



6th grader Brenley Hackney, prepares for her first day of "online" class. Submitted photo. More photos on Page 2.

## Supporting our Community during first days of school

There are many in the Maricopa area feeling the first day of school jitters. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, this school year, jitters may be present for a bit longer, as everyone adapts to the "new normal" for school instruction.

For those who are determined to put their best foot forward, we applaud your efforts and positivity, and there's no doubt we can all use more of that lately. Parents have expressed their joy to see their child back to a learning environment, finding out about their teacher and class schedule. While others are still jumping over hurdles with login issues, attendance logs and class schedules. All in all, it seems

that many of the kinks of the online system are starting to work themselves out.

Maricopa Unified School District has been communicating to parents through email, text and their website at [musd20.org](http://musd20.org). Other schools like Legacy, Leading Edge and Pathway are similarly working on providing a school curriculum, whether online or brick and mortar.

For those who are still having a difficult time, please make sure you reach out to your schools. You will have to go online in order to update your contact information through the ParentVUE App, or contact your child's school directly,

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## Ak-Chin goes out to VOTE in Primary Election

Photo by R. Peters

Tuesday, August 4th, the highly anticipated Primary Elections were held across the state; Arizonians headed to the polls to partake in voting for their affiliated political party.

During every election, Ak-Chin highly advocates for its Community members to let their voice be heard by voting, and this year's election season was no exception.

Within a short distance for most members, Precinct 77, located at the Ak-Chin Service Center, in the western part of the Ak-Chin village, serves as a polling site.



Native Votes Matter!

The Community was pleased that over 50 voters came out to cast their ballots at Precinct

77, where they were given a complementary voucher for a special lunch at Vekol Market.

## Ak-Chin Youth Council stream the 44th Annual UNITY Conference

Photo by J. Peters



Youth Council coordinators Marla Antone and Joesph Davis (at left) along with Youth Council members; Doria Garcia, Mylauni Antone, Noahli Antone and Haedin De Paola; accompanied by Council member Lisa Garcia, streamed the annual conference in the council chambers on July 23rd.

## Ak-Chin administer Covid-19 Testing Blitz

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to hit the state with unrelenting force, Ak-Chin Indian Community Council has appropriately taken additional measures to protect the membership from further infection.

The morning of July 21st, the Ak-Chin Indian Community Covid-19 Testing Blitz began its conduction with the help of Gila River Health Care medical team, testing members at 7am, kicking off the day's long testing sessions.

Using the Justice complex parking lot, Ak-Chin set up stationary tents for designated areas.

After a small surge of confirmed cases within the community, Ak-Chin Council turned to Gila River Health Care for help in conducting a community wide testing. The Council voiced their encouragements to the membership to get tested. The purpose of the testing was to see how much the Community has been affected and to help slow down the spread.

Testing was provided for all Ak-Chin enrolled members and all residents in Ak-Chin Community. The PCR (polymerase chain reaction) viral test, uses a sample of mucus taken with a swab from the inside of a person's nose. Member employees who had not reported any symptoms at time of testing, where allowed to return back to work, per Ak-Chin Human Resources, while waiting for test results.

The testing was conducted from July 21 – July 24. There were 286 tests conducted, with 231 enrolled members, and 55 non-member residents, which approximated a 20% turn out.

Ak-Chin Council was very pleased with the outcome in the first testing blitz. The testing numbers were very well represented of the Community overall and the more numbers represented the better realistic knowledge the Community will have to work with.

There are a few more testing blitzes scheduled throughout the year and the Community hopes more members and residents will be able to take the opportunity to get tested. For those who have already tested, you are encouraged to call the Ak-Chin COVID-19 information line at 520-568-1265; if you are a member and were not tested through Gila River, or if you are a non-member resident and have not reported your results to the Ak-Chin COVID-19 information line.

Story and photo by J. Peters



Early morning Tuesday on July 21st, Gila River medical staff hand out forms to community members waiting to get tested at Ak-Chin Justice Complex. Assisting with testing needs were Council members Delia Carlyle, Lisa Garcia, Ak-Chin Housing Department, and Enrollment.



# Notice to Elders, Families and the Community

COVID19 poses many new challenges when providing quality services to the Ak-Chin Community elders. Although we want to serve elders the best way possible, social distancing and stay at home orders to protect ourselves and the elders from COVID19 has created difficulties while providing those services.

The COVID19 pandemic places Native American elders as one of the most vulnerable populations. Most Native American elders carry underlying health conditions such as diabetes, hypertension, cancer, cardiovascular diseases, kidney failure along with other related chronic illnesses that puts them at a higher risk of fatal complications from the COVID19.

With social distancing and stay at home orders in affect, COVID19 greatly limits the Elder Center from providing the assistance we were able to do before. The Elder Center staff and drivers are extremely careful not to become infected with COVID19. We practice CDC safety precautions at all times. We have many elders to assist and cannot take any risks with our own health. We must remain NEGATIVE of COVID19 to safely provide and serve the elders in which we come in contact every day. If one of the Elder Center staff were to become COVID19 infected, the Elder Center would have to stop all services until it is determined safe to resume operations. That would greatly affect the elders we serve every

day. We do not want that to happen.

Recently, the Elder Center has received calls regarding some services we either simply do not provide or are limited to provide at this time.

## 1. PRESCRIPTION PICK UP AND DELIVERY

The Elder Center does not pick up and deliver medications. Privacy Laws do not permit anyone other than a caregiver, relative, or trusted friend to pick up prescriptions. This is to protect the elders' privacy and the safety of their medications.

## 2. REQUESTS FOR SERVICES OFF RESERVATION

The Ak-Chin Indian Community service area

is identified through Federal Government Grant Programs known as Older Native Americans Title VI and Inter Tribal Council of Arizona Area Agency on Aging Title III. The Elder Center receives Federal dollars from Title VI and Title III to serve Native American elders 55 and over living within the Ak-Chin Indian Community. The Elder Center does not provide services such as transportation and deliveries to Community enrolled elders living off of the Reservation.

However, Community enrolled elders living off the Reservation are eligible to pick up meals at the Elder Center. Please give us a call 520-568-1760. We are happy to take your information and make the arrangements for curb side pick-up at the Elder Center.

## 3. ELDER CENTER NEEDS THE HELP OF FAMILY AND CAREGIVERS

COVID19 has resulted in reduced employment within the Community's operations. Due to the Elder Centers' internal operational circumstances, the Elder Center recently went from five (5) drivers providing services, down to two (2) drivers. The Elder Center is working with extremely limited staff. Having only two drivers results in longer wait times for scheduling and limits the amount of appointments we can take. It is difficult for us to accommodate everyone when we receive more calls for transportation and deliveries than we can provide.

This is where we request that family and the elder's caregivers help

out. We understand life is hard. Especially during a pandemic such as COVID19. Caring for loved ones such as children and elders can be challenging to say the least. Especially if you are holding down a job. However, when Elder Center drivers are picking up elders for an appointment, often times the driver must enter the home. Upon arriving to the home, the drivers notice cars parked in the driveway of that elders' home. They notice adults and caregivers living in the home. The drivers have questioned: If there are adults and caregivers living in the home along with a vehicle or two parked in the driveway, why can't the family or caregivers provide the ride? That way, the Elder Centers' focus can be on the most vulnerable elders. Elders who do not have adults or a caregiver living in the home.

Appointments are scheduled first come first serve. At times elders in need of our assistance have been turned away for transportation. When that occurs, we try to reschedule on a day that we can transport them. However, sometimes that elder needs to be seen for their appointment then, not later. They cannot wait for another reschedule. For every ride provided where someone other than the Elder Center could take them, there is elder that potentially went without a ride. We never want to turn elders away or have to reschedule their appointment.

Perhaps it is presumed that it is the "Elder Centers' job" to manage every aspect of the Community elders' needs. We have never been structured as a full-

service operation. Our job is to ASSIST families and caregivers within the Community. We simply do not have the resources. It is not possible for us to do it all.

So, I plead to adult children, adult grandchildren and caregivers, if you have a vehicle, and are available, please help us out and make the time upon the needs of your elder to provide transportation to medical appointments, shopping, errands and prescription pick up. Spend some time with them. You are so special and much more effective in their lives than anyone else. Our elders are proud and dignified people. They do not wish to ask you or anyone else for anything. If they could manage on their own, they would. Your offer to help and availability to them is very appreciated not only to the Elder Center but certainly by your loved elder.

Let's remember most importantly; our elders have been there for us. We would not be who and where we are if it weren't for our elders. Please, let's work together, give back to our elders and to the Community that has so graciously provided for us.

With that said, we will continue remaining safe to serve the elders. We thank you for your help from the bottom of our hearts. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the Ak-Chin Elder Center operation, please call me. 520-568-1760. Thank you! I wish the Ak-Chin Indian Community to remain safe and healthy.

*Respectfully,*

**Leslie Carlyle-Burnett**  
**Elder Center Director**

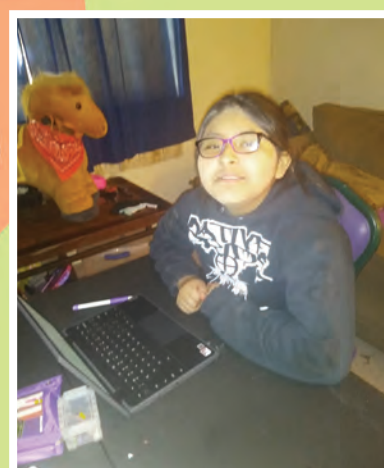
— First Day Selfies continued from Front



Isabella Antone 4th grade



Angelica Antone 1st grade



Elizabeth Antone 5th grade



Brothers Adrian Montana 11th Grade & Mark Pablo Jr. 4th Grade.

*"To my boys: I know things will be a lot different this year with school! We will do everything we can to make it fun for you both. Just know that we love you both very much!  
Love mom & dad"*

*I want to wish all the Ak-Chin scholars locally, out of district and out of state in grades Pre-K.- Higher Education a successful academic year. Although, 2020 has encompassed us with new heights of change and challenges we will overcome.*

*It has been my pleasure serving our community in the capacity of an employee of the education department for 18 years. It's been a great experience contributing to the educational venture of our community members locally, out of district and out of state. I've seen so many of you grow up and go on to college, military, get married, start families and the list goes on with life time milestones.*

*Thank you, all for allowing me to be part of your educational journey and life. Developing relationship with you all as parents/guardians/students added to my fulfillment of serving my community for the upcoming future leaders of the Ak-Chin Indian Community. It is our youth who will one day lead our community and therefore, we must continue to encourage and promote the importance of education.*

*Students, continue to strive for the best for your future and the future of our people and community. Although, I will not be employed by the community, I will still be here cheering you on and encouraging you all to complete high school and go on to higher education. Life is*



Yolanda Miranda  
Grand Canyon University  
Doctor of Education in  
Organizational Leadership-  
GCULopes

*too short and we are not guaranteed tomorrow friends and family. Live life to your fullest take advantage of all the experiences and opportunities to become your very best. God Bless you all and please continue to be safe and stay healthy. You are very important!*

*Yolanda Miranda Out! I too am reaching for the stars striving to become Dr. Yolanda Miranda. I look forward to sharing my knowledge with our community and serving our people with the upmost knowledge that I will attain.*

*Respectfully,*  
**Yolanda Miranda M.Ed**

## Elder Lunch Menu

7/7 Steak Quesadillas, Black Beans, Zucchini, Jell-O/Fresh Fruit	Casserole, Mashed Potatoes, Rolls, Jell-O- Fruit	7/18 Pinto Beans, Beef & Gravy (D), Pea- Carrot, Salad, Corn Bread, Watergate Salad, Fruit
7/10 Red Chili Stew, Normandy Vegetable Carrots, Chumath, Apples, Oranges	7/13 Potato Soup & Salad, Crackers, Mixed Fruit	7/19 Ham Wrap, Corn on Cob, Broccoli, Plums
7/11 BBQ Shredded Chicken Sliders, Ranch Style Beans, Peas/Pineapples	7/14 Turkey Club Sandwich, Cole Slaw, Macaroni Salad, Cup Cakes/Fruit	7/20 Parmesan chicken, Brown Rice, Butternut Squash, Salad, Fresh Fruit
7/12 Meatloaf, Green Bean	7/17 Hamburgers, Potato Wedges, Carrot Raisin Salad, Pears	

## Elder News: Food Storage

Photo and story submitted by Candace Allcott, Elder Care Worker Supervisor

A Family Emergency Plan can be invaluable in times of crisis even if it does nothing more than provide peace of mind for you and your family.

This month (August) we will be sharing information with the Elders about long term food storage. Over the past few months the Elders have received larger amounts of food staples than they normally have on hand. I heard from a few who have said they have more than what they can use. So now is the best time

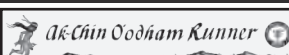
to plan for emergencies and start an emergency food supply.

Dry goods when stored properly can last anywhere from 10-25

years! We will be sharing a couple different ways to store Flour, Beans, Rice, Oatmeal, Sugar, Salt, or just about any dry food you'd like to include in your emergency supply.







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The Ak-Chin O'dham  
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Newspaper and encourages  
Community involvement.

If you have artwork, photos,  
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you would like to share,  
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#### DEADLINE

Don't forget the  
DEADLINE for the  
August 21 - September 3,  
2020 issue is due by  
**FRIDAY, AUGUST 14TH**

Please submit all  
announcements, wishes, etc.  
no later than  
**FRIDAY, AUGUST 14TH**

Material submitted after the  
**AUGUST 14TH DEADLINE**  
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and relevant, it will be  
included in the next issue.



AK-CHIN HIGHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP  
PROGRAM

# FALL DEADLINE EXTENDED: 08/31/2020

ALL VISITORS MUST HAVE  
APPOINTMENT TO MEET WITH  
AK-CHIN ACADEMIC ADVISOR.  
CALL OR E-MAIL TO SCHEDULE.

Contact Pamela Velasquez at:  
P.Velasquez@ak-chin.nsn.us  
520.568.1291

## IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR! School Supply Distribution & Release of Information Form Event

### Why do you need a completed ROI Form?

Each year, the Education Department collects  
signed *Release of Information Forms* (ROI)  
for all K-12 students (Ak-Chin Members and  
Residents). These forms allow the Department to  
provide support, assistance and academic services  
throughout the school year for your student.

#### When:

**August 11<sup>th</sup> (10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.):** Students  
with last names beginning with letters A-M

**August 13<sup>th</sup> (10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.):** Students  
with last names beginning with letters N-Z

#### Location:

**Recreation Center Gym**

**Process:** (1) parent is needed to sign the form; we  
ask that you arrive alone to minimize contact with  
others.

- Once you arrive, you will be asked to  
practice social distancing; we will have  
hand sanitizer and PPE available as needed.  
*a. We encourage you to bring your own  
mask, but one will be provided as needed*
- Next, you will be guided to a table where  
you will be provided the ROI form  
(electronically) and asked to review and  
sign (electronically)  
*a. Tables will be distanced greater than 50  
feet apart*  
*b. Hand Sanitizer will be provided upon  
entry and exit*  
*c. All electronic equipment, tables and  
other items will be wiped down between  
each visitor*
- Once completed, you will be asked to exit  
out a designated door. **As you exit you will  
receive school supplies for your student(s).**  
**Supplies are for Members & Residents**

#### Health and Safety:

We recognize the current pandemic and as a result  
we have scheduled this event to take place over  
the span of two days. We have also staggered our  
schedules (family last names) over the two days  
to help reduce contact with others.

If you cannot attend the event, please contact our  
office at 520-568-1280 and we will provide other  
arrangements.

## ATTENTION:

**\*\*\*Tribal Members\*\*\***

**Please make sure your mailing  
address on file with the  
Enrollment Office is current.**

**This will ensure future mailings  
from Ak-Chin Indian Community**



**Change of  
Address**

**Address Update Forms are located at the  
Enrollment Office. (Old Fire Department)**



**Due to COVID-19**



**We're open by appointment only please call  
(520) 568-1029 or (520) 568-1074.**

**No Walk-Ins are available**

**Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8am-5pm & Saturday 8am-12pm**

## AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY

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### NOTICE OF COMMUNITY ELECTION

The 2020 Community Election will be held on Saturday, **November 21, 2020**, at the Service Center. The polls will open promptly at 6:00 am and close promptly at 2:00 pm. This election will be to elect a Chairman and Vice Chairman position, as the terms of Chairman Robert Miguel and Vice Chairman Gabriel Lopez will expire.

### NOMINATIONS

Nominations are sought for Ak-Chin members who are interested in being a candidate to serve as Chairman and Vice Chairman for a four (4) year term commencing in January 2021.

Nomination Forms will be available at Tribal Headquarters through Marilyn Thompson beginning **Monday, August 17, 2020** through **Monday, September 14, 2020** between the hours of 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM. Members may self-nominate. Candidates who are not self-nominated must accept the nomination in writing and the acceptance must be notarized. All Nomination Forms must be completed upon receipt. Nominations must be received no later than 5:00 PM on Monday, **September 14, 2020**. Nominations other than self-nominations must be accepted and notarized no later than 5:00 PM on **Monday, September 14, 2020**.

**PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT ALL CANDIDATES SHOULD BE INFORMED OF THEIR NOMINATION PRIOR TO SUBMITTING THE NOMINATION FORM.**

### AFFIDAVIT OF QUALIFICATIONS

All candidates will be required to sign a notarized Affidavit of Qualifications for Community Council Member. Affidavits will be available at the Tribal Headquarters through Marilyn Thompson beginning Friday, **August 21, 2020** through Monday, **September 21, 2020**, between the hours of 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM. Affidavits must be completed and turned in no later than 5:00 PM on Monday, **September 21, 2020**.

### ALL CANDIDATES MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING QUALIFICATIONS:

- Is currently an enrolled member of the Ak-Chin Indian Community and has been an enrolled member of the Ak-Chin Indian Community for at least one (1) year immediately preceding the date of the election, where such membership is not based on adoption under Section 2 (b) of Article II of this Constitution, AND
- Is at least twenty-five (25) years of age, AND
- Has been residing on the Ak-Chin Indian Reservation or on land owned in fee by the Ak-Chin Indian Community, for at least one (1) year immediately preceding the date of the election, AND
- Has never been convicted of a felony or of a misdemeanor involving dishonesty in any tribal, state or Federal court or of an offense which would constitute a felony or a misdemeanor involving dishonesty under the laws of Arizona.

### ABSENTEE BALLOTS

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 as instructed below or by sending a letter to the Community Election Board at 42507 W. Peters and Nall Road, Maricopa, Arizona 85138. Absentee Ballots may be requested in-person from Marilyn Thompson at Tribal Headquarters beginning **October 14, 2020** through **November 20, 2020**, between the hours of 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Absentee ballots may be returned either in-person or by mail. Absentee Ballots which are returned by mail must be notarized and postmarked no later than **October 30, 2020**. In person drop off of Notarized Absentee Ballots must be turned in no later than 5:00 PM on Friday, **November 13, 2020**.

### DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 5 of Article III of the Constitution provides that the duties of the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and Council Members shall be established by ordinance enacted by the Community Council. All members of the Community Council shall obtain the training required to properly perform these duties including, but not limited to, training on financial management and the conduct of meetings. Candidates with questions about the duties of officers should contact the Election Committee.

### CODE OF ETHICS

Council Members are subject to a Code of Ethics, which is adopted pursuant to Section 8 of Article III of the Constitution.

### ELIGIBLE VOTER LIST

Copies of the Eligible Voter List will be posted at the following locations:

Community Headquarters Office  
Vekol Market  
Justice Complex  
Service Center  
Him-Dak Museum

Members are encouraged to verify that their name is on the Eligible Voter List. If your name is not on the Eligible Voter List and you think it should be, contact the Enrollment Office at (520) 568-1029. In order to be on the Eligible Voter List you must be 18 years of age or older and be an enrolled member of the Community on or before Election Day.

### QUALIFIED/DISQUALIFIED VOTES

QUALIFIED - Any ballot with at least one (1) vote.  
DISQUALIFIED - Any ballot with more than one (1) vote.  
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**PARENTS – CHILDREN WILL NOT BE ALLOWED IN OR NEAR THE VOTING POLLS.**



*School continued from Front*

for those attending MUSD.

There is also a page the District created, [musd20.org/musdsafe](https://musd20.org/musdsafe), that includes important communication, links and other resources.

There is also an option for On-Site Learning (Learning Labs) with locations that are supervised by MUSD support staff, scheduled to begin on August 17. If your child chooses to attend the Learning Lab at an MUSD site, they will have access to the internet for their daily classroom instruction. Look on their site for details.

Parent tutorials are also available online, such as; Google Classroom for Parents, to help with Google Login, menu of classes, announcements, assignments, teacher, classmates, upcoming

**MARICOPA UNIFIED ATTENDANCE PROCEDURES**

**Attendance will be taken in two of three ways:**  
All Students submit weekly Distance Learning Log to the school for evidence of learning time, and Student is present in daily synchronous learning sessions. or Student submits work for the day in one of the online platforms.

*See below for further explanation.*

**Ensure your student logs in daily for virtual/synchronous instruction sessions.**  
**Teacher will take attendance in these sessions.**

- Synchronous learning is real time instruction
- Provided by a highly qualified teacher and is the easiest way to demonstrate attendance.
- Not only is this the best way to be counted in attendance. It is also the best way for your
- student to learn.
- Time with a live teacher of the class will help your student learn content and concepts.

**Require your student to submit daily work.** *When your student can not attend a virtual session, but is working, have your student submit work that day. The submission of course work that day will count towards attendance for that day.*

- While synchronous learning is preferred and will ultimately have the most benefit for you
- child, there may be a day or two that you are unable to join a synchronous session.
- In that case, submitting work that day will be a way of proving your attendance in the
- learning.

**Complete and Submit the Weekly Distance Learning Log.**  
**Regardless of the first two above, all students must submit weekly logs that illustrate the number of hours spent on distance learning.**

- Note the minimum hours of learning time students should spend that is a total of time

assignments, teacher updates, and Technology Guide for Parents.

For those not in this predicament, please take the time to offer assistance, whether it be tutoring or babysitting for our loved ones. We can also offer to provide snacks; reward our studious loved ones with treats or dinner at the end of the



*Maricopa HS staff await laptop pick-ups from their students on July 22nd. All MUSD students received a laptop for their July 30, online start. Some students also received a hotspot device to access internet WiFi.*

- spent with the teacher and on their own.
- These logs are required as legal documentation for the state as evidence of learning time
- during distance learning.
- Submit logs every Sunday for the previous week before 11:00 p.m. by email or drop off in
- the brown metal drop box in front of your student's school.
- Attendance discrepancies will be reconciled by comparing information documented in the
- log with records in our database.
- You must sign the log attesting to your student's learning time.
- Student is present in daily
- synchronous learning sessions.
- Student submits work for
- the day in one of the
- online platforms

It is expected that parents shall, to the maximum extent possible, ensure that their child participates in the distance learning program. Parents do not need to call if their child is unavailable for the designated class time, as long as the student completes a daily assignment. If no work will be done for the day and no session will be joined, a parent should contact the school to have the absence recorded accordingly.

The student will receive an unexcused absence when:

- A student does not participate in any part of the learning activities for the day
- Has not checked in with the teacher
- When the student's parent does not contact the attendance office
- When no time is logged on the Distance Learning Log for the day in question

We are aware that all family and student circumstances may vary, especially during these unprecedented circumstances. Your child's team is available to ensure the success of your child during this time.

Should you have any questions about this policy, or distance learning in general, please feel free to reach out to your child's team members.

week.

Please remember, be patient with your school, your teacher(s) and of course your student(s). This new process will take time; work with your student and find joy in learning to work and teach one another. Let's embrace this challenge and work together for a brighter tomorrow.

To ensure that we keep accurate attendance for each student the attendance phone call will now come at the end of the school day. You will receive a personal phone call from the school if your child does not log in the following day.

**CHILD NUTRITION DEPARTMENT**  
The Maricopa Unified Schools District participates in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) during the school year. Our meal service will begin July 30 at all school sites. A student may go to their home school and receive a breakfast and a lunch between the following times: Elementary – 11:00 – 12:30; Middle Schools – 11:30 – 1:00; Maricopa High School – 10:30 – 12:00.

Parents may also pick up the meal if the student is not able to go in person, and may pick up meals for students that attend more than one school. If your student was on the NSLP during the previous school year, their status of free, reduced-price or full pay status will carry over for the first thirty (30) days – ending September 9.

Lunch applications are available on the [www.musd20.org](https://www.musd20.org) website under Departments/Child Nutrition. The online version will be available July 25. Everyone must reapply each school year and we urge all families to apply as guidelines change every school year.

Due to USDA regulations lunch meal prices are now \$3.10 K-12 and \$.40 for reduced price; breakfast is free. Meals will be distributed with both breakfast and lunch. Parents can go to [myschoolbucks.com](https://myschoolbucks.com) and set up an account for their student if money is needed and you can monitor their meal usage.

MUSD wants to provide meals for as many of our students as possible. For those students that cannot get to their home school, bus delivery will be available beginning August 3 at the following locations:  
**Ak-Chin Antone Memorial Park - 46851 W. Farrell Rd. 11am - 1230pm.**



## Afterschool CONNECT

**EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT  
INTERNET ACCESS  
ONLINE PLATFORM NAVIGATION**

If you currently do not have internet access, know someone who doesn't, or need assistance to navigate the online learning platform, our staff will be available to you and provide assistance. The program is intended to help the parent and child navigate the challenges distance learning. With that in mind, parents or guardians are required to attend with their student. Program staff will be on hand and available to assist and answer any questions you may have.  
Space is limited and registration is required for this free program.

To learn more about this exciting new program, please visit:  
**WWW.MARICOPA-AZ.GOV or call (520) 316-6818**

**CAMP COPA**  
Maricopa Arizona

Registration required

**CAMP COPA IS HERE FOR YOU!**

**For program information visit:  
WWW.MARICOPA-AZ.GOV or call (520) 316-6957**

**TO: Tohono O'odham Nation**

**RE: Saint Francis Feast, October 4, 2020**

The Hikiwan District St. Francis Committee is regrettably announcing the postponement of this year's celebration for the St. Francis Feast, October 4, 2020. Due to the recent Covid-19 pandemic and the unknown certainty of the pandemics' severity during this time.

We all look forward to the celebration for our blessings. However, for the safety of everyone the committee believes it is in the best interest of everyone that the celebration be rescheduled to a later date. The committee has decided to move the St. Francis Feast to next year, October 4, 2021. This decision was made in mutual agreement with Pisinimo District, and with the support of the other District's St. Francis Committees.

Please pray for all of our safety and that a cure will soon be available.

Thank You, God Bless, and Stay Safe

**Hikiwan District St. Francis Committee Chairperson**

**Michael Montano**

## THE AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY HAS ONE (1) VACANCY FOR THE AK-CHIN ELECTION COMMITTEE

**OPEN TO AK-CHIN COMMUNITY MEMBERS ONLY**

**Reminder: Community Members can only serve on three (3) Boards or Commissions or Committees maximum at any given time.**

**All Election Committee members shall meet the following qualifications:**

1. Not an elected official of the Ak-Chin Indian Community Council; and
2. Not a candidate, or the immediate family member of a candidate, for Community Council office; and
3. An enrolled member of the Community; and
4. At least twenty-one (21) years of age or older; and
5. Able and willing to perform all duties and functions, including being physically present during all elections.
6. If selected, shall conduct duties pursuant to the Election Code, 5.2.4 – Authority and Responsibility and all other responsibilities under the Ak-Chin Election Code.

**Requirements:** Must be an enrolled Community Member. All interested individuals who are employed with the Community must submit documentation from their supervisor allowing the employee to serve on the Election Committee. In your letter of interest, please note which Board, Commission or Committee you currently serve on, and when your term expires.

**Please send all letters of interest Attn:**  
Ak-Chin Community Council  
Victoria A. Smith  
42507 W. Peters & Nall Rd.  
Maricopa, Arizona 85138

**OPEN UNTIL FILLED**

## THE AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY HAS TWO (2) VACANCIES FOR THE PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION

**Vacancy for Ak-Chin Community Members only**

**Reminder: Community Members can only serve on three (3) Boards or Commissions or Committees maximum at any given time.**

**Duties & Responsibilities of the Planning and Zoning Commission:**

1. Prepare plans for the Ak-Chin Indian Community, which are directed toward the best development of the Community.
2. Make and recommend policy to the Community Council in areas of physical and social development.
3. Evaluate and recommend necessary rules and regulations as provided by Ak-Chin law.
4. Hear and make recommendations to Community Council, but not limited to, applications for Special Use Permits, Preliminary and Site Development Plans, Zoning Amendments, and General Plan Amendments
5. Prepare for and attend all meetings of the Commission except as provided otherwise in the Commission's Bylaws
6. Conduct themselves according to the Codes of Conducts of the Commission.

**REQUIREMENTS:** Must be an enrolled Community Member. All interested parties who desire to serve on the Planning & Zoning Commission must send a letter of interest to the Tribal Office. Enrolled Community employees must submit documentation from their supervisor allowing them to serve on the Ak-Chin Planning & Zoning Commission. In your letter of interest, please note which Board, Commission or Committee you currently serve on, and when your term expires.

**Please send all letters of interest Attn:**  
Ak-Chin Community Tribal Council  
ATTN: Victoria A. Smith  
42507 W. Peters & Nall Road  
Maricopa, AZ 85138

**Deadline is Friday, August 14, 2020**



## What should I do if...

I've been in close contact with someone...

### What counts as "close contact?"

- You spent a PROLONGED period of time in the same room.
- You had DIRECT PHYSICAL CONTACT with the person (e.g., kissing, hugging).
- You SHARED eating or drinking utensils with them.
- You came into contact with their RESPIRATORY SECRETIONS (e.g., they coughed on you).

...who has tested positive for COVID-19?

...who is being tested?

...and IS experiencing symptoms?

...but IS NOT experiencing any symptoms (yet)?

...who might have been exposed...

...who has been in close contact with someone ELSE who might have been exposed?

Self-quarantine AND self-monitor

Self-monitor AND practice social distancing

Practice social distancing

### What if I have symptoms?

If you are experiencing symptoms, such as fever, dry cough, or difficulty breathing, call....



**Ak-Chin Indian Community**

**COVID-19 CORONAVIRUS INFORMATION LINE**

**520-568-1265**

If you are having a medical emergency please call 911

## How do I...

### ...self-quarantine?

**STAY HOME** for 14 days.  
**AVOID CONTACT** with other people.  
**DON'T SHARE** household items.

### ...self-monitor?

**BE ALERT** for symptoms of COVID-19, especially a dry cough or shortness of breath.  
**TAKE YOUR TEMPERATURE** every morning and night, and write it down.  
**CALL** a doctor if you have trouble breathing or a fever (temperature of 100.4°F or 38°C).  
**DON'T** seek medical treatment without calling first!

### ...practice social distancing?

**STAY HOME** as much as possible.  
**DON'T** physically get close to people/ try to stay at least 6 feet away.  
**DON'T** hug or shake hands.  
**AVOID** groups of people and frequently touched surfaces.

### Practice great hygiene!

**WASH** your hands frequently  
**AVOID TOUCHING** your face  
**WIPE DOWN** frequently touched surfaces regularly

Learn more at: [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)



**Virtual GLOW RUN 5K**  
8.20.20 - 8.30.20

**HERE'S THE DETAILS:**

- 1) COMPLETE REGISTRATION FORM AND SUBMIT TO HEALTH EDUCATION, REGISTRATION AVAILABLE AUGUST 15TH.
- 2) WALK/RUN YOUR 5K AND RECORD YOUR TIME USING AN APP OR PHOTOS. (COMPLETE ANY DAY AUGUST 20TH - AUGUST 30TH)
- 3) SUBMIT YOUR 5K COMPLETION FORM BY AUGUST 31ST AND RECEIVE YOUR POST RACE ITEMS.

TOP FINISHERS FOR MEDAL PLACEMENT WILL BE AWARDED. YOU WILL RECEIVE A \$10 GIFT CARD FOR PARTICIPATION, A VEKOL VOUCHER AND T-SHIRT.

ALL PARTICIPANTS WILL BE ENTERED INTO RAFFLE. OPEN TO AK-CHIN COMMUNITY MEMBERS, RESIDENTS, EMPLOYEES AND THEIR FAMILIES. OPEN TO ALL AGES!

**LET'S GLOW CRAZY!**

OPEN TO AK-CHIN MEMBERS, RESIDENTS, EMPLOYEES & THEIR FAMILIES

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT HEALTH EDUCATION AT (520) 568-1080 OR MGUY@AK-CHIN.NSN.US



**Check Out the Community's Website new look at**  
**[www.ak-chin.nsn.us](http://www.ak-chin.nsn.us)**

**Let us know what you think at**  
**[info@ak-chin.nsn.us](mailto:info@ak-chin.nsn.us)**



AK-CHIN HEALTH EDUCATION PRESENTS

**YOGA SESSIONS**

WITH VICKIE KUCHINSKI

**NOW VIRTUAL!!**  
**JOIN IN FROM HOME WITH ZOOM**  
Every Tuesday  
7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Classes extended to AUGUST 25th

All levels welcome.  
Classes open to Ak-Chin Members, Residents, and Employees and their families.  
If interested, please email Health Education, we will provide details.  
For questions, please call Health Education at (520) 568-1085.

Ak-Chin Health Education Program

## Billy Mills Announces Sixth Cohort of "Dreamstarter Teachers"

*Running Strong for American Indian Youth Selects Nine Educators for Native Education Grants*

Washington, DC -- Today, Oglala Lakota (Sioux) runner Billy Mills, co-founder of Running Strong for American Indian Youth and Olympic gold medalist, announced the sixth class of Dreamstarter Teachers to receive grants to support the educational needs of Native students. Nine educators were chosen from an outstanding pool of applicants. They span seven states and serve students from at least eight tribal nations.

"Teachers and educators who inspire Native youth have chosen a sacred path," said Mills, who grew up on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota. "Especially now, we need creative, strong teachers for our youth to guide them through a school year like none other before. I'm proud to support their bright futures and dedication through Dreamstarter Teacher."

The sixth class of Dreamstarter Teacher includes:

- Jenna LaViolette (neè Smith), a 2016 Dreamstarter who is now a teacher in Pawhuska, OK, revitalizing the history of Native ballet dance in her Osage community; and
- Candis Yazzie from the Navajo Nation in Arizona, who will teach her K-5 students traditional soap-making methods; the science behind hand-washing; and a hands-on engineering project to create portable handwashing stations; and
- Benjamin England, who lives on the Colville Indian Reservation in Washington State where 90 percent of students are enrolled or descendants of tribal members will encourage healthy quarantine lifestyles with a classroom pedometer challenge; and
- Joe Dukepoo, a math teacher at Round Valley Middle School in Covelo, CA, who will provide STEM enrichment to his students in demonstrating Native cultural activities; and
- Kelly Silk, a fourth grade teacher for Standing Rock Sioux students in Great Falls, MT, who will provide students with flexible seating choices to encourage productivity during the school day; and
- John Twichel, a STEM middle school teacher in Sault Ste Marie who

teaches his Sault Tribe students teamwork through coding and robotics programming; and

- Misty Krohn at the Colville Confederated Tribes Reservation in Coulee Dam, WA, who will widen her kindergarteners' horizons through diversified reading choices; and
- Olivia Penny-Nicholson, who will include cultural life skills to her Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians classroom with crafts and reading in Cherokee, NC; and
- Connie Michael, a fifth grade teacher at Crow Agency Public School in Billings, MT on the Crow Reservation, who will use her grant to build a home economics curriculum to teach students how to shop and prepare healthy food, budget, and measuring lessons.

The full list of this class of Dreamstarter Teachers and their projects can be found on the Running Strong website: <https://indianyouth.org/2020-2021-dreamstarter-teachers/>.

Dreamstarter Teacher provides grants to Native or non-Native educators and school support staff serving Native students. Grants can be used for a wide variety of purposes educators need for their classrooms, such as educational resource materials, supplies, equipment, professional development, field trips, or stipends for bringing community liaisons into the classroom.

On October 14, 1964, Billy Mills won the 10,000 meter race at the Tokyo Olympics in an upset, come-from-behind victory that in has been repeatedly named the greatest race of all time. Ever since, his story has been an inspiration to Native youth and all Americans. Mills is still the only person from the Western hemisphere ever to win that event. He co-founded Running Strong for American Indian Youth to help others live their dreams.

Additional information about Dreamstarter programs, including application information, can be found at [www.IndianYouth.org/Dreamstarter](http://www.IndianYouth.org/Dreamstarter).



# Wear a mask: Save a life

## Learn more:



<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/cloth-face-cover-guidance.html>

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



**HealthCare.gov**





# HEALTH ALERT

## NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

# AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY

## COVID-19 TESTING BLITZ

### Ak-Chin Justice Complex

45525 W. Farrell Road, Maricopa, AZ 85139

**Tuesday, August 25 - Thursday August 27, 2020**  
**8am - 12pm and 5pm - 7pm**

In an effort to contain the spread of COVID-19, GRHC is following the CDC's recommendation for conducting COVID-19 testing on a recurring basis.

#### Who should get tested?

All Ak-Chin members, and those residing within the Ak-Chin Indian Community boundaries.

- Drive thru testing available
- Tribal ID required for adults, not required for minors accompanied by parent/guardian
- If taking blood thinners, inform testing staff prior to testing
- Transportation provided for eligible members. To schedule, call (520) 562-3321 ext 1384, before 2 p.m. the business day prior

**For test result information, please call:**  
**(602) 528-3378**



FOR GENERAL INFO ABOUT CORONAVIRUS, GO TO [GRHC.ORG/CORONAVIRUS](https://grhc.org/coronavirus)  
 OR CALL THE GRHC CORONAVIRUS HOTLINE AT (520) 550-6079



### SCHOOL PHYSICALS & IMMUNIZATION REMINDER

**Taking Appointments Now!**

To schedule an appointment, call  
 HHKMH 520-562-3321 ext. 1495, or for KHC 520-550-6060

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

**CLOSED MONDAY, 9/7/2020 - LABOR DAY**  
**CLOSED FRIDAY, 9/18/2020 - NATIVE AMERICAN DAY**



## Flower Making from Home

Due to Covid 19, this years Flower Making Session will be offered as a home based project. Participants can make flower wreaths from the comfort of their home. Session will run from July 21 - October 26, 2020.

A bag of supplies will be provided upon request. Each bag will contain enough supplies to complete 5 or 10 wreaths. Bags can be dropped off at your home, or picked up at the Art Building. Finished wreaths can also be picked up or dropped off.

**Please schedule a time to pick up, deliver or return. Schedule time is between 9:00 am - 3:00 pm, Delivery is within the Ak-Chin Indian Community boundaries. (Open to all Members & Residents)** If you are interested in participating, please call the Him-Dak Museum @ 520-568-1350.

Finished wreaths will be distributed at the Ak-Chin grave site, on All Souls Day.

## August Community Birthdays

7 Haylee Delma Joanne Stephens Daniel White Alicia Gomez	Christopher Vincent Lashey White Virginia Mejia Joseph R. Zabawa	23 Jacoby Warren Dorissa Garcia
8 Raiden James	17 Chaning Hoffman Johnny Perkins	24 Jeffrey Manuel Michael Peters Jr.
9 Stephanie Vincent Joanna Acoſta	18 Juan Lopez George Lopez	25 Janaya Lopez
11 Jessica Corella Tommy Pablo Christian Soliz William Narcia	19 Florine Vincent Delora Vincent Amanda Narcia Owen Santiago Jasmine Kaniatobe Lisa Miller Anthony Narcia Sr.	26 Denise Lewis
12 Ava Quinonez Joshua Zepeda Rocio Caſtro	21 Sharon Pablo Armida Mattia Colleen Padilla Doria Garcia	27 Andrew Narcia
13 King-Benzie Peters Arrow Bowman Azalyana White	22 Lorice Manuel Cruz Machado Nancy Carlyle Reginald Delores Michelle Narcia	28 Jacob Vincent Jr. Stacey Smith Delila Villegas Wilson Antone Darren Peters Stewart Peters
15 Daniel Pablo	30 Candi Chavez Arnulfo Bandin, III Amare Santiago Amiyah Deleon	29 Frankie Carlyle
16 Virginia Thomas David Oliver Brandon Dean	31 Miſty Quintero	

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO MY GRANDSONS  
CHRISTIAN, KING, JOSEPH, JUAN  
AND MY GRANDDAUGHTER JOANNA  
LOVE, GRANDMA**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY CHRISTIAN "PERCY" SOLIZ  
HOPE YOUR SPECIAL DAY IS A GOOD ONE!  
CELEBRATE IT WITH SUPER-DUPER FUN!**

**LOVE, MOM, DANIEL, AUBREY BABY DJ, GRANDMA,  
BA'PA, LUMA, ALL YOUR AUNTIES, UNCLES & OLLIE**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR GODSON JOHNNY  
LOVE GODDADDY AND GODMAMA**

## AUGUST EMPLOYEE BIRTHDAYS

7th Jeffrey Looper, Transit Jacob Dickerson, Maintenance	16 Rudy Aguirre, TGA	27th Blanca Briones, Human Resources Michelle Garcia, Early Childhood Gary Carr, Maintenance
8th Melanie Toledo, Library Charles Babine, TGA Tracy Zimmerman, Capital Projects	17th Chaning Hoffman, EPD	28th Darren Peters, Fire & Safety Wilson Antone, Library
9th Narciso Schweitzer, EPD	21st Dale Vance, Fire & Safety Crystal Cantu, Maintenance Daniel Mercado, IS	29th Candi Chavez, Sanitation Christopher Johnston, IS Liane Iglesias, Education
11th Allison Butler, Transit	23rd Dorissa Garcia, Enrollment Jose Lopez, Security Guard	30th Sheryl Grothe, Law & Order
13th Gregory Porto, Fire & Safety	24th Brenice Kaisem, Law & Order Jeffrey Manuel, Parks & Recreation	
15th Matthew Millo, Public Defender Sergio Romero, Housing	26th Lorenzo Holcomb, Law & Order	

*It's back to school!*  
*Does your child have a car seat?*  
*We want to make sure your kiddo is*  
*Safe and Secure on the Roadways* ❤️

For information to Set-up your one-on-one appointment  
Call the Injury Prevention Program at 520-568-1087 or email Teri De La Cruz  
TDeLaCruz@ak-chin.nsn.us



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Chromebook  
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CALL THE LIBRARY TO ADD YOUR NAME TO THE LIST TO BORROW A CHROMEBOOK. VERIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT IS REQUIRED. (I.E. COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES, TRADE AND VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS). PLEASE CALL 520-568-1675 FOR MORE INFORMATION. AVAILABLE TO AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY MEMBERS & RESIDENTS ONLY.

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Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records

**Virtual Paint Night!**  
with Kauli Wilson  
Thursday, August 13, 2020

CLASS WILL BE HELD ON GOOGLE MEETS.  
FIRST 10 PEOPLE 16+ TO SIGN UP & PAY. \*NO REFUNDS.  
\$20 PER PERSON.  
PAYMENT DUE DURING ART SUPPLY PICKUP. NO EXCEPTIONS.  
PICK-UP @ LIBRARY BEFORE AUGUST 13TH!

The following supplies will be provided:  
• Canvas  
• Pallets  
• Paint  
Supplies you will need (Not provided):  
• Brushes (12 wash, 6 round, 1 round)  
• Water cup with water  
• Easel  
• Paper Towel (or rag)  
• Apron (optional)

Be creative from the comfort of your home!

CONTACT BRI PETERS:  
EMAIL: BPETERS2@AK-CHIN.NSN.US

OPEN TO AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY MEMBERS & RESIDENTS ONLY.

**Summer Reading Kids Kindles**

**IMPORTANT INFO!**

**\*\*ALL PARENTS MUST HAVE A LIBRARY CARD IN GOOD STANDING\*\***  
Call Library to inquire if you have fines to pay.  
Parent/Guardian must have a personal Amazon account.

- Kids Kindles is an IMLS Grant project; Parent/Guardians have to commit to calling the Library staff and provide feedback regarding your child(ren) reading.
- Last chance to sign up for summer reading (Deadline to sign up August 7th, 2020).
- Must be signed up in Summer Reading.
- July 27th-July 31st: ACIC Member & Resident's child(ren) grades 1-6 checkout week.
  - One Kindle per household.
- After August 1st: Employee children (grades 1-6) can check out a Kids Kindle.
- Library staff will add eBook apps to Kids Kindles before leaving the Library for children to read at home.
- Parent/Guardian: Make an appointment and bring your child(ren) to checkout a Kids Kindle.
- If Parent/Guardians do not have wi-fi at home, Library staff can download eBooks on Kids Kindles.
- Children can return with Kindles to the Library if they need additional books.
- Anyone 13 and over can sign up for a Pinal County Library Virtual Card: <https://www.pinalcountylaz.gov/Departments/Library/Pages/VirtualLibraryCardApplication.aspx>

**Call Library @ (520) 568-1675**  
**LOST/DAMAGE ITEM REPLACEMENT COST: \$60**

Call Library @ (520)568-1675 to get your Child(ren) on the checkout list!

**Summer Reading Kids Kindles**

AVAILABLE FOR CHECKOUT BEGINNING MONDAY, JULY 27TH!

\*Please see Kids Kindles Document for information on eligibility.

THE AK-CHIN LIBRARY NOW HAS KIDS KINDLES AVAILABLE FOR OUR SUMMER READING PARTICIPANTS! GRADES 1-6

**WHY SHOULD I CHECK OUT A KIDS KINDLE FOR MY CHILD?**  
- WE WANT TO HELP OUR SUMMER READING PARTICIPANTS REACH THEIR 1,000 MINUTES OF READING GOAL!

Kids Kindles available to Ak-Chin Library Summer Reading Program Children only.



## Chairman Miguel goes back to his Runner roots!

On Friday, July 3, Chairman Robert "Bob" Miguel assisted the Runner staff with the delivery of the Runner's 11th issue. He insisted on delivering to the 300+ homes in the Community, a job he truly enjoyed before getting elected to Council. Be on the look out this Friday, as you may catch a glimpse of Bob delivering once again. Thank you Chairman - from the Runner!!!



## ASHLEY MENNE AND GEORGE RUBELSKY TAKE HOME TOP HONORS AT THE MARICOPA JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP



Ashley Menne, left; wins with a 9-under-par 135. George Rubelsky, right; wins with a 3-under-par 141.

PHOENIX—George Rubelsky of Phoenix fired 3-under-par 141 to win the Boys Championship division at the Maricopa Junior Championship, held July 30-31 at Ak-Chin Southern Dunes Golf Club.

After a first-round, 3-over-par 75, Rubelsky started the final round six strokes off the pace set by defending champion, Alan Quezada, of Phoenix.

Rubelsky quickly made up ground in the second round with five birdies over six holes, 3-8, and picked up two more on 11 and 13 to card a tournament-low, 6-under 66.

It was enough for a two-stroke win over second place finisher Noah Nuez of Laveen, who shot steady rounds of 72-71 to finish at 1-under-par

143. Rajveer Sethi (74-72) of Chandler, Camden Braidech (74-72) of Scottsdale, Ethan Klose (71-75) of Phoenix, and Nicklaus Ummel (71-75) of Scottsdale all finished tied for third place at 2-over-par 146.

In the wake of a win July 16 at the AJGA Junior at River Crossing, Ashley Menne of Surprise set a fast pace in the first round with a bogey-free, 6-under 66, and followed with a 3-under 69 to defend her title in the Girls Championship division by nine strokes at 9-under-par 135.

Menne and second-place finisher, Breyana Matthews, of Scottsdale will soon be teammates on the ASU Women's Golf team in the fall.

She shot 73-71—144 to finish

at even par 144, and Makenna Cabardo of Scottsdale made a late run at second place with birdies at 15 and 16, before finishing one stroke behind Matthews in third place at 1-over par (73-72).

Michael Kuhl (78-72) of Scottsdale and Kendall (76-74) McCain of Flagstaff – who made and eagle-2 on the par-4 5<sup>th</sup> hole in the second round – tied for first place in the Boys 15-18 Division at 6-over-par 150 (no playoffs due to COVID-19 precautions). Oscar Uribe of Scottsdale won the Boys 13-14 Division at 2-under par (71-71—142). Joseph Nelson of Gilbert shot 3-over-par 75 (36-39) to win the Boys 11-12 Division. Devan Tahmahkera of Tempe won in the Boys 10 and Under division with a score of 26-over-par 98 (45-53).

Kaylin Johnson of Geneva, Illinois won in the Girls 15-18 division at 7-over par (77-74—151). Alexis Vakasiuola of San Tan Valley finished with a final-round 69 to win the Girls 13-14 division at 1-over par (76-69—145). Kylie KupperSmith of Gilbert and Cynthia Lang of Chandler shot matching scores of 10-over par, 42-40—82 to tie for first place in the Girls 11-12 division. And Hannah Nguyen of Phoenix won in the Girls 10 and Under division at 12-over-par 84 (42-42).

For more information JGAA, visit [www.jgaa.org](http://www.jgaa.org) or call 602-944-6168.

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# ARROYO GRILLE

at Ak-Chin Southern Dunes Golf Club

## HOT DEAL COOL PRICE

### MONDAY SPECIALS

- \$5 BREAKFAST SPECIAL EGGS, BACON, HASHBROWNS
- \$5 LUNCH SPECIAL CHEESEBURGER A LA CARTE

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 8/30/20.

(520) 426 - 6832 [ARROYOGRILLE.COM](http://ARROYOGRILLE.COM)

# ARROYO GRILLE

at Ak-Chin Southern Dunes Golf Club

## TroonFIT

Entrées Under 500 kcal  
LIGHT ON CALORIES & HEAVY ON FLAVOR!

### GRILLED SALMON

court bouillon, lemon, olive oil, chives with tomato, cucumber & asparagus salad

### TURKEY WRAP

smoked turkey, lettuce and tomato served with fresh fruit

### SHRIMP COCKTAIL

four large shrimp served with house made cocktail sauce

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# Harrah's AK-CHIN CASINO

## AUGUST 2020

### CAESARS REWARDS

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<h2>TIER CREDIT MULTIPLIER</h2> <p>SUNDAY, AUGUST 2 &amp; SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 2020 · PROMOTIONAL KIOSKS · 8AM - 11:59PM</p> <p>RECEIVE FROM 3X UP TO A 50X TIER CREDIT MULTIPLIER BY SWIPING YOUR CAESARS REWARDS® CARD AT ANY DESIGNATED PROMOTIONAL KIOSK!</p>						<h3>1</h3> <p>1</p> <p>GIFT CARD GIVEAWAY</p>
<h3>2</h3> <p>TOP SECRET TIER CREDIT MULTIPLIER</p> <p>REWARD CREDIT BONANZA</p>	<h3>3</h3> <p>BOOK YOUR NEXT PLAYCATION!</p>	<h3>4</h3> <p>BELLA RUSSO BEDDING SET GIVEAWAY</p>	<h3>5</h3> <p>BELLA RUSSO BEDDING SET GIVEAWAY</p>	<h3>6</h3> <p>USE YOUR REWARD CREDITS® AT THE GIFT SHOP</p>	<h3>7</h3> <p>ACES FULL CASH SWEEPSTAKES</p> <p>PLATINUM PROGRESSIVE REWARD CREDIT MULTIPLIER</p> <p>REWARD CREDIT BONANZA</p>	<h3>8</h3> <p>EARN &amp; GET PYREX® GLASSWARE SET GIVEAWAY</p> <p>PLATINUM PROGRESSIVE REWARD CREDIT MULTIPLIER</p> <p>REWARD CREDIT MULTIPLIER</p>
<h3>9</h3> <p>PLATINUM PROGRESSIVE REWARD CREDIT MULTIPLIER</p> <p>REWARD CREDIT BONANZA</p>	<h3>10</h3> <p>ASK A DEALER TO TEACH YOU HOW TO PLAY PAI GOW!</p>	<h3>11</h3> <p>BELLA RUSSO BEDDING SET GIVEAWAY</p>	<h3>12</h3> <p>BELLA RUSSO BEDDING SET GIVEAWAY</p>	<h3>13</h3> <p>MAKE A SPLASH INTO SOMETHING AMAZING!</p>	<h3>14</h3> <p>REWARD CREDIT BONANZA</p>	<h3>15</h3> <p>TOP SECRET TIER CREDIT MULTIPLIER</p>
<h3>16</h3> <p>REWARD CREDIT BONANZA</p>	<h3>17</h3> <p>WHETHER IT'S BREAKFAST OR MOUTHFULS OF SAVORY STEAK, YOU'LL BE SATISFIED AT ANY OF OUR RESTAURANTS!</p>	<h3>18</h3> <p>BELLA RUSSO BEDDING SET GIVEAWAY</p>	<h3>19</h3> <p>BELLA RUSSO BEDDING SET GIVEAWAY</p>	<h3>20</h3> <p>CHECK OUT THE SPECIALS AT BINGO</p>	<h3>21</h3> <p>DIAMOND PROGRESSIVE REWARD CREDIT MULTIPLIER</p> <p>REWARD CREDIT BONANZA</p>	<h3>22</h3> <p>DIAMOND PROGRESSIVE REWARD CREDIT MULTIPLIER</p>
<h3>23</h3> <p>DIAMOND PROGRESSIVE REWARD CREDIT MULTIPLIER</p> <p>REWARD CREDIT BONANZA</p>	<h3>24</h3> <p>RESERVE THE EVENTS CENTER FOR YOUR 2021 CELEBRATION!</p>	<h3>25</h3> <p>BELLA RUSSO BEDDING SET GIVEAWAY</p>	<h3>26</h3> <p>BELLA RUSSO BEDDING SET GIVEAWAY</p>	<h3>27</h3> <p>MAKE A PLAY FOR A MEMORABLE WEEKEND AT YOUR PILLOW-TOP RETREAT!</p>	<h3>28</h3> <p>SEVEN STARS® PROGRESSIVE REWARD CREDIT MULTIPLIER</p> <p>REWARD CREDIT BONANZA</p>	<h3>29</h3> <p>SEVEN STARS® PROGRESSIVE REWARD CREDIT MULTIPLIER</p>
<h3>30</h3> <p>SEVEN STARS® PROGRESSIVE REWARD CREDIT MULTIPLIER</p> <p>REWARD CREDIT BONANZA</p>	<h3>31</h3> <p>THE TABLES ARE HOT AND THE DRINKS ARE POURED COLD!</p>	<h2>ACES FULL CASH SWEEPSTAKES</h2> <p>FRIDAY, AUGUST 7, 2020 · PROMOTIONAL KIOSKS · 10AM - 8:45PM</p> <p>SWIPE FOR A CHANCE TO WIN YOUR SHARE OF OVER \$20,000 IN CASH PRIZES!</p>				