



Ak-Chin Indian Community



2022 Tribal Council Member Election Candidates



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2022 Trunk or Treat offers loads of fun and candy for all

Story and photos by Runner Staff



Officer Chase reporting for candy!

Friday, October 28, was a mixture of monsters and adorable animals at this year’s 2022 Trunk or Treat event at Milton Antone Memorial Park, with families gathered, along with departments for a night of fun, food and candy.

The evening began with the set-up of several community departments who really put some effort in their Halloween themed areas. Community vehicles lined up around the east baseball field, with stations reserved for the many different departments who then crafted and designed their candy stations with spooky and cutesy decorations.

There was everything from the Farm, Disco, Spooky and Cemetery themes, as well as classics like Care Bears, Sesame Street, and of course Disney’s Nightmare Before Christmas, Encanto and

Universal’s Despicable Me. Food and craft vendors were also set up along with a few game booths, with tasty arrays of food, beautiful crafts and fun games to choose from. Lines were never ending for the food booths that included a nice variety of egg rolls and noodles, popovers with beans and chili, stew and yeast bread, red and green chili burritos and menudo. Sweet and sour treats included candy apples, baked goods, yummy gummies, and pickle slushies. Game booths included the Duck Pond game, Boo-Pong and Oogie Boogie ball-ondart game. Just outside the fence a game of cake walk was happening, and many people took on the challenge of getting some spooky baked goods. The Trunk or Treat event

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Ak-Chin Celebrates Youth Council Inauguration

Story submitted by J. Davis and photos by G. Lopez



Pictured above is the 2022-2023 Ak-Chin Youth Council.

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Ak-Chin attends Indigenous Peoples Day Community Leaders Reception



Left to Right: Governor Stephen Lewis - Gila River Indian Community, Vice-President Ricardo Leonard - Salt River Indian Community, President Martin Javier - Salt River Indian Community, Jennifer Boehm-King, Robert Miguel - Chairman - Ak-Chin Indian Community. Continues to Page 3

AK-CHIN MASIK TAS ALL INDIAN ELDER CHAIR VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

December 7, 2022

Entry Fee: Free
Deadline: November 30, 2022

1st-3rd Place T-shirts
Participation T-shirts
Special Award for Championship Team

Masik Tas



*If you have any questions please
contact Bernardina Gonzalez at
520-840-2699 Text or Call
or email us at
recreation@ak-chin.nsn.us.*

Elder November Breakfast-Lunch Menu

**4 Ham & Egg Sandwich,
Diced Potatoes, Peaches with
Cottage Cheese | Broccoli
Soup, Ham Sandwich, Fresh
Cut Fruit**

**7 Oatmeal, Boiled Eggs,
Raisin Bread, Fruit | Roast,
Mashed Potatoes, Carrots,
Rolls, Peaches**

**8 Biscuits & Gravy,
Scrambled Eggs, Grapes w/
Cottage Cheese | Chicken
Enchiladas, Mexican Rice,
Pinto Beans, Apples, Raisin
Oatmeal Cookies**

**9 Boiled Eggs, Avocado Slices,
Lemon Blueberry Bread, Fruit
| Salad Bar, Potato Soup,
Wheat Rolls, Tropical Fruit**

**10 Cream of Wheat, Boiled
Eggs, Toast, Mix Fruit | Hot
Dogs, Macaroni Salad, Corn
on Cob, Jell-O**

**11 - Center Closed - Veterans
Day**

**14 Chicken Fried Steak,
Scrambled Eggs, Biscuit,
Yogurt | Smothered Pork
Chop, Normandy Vegetables,
Roasted Vegetables, Apple
Sauce**

**15 Oatmeal, Boiled Eggs,
English Muffin, Fruit | Red
Chili Indian Tacos, Fresh Cut
Fruit**

**16 Beans w/ Chorizo,
Potatoes, Tortilla, Peaches |
Baked Ham, Mac & Cheese,
Asparagus, Rolls, Pumpkin
Bread, Lemon Bread (D)**

**17 Cream of Wheat, Boiled
Eggs, Toast, Mix Berries |
Ground Beef Burrito, Zucchini
w/ Corn, Black Beans, Rice
Pudding**

**18 Waffles, Scrambled Eggs,
Sausage, Grapes w/ Cottage
Cheese | Chicken Casserole,
Carrots/Peas, Wild Rice,
Rolls, Mandarin Oranges**

**** Menu items subject to change ****

LATEST ELECTION BOARD NEWS!



Meet the Candidate Night

Come meet the 2022 Tribal Council Candidates

Where: Ak-Chin Elements
When: Monday, November 14, 2022
Time: 6pm-8pm

Ak-Chin tribal members 18 years and older

A MESSAGE FROM AK-CHIN'S ELDER AICOA REPRESENTATIVE Janice R. Anderson

First, I would like to say thank you for electing Carmen Narcia and me as your primary and alternate Arizona Indian Council on Aging (AICOA) representatives. AICOA is a council of elders from various tribes throughout Arizona. This group acts as an advisory board and is managed by the Inter Tribal Council of Arizona (ITCA), Area Agency on Aging (AAA).

The AICOA's purpose and duties are to:

- 1) Represent the interest of seniors/elders,
- 2) Review and make a recommendation on proposed policies and programs that affect seniors/elders,
- 3) Advise the Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, Area Agency on Aging Area Plan,
- 4) Facilitate and participate in ITCA-AAA public hearings,
- 5) Review and comment on community policies, programs, and actions that affect seniors/elders with the intent of assuring maximum coordination and responsiveness to seniors/elders, and
- 6) Advocate on behalf of the seniors/elders in any way deemed appropriate by

AICOA.

On October 4, 2022, I attended a public hearing (#4 above) via Zoom to provide input on next year's plan of action (#3 above). There were four major goals; I and several other AICOA members provided the ITCA-AAA input on various activities and presentations that could fulfill the goals.

Much to my surprise, Leslie Carlyle, Director of our Ak-Chin Elder Center, and a group of Elders streamed in. Thank you, Leslie, for including our Elders in this important conversation. They provided a lot of great ideas and suggestions.

ITCA-AAA has two additional public hearings scheduled. Once all the input is gathered and organized from all three public hearings, I will share the information with you.

On October 6, 2022, Carmen and I attended the AICOA monthly meeting via Zoom. We viewed a presentation on YouTube by Dr. Lisa O'Neill, Associate Director of Education and Policy with the University of Arizona Center on Aging and Clinical Assistant Professor/College of Medicine. The name of

the webinar is: *Nutrition and Aging Resource Center Recorded Webinar: "Making Your Meal Program THRIVE: Addressing Ageist Culture and Practices."*

Dr. O'Neill's study reviewed the similarities and differences between high school cafeterias and congregate meal sites and the negative and positive behaviors exhibited in these environments. Both environments encourage socialization, thereby decreasing isolation and depression. However, when elders do not embrace new elders, or new persons wishing to sit at their tables, it creates heartache and sometimes hostility. If you're interested in viewing the presentation, copy and paste the webinar's name above into the YouTube Search area.

Laurai Atcitty, ITCA-AAA Director, discussed AICOA recruitment as participation is not high. A handful of tribes do not have representatives. As I am still new, I am unsure what the implications would be.

My contact information is Lapaloma1@aol.com if you have any questions.

Thank you, and I'll be back next month!

Maricopa VETERANS DAY PARADE



Saturday, November 5, 2022
9:00 am to 11:00 am

Parade Route: CAC to Leading Edge Academy:
N Porter Rd between Bowlin and Adams Way

Luncheon to Follow
for Veterans, their families, and First Responders
11:00 am at Leading Edge Academy

For More Information Email: MaricopaParade@gmail.com

REV 9-9-22



Presents

You're Invited!

10:00 am, Tuesday, November 15th, 2022

The Elements Conference Center, Grass Area

Brisk Walking or Seated Yoga

**Our 55+ OLDER ADULTS WILL RECEIVE A
CHOICE OF AZ DUALING COLLEGES SHIRT AND
A PRODUCE BAG!**



**Check-in Begins at
9:45 am**

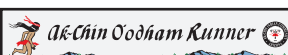
**Enjoy infused water
& the Oatmeal bar
with your choice of
amazing toppings!**

A gratitude walk is essentially walking with a calm state of mind. It is about focusing on being present and feeling grateful. It is also about paying attention to what you see, hear, and smell. Just open your mind and heart and come up with anything you are grateful for.

RSVP is a must

**520-568-1083 For Marilyn to
guarantee incentives**

For questions please call or email Teri De La Cruz at 520-568-1087
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The Ak-Chin O'dham
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"
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suggestions or comments
about "YOUR" newspaper,
let the Runner Staff know
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DEADLINE

Don't forget the DEADLINE
for the **November 18 -
December 1, 2022**
issue is due by
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH

Please submit all
announcements, wishes, etc.
no later than
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH

Material submitted after the
NOVEMBER 10TH DEADLINE
cannot be guaranteed
placement. If appropriate
and relevant, it will be
included in the next issue.

Youth Council continued from Front

On October 15th, the
Youth Council held its
2022 Inauguration at the
Ak-Chin Elder Center.
Here we were able to
perform the swearing in
ceremony for our new
members that were in
attendance.

We have 12 members
total for the 2022-2023
term. Ak-Chin Youth
Council President Doria
Garcia welcomed the
audience and thanked
them for joining us, while
Secretary Kateri Lopez
provided the blessing for
the event.

It was a very special
night, as it was the first
time we have been able to
host this event in person
since 2019.

This Youth Council
term that just ended was
unique as it was not only
active during the hectic
days of the pandemic,
but they are also the
first Youth Council to
serve a two-year term,
as opposed to the normal
one-year term.

We are very proud of this
group of youth and wish

them continued success.
Going forward with our
new and returning Youth
Council members, we are
excited to see what the
future holds, and look
forward to serving the
youth of the community!

We would also like to
thank the Elder Center



Some pictures of the Youth Council Oath of
Office ceremony.



for the meeting space,
Judge Kyle Fields for
assisting with the oath
of office, and Ak-Chin
Chairman Robert Miguel
for providing closing
remarks for our program.

-Joseph Davis

Photos by Gabe Lopez



Youth Council
members signing off
on their commitment
to their community.

Indigenous Peoples Day Community Leaders Reception

ASU's American
Indian Policy Institute
Celebrates Indigenous
People's Day with Tribal
and Community Leaders

On October 10, 2022
Arizona State University's
American Indian Policy
Institute (AIPI) held a
Community Leaders
reception in honor of
Indigenous People's
Day at Desert Botanical
Garden.

Attendees learned about
the work that AIPI is doing
to address complex Tribal
community challenges.
"We were pleased to
see such a great turnout
for our celebration of
Indigenous Peoples'
Day and that so many
community leaders are
interested and invested
in the work AIPI is doing
in our communities,"

said Dr. Traci Morris,
AIPI Executive Director.
"By creating academic
research focused on key
issues in Indian Country,
we can develop policy
solutions, and having
the support of Arizona's
business community is
critical to putting those
solutions in action."

Governor Stephen Lewis
of the Gila River Indian
Community spoke on
the importance of
Tribal sovereignty, an
issue impacting Native
Americans across the
country. One of AIPI's
funders, Arizona Public
Service (APS), spoke
about the organization's
support of AIPI's
Indigenous Leadership
Academy.

This program works with
emerging Indigenous

leaders across the
country to find solutions
in shaping new strategies
for Indian Country. Other
speakers and notable
attendees included
Cynthia Lietz, Dean
of the Watts College
of Public Service and
Community Solutions at
ASU; Jeff Guldner, Chief
Executive Officer APS;
Jacob Moore, Associate
Vice President of Tribal
Relations at ASU, and a
video message from ASU
President Michael Crow.

Jennifer Boehm-King, Ak-
Chin Community member
and Ak-Chin Firefighter is
part of the ASU American
Indian Policy Institute's
Indigenous Leadership
Academy's second
cohort. She attended,
met and talked with
Tribal Council officials
to gain an insight on
the running's of tribal
government.



2022 Masik Tas

Light Parade
Saturday, December 10, 2022
Starting at 7:00 p.m.

Free Carnvial
December 16-18, 2022
December 16th - 5p.m.-10p.m.
December 17th - 10a.m.-10p.m.
December 18th -10a.m. - 7p.m.

Vendors Wanted
Saturday, December 16-18, 2022
Food and Arts /Crafts

For an application please email
Events@ak-chin.nsn.us

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 YOUTH COUNCIL MASIK TAS CELEBRATION

DECEMBER 11, 2022 1 - 9 PM OLD VAILA SITE

DANCE CONTEST

POPOVER CONTEST

**WOOD CHOPPING
CONTEST**

MENUDO CONTEST

BRING YOUR OWN CHAIRS | FOOD/CRAFT BOOTHS ON SITE




**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT THE YOUTH COUNCIL AT 520-568-1044
OR JDAVIS2@AK-CHIN.NSN.US**



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 04, 2022

TOKA

Check-In Times 8:00 a.m.
Start Time 9:00 a.m.

SONIGIVUL

Check-In Times 8:00 a.m.
Start Time 9:00 a.m.

Deadline For Toka Tournament : November 28, 2022 at 5:00 P.M.
No Deadline for Sonigivul Tournament / Open til day of

Ak-Chin Indian Community/Masik Tas committee will not
be responsible for any damages, accidents, injuries, theft or death
resulting from participation in "The Masik Tas Sonigivul" Tournament.

For more info contact:
TOKA: Felicia Vincent FAVincent@ak-chin.nsn.us 520-568-1338 SONIGIVUL: Joseph Davis jdavis2@ak-chin.nsn.us 520-568-1044

AK-CHIN MASIK TAS CHUDTH 2022

DECEMBER 14TH, 2022
4 - 8 PM

THE AK-CHIN YOUTH COUNCIL WOULD LIKE TO INVITE
EVERYONE TO COME OUT FOR AN EVENING OF TRADITIONAL
STICK GAMES, SINGING, AND DANCING.

ALL SINGERS & DANCERS WELCOME
GIN'S & KOMAI STICK GAMES @ 4 PM
CHUDTH & GIVEAWAY @ 6 PM

**BRING YOUR
OWN CHAIRS
FREE COFFEE &
HOT CHOCOLATE**



**FOOD VENDOR
ON SITE
DRESS WARM**



FOR MORE INFO CONTACT THE YOUTH COUNCIL 520-568-1044

Family STEAM Night

November 18th at 5:30-6:30

Light refreshments will be provided.



Please RSVP at
library@ak-chin.nsn.us
or 520-568-1675



This program is open to Ak-Chin
Indian Community Members,
Residents, Employees and their
immediate families.

Him-Dak's Annual Halloween Party brings community fun



Lot's of tricks and treats as ghouls walked the halls of the Art Building during the Halloween party.

Ak-Chin Him-Dak revived their Halloween Party on October 19, for community members and residents. The Him-Dak staff decorated the inside of the Art building classrooms and hallway walls.

Halloween blowup characters greeted guests outside the front door with a light display. When entering, you had witches lounging in the meeting room area, and candy bags were handed out to all that attended. Decorations adorned the walls and ceiling as you walked to the classrooms.

In one room, games where set up for kids and adults to play. Children came into the Nightmare Before Christmas themed room, taking on the challenge and also getting a small treat for their efforts. In the Charlie Brown room, "The Nightmare Before Christmas" movie was playing for anyone who wanted to take a break from the action.

The last room had Halloween crafts that the kids could choose from, such as coloring a bag to decorating a paper pumpkin with various stickers. Craft making wasn't the only

entertainment in the room, "BINGO" was being played, provided by the Library staff. The room was filled with Halloween characters trying to win a prize. The room was decorated with spiders, bats and various Halloween characters.

A light meal was provided, which included a sub sandwich, chips, cookie and a drink. Children and parents grabbed their plate and headed towards the movie area to enjoy the movie while they ate. Others continued to play bingo, waiting for their last needed number to be called, so they could yell

out "BINGO". Guests continued to play games and visit with friends and family until the night was over.

We hope everyone had fun and enjoyed the night. The Him-Dak staff would like to thank everyone that made it out to the event and the Library staff for providing BINGO for the kids and parents to play. Can't wait to see everyone in their Halloween costumes next year!

Him-Dak Staff

Fall Art Program

The Him-Dak Fall Art Program ran two sessions from September 26th to September 30th and October 3rd to October 7th for grades K-12th. The grades were divided up into four groups, K-1st, 2nd- 4th, 5th- 8th and 9th -12th.

The day started at 8am with a light breakfast, before getting started with their art projects and activities. The kids also had a break to go outside and release some energy with playing basketball, jump roping or playing some dodgeball. Once back inside they got ready for a snack, then continued with their projects. The kids also took a break in between

projects to play some board games, which included checkers, Jenga or Uno just to name a few. As the time got closer to noon, the kids had one more snack to enjoy. Kids cleaned up their area and waited for their parents to come pick them up at noon.

Also included during the weeks, was an exercise session that was held on Tuesdays, provided by Ak-Chin Health Education Department. The Health Education department would challenge the kids with various exercises and also provided snacks on Thursdays. The Library staff came in on Wednesdays and

provided activities for the kids, which included reading a book and decorating for K-1st, learning how to control a small robot with various colored marks and lines for 2nd- 4th grades and 5th-12th had a chance to control a colored ball by using a tablet.

On the last Friday for both sessions, the kids received lunch provided by Vekol and also went to Ak-Chin Circle. Due to some complications with the movie theater, the first session got to bowl and play arcade games. The second session where able to watch a movie while enjoying a combo movie tray. Both sessions had a

good time and we hope to see the kids for the next art program.

The Him-Dak staff would like to thank Health Education, Library Staff, Vekol Staff and Ak-Chin Circle for their participation with the Him-Dak Fall Art Program.

Him-Dak Staff



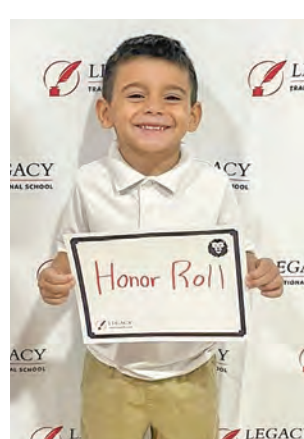
REMINDER

The next Runner submission deadline will be

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 10TH

Legacy Traditional School rewards students at end of quarter warp up

October 10, 2022 Maricopa Legacy Traditional School held their first quarter awards assembly of the morning. Dozens of students packed in the gym to cheer and congratulate their fellow awardee classmates. Parents were also squeezing in for a spot on the school bleachers to see their students walk up to be recognized for their accomplishments.



Yael Ramirez, awarded for making Honor Roll.

Among the selected students recognized were; Kylie Carlyle, Yael Ramirez, and Mateo Rodriguez, from the Ak-Chin Community. Ms. Carlyle received the Principals Pride Award, Yael Ramirez received Honor Roll, and Mr. Rodriguez also made Honor Roll.

Congratulations students and keep up the good work!



Mateo Rodriguez received Honor Roll award.



Everyone having a fun time at the Fall Art Program.

AK-CHIN HEALTH EDUCATION PRESENTS

ANNUAL DIABETES DAY EVENT

NOVEMBER 16TH, 2022
AK-CHIN RECREATION CENTER
5:30 PM TO 8:00 PM

COLLEGE THEMED T-SHIRT @ 2 MILE RIVAL WALK/RUN

FREE PRODUCE @ FARMER'S MARKET

DINNER PROVIDED BY VEKOL MARKET

EVENT SCHEDULE
5:30 PM to 6:30 PM
2 Mile FRIENDLY RIVAL RUN/WALK
Start Walk Upon Arrival
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Receive a produce bag from our FARMER'S MARKET (Limit 1 bag per household)
DINNER (Provided by Vekol Market)

REGISTRATION
Register for event using Google Forms. Scan QR CODE.

*Event is open to Ak-Chin Indian Community Members, their families, Residents, Employees & their immediate families.

QUESTIONS? PLEASE CALL HEALTH EDUCATION AT (520)568-1085 OR EMAIL MGUY@AK-CHIN.NSN.US



HALLOWEEN WORD SEARCH

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ORANGE

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BONES

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WIZARD

GHOST

PARTY

BAT

COFFIN

CASTLE

CANDLE

CANDY

PUMPKIN

SPOOKY

POTION



Skeg Tas Membership, as your candidate for the Ak-Chin Indian Community Council, I am respectfully asking for your vote for the November 19, 2022, Community Elections.

Ak-Chin is my home as well as where my heart resides, I am a lifelong resident of our Community and raised by my maternal grandmother, the late Madeline Antone. My mother is Bernadine (Antone) Romo and my step-father is Benedict (Benny) Romo. I am the proud mother of Jacob Dickerson Jr., Jace Dickerson, Julia Dickerson, Angel Antone, and a grandmother of Arian Coronado, Joaquin Dickerson, Victoria Gamez, and Jonah Dickerson.

I have worn many hats during my 51 years as an active member and resident of Ak-Chin. Whether in my job as the current Parks and Rec. Director, an experienced community Council Member, and a part of the Ak-Chin Educational team; I will use my leadership, my training and the life experiences afforded me to directly apply this knowledge, ability, and confidence to make tough decisions that benefit us all.

Growing up, I remember running around in the fields of Ak-Chin, nothing for miles around. We have seen this community grow from a sprinkle of houses to the wonderful community it is today. Most of us have witnessed the growth of our enterprises



I am Lisa (Valles) Garcia, daughter of Elizabeth (Narcia) Valles and the late Lino Valles, Sr. My maternal grandparents are the late Edward Narcia Sr., and Elsie Losey-Scott. My paternal grandparents are the late Georgia and Blas Valles. I have four children: Alyssa, Amarissa, Zachary, and Caleb and two grandchildren: Izaah and Eliza.

I am humbly seeking your support and vote for another term on the Community Council.

I am a strong advocate for education. I am a Certified Public Manager and have attained degrees in Business Administration, Recreation, Sports Management, and General Education. Prior to being elected on Council, I worked and served the Community in various capacities. I served as the Ak-Chin Parks and Recreation Director, Recreation Program Coordinator, Harrah's Ak-Chin Development System Manager, Senior and Community Planner for the Ak-Chin Planning and Development Department, and Gaming License Technician for the Ak-Chin Tribal Gaming Agency.

My professional service consists of serving on the following: First Things First Regional Board, Miss Indian Arizona Association, Toastmasters International, St. Peter's Indian Mission School Board, Gila River School Board Coalition, American Planning Association, and Quail Run Building Materials Board of Directors, Ak-Chin Tribal Gaming Commission, Planning and Zoning Commission, Enrollment Board, Masik Tas Committee, Pageant Committee, and the Preschool Parent Group.

While on Council, I have had the honor to serve and advocate for our Community. My diverse work experience and community involvement has equipped me with the knowledge and expertise needed to make sound decisions for our Community.

The Community, and Native Country, continue to face challenges impacting our sovereignty, which is why it is important for leadership to stay informed and involved in all issues impacting our Community at all levels.

Our water settlement is priority, we must

and I will continue this important work to help make our economic prosperity even better for the many generations to come.

Serving is about the people, it is about you and what is in your best interest. It is about an ongoing pursuit of the quality of life for all. Therefore, it is my desire to listen to you and respect your voice and opinion as members to cultivate a community of trust and build prosperity to benefit us all.

Coming out of the pandemic has been stressful on many levels, but we made it through. It is by working together that we are a resilient community.

Building and sustaining relationships are at the heart of organizing communities. The strength of a community lies in the strength of the connections that we have with each other. **With strong connections, we have the power to make real changes.** Building these connections takes time, but it is worth it. I will work to ensure we are a community built with strong family relations.

We have to work purposefully to expand our Community's economic base through Education, preserving our Language and Culture, ensuring our Preschool are preparing our children and expanding our vital departments and infrastructure, so we are not reliant on the Casino revenues for our future. Exploring our potential and our gift of knowledge will help generate a brighter future, we need innovation and economic development. Examples like solar energy or renewable energy.

I am honored to have this opportunity to represent you the Ak-Chin Indian Community. If you elect me, I will continue the positive efforts that are in place and vigorously address the areas of need to collectively improve our Ak-Chin Community as a whole.

Sapo! Ann Marie Antone



stay involved in the issues impacting our water.

Healthcare is another priority. As a result of members' claims and referrals being denied, we established our own Purchased Referred Care program to help members receive the adequate healthcare they are entitled to.

As a Council, we have been mindful of our financial resources. Our sponsorships have been minimal and focused spending on programs which directly impact the Community. During the pandemic, Council directed federal funds received be utilized to assist the members via member distributions, COVID testing and vaccine events.

Education is a priority along with educational services to help prepare our members for the future. Council revised the Higher Education Scholarship Policies and expanded the programs, trades, and degrees covered.

Boards and committees are important in the successful management and operation of our Community. We have been working with the boards and committees to update and revise their Ordinances. We have updated the Enrollment Ordinance, Planning and Zoning Ordinance, Law and Order Code, and Environmental Code. We are currently revising the Election Code, Housing Policies, Archeological Ordinance, and Employee Policies.

We, as a Council, have accomplished so much. With your support in a re-election, I will continue to advocate for our Community and support the services which directly impact our membership.



I, Gabriel Lorenzo Lopez am gratefully honored to be nominated for the upcoming 2022 Community Council Elections, and I humbly accept my nomination.

I am the son of the late Daniel Lopez Sr.'budt and Thelma Lopez-Miguel'budt, the grandson of the late Jonas'budt and Mathilda Miguel'budt, Joe Frank'budt and Elinor Lopez'budt from the village of San Isidro, Tohono O'odham Nation. I am the brother of Velacita, Lanita and the late Daniel Lopez Jr.'budt. I am married to Salinda Lopez, we have four daughters and seven grandchildren and one on the way.

I am a graduate of Maricopa High School; I received my Diploma of Graduation from International Institute of the Americas in the field of Detention and Security. I am a certified Animal Control Officer with National Animal Control Association.

I have served our community in various positions such as Farm Labor, Assistant Manager, Water Operator, Maintenance Dept., Photo Archivist, Cultural Resource Specialist, Truant Officer, Utilities Tech Operator. Currently serving as Ranger for our Police Dept.

I have also served on various Committees for the community Education Board, Industrial Park Board, Livestock Association, Masik Tas Committee. Currently, I serve on our Gaming Commission, serving as Vice Chairman of the Commission.



If you don't know me already, my name is Octavio Machado. I'm the son of Delores Rodriguez and grandson of Esther Thomas and Richard Carlyle. I'm seeking a second four-year term as Council Member.

While vying for office in 2018, I made a commitment that if elected I would focus expanding member benefits and eliminating unnecessary spending. I've opposed every major sponsorship request that have come across my desk; these were new and renewal requests. Combined, these were costing the Community several million dollars annually and tens of millions of dollars throughout their contractual terms. Nearly all of these have been eliminated and the dollars saved are now being diverted to tangible benefits for Community Members such as, increased wages, elder stipend increase, increased educational benefits, Member distribution checks, purchased referred care program, kinship care stipends, vision benefits, dental and orthodontic benefits and more.

In a second term, I'd continue my focus on putting the Community and our Members first. Elders stipends have increased but there should still be some consideration for inflation. Education benefits have been expanded but could include student loan forgiveness. Wages have increased but I believe there is still room to grow. We have a housing assistance program for non-resident Members which is currently being funded by federal dollars; I'd like to see that program extended with Tribal dollars.

These are items I'd like to accomplish in a second term:

A self-insured program which would see all Members being able to receive the same medical benefits that are provided to our employees.

Enacting the Tribal Law and Order Act. This would allow our criminal court to become a court of record and allows for enhanced sentencing for serious offenses. Right now, crimes against children and serious assaults are being prosecuted as misdemeanors and often result in disproportionately

In the position of leadership, I have served our people, community and our employees in capacities of Councilmember and Vice Chairman in my four-year terms. Serving my first term in January 2005 and leaving office in December 2021. I have advocated and addressed the communities' concerns on the local, state and national levels.

I am concerned about growth around us, and how it will affect our community, as it already has. The growth will change our community socially, economically, and environmentally. Although growth might be good, but we need to preserve and protect what we have. Protecting and preserving our historical and archaeological sites is a vital part of our history as O'odham people.

The past two years has been extremely hard not only on the community but worldwide, with the presence of COVID. We have endured many loses, and many COVID related health issues. And today we still are in the mist of this illness, we still need to take precautions to protect ourselves.

I have and will always voice the concerns of the community and bring issues to the table. Addressing the concerns and issues is the first step in making our community better and safer place. Whether we're members, residence and employee we all have responsibility in safeguarding our community.

If elected I will continue to look at both sides of the issues, have an open mind, be respectful to the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Councilmembers, Community Members and our Employees. I may not always agree with fellow leaders, but I will always be respectful and respect the decisions. I will always represent you the Members, the Community and our employees the best that I can.

I humbly and respectfully ask for your support on November 19th.

Ves Ed Vem! "ALLOF US TOGETHER"
Gabriel Lorenzo Lopez



weak sentences.

Complete the planned apartment complex and housing subdivision. This would help ensure that most members that want to live here would have that option.

I'd like to see an Ak-Chin run medical facility here in the Community. Right now, most members are reliant on medical care provided by GRHC. Too often as a Council Member, I hear of members being underserved at GRHC facilities, including the local clinic.

A new dialysis center. Extenuating circumstances required the old facility to be permanently closed. The Community is currently negotiating terms for a dialysis provider for new facility. I'd like to see that process through to its fruition.

I'm hoping to see and expansion of the Community's Diabetes Prevention and Health Education programs which could possibly include dedicated wellness facility.

The buildout of the planned commercial area at Ak-Chin Circle should be completed. This would create new job opportunities and new revenue streams for the Community.

I apologize for how brief this is. I look forward to fielding your questions at the meet-the-candidate night.

Thank you for your consideration and support.

Octavio Machado



Sape Mas Ma Ak-Chin,

My name is Yolanda Miranda, and I am respectfully seeking your support to obtain a seat as a Tribal Councilman for Ak-Chin Indian Community.

I am the daughter of the late Arthur Miranda of Phoenix, Arizona and the late Arlinda Narcia of Ak-Chin Indian Community. My maternal grandparents are the late Edward Narcia Sr. of Ak-Chin and Elsie Losey Scott of Gila River Indian Community. My paternal grandparents are the late Angel & Rosa Miranda of Phoenix, AZ. I'm the niece of Mildred Narcia, Elizabeth Valles, and Gloria Narcia of Ak-Chin.

My husband is Sami Atrawi of Israel. We have been married for 25 years. We have one set of twins Isaac and Esperanza Miranda. Our daughter Esperanza is married to Bryan Ramirez. We have two grandsons Yael and Hezekiah Ramirez. Family is very important to me, and I consider all of you, my family.

My educational background includes an Associates of Arts Degree, Bachelor's Degree in Business, and Master's degree in Education from Northern Arizona University, with Distinction. I am currently in the process of earning my Doctoral Degree in Organizational Leadership from Grand Canyon University.

Work experience includes 18 years of working for Ak-Chin Indian Community. I began working at Ak-Chin Cultural dept. as a monitor and 15 years for the education dept. I served in multiple capacities as tutor, truant officer, supervisor, acting director and student counselor.

My experience working in the field of education allowed me the ability to collaborate with Ak-Chin depts. and serve on the following committees: Masik Tas Planning, Education, Diabetes Health, and Finance. I currently serve as an Ak-Chin Tribal Gaming Commissioner, Ak-Chin Housing Board Member, and Ak-Chin Planning and Zoning Commissioner.

I continue to develop professional relationships with public, private, and tribal sectors to best serve our people and improve quality of services for Ak-Chin Indian community's future.

Lastly, I will advocate for community membership in all areas of concern. Immediate concerns to be addressed health, education, employment, water rights, and housing. It is essential to improve the economy for our community, to provide security for our future. It is imperative to plan for emergencies for unforeseen threats and attacks.

In conclusion, We the people, deserve strong leadership to direct our future. It would be an honor and a privilege to serve our community as a Councilmember and work alongside the Ak-Chin Tribal Council. I'm prepared

to collaborate and proactively serve and address the needs of our membership with fellow Ak-Chin Tribal Council for a brighter tomorrow.

Ak-Chin Membership thank you for your support and encouragement. Ak-Chin, take action and vote for Yolanda Miranda. Ak-Chin membership exercise your right to vote on November 19, 2022.

Respectfully,
Yolanda Miranda, M.Ed.



Greetings Ak-Chin Membership,

My name is Cecil David Peters, and I am respectfully seeking your support for a seat on the upcoming Ak-Chin Tribal Council Election.

I am the son of Evalina (Manuel) Lopez and the late Manuel Norbert Peters Jr. and my siblings are Carmen Narcia, Florinda Peters, the late Norbert Peters Sr., Marlene Garcia, Elaine Peters, the late David Peters Sr., Eugene Peters Sr., Jeannette Peters, Adella Zabawa, Flora Howerton, Manuel Peters III, and Karen Gardner.

My immediate family consists of my wife Raychel, my son Darren Peters and my daughters Rachel Lozano, Cecily Peters, Dannon Peters and Morgan Peters, and my newest pride and joys, Christian, Aubrey, Oliver and Mr. DJ.

I have been working for the Community for the last 35 years with the Ak-Chin Fire Department, starting as one of the first EMTs when the department began and currently serve as Fire Chief. I have served on Council for 3 years and I have also served on the Ak-Chin Farm Board and Tribal Gaming Commission.

I honorably served my country for 20 years in the Army and National Guard.

My interest in running for Council is that I believe I can contribute with my leadership skills to move our Community forward in a positive way. I will rely on my knowledge of our Community and years of service to make the right decisions, and listen to all sides of discussion, to ensure fairness for the betterment of the Community and our membership.

I will continue to address issues and concerns that affect our members' healthcare, education, and employment. I will work with departments to bring back events and programs that were in place, but due to COVID 19 these past years, were put on hold.

As the Fire Chief I have always had the opportunity to work with our Elders, taking care of their health needs, transporting issues, and last-minute requests. I will continue to make it a priority to work with all that have supported our Elderly Program.

I will work closely with our Enterprises to facilitate their success. However, as a Community we still need to seek out other Economic Development opportunities.

I will work closely with the other Council members, for better communication among Council to ensure all members are aware of any decisions that are made.

Thank you for your time and consideration, I ask for your support and vote on November 19.

Respectfully,
Cecil D. Peters



To the Elders and Community Members,

Hello my name is Fred Salas and I am running for tribal council. My mother is Gloria Narcia, and my father is Ventura Salas. My grandparents are Edward Narcia Sr., and Elsie Losey Scott. I live with my wife Georgia, and our granddaughters we are raising, Destyni and Angelina, can't forget our pitbull Mija.

I may not have all the education, as some do. I also may not have all the accomplishments as others. I will tell you I have a good work ethic, an eagerness to learn, and common sense to do the right thing.

I attended Longview Elementary, Sherman Indian High, Phoenix Job Corp, Gila River Career Center, Teen Challenge of Arizona, and Western Bible college. I've worked in all phases of construction, from heavy equipment to building houses, to running my own construction company, to farming.

The music I like is 60's and 70's rock, you may find me on the dance floor two steppin, or at a D.J. Quick concert. Let's not forget the rodeos, you'll find me helping out, or getting ready to run, in the wild horse race. I've been a part of Ak-Chin my whole life in the shadows it seems.

I was here when we had a boxing club in the early 70's, and when we had the last all-night dance, at the old dance floor. Corny Lewis and I were metal framers on the Casino when it was first being built.

My relatives here are the Carlyle's, Peter's, Antone's and the Lewis's, practically the whole village in one way or another. You'll see me at community walks, and events and if I can borrow a truck, you'll find me on the range checking on cattle and fixing fence lines.

We all have a past and mine wasn't good, alcohol, drug abuse, medical issues. Now into the future I've gotten sober on my own, started eating right and working out for my health and started gardening. So now at 58 I went and got printouts of our language so I could learn. The reason why is I want

to have a conversation with my aunts Mildred and Elizabeth in our language.

As you can see from my little story, I've worked hard, have an eagerness to learn at an old age, and the common sense to live a sober life. Throughout my life facing a challenge was encouraged. I have a vision and a plan for Ak-Chin in becoming self-supporting.

The reason why I am running for council is this, The Bible says "without a vision, the people will perish" Proverbs 29:18

Respectfully Your Relative and Friend,
Fred Salas



NOTICE

Ak-Chin Indian Community
2022 Tribal Council Member
Election Candidates:

Ann Marie Antone
Lisa Garcia
Gabriel Lopez
Octavio Machado
Yolanda Miranda
Cecil Peters
Fred Salas

2022 Tribal Council Member Election will be held on Saturday, November 19, 2022, at the Ak-Chin Gym, from 6:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Absentee Ballots Request

Absentee Voting:

- Any eligible voter who wishes to vote early or who expects to be absent from the Reservation on any election day, or who expects to be physically unable to go to the voting place on such day, may request an absentee ballot by either appearing in person to the Registrar (**Vicky Smith or Mercedes Rivera**) or by sending a letter to the Ak-Chin Election Board at 42507 W. Peters and Nall Road, Maricopa, Arizona 85138. A person requesting an absentee ballot shall identify himself or herself using the name under which he or she is enrolled with the Community.
- The applicant for an absentee ballot shall complete and sign the application before a Notary Public. The Notary Public before whom the applicant completes the application shall impress his or her seal on the application. Any person unable to sign the application shall sign his or her mark and have the application signed by a witness. Applications for absentee voter ballots may be mailed or presented in person to the Ak-Chin Election Board.
- In-person requests for absentee ballots shall be accepted by the Registrar (**Vicky Smith or Mercedes Rivera**) until five working days preceding Election Day. Mailed requests for absentee ballots shall be postmarked no later than fourteen (14) calendar days prior to Election Day.

Additional questions, please contact:
Vicky Smith at (520) 568-1020 or **Mercedes Rivera** at (520) 568-1031. Questions may be emailed to the Ak-Chin Election Board at akchinelectionboard@ak-chin.nsn.us

AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY JUVENILE COURT
COUNTY OF PINAL, STATE OF ARIZONA

IN THE MATTER OF: **CASE NO.: CC-2022-002**

R.S. **DO.B: 11/05/05**

Minor (s): **SUMMONS TO APPEAR**

Concerning: **MICHAEL SANTIAGO RACHANDA LEON**

THE AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY TO: **MICHAEL SANTIAGO**

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to appear before the Court at the Ak-Chin Indian Community Court, located at 45525 W. Farrell RD, Ak-Chin, Arizona on Tuesday, the 5th day of December, 2022, at 9:30 a.m. for an Review Hearing.

YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO HAVE LEGAL COUNSEL REPRESENT YOU. IF YOU CANNOT AFFORD LEGAL COUNSEL, THE COURT MAY APPOINT LEGAL COUNSEL AT NO COST TO YOU.

GIVEN under my hand and the seal of the Ak-Chin Indian Community Court, in the County of Pinal, in the State of Arizona.

DATED this 5th day of October, 2022.

Deanna Rascon
Deanna Rascon, Court Administrator
of the Ak-Chin Indian Community Court

IN THE AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY COURT
45525 West Farrell Road
Maricopa, AZ 85139
Phone (520) 568-1385 Fax (520) 568-1386

IN THE MATTER OF: **CASE NO.: CV-2022-017-VIL**

K.U. DOB: 05/07/2021 **CIVIL SUMMONS**

THE AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY TO: **Elisia Ugalde**

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to appear before this Court in the above entitled matter for an Adoption Hearing set on Tuesday the 6th day of December, 2022 at 9:30 AM at the Ak-Chin Justice Complex 45525 W. Farrell Road, Maricopa AZ 85139.

IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR FOR AT THE TIME AND DATE SET FOR THE HEARING A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST THE RESPONDENT AND THE PETITIONER MAY BE GRANTED THE RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE PETITION OR THE PETITION MAY BE DISMISSED FOR FAILURE OF THE PETITIONER TO APPEAR.

GIVEN under my hand and seal of Ak-Chin Indian Community Court in the State of Arizona this 18th day of October, 2022.

Deanna Rascon
Deanna Rascon, Court Administrator
of the Ak-Chin Indian Community Court

IN THE AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY COURT
45525 West Farrell Road
Maricopa, AZ 85139
Phone (520) 568-1385 Fax (520) 568-1386

In Re: The Marriage Of **CASE NO.: CV-2022-0013-DV**

Maynard Stanley Pablo Sr. **Petitioner: CIVIL SUMMONS**

VS **Respondent:**

Pamela Renee Johns-Pablo

THE AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY TO: **PAMELA JOHNS-PABLO**

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to appear before this Court in the above entitled matter for a Preliminary Hearing set on Monday the 21st day of November, 2022 at 10:00 AM at the Ak-Chin Justice Complex 45525 W. Farrell Road, Maricopa AZ 85139.

IF YOU FAIL TO APPEAR FOR AT THE TIME AND DATE SET FOR THE HEARING A JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST THE RESPONDENT AND THE PETITIONER MAY BE GRANTED THE RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE PETITION OR THE PETITION MAY BE DISMISSED FOR FAILURE OF THE PETITIONER TO APPEAR.

GIVEN under my hand and seal of Ak-Chin Indian Community Court in the State of Arizona this 12th day of September, 2022.

Deanna Rascon
Deanna Rascon, Court Administrator
of the Ak-Chin Indian Community Court

AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY JUVENILE COURT
COUNTY OF PINAL, STATE OF ARIZONA

IN THE MATTER OF: **CASE NO.: CC-2022-002**

R.S. **DO.B: 11/05/05**

Minor (s): **SUMMONS TO APPEAR**

Concerning: **MICHAEL SANTIAGO RACHANDA LEON**

THE AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY TO: **RACHANDA LEON**

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to appear before the Court at the Ak-Chin Indian Community Court, located at 45525 W. Farrell RD, Ak-Chin, Arizona on Tuesday, the 5th day of December, 2022, at 9:30 a.m. for an Review Hearing.

YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO HAVE LEGAL COUNSEL REPRESENT YOU. IF YOU CANNOT AFFORD LEGAL COUNSEL, THE COURT MAY APPOINT LEGAL COUNSEL AT NO COST TO YOU.

GIVEN under my hand and the seal of the Ak-Chin Indian Community Court, in the County of Pinal, in the State of Arizona.

DATED this 5th day of October, 2022.

Deanna Rascon
Deanna Rascon, Court Administrator
of the Ak-Chin Indian Community Court

Trunk or Treat continued from Front

would not be complete without a costume and pumpkin contest. With the Minions as judges they had a very tough time deciding winners as there were so many cute, scary and extremely creative costumes and

pumpkins out on display.

Community Government staff and DJ Clay Antone, along with Ak-Chin Recreation ensured everyone enjoyed a great night of Trunk or Treating!



Baby Jack Skeleton stays cozy in his stroller.



Little entrepreneur making his candy rounds.



Porky Pig and the Tasmanian Devil up to no good.



Cute little witch and Link have their candy bags ready!



Winning pumpkins on display

Contest Winners



Katalina Cruz-Cinderella, DeliAnna Lewis-Scooby Doo, and Free Hugs Scary Clown.



Jessica Zabawa- Sally's Nightmare Before Christmas. Michael Castillo-2-Headed Ghost.



Jalen Garcia (Fred) his Mystery Machine and Scooby-Doo gang.



Eliza Santiago, Haley Campbell-Super Mario Brothers Mario and Luigi. WandaVision Scarlet Witch and Vision- Marciano and Kimberlee Joaquin.



HONORING ALL WHO SERVED
VETERANS DAY
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

AK-CHIN MASIK TAS ALL INDIAN CO-ED VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

December 10-11, 2022

Entry Fee: \$150

Deadline: December 2, 2022

**1st-3rd Place T-shirts
Special Award for Championship Team
All-Tourney and MVP Awards**



If you have any questions please
contact Bernardina Gonzalez at
520-840-2699 Text or Call
or email us at
Recreation@ak-chin.nsn.us.

AK-CHIN MASIK TAS ALL INDIAN MEN'S & WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

December 15-18, 2022

Entry Fee: \$150

Deadline: December 7, 2022

**1st-3rd Place T-shirts
Special Award for Championship Team
All-Tourney and MVP Awards**



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President Biden and Democrats are delivering for Tribal communities across the country:

- ✓ Making historic Tribal investments in Native language preservation, health care, broadband access, and more.
- ✓ Appointing and confirming the first ever Native American Cabinet Secretary, Deb Haaland.
- ✓ Making Tribal concerns a priority by taking action to address the crisis of missing and murdered indigenous women, strengthening climate resilience, and supporting sustainability.

And Democrats are fighting for more, but they need your help.

**Native voters can help keep the momentum going this November
by voting for Democrats up and down the ballot.**

**Make a plan to VOTE this November at [IWILLVOTE.com](https://www.IWILLVOTE.com)
or call our national voter information hotline
at (833) 336-8683.**



GRHC COVID-19 HOTLINE
(520) 550-6079



GRHC.ORG/HUB

NOVEMBER

COVID / FLU VACCINE LOCATIONS



You may also visit a GRHC Primary Care Department for vaccines. Walk in or schedule an appointment by calling 602-528-1280.



SCAN FOR VACCINE INFORMATION

Komatke Health Center Life Center Health Fair

November 18th • 10 am - 3 pm

Hu Hu Kam Memorial Hospital Life Center Health Fair

November 19th • 10 am - 3 pm

Ak-Chin Indian Community COVID TESTING DATES

November 15th & 16th • 5 pm - 7 pm

Ak-Chin Multipurpose Justice Complex, Maricopa, AZ 85139

In observance of

VETERANS DAY

Gila River Health Care's Administrative Offices, Outpatient Clinics, and Pharmacies will be

CLOSED Friday, 11/11/22.

Regular business hours will resume on Monday, 11/14/22.

LEADING TRIBAL HEALTHCARE SYSTEM GROWING HIRING NOW!



BE A PART OF SOMETHING GREAT



APPLY TODAY!

VISIT OUR WEBSITE
GRHC.ORG/Careers

FOR MORE INFORMATION
CONTACT:
HIREME@GRHC.ORG or
MARK WALTER AT
520-610-8923

Thanksgiving Holiday

Gila River Health Care's Administrative Offices and Outpatient Clinics will be

CLOSED

THURSDAY, FRIDAY & SATURDAY

November 24th, 2022

November 25th, 2022

November 26th, 2022

HHKMH Pharmacy Hours

Thursday, 11/24 CLOSED

Friday, 11/25 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

Saturday, 11/26 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

Sunday, 11/27 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

Regular business hours will resume
Monday, 11/28/22.

Scan QR code to read the November Elder Newsletter



COVID-19 NEWSLETTER FOR COMMUNITY ELDERS

GRHC.ORG

NOVEMBER 2022

This month's issue includes information on:
The Family Planning Mobile Medical Clinic
Flu Shot Dates & Covid Testing Dates
The 19th Annual Diabetes Health Fair
And online and in-person activities by Behavioral Health Services

988 SUICIDE & CRISIS LIFELINE: CALL OR TEXT 988

Gila River Indian Community CRISIS HOTLINE: 1-800-259-3449

Ak-Chin Indian Community MASIK TAS CELEBRATION 2022 Jr. Rodeo Friday, December 16 @ 8am Ak-Chin Circle Arena | 16000 N. Maricopa Rd

5 Years & Under	6-9 Years Old	10-13 Years Old	14-17 Years Old
Sheep Riding (limit 20)	Calf Riding (limit 20)	Steer Riding (limit 20)	Bull Riding (limit 20)
Dummy Roping (limit 20)	Ribbon Roping (1x) (limit 20)	Ribbon Roping (1x) (limit 20)	Ribbon Roping (limit 20)
Stick Horse Race (limit 20)	Barrel Racing (limit 20)	Barrel Racing (limit 20)	Barrel Racing (limit 20)
Stick Horse Barrels (limit 20)	Goat Tail Pull (limit 20)	Breakaway (limit 20)	Breakaway (limit 20)
Entry Fee: \$20	Entry Fee: \$25	Team Roping 2X (limit 20)	Team Roping 2x (limit 20)
		Entry Fee: \$30	Entry Fee: \$35

One time Admin Fee of \$10 per contestant

**Contestants must stay in their own age category.

**Ribbon Roping Muggers in the 6-9 & 10-13 age divisions only.

***Team Roping & Ribbon Roping partner must be 18 years or older

Safety Vest required for All Rough Stock events. Western Attire Enforced

No late entries, no phone entries, no refunds. *Except with an acceptable doctors/vet note. Contact Rodeo Secretary 24 hours prior to start of rodeo.

All payments must include rodeo entry form.

To receive payout, contestants must show birth certificate.

MANDATORY CHECK-IN

All contestants must sign a waiver. NO EXCEPTIONS

Cash, Money Order, or Cashiers Check accepted. Please make payable to Ak-Chin Indian Community-2022 Rodeo
**No personal checks accepted.



MAIL-IN ENTRIES OPEN
October 21, 2022

MAIL ENTRIES TO
Ak-Chin Indian Community
ATTN: Community Events
42507 W. Peters & Hall Rd.
Maricopa, AZ 85138

ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED BY
December 5, 2022

WALK INS
December 10 | 10am-5pm

Ak-Chin Multi-tainment Center
16000 N. Maricopa Rd.
Maricopa, AZ 85138

WEBSITE POSTING
December 12, 2022

AllEventsStaff@ak-chin.nsn.us | masiktas.ak-chin.nsn.us | Follow us on Facebook | @AkChinIndianCommunity

Ak-Chin Indian Community and Stock Contractor are not responsible for accidents, injury, loss or theft during this event.

Ak-Chin Indian Community 2022 MASIK TAS CELEBRATION Bull Bash Friday, December 16 @ 4pm Ak-Chin Circle Arena | 16000 N. Maricopa Rd

Events	Fee	Added \$
Open Bull Bash (limit 30)	\$150	\$500
Open Novice Bull Riding (limit 10)	\$100	\$500
Open Women's Steer Riding (limit 10)	\$50	\$500

Buckles to event winners!

One time Admin Fee of \$20 per contestant

No late entries, no phone entries, no refunds. *Except with an acceptable doctors/vet note. Contact Rodeo Secretary 24 hours prior to start of rodeo.

To receive payout, contestants must complete W-9 and provide a form of identification.

MANDATORY CHECK-IN

All contestants must sign a waiver. NO EXCEPTIONS

All payments must include Rodeo Entry Form.

Cash, Money Order, or Cashiers Check accepted. Please make payable to Ak-Chin Indian Community-2022 Rodeo
**No personal checks accepted

MAIL-IN ENTRIES OPEN
October 21, 2022

All entries must include payment

Entries MUST be paid one (1) hour
Before event

MAIL ENTRIES TO
Ak-Chin Indian Community

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Maricopa, AZ 85138

WALK INS

On-site
Books Open 1p-3p

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MASIK TAS CELEBRATION 2022 OPEN RODEO December 17 & 18, 2022 Ak-Chin Circle Arena | 16000 N. Maricopa Rd.

PERFORMANCE TIMES

Performances on Saturday & Sunday at 12pm
Slack at 8am (if needed)

Buckles to each event winner!

Event	Fee	Added \$
Bareback (limit 20)	\$100	\$500
Saddle Bronc (limit 20)	\$100	\$500
Bull Riding (limit 30)	\$100	\$500
Steer Wrestling (limit 40)	\$100	\$500
Tie Down Roping (limit 30)	\$100	\$500
Ladies Barrel Racing (limit 40)	\$100	\$500
Ladies Breakaway Roping (limit 40)	\$100	\$500
Ladies Team Roping (2Xs) (limit 40)	\$200/Team	\$1000
Team Roping (2Xs) (limit 20)	\$200/Team	\$1000
Century Team Roping (2Xs)* (limit 40)	\$200/Team	\$1000
4 Tribes Team Roping (2Xs)*	\$200/Team	\$1000

*Century Team Roper Participants must be 50+

*4 Tribes Team Roper Participants must be enrolled member of Ak-Chin, Gila River, Tohono O'odham, or Salt River, must provide proof upon request.

*Will not count for All-Around/Only one highest placing money won in Team Roping will count toward All-Around

Must be 18 years old to participate!

One time Admin Fee of \$20 per contestant

Team Ropers must pay for full team in ONE envelope with separate entry forms.

All payments must include Rodeo Entry Form.



MAIL-IN ENTRIES OPEN
October 21, 2022

MAIL ENTRIES TO
Ak-Chin Indian Community
ATTN: Community Events
42507 W. Peters & Hall Rd.
Maricopa, AZ 85138

ENTRIES MUST BE
POSTMARKED BY
December 5, 2022

WALK INS
December 10 | 10am-5pm

Ak-Chin Multi-tainment Center
16000 N. Maricopa Rd.
Maricopa, AZ 85138

WEBSITE POSTING
December 12, 2022

Cash, Money Order, or Cashiers Check accepted. Please make payable to Ak-Chin Indian Community-2022 Rodeo
**No personal checks accepted

No late entries, no phone entries, no refunds. *Except with an acceptable doctors/vet note. Contact Rodeo Secretary 24 hours prior to start of rodeo.

MANDATORY CHECK-IN

All contestants must sign a waiver. NO EXCEPTIONS

To receive payout, contestants must complete W-9 and provide a form of identification.

AllEventsStaff@ak-chin.nsn.us | masiktas.ak-chin.nsn.us | Follow us on Facebook | @AkChinIndianCommunity

Ak-Chin Indian Community and Stock Contractor are not responsible for accidents, injury, loss or theft during this event.

Ak-Chin Indian Community 2022 MASIK TAS CELEBRATION Open Wild Horse Race December 17 & 18 @ 12pm Ak-Chin Circle Arena | 16000 N. Maricopa Rd

\$300 per Team

1st Place:
Buckles
\$500 added
money

No phone entries, no refunds.

Contact Delbert White: dwhite@ak-chin.nsn.us or 520-414-5515

All teams must be paid up by 11am Saturday, December 17, 2022

To receive payout, contestants must complete W-9 and provide a form of identification.

MANDATORY CHECK-IN

All contestants must sign a waiver. NO EXCEPTIONS

All entries must include payment.

Walk-ins on-site. Books Open 8am-11am

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Happy Birthday to my daughter Ramona Narcia on November 11, Brother Cecil Peters Nephew Brandon Peters - Carmen Narcia

Happy Birthday to my son Cecil Love, Mom

Happy Birthday to my grandsons Aaron Sr. Jose and Darnell and my granddaughters Ramona and Dallyss Love, Grandma

Happy Birthday Dad-Ba'Pa We Love You!!

JOB OPENINGS

- Accountant (2)
- Airport Operations Technician
- Case Manager - Adult Services
- Communications Officer (911)
- Custodian
- Detention Officer - Certified and Non-Certified
- Driver - Elder Program
- Economic Development Analyst
- General Worker
- Police Officer (Recruit/Non-Certified)
- Police Officer - Certified
- Senior Planner
- Sr. Network Systems Specialist

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.

BIRTHDAYS

NOVEMBER 1ST - 18TH

11/1	11/5	11/11	11/15
Jose Hernandez	Aaron Peters, Sr.	Erick Merriweather	Terrance Enos
Jason Narcia	Rena Santiago	Ryan Merriweather	Aiden Miguel
Mary Narcia	11/6	Ramona Narcia	Dominic Miguel
Gwendolyn Pilone	Thonya Florez	Jamison Vincent	Izaah Smith
Autumn Vallejos	Andrea Lopez	11/12	Jose White
11/2	Jose Lopez	Arnulfo Arellanes-	Josefina White
Ayden	11/7	Burgos	11/16
Acunia-Pablo	Brittney King	Elissa Justin	Carson DePaola
11/3	Auciana Miguel	Nyaila Miguel	Morgan Green
Carla Carlyle	Heaven Smith	Mark J. Pablo	Emeterio Luna, Jr.
Darrin Manuel	Norma Vincent	11/13	Leenette Sope
Neveah Pilone	11/9	Anthony Antone	11/17
Israel Santiago	Mikayla Matuz	Aaron Narcia	Austin Lopez
11/4	Daniel Narcia	Darnell Peters	Dallyss Peters
Mauricio	Malinda Ormsby	11/14	Malinda Velasquez
Contreras-Valles	Cecil Peters	Emmalyn Anderson	11/18
Kahleah Delowe	11/10	Victor Bandin	Andi-Kiowan
Rosa Merriweather	Shannon Narcia	Joe Miguel	Santiago
Siann Ugalde	Marquon Robles	Raychel Peters	
		Hiram Ugalde	

Happy Birthday!



TASTY CRAFTS

@ The Ak-Chin Library

Calling all young cooks
join us Thursday's to learn cooking basics
and fun recipes.

Tasty Crafts with Miss Amy is open to ages 6 and up
Thursdays @ 5pm to 5:45 pm

Please call 520-568-1675 or Email abatopis@ak-chin.nsn.us to sign up!

EMPLOYEE BIRTHDAYS NOVEMBER 1ST - 18TH

1-Nov Joseph Plough, Fire & Safety	8-Nov Eddie Berzoza, Sanitation	Sean Sacro, Law & Order
Gwendolyn Lopez, Early Childhood	Timothy Hawk, Law & Order	15-Nov Dwight Arthur, Finance
Mariah Carlyle, Retail	9-Nov Susan Cons, Social & Health Services	16-Nov Rebecca Springstroh, Early Childhood
Jason Thomas, Finance	Cecil Peters, Fire & Safety	Manuel Chavez, Parks & Recreation
3-Nov Eby Abel, Maintenance	10-Nov Shannon Narcia, Finance	Aaron Valdez, Finance
Zachary Quintero, Retail	11-Nov Erasmio Castillo, Fire & Safety	17-Nov Marilyn Velasco, Health Education
7-Nov Ross Stimac, Environmental Protection	TeriLynne Kisto, Human Resources	18-Nov Pamela Thompson, Social & Health Services
Tanner Wear, Law & Order	14-Nov Raychel Peters, Runner	

Country Music Icon Tracy Lawrence is Taking the Stage at The Events Center at Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino



(MARICOPA, Ariz. – Sept. 19, 2022) – Country music icon Tracy Lawrence with special guest Randy Rogers Band is coming to Maricopa on Friday, Dec. 9 at The Events Center at Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino.

Selling more than 13 million albums and charting 18 number 1 songs, Lawrence has garnered numerous CMA and ACM awards and nominations, as well as a Grammy nomination. Promising to bring get-out-

of-your-seats and have a good time to the stage, the Hindsight 2020 tour will have the audience begging for more.

Harrah's Ak-Chin proudly presents:

Tracy Lawrence
Date: Friday, Dec. 9, 2022
Doors: 7:00 p.m.
Show Time: 8:00 p.m.
Location: The Events Center at Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino
Tickets: \$85.50, \$65.50, 45.50
Ages: All Ages

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC - WEEKLY SPECIALS

NEW FALL MENU FAVES

TOSSÉD CAPRESE SALAD
fresh mozzarella, heirloom tomatoes, fresh basil, mixed greens, olive oil, balsamic vinegar

MIDNIGHT AUSTIN DIP
house smoked brisket, jalapeños, provolone, au jus

ELOTE BITES
street corn bites, salsa, sour cream

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at Ak-Chin Southern Dunes Golf Club

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NOVEMBER JUST DESSERTS
FREE DESSERT W/PURCHASE OF TWO ENTREES

Must present coupon to server. Not valid with daily or Happy Hour specials. Cannot be combined with other specials or offers. Does not include alcohol. One coupon per table, no split checks. Valid for one visit daily. Non-transferable. Offer expires 11/30/22.

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Arizona Ridge Riders at Ak-Chin Circle

Photos and story submitted by Gabe Lopez



Diamond in Glendale Oct. 14 – 16.

Ridge Riders shared information on Bull Riding such as equipment, mental, physical preparation and goal setting.

Ak-Chin Youth Council Members shared traditional songs and dance, as well as gifted the Ridge Riders with a Seashell Necklace and Prayer Ribbons. The evening ended with both groups playing Corn Hole and Bowling.

Thank You to Arizona Ridge Riders for their visit and

Ak-Chin Circle for hosting the event. On Sunday October 16th, the PBR honored Native American Recognition Day at their event. The event started with an Amazing rendition of the National Anthem in the O'odham Language by Tohono O'odham Nation Member Michael David Enos.



MOVIES • RESTAURANTS • BOWLING • ARCADE • LASER TAG • GROUP EVENTS

NOVEMBER EVENTS
Ak-ChinCircle.com

IT COMES WITH EVERYTHING YOU SEE PLUS A BIG SIDE OF FAMILY TIME
THANKSGIVING FEASTS WILL BE AVAILABLE NOVEMBER 24th 11AM - 9PM

520-233-2443

MOVIE RELEASES

11/04 One Piece Film Red	11/11 Black Panther: Wakanda Forever	11/18 She Said	11/23 Strange World	11/23 Bones And All
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BLACK PANTHER: WAKANDA FOREVER
FOREVER 11.11.22

THANKSGIVING WEEKEND
NOV 25-27
Purchase a game card (up to \$20) and we will match that amount

BLACK FRIDAY SALE

STOCKING STUFFERS
• Gift Cards
• Pop Corn Cards
• Soda Cards
• and More!
Get Them ONLY on NOV. 25

CYBER MONDAY
BUY \$25 GIFT CARD & RECEIVE 1 FREE MOVIE PASS
BUY \$50 GIFT CARD & RECEIVE 1 MOVIE PASS REG. POPCORN & REG. SODA
CYBER MONDAY ONLY NOV. 28

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Harrah's AK-CHIN CASINO

NOVEMBER 2022

CAESARS REWARDS

SUNDAY

TURKEY CERTIFICATE GIVEAWAY
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2022
EVENTS CENTER • 1PM - 8PM
Visit the Events Center and receive a \$20 Turkey Certificate!

MONDAY

CAESARS SPORTSBOOK
WITH CAESARS REWARDS
AN OFFICIAL SPORTS BETTING PARTNER

TUESDAY

QUILTED TRAVEL COLLECTION GIVEAWAY

WEDNESDAY

QUILTED TRAVEL COLLECTION GIVEAWAY

THURSDAY

VETERANS & ACTIVE DUTY PERSONNEL CAN UPGRADE TO PLATINUM!

FRIDAY

BONUS REWARD CREDITS

SATURDAY

DATE NIGHT AT OAK & FORK

6 BONUS REWARD CREDITS

7 MONDAY NIGHT FOOTBALL BET, WATCH & WIN!

8 QUILTED TRAVEL COLLECTION GIVEAWAY

9 QUILTED TRAVEL COLLECTION GIVEAWAY

10 JACKPOT!

11 VETERANS DAY BONUS REWARD CREDITS

12 #1 BY USA TODAY SIGN UP FOR CAESARS REWARDS AND INSTANTLY WIN!

13 BONUS REWARD CREDITS

14 REDEEM YOUR REWARD CREDITS FOR CABANA RENTALS, HOTEL STAYS, SPA SERVICES, DINING AND MORE!

15 QUILTED TRAVEL COLLECTION GIVEAWAY

16 QUILTED TRAVEL COLLECTION GIVEAWAY

17 ENJOY ACCESS TO THE POOL WITH YOUR SPA SERVICE!

18 BONUS REWARD CREDITS

19 SWIM IN A HEATED POOL & SOAK IN ONE OF FOUR SPAS!

20 BONUS REWARD CREDITS

21 FIND US ON FACEBOOK, INSTAGRAM & TWITTER!

22 QUILTED TRAVEL COLLECTION GIVEAWAY

23 QUILTED TRAVEL COLLECTION GIVEAWAY

24 HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

25 DOORBUSTER TIER CREDIT MULTIPLIER BONUS REWARD CREDITS

26 CELEBRATION REMINDER SAVE THE DATE! DECEMBER 31, 2022

27 BONUS REWARD CREDITS

28 JACKPOT! \$15,001.25

29 QUILTED TRAVEL COLLECTION GIVEAWAY

30 QUILTED TRAVEL COLLECTION GIVEAWAY

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