

Maricopa Veterans Day Parade 2021

Story and photos by Runner Staff



Luke Air Force Honor Guard marches down Bowlin Rd. to begin Maricopa Veterans Day Parade on Saturday, November 6, 2021. (Photo by R. Bowen)

Sunny morning skies welcomed honored veterans, guests and parade attendees at Maricopa Veterans Day Parade on Saturday, November 6.

To kick off the event, crowds were delighted with a flyover by five planes from The Arizona Stearman Squadron.

Many residents and visitors gathered along the parade route to cheer on and thank those that have served this country. The parade started from the parking lot at Central Arizona College and continued west down Bowlin Road, turning north on Porter Road and ending at Leading Edge Academy.

Ak-Chin Indian Community was strong in support and participation of this year's parade. Chairman Robert Miguel was asked to accompany Maricopa Mayor Christian Price to lead off the parade. Vice-Chairman Lemuel Vincent and Councilmember Octavio Machado represented

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Photo by J. Peters

Above, Ak-Chin Chairman Robert Miguel welcomes attendees to Ak-Chin during the Tribal Opioid and Substance Use Conference on November 17.

Tribal Opioid and Substance Use Conference

Wednesday November 17, the second Tribal Opioid and Substance Use Conference was held at Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino. The two-day conference strives to provide ways tribal nations can address substance use in their communities. Many gathered at the casino event center for the informative sessions.

Ak-Chin Community member Janice Anderson gave a heartfelt prayer to start off the conference, followed by Youth Council Coordinator Joseph Davis who performed a song, and Chairman Robert Miguel welcomed all on behalf of the Ak-Chin Indian Community.



MHS Marching Rams close out successful "Comeback" at 2A Championships

At right, Maricopa High School Marching Rams celebrate after competing in the AzMBA 2A Championships, at Buckeye Union High School on Saturday, November 13.

Photo submitted



On November 13, Maricopa High School Marching Band traveled to Buckeye Union High School to compete in the AzMBA 2A Championships.

"The band finished in 14th place in a crowded field of 26 excellent bands from across Arizona." Ivan Pour, M.Mus Band and Orchestra Director for MHS shared.

"The band posted their 2nd highest score ever in AzMBA at 73.313 and exceeded or

matched their highest ever scores in the Visual GE, Individual Music and Percussion Caption Areas."

The Community is super proud to have two members in the Marching Band, Junior Celeste Gloria who plays percussion and Daria Garcia, freshman and first year with the band color guard.

"On behalf of Daria and Celeste, we are very proud to have them in the program. Both students

have enjoyed getting to participate in a full marching season after last year."

"Celeste has shown some real talent as part of our front ensemble, which has easily been the most hard working and dedicated part of the band, and Daria has been at home in her first year as a member of our Color guard team and is looking forward to joining the winter guard for winter season!"

MHS Marching Rams

will be performing Dragon Hunt, for their final musical performance at Maricopa High School Performing Arts Center on Thursday, November 18. The concert begins at 7pm and admission is free!

"We want to extend a special thank you to our Maricopa Band and Orchestra Boosters for all of their amazing support this season with logistical support, meals for the band and fundraising. It is good to be back doing band again!"

October Community Meeting

Story by R. Peters

The October 25 Community Meeting began with Ak-Chin Chairman Robert Miguel, thanking the membership who Zoomed in for the meeting. He then asked everyone to bow their heads in prayer as he provided an O'odham blessing, before moving on with agenda.

Connie Miguel, who is the new Purchase Referred Care Manager for the Community was the only presenter for the evening. She introduced herself and thanked Council for allowing her time to speak about the newly created department.

Connie explained how very soon Ak-Chin members will be able to utilize the PRC program. "At this time all IHS referrals for an Ak-Chin member are reviewed and administered by Gila River PRC team, but

come January 1st, all IHS referrals will be faxed directly to the Ak-Chin PRC department team, this includes myself and soon several other PRC team members, dedicated to Ak-Chin Indian Community members."

Connie provided information on how the PRC program was formed and about how the transition team was working, "to meet the Ak-Chin members' needs for continuous service and seamless interruption of health care needs."

She also explained that with Council support the policies and procedures which are currently being addressed and approved will soon be put in place, and she hopes by next month that she can begin to roll out several educational materials and updates via the Runner newspaper and the community's

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Caregiver Appreciation Month




This month in honor of our community's caregivers we hosted our first in person training. It was facilitated by Celina Mahinalani Garza with AIM. To follow Covid guidelines we provided two sessions.

Participants learned how to Take responsibility for their own care, manage stress, and create natural "medicine" for self-care. They learned how smells can influence mood, made their own personal essential oil, participated in guided meditation, and each participant painted a small canvas to take home.

Each participant went home with a medicine bag with Palo Santo Wood (Holy Wood) used for its energy cleansing benefits, White Sage used to remove negative energy, and Pa'akal (Sea Salt) for cleansing and to ward off evil.

All those who participated went away feeling relaxed, rejuvenated, and appreciated. Caregivers rarely get the recognition and appreciation they deserve. Our program does its best to provide support, training, and services to one of the Community's most important resources, The Unpaid Caregiver.

Submitted by: Candace Allcott and our Caregiver support Team, Sonia Narcia and Marissa Antone Ak-Chin Elder Center




Supply Goods Distribution Drive Thru

Thursday - Nov. 18th, 3-7pm
Friday - Nov. 19th, 3-7pm

- Distribution will be at Service Center and is for Ak-Chin Member and resident households who reside on the reservation and for Member households who live off the reservation.
- Supplies are for each household and **not for each member.**
- Members must show proof of residence with current address (i.e. utility bill, insurance card, Driver License and/or tribal ID with current address).
- Individuals who are picking up items for a Member **MUST** have a letter of authorization from the Member naming the individual who is picking up the supplies. This allows the Community to have a record of who picked up their supplies.
- Community households living on or off the Reservation and are unable to pick up their supplies on the 18th or 19th; **please contact Flora Howerton at (520) 568-1043** to arrange a pick up.

Pick-up Route



REMINDER

The next Runner submission deadline will be

Wednesday

NOVEMBER 24TH





Don't forget to come to class!

EVERY TUESDAY AND THURSDAY
10:00 A.M.-11:00 A.M.

Elements Event Center
16000 Maricopa Rd.



STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING

CLASSES FOR OLDER ADULTS 55+ PREFERRED



Snacks provided and items to use at home!

Transportation Provided, please call to set-up pick-up time
Call me @520-568-1087

FOR MEMBERS AND RESIDENTS OF THE AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY

For questions about the Injury Prevention Program please call or email Teri De La Cruz at 520-568-1087 TDeLaCruz@ak-chin.org



Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community

NOTICE

2022 Agricultural Lease Payment

In compliance with SRPMIC Emergency Declaration Directives for COVID-19, the 2022 Agricultural Lease payment to landowners will be made by mail, direct deposit, or SRPMIC Pay Card only. There will be no in person payout.

On Friday, January 21, 2022, Agricultural Lease Payment checks will be mailed to your address on file or, if you have elected to use direct deposit, disbursement will occur to the financial institution on file with the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community ("SRPMIC") Finance Department. Incorrect information will cause a delay in receiving your payment. To update your address or direct deposit information, or to sign up for direct deposit, please contact:

SRPMIC Vendor Maintenance, ph: (480) 362-7729
(staff is available Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Arizona time)
The last day for Agricultural Lease Payment updates is December 17, 2021.
Please call as soon as possible.

Pay Card disbursement will be placed onto your SRPMIC Pay Card on Friday, January 21, 2022. To sign up for a SRPMIC Pay Card for your lease payment or to add your lease payment to an already issued SRPMIC Pay Card, please contact the SRPMIC Finance Department at (480) 362-7620. The last day for Agricultural Lease Payment updates is December 17, 2021.

Payments less than \$15.00. All direct deposit and Pay Card payments will be disbursed regardless of the amount. For checks less than \$15.00, landowners will need to contact the SRPMIC Finance Department and request that a check be mailed. Such checks will be processed 7-10 business days following the request after January 21, 2022.

Questions? Contact the SRPMIC Finance Leasing Payment Office (480) 362-7730.
*Agricultural lease payments will be made based upon farmer payments received by January 3, 2022.

Elder November Breakfast/Lunch Menu

19) Chocolate chip pancakes, sausage links, fruit, apple juice / Chicken Pot Pie, Creamed Spinach, Brown Rice, Jell-O-Peaches	& Apple Pie
22) Egg & cheese quesadilla, salsa, diced potatoes, fruit, orange juice, cereal, yogurt, milk / Pinto Beans, Ground Beef Tacos D, Acorn Squash, Peas, Pumpkin Bars	24-26) Center Closed - Holiday
23) Early Thanksgiving Lunch / Turkey & Ham, Mashed Potatoes, Green Bean Casserole, Stuffing, Salad, Rolls, Pumpkin	29) Spam & egg burrito, sliced apples, granola bar, grape juice / Red Chili Stew, Potato Salad, Pinto Beans, Chumath, Peaches
	30) Oatmeal, scrambled eggs, biscuit, yogurt, banana, milk / Soup & Salad, Rolls, Pineapples
	Some items may change without notice

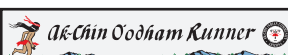


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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements and wishes
may be phoned in, faxed
or e-mailed.

ARTWORK, LETTERS, STORIES

The Ak-Chin O'odham
Runner is a Community
Newspaper and encourages
Community involvement.

If you have artwork, photos,
poems or a great story that
you would like to share,
please contact us so we
can include it in "YOUR"
newspaper. Also, if you have
suggestions or comments
about "YOUR" newspaper,
let the Runner Staff know
that too.

All submitted letters MUST
be signed by the author and
are limited to 200 words.
Authors must also include
their name, address, and
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DEADLINE

Don't forget the
DEADLINE for the
December 3-16, 2021
issue is due by
WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 24TH

Please submit all
announcements, wishes, etc.
no later than
WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 24TH

Material submitted after the
NOVEMBER 24TH
cannot be guaranteed
placement. If appropriate
and relevant, it will be
included in the next issue.

Community Meeting continued from front

media, and plans to attend
upcoming Community
meetings to provide more
updates.

Connie also provided
many examples of how
the PRC program will
assist membership with
obtaining referrals and
assisting with eligibility
and alternative coverage
programs. She also
elaborated on her
experience and training
in confidentiality.

"I look forward, I'm
excited and I'm eager
to provide a teamwork-
oriented PRC department
in the community to
continue to assist Ak-Chin
members and to meet
the health management
services for the wellbeing
of the community." Connie
added, "The PRC team
appreciates your understand-
ing and patience during this
transition. We just want
to thank you and thank
you council for giving us
a couple minutes of your
time tonight."

There was a question
about selecting a PRC
board. Council responded
that their will not be a
PRC board implemented
but there will be an
Appeals Board in the
event of a referral denial.

Once Connie finished
with her presentation
Council updates were
provided. Chairman
provided an update on
the various meetings
and conferences he
had attended, primarily
through webinar, which

included the Republican
Party Pinal County
Conference, Conference
with Legal on Sports
Betting, Tribal Leader's
Summit, sessions on
water issues and the
Arizona Indian Gaming
Association Retreat.

Vice-Chairman Lemuel
Vincent updates included
a Flag Ceremony at
Tempe School District,
speaking at the Arizona
Democratic Party
Indigenous Day, and
Maricopa's 2021 State of
the City event.

Councilmember Octavio
Machado provided
an update on water
conservation efforts for
Ak-Chin Farms, Harrah's
Ak-Chin Casino,
minimum wage study,
Self-insured program
study, water litigation,
gaming compact
changes, Ak-Chin Circle
and Southern Dunes
management options.

Councilmember Lisa
Garcia provided updates
on; 2022 budgets,
community assistance
and vaccine incentives,
Vekol and Smith Wash
work sessions, member
Covid testing, board and
committee ordinance
updates.

Delia Carlyle provided
updates on conferences
and meetings she's
attended as well as
voting issues; such as the
National Indian Health
Board virtual conference,
Tribal Urban Indian
Organization leader
calls, US Department

of Health and Human
services nation to nation
dialogue on covid19,
meetings with Gila River
Health Care Corporation,
Maricopa Unified District
Override Ballot and the
Native American Voting
Rights Act.

Once Council finished
with their updates the
meeting was opened for a
member Q and A. There
were numerous questions
fielded during the
meeting, including the
Community's Article X
- Community Meeting,
Section 3 Agenda, In-
person Community
Meetings, Housing
Policy update/approval,
cost effectiveness of
farm sprinkler system,
wage increase, dental
assistance program,
monitoring community
during quarantine,
updating personnel
policies, Travel policies
for Council, Sex offender
registry, WebEx issues
in the Community,
Council Meeting
agenda items, Election
Committee presentation,
Code of Conduct,
Ethics and Recall for
Councilmembers.

Once all questions were
answered, raffle winners
were announced and the
meeting came to an end
just before 9 pm.

The next Community
Meeting is scheduled for
Monday, November 29 at
6 pm. If you would like
to view meeting please
email: events@ak-chin.
nsn.us or call 520-568-
1000.

ATTENTION

Ak-Chin PARENTS and GUARDIANS

If you have a student-athlete from
Ak-Chin participating in an upcoming
event and would like them to be
featured in future editions of the
Runner, please let us know!

Email: runnernews@ak-chin.nsn.us
Phone: (520)-568-1375

**Ak-Chin Indian Community
Scholarship Program**

Spring 2022 Semester Deadline:

NOVEMBER 30, 2021
5:00PM (no exceptions)

Continuing College/University Students
(Fall to Spring)

Submit to our Office:
Class Schedule,
Tuition Bill,
Book Costs and
Official Transcripts

New Student Eligibility
Enrolled Community Member
High School Diploma or GED
Acceptance Letter from Eligible Institution

Submit to our Office:
Full Application

46512 W. Farrell Rd.
(520) 568-1291 / 1280
LDempsey@ak-chin.nsn.us



REMINDER

There will be no recycling collected during
the week of Thanksgiving. Service will
resume the following Thursday.

Friday, November 26th is a Community
holiday. But, trash will be collected as
usual that day.

Ak-Chin Sanitation/Public Works



**AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY
Capital Projects**

AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR THE AK-CHIN FEASTHOUSE PROJECT (CONSTRUCTION SERVICES)

The Ak-Chin Indian Community (hereafter called
the "Owner") invites all General Contractors to
submit proposals on Ak-Chin Feasthouse project.
The project consists in the following; restroom,
kitchen facility, parking lot and canopy section.
Full construction documents/plans will be
provided.

A MANDATORY Pre-Bid Onsite Meeting is
scheduled for 11:00 a.m. (MST) on November
30, 2021 located at 16657 N. Church Rd.
Maricopa, AZ 85139. This meeting is considered
mandatory, and in this meeting the project scope
will be discussed and project plans/documents
shared. If you do not attend this pre-bid meeting
your proposal will NOT be accepted.

Only 2 representatives per company may attend.
To comply with COVID guidelines, we are
keeping group gatherings to a minimum number
of attendees. This meeting will be held outside and
masks are required to be worn AT ALL TIMES.

Deadline for any questions regarding this
project will be 2:00 p.m. (MST) on December
14th, 2021. Proposal questions should be directed
to Flora Howerton at FHowerton@ak-chin.nsn.us.
Also, Cc: Project Manager, Casey Turgeon at
cturgeon@ak-chin.nsn.us.

The Owner will receive Competitive Bid
Proposals until 2:00 p.m. (MST) on December
21st, 2021 at the Tribal Purchasing Department
located at 42507 West Peters & Nall Road
Maricopa, Arizona 85138. Proposals received
after the specified date and time will be rejected
and returned unopened. Electronic proposals may
be submitted to FHowerton@ak-chin.nsn.us.

This invitation is unrestricted; however,
preference will be given to Indian Organizations
and Indian Owned Enterprises in accordance to
the Community Procurement Procedure. The
Owner reserves the right to reject, any and all bids.
However, the Ak-Chin Indian Community at its
discretion may postpone said action for such time
as the Tribal Council may designate, as the interest
of the Community may require.

No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60)
days subsequent to the opening of Bids without
consent of the Owner.

**Life's an
adventure,
but your
health
shouldn't be.**

**Check out open enrollment
options on November 1,
2021 through
January 15, 2022.**

**Contact your local Indian health
care provider for more information,
visit [Healthcare.gov](https://www.healthcare.gov), or call
1-800-318-2596.**

Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino Lends a Helping Hand to Pinal County's Furry Friends

HERO Committee activities raised awareness and support for the Valley Humane Society of Pinal County

The HERO committee at Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino hosted a variety of activities to raise awareness and support for Pinal County's furry friends. Benefitting the Valley Humane Society of Pinal County, the events included a collection drive, dog adoptions and toy making.

"Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino has a long-standing reputation for giving back to the community," says HERO Committee Chair Barbara Achten. Whether it's families in need or the animals who love them, we're here to help."

HERO is a team member-based volunteer program in which Harrah's staff and their families make noteworthy and visible contributions to the community by donating their time, skills, expertise, and compassion to dozens of volunteer projects throughout the community.



Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino HERO team members host Cause for Paws to benefit the Valley Humane Society of Pinal County. (Submitted photos)



Michelle Vincent and Vanessa Osife help out at the adoption site. Photos by J. Peters



Ak-Chin Child Development

Fall 2021 Newsletter

Early Literacy

As most preschoolers do not read yet, the central goal for parents and teachers is to introduce children to the power and pleasure of reading, writing, and using language.

Recommended books for Fall:

•We're Going on a Leaf Hunt by Steve Metzger

o<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1AQUdXcWlqM>

•Red Leaf, Yellow Leaf by Lois Ehlert

o<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PJPAcC7tQto>

•Pete The Cat: Falling for Autumn by James Dean

o<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yc3eTDpYb-Y>

Family Resources

<http://www.raisingarizonakids.com/calendar/>

<https://www.parents.com/recipes/nutrition/picky-eater-strategies/>

<https://www.pbs.org/parents/learn-grow/all-ages/literacy>

<https://www.naeyc.org/resources/blog/few-thoughts-separation-anxiety>

<http://www.firstthingsfirst.org/resources/birth-five-helpline/>

<https://www.healthline.com/health/lice-home-remedies#what-to-avoid>

Early Intervention

If you or someone you know has a concern with a young child's development, there is help. Addressing concerns early is the best way to help children succeed. Ak-Chin Child Development will be happy to assist you in the process. You can find developmental milestones in the resource links above.

[Arizona Early Intervention Program](#)

Children Birth to age 3

Ph. 800-237-3007 or online @ <https://azeip.azdes.gov/AzEIP/AzeipRef/Forms/Categories.aspx>

[Child Find](#)

Children age 3 to before Kindergarten

Ph. 520-568-5100 Ext. 5140

48251 W. Farrell Rd.
Phone: 520-568-1700

Maricopa, AZ 85138
Fax: 520-568-1701

COME PLAY BASEBALL/SOFTBALL FOR US.

MARICOPA LITTLE LEAGUE 2022 SPRING BALL REGISTRATION

NOW OPEN



T-Ball, Softball, Baseball
Ages 4-18, Boys and Girls

\$150

T-Ball

\$85

Registration
Closes
Jan 8, 2022

All Games at Copper Sky Regional & Pacana Parks

MaricopaLittleLeague.com

COME PLAY BASEBALL/SOFTBALL FOR US.

VIRTUAL FITNESS CLASSES

With Cecily Peters, Hasan Training

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

6 PM TO 6:30 PM

NOV- 3rd, 10th, 17th

SATURDAY MORNINGS

9 AM TO 9:45 AM

NOV - 6th, 15th, 20th

All classes taught on ZOOM.
Email Health Ed for ZOOM access.
Exercises for all levels.

Classes are open to Ak-Chin Indian Community Members, Residents, & Employees.

Questions? Please contact Health Ed at (520) 568-1085, mguy@ak-chin.nsn.us or Cecily Peters at az.ha.san.fitness@gmail.com

JOB OPENINGS

- Accountant
- Bus Driver – Early Childhood
- Communications Officer (911 Dispatcher)
- Deli Clerk
- Detention Officer – certified
- Driver – Sanitation
- Economic Development Analyst
- Gaming Agent
- Maintenance Technician (4)
- Police Officer (non-certified)
- Police Officer (certified)
- Purchased/Referred Care (PRC) Benefits Coordinator



Openings for Enrolled Members and Current Employees Only:

- Recreation Programs Coordinator
- Recreation Programs Assistant
- Parks Maintenance Technician (2)
- Groundskeeper –Parks/Rec. (2)

Please visit our website at www.ak-chin.nsn.us, for Job Openings, to review the job posting and apply. If you need assistance, please call Human Resources at 520-568-1050.

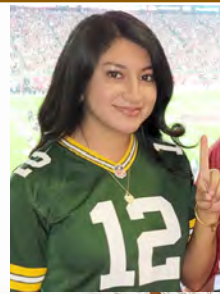
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Happy Birthday to my daughter
Carmen
Love, Mom

Happy Birthday to my grandsons
Dallas, Brandon, and Marcus and my
granddaughters Morgan, Maria and
Aurora
Love, Grandma

Happy Birthday to our Goddaughter
Jasmine
Love Goddaddy and Godmama

Happy Birthday
Morgan
Hope your day will
be full of fun times,
great memories and
love!
Love, Dad & Mom



Game Night

AMONG US

Join us the 2nd and 4th Friday of the Month
at 4 pm to find the imposter among us.
Text the Library @ 520-612-1013 to register.

Story Stroll

AT HOHOKAM PARK & MILTON "PAUL" ANTONE PARK

November is Native American Heritage Month

The Ak-Chin Language Preservation Program has translated, "Brown Bear, Brown Bear, What Do You See?" into O'odham. You can listen to the book in O'odham by using the QR code or type in the link on your smartphone! *QR code and link are located on Sign #1.



*To receive a copy of the board book (English only) for your child, text the Library a picture of your child next to a Story Stroll sign to 520-612-1013



NOVEMBER 19TH - 30TH EMPLOYEE BIRTHDAYS

11/19
Davis Garcia
Law & Order
Albertino Santiago
TGA

11/21
Autumn Gonzalez
Law & Order

11/23
Carmen Narcia
Him Dak Museum
Lemuel Vincent
Vice-Chairman

11/24
Lawrence Sordia
Law & Order

11/26
Brandon Peters
Treasurer

11/27
Steve Tiemann
Finance
Richard Lopez
Early Childhood

11/29
James Reynolds
Law & Order
Allen Allcott
Fire & Safety



HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

From the staff
at the Runner



November Birthdays

1-Nov
Gwendolyn Pilone
Mary A. Narcia
Jason Narcia
Autumn Vallejos

2-Nov
Ayden Acunia-Pablo

3-Nov
Carla Carlyle
Israel Santiago
Neveah Pilone
Darrin Manuel

4-Nov
Kahleah Delowe
Siann Ugalde
Rosa Merriweather
Mauricio Contreras-Valles

5-Nov
Aaron Peters, Sr.
Rena Santiago

6-Nov
Jose Lopez
Thonya Florez
Andrea Lopez

7-Nov
Norma Vincent
Brittney King
Heaven Smith
Auciana Miguel

9-Nov
Mikayla Matuz
Cecil Peters
Malinda Ormsby
Daniel Narcia

10-Nov
Marquon Robles
Shannon Narcia

11-Nov
Ramona Narcia
Erick Merriweather
Ryan Merriweather
Jamison Vincent

12-Nov
Elissa Justin
Arnulfo Arellanes-Burgos, Jr.
Holly Antone
Mark Pablo
Nyaila Miguel

13-Nov
Anthony Antone
Darnell Peters
Aaron Narcia

14-Nov
Joe R. Miguel
Raychel Peters
Victor Bandin
Hiram Ugalde

15-Nov
Dominic Miguel
Aiden Miguel
Izaah Smith
Jose White
Josefina White
Terrance Enos

16-Nov
Carson De Paola
Emeterio Luna, Jr.
Leenette Soope

17-Nov
Dallyss Peters
Malinda Velasquez
Austin Lopez

18-Nov
Andi-Kiowan Santiago

19-Nov
Persilia Hernandez
Albertino Santiago
Dallas Peters
Raven Santiago
Davis Garcia

20-Nov
Shane Antone
Ricardo DeLeon, Jr.
Ronin Gloria

21-Nov
Ezequiel Santiago

22-Nov
Faith Batopis
Morgan Peters

23-Nov
Sterling Zappia
Lemuel Vincent
Monique White
Carmen Narcia
Jasmine Carlyle-Miguel
Maria Peters

24-Nov
Brian Ruelas

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26-Nov
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Brandon Peters
Marciano Joaquin

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Rommel Lyons
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Karen Kaniatobe
Richard Joaquin
Kobe Santiago
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28-Nov
Brandon Thomas, Jr.
Nicholas Narcia

29-Nov
Tashina Salcido
Victor Andaverde
Lee Smith

30-Nov
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Kylee Carlyle
Lina Batopis
Taylor Santigao
Kateri Lopez

Happy Birthday

Justin Moore is “Straight Outta the Country”

Story and photo
by R. Bowen



Country singer Justin Moore performing his first song of the night.

As part of his Straight Outta the Country tour, country singer Justin Moore performed November 6th at The Events Center at Harrah’s Ak-Chin Casino. County music enthusiasts gathered from near and far to hear the live music.

As with many of the past concert performers at Harrah’s Ak-Chin Casino, Moore commented on the current covid-19 pandemic. Reflecting on the band’s prolonged

absence from the stage for over a year, Moore shared his initial doubts about being in front of a live audience again.

As a well versed singer, however, Justin Moore and his band went through their set list with ease and style. Fans ranging in age from teens to older adults, many sporting cowboy hats, seems to thoroughly enjoy the show, passionately singing along with every lyric.

Veteran’s Parade continued from front
Ak-Chin Tribal Council. Raychel Peters was honored to represent Ak-Chin Veterans Group. Harrah’s Ak-Chin Casino, SALUTE group, Vekol Market and Southern Dunes also provided support through the luncheon and transportation.

Once the parade commenced, all Veterans, their families and First Responders were invited to a luncheon at Maricopa Leading Edge Academy.

The Veterans Parade Committee would like to thank the following for all their support for this year’s event: City of Maricopa, Police Department, Fire Department, Ak-Chin Indian Community, Legacy Traditional, Sequoia Pathways, MUSD, A+



At left: Parade Grand Marshall, Major General Muehlenbeck of the Arizona Army and Air National Guard receives a pyrography portrait that was created and given to her by Lynise Grell, Iraqi Freedom Distinguished Veteran.

Charter, Leading Edge and all the volunteers. Flyover by The Arizona Stearman Squadron. The Luncheon for Veterans, their families and First Responders was made possible by: Ak-Chin Harrah’s and Vekol Market. Free shuttle services were provided by Total Ride/COMET. Ak-Chin Southern Dunes for use of golf

carts. From the Committee: American Legion Post 133, American Legion Unit 133, Blue Star Mothers Chapter 7, Maricopa Veterans, Rent a Vet WGY6, VFW Post 12043, VFW Auxiliary Unit 12043. Parade co-leads: Joseph Harvey and Gabriela Potter

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