

28th Annual Indian Nations & Tribes Legislative Day



Tribal Leaders get opportunity to meet with new Arizona Governor Katie Hobbs, before the Indian Nations & Tribes Legislative Day at Arizona State Capital, January 11. Story and photos by R. Peters

Wednesday, January 11th, 2023, Ak-Chin Tribal Council attended the 28th Annual Indian Nations and Tribes Legislative Day at the Arizona State Capital. Ak-Chin Chairman Robert Miguel attended, as well as Councilmembers Lisa Garcia, Gabriel Lopez and Cecil Peters.

A Tribal Leaders breakfast was held prior at the Heard Legislative Day continues to Page 3

Museum and featured keynote speakers Alexander Castillo-Nunez, Civic Engagement Coordinator for Inter-Tribal Association of Arizona, and the Honorable Adrian Fontes, Arizona Secretary of State.

Ak-Chin Chairman Robert Miguel was asked to provide a blessing during the breakfast, at which time he took the opportunity to introduce Ak-

Chin's new Councilmembers Gabriel Lopez and Cecil Peters. Councilmember Lopez gave the blessing.

After the breakfast everyone made their way to the Capital, to attend the Legislative Day. There was also an opportunity to meet Arizona's new Governor, Katie Hobbs before the Joint Protocol Session began.

Ak-Chin Fire Chief Cecil Peters Retires after 36 Years of Service

Story by T. Marshburn, photos by R. Peters



Ak-Chin Fire Chief Cecil Peters is surrounded by Ak-Chin Fire and Tribal Council as he is presented with a plaque for his dedicated service of 36 years to the Ak-Chin Indian Community, January 18.

Friends, family and co-workers came together on January 10, to honor Chief Cecil Peters, who retired from the Ak-Chin Fire Department after dedicating 36 years of service.

The retirement party was set up as a surprise for Cecil. Although, he may have caught on about the party, he was definitely surprised to see so many come out to celebrate, including former Ak-Chin Fire Chiefs, Bill White and Michael Long.

Cecil started his career with Ak-Chin Fire in April 1986, after serving in the U.S. Army. The department was just starting out, very small, with only six emergency medical techs/firefighters, under the direction of Ak-Chin's first Fire Chief Bill White.

Chief White recalled Cecil being a fast learner, willing to accept any job that was

assigned to him. Bill credits Cecil for bringing Ak-Chin Fire into the modern age, with a beautiful new station, new equipment and wonderful personnel.

"You built a department that any community would be proud of, and I am proud of you for the job you have done Cecil. I hope you enjoy your retirement."

Chief Michael Long of El Mirage Fire, remembers Cecil in the early years of his career. He said Cecil taught him so much about the community, its history and the people. Cecil's deep devotion to his community always stood out to Chief Long, and they bonded over their devotion and eagerness to protect and serve the community.

Chief Long also credits Cecil's experience and knowledge in helping to move the department forward. He values

the professional relationship and friendship that they both continue today.

Maricopa Fire Marshal, Eddie Rodriguez knew Cecil through school, his commitment to family and their careers in fire service. Both started their careers about the same time, Cecil with Ak-Chin and Eddie with Maricopa Volunteer Fire. Eddie shared how both departments have supported one another over the years to make Maricopa and Ak-Chin better places to live and be safe. Eddie also congratulated Cecil on his appointment to Ak-Chin Council.

"I know that you will be like you were in the fire department, very loyal, committed, honest. You have leadership and they all have that respect for you... I wish you luck in your next endeavor as a newly elected Ak-Chin councilmember."

Former Ak-Chin Farm



TGA Team (l-r): Eric Chavez, Devonrick Hampton, Richard Kindred and Albert Santiago, at 2022 Department Challenge.

TGA Team wins 2022 Department Challenge

Story by R. Peters, photos submitted

On December 14 four teams bravely stepped up to participate in the 2022 Department Challenge, which was full of surprising challenges, some fun and according to team members, some not so much fun.

Each team consisted of four players, with challenges geared to the whole team, and some for one team member or two members of the team.

Comments shared said most of the challenges were fun, like taking selfie photos, looking for the next clue, having a lot of fun and laughing with teammates while trying to figure it all out.

Some challenges were very physical, like running all around Ak-Chin Circle, Harrah's Casino and the Central Plant to deliver to-go boxes, get signatures, find clues and work on getting extra bonus points.

Everyone agreed the food challenge was probably the hardest, as each team member had to devour 1 pound of

spaghetti, before being allowed to participate in the next challenge. Some said it was "a whole lot of spaghetti" while others thought it was "gross".

Favorite parts of the challenge included running from one point to the next to get clues and to their next challenge, except when they had to scurry around right after filling their bellies with that 1lb of spaghetti.

Teams also commented that they liked having it in a different format, as it seemed less challenging and more fun.

"A favorite part was the photo bonus points, those really came in handy to add on to our score/time." Eric Chavez shared.

"Overall it was a great time and the format made everyone on the team have to step up to finish the Challenge. Utilizing the whole Ak-Chin Circle area was a great idea..."

After the long-winded, spaghetti stuffed teams

Department Challenge continues to Page 3

Manager, Steve Coester recalled meeting Cecil around 195 when he began working for the farm, "and then Bill White stole him from me and he started working for the fire department."

Steve congratulated Cecil on his retirement and said through all the years Cecil has always been there and has been a really good friend.

Barbara Hawkins, Ak-Chin Fire Administrative Assistant began working with Cecil in 2000, when Cecil was Fire Captain.

When asked what it was like working with Cecil all these years she said he was so dedicated to serving his community that when he was

on duty he slept in one of the recliners in the firefighter kitchen, in order to be ready to jump up and respond to a call in the middle of the night.

"Every time the fire chief position opened, I encouraged him to apply for it", Barbara said.

She's watched over the years as he's transitioned from firefighter to captain, to fire marshal to fire chief. She says though his titles have changed over the years his devotion to his community and to his firefighters never wavered.

Ak-Chin Chairman Robert Miguel talked about Cecil continuing to move forward and being an inspiration to all.

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"You've played a big key role into their lives, that's why they're here to celebrate you for what you've done not only for your family but for your community, which you've always put first..."

I do celebrate you and I do recognize you for the person you have become, through great guidance from your mom and your late father... they inspired you and the traits that you display today are something that they taught you."

Cecil would like to thank

everyone who attended his retirement party, he appreciates all the kind words from the great people he has worked with throughout the years.

He would also like to thank current staff at Ak-Chin Fire. He is confident that they will continue to serve the Ak-Chin Community with the utmost dedication.

"Thank you and keep up the great work, you know what you're doing and I am just across the road if you ever need me."





The Him-Dak Museum, Art & Archive Staff presents an

Elder Valentine's Tea Party

Thursday, February 9, 2023

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Where: Historic BIA Agent House
Ak-Chin Indian Community

Space is limited to the first 15 Elders so **please RSVP**.

To RSVP or for more information please call
Evelyn at (520) 568-1350 or
email: EJustin@ak-chin.nsn.us

ELDER VALENTINE'S TEA PARTY

February 9, 2023



Please bring your favorite Tea Cup and Saucer

COMMUNITY MEETING

January 30, 2023

For more information please
call (520) 568-1000.




Elder January Breakfast-Lunch Menu

<p>20 Scrambled Eggs, Hashbrown Casserole, Sausage Toast, Yogurt Indian Taco, Lettuce, Tomato, Cheese, Jell-O</p>	<p>25 Cream of Wheat, Boiled Eggs, Toast, Fruit Chicken Parmesan, Green Beans w/Bacon & Mushrooms, Peas, Pears</p>	<p>w/Broccoli, Salad, Texas Toast, Pineapples</p>
<p>23 Oatmeal, Boiled Eggs, Toast, Fruit Pork Roast, Mashed Potatoes, Beet Greens w/Bacon, Cookies</p>	<p>26 Quinoa Breakfast Bowl, Avocado Slices, Cottage Cheese, Fruit Carne Asada Tortas W/Beans, Zucchini & Corn, Rice Pudding</p>	<p>30 Cream of Wheat, Boiled Eggs, Toast, Fruit Pinto Beans. Chicken Fried Rice(D), Normandy Vegetables, Corn Bread, Peaches</p>
<p>24 Egg Bacon Sandwich, Potatoes, Fruit Tofu Tacos w/Bell, Peppers & Avocado, Sauteed Cabbage, Wild Rice, Fruit Cocktail</p>	<p>27 Scrambled Egg w/Green Chili & Cheese, Biscuits, Muffin Fruit Chicken Alfredo</p>	<p>31 Bread Pudding, Boiled Egg, Fruit Cabbage Stew, Carrots, Peas, Biscuit, Fresh Cut Fruit</p>

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

Ak - Cin' O'odham Neok Ki



Winter Storytelling with Camillus Lopez

Tohono O'odham Nation

Friday January 20, 2023


Field Across Language / Cultural Building

6:00 pm - 8:30

Dinner Will Be Served

Open to all Community Members & Residence

DRESS WARM



DONT FORGET
YOUR CHAIR

For more info contact: Felicia Vincent (520) 568-1338 or Email : favincent@ak-chin.nsn.us



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The Ak-Chin O'dham
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poems or a great story that
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February 3 - 16, 2023
issue is due by
FRIDAY, JANUARY 27TH

Please submit all
announcements, wishes, etc.
no later than
FRIDAY, JANUARY 27TH

Material submitted after the
JANUARY 27TH DEADLINE
cannot be guaranteed
placement. If appropriate
and relevant, it will be
included in the next issue.

Department Challenge continued from Front

their challenge, winners
were posted via email.

Community Operations
Manager, Bart Smith
shared, "Thank You for
participating in this year's
challenge. All had Fun
with some surprises."

Congratulations to all
teams for stepping it up

and taking on this year's
challenge!

2022 Team winners:
1ST PLACE – Tribal
Gaming (TGA): Eric
Chavez, Albert Santiago,
Richard Kindred,
Devonrick Hampton
2ND PLACE –
Fire: James Boehm,



Jacob Dickerson, Jr.,
Lindsey Valles, Brian
Hammerschmidt
3RD PLACE – Central
Plant: Micky Moull,
Johnny Ramirez, Tommy
Jensen, Angel Hoffman
4TH PLACE – Him Dak:
Waylon Antone, Jeannette
Peters, Florinda Peters,
Brandon Peters



Legislative Day continued from Front

Ak-Chin
Chairman
Robert
Miguel
meets new
Navajo
Nation
President
Buu
Nygren.



After the Pledge of Allegiance and
Invocation, Opening Remarks were
provided by the Honorable Warren
Petersen, Senate President and the
Honorable Ben Toma, Speaker of the
House.

Three Arizona Tribal leaders addressed
their concerns to the joint session of the
Senate and House of Representatives,
discussing various issues important to
their communities.

Speakers included; Chairman Terry
Rambler of the San Carlos Apache Tribe,
Chairwoman Tanya Lewis of the Yavapai-
Apache Nation and Chairman Timothy
Nuvangyaoma of the Hopi Tribe.

Water concerns were prevalent in all
three speeches, as well as land issues and
economic development.

Attendance for the event was at an all
time high, as 60 registered to participate.
Indian Nations and Tribes Legislative day
is way for indigenous communities across
Arizona to come together to celebrate,
it's also an opportunity to recognize tribal
nations contributions to the state.

Last Distribution for Community



Community members stop by the Service
Center for a wide variety of household goods
and non-perishable food items



On January 12th and
13th, the last distribution
for the year took place at
the Service Center.

Items provided included
a reusable bag full of
household cleaners,
disposable gloves and
hand sanitizer.

Along with the bag,

multiple food items were
given including potato
chips, sweets, peaches,
chili, beans and other
delicious snacks.

Members expressed
their gratitude for the
community and the
volunteers helping with
the event.



Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community

NOTICE

2023 Agricultural Lease Payment

The 2023 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 20, 2023, 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 12, 2022.
Please call as soon as possible.

Pay Card disbursement will be placed onto your SRPMIC Pay Card on Friday, January 20, 2023. 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 12, 2022.

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 20, 2023.

Questions? Contact the SRPMIC Finance Leasing Payment Office (480) 362-7730.
*Agricultural lease payments will be made based upon former payments received by January 3, 2023.

AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY

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Advertisement for REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) Ak-Chin Indian Community Economic Development Zone Master Plan

The Ak-Chin Indian Community is seeking professional services to conduct a master plan for the 810-acre, Economic Development Zone (EDZ). Located on the eastern edge of the Community, the EDZ is bounded by the Maricopa-Casa Grande Highway, Murphy Road, Peters and Nall Road and Russell Road. The master plan will assist the Community in the orderly development of the EDZ.

Project Description – Scope of Work

The selected consultant team will be expected to complete the following minimum scope items:

- Community Involvement Plan: The consultant team will work with a core group in developing the Master Plan. This task can be addressed by the collection of existing information, interviews with key stakeholders, Community meetings and other methods with the Project Team, the Planning and Zoning Commission and Ak-Chin Departments.
- Preliminary Site Analysis: The consultant team will inventory and analyze existing conditions and proposed economic development projects.
- Demographics Report – The consultant team research and gather demographics of the regional area to get a sense of working behaviors and professional careers.
- Economic Development Report – The consultant will gather work force information of the regional area to determine potential business types and typical parcel sizes.
- Conceptual Land Use Plan - Circulation Plan: The consultant team will prepare at least two (2) distinct conceptual land use – circulation plans in narrative and graphic form that depict proposed land use, lot layout, land coverage ratios, building orientations.
- Following selection of the preferred alternative, the consultant team will prepare the final EDZ Master Plan to include the items listed above.

PRE-PROPOSAL MEETING

A pre-proposal meeting is scheduled for 1:30 p.m. (MST) on Thursday January 26, 2023 at Ak-Chin Regional Airport located at 32514 W. Bud Road, Maricopa Arizona 85139. Consultants are encouraged to attend. Electronic RFP packets will be available to each firm in attendance.

REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS

The Community is seeking a proposal and a formal statement of qualifications. The electronic RFP packet is available at the Ak-Chin Purchasing Office at 42507 West Peters and Nall Road, Maricopa Arizona 85138.

SUBMISSIONS

Submissions should be provided in a package clearly marked with **"Proposal for Economic Development Zone Master Plan."** Please submit five (5) bound and (1) unbound copies of your proposal to the Purchasing Manager at the address listed below.

Flora Howerton, Purchasing Manager
Ak-Chin Indian Community
42507 W. Peters and Nall Road
Maricopa, AZ 85138

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1 IN THE AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY COURT
2 45525 West Farrell Road
3 Maricopa, AZ 85139
4 Phone (520) 568-1385 Fax (520) 568-1386

5 In the Matter of the Adoption of: CASE NO.: CV-2022-024-VIL
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10 the Court of the Ak-Chin Indian Community.
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12 matter within a period of 20 days if you are served within the boundaries of the Ak-Chin
13 Indian Community; 30 days if you are served outside the boundaries of the Ak-Chin
14 Indian Community at the Clerk of the Ak-Chin Indian Community Court, accompanied by
15 the necessary filing fee; further you must send a copy of your written answer to:
16 **Silas Curtis Norris**
17 **41940 W. Pecan Lane**
18 **Maricopa AZ 85138**
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20 Court shall set a date for a hearing of this matter, and you will be notified of the time and
21 date that you will be required to appear.
22 **IF YOU FAIL TO COMPLY WITH THIS SUMMONS** a judgment by default will be
23 entered against you and the opposing party shall be awarded the relief demanded in
24 this matter.
25 **GIVEN** under my hand and seal of Ak-Chin Indian Community Court in the State
26 of Arizona this 29th day of November, 2022.

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

Any questions regarding
this project proposal must
be submitted via email by 5
p.m. February
6, 2023 to Flora Howerton,
Purchasing Manager (520)
568-1043. The deadline
for submitting proposal is
February 17, 2023 at 3:00
p.m. MST.
AWARD
The Owner reserves the
right to reject, any and all
proposals. However, the Ak-
Chin Indian Community at
its discretion may postpone
said action for such time
as the Community Council
may designate, as the
interest of the Community
may require.

YEAR IN REVIEW



Teeter-totter fun during Spring Intercession.



MWMS Joanna Acosta (12) and Kylie Gardner (1) on defense



Julene Narcia running strong for 2022 Torch Run



Chairman Robert Miguel at West Point Leadership Workshop at Harrah's.



Analita Laboron dons some bunny ears as she enjoys the Elder Center Easter Egg Hunt.



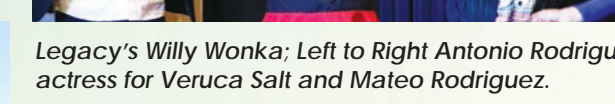
Retirement party for Maria Garcia (seated in center).



Tyra Williams 2015 MHS State Basketball Champs at MHS Alumni game.



Next Level Planters Clinic at Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino



Legacy's Willy Wonka; Left to Right Antonio Rodriguez, actress for Veruca Salt and Mateo Rodriguez.



Festive group enjoying great music, food and company during the San Juan Feast.



Nicole Delma (center) and family celebrating during the Ak-Chin Education Graduation Celebration



Maricopa Lady Rams win Valley Christian Under the Lights Softball Tournament. Emily Peters (3rd from left, top row).



Father Julius Tvrdy offers Palm Sunday mass at Ak-Chin St. Francis of Assisi parish (Photo by Flower Ruelas)



Kids participating in the Coach Rob Mendez Football Camp



Earthy Enos looks at box containing scorpions and black light at UofA booth during the Earth Day Event.



Teresa Valisto and Ak-Chin students at Maricopa HS, receive traditional blessing from Ak-Chin Language staff and Gabe Lopez.



Participant at the Central AZ Car and Bike Show, in the Ak-Chin Circle Parking Lot



Father's Day at the Preschool



Summer school Program



Elders Christmas Lunch at Ak-Chin Circle Elements Center



Harrah's Ak-Chin Summer Work program



Boy George at Harrah's Event Center



Virginia Thomas celebrates her 99th birthday.



Community Christmas celebrated with Santa.



Health Education Diabetes Walk



Him Dak Halloween Party



Children enjoy Fall Arts Program at Recreation.



Maricopa Wells Volleyball Champions. Pate Justin (3rd from right).



Giving Tuesday Adopt a Highway



Harlee Jose enjoys Multi-Media Mondays at Ak-Chin Library.



2022 Girls night Out held at Ak-Chin Environmental Department.



Community employee receives massage at the Employee Benefits-Health Fair.

2022

Light up the Village Winners

Many departments and collaborators came together to show their creativity, and spread Holiday Cheer with their imaginative displays.

We saw some elaborate displays including a mountain and train for Polar Express and modest

but comical displays such as the "Triple Dog Dare" Christmas Story scene.

Winners were determined when recreation staff sent an email out to all Ak-Chin employees with a link encouraging everyone to vote for their

favorite display.

The Parks and Recreation Department would like to offer our sincere thanks to all participants.

You helped to make this contest a success and we hope you enjoyed it.

We appreciate the time and energy that was put into each display and are grateful that employees were willing to help display Christmas scenes to help put the community into the Christmas Spirit.



1st Place "Home Alone" by Ak-Chin Circle



2nd Place "A Christmas Story" by Finance



Employees work together to finish their tree.



3rd Place "Polar Express" by Environmental

Girls Night Out returns

Story by T. Marshburn,
Submitted photo

Flower Power took over the Ak-Chin Environmental Program building as Girls Night Out ended its 3-year hiatus.

The event wasn't a sleep-over like in the past but the girls partied all night.

Teens between the ages of 12-17 gathered to enjoy a night of education, empowerment and fun.

This age group was selected because it currently has the highest rate for



behavioral health issues and risk for suicide intervention.

Some of the activities the girls participated in were negative versus positive self-talk, a discussion

on personal presentation (how do I care for myself) and having an uplifting daily routine, a talking circle about relationships with other women.

Lastly, they talked about

boundaries and saying "no". The ladies also had the opportunity to move their bodies through Zumba and Tik-tok dances to celebrate your body and your life in movement.



SAVE THE DATE!
WIC SERVICES HELD AT
AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY LIBRARY

FEB 07 (Tuesday)- 9am-11am
MAR 07 (Tuesday)- 9am-11am



Question? Need to make an Appt?
Call: (520) 562-9698



Gila River Indian Community
WIC Program
66 w. Pima, Sacaton, Arizona



AK-CHIN HIM-DAK VALENTINE'S DAY CRAFT

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2023
AFTERNOON & EVENING SESSIONS
OFFERED FOR ADULTS & CHILDREN

HIM-DAK ART BUILDING

AFTERNOON SESSION:

AK-CHIN EMPLOYEES, MEMBERS & RESIDENTS
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

EVENING SESSION:

AK-CHIN MEMBERS & RESIDENTS
4:30 - 7:00 PM

Transportation provided within the Ak-Chin Indian Community, please call before 4:00 pm.
520-568-1350

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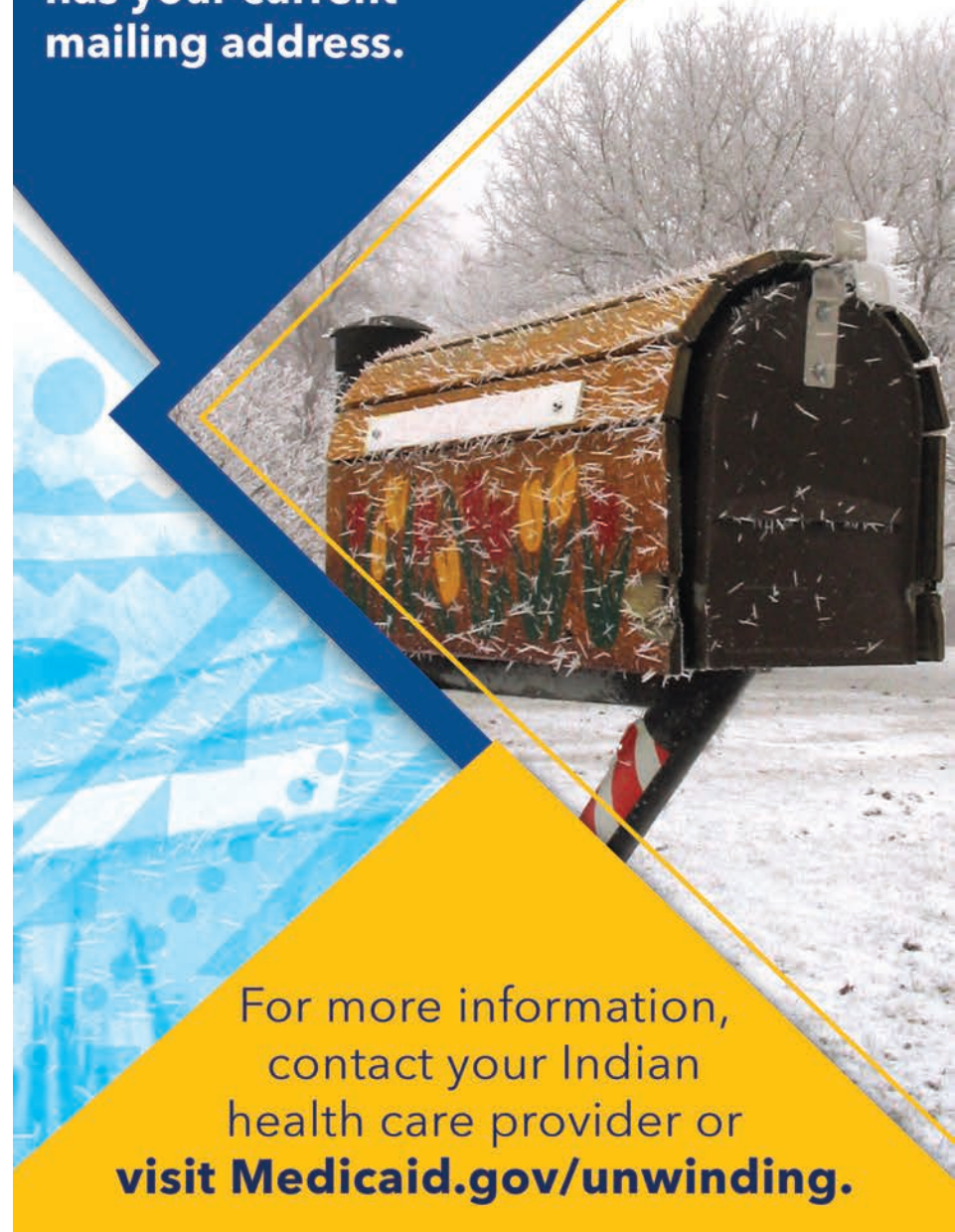
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9:00am - 3:00pm

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Make sure you get this renewal letter so you're not left out in the cold! Check that your local Indian health care provider or state Medicaid office has your current mailing address.



For more information, contact your Indian health care provider or visit **Medicaid.gov/unwinding.**



ART SESSION: CERAMICS

Location: Art Building (Him-Dak Museum)
 Session Begins: January 31, 2023
 Session Ends: March 02, 2023
 When: Every Tuesdays & Thursdays from 11:00AM to 1:00PM (Members, Residents, Employees of the Ak-Chin Indian Community)
 4:30PM to 7:00PM (Members & Residents Employees of the Ak-Chin Indian Community)
 (Come in anytime between the times above/work at your own pace)
 Transportation Provided
 Pick Up and Drop Off within the Ak-Chin Indian Community
 For transportation please call: 520-568-1350 (Please call before 4:00 p.m.)
 For any additional questions please call: 520-568-1350

• COME CREATE!
 • LEARN & CREATE YOUR OWN CERAMIC PIECE FROM START TO FINISH
 • NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED!

AK-CHIN PARKS & RECREATION

2023 MINI BASKETBALL

★ ★ ★ ★ CO-ED LEAGUE ★ ★ ★ ★

REGISTRATION DAY • JANUARY 23RD • 6 PM
 Practice Begins: January 24th at 5:30 PM

Age Divisions: 3-5 & 6-8 years old
 (3) Practice Days - M - F (Calendar handout at 1st practice)
 League Games Begin: February 11TH
 Participant Deadline to Register: February 3rd
 Non Ak-Chin Team(s) Registration Deadline: January 30TH
 For more information, to register your child(ren) or Team, please email Recreation@ak-chin.nsn.us or call (520) 568-1740

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EVERY WEDNESDAY FROM 4PM TO 5:30 PM

If you have questions, contact us at library@ak-chin.nsn.us or 520-568-1675

Due to number of kits Spots are limited!

THIS PROGRAM IS OPEN TO AK-CHIN MEMBERS, RESIDENTS, EMPLOYEES AND THEIR IMMEDIATE FAMILY

Wishes

Happy Birthday to my grandsons Joshua, Jonathan, Mateo and Ian and my granddaughters Adriana, Estalynn and Saraih
 Love, Grandma

Happy Birthday Cubby
 Love your family

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January 2023 Ak-Chin Indian Community Library						
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23 Multi Media Monday 5-5:45	24	25 Buddy's Reading Circle 2-6:30* LEGO Robotics 4-5:30	26 Tasty Crafts w/Amy 5-5:45	27	28	29
30	31 February	1 Buddy's Reading Circle 2-6:30* LEGO Robotics 4-5:30	2	3	4	5

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 Thomas Carlyle

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Jan. 29th
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 Byron White
 Patricia Perillo
 Irene Smith
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 April Smith

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United Way of Pinal County Recognizes Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino and Team Members with Live United Award for Unwavering Support of the Community

(MARICOPA, Ariz. – Jan. 13, 2023) – Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino, long-known for its corporate giving and community support, was recognized by the Pinal County United Way for its unwavering support especially during the pandemic of the local community. The Live United Award was presented to the organization during its 2022 Campaign Drive that raised nearly \$18,000 to benefit programs that support area youth, families and seniors with much-needed services including Path to Success scholarships, in-home

childcare training, transportation assistance, and rent and utility financial aid.

"Harrah's Ak-Chin has been a long-time supporter of United Way of Pinal County, and their support during the pandemic helped many families in our community. They never stopped giving and we never stopped serving our community with our programs like GED Scholarships, Rent & Utility Assistance, Financial Education and Dolly Parton's Imagination Library," said United Way of Pinal

County CEO Allen Villalobos. "We are grateful to Harrah's Ak-Chin and team members for their generosity and commitment to our community."

"The team at Harrah's Ak-Chin continues to support the important work of the Pinal County United Way," said Senior Vice President and General Manager Michael Kintner. "Although the last few years have been challenging for all of us, I am so proud of our team for stepping up once again to support those in need in our community."



Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino Senior Vice President and General Manager Michael Kintner (center) accepts the Live United Award from United Way of Pinal County CEO Allen Villalobos (left) and Development and Marketing Manager Joseph Caruso (right)



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