreakfast@gmail.com. Location: Salt River Community Building (1880 N. Longmore Road / Scottsdale, AZ 85256)

10 MEET THE CANDIDATES OPEN HOUSE, Join us for a Meet the Candidates Open House and get to know the candidates running for: President, Vice-President, Council. This is an opportunity to meet the candidates, ask questions, and learn more about those seeking office. 10:00 am - 1:00 pm at Salt River Gymnasium. Come get informed before you vote! For more info, contact the Community Relations Office at (480) 362-7740

16 S.O.B.E.R. FAMILY MEETING, 6 p.m. at Salt River Church of Christ 430 N. Dobson Rd. Mesa, AZ 85201 This event will feature Salt River President Martin Harvier sharing his knowledge and support with the group. All are welcome to Support Our Brothers Entering Recovery, will include a raffle and pot luck following words from President Harvier.

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