



Arizona Treasurer Kimberly Yee visits Ak-Chin Community

Article by Runner Staff, submitted photo



Ak-Chin Vice Chairman Gabriel Lopez, Arizona State Treasurer Kimberly Yee and Ak-Chin Council member Lisa Garcia at the tribal headquarters on

The Ak-Chin Indian Community leadership welcomed Arizona State Treasurer Kimberly Yee to the Community on Thursday, July 18. Elected into office in November 2018, Treasurer Yee began her term in January 2019 and has been visiting Arizona's Indian tribes and other organizations.

The first Asian American elected to a state-wide office in Arizona, Treasurer Yee is the state's chief banking and investment officer, "she safeguards

approximately \$15 billion in assets and stewards the cash management of Arizona's \$40 billion state budget and related payments to state agencies, local governments and public schools. As Treasurer, she also serves as the Chairman of the State Board of Investment and the State Loan Commission and is a member of the State Land Selection Board," according to the state official website.

Formerly a State Representative representing District #20 from 2013 -

2019, Treasurer Yee met with Ak-Chin Vice-Chairman Gabriel Lopez and Council member Lisa Garcia at Ak-Chin tribal headquarters. After her visit, she posted a photo on social media saying she enjoyed her visit to Ak-Chin "and looks forward to future partnerships with the Community."

To learn more about Treasurer Yee or current state treasury news visit <https://aztreasury.gov/>.

Chairman Miguel elected Vice-President of Inter-Tribal Association of Arizona

Article by Runner Staff, submitted photo



L-R: President - Bernadine Burnette (President - Ft. McDowell Yavapai-Apache Nation), Secretary - Dr. Damon R. Clarke (Chairman - Hualapai Tribe) and Vice-President - Robert Miguel (Chairman - Ak-Chin Indian Community). Swearing in the new administration is Judge Sierra Russell - Councilwoman Yavapai-Apache Nation.

On Thursday, July 18th, Ak-Chin Chairman Robert Miguel was elected amongst his peers of Tribal Leaders from throughout Arizona as the new Vice-President of the Inter-Tribal Association of Arizona (ITAA, formerly the Inter-Tribal Council of Arizona) during their annual retreat which took place at the Poco Diablo Resort in Sedona, Arizona.

Chairman Miguel and other elected officials which included, ITAA President Bernadine Burnette, Ft.

McDowell President, and ITAA Secretary/Treasurer Dr. Damon R. Clarke, Hualapai Tribal Chairman, who all took their Oath of Office before Judge Siera Russell, Yavapai-Apache Nation Council member.

Not present was ITAA 2nd Vice-President-elect Terry Rambler, Chairman of the San Carlos Apache Tribe.

The newly elected officials were actually elected during a meeting at the ITAA offices in Phoenix weeks prior to

officially taking their oaths in Sedona.

Chairman Miguel was deeply honored and speechless when he was elected.

"To have the confidence, faith, (and) support of leadership from other tribes is truly a privilege," he said. "I can't say enough of their continued support of me, this will truly go down as one of the highlights of my tenure. It speaks volumes when you are chosen by respected and more experienced leaders

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Sherman Indian High School presents at Ak-Chin Education

Article and photos by C. Picciuolo



Karlene Clifford M.S., PPS and cultural/traditional leader Lori Sisquoc discuss the benefits and history of Sherman Indian School in Riverside, California.

Many Ak-Chin Indian Community members have attended or have had their children attend Sherman Indian School in Riverside, California, and now the school has come to ACIC for a visit.

The high school is federally funded through the Bureau of Indian Education (BIE),

within the United States Department of Interior, and is of no cost to American Indian students to attend.

The visit was hosted by the Ak-Chin Education Department. Out of district counselor at Ak-Chin Education Department, Yolanda Miranda, M. Ed, invited employees of the Ak-

Chin Language Department to sing a traditional song, which was described as a blessing/prayer, for the school as a thank you for their warm welcome when she visited for a graduation.

Ak-Chin language technician Lusan Enos talked to everyone in the room about her experience as an alum.

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Summer Harvesting

Article by R. Peters and Photo by C. Picciuolo



During a Friday delivery of the Runner newspaper in the Community, photojournalists Chris Picciuolo and Justine Peters stopped to capture a summer harvesting of silage corn in one of the fields just west of Ak-Chin Headquarters.

The photo shows the corn silage being chopped by a

self-propelled chopper which is then blown into a trailer. The harvesting and hauling are contracted by Robinson Farms, who harvests corn, wheat, barley, and sorghum in Arizona, New Mexico, and west Texas.

"The corn was planted March 1st," shared Steve Coester, Ak-Chin Farm Manager. "It

has been sold to a dairy and will be shipped to the dairy as needed. Approximately 135,000 tons of corn silage were grown this year. At this time, we haven't decided what will be grown in this field next year but will probably (be) barley or cotton."

July Community Gathering focuses on bahidag harvest

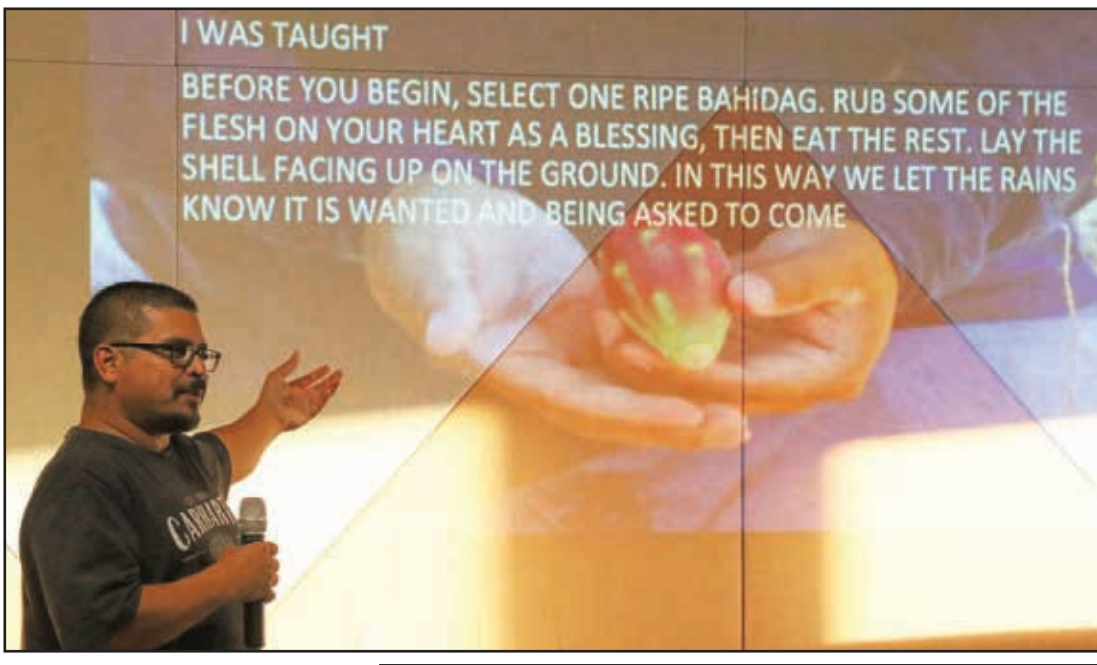
Story and photos by Runner staff

With the monsoon looming around the Community and visible through the glass windows and doors of the Ak-Chin Service Center, Salt River Indian Community Garden Coordinator Jacob Butler shared a presentation on the Saguaro Harvest and Syrup Making to a packed audience of over fifty guests on Thursday, July 25.

Hosted by the Ak-Chin Language Program, the July Community Gathering was an evening filled with humor, culture, and a delicious meal prepared by the staff.

Jacob Butler is no stranger to Ak-Chin. Invited many times to Ak-Chin to talk on many topics or participate in tribal events, Salt River's own "O'odham Garden Guy" was well-informed on the subject at hand.

An artist who does etchings on shell necklaces, he explained that he uses the syrup to highlight his designs on the shells, soaking them. Often trading with members of the Tohono O'odham nation, a completed necklace for



July Community Gathering speaker Jacob Butler explains the bahidag harvest and syrup making at the Ak-Chin Service Center on Thursday, July 25.

RIGHT: Ak-Chin Education Director Dr. Mario Molina with wife Tanya extends goodwill to Ak-Chin elders George and Phyllis Lewis.

syrup, Jacob was encouraged to learn how to harvest from the saguaro or "bahidag," including learning to make the syrup or "sitol."



Salt River Indian Community has done an annual summer bahidag harvest for the past four years. This most recent year, he shared that they received help from Tohono O'odham members Michael Enis and Amy Juan. Explaining step by step,

Jacob's presentation was thoughtful, informative, showcasing their harvest success and explained simply in a "how-to" format with photos and Power point. Sincere and honest, he also touched on mistakes and lessons learned from those experiences.

He also opened his presentation by passing around a small jar of syrup where Gathering guests tried on their ce:mait (tortilla) or by itself. He mentioned that a small jar sells for forty bucks. But for Salt River, it is about getting their tribal members engaged in cultural activities. "It's a lot of work to make it," he said.

One of the first things done before a harvest is to make a kuipad, a large "hasan vapo" or saguaro rib that is used to collect fruit atop the high saguaros. Twine or metal tie wire is used to make the vapo.

As the kuipad are made, the next thing to consider is where to harvest. It is recommended that one keeps an eye on a potential site for several

weeks watching the hiosik or flower. When the hiosik dries, the fruit should swell and be ready for picking.

Appropriate dress is also encouraged. Jacob shared that some young participants would wear t-shirts, shorts and flip-flops. Hats, long sleeve shirts and pants will actually help one stay cool in the hot harvest weather.

Jacob also mentioned that he was taught that before he began to harvest he is to select one ripe bahidag and rub it on oneself as a blessing. The process is to let the rain know that it is wanted and being asked to come. He also shared that a harvest can not take place after the rains because the fruit would be spoiled.

The goal of a harvest is to gather five large buckets because the syrup making process will reduce the yield. He asks that harvesters look to assign everyone a task and taking turns to make it fun and enjoyable, and to make sure that no unripe bahidag is picked.

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Ak-Chin elders stay cool indoors with fun bingo games



Georgia Corella calls bingo numbers.

Story and photos by K. Morago

Ak-Chin elders have a variety of activities to stay cool this summer and on Wednesday, July 31 it was fun games of bingo after the noon meal at the Elder Center.

Ak-Chin Elder Center staff member Georgia Corella called numbers and nearly everyone won a prize that day. From soda, household items, and yummy snacks, it was a great afternoon to connect with everyone.

The next elder bingo will be held on Thursday, August 22 and be hosted by Oasis Pavilion. Other activities include projects in the elder crafts room, and movie outings.

Other events include a visit to the (Gila River) Sacaton Elders on Monday, August 26, and Ak-Chin Council Update on Tuesday, August 27. Please visit the Community Calendar on page 5 or contact the Elder Center at 568-1760.



Ak-Chin elders enjoy an afternoon of bingo.

Next generation of leaders start with Ak-Chin Youth Council, tentative Inauguration date set



A large sign in front of the Education/Library building guides young voters to the Youth Council election poll. *ACYC photo*

Story and photo by K. Morago

The Ak-Chin Youth Council held their Youth Council Elections in the Library multi-purpose room on Friday, July 12 from 8:00am - 6:00pm.

Ak-Chin youth ages 13 - 25, and enrolled members and/or other Native American youth who reside within the Community's boundaries, were encouraged to cast their ballot and vote.

Youth Council positions open included: President, Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer, High School Representative (one male, one female), and Middle School Representative (one male,

one female).

Since that day, the Ak-Chin Youth Council has been mum on sharing the results. "We still need to get confirmation regarding some of the officers for the Election," Youth Council Coordinator Marla Antone said.

There is a process where winners from the election need to be officially notified, accept the role and complete paperwork before they are sworn into Youth Council office later this month. A tentative date of Friday, August 23 for the Inauguration was mentioned, depending on final approval. A

meeting is also held with parents and guardians to explain Youth Council policies and expectations.

The Youth Council Coordinator is encouraging "anyone wanting to participate in this year's inauguration as a youth council member needs to have their application turned in by (Friday,) August 9," she

said. For parents and guardians who may have questions, a Parent Meeting to assist filling out packets is set for Wednesday, August 14.

To learn more about the upcoming inauguration or Youth Council activities, please contact the Youth Council office at 568-1038.



Dawn Fuentes gives Mylauni Antone a ballot.

Flower Making Session

Open to Ak-Chin Community Members, & Residents Who would like to participate in making crepe paper flower wreaths. All wreaths made are used for All Souls Day.

Program Starts:
August 6th - October 22nd
Every Tuesday

Time:
5:00 - 7:30 p.m

Place:
Him-Dak Art Building

TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED:
Pick up and drop off within the Community. Please call front desk by 4:30 pm for a ride.

For further information contact the Museum Staff @ (520) 568-1350

MENU

<p>Friday August 2 Nacho Bar, ice-cream</p> <p>Monday August 5 BBQ ribs, plain ribs (D), red potato (D), yams, salad, pineapples</p> <p>Tuesday August 6 Split peas, chicken stir fry (D), popovers, mixed vegetables, yogurt w/berries</p> <p>Wednesday, August 7 Tacos, Spanish rice zucchini w/cheese, cake</p> <p>Thursday August 8 Egg salad sandwich, tomato cucumber salad, wax beans, apples or oranges</p>	<p>Friday August 9 Cabbage stew, carrots - peas, biscuits, Jell-O</p> <p>Monday August 12 Ham sandwich, green beans, chips, Mandarin oranges or pears</p> <p>Tuesday August 13 Bean or chicken tostadas, corn on cob, sweet bread</p> <p>Wednesday August 14 Chicken patty sandwich, mixed vegetables, broccoli apples or oranges</p> <p>Thursday August 15 Spaghetti, alfredo (D), salad, Texas Toast, fruit cocktail</p>
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Planning Meeting for Pilgrimage/Walk to Mali:na

(Cedag Wauwai - Mali:na)

Saturday, August 3, 2019 @ 11:00am

Tohono O'odham Legislative Council Chambers
Sells, Arizona

Open to all interested individuals, new, returning & supporters are encouraged to attend.

New information & changes will be shared - Pot-luck

For information contact Louis @ (520) 993-0134

Family Art Night

Spend a fun evening with your family creating art together!
2 weeks, four sessions
Ak-Chin Him-Dak Art Building
5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, July 30th Thursday, August 1st
Tuesday, August 6th Thursday, August 8th

Pick a night, bring the family and create.

Open to all Ak-Chin members and residents.

Transportation provided within the community, please call before 4:30 for a ride. Further information, please call (520) 568-1350

Josh Turner, Lifehouse and Clink Black to perform at Harrah's Event Center

Story by Runner staff



CLINT BLACK

The Events Center at Harrah's Ak-Chin has been off to a great start. With nationally known, critically acclaimed and award-winning performers hitting the stage since its opening, top talent continues all summer long and into the fall.

Bell Biv Devoe Friday, August 30
Bell Biv Devoe (BBD), a breakaway group formed by members of the R&B group New Edition, will be bringing their electric sound to the Events Center at Harrah's Ak-Chin

Casino on Friday, August 30, 2019.

BBD, founded by R&B legends Ricky Bell, Michael Bivins and Ronnie DeVoe, was launched in 1989 with MCA Records.

The group's debut album, "Poison," was released in 1990 and was credited as pioneering an eclectic combination of hip hop, soul and pop music called "new jack swing." Poison reached number one on Billboard's R&B/Hip Hop chart,

with multiple singles from the album reaching number three on the Billboard Hot 100, including "Do Me!" and title track "Poison." The group is also known for dance-worthy singles including "B.B.D.," "When Will I See You Smile Again?" and "She's Dope!"

In 2016, the group released their first track in 15 years, "Run," following it up with a new album in 2017 called "Three Stripes." In recent years, BBD has also performed on

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SAVE the DATE: Saturday, September 28, 2019

N.A.R.D.
Native American Recognition Day

"Si Has E'lid Eg O'odham Neo'ok"
(Celebrating O'odham Language)

Milton "Paul" Antone Memorial Park
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

• Fun Run/Walk
(start at Youth Council/Enrollment Bldg. (Old Fire Station).
sign ups at 7:30am start at 8am)

• Dance Group Performances • Artist Demonstrations
• Information Booths • Food Vendors • Arts & Craft Vendors
• Watermelon Contest • Bouncy House • Face Painting

Information Booth and Food Vendors NEEDED!
Please contact the
Him-Dak Museum Office at: 520-568-1350

For more information please contact the Him-Dak Museum Office at 520-568-1350

who feel you have the ability to lead," he said.

"We now move forward and continue to support the 21 tribes in all efforts to continue in improving our way of life," Chairman Miguel shared after his oath ceremony.

The ITAA was established sixty-seven years ago to "...To provide its member tribes with a united voice and the means for united action on matters that affect them collectively or individually..." according to their official website.

"On July 9, 1975, the council established a private, non-profit corporation, Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, Inc. (ITCA), under the laws of the State of Arizona to promote Indian self-reliance through public policy development. ITCA provides an independent capacity to obtain, analyze and disseminate information vital to Indian community self-development."

"The members of ITCA are the highest elected tribal officials: tribal chairpersons, presidents and governors. These representatives are in the best position to have a comprehensive view of the conditions and needs of the Indian communities they represent. As a group, the

tribal leaders represent governments that have a shared historical experience. Consequently, the tribes have a common governmental status as well as similar relationships with federal and state governments. ITCA is governed by a Board of Directors composed of: Presidents, First Vice President, Second Vice President, and Secretary/Treasurer. The work of ITCA staff and consultants is carried out under the direction and supervision of Maria Dadgar, Executive Director," the website shares.

"ITCA operates more than 30 projects and employs a staff of 70 to provide on-going technical assistance and training to tribal governments in program planning and development, research and data collection, resource development, management and evaluation. In addition, the staff of ITCA organizes and conducts seminars, workshops, conferences and public hearings to facilitate participation of tribal leaders in the formulation of public policy at all levels. The goal of ITCA and its commitment to the member tribes is to ensure the self-determination of Indian tribal governments through their participation in the development of the policies and programs which affect their lives."

To learn more about ITAA, please visit their official website at <http://itcaonline.com/>.



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

If you have artwork, photos, poems or a great story that you would like to share, please contact us so we can include it in "YOUR" newspaper.

Also, if you have suggestions or comments about "YOUR" newspaper, let the Runner Staff know that too.

All submitted letters MUST be signed by the author and are limited to 200 words. Authors must also include their name, address, and phone number. Names can be omitted by request. Anonymous submissions will not be accepted.

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DEADLINE
Don't forget the DEADLINE for the August 16 - September 5, 2019 issue is due by **FRIDAY, AUGUST 9, 2019**. Please submit all announcements, wishes, etc. no later than **FRIDAY, AUGUST 9, 2019**. Any material submitted after the **AUGUST 9TH DEADLINE** Cannot be guaranteed placement. But, if appropriate and relevant, Will be included in the following issue.

A Miracle in Every Bucket! Aug 2-4

Make a \$5 donation to Phoenix Children's Hospital for a 5 gal bucket and receive 20% off* (almost) everything that fits in the bucket

ACE The helpful place.

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Order online for In-Store Pick UP at maricopaace.com
Store Hours: Monday - Saturday 7 a.m. - 7 p.m.
Sunday - 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Dear Parent/Guardian:
Attending school has a huge impact on student success. This year we want to make sure every student misses no more than 10 days of school per school year, or 1 day a month. We need your help!

Some Attendance Tips to Promote Student Learning:

- Make sure your students keep a regular bedtime and establish a morning routine so they are rested and alert when they get to school.
- Turn off all electronics including TVs, phones and tablets at bedtime.
- Make sure clothes and backpacks are ready the night before.
- Check with your school nurse or office staff if you are not sure about when to keep your child at home due to illness.
- Avoid scheduling vacations or doctor's appointments when school is in session. Early release is every Wednesday which helps when scheduling appointments. If there is no avoiding appointments during school hours, please schedule first thing in morning or late afternoon so your student can have as much school instruction as possible.
- Talk to advisors, teachers, or counselors for advice if your student feel anxious about going to school.
- Develop back up plans for getting to school if something comes up. Call on a family member, neighbor, or another parent to take your student to school. Education Department can provide 3 rides to school per semester.

****We are also developing some really cool rewards/incentives for your student if they maintain good attendance throughout the school year. Be on the lookout for upcoming announcement for the full details! Please let us know how we can best support you and your student so that they can show up for school on time every day. Have a great 2019-2020 School Year!**

Sincerely,
Liane Iglesias and Renee Carter
Ak-Chin Indian Community
Truancy Officers

WELCOME

BACK TO SCHOOL

For many children across the country the school bells have rung and classes are in session. The summer is gone and the seasonal adventures are now sweet memories to reflect on.

days of learning new things, solving new problems and making new friends. As kids prepare to tackle their first days of school we were lucky enough to get the following selfies from proud families.

Plenty of parents proudly watched their kids rise up to take on the new challenges the new school year has in store;

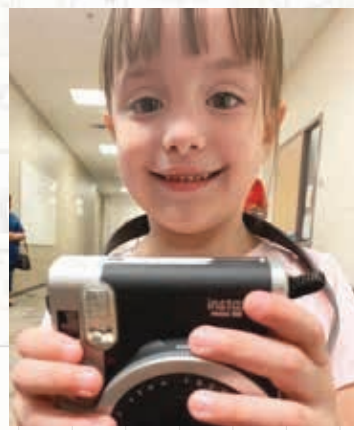
The Runner wishes all new and returning students a happy school year!



Adrian Montana.



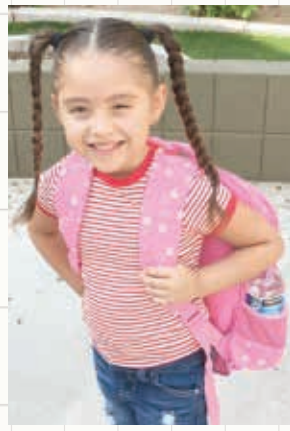
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Annabelle Gutierrez.



Brenley Hackney.



Chikis Rodarte.



Dante, King, and Tyler Peters.



Desiree Bernal and Nathan Bernal.



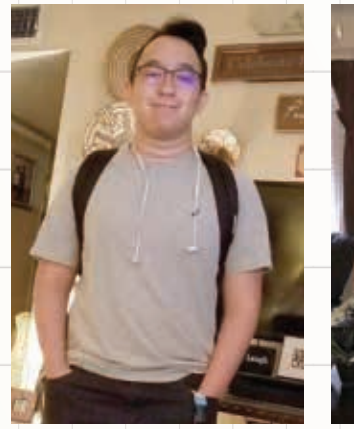
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Elizabeth and Isabella Antone.



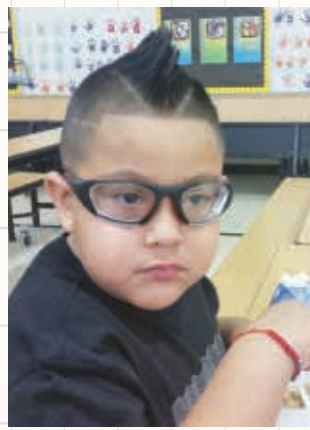
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Isaiah Aviles.



Kaylan Peters, Isaiah Peters and Kylie Carlyle.



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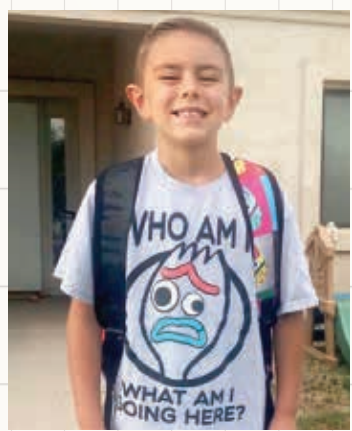
Larisa Rascon, Liliana Rascon, and Viviana Rascon.



Maddie Delores.



Mark Pablo Jr.



Mason Bowman.



Mateo and Antonio Rodriguez.

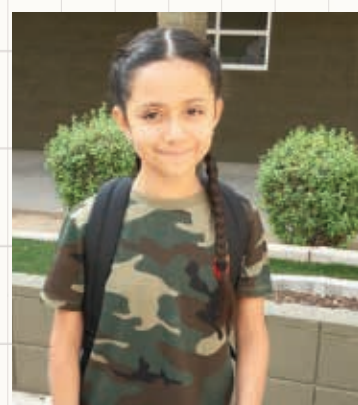


Reggie Delores.

"The more that you read, the more things you will know, the more that you learn, the more places you'll go."
Dr. Seuss



Ryleigh and Mayleigh Delores.



Sophie Languren.

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

Summer Reading Thank You

This is the 9th year the Ak-Chin Library has celebrated Summer Reading!!! Over the year, the Library celebrated with hosting a pool party, or if the Monsoon hit, the party would be moved indoors at the Library. Weather does not stop us from celebrating the kids who actively participate in our summer reading programs and logging in their reading minutes. The Summer Reading goal for everyone (youth and adults) is to read 1,000 minutes.

Vekol, Gayle Yarberry (our temp) and the parents and caregivers who continue to support the Library's efforts to keep the youth reading!!!

The Library enjoys being able to provide programs for the youth that will inspire them to read and become lifelong readers.

Twenty youth attended this year's pool party and braved the high temperatures.

Thank you to the following: Youth Council, the Ak-Chin Fire Department, Parks & Rec, the Lifeguards, Transit,



GAME HACKER

Article and photos by J. Peters



Game hacker Sophia Schweitzer reads Coding Games in Scratch to help complete the multiple tasks.

Game Hacker is one of Ak-Chin Library's programs that is helping the youth excel in computer coding and software configuration.

It has been increasing its educationally motivated program with every class, with new challenges assigned by Library Technician,

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Correction!

In issue 14, we accidentally listed Candida Upton as the 4th GED graduate of the year, when she was actually the 5th GED graduate of 2019.

The Runner would like to apologize for the mishap. Congratulations Candida and thank you to GED Instructor, Desiree Guarino for bringing this oversight to our attention.

Baby Time Announcement.

Attention all parents. Baby time will be taking a break and will be back in the Fall. More details about new start times will be coming in August. For any questions please call the Library 520-568-1675.

WASH AWAY FINES

July 18th - Aug 31st

*Each case of water donated will go towards your fines owed.

"Wash Away Fines" by donating a case of water to the Library.

"The whole purpose of education is to turn mirrors into windows." — Sydney J. Harris

Keeping young children active and encouraging outdoor play boosts learning

Submitted by: Michelle Reimer, First Things First

Recently, the American Academy of Pediatrics suggested doctors start prescribing play for young children. "Play supports the formation of the safe, stable, and nurturing relationships with all caregivers that children need to thrive," the report said.



Summer is a perfect opportunity to take a drive to escape the summer heat and incorporate some outdoor activities that allow toddlers and preschoolers to spend time outside exercising their bodies and minds.

Play in an outdoor, natural environment helps engage a young child's senses. First Things First reminds families that a nature trip doesn't have to be a far-off place, it could be a neighborhood park or local splash pads.

Here are a few activities to get you started:

- Go on a nature scavenger

hunt - think of things you might see while outside then use the list to collect items as you walk.

- Show your child how to explore the forest floor or grassy lawn.
- Point out bugs.
- Talk about what you see, hear and smell.
- Observe patterns in a stream or rainbows made by splashing water.
- Have a meal outside.

Parents are also encouraged to allow their child some time for free play, where the child chooses what activities to do that will allow their imagination and creativity to take over.

For more ways on how parents can support their little one's development and learning through play watch FTF's short video at <http://bit.ly/FTFplay>.

Use the information above to find some time to get outdoors with your infants, toddlers and preschoolers, so they can learn, grow and thrive.

About First Things First - First Things First is a voter-created, statewide organization that funds early education and health programs to help kids be successful once they enter kindergarten. Decisions about how those funds are spent are made by local councils staffed by community volunteers. To learn more, visit FirstThingsFirst.org

ATTENTION:
ENROLLED AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHOM YET TO ENROLL THEIR CHILD(REN)
New Enrollees must be at least 1/4 or more to be qualified for enrollment with Ak-Chin Indian Community.
FOR QUESTIONS OR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT ENROLLMENT OFFICE.

- What you need:**
- Complete Enrollment Application
 - Certified Birth Certificate
 - Social Security Card
 - Marriage License (If applicable)
 - Notarized Affidavit (If applicable)
- All forms can be filled out at the Enrollment Office.

Please keep contact information updated.
 IE: Change of Name, Marriage, Divorce, Change of Address & Contact Numbers.
 Please bring any supporting documents.
 IE: Court Documents

REMINDER: \$5.00 Fee for ID replacement.
BEWARE It's against the law to use someone's or sell your Tribal ID cards. These cards have your personal information on them. PLEASE TAKE CARE OF IT.

AK-CHIN TRIBAL ENROLLMENT
 Mailing Address: 42507 W. Peters & Nail Road Maricopa, Az. 85138
 Physical Address: 16472 North Maricopa Road Maricopa, Az. 85139
 (Corner of Farrell & SR 347 (Old Fire Station))

Pinal County Shelter Overcrowding Means Big Sale on Dogs and Cats

FLORENCE - There has been unexpected population explosion at the Pinal County Animal Care and Control Shelter. So much so, that the staff has placed a sign in front of the door telling people they are having a hard time accepting any more animals.

"We are approaching desperation mode," said Animal Care and Control Director Audra Michael. "We have around 340 dogs and about 50 cats. We are hoping people can see it in their heart to come in and adopt a new family member or even foster one."

Michael said that animal populations seem to drop from January through April, but this year, the amount of strays and drop-offs kept the staff at a frantic level during that time.

"We may have to start making some tough decisions, soon," Michael said.

To help bring the population down, the staff at Animal Care and Control are offering all dogs over seven months of age for only \$25.00 (that includes microchipping and shots). All cats over the age of seven months are offered for \$25.00 (that includes microchipping and shots).

The Pinal County Animal Care and Control Shelter is open T, Th and F 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday's and Wednesday's 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM and Saturday's 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Their website is: <https://goo.gl/G9iYUg> (Shortened URL). They can be found on Facebook @ [pinalcountyanimalcontrol](https://www.facebook.com/pinalcountyanimalcontrol). You can look for adoptable animals at www.petharbor.com.

Intermission Show With Chairman Robert Miguel
EXTREME MIDGET WRESTLING!
 RANDEST LIL SHOW!
 Coming To UltraStar
SEPTEMBER 7, 2019
 8pm - 10pm
 Purchase Tickets Online at UltraStarAZ.com or Box Office

Calling All Jewelry/Arts Vendors
October 21-25
Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino
 If you have any questions, please contact Vanessa Martinez at 760-651-5151 or at vanessam@sanpasqualtribe.org.

AUGUST COMMUNITY CALENDAR

AUGUST 2019

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

UPCOMING EVENTS
 Community Gathering Held at the Service Center, 6- 9PM
 Community Meeting Held at Ak-Chin Service Center, 6-8PM

ELDER CENTER INFORMATION
 Elder Center-520-568-1760
 Center Hours Monday-Friday 8 AM to 5 PM
 Breakfast 7:30 AM to 9 AM
 Lunch 12 noon

Transportation-520-568-1760 or 520-568-1769
 Please Call Before 4 PM

Eggs Delivered every Tuesday.
 Eggs pick up Wed-Fri 8 AM-3 PM
 After Hours 520-858-5043

Elder Shopping and Errands are provided every Monday and Friday at 1 PM. If you need transportation for Shopping and Errands on any Other day, please call Transit Department. 520-568-1630

LIBRARY INFORMATION
 *Needs to be signed up to be in program. Call 520-568-1675 for more information. Elder Coloring-Takes place at the Elder Center Japan Pop - Transportation to and from library is required. You must be 10 years or older to participate. Baby Time! - every Wednesday, 10:30-11:00am. Children 0-5 ONLY. OVERDRIVE TRUCK - No sign up required, Children under 8 yrs must be accompanied by an adult.

LIBRARY HOURS
 Monday - Friday - 8AM-6PM
 Saturday-12PM-4PM
 Sunday-Closed

RECREATION INFORMATION
 For more information on Rec Center events please call the Rec Center @ 520-568-1740

****Calendar Subject to Change****

EDUCATION

GED Schedule
 Monday - Friday
 10:00am-12:00pm
 Monday/Tuesday/
 Thursday/Friday
 2:00pm - 5:00pm
 Wednesday
 4:30pm - 7:00pm

ELDER CENTER

AUGUST 1
 Strong Heart Study Follow-Up
 Elder Center w/ Celina 8am

AUGUST 2
 Discussion of Elder Volleyball

Tournament @ 8am
 Elder Center w/ Monica Rubio

Elder Shopping & Errands 1pm

AUGUST 5
 Elder Shopping & Errands 1PM

AUGUST 7
 Beat the Heat Presentation w/ Erin Kariuki Angels Care Home Health 12pm

AUGUST 8
 Movie Day

AUGUST 9
 Craft w/ The Library

Elder Shopping & Errands 1pm

AUGUST 12
 Elder Shopping & Errands 1pm

AUGUST 16
 Elder Check Day

Elder Shopping & Errands 1pm

AUGUST 19
 Elder Shopping & Errands 1pm

AUGUST 20
 Goodwill Shopping

AUGUST 21
 Movies

AUGUST 22
 Bingo hosted by Oasis Pavilion

AUGUST 23
 Craft w/ The Library

Elder Shopping & Errands 1pm

AUGUST 26
 Visit to Dist 3 Elder Center Sacaton 9:30am to 1pm
 Leaving @ 9am

AUGUST 27
 Council Updates

AUGUST 28
 Caregiver Support Meeting 11am

AUGUST 30
 Elder Shopping & Errands 1pm

PARKS & REC

AUGUST 13TH - 15TH
 Co-ed Youth Volleyball Practice 5:30pm - 8:30pm

AUGUST 19TH - 20TH
 Co-ed Youth Volleyball Practice 5:30pm - 8:30pm

AUGUST 21ST - 22ND
 Rec Staff will be at a conference

AUGUST 27TH - 29TH
 Co-ed Youth Volleyball Practice 5:30pm - 8:30pm

New Pool Hours
 Wednesday through Friday
 2:00pm - 7:00pm
 Saturday and Sunday
 10:00am through 7:00pm
 Open Gym Saturday & Sunday 11am-3pm



Ak-Chin Circle

Request for Proposal For: FACILITY GROUNDS MAINTENANCE SERVICE PROVIDER ("FGMSP")

The Ak-Chin Indian Community ("Owner") is requesting and accepting proposals to perform regular weekly Facility Grounds Maintenance Service at the property located at 16000 North Maricopa Road, Maricopa, AZ 85139 known as (Ak-Chin Circle). This will include the maintenance of the roads landscaping on the both sides of Narcia Road, Sudagi, Ak-Chin Parkway & Tobi Road and the areas around the bus stop. Ground Maintenance will also include the 20 acre grass area known as Ak-Chin Circle Field and retention area to the North and East of UltraStar this will also include the area around the Central Plant property located at 15960 N. Narcia Street.

Daily porter, landscape, and power washing services shall be performed during an eight (8) hour work day (Monday thru Friday). The FGMSP is to have a minimum of one (3) employee on site forty (40) hours a week performing these services. Additionally, parking lot sweeping to be performed on a monthly basis.

Daily porter and landscape maintenance services are to be provided by a firm experienced with the landscaping of public or commercial grounds or a firm experienced in providing contract landscape services. FGMSP shall provide all suitable equipment required to complete the necessary services. Daily landscape maintenance services shall be provided for a lump sum monthly rate, and paid for in the month following services rendered.

It is anticipated that the Owner will make an award or reject all proposals received in response to this request at a regular Ak-Chin Indian Community Council meeting. However, Owner at its discretion may postpone said action for such time as the Community Council designates.

It is anticipated that the contract will be effective January 01, 2020. The contract shall be for a period ending December 31, 2020 and may be renewable upon mutual agreement of Owner and FGMSP. The contract arising from a proposal accepted and approved by Owner may be terminated with a sixty (60) day notice by either party.

Detailed RFP can be picked up at the Ak-Chin Purchasing Office, Purchasing Manager, Flora Howerton (fhowerton@ak-chin.nsn.us) at 42507 West Peters and Nall Road, Maricopa AZ, 85138, starting on **Wednesday, August 7th, 2019. The deadline for submitting your proposal is Friday, August 29th, 2019 at 12:00 pm., late proposals will not be accepted.**

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



AK-CHIN FARM BOARD MINUTES

Ak-Chin Farm Board Minutes January 29, 2019

Meeting was held at the EPD Conference Room on January 29, 2019. Meeting was called to order at 9:15 a.m.

Members present: Cecil Peters, Charles Sanchez, Justin Zabawa, Bob Roth, (Conference Call), Earl Justin, (Absent) excused. Also present: Steve Coester, Farm Manager, Brian Zens, Walther Farms.

Charles Sanchez made a motion to approve the agenda. Second by Bob Roth. By a vote of 4 for, 0 against, 1 absent, the foregoing motion was approved.

Charles Sanchez made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for January 29, 2019. Second by Bob Roth. By a vote of 4 for, 0 against, 1 absent, the foregoing motion was approved.

Report

- 1) Due to the absence of Olesya Nelson, Steve presented the Farm Financials. There were no huge changes, a check was received from Calcot on some cotton ginning.
- 2) Steve Coester presented his monthly crop report to the Board. Alfalfa had some rain and cold delays. Pecans will be all harvested in the following weeks. Barley in good shape looking to fertilizing within a week. Potatoes were planted. The Irrigation District are cutting back on water usage. The cotton has all been harvested.

Old Business

- 1) Bob Roth asked if any information was available or if anyone had looked into joining the Intertribal Agricultural Council. This will be forwarded to Council for further review.

New Business

- 1) Brian Zens from Walther Farms made presentation to the Board Members present. Walther Farms will be taking over R&G Potatoes and business will remain the same as before. Will be making same presentation to Council at a later date.
- 2) A presentation on the Hemp Program was presented by DC Ventures. A discussion on the possibility of growing Hemp here on the Farms for medical use only, starting with initial test on 100 acres and possible increased acreage on outcome from initial testing. Also, discussed on the needs, the process of growing and harvesting the plants. This would be forwarded to Council for further review.

There were no more items on the agenda. The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 P.M.

Next Meeting Date:
March 26, 2019

Attest: Cecil Peters,
Acting Board Secretary
Date: February 26, 2019

Ak-Chin Farm Board Minutes February 26, 2019

Meeting was held at the Council Trailer on February 26, 2019. Meeting was called to order at 10:05.

Members Present: Justin Zabawa, Charles Sanchez, Cecil Peters, Earl Justin and Bob Roth (Conference Call). Also Present: Steve Coester, Farm Manager and Olesya Nelson, Comptroller

Bob Roth made a motion to approve the meeting agenda. Second by Cecil Peters. By a vote of 5 for, 0 against, the foregoing motion was approved.

Charles Sanchez made a motion to approve the meeting minutes for January 2019. Second by Bob Roth. By a vote of 5 for, 0 against, the foregoing motion was approved.

Reports

- 1) Olesya Nelson presented Financials to the Board. She will be present updated numbers to the next meeting.
- 2) Steve Coester presented his monthly written report on crops.

Old Business

- 1) Information regarding a Hemp Project was given to the board at the last meeting. Cecil also mentioned, that Steve Coester, Farm Manager, Brandon Peters, Treasurer, Steve Tiemann, Finance Director and Octavio Machado, Council Member did pay a visit to a green house in Eleven Mile Corner. There was no action taken at this time.

New Business

- 1) Charles Sanchez, Board Member will be submitting a letter to the Community Council for approval. His term had expired and would like to continue serving on the Farm Board for additional (5) five years.

No other business on the agenda. Bob Roth made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10: 48. Second by Cecil Peters.

Next Meeting Date:
March 26, 2019

Attest: Cecil Peters,
Acting Board Secretary
Date: March 26, 2019



AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY Purchasing

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS WEEKLY WATER FEATURE MAINTENANCE AT AK-CHIN CIRCLE

The Ak-Chin Indian Community ("Community"), Maricopa, Arizona is seeking proposals for weekly maintenance for the *Splash Pad* and *Water Wall* features located at The Family Entertainment Center at Ak-Chin Circle on the Ak-Chin Community. Maintenance will include all chemical adjustments, sand and cartridge filter cleaning, strainer baskets emptying, vacuuming or brushing as determined by the Owner. Four draining and power washing per year, billed and approved separately.

Proposals are due on or before 10:00AM MST on Wednesday, August 21st, 2019.

A pre-bid meeting will be held at 1:00pm MST on Thursday, August 8th, 2019. Location will be Ak-Chin Capital Projects Conference room, 45710 W. Farrell Road, on the Ak-Chin Indian Community, Maricopa, AZ. A site visit will follow immediately after the meetings conclusion.

It is anticipated that the Owner will make an award or reject all proposals received in response to this request at a regular Ak-Chin Indian Community Council meeting. However, Owner at its discretion may postpone said action for such time as the Community Council designates.

It is anticipated that the contract will be effective January 01, 2020. The contract shall be for a period ending December, 31, 2020 and shall be renewable upon mutual agreement of Owner and Maintenance Company. The contract arising from a proposal accepted and approved by Owner may be terminated with a sixty (60) day notice by either party.

Bid Packages will be available after the Pre-Bid meeting.

Request for Proposal ("RFP") instruction and information package and related information may be obtained from the Ak-Chin Indian Community Purchasing Department, 42507 West Peters & Nall Road, Maricopa, Arizona 85138, and may be requested via fax: (520) 568-1040 Attention: Flora Howerton, Purchasing Manager or electronic mail using fhowerton@ak-chin.nsn.us.

NEW LIFE Ak-Chin Church

Where the full gospel is preached

Schedule of Services

Sunday School for adults and children
10:00 a.m.

Morning and evening church service is at
11:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.
in the Ak-Chin Service Center Complex

Do you need a ride to church?
Call our bus driver
602-476-9591

If you need prayer,
please contact one of the pastors
Johnny Stephens 520-705-3052
Carlos Marin 520-560-2679

St. Francis of Assisi Roman Catholic Mission
16657 N. Church St. Maricopa, AZ 85139
Ak-Chin Indian Community

AUGUST 2019 Schedule

Sunday Mass at 12 noon

August 4- Fr. Peter Teresa McConnell

August 11 - Fr. Peter Teresa McConnell

August 18- Fr. Antony Tinker

August 25 - Fr. Antony Tinker

August 11 - Feast of the Assumption

7pm, Fr. Benedict Mary Lieb

ANNOUNCEMENTS

August 17, 10am

CCOE Meeting- St. Anthony- Sacaton

Baptisms are every 4th Sunday of the month and baptism classes are every 2nd Saturday of the month. If you are interested please contact Flower Ruelas at (520) 568-3700 or (602) 717-3761.

FREE BOOK GIVEAWAY!
Head to the Ak-Chin Library to grab a FREE book in the lobby of the building.

These donated books are available to the public! Books range from pure adventure to educational.

Please stop by and pick up a book for your own enjoyment!

2019

COMMUNITY GATHERING
October 24, 2019

"Balancing Growth and Protection of the Cultural Resources of the Ak-Chin Indian Community"

Everyone come and learn your role as a steward of the Ak-Chin Indian Community Cultural Resources

October 24, 2019
Art Building (Him-Dak)
6:00PM - 8:00PM

For more information:
Cultural Resource Program: 520-568-1365
Him-Dak Museum: 520-568-1350

Presented by the Cultural Resource Program Staff

Healthy Parenting Education and Support Group

Ak-Chin Health and Human Services

When: Please call to arrange start date.
Where: Conference Room (48227W, Farrell Road Maricopa, Arizona 85139)
Contact: Health & Human Services at (520) 568-1093

The goal of this group is to help establish a support system for Community Families and offer additional tools and techniques for parenting.* Community members, Residents, and Employees are welcome to participate! For more information contact: Lynne Houston-Volden (Child and Family Therapist) at Health and Human Services. 520-568-1086.

*A Certificate of Completion is issued when a participant actively participates in and completes the entire series of topics. **Individuals not employed by the community and residents or community members may be given special permission, contact Lynne Houston-Volden for details.

HDS summer youth party at UltraStar

Story and photo by C. Picciuolo

On July 19, HDS staff and summer youth workers gathered at the UltraStar Multi-tainment Center at Ak-Chin Circle to commemorate the hard work of the youth at Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino.

in attendance, our HDS associates and we also have our HR staff. Those are all the key players that help make the whole program possible, so we want to include everyone."

HDS supervisor Erica Manuel oversees the HDS and Summer Youth programs. She also has previous experience working with Gila River Indian Community Employment Training as a youth coordinator.

Six summer youth workers in total joined the HDS program this year, doubling the total of last year. Three of the six were able to make it to the celebration and had a blast enjoying pizza, appetizers and beverages while knocking down pins with staff.

"Yesterday was the last day of employment for all our summer youth. At the end of the program we celebrate with pizza and bowling," said Manuel.

Youth workers were able to choose which positions they would be assigned to. This process starts with a career day and reaching out to the interested youth through Ak-Chin student counselor Teresa



Valisto. During the career day, various department managers at Harrah's give presentations to the youth to recruit them. The youth worked at the buffet, warehouse, pool, housekeeping, valet and the

hotel. "We're expected to, as an employee, be at our personal and professional best. The professional best is getting (the youth) placed in jobs and

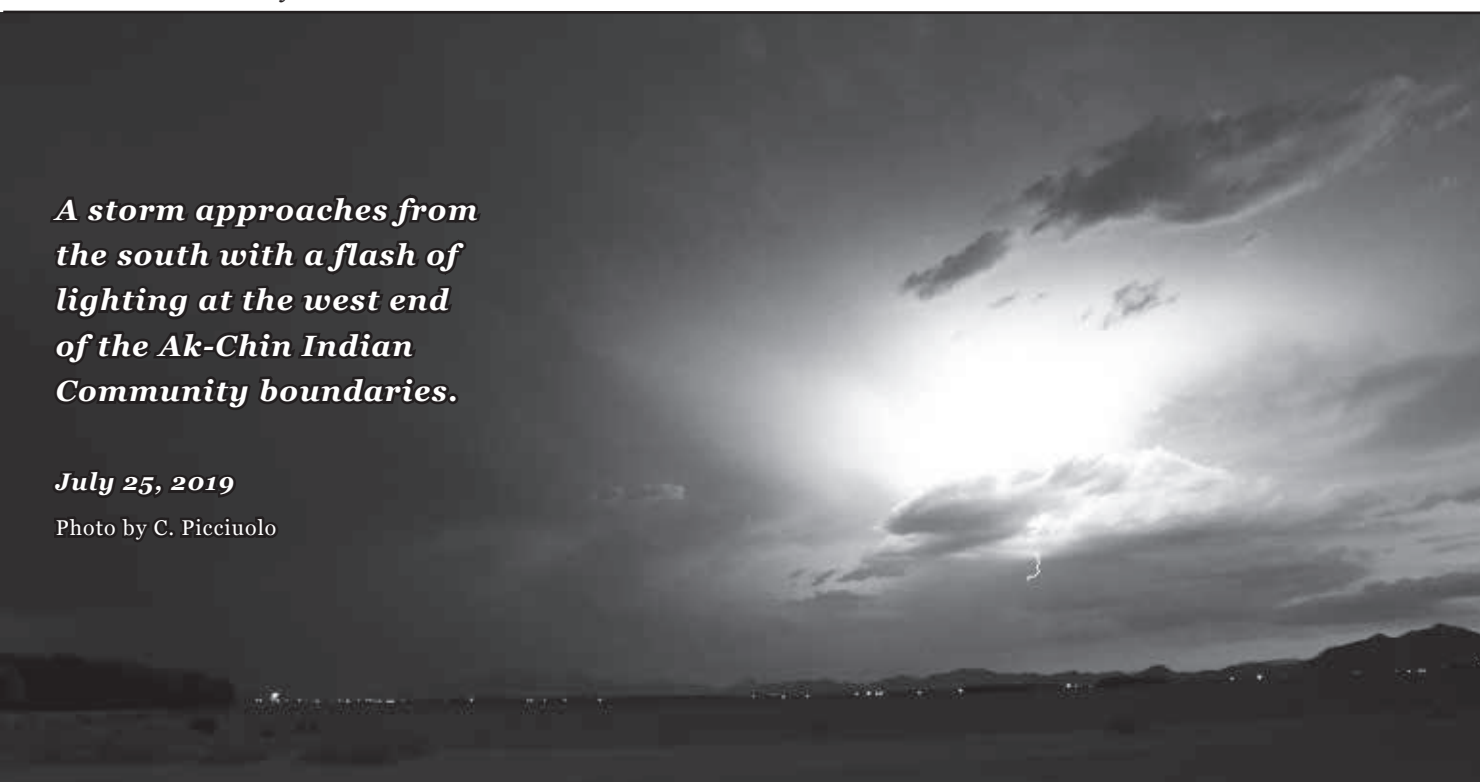
their skills. On the personal side it's what we are doing to tap into that. So, it's more of that cultural identity and finding out, "OK, this is who I am, this is what it's about," said Manuel.

HDS staff and summer youth workers gather to celebrate the last day of the program. The group enjoyed bowling and eating pizza

A storm approaches from the south with a flash of lighting at the west end of the Ak-Chin Indian Community boundaries.

July 25, 2019

Photo by C. Picciuolo



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"We went down to the beach a lot. At that time, when I was there, we were able to go out and clean homes for weekend outings. We were doing a little weekend cleaning for the elderly. So, we were making some money to buy our shampoos and stuff like that. Just the whole experience being there, I enjoyed it. It taught me a lot of responsibility," said Enos.

among many others. Also discussed was the history of the school and the Riverside Community, as well as the dedication and experience of the teachers, many of whom have been on staff 10-40 years. Throughout the morning and afternoon, many Community members and Ak-Chin staff stopped by to learn more about the school and enjoy a meal. Council members Octavio Machado and Lisa Garcia were also on hand to welcome Sherman and talk about their family's personal experiences as students.

Sherman staff Karlene Clifford M.S., PPS and cultural/traditional leader Lori Sisquoc gave a presentation about the highlights of the school, including the native foods garden, Inter-Tribal sports, career pathways, volunteer opportunities, partnerships with local universities, annual campus events, residential life and recreation activities,

"My daughter, personally I have seen her benefit greatly from going (to Sherman), and it's not a punishment school, like we need to get you away from home, it

really isn't. They have a good curriculum," said Machado. Garcia added, "It was a great opportunity for the family members that I know that went. It did help them grow and mature a little bit. It also taught them to appreciate what they have at home versus going away and having to do it for themselves."

The staff received a welcoming tour of parts of the Community from the BIA House to the St. Francis of Assisi Mission School to the Him-Dak Eco-Museum.

Miranda made sure to give her thoughts about the history of boarding schools, which are historically known to the public and Native Communities as having been a negative experience for

many. "I think sometimes we get the impression that boarding schools are kind of not a good place to go, and given our history with boarding schools, it wasn't the best," she said. "Historically, we started off, our people were swept up and taken there (boarding schools) and wanted to change the native people to leave their traditions and culture. What I liked about Sherman is that they still have that; front and center is tradition and culture," said Miranda.

Visit <https://www.shermanindian.org/> to learn more about enrollment and general information about the school.



Councilmembers Octavio Machado and Lisa Garcia address the room at the Ak-Chin Education Department and share their entertaining and heartwarming stories related to Sherman Indian School. Right: Ak-Chin Education Department out of district counselor Yolanda Miranda, M. Ed, welcomes Sherman staff and praises the school for the important work they do educating Native youth.

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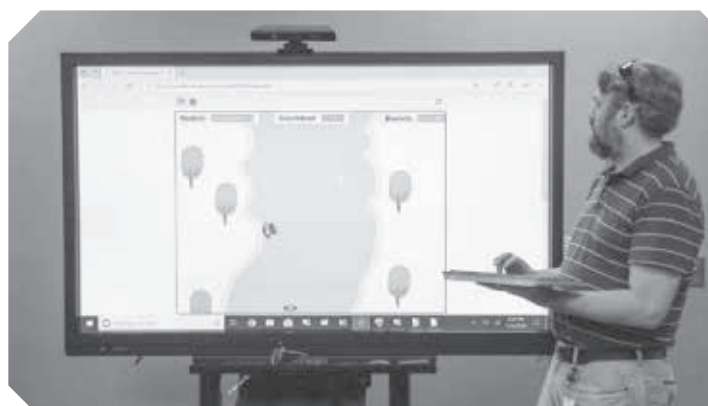
Matthew Cross. On July 25th the class was tasked by program instructor Cross with building sets of different instructions given to them. The right recreation of each game resulted in a fun prize and the honor of their games being available to play on the anticipated arcade table that will be built for the facility and game hacker program in the coming years.

things, to break them out of their shell and explore all that the world has to offer. It induces creativity, and allows their imaginative side to flourish while building something that is entirely their own.

The program sessions take place at the library on Wednesdays at 4 pm. The program gives the kids an opportunity to jump into the vast world of creating computer games. As fun as it is to create a virtual gaming world, the coding also helps improves critical thinking, problem solving, and math skills. Programs like these also encourages kids to try new

It also teaches the kids perseverance, motivating them to keep moving forward when an obstacle is in front of them. This wonderful program gives the kids an inside look into how everyday products work. A lot of everyday technology uses coding and it will definitely increase as society flows into the future. So, why not teach kids technological skills that will help them in years to come.

For more information on Game Hacker or any of the library's great programs please contact the Ak-Chin Library at (520)568-1675.



Library Technician Matthew Cross shows the kids what the finished one of the video game project would look like once completed.

LABOR DAY



DODGE CHALLENGER GIVEAWAY

FINALE DRAWING - MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2019
8PM - EVENTS CENTER

EARN ENTRIES

Earn 1 entry for every 100 Tier Credits earned from 6:00AM Monday, August 26 through 7:30PM Monday, September 2, 2019

PLUS, RECEIVE FREE ENTRIES WHEN YOU ACTIVATE ALL YOUR ENTRIES AT A DESIGNATED PROMOTIONAL KIOSK FROM 11AM - 7:45PM ON SEPTEMBER 2, 2019

FINALE DRAWING FOR THE 2019 DODGE CHALLENGER GT BLACKTOP WILL BE AT 8:00PM!

Plus, every 15 minutes from Noon to 7:45PM, one lucky drawing winner will be called for \$500 in Free Slot Play, Reward Credits® or Food & Beverage Vouchers!

VEGETABLE SLICER & DICER GIVEAWAY

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2019
EVENTS CENTER - 1PM - 7PM

ALSO, AT LEAST 1 IN 25 ATTENDEES WILL ALSO RECEIVE A 5.8-QT. DIGITAL AIR FRYER!

STAY FOR THE CASH DRAWINGS - 7:05PM
5 WINNERS WILL BE CALLED FOR \$500 IN CASH EACH!

DODGE GIVEAWAY: Must be present to win. Casino Rewards card must be swiped at a Promotional Kiosk between 11AM and 7:45PM on September 2, 2019 to enter the promotion, receive free entries and activate all free and earned entries. Drawing period is from 8:00 on August 26, 2019 to 7:30PM on September 2, 2019. Inside drawing is at 8:00PM on Monday, September 2, 2019. Any Free Slot Play prizes must be accepted at a slot machine by 11:59PM on the Promotional Day and will expire 72 hours after deposit. Valid only at Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino. Must have Casino Rewards card and valid photo ID to participate.

VEGETABLE GIVEAWAY: Limit one redemption per person. Actual items may vary. Odds are based on \$1,000 tickets. Supplies are limited. First come, first served. In the event that demand exceeds supply of the Vegetable Slicer & Dicer, Harrah's reserves the right to issue \$25 in Free Slot Play. Free Slot Play will not be offered for the Digital Air Fryer. Any Free Slot Play prizes must be accepted at a slot machine by 11:59PM on the Promotional Day and will expire 72 hours after deposit. In the event that a drawing winner is not present, there will be up to three (3) redraws for each cash drawing prize. Offer is non-transferable. Valid only at Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino and must have a Casino Rewards card and valid photo ID to participate. Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino is not responsible for damaged or malfunctioning gifts. All redemptions are final, no returns.

Management reserves the right to change or cancel this promotion at any time without prior notice. Must be 21 years of age or older to gamble and take advantage of this offer. Please When to Stop Before You Start™ Gambling Problem? Call 1-800-522-4700 or 1-800-NEEDS-HELP. ©2019 Casino Rewards License Company, LLC. See official rules of the Casino Rewards Center for complete details.

Jose Miguel, Jr. showcases skills for Division II and III schools

Story and photos submitted by Jose Miguel, Sr.

On July 23-24 Jose Miguel Jr. attended the 3rd Annual Southwest Showcase Basketball Camp. Held in Phoenix, the camp had many prospects from the state of Arizona, California and Nevada.

With all the players competing at a high level, it gave them the chance to showcase their skills and talents in front of Division II and Division III colleges.

California State Polytechnic University, University of California San Diego, Fresno Pacific University, just to name a few, along with local colleges came and scouted their future talented prospects.

The camp consisted of 120 players and were divided into 12 teams. Each of the players who attended the camp were guaranteed play in five games and had the chance to be either selected to the Top 20, Top 40 or the non-senior/underclassmen All-Star games.

Jose, who is a student



Jose Miguel, Jr. defends a top-ranked in the state high school basketball guard.



Prepping for game time, Jose Miguel, Jr. showcased his basketball skills in a basketball camp in Phoenix.

at Maricopa High School, displayed a successful performance and was selected to play in the underclassmen All-Star game.

Ak-Chin members participate in the Mark West Basketball camp

Story and photos submitted by Wesley Gonzalez

The Ak-Chin Parks and Recreation department sent six community members to the Mark West Basketball Camp. They attended 5 days of camp and were fed breakfast, lunch and snacks. They began their day by stretching and warming up. Mark West, a former NBA and Phoenix Suns basketball player, would conduct the morning routines.

The Ak-Chin children were able to interact with other kids from the Phoenix and surrounding areas. There was a total of 8 teams created with a total of 96 campers. Each day they would play 3 games. They also learned how to run plays and were educated everyday through talks, on different topics ranging from education to daily life skills.

Each camper was given a bag including a jersey, water bottles and a visor, which was provided by the Ak-Chin Recreation Department. All of the Ak-Chin kids who attended said that they had a blast competing with other

kids and making new friends.

Two kids, Carrianna Villareal and Auciana Miguel even won awards. Auciana Miguel received an award for her academic achievements and Carrianna Villarreal received an award for outstanding leadership. Next year will be the 30th year the camp has been offered and we are excited to join again.



Auciana Miguel

How did you like the camp overall?

I liked the camp because we experienced a lot about basketball. One of the things they taught us during their educational presentations was the danger of drugs and to stay away from drugs.

What did it take to receive your award?

It took hard work and good grades to receive my awards.



Carrianna Villarreal

How did you like the camp overall?

I enjoyed the camp because of the competitiveness, meeting new friends and playing basketball. Learning all the different styles of basketball that the different coaches teach us. It was so much fun and I can't wait for next year! What did it take to receive your award? I kept telling my team and peers to play with respect, have fun no matter what, helping my teammates and encouraging everyone on the court.

Southern Dunes introduces golf ball machine promotion

Story and photos by K. Morago

From far away, it looks like a large gum ball machine. Get closer and all those delicious looking gumballs are not gum balls but GOLF BALLS!



A ball from the Callaway golf ball machine.

Ak-Chin Southern Dunes announced the arrival of their latest promotion, a golf ball machine filled with Callaway Golf balls. Located in the Southern Dunes golf shop, all you need to do is purchase a \$5 dollar token for the golf ball machine.

Not only will you receive a personalized Ak-Chin Southern Dunes logo golf ball, but you get the chance to win 40% off soft goods in the shop. Receive a special pink Tru Vis from the golf ball machine and you are a winner!!!

Ak-Chin Southern Dunes has a Summer Six Pack and other fun golf specials. Don't have golf clubs? Not to worry because you can rent premium Callaway Club golf clubs for a nominal fee.

To learn about other specials or to book a tee time, please visit <https://www.akchinsoutherndunes.com>. You can also stay up to date by visiting their social media page at <https://www.facebook.com/pg/AkChinSouthernDunes>.



The new golf ball machine at Ak-Chin Southern Dunes is in the golf shop.

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Bell Biv DeVoe will be at Harrah's Event Center on Friday, August 30.



Ben Haggard joins Clint Black for one Harrah's show on Friday, October 11.

Beat Shazam, a game show hosted by Jamie Foxx that tests guests on their knowledge of timeless hits from every decade.

Doors open at 7:00pm, with showtime at 8:00pm. Tickets start at \$29.50. Bell Biv DeVoe is an All-Ages show.

Great White and Slaughter Friday, September 6

Great White & Slaughter will be live at Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino on Friday, September 6th. Experience two of the quintessential 80's rock acts together in one night! Since 1982, the Great White sound has captivated audiences worldwide with crushing blues-based guitar riffs and swagger that invokes an emotional high for anyone that listens.

Known for their mega-rock anthems, "Once Bitten Twice Shy," and "Rock Me," they will be joined by Slaughter's signature glam metal vibe, you're in for a night like none other! Slaughter's hits include rock ballad "Fly to the Angels," and guitar led "I'll Never Let You Go."

Doors open at 7:00pm, with showtime at 8:00pm. Tickets start at \$34.50. Great White and Slaughter is an All-Ages show.

Lifeshouse Friday, September 20

Lifeshouse, an alternative rock band from Los Angeles, will be bringing its energetic sound to The Events Center at Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino on Friday, September 20, 2019.

Founded in 1999, the band, formerly known as Blyss, has been topping charts with multiple hit singles for the better part of 20 years. The group, including members Jason Wade, Rick Woolstenhulme and Bryce Soderberg, is best known for hits such as "You and Me," "Hanging by a Moment," "Sick Cycle Carousel" and "Breathing."

Since breaking into music in 2000 with their debut album "No Name Face," Lifeshouse has released seven albums - cumulatively selling more than 15 million around the world. They have also topped the Hot 100 with a number two hit, "Hanging by a Moment," and shared the stage with rock and roll icons including The Rolling Stones, Pearl Jam and Matchbox Twenty.

Clint Black with Ben Haggard October 11 Killin' Time 30th Anniversary

Clint Black is bringing his Still... Killin' Time 30th Anniversary Tour to Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino on Friday, October 11th, 2019. Don't miss the Grammy Award winning artist, Clint Black! With special guest Ben Haggard.

Josh Turner Saturday, September 28

Josh Turner, MCA Nashville recording artist, will be bringing his rich, deep voice and distinctive sound to The Events Center at Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino on Saturday, September 28, 2019.

As one of country music's most recognizable talents, Turner has been honored with

multiple Grammy, CMA and ACM award nominations, as well as received six Inspirational Country Music Awards. Turner is known for

his unique voice and many hits including "Hometown Girl," "Would You Go With Me," "Your Man," "Time Is Love," "Why Don't We Just Dance" and "Long Black Train." In addition, Turner is one of the youngest members inducted into the Grand Ole Opry, selling more than eight million units and topping more than 1.5 billion in global streaming and populated radio.

Along with his success as a musician, Turner has also tackled the written word as an author. He released his first book, "Man Stuff: Thoughts on Faith, Family and Fatherhood," in 2014, highlighting songwriting and performing in his childhood. In support of early music education, Turner created The Josh Turner Scholarship Fund to assist other children following the same path and mirroring his own upbringing.

Doors open at 7:00pm, with showtime at 8:00pm. Tickets start at \$35.00. Josh Turner is an All-Ages show.

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He explained that traditional harvesters prepare the bahidag on site. But his group in the past has prepared it both inside and outside with a mesquite fire. Neither way is wrong, but he shared that some of the taste will be missing if cooked inside. The pulp of the bahidag is prepared for cooking. It is important to take out any rocks and small sticks in the pulp.

The cooking of the syrup involves a filtration process using muslin or cheese cloth. It is strained several times. He shared that the syrup must be continually stirred so it does not burn. It will also take several hours to cook. When the syrup slowly runs down a spoon, it is considered done.

The process does not end there. While hot, the syrup needs to be canned. It should



Salt River member Jacob Butler shares "sitol" or syrup with Duane and Jessica Dean.

be then allowed to cool at room temperature.

With proper storage, sitol or syrup can last a couple of years. Once a jar is opened, air and water can affect it.

If you don't practice these things we lose them," Jacob said, reflecting on the process.

Closing the presentation was the door prize raffle by the Language Program. Jacob graciously donated some seeds, a garden gift bag and cultural stickers for the raffle.

The Recreation Department is excited to announce the start of the Youth Co-ed Volleyball League. Please see the flyer below for details. If you have any questions you may contact the Recreation department by email at recreation@ak-chin.nsn.us or calling (520)568-1740.

Youth Co-ed Volleyball League

Ages: 9-17 years old

Practice Information:

Ages: 9-11
Practice will begin on August 13th at 5:30pm-6:30pm

Ages: 13-17
Practice will begin on August 13th at 6:30pm-8:00pm

Registration Information:

Registration is NOW open!
Register your child/ren at recreation@ak-chin.nsn.us

FYI: If your child/ren have participated in any previous sports programs and has a completed 2019 sports registration on file; you do not need to fill out another registration this year.

All League games will be held at Salt River Wolf Gym

If you have any questions or for more information please contact the Recreation Department at 520-568-1740 or email recreation@ak-chin.nsn.us

Teams play with heart at Luis and Mercedes Garcia Memorial Tournament

Article and photos by Runner Staff

They loved the sport of basketball. They loved their family. When tragedy struck four years ago and took their young lives, family and friends worked hard to pick up the pieces and have since honored their memory and family through basketball.

The Fourth Annual Luis and Mercedes Garcia Memorial Tournament took place at the Ak-Chin Parks and Recreation gym for two days, July 20 and 21.

Seven high school boys' teams and eight high school girls' teams participated in the special event to honor Luis James Garcia and Mercedes Aryssa Garcia. Double elimination bracket play began on Saturday, July 20 morning with the girl's games starting first and the boy's games rotating in-between.

Ak-Chin and Maricopa were well-represented with teams both Luis and Mercedes once

played with. In its fourth and final year, the free fee entry tournament was open, welcoming teams as far away as Whiteriver, AZ.

Girls teams' Gila River and Copa Crew played hard for a chance to be in the championship game against the Contenders. Copa Crew came out on top 56-33 and Gila River ended up with a third-place win.

All-Tourney honors went to #5 Brooklyn Pablo. Copa Crew moved on to the championship game.

Boys team AKC1, comprised of Ak-Chin Indian Community member players, defeated Pathway to move on to the championship game. Pathway then had to play PF4 (Maricopa High ballers) to have another shot at AKC1.

Pathway and PF4 battled and traded shot for shot with PF4 up 24-21 at the half. With 1:49 left in the second

half, Pathway came within one point, down 43-44. PF4 had too much energy and maintained the lead with a final score of 54-48. PF4 was headed to the championship game.

Pathway came in third-place with All-Tourney recognition going to #23 Cesar Ruiz.

Before the championship games started, Gila River member and relative to the Garcia children, Antonio "Gohk" Davis sang a traditional song at half court and shook hands with AKC1 and Copa Crew players, who gathered in a half circle around him.

To keep everyone posted on social media, mom Della White shared Sunday afternoon. "Luis and Mercedes 4th Memorial Basketball Tournament is dwindling down to the last games... My Baby Boy's Team Ak-Chin will be in the Boys Championship

Game and Now waiting on the Outcome of My Love's Team... if they win this one Both My Baby's teams will be in the Championship...." Both teams made championship.

Championship play for the boys' bracket was now on. First, PF4 and AKC1 went head to head in an exciting basketball matchup. AKC1 led through the first half, up 21-14 at halftime.

The score stayed close but it was clear the Ak-Chin boys were determined to play their best to honor their fallen teammate Luis with every three pointer and every rebound. Final score in the boy's championship game was 50 - 38.

Earning All-Tourney was PF4's Josiah Jackson and Dominic Arbizu from AKC1. Tournament MVP honors went to Jose Miguel, Jr.

For the girl's championship game, the Contenders from



Gila River member and relative to the Garcia children Antonio "Gohk" Davis sang a traditional song at half court before the championship games. Boys AKC1 and girls Copa Crew players gather around Davis with silent respect.

Whiteriver faced Maricopa's Copa Crew Hype. Taking a double-digit lead, 13 - 0, from the start, the Contenders seemed confident to earn the win. However, Copa Crew Hype fought back and closed the lead to nine points at half-time 24 - 15. The Contenders re-grouped and secured their championship win with a final score of 47 - 36.

Earning All-Tourney honors were Aleena Estrada from Copa Crew Hype and Jazz Nosie from the Contenders. Contenders guard Jaylyn Nashio was named Girls

MVP. Della White and members of her family presented t-shirts to the top three teams, blue for Luis and pink for Mercedes. She also thanked NABI for the donated gift bags given to the tournament MVP's. Her niece Imani Antone and her friend donated the MVP awarded basketballs.

The food concession was also the final fundraising efforts to pay for the Garcia children's headstone and upcoming Fourth Year Memorial which was held Saturday, July 27.



Above: Copa Crew Hype player looks for an open teammate. The crew played a great tourney.



Left: Girls Champions The Contenders pose with the Garcia family and Ak-Chin recreation program coordinator Thomas Carlyle.

Below: Copa Crew and AKC1 join the large group of Community members, Garcia family, and Rec staff.



Top: AKC1 player takes it to the hoop for a score.



Bottom: Boys runners up, team PF4.



Left: Copa Crew Hype live up to their name with a solid runner up performance. Right: AKC1 players proudly display their championship t-shirts.



Lil' Natives take on Piestewa Tournament

Story and photos by C. Picciuolo



Lil' Natives team poses for a picture with coach after a hard-fought game at Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community during the Fiesta Bowl Lori Piestewa Native American Games Youth Baseball Tournament.

It was a sweltering weekend at the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community's Recreation Fields for the 2019 Fiesta Bowl Lori Piestewa National Native American Games Youth Baseball Tournament.

12 teams gave their all to move toward a final championship game in the tournament bracket, with the Expos taking third place, Chinle Windtalkers in second and Gila River Bears with first place honors.

The games were established in 2003 to honor Lori Piestewa, a Hopi Warrior and American soldier who was the first female Native

American soldier to die in combat.

Ak-Chin Indian Community's team Lil' Natives participated this year, along with the health fair and opening ceremonies where they also were able to meet the Piestewa Family.

The Natives' 1-2 record wasn't enough to advance them to the tournament bracket, but instead they played a scrimmage game the following week on July 27 against the Anegam, AZ team after a part of the tournament was canceled.

Despite the heat, both teams played very well and had homeruns and strikeouts as

players poured water on their heads when they went back onto the field.

Ak-Chin Youth Council youth coordinator Marla Antone helps her husband Tony, a coach of the Lil' Natives, in the dugout and was on hand during the Piestewa Games.

"We hope the players enjoyed themselves, had fun and maybe learned a little more while participating in the Piestewa Games," said Antone.

"We also would like to thank the families that were able to come out and support their players and the team."

SAVE THE DATE!
2019 Walking Program

0-0-0-0-0 REGINS
AUGUST 19TH

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NOVEMBER 24TH

- Program open to Ak-Chin Community Members their families, residents, and Employees. Fill out a simple registration form, and weigh-in using our in-body machines or handheld device at Health Education. Use your own tracking device or pick-up a pedometer! Weigh-ins begin on August 12th.
- Walk everyday and track your steps using our walking log. Log your steps and submit logs to earn milestone rewards. Try to aim for the recommended 10,000 steps a day.
- Turn in your step logs at Health Education to earn prizes at various milestones. You have 3 months (90 days) to finish the Walking Program. It ends on November 24th. Final logs can be submitted on Monday, November 25th.
- Earn extra "steps" when you attend 4 Health Education Events throughout the Fall season in Ak-Chin. In addition, earn more "steps" for attending NAARD and Veterans Day 5K (TBA). More information to follow on events and milestone prizes.

1st Milestone 250,000 STEPS
2nd Milestone 500,000 STEPS
3rd Milestone 750,000 STEPS
4th Milestone 1,000,000 STEPS

For information please contact Marla Antone at (520)267-4785

2ND ANNUAL LIGHT THE NIGHT
GLOW RUN
THURSDAY, AUGUST 22ND
AK-CHIN SERVICE CENTER
7:00 PM

Please join us for an evening of fitness and fun! Let's start off the fall season with an evening GLOW RUN! Please bring the family, dinner will be served after event!!

- 80's THEME!! Please wear your best 80's attire! Theme inspired by Ak-Chin Youth Council!
- Drive to registration @ 6:00 PM.
- Participants get glow accessories and a t-shirt! (first 200).
- Early registration available, please inquire.
- Open to everyone and all ages!

Donations: Please contact Health Education at (520)267-4785 or email Marla Antone at marla@ak-chin.com



Above: Lil' Natives pitcher Chizzum throws the heat during the Piestewa Tournament.



Above: Photobooth photo of Lil' Natives during the opening ceremonies. Submitted by Marla Antone.



Right: Runner tries to steal third but Lil' Natives are playing good defense.



GRHC Department Highlights

ED Techs and ED Clerks in Gila River Health Care's Emergency Department play an important and essential role - collaborating with ED nurses and physicians to provide care to our patients.

ED Technicians:

Are either a Medical Assistant, Certified Nursing Assistant, Patient Care Technician or an Emergency Medical Technician. GRHC employs six (6) full-time ED Techs, and three (3) are members of the Gila River Indian Community.

GRHC's six (6) ED Techs collectively:

- Represent over 73 years of experience
- Have over 41 years of service to GRHC

ED Techs prioritize patient care, treatments and procedures - especially when given multiple tasks simultaneously. Below are some of the critical tasks:

- Collection and transport of specimens
- Perform treatments as ordered, such as the application of dressings and splints
- Assists ED providers during procedures
- Maintenance of supplies for patient rooms and specialty carts
- Vital signs, EKG, visual acuity testing
- Timely communication with patients/families and other healthcare team members

ED Clerks:

Provide essential operational support in the GRHC ED. GRHC employs five (5) full-time ED Clerks and two (2) are members of the Gila River Indian Community.

GRHC's five (5) ED Clerks collectively:

- Have over 75 years of service to GRHC

Below are some of their tasks and responsibilities:

- Ensure smooth operation of day-to-day functions in the department
- Coordinate patient admissions and transfers
- Answer and direct phone calls
- Engage and lead collaboration with other GRHC departments AND outside facilities
- Timely communication with patients/families and other healthcare team members

GRHC Emergency Department's Goal Is To Give Every Patient The Best Care Each And Every Time.

If you believe you or a loved one is experiencing a medical emergency, call 911 immediately.

EMS Ist Responders Cadets Recognized at WIOA Summer Youth Banquet • July 26, 2019



Loving and Rebecca with cadets.



Amber Namingha, EMT; Daniel Kunsman, Paramedic; Loving Brown, EMT; Rebecca Lewis, EMT awarding Challenge coins to cadets



Amber Namingha, EMT - Rebecca Lewis, EMT.

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

CLOSED MONDAY, 9/2/2019 - LABOR DAY
CLOSED FRIDAY, 9/20/2019 - NATIVE AMERICAN DAY

LIFE CENTER

DIABETES, ENDOCRINOLOGY & WELLNESS

Let's Ask Dr. Roopa



Know your diabetes ABCS.

Last month we discussed how diabetes, if not controlled may cause inflammation and blockages in blood vessels causing complications such as: blindness, kidney failure, nerve damage, heart attack, leg amputation or stroke. These complications can be avoided by optimal control of blood glucose, blood pressure, cholesterol levels and by avoiding tobacco. The overall focus in diabetes management is to help improve each of these factors which are abbreviated as **ABCS**:

A for the A1C test (A-one-C).

What is A1C? Why is it important?

The A1C is a blood test that measures your average blood sugar level over the past three months. It is different from the blood sugar checks you do each day. You need to know your blood sugar levels over time. You don't want those numbers to get too high. High levels of blood sugar can harm your heart, blood vessels, kidneys, feet, and eyes.

The A1C goal for many people with diabetes is below 7.0%. It may be different for you. Ask what your goal should be.



B for Blood Pressure.

What is it? Why is it important?

Blood pressure is the force of your blood against the wall of your blood vessels. If your blood



pressure gets too high, it makes your heart work too hard. It can cause a heart attack, stroke, and damage your kidneys and eyes.

What is the blood pressure goal?

The blood pressure goal for most people with diabetes is below 140/90. It may be different for you. Ask what your goal should be.



C for Cholesterol (ko-LESS-tuh-ruhl).

What is it?

The kinds of cholesterol in your blood: **LDL and HDL**.



LDL or "bad" cholesterol can build up and clog your blood vessels. It can cause a heart attack or stroke.

HDL or "good" cholesterol helps remove the "bad" cholesterol from your blood vessels.

What are the LDL and HDL goals?

Ask what your cholesterol numbers should be. Your goals may be different from other people. If you are over 40 years of age, you may need to take a cholesterol-lowering drug for heart health.



S for Smoking

Smoking causes more inflammation in the body, in addition to what diabetes is causing. So people with diabetes, who also smoke tobacco, will have a higher risk of the complications. Also, smoking makes it harder to control diabetes. There is strong evidence that stopping smoking will benefit overall health and diabetes right away.



Call Gila River Health Care Life Center (520) 562-7940 to schedule an appointment to see our Dietician, Counsellor, Fitness Staff or Providers to help you manage your A B C S, or send your questions to: ASKDROOPA@GRHC.ORG

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 Show opener Ben Haggard is the youngest son of country music legend Merle Haggard. Expect some Merle classics and a few Ben originals.

Tickets for all shows are available at <https://www.ticketmaster.com/harrahs-ak-chin-casino-tickets-maricopa/venue/204909>

Doors open at 7:00pm, with showtime at 8:00pm. Tickets start at \$44.50. Clint Black is an 18 years and over show.

The Events Center, which opened in early 2019, seats 2,000 people and is part of the Casino's multi-million-dollar renovation.



LEFT: Rock and metal bands Great White and Slaughter will rock the Harrah's Event Center on Friday, September 6. ABOVE: Rock band Lifehouse performs for one show on Friday, September 20. ABOVE RIGHT: Country music male vocalist Josh Turner brings his classic country to Harrah's on Saturday, September 28.



AUGUST						
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4 Amelia Antone Jaxson Brown Nicole Delma Nathan Enos Aliyah Vincent	5 Yondell Antone Anthony Narcia, Jr. Rachel Peters Esperanza Santiago	6	7 Haylee Delma Alicia Gomez Joanne Stephens Daniel White	8 Raider James	9 Joanna Acosta Stephanie Vincent	10
11 Jessica Corella William Narcia Tommy Pablo Christian Soliz	12 Rocio Castro Ava Quinonez Joshua Zepeda	13 Arrow Bowman Azalya White	14	15 Daniel Pablo	16 Brandon Dean Virginia Mejia David Oliver Christopher Vincent Lashey White Joseph Zabawa	17 Channing Hoffman Johnny Perkins
18 Juan Lopez George Lopez	19 Jasmine Kaniatobe Lisa Miller Amanda Narcia Anthony Narcia, Sr. Owen Santiago Florine Vincent Delora Vincent	20	21 Doria Garcia Armida Mattia Sharon Pablo Colleen Padilla	22 Reginald Delores Nancy Hernandez Cruz Machado Lorice Manuel Michelle Narcia	23 Dorissa Garcia Jacob Warren Jeffrey Manuel Michael Peters, Jr.	24
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AUGUST EMPLOYEE BIRTHDAYS	
8/1 Arnold Aguirre, Law & Order	8/16 Rudy Aguirre, TGA
8/2 Jennifer Boehm, Fire & Safety	8/17 Channing Hoffman, EPD
8/4 Jason Wilhite, Fire & Safety	8/19 Florine Vincent, Community Government
8/4 Nicole Delma, Early Childhood Nathan Enos, Law & Order	8/21 Crystal Cantu, Maintenance Elouise Carr, Law & Order Daniel Mercado, IS Dale Vance, Fire & Safety
8/5 Anthony Narcia, EPD	8/23 Dorissa Garcia, Community Government Jose Lopez, Law & Order
8/6 Abraham Blanco, Courts	8/24 Brenice Kaisem, Law & Order Jeffrey Manuel, Parks & Recreation
8/7 Jacob Dickerson, Maintenance Jeffrey Looper, Transit	8/26 Lorenzo Holcomb, Law & Order
8/8 Charles Babine, TGA Melanie Toledo, Library Tracy Zimmerman, Capital Projects	8/27 Blanca Briones, Human Resources Gary Carr, Maintenance Michelle Garcia, Early Childhood
8/9 Narciso Schweitzer, EPD	8/28 Darren Peters, Fire & Safety
8/12 Darlene Smith-McClelland, Education	8/30 Candi Chavez, Sanitation Liane Iglesias, Education Christopher Johnston, IS
8/13 Gregory Porto, Fire & Safety	8/31 Sheryl Grothe, Law & Order
8/15 Matthew Millo, Public Defender Sergio Romero, Housing Department	

If someone told you that **your baby's chances of dying** are **40 TIMES GREATER** when sleeping in an adult bed rather than a crib, where would you put your baby to sleep tonight?

Practice The ABCs of Safe Sleep:

- A** Alone
- B** Back
- C** Crib

Baby sleeps safest **ALONE**, on their **BACK**, and in a **CRIB**.
 For more information: <https://dcs.az.gov/services/office-prevention>

AK-CHIN JOB OPPORTUNITIES

- Archaeologist
- Deli Clerk full-time (5)
- Language Coordinator
- Police Officer - Certified
- Transit Manager

Open to Enrolled Ak-Chin Members Only

- Breakfast Cook - Elder Program (closes 8/6/19)
- Art Technician

APPLICANTS CAN NOW APPLY ONLINE!
 Visit Ak-Chin Indian Community website (www.ak-chin.nsn.us) and click Job Openings to review or apply for an open position. If you are claiming Indian Preference, proof of tribal enrollment **MUST** be submitted at the time of application.

EMPLOYEE UPDATE

Karen Gardner
Shift Supervisor
Vekol

Teri De La Cruz
Injury Prevention Specialist
Health Education

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Ak-Chin Indian Community

Environmental Protection Department (Water Operations)

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- Using age- and size-appropriate car seats, booster seats, and seat belts significantly reduce the risk of injury and death among children in a crash.

Help Keep Yourself and Your Loved Ones Safe

You can help keep yourself and your loved ones safe by:

- Using a car seat, booster seat, or seat belt on every trip, no matter how short.
- Finding the right car seat or booster seat for your child's age, height, and weight. See the chart below for tips.

Getting help installing a car or booster seat from a certified child passenger safety technician.

- Properly buckling children aged 12 and under in the back seat. The back seat is safest for children.
- Never placing a rear-facing car seat in front of an airbag. Airbags can injure or kill small children riding in the front seat.
- Not using traditional baby carriers (such as cradleboards) in place of a car seat. Traditional carriers do not keep children safe in cars or trucks.
- Always wearing a seat belt when pregnant. Be sure to wear the lap belt below your belly. Place the shoulder belt across your chest—never behind the back, under the arm, or across the stomach.³

Happy Birthday to
 Granddaughter Esperanza S.
 So glad for you on your 18 teen day.
 God bless you on your day. Celebrate it
 but don't go crazy.
 Love you all, Grandma Connie S.

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 Happy Birthday and many more
 in the years to come. God bless you
 now and forever.
 With Love, Mom

Happy Birthday to
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 and my grandson Christian
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REMINDER

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Beck brings party to Ak-Chin Pavilion

In a show packed with big bands, 6-time Grammy Award-winning artist Beck brought the house down with his iconic radio hits and boundless energy for the Sunday, July 21 "Night Running Tour" stop at Ak-Chin Pavilion in Phoenix with co-headliners Cage the Elephant.

the artists that you could feel the bass emanating from the speakers. Live Nation and Ak-Chin Pavilion staff were friendly and accommodating and VIP parking was close to the venue.

The Lexus VIP Club was a relaxing oasis between bands with cozy seating, a local acoustic act and a private wrap-around bar.

Opening the night were Starcrawler, a glam punk

band, and Spoon, who could have headlined the tour just as well. "Thank you, Ak-Chin- am I saying that right?" asked Spoon lead singer Britt Daniel, to which the crowd responded, "Yes!" Daniel continued, "I read about Ak-Chin today!"

Cage the Elephant is a band that I played often as a DJ on WONC 89.1 in Illinois. Their singles, "Come a Little Closer," "Ain't No Rest for the Wicked" and "Trouble" are popular tunes quietly

etched in the psyche of music listeners as fans at the venue enjoyed singing along.

Beck started his set with his classic, "Loser," which had the packed pavilion beaming with memories. He delighted fans with his most well-known standards such as "The New Pollution" and "Devil's Haircut," as well as his new era of singles, "Wow," "Dreams" and "Saw Lightning."

Beck brought the finale to a



Confetti released into the crowd as Cage joined Beck.

euphoric experience for those in seats, as streams of bright white ticker tape confetti floated in from the stage to the VIP section and beyond.

"People from Phoenix are just a little bit closer to the sun," said Beck. "Desert people know how to take it a little bit higher."

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