

# Salt River Soldier Receives Honor for Dedication to Service

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During a ceremony at the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Building on May 5, Staff Sergeant David "Buddy" Mackie, who recently came off active duty, was awarded the Military Order of Saint Maurice from his brothers in arms on behalf of the National Infantry Association (NIA).

Mackie spent 11 years and ten months in the Active Duty Army, stationed at different locations including Germany, Texas, Korea, and Hawaii. Currently, he serves with the Arizona National Guard's 158 IN D-Company/Retention Recruit Battalion, which brings him close to home.

According to SRPMIC Veteran Services Representative Amanda White, the awarding of such a prestigious honor normally takes place on a military installation, but given Mackie's relationship to the Community, it was important to host the ceremony on SRPMIC land.

Mackie was presented the Order of Saint Maurice by Sergeant First Class Justin Caton, who got



Staff Sergeant David "Buddy" Mackie receives the Order of Saint Maurice from friend and fellow soldier Sergeant First Class Justin Caton, during a special ceremony at the Community building on May 5.

to know Mackie through serving with him.

"It is a rare moment to have this opportunity for a Community member to have [this] recognition [in a place other than] a military installation, which is typically done at the unit level. However, [Mackie] wished to

acknowledge [those] who came before him and inspire today's youth [with] this recognition as well," said White about Mackie's intention to honor Community veterans.

Following White's opening remarks, Isabella Dockerty sang the national anthem in

O'odham, which was followed by a prayer over the day's ceremony by Caton.

"I met Staff Sergeant Mackie during 2020, when we were drill sergeants," said Caton, who also served in the Cacti. Caton said they befriended each other

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## Salt River Hosts Meeting with California Members



SRPMIC leadership, staff and Community members take part in a social dance during the CA members meeting in Anaheim California on April 29.

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Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community members living in Southern California gathered for the California member meeting at the Anaheim Suites on April 29. The meeting was the first one to be held since the coronavirus pandemic halted all travel and public functions inside and outside Arizona for the past two years.

The all-day meeting was an opportunity to inform SRPMIC members in California about the developments happening within the main body of the Community. Topics such as the new Council Representatives, tribal governmental structure and cultural presentations were on the table for discussion.

Additionally, representatives from SRPMIC departments including Tribal Enrollment, Education Services, Human Resources and Veterans Services were present to meet with Community members. They also reviewed how information is communicated to tribal members through the Community Relations Office.

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## Senior Chair Volleyball Tournament Draws Big Crowd



SR Steppers play a team called "Unknown" while SR Elite and the crowd watches on at the Senior Chair Volleyball Tournament on April 27.

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On April 26 and 27, the Pi-Copa Gym at the Salt River Community Building was packed with seniors from communities around the Southwest for the Senior Chair Volleyball Tournament.

The tournament was hosted by Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Recreational Services and sponsored by SRPMIC Senior Services and Comfort Suites Scottsdale.

Between participants and spectators, there were 402 total people in attendance.

Five teams from Salt River played in the tournament: SR

Elite, Serv-Ivers, SR S'gevk, Thunder N Lightning and SR Steppers.

According to Vanessa Lechuga, recreation coordinator II at SRPMIC Recreational Services, SR Elite and Serv-Ivers met each other early in the tournament, with Serv-ivers eliminating SR Elite. Serv-ivers went on to play two more games before being eliminated by Morongo Go Getters Blue.

SR S'gevk played three games before being eliminated from the tournament.

Thunder N Lightning played four games before being eliminated by Once Wild, a team from

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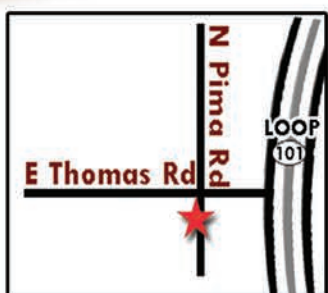
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# Casino Arizona and Talking Stick Resort Lauded for Taking Part in Anti-Trafficking Certification



SRPMIC leadership and staff members stand with Arizona Attorney General Kris Mayes (fourth from left), after the Casino Arizona and Talking Stick Resort received two plaques for completing the SAFE Action Project certification training.

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Casino Arizona and its gaming properties received special recognition for participation in the Safeguarding All From Exploitation (SAFE) Action Project training. For their efforts, members of the Casino Arizona leadership team and Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community were presented two plaques in to signify the completion of the SAFE Action Project training at the Degree 270 lounge at Talking Stick Resort on April 27.

"The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community and the Salt River Gaming Enterprise Board and its employees are excited and proud to be part of the Arizona Anti-Trafficking Network," said Ramon Martinez, Director of Public Relations for Talking Stick Resort (Casino Arizona).

The SAFE Action Project is a collection of entities that are committed to combating human trafficking. According to a press release by Casino Arizona, "The certification was granted because 94 percent of the organizations' personnel completed the required SAFE curriculum as a sex trafficking prevention mechanism leading up to Super Bowl LVII."

Martinez said the Casino Arizona team worked with the Arizona Anti-Trafficking Network, the Arizona Attorney General's Office and the Department of Homeland Security Investigations Unit to develop a comprehensive training program for the casino employees. "This is just one step of a multi-phased approach to ensure a safe and healthy environment for all of our guests," said Martinez.

CEO and President of Casino Arizona and Talking Stick Resort John

Dinius said, "Our team felt that it was important to provide employees with the knowledge and skills to observe, report and help prevent this terrible crime."

He added, "The goal was clear from the beginning: to ensure all employees, both at the 'front' of the house and 'back' of the house at Casino Arizona and Talking Stick Resort, are equipped with the necessary tools and resources to act in the event they witness behavior consistent with human trafficking."

Casino Arizona Director of Security Anthony Maxwell said, "Our department was tasked with starting the anti-human trafficking program and how we could build upon it here in partnership with the Arizona Anti-Trafficking Network's SAFE Action Project."

Maxwell said Casino Arizona staff became closely involved with the SAFE Action Project, which provided a plethora of information and training materials to help employees learn how to spot the signs of human trafficking on the casino premises.

Arizona Attorney General Kris Mayes lauded Casino Arizona and Talking Stick Resort for their proactive efforts to certify the staff.

"I commend Casino Arizona, Talking Stick Resort and the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community for their time and commitment to work in partnership with my office, the Arizona Anti-Trafficking Network and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Investigations' Phoenix office to help combat human trafficking. [We] applaud them for ... safeguarding all from exploitation," said Mayes.

She expressed concern about human trafficking in Arizona and said that

efforts through the SAFE Action Project address the issue in urban centers, rural towns and Indigenous communities.

"We know that Indigenous women and girls are at high risk for experiencing both violence and exploitation. [This] training serves a critical function to recognize human trafficking and violence within our communities," said Mayes.

SRPMIC Council Representative Mikah Carlos said, "This type of training around a serious topic like human trafficking is our effort to recognize the issue and react to it to create a safer place for our members, visitors and casino patrons."

She said the training reinforces the Community's stance on human trafficking and violence against women, which creates opportunities for SRPMIC to receive support from state and federal agencies.

Fellow SRPMIC Council Representative Jacob Butler added, "This is an important step for [us], because the Community is invested in curbing the epidemic of human trafficking on all its levels on SRPMIC lands." He echoed Carlos's remarks, saying that these efforts and those associated with the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons crisis are initiatives to create a safe place for members and patrons of businesses on the Community.

"I am glad that we can take it upon ourselves to really start these trainings with the casino staff and our counterparts from the state and other partners to support an even bigger effort to combat human trafficking," said Butler.



Casino Arizona/Talking Stick Resort team members hold the two SAFE Action Project plaques presented to them by Arizona Anti-Trafficking Network.



From left to right, AATN Program Officer Nate Boulter and Arizona Attorney General Kris Mayes present Brian Garza, SRPMIC Assistant Court Administrator with the SAFE Action Project plaques to Casino Arizona and Talking Stick Resort for completing the certification training.

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# Senior Chair Volleyball Tournament Draws Big Crowd

the Quechan Tribe.

The Salt River Steppers played four games before losing to the Pala Turtle I team. They continued in the losers bracket for two more games before losing to "Unknown," a team from the Tohono O'odham Nation, to be eliminated from the tournament.

Pala Chair Volleyball, from the Pala Band of Mission Indians, won the tournament, and the runners-up were the team "Unknown."

"We loved seeing all the seniors being active and taking part in this fun and competitive sport," said Lechuga.

"We have watched many of these athletes over the years continue to stay active. It's been amazing and inspiring that there is no limit to what we can do as we age. If you haven't seen the game of chair volleyball, we welcome you to come out to watch or participate. It involves a lot of laughing, which is great for the soul."



Above: Serv-ivors and SR Elite face-off during the tournament. Below: SR Steppers play "Unknown" during the tournament.



SR Steppers play a team in the tournament while Serv-ivors and SR Elite play in the background.



Above: SR S'gevk team poses for a photo.



Left: SR Elite with a solid play during the tournament.



Above: SR Elite and Serv-ivors face off during the tournament.

Left: Pala and "Unknown" play the final match of the tournament.

Right: Pala holds their trophy for the Championship win over "Unknown."



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# Tribal Leaders Congressional Week Invites Indigenous Representatives from Across the Nation



(Third from right) SRPMIC Council Representative Dallas is joined by other tribal leaders from across the nation, during a meeting with Arizona Senator Mark Kelly. Photo courtesy of Angela Willeford SRPMIC Office of Congressional & Legislative Affairs

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Tribal leaders from across the country converged on Washington, D.C., for Tribal Leaders Congressional Week, April 24-28. According to Angela Willeford, intergovernmental relations project manager for the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community's Office of Congressional & Legislative Affairs, Council Representative Michael Dallas attended the gathering on behalf of the Community.

Dallas met with Interior Secretary Deb Haaland and Arizona Senator Mark Kelly on key issues regarding the Community. Willeford said topics of discus-

sion included the continued funding for the federal Special Diabetes Program and the Child Nutrition Reauthorization, as well as the predatory recruitment of Indigenous people, including Community members, by rehabilitation centers. Willeford added that this was the first time in three years that tribal leaders from across the nation have been invited to meet with federal officials in Washington to discuss key issues in their communities.

"We are looking at our current needs and those needs that [we] foresee happening beyond the horizon so federally funded resources are not impeded," said Willeford.

# SRPMIC Representative Testifies at U.S. House Subcommittee Hearing

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On April 28, Gary Bohnee, Special Assistant for the Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, testified at the U.S. House Appropriations Subcommittee hearing "Tribal Perspectives on Housing and Transportation" to discuss the benefits of federal funding to tribes.

The hearing occurred at the end of the Inter-Tribal Association of Arizona Impact Week, in Washington, D.C., so OCLA staff were available to provide testimony on behalf of the SRPMIC.

Bohnee, who is an enrolled member of the Gila River Indian Community, talked about the unique transportation issues affecting tribal communities such as the SRPMIC, which has more than 650,000 vehicles traveling across its lands daily.

"While our connectivity with other jurisdictions encourages economic development, it also creates unique negative impacts," Bohnee told the subcommittee. "Most notably, a significant number of vehicles use the SRPMIC's surface roads as an alternative to regional arteries. This 'cut-through' traffic increases wear and tear on roads and creates the potential for safety issues in and around our residential areas."

The testimony reflects statements the SRPMIC has made in the past regarding the funding shortfalls from federal agencies for road maintenance and construction.

On an annual basis, the SRPMIC receives \$92,000 for road maintenance from the U.S. Department of the Inte-

rior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, which represents 6.5% of the total need. As a result, the SRPMIC supplements the federal funding with nearly \$1.4 million each year.

For the Community's five-year new-construction plan, BIA funding will provide only 3%, or \$7 million, of the overall budget.

About 25% of the 190 miles of roadway in the Community is unpaved, and the Community said that, currently there is not enough money to meet the basic maintenance needs of SRPMIC's roads, let alone support construction of a robust 21st-century transportation system.

The SRPMIC has successfully applied for U.S. Department of Transportation funds, such as the \$49 million award from the USDOT Nationally Significant Federal Lands and Tribal Project program in 2019, which will support the Pima Road Redevelopment project between the Community and the City of Scottsdale. The project is expected to break ground in November.

However, Bohnee noted that the project was the only one awarded funding from the program, which primarily funds work within Indian Country.

"If the [sub]committee is serious about addressing the needs of Native American tribes, the time has come to ensure that more of these transformative grants are awarded for projects on tribal lands," he said.

Representatives from the Comanche Nation, the Santa Rosa Indian Community, the Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians, and other tribal nations also testified during the subcommittee hearing.

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## AROUND THE COMMUNITY



On Thursday, May 4, 2023, the National Day of Prayer service was held at the Two Waters Courtyard with opening prayer led by President Martin Harvier. Well Ministries followed with worship songs before pastors and church leaders from throughout the Community led intentional prayers for incarcerated individuals, churches, military personnel and police/fire/medical professionals, National, State, and Tribal Government, Elders, and for Youth. Pastors and church leaders present were Tom Largo Sr., Pastor Marty Thomas, Pastor Len Andrews, Council member Michael Dallas, Sr., Pastor Merrill Jones, and Pastor Winterelk Valencia. Also in attendance was Chandler Mayor Kevin Hartke. The service ended with a closing prayer by Delbert W. Ray, Sr. By Kari Haahr, OAN newspaper assistant



# Salt River Soldier Receives Honor for Dedication to Service



(At center) SSgt. Mackie stands with his family after receiving the Order of Saint Maurice. At right, Staff Sergeant Mackie presents an award to the eldest veteran at the ceremony, Robert "Bob" Aguilar from the Lehi District.



because they shared the same humor and also could find ways to make things lively in between drills.

"There is something I didn't find out until later. I found out he was a fellow brother in the 'Cacti' .... Not many know what the Cacti are," said Caton. Having served deployments with the unit, he knew how the unit's history and actions during wartime have formed bonds among all those who have served in the regiment.

Caton recited the military awards Mackie received, including the National Defense Medal Afghanistan Campaign, Army Service Ribbon and Ranger Qualification badge, among other achievements. The list of Mackie's merits is indicative of his commitment to service in the Army.

Fellow U.S. Army soldier Captain Lance Leon provided background about the Order of Saint Maurice decoration. "In the traditional Roman manner [it] depicts the infantry leadership concept of 'follow me.' The lion symbolizes the Christian Lion of Judah, while the fixed gazes convey mutual trust and confidence between leader and follower. The clasped right arms represent the physical inseparability of the infantry and the struggle at hand, and the rays represent the infantry's challenge of operating both day and night," said Leon.

Leon said the award represents the hallmark of the United States Infantry and the Army's continued commitment to follow the principles laid out in the

decoration's description. According to the NIA website, the Order of Saint Maurice has six levels of classification for specific personnel. Mackie received the Legionnaire level, which is presented for "outstanding or conspicuous contribution to the Infantry. Infantrymen and soldiers of other branches and other U.S. Armed Services are eligible for this level," according to the NIA website.

"It's an honor to be inducted into the Order of Saint Maurice as the Legionnaire by you, my true brother and Sergeant First Class Caton," said Mackie. He also thanked the fellow service members for supporting him and being present for the award ceremony, along with Council members, family and friends.

He also thanked other soldiers he had the honor to serve with for being an influential part of his experience in the U.S. Army and for carrying out the "Ranger Standard," which Mackie said is to give "100 percent and then some."

"I am eternally grateful . . .," said Mackie. He said as professionals, they continue to help one another, even though they are stationed at various duty stations.

Mackie thanked all the active-duty soldiers, Marines, airmen and sailors, including the SRPMIC employees who support service members, some of whom are military veterans themselves.

"I feel very strongly about the support system I have here. Not only from

my family, but also my Community. I can easily attribute some of my best achievements simply to the fact that I'm well rooted here in such a rich culture," said Mackie.

For Community members who have an interest in military service, Mackie said the SRPMIC will always be there to support them as they choose to enter the Armed Forces. "I want our future warriors from here to understand that they will be afforded the same opportunity. I will be here for them. We will be here for them," said Mackie.

Afterwards, Mackie and the visiting U.S. Army personnel and SRPMIC Veterans Services staff presented Community veterans and employees with awards to recognize their service. This

was followed by a round of honor songs sung by Community veterans and those who support the Armed Forces.

Veterans who received award recognition were Alvin Lewis, U.S. Army; Daniel Smith Jr., U.S. Marine Corps; Tsosie Wood, U.S. Marine Corps; Robert Aguilar, U.S. Navy; Courtney Moya, Gila River Indian Community (not present); Calvin Watuema; and SRPMIC Vice-President Ricardo Leonard, U.S. Army.

Mackie's aunt, Debora Baum Montez said the family is proud of him and thanked the Community for their support. She said that his mother Genevive L. Buam (deceased) would be proud of her sons accomplishments.

Montez said, "We are really proud of him and all the accomplishments he has made."



SRPMIC Council Representatives presented Staff Sergeant Mackie with a special award for his service in military.

## AROUND THE COMMUNITY



On May 6, the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Council held an open house of the SRPMIC Council Chambers. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Council has been limited in its interactions with the Community's residents for some time, so this was a chance for Community members to meet and greet Council members, take a Council Chambers tour, and share their comments, questions or concerns. The first 100 Community members who visited received a gift, and there were beverages from Good Life Nutrition, a Harkins Theatres Popcorn Truck, and raffle prizes. By Chris Picciolo, OAN reporter. Photo courtesy of SRPMIC

## Salt River Justice Center Hosts Law Day



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The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Justice Center hosted Law Day on May 1. Community members came out to learn about the different legal services available to them and to enjoy a festive afternoon of carnival games and refreshments.

Law Day brought together represen-

tatives from the SRPMIC Department of Corrections, Legal Services Office, Office of General Counsel, Re-entry Program, Defense Advocate's Office and Tribal Prosecutor's Office. They were on hand to answer Community members' questions on topics including the expungement of marijuana offenses, stateside orders of protection, adult paternity, and tribal court probate and wills.

# SRPMIC Member Fights Wildfires With Geronimo Hotshot Crew

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Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community member Keith D. Andreas always figured he would end up having a career in the military or become a police officer.

"I always felt I wasn't meant for a regular nine-to-five job," said Andreas.

With that outlook, Andreas recently began one of the most difficult jobs on the planet: serving as a crew member of the Geronimo Interagency Hotshot Crew.

Introduced by the San Carlos Apache Tribal Natural Resources Program in 1996, Geronimo is one of seven hotshot crews sponsored by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. They have a pristine reputation as being the best of the best, the ones you would want to put out any wildland fire.

Andreas has been certified in wildland firefighting since 2018, and he said that the best way to describe this type of firefighting is that it is a "marathon," compared to the "sprint" of a structure fire that a city fire department would tackle.

"Growing up in Arizona, you always see wildfires on the news. It was always something that drew my attention," said Andreas, who is a firefighter type 2 (FFT2).

The Geronimo Hotshot Crew consists of about 20 wildland firefighters, and they are usually sent to the hottest part of the fire.

"We fight fire with fire," said Andreas.

"We'll go to the part of the fire that's most uncontrolled. We're trying to save structures, towns, national parks. We try to mitigate the fuel by laying down fire



Left: Keith D. Andreas working on a project, Hundred RX Burn in Payson, Tonto National Forest with Payson Hotshots. Right: Andreas is on the Geronimo Interagency Hotshot Crew in San Carlos Reservation. Photo courtesy of Mario Dia/Geronimo IHC Assistant Superintendent

in a prescribed burn using drip torches, ... so that by the time the fire gets there, there's nowhere else for it to go."

Andreas has lived at the San Carlos Apache Tribe since September 2022. He met his wife there, and she teases him that he married her for the job.

Enrolled at SRPMIC, Andreas received his firefighting certifications through the Pima Agency in Sacaton. This past fire season, he came on board with a contracting firefighting crew in Tucson.

"Being over there revamped my desire to be in the Hotshots," he said.

In order to be in the Hotshots, Andreas said that you have to meet or exceed certain fitness requirements just to be considered for an interview, such as finishing a 1.5-mile run in 10 minutes, 35 seconds or faster, or doing 25 or more pushups in one minute.

Andreas said the job is pretty hard, but he likes a good challenge.

"People who know me know I like to push myself. I'm always running 5 to 8 miles, [because] I just wanted to see if I could handle it. And now I'm here," he said.

"Sometimes I forget that I'm where

I wanted to be a year ago. It's cool to step back and just realize I'm finally doing what I've always talked about doing. One thing I want people to know is, whatever you want to do or who you want to be, just figure out how to get there and just do it," Andreas added.

Currently, the crew is available through the national fire dispatch agency, and when they're not on wild-fire assignment, they're working on the San Carlos Apache Reservation waiting for the call.

## River People Health Center Remembers Missing and Murdered Indigenous People



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The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community's River People Health Center made a symbolic gesture to remember individuals who have been the victim of a violent crime during national Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons Awareness Day on May 5.

The custodial staff placed more than 100 flags at the front of the health facility to represent the countless Indigenous

persons who have been gone from their communities due to crime. "It is really unfortunate to have so many individuals not returned home," said Joe Remitera, director of the RPHC.

He said the flags symbolize the thousands of missing or murdered individuals from all walks of life in Indigenous communities. "It is an epidemic of enormous proportions. It's a travesty to see so many go missing from their community," said Remitera.

The RPHC staff wanted to do some-

thing to show their support and to bring more awareness to the issue. "It is an important day, ... we want to show all those families who are missing loved ones that our thoughts are with them," said Remitera.

This day of awareness originated as Missing and Murdered Native Women and Girls Day in 2017, when the U.S. Senate passed a resolution, according to an article on AZCentral.com. Since 2021, President Joseph Biden has signed a proclamation every year

acknowledging this day. According to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, there are 4,200 unresolved cases involving missing and murdered Indigenous people, but the National Missing and Unidentified Persons System shows only 793 cases as of December 2022, stated the article on AZCentral.com. Tribal officials say that the numbers are low because many cases go unreported.



# Fun Part-Time Jobs Ideas for Retirees

### Dear Savvy Senior,

As a 68-year-old retiree, I'm interested in finding a fun part-time job that can occupy some of my time and generate a little extra income. Can you write a column on low-stress part-time jobs that are popular among retirees?

Part-Time Retiree

### Dear Retiree,

Working part-time in retirement can be a terrific way to occupy your time and earn some extra income. The key, however, is finding the right gig that's fun and satisfying for you. While there are literally hundreds of different part-time job opportunities out there for retirees, here are a few possibilities to explore.

**Teach or Tutor:** Depending on your expertise, you could substitute teach or tutor students privately on any number of subjects. Substitute teachers typically make between \$75 and \$125/day, while tutors can earn between \$15 to \$30 per hour.

To look for substitute teaching positions, contact your local school district to see if they are hiring and what qualifications they require. To advertise tutoring services, use websites like Wyzant.com and Tutor.com.

Or, if you have a bachelor, master or doctoral degree, inquire about adjunct teaching at a nearby college or university.

**Babysit:** If you like kids, babysitting can be a fun way to put money in your pocket. Hourly rates vary by location ranging anywhere from \$10 to \$40 per hour. To find jobs or advertise your services, use sites like as Care.com and Sittercity.com.

**Write or edit:** Many media, corpo-

rate and nonprofit websites are looking for freelancers to write, edit or design content for \$20 to \$60 per hour. To find these jobs try FreelanceWriting.com, FreelanceWritingGigs.com and Freelancer.com.

**Consult:** If you have a lot of valuable expertise in a particular area, offer your services as a consultant through a firm or on your own through freelancer sites like Upwork.com, Fiverr.com, Freelancer.com or Guru.com.

**Translator or interpreter:** If you're fluent in more than one language you can do part-time interpretation over the phone or translate documents or audio files for \$20 to \$40/hour. Try sites like Translate.com, ProZ.com or Gengo.com to locate translation jobs.

**Public events:** Sporting events, festivals, concerts and shows need ticket takers, security guards, ushers, concession workers and more. The pay is usually \$10 to \$20/hour. Contact nearby venues to apply.

**Bookkeeper:** If you have a finance or accounting background you can find freelance bookkeeping gigs at sites like Upwork.com and Fiverr.com, or through firms like BelaySolutions.com.

If you don't find these options appealing, try FlexJobs.com, which lists thousands of flexible work-at-home jobs from more than 5,700 employers. Membership fees start at \$10.

*Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman, OK 73070, or visit SavvySenior.org. Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of "The Savvy Senior" book.*

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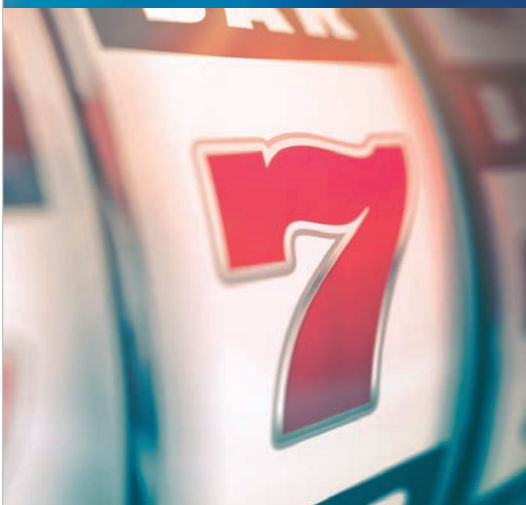
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# Community Members Killed in Action in the U.S. Military Honored

BY TONI HARVIER  
Special submission

On Saturday, February 25, on the Gila River Indian Community (GRIC), there was a sacred feeling in the air at St. Peter's Church and Elementary school in Bapchule. Students sat together, the girls in their O'odham dresses and the boys all in camouflage. They were there to honor Community members who had been killed in action in the U.S. military. Five families—four from GRIC and one from the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community—were present at the ceremony. When a family member dies in conflict while serving their country, their families become Gold Star families, and at this ceremony the five families were presented with the Arizona Gold Star Military Medal.

The four GRIC military honorees were SP4 Dudley N. Arlentino, SP4 Franklin D. Pete Jr., LCpl. Edgar Acunia and 1st Lt. Dwight Blackwater. Representing the SRPMIC was the family of Pfc. Gregory B. Chiago. Chiago's mother is from GRIC and his father is from the SRPMIC. Pfc. Chiago was only 20 when he was tragically killed in action in the Vietnam War on November 22, 1968.

This all started when the students at St. Peter's wanted to learn more about GRIC members who served in the military and had been killed in action. Veterans and Community members collaborated on a research project to identify members from the GRIC who had been killed in action and apply for the Arizona Gold Star Military Medal for their families. Master Sgt. Gary Anderson (Special Forces, retired) worked with Pfc. Chiago's sister, Jennifer Thomas, to request the Arizona Gold Star Military Medal on behalf of Pfc. Chiago's family.

Chiago's brother asked why his brother died in combat when he was posted in the rear. MSgt. Anderson discovered some of the details. He read some of the information at the ceremony.

"Gregory was assigned to the 3rd/34th Artillery Infantry Division. [During the Vietnam War], they served in the Mekong Delta and had the responsibility of controlling the riverways. The 9th Infantry Division constructed three fire support bases deep inside an enemy-controlled area. Imagine a triangle with each leg approximately 15 miles apart. Depending on the range of the artillery, [this area] could be up to 20 miles. These support sites are there to support the infantry, who is trying to locate the enemy. The problem with artillery is that the weapons fire at such a great distance that someone needs to be on the ground to direct the fire. These are generally artillery men who are called forward observers. It is their responsibility to bring steel on target by communicating directly with the artillery."

Pfc. Chiago and his fellow soldiers were working their way through the thick jungle of Vietnam, with high temperatures, high humidity, mosquitoes and much more to contend with on top of the North Vietnamese Army (NVA), who excelled at concealing themselves and ambushing U.S. troops in jungle warfare.

"[Pfc. Chiago and his unit] were hunting a highly skilled North Vietnamese Army unit. You would want to be on the high ground for the best observation. There are three [ways he could have been] discovered [by the enemy]: chance contact, the en-

emy had radio detection equipment and [could figure] out his location, and the high ground was an obvious target [for the NVA]."

The large artillery guns that the U.S. soldiers were firing at the enemy needed to be adjusted to the correct settings to hit the target. The forward observer's job was to accurately locate the target on a map and radio instructions back to the artillery unit to direct the fire to the target. The observer and the unit were working with a grid map and had to guess the coordinates of the target. However, it was unusual to hit the target the first time. The forward observer had to watch the landing and explosion of the artillery fire and then radio back saying how far off the target they were and how to adjust the gun to get closer to the target.

MSgt. Anderson said, "When you are in the jungle, your first round is generally smoke; you don't want to accidentally call artillery in on your [own location]." This means that the first shot is aimed at a "rough idea" of where the forward observer is. The artillery unit would fire a smoke shell, and when the observer saw the smoke, he would radio to the artillery, giving directions from his position to the smoke. They did that once or twice more to triangulate the location of the forward observer so as not to fire directly at his position.

"Once you identify the smoke, you begin to adjust [the firing coordinates]; this is called bracketing," MSgt Anderson continued. "Once your rounds are on target, you call for 'fire for effect,' which means you're telling the artillery that the rounds are on target and they should continue firing at those coordinates. That is the most dangerous time for a forward observer. It may take several rounds to be on target, and the enemy knows that you are out there somewhere."

"It is my belief that Gregory was acting as a forward observer with an infantry unit [when he was killed]," MSgt. Anderson concluded.

As the ceremony began, the young men marched in and posted the colors. The students then sang the national anthem in English and O'odham and recited the Pledge of Allegiance in English and O'odham.

Accepting the Arizona Gold Star Military Medal for Pfc. Chiago's family were his siblings, Claire Miller and Ron Chiago. Other family members in attendance were Anna Lee, Mandy Montoya



Accepting the Arizona Gold Star Military Medal for Pfc. Chiago's family were his siblings, front Ron Chiago and Claire Miller. Other family members in attendance were Anna Lee, Mandy Montoya and her son Elias, and Anissa Bejarano and her daughter Brielle.

and her son Elias, and Anissa Bejarano and her daughter Brielle. SRPMIC President Martin Harvier pinned the medal on Claire Miller.

During and after the ceremony, those present experienced immense honor, loss, tears, pride, empathy and gratitude. It was very evident that the remaining family members of these five special men were still hurting after all these years. It was an honor and privilege to be in attendance at this ceremony. "We will never forget ..." Freedom is not free.

Pfc. Gregory B. Chiago's name is among the 58,318 names on the Viet-

nam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. His name appears on the wall on Panel 38W, Line 33. Another Community member, Leonard Enos, also was killed in action in Vietnam, and his name also appears on the memorial.

Similar ceremonies were held in the past for Matthew B. Juan (Akimel O'odham - GRIC), the first Arizonan to die in World War I; and Ira Hayes (Akimel O'odham - GRIC District 5), one of the flag-raisers on Iwo Jima in World War II.



Pfc. Gregory Chiago's name can be found on Panel 28 W Line 33 on the Vietnam Memorial Wall in Washington, D.C. The Wall honors more than 58,000 servicemen and women who lost their lives during the Vietnam War.

# Memorial Day Event Planned for the Lehi Cemetery Grounds

SUBMITTED BY AMANDA WHITE, SRPMIC Veterans Representative, and LEROY LITTLE, SRPMIC Engineering and Construction Services

The staff of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Veterans Services Office is planning several Memorial Day events to honor Community-member veterans who gave the ultimate sacrifice to protect our country. A flag-planting event is scheduled for May 27 from 7 a.m. to noon at the St. Francis Cemetery in Salt River and the Lehi Cemetery. This will be followed by an open-mic session at the reception meal to share stories of Community veterans. Then, on Memorial Day on May 29, a program is planned from 7 to 9 a.m. at the Lehi Cemetery. It will include remarks, a Memorial Day speech, the laying of a wreath, a 21-gun salute and "Taps."

Through this past year, the Community's veterans have been meeting biweekly to discuss concepts for new Veterans Memorials to be located at the Salt River and Lehi cemeteries. The idea is to permanently memorialize the veterans who have done so much for our country. The Lehi veterans have a concept ready for design, while the Salt River veterans group is seeking participation from more veterans to further develop their concept.

The SRPMIC Veterans Representatives, the staff of

the Public Works Department—Memorial Services, staff from Engineering & Construction Services, and consultants have been working with the veterans to develop concepts and come up with design ideas prior to constructing these memorials. Veterans Representatives will be on-site at the Lehi cemetery to answer questions about veteran burial sites, markers, locations and more. The Veterans Representatives will also be available to record any unmarked burial sites where family members have known information about a veteran. We would like to honor these veterans and collect information about their service.

SRPMIC Veterans Representatives and the project team will also be on-site to display and collect feedback on the proposed Veterans Memorial and master plans for the Lehi and Salt River cemeteries.

The Armed Services and veteran community is a small community, per Google searches. Currently, only 0.04% of Americans serve in the military, based on current Department of Defense (DOD) numbers. Although it is hard to estimate the percentage of living U.S. civilians who are veterans, statistics indicate that just over 7% of living Americans have served in the U.S. military in some capacity. According to the DOD, only about 10% of those who serve in the Armed Forces see combat—the rest of the active military is

made up of support roles and MOS, or military occupational specialties.

Not only are there fewer combat veterans, but the duration of combat exposure is getting longer. Retired Marine Sgt. Andrew Brandi, a motivational speaker and author of *The Warrior's Guide to Insanity*, notes that the average warrior saw 40 days of combat during World War II and 240 days during the Vietnam War, but he has recently talked with soldiers today who have spent more than 1,200 days in combat. It is for the few who bore the horror of combat that Memorial Day evokes strong emotions. The Infantry soldier or Marine and those who served in combat probably know a buddy who never came home—it is to these Armed Services members that this day brings solemn memories.

The SRPMIC has a record of 19 brave individuals who have given the ultimate sacrifice while protecting our nation and this Community. Let us all take a moment to honor their memory this year and encourage our loved ones to do the same.

Memorial Day was established to honor fallen U.S. military personnel by act of United States Congress. In 1971, Memorial Day became an official federally observed holiday, always held on the last Monday in May. The SRPMIC Council also approved a proclamation on May 13, 2020,

## Conceptual Aerial View of the Lehi Veterans Memorial



Conceptual aerial view of the Lehi Veterans Memorial. Graphic provided by the SR Engineering & Construction Services.



Conceptual front view of the Lehi Veterans Memorial. Graphic provided by the SR Engineering & Construction Services.

which honors fallen military personnel and other service members of the Community.

Memorial Day Weekend frequently is associated with barbecue cookouts and the start of summer, or it may bring an opportunity to take a break from work and enjoy some personal time. But we need to remember that this day is

primarily recognized as a day of tribute to those who fought and made the ultimate sacrifice for our liberty. To get into the Memorial Day spirit, consider participating in Memorial Day activities and join in a tribute to those who gave their lives in service to our country.

## MEMORIAL DAY

MONDAY, MAY 29, 2023

### LEHI CEMETERY

7AM

OPENING PRAYER

NATIONAL ANTHEM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OPENING REMARKS

MEMORIAL DAY SPEECH

LAYING OF WREATH

READING OF THE POPPY POEM

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CLOSING PRAYER

LET US NEVER FORGET



## Memorial Day Flag Planting



Saturday, May 27, 2023

7AM-12PM

St. Francis, Salt River, and Lehi Cemetery

Incentives will be given to participants  
Water will be provided

# Herschel Andrews Retires From Service to SRPMIC

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On May 5, Herschel Andrews ended his service to the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community with a Cinco de Mayo-themed retirement recognition and celebration at the SRPMIC Council Chambers.

For the last 10 years, Andrews has been manager of the Senior Home Repair or Replacement Program (SHRRP). From 2002 to 2012 he fulfilled many roles in the Engineering & Construction Services (ECS) and Administrative Services departments.

Before that, Andrews was a Tribal Council member from 1967 to 1969, in 1974, and from 1988 to 1992. He also served the Community as vice-president from 1969 to 1970 and from 1974 to 1979, and then as president from 1979 to 1982.

SRPMIC Council member David Antone moderated the event, which was attended by many of Andrews' colleagues and family members, as well as current and former SRPMIC leaders, including former presidents Paul Smith and Delbert Ray Sr.

"When you look at a person, and you look at their longevity and what they did for this Community, you have to look [at Andrews] as a leader," said Antone. "That's why he was elected all those times; he's a leader. I want to acknowledge that Herschel did his best. Herschel, congratulations on your retirement."

Andrews' service has meant a lot to many Community members, including Assistant Community Manager Doran Dalton, who was at the event.

"I walk by and I see Herschel every day; not the Herschel you guys see here



ECS Director Scott Thigpen (right) addresses Herschel Andrews (left, seated) at SRPMIC Council for Andrews' retirement gathering.

today, but a [younger] Herschel Andrews who has his picture on the wall on the third floor, along with all the rest of the former presidents," said Dalton.

"When I first came into this leadership role about a year and a half ago, I would stop and look at all those former presidents and wonder what their visions and goals were for the Community," Dalton continued. "I look into their eyes and I wonder what problems they were facing and how they thought through things to help better our Community."

SHRRP Committee member and Assistant Operations Manager Rito Lopez

told everyone at the event that Andrews always led by example.

"He was here every day and worked hard," said Lopez. "I'm sure a lot of seniors appreciate all the work he has done. The program that he has helped form and guide has helped hundreds, if not thousands, of people here in the Community, so [Herschel], we really appreciate you. On behalf of the Committee, we want to say thank you for everything that you have done."

SRPMIC President Martin Harvier and ECS Director Scott Thigpen also spoke at the celebration. Andrews received a plaque and a special Pendle-

ton blanket in acknowledgement of his service.

At the end of the ceremony, Andrews, Harvier, Smith and Ray gathered in the Council Chambers for a photograph of the current and former presidents.

"People are asking me what I'm going to do now. The first thing that comes to my mind is I'll be able to do more with my church group," said Andrews. "The other thing is, [Delbert Ray Sr.] started a group for people who have lost their loved ones. So, I started going there. I want to thank all of you for being here [for my retirement]."

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The deadline to file a claim in the bankruptcy is July 7, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time).

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#### WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?

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# Salt River Hosts Meeting with California Members

To start the meeting, Lehi Council Representative Michael Dallas gave an opening prayer to keep all the members of the Community, at home and away, in their thoughts. He thanked the staff for making the event possible and ensuring there was adequate time to inform the California Community members about the meeting.

Before heading into his remarks, SRPMIC President Martin Harvier thanked the staff for setting up the ballroom and helping make the event possible. "The work that they do goes above and beyond, and I want to give them thanks for everybody working together to make this meeting possible," he said.

President Harvier then talked about the changes that have gone on within the Community since the last meeting in California and how this was a time to revisit and explore new questions from the California SRPMIC members.

The president's opening remarks

were followed by introductions of the Tribal Council, each of whom provided a brief overview of the district they represent and the family they hail from. President Harvier spoke about the long-standing history of trips to California to meet the Community members living in the area who either moved there long ago, were born and raised there, or attended a California school or university.

He recognized a group of high school students from Sherman Indian High School in Riverside and offered words of encouragement on their academic endeavors. "I want you to be sitting up here one day, because I can tell you that when I was in high school, I never thought that I would be in this position," he said.

President Harvier encouraged the students to continue working toward their goals and to remember that the Community is there to help them. He was also happy for the California meetings to resume. "It really feels good ...

just coming here and hearing from you for the work that goes on in the Community."

"We have grown from a government perspective. We have approximately 2,500 employees now, just for the government services alone, which does not include our Enterprises," said Community Manager Bryan Meyers.

Meyers introduced the four assistant Community managers, Blessing McAnlis-Vasquez, Carla Banuelos, Doran Dalton and Lena Jackson, all of whom are SRPMIC members. Each provided an overview of the specific departments they oversee.

Other presenters were Miss Salt River Nani Reina and Jr. Miss Salt River Tirsia Reina, on behalf of the Salt River royalty court. They were followed by Director of Cultural Resources Kelly Washington, who provided an overview of the department's language program and gave a brief lesson in O'odham and Piipaash greetings.

Toward the end of the meeting, Council members shared remarks on the importance of staying connected with the California membership. They reiterated that the Community will always be considered their home, and the Community resources available to them are meant to enrich their lives, whether it's housing, education or other assistance.

During the question-and-answer portion of the meeting, Community members asked questions about blood quantum, land allotment and education assistance.

The meeting concluded with a traditional O'odham song led by Vice-President Ricardo Leonard and singers, while Washington offered a round of songs in Piipaash to close the meeting. Afterward, members joined in a social round dance with SRPMIC leadership and staff members.



SRPMIC leadership, Community Manager, Assistant Community Managers and department staff interact with Community members living in the Southern California area. The day consisted of information sessions, booths, and social dances to bring a little bit of home to its members living off of the Community. Community members had an opportunity to take part in the discussion with tribal leaders on enrollment, education scholarships and land allotment questions.

# 32nd Annual Reburial Ceremony

BY SHANE ANTON  
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer  
SRPMIC Cultural Resources Department

As we move ever closer to summer, I am reminded that the 32nd annual reburial ceremony is quickly approaching. The Tribal Historic Preservation Office, in cooperation with the reburial group of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, is currently preparing for this year's ceremony. The reburial ceremony has traditionally taken place on the first weekend (Friday night through early Saturday morning) in June for the past 31 years. This spiritual, traditional and religious ceremony is a humbling and respectful event that allows the Community to re-inter our displaced Huhugam (deceased relatives) back to the earth.

People often ask how our ancestors came to be "disturbed, displaced or removed" from their original place of burial. I try to remind people that the O'odham have been in the greater Phoenix valley for thousands of years, if not longer. Since we've been here for as long as we have, with that continuum of occupation we've had many relatives pass away, and with death come burial and traditional funerals. Throughout time, other cultural groups came into our traditional land-use areas. Through their governmental processes, they obtained these lands, including burial sites that pre-dated their arrival and ownership.

These original graves may never have been marked or recorded, and the new land "owners" decided to build new structures or use that property for infrastructure or other things that caused them to dig up the land to suit those purposes. This is when burials, along

with other artifacts or features, may be negatively impacted or disturbed.

The Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) is a law that helps federally recognized Native American tribes repatriate culturally affiliated human remains back to their people and area of origin for respectful ceremony and re-interment.

The State of Arizona also has burial laws that recognize the tribes and assist with protection and repatriation of remains to tribal communities. Once our office has completed the necessary paperwork and worked with the agencies to repatriate our ancestors back to the Community, then we assist the reburial group with planning and providing in-kind assistance to ensure they are able to carry out the reburial in a reverent and respectful manner.

Having to do this because the Huhugam have been disturbed is an unfortunate and sad occasion that we have to deal with, and we do so lovingly, regardless of the circumstances in which they came to be unearthed. On the date of reburial, we ask that the Community members come out and assist and take part in the reburial ceremony if they would like, with the understanding that it is the obligation of the living to care for and attend to the Huhugam, our deceased relatives.

This year's reburial will take place on Friday, June 2, starting at sundown. Watch for additional information throughout the Community. Should you have any questions, contact Martha Martinez, NAGPRA Coordinator, at (480) 362-7954, or via e-mail at Martha.Martinez@srpmic-nsn.gov.

Cultural Resources Department | Cultural Preservation Program



## 32nd Reburial Ceremony June 2-3, 2023

Procession will begin at Sundown  
at Center Street & Thomas Road




Traditional dinner following the Ceremony  
at the Memorial Hall

Please be respectful by observing the following:

- o Open to SRPMIC & other Native American only
- o Recording of any kind is strictly prohibited (no pictures, no voice recording, no video)
- o No alcohol, drugs, firearms, or weapons
- o No gang activity or attire.



Please contact Martha Martinez | 480.362.7954

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**CONNECTING**  
THE **WORLD**  
THROUGH PUBLIC WORKS

NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK | MAY 21-27, 2023



## SRPMIC Public Works Week Community Day

Please join the Public Works Department as we  
celebrate National Public Works Week  
(May 21-27, 2023)

"Connecting the World Through Public Works"

**WHEN: Tuesday, May 23, 2023**

**WHERE: Salt River Community Building  
(1880 North Longmore Road)**

**TIME: 4:30 PM - 8:30 PM**

Come get all the information you need on the  
different services provided to you and the  
Community by the Public Works Department!

**Dinner will be provided  
(Hot dogs, chips, cookie & drink)**

Any questions, please contact the  
Public Works Department at 480-362-5600 or  
email [PWCustomerService@srpmic-nsn.gov](mailto:PWCustomerService@srpmic-nsn.gov)

"The American Public Works Association is proud to announce the theme 'Connecting the World Through Public Works' for the 2023 National Public Works Week poster. Public works is the thread that connects us all, no matter where we live in the world. Every public works professional strives to improve the quality of life for the community they serve, leading to healthier, happier communities."

# SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY TRIBAL DIRECTORY

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Licensing Manager.....	362-2745
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Ifly.....	712-4359
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**NOTICE OF PERMANENT EXCLUSION  
VINCENT EDWARD RODRIGUEZ  
(DOB XX/XX/1969)**

May 4, 2023

This serves as notice that the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community ("SRPMIC") Council pursuant to Article VII, §1(g) of the SRPMIC Constitution and Sections 7-72 through 7-75 of the SRPMIC Code of Ordinances decided on May 3, 2023 at a regularly scheduled Council Meeting to permanently exclude Mr. Rodriguez from the boundaries of the SRPMIC. On April 11, 2023, the Exclusion Committee held a hearing and determined that Mr. Rodriguez was a non-member whose presence is detrimental to the peace, health or morals of the SRPMIC due to allegations of sexual assault, physical assault, domestic violence, drug and alcohol offenses, and fleeing the police.

Mr. Rodriguez's permanent exclusion was effective immediately. Therefore, he is not allowed to be within the territorial boundaries of the Community, including driving or passing through, visiting others, residing or coming within the Community boundaries at any time for any reason. Any violation of this Exclusion Order will be enforced by the Salt River Police Department (SRPD) pursuant to the laws of the Community, the State of Arizona and the United States of America.

If you see Mr. Rodriguez in the Community, please immediately call the SRPD.

**Public Comments on Proposed Amendments to  
Chapter 10 – Domestic Relations Ordinance  
Comment Period: April 12, 2023 – June 10, 2023**

On April 12, 2023, the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Council authorized a sixty (60) day public comment period for a proposed amendment to the Community's Chapter 10 – Domestic Relations. The Child Custody Ordinance ("Ordinance") would be a new addition to the Code as the Community does not currently have such an ordinance.

Court to modify their legal decision-making and/or parenting time orders;

- Powers of the Court;
- Defines third-party rights; and,
- Family law services.

The sixty (60) day public comment period lasts until June 10, 2023. The Office of General Counsel, Legal Services Office, Office of the Prosecutor, and Defense Advocate Office will attend district meetings within the Community to discuss the Ordinance, answer questions, and collect comments.

Please submit all comments in writing either to the Community's intranet "Ordinance Public Comment" page, or via standard mail or email to the following:

Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community  
The Office of the General Counsel  
10005 East Osborn Road  
Scottsdale, Arizona 85256  
OrdPublicComment@srpmic-nsn.gov

The Ordinance covers the following topics:

- Defines and provides a process for establishing legal decision-making and parenting time;
- Outlines best interest factors and other guidelines for the Community Court to consider in making legal decision-making and parenting time determinations;
- Explains the contents of a parenting time plan;
- Provides timeframes for court filings and hearings;
- Covers mediation when appropriate;
- Applicable penalties in the event of a non-compliant party;
- Explains when parties can return to the

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- Help keep siblings together
- Allow time for families to heal

**Salt River Social Services**  
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Join us for a day of learning at the **River People Health Center!** Thriving with Diabetes will be held in the RPHC Teaching Kitchen from 9 a.m. -2:30 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of every month. Come hungry! There will be a light breakfast and a catered lunch! Approved for WellPath or Strong Life points

<b>UPCOMING DATES</b>	<b>SESSIONS INCLUDE</b>
MAY 25	Diabetes A to Z
JUNE 22	Healthy Eating
JULY 27	Being Active
AUGUST 24	Know Your Medications
SEPTEMBER 28	Know Your Numbers
OCTOBER 26	Finding Solutions
	Reducing Risks

**Please call (480) 362-3355 to register and reserve your seat**

**TANF 3 YEAR PLAN**

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

Salt River Tribal TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) is seeking assistance from the public to provide comments on the proposed TANF 3 Year Plan that will be in effect from June 1, 2023 through May 31, 2026.

Please submit comments to:  
SR Tribal TANF at (480) 362-5680,  
or you can email  
Quentin.Begay@SRPMIC-nsn.gov  
OR  
WinterElk.Valencia@SRPMIC-nsn.gov



**COMMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY  
SATURDAY, MAY 27, 2023**

TO VIEW THE TANF 3 YEAR PLAN, VISIT THE TRIBAL TANF OFFICE/LEARN LOCATED INSIDE BUILDING 32 OR GO TO [WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/SALTRIVERLEARN](http://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/SALTRIVERLEARN)



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# PUBLIC OUTREACH Survey Website

## Public Works Speed Cushion Survey

Excessive speeds, cut-through traffic, and reports of drag racing have become a concern on McDowell Road in Lehi. Speed measurements show that vehicles are generally travelling 45 mph (posted speed of 35 mph). The installation of speed cushions have been shown to help mitigate these issues. The downfall to speed cushions include nuisance to residents, more wear on vehicles and safety to pedestrians if vehicles try to go around them.

The Public Works Department would like to solicit input from Community Members to determine whether speed cushions are desired at this location. Please vote below on whether you would like to see speed cushions installed on McDowell Road, from Mesa Drive to Gilbert Road.

<https://tinyurl.com/yc4x6998>

Please cast your vote | Link will expire on June 2nd, 2023

## 2nd Quarter 2023 ELIGIBILITY DEADLINE June 30, 2023

Must be eighteen (18) years old, enrolled, and living to be eligible for the July 2023 Per Capita Payment.

### DEADLINES FOR CHANGES

**Direct Deposit Start-Ups and Changes:** Tuesday, July 11th at 5:00 PM. This deadline is for new start-ups for direct deposit or changes to existing information. All forms MUST be submitted with a "VOIDED" check or statement from the bank with the Routing and Account Numbers. Forms received by this date will be effective for the July 2023 payout.

Forms received after this date will not be effective until the October 2023 payout.

**Discontinue Direct Deposits:** Tuesday, July 18th at 5 p.m. This deadline is to discontinue an existing direct deposit. \*\*\*Failing to notify the Per Capita department when an account is closed may delay your Per Capita payment.

**Per Capita Eligibility:** Tuesday, July 18th at 5:00PM. This deadline is for submitting the Adult SRP-MIC Member's Per Capita Information Certificate. Forms received

by this date will be effective for the July 2023 payout. Forms received after this date will not be processed until the first week of August 2023.

**Tax Withholding Changes:** Tuesday, July 18th at 5:00 PM. This deadline is for making changes to "Additional" tax withholding percentage or amount.

Tax forms are available on the Finance Per Capita Intranet Site and can also be requested by e-mailing finpercap1@srpmic-nsn.gov.

If you have any questions regarding: Tribal ID, Per Capita Eligibility & Change Forms call Membership Services @ (480) 362-7600

Tax Withholding & Direct Deposits call Finance-Per Capita @ (480) 362-7710



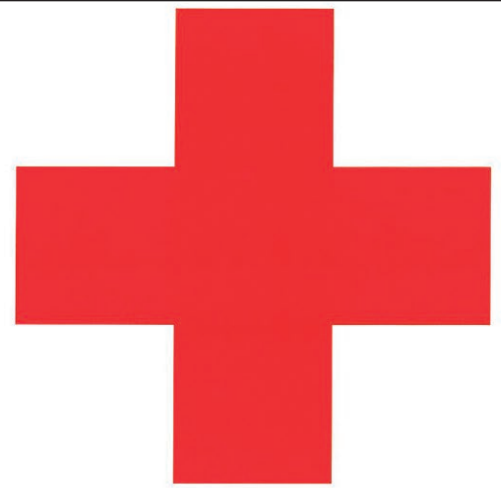
If you have a story idea, please contact OAN at (480) 362-7750

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Salt River Community Building  
1880 N. Longmore Rd.  
Scottsdale, AZ 85256

Friday, May 26, 2023  
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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June 1	May 19
June 15	June 2
July 6	June 16
July 20	June 7
August 3	July 21
August 17	August 4

SEND INFORMATION TO DODIE MANUEL at dodie.manuel@srpmic-nsn.gov  
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**CONTACT: (480) 362-6315**  
**ALL JUVENILE COURT CASES REPORT TO COURTROOM #3 ON THE 1ST FLOOR.**  
**FAILURE TO APPEAR CAN AFFECT YOUR RIGHTS**

**Agundez III, Raul** - Emancipation Hearing Case: J-23-0066 Court Date: June 6, 2023 at 10 a.m.

**Burns, Christine Ann** - Review Hearing Case: J-21-0054/0055 Court Date: June 6, 2023 at 11 a.m.

**Carlos, Andrew James** - Review Hearing Case: J-21-0133 Court Date: May 25, 2023 at 11 a.m.

**Hayes, Kelly William Jr.** - Evidentiary Guardianship Hearing Case: J-22-0091/0092/0093 Court Date: June 13, 2023 at 9 a.m.

**Kavoka, Jessica Ann** - Status Hearing for Termination of Parental-Child Relationship

Case: J-22-0128 / J-22-0129 Court Date: June 5, 2023 at 10 a.m.

**Lopez, Alejandra Gail** - Review Hearing Case: J-21-0053 Court Date: June 6, 2023 at 11 a.m.

**Manning, Aaron Shunshine** - Review/Permanency Hearings Case: J-21-0119 Court Date: June 6, 2023 at 10 a.m.

**Manuel, Ashlee Noreen** - Permanency Hearing Case: J-22-0118/0119/0120 Court Date: June 7, 2023 at 9 a.m.

**Paul, Derek Lloyd** - Permanency Review Case: J-18-0117 Court Date: May 24, 2023 at 10 a.m.

**Pavatea, Sherica Marie** - Review Hearing Case: J-23-0023 Court Date: June 7, 2023 at 11 a.m.

**Salazar Jr., Jose** - Mother: Jessica Kavoka (DOB: 10/11/1990) Children: M.A.S. (DOB: 05/12/2007) and J.B.S. III (DOB: 08/05/2008). Status Hearing for Termination of Parental-Child Relationship Case: J-22-0128 / J-22-0129 Court Date: June 5, 2023 at 10 a.m.

**Swan, Dajuan Anthony** - Mother: Anaya Ticer 02/22/1996 Child: N.L.T 06/05/2018 Review Hearing Case: J-22-0127 Court Date: June 12, 2023 at 10 a.m.

**Swan, Dajuan Anthony** - Review Hearing Case: J-22-0127 Court Date: June 12, 2023 at 10 a.m.

**Unknown Father** - Adjudication Hearing Case: J-23-0062 Minor A.G (10/05/2011) Mother Vanessa Lynn Gutierrez Court Date: May 23, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.

**Unknown Father** - Evidentiary Guardianship Hearing Case: J-22-0091/0092/0093 Minor: A.A.H.: 08/24/2012, Minor: E.A.A.: 08/15/2013, Minor: E.A.H.: 11/09/2016, Mother: Cedella Summer Kill Court Date: June 13, 2023 at 9 a.m.

**Valencia, Jazmin Manuela** - Review Hearing Case: J-19-0082 Court Date: May 22, 2023 at 11 a.m.

**Valles Sr., Robert Anthony** - Review Hearing Case: J-15-0174 Court Date: May 24, 2023 at 9 a.m.

**Wahpeta, April Francine** - Disposition Hearing Case: J-23-0027/J-23-0028/J-23-0029 Court Date: June 5, 2023 at 9 a.m.

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**CIVIL COURT CASES REPORT TO COURTROOM #1/ #2 ON THE 1ST FLOOR.**  
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**Andrews, Edison Roy** - Evidentiary Hearing Case: CF-23-0063 Court Date: June 13, 2023 at 10 a.m.

**Anzaldua, Rosa** - Evidentiary Hearing Case: R-23-0032 Court Date: May 30, 2023 at 3 p.m.

**Cachora, Colette Marie** - Initial Guardianship Hearing Case: CF-23-0071 Court Date: June 5, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

**Coelho, Ana Rose** - Child Support Modification Hearing Case: CFCS-19-0048 Court Date: May 30, 2023 at 9 a.m.

**Freeland-Billy, Melissa** - Entry of Default Judgement Case: CFCS-10-0092 Court Date: June 28, 2023 at 9 a.m.

**Galvan, Shalayne Annamarie** - Civil Complaint Hearing Case: C-23-0082 Court Date: June 5, 2023 at 10 a.m.

**Hernandez, Matthew Gabriel** - Initial Guardianship Hearing Case: CF-23-0071 Court Date: June 5, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

**Lewis, Kaylene Littledove** - Evidentiary Child Support Hearing Case: CFCS-22-0046 Court Date: June 13, 2023 at 9 a.m.

**Manuel, Miriah Skye** - Order to Show Cause Hearing Case: CF-19-0074 Court Date: May 23, 2023 at 11 a.m.

**Manuelito Vest, Laree** - Probate Hearing Case: P-23-0001 Court Date: June 5, 2023 at 10:30 a.m.

**Masawistewa, Moriah W.** - Evidentiary Paternity/Custody Hearings Case: CF-23-0040 Court Date: June 15, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

**Miles-Careaga, MorningStar Michelle** - Probate Hearing Case: P-23-0038 Court Date: June 27, 2023 at 9 a.m.

**Romero, Clarence T.** - Annual Guardianship Review Case: CF-19-0177 Court Date: June 8, 2023 at 10 a.m.

**Scott, Jessica Marie** - Civil Complaint Hearing Case: C-23-0079 Court Date: May 25, 2023 at 10 a.m.

**Vest, Jason Duane** - Entry of Default Judgement Case: CFCS-10-0092 Court Date: June 28, 2023 at 9 a.m.

**Zotigh, Sosha** - Evidentiary Guardianship Hearing Case: CF-23-0054 Court Date: May 23, 2023 at 9 a.m.

**CIVIL COURT**

**JURISDICTION: SALT RIVER PIMA MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY COURT**  
**ADDRESS: 10040 EAST OSBORN RD. SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85256**

**DEFAULT NOTICES**

**FREELAND-BILLY, MELISSA**  
**DEFAULT NOTICE**  
**CFCS-19-0092**  
**JASMINE LILLIAN ACEVEDO,**  
**V.**  
**ALEXIS AUDEL ACEVEDO JR,**  
 To: Melissa Freeland-Billy, RESPONDENT

1. A Complaint / Petition has been filed against you in this Court and your immediate attention to this fact is urgent if you do not want judgment entered against you.

2. The Court record reflects that you have failed to respond to defend by filing an answer, motion to dismiss, request for extension of time or other responsive pleading and you have failed to attend hearings at the Court called for this matter.

3. If you do not defend against this suit within Thirty (30) days from the date the Process Server hands you this or you are served with it otherwise as permitted under the Community Code, the Court may enter default judgment against you.

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6. If you do nothing, the Court may give Judgment for what the Complaint demands. (Section 5-16.1, Judgment by Default)

DATED this 27th of March, 2023

CLERK OF SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY TRIBAL COURT

**FRENCH, TRACEY SERINA FRENCH/JOHN DOE**  
**FRENCH**

Notice of Default Judgment:

Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community Court, State of Arizona, Maricopa County original jurisdiction court Case #: C-22-0056/C-22-0057

Notice of Default Judgment is hereby given ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that default judgment against Respondent, Tracey Serina French and John Doe French, is hereby DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE. This order is final and shall be served on Respondent in accordance to Rule 5-20(c).

**GUTIERREZ, RUSSELL LEE**  
**SUMMONS**  
**J-23-0062**  
**I.T.M.O.: A.G. (DOB: 10/05/2011)**  
 TO: Russell Lee Gutierrez

On March 30, 2023, a Petition was filed in this court alleging that the child named above is a dependent child as defined at S.R.O. § 11-2 Dependent Child. You may obtain a copy of the petition by calling (480) 362-6315. A hearing has been set to determine whether the child named above has been neglected or abused, or is otherwise a dependent child by law.

THEREFORE YOU ARE ORDERED TO APPEAR for a dependency Adjudication Hearing and respond to the allegations in the Petition before the Salt River Juvenile Court located at 10040 E. Osborn Road, Scottsdale, Arizona 85256 on May 23,2023, at 1:30 p.m., in Court Room #3 before Judge Darmody.

WARNING: Failure to attend any hearing without good cause shown may result in a finding that you have waived your legal rights to be present and defend against the allegation(s) in the petition. The hearing

may go forward without you and may result in a finding of dependency, and the Court could make permanent orders by motion. Further, failure to appear at Court hearings or to participate in services may result in the termination of your parental rights or the establishment of a permanent guardianship.

Failure to appear at any Court hearing after receiving notice of the hearing may result in a bench warrant being issued for parent's/guardian's/custodian's immediate arrest.

NOTICE, Violation of this Order is Subject to Proceedings for Contempt of Court Pursuant to Salt River Community Code Section 6-42. The Court May Find the Parent, Guardian or Custodian in Contempt for Failure to Appear at a Court Hearing or For Failure to Follow Court Orders.

CLERK OF SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY TRIBAL COURT

**MANUEL, MIRIAH SKYE**  
**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE NOTICE**  
**CASE NO. CF-19-0074**  
**IN THE MATTER OF: M. G. G. (D.O.B. 07/03/2009)/K. I. A. G. (D.O.B. 08/12/2010)**  
 TO: Miriah Skye Manuel,

Event Date: 04/06/2023 Scottsdale, AZ 85256

YOU ARE HEREBY ORDERED to appear before the above-entitled court on the 23rd day of May, 2023 at 11:00 AM, in Court Room #1, and show cause why you should not be held in contempt for failing to appear for a hearing on Thursday October 23rd at 11:00 a.m. after being duly noticed.

FAILURE TO APPEAR will result in a Bench Warrant issued for your arrest for Contempt of Court from (\$6-41) of the Code of Ordinances.

ORDERED this 6th day of April, 2023

RAYMOND L. DEER, JUDGE OF THE SRPMIC TRIBAL COURT

**UNKNOWN FATHER**  
**SUMMONS**  
**J-23-0062**  
**I.T.M.O.: A.G. (DOB: 10/05/2011)**  
 TO: Unknown Father

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CLERK OF SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY TRIBAL COURT



# BOARD VACANCIES

## APRIL / MAY 2023



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<https://tinyurl.com/BVAPRILMAY>

*Any questions, contact the Council Secretary:*  
**480-362-7466 | 480-362-7465 | 480-362-7400**

**SAMPSON, COLLETTA R.**

Notice of Entry of Default Judgment:

Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community Court, State of Arizona, Maricopa County original jurisdiction court case number C-22-0147

Notice of Entry of Default Judgment is hereby given ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that entry of default judgment against Respondent, Colletta R. Sampson, is hereby ENTERED. It is further, ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that Respondent, Colletta R. Sampson, shall pay \$11,981.49 to Petitioner, Country Club Cars. Payment shall be made to Petitioner within ten (10) days of this Order. This order is final and shall be served on Respondent in accordance to Rule 5-20(c).

**SCHURZ, RYAN LEE**

Notice of DECREE of Dissolution of Marriage (Divorce):

Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community Court, State of Arizona, Maricopa County original jurisdiction court case number D-23-0003, Angela Schurz, Petitioner v Ryan Schurz, Respondent.

Notice of DECREE of Dissolution of Marriage (Divorce) is hereby given ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the grounds for divorce are either spouse has willfully deserted the other for a period of three months, no minor children, no property acquired during the marriage and each party is assigned his/her separate property and debt that is in their name and no spousal maintenance. It is further, ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the marriage of the parties is dissolved and the parties are restored to the legal status of single person. Wife's name is restored to CRUZ. This order is final for purposes of appeal and shall be served on Respondent, Ryan Schurz in accordance to Rule 5-20(c).

SRPMIC TRIBAL COURT

**VEST, JASON DUANE**  
**DEFAULT NOTICE**  
**CFCS-19-0092**  
**JASMINE LILLIAN ACEVEDO**  
**V.**  
**ALEXIS AUDEL ACEVEDO JR**  
 To: Jason Duane Vest, RESPONDENT

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DATED this 27th of March, 2023

CLERK OF SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY TRIBAL COURT



## MEMORIAL SERVICES

### Wake and Funeral Services

*As part of our continuing efforts to help prevent the spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19) throughout the Community, the following restrictions are in place for all funeral services and planning*

#### CONTACTING MEMORIAL SERVICES

- Memorial Services and Cemeteries office open regular hours: 8:00AM-5:00PM Monday—Friday
- Family may meet staff in office or cemetery

#### FULL WAKE AND FUNERAL ARE PROVIDED AT FACILITIES

- One (1) wake or funeral service per day at each facility: Memorial Hall and Xalychidom Piipaash Nyvaash
- If a family chooses to keep loved one at the facility overnight, family allowed to stay with loved one
- Overnights in the facilities will be allowed
- Families will be responsible for overseeing and running the kitchen during services to include the serving of food and removing personal items and leftover food after services. Day labor may not be available
- Nursery and family room will be open
- Memorial Services will create and post funeral announcements, if requested by family
- Wakes and/or overnight services are allowed at the homes
- Facilities will be available to hold family meetings
- Masks will be required, and if you are sick please stay home
- Families can have services at churches, if they receive permission from churches

#### CEMETERY SERVICES PROVIDED DURING

- Tent, tables, and chairs provided
- Staff will assist with burial
- Casket cart or table for urn
- If family wishes to dig grave, tools available
- Handwashing station, hand sanitizer, and port-a-john available
- No requirement for mask or social distancing at cemetery

Please call Memorial Services at 480-278-7050 for any questions



## SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY

### Community Development Department Environmental Protection & Natural Resources

10005 EAST OSBORN ROAD, SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85256 (480) 362-7500 EPNR@srpmic-nsn.gov

### Notice of Public Meeting for Comments

#### Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community 2022 Air Monitoring Network Plan Report

#### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION & NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION AIR QUALITY PROGRAM

**Purpose of Meeting:** To provide an opportunity for public to comment on Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community's 2022 Air Monitoring Network Plan Report

**SUMMARY:** The Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community (SRPMIC), Community Development Department's (CDD) Environmental Protection & Natural Resources Division (EPNR) Air Quality Program (AQP) make its annual air monitoring network plan available for public comments before submission to the Environmental Protection Agency Region 9. In accordance with 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 58.10 stated the annual air monitoring network plan is available for review and comment for at least 30 days. The SRPMIC presents data collected from the monitoring network on network design, detailed data statistics, network plan purposes and the proposed changes information. The document is available for review at CDD/EPNR [www.srpmic-nsn.gov/government/epnr/aqhome/](http://www.srpmic-nsn.gov/government/epnr/aqhome/).

#### PUBLIC MEETING:

A meeting hosted by the SRPMIC CDD-EPNR will be held on:

Wednesday, May 31, 2023  
11:00 am – 1:00 pm  
Two Waters, Building B, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Mesquite Room  
10005 East Osborn Road  
Scottsdale, AZ 85256

This meeting invites all members of the public to a hearing on AQP SRPMIC 2022 Air Monitoring Network Plan Report. CDD/EPNR AQP is providing an opportunity for interested parties to submit all written comments submitted to CDD/EPNR, 10005 E Osborn Rd, Scottsdale, AZ 85256 or e-mail to [epnr@srpmic-nsn.gov](mailto:epnr@srpmic-nsn.gov). The deadline for comment period is June 12, 2023.

## Public Input Requested on Roads Program

The Community has various planning documents that guide the roads program and the work done on the roadways. Two documents are being updated and are available for review and public input prior to Tribal Council approval.

1. 2023 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) update – includes an updated list of the roadway network and priority projects planned for the next 20 years.
2. 2023-2027 Tribal Transportation Improvement Program (TTIP) – shows the road projects planned over the next 5 years. The plan includes new roadway construction, reconstruction, safety improvements, pedestrian facilities, pavement rehabilitation and road maintenance.

A copy of the LRTP update and TTIP can be found on the Community's website at <https://www.srpmic-nsn.gov/government/public-works/roads/#Planning>. Hardcopies are available for pick up at the Public Works Utilities and Roads office located at 9010 East Osborn Road, Scottsdale, AZ 85256. The information will also be available for review and comment at SRPMIC Public Works Community Day on Tuesday May 23, 2023 from 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Salt River Community Building.

Please contact Jennifer Jack, Public Works Department, Roads Section Manager, with any questions at (480) 362-7747 or [jennifer.jack@srpmic-nsn.gov](mailto:jennifer.jack@srpmic-nsn.gov). Comments may be submitted at the address or email indicated above. **The deadline for comments is June 16, 2023.**

## CHURCH LISTING

### LEHI CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

1452 E. Oak St.  
Mesa, AZ 85203  
Mailing Address:  
PO Box 4628  
Mesa, AZ 85211  
Pastor Merrill Jones  
(480) 234-6091  
SERVICES  
-Visit us on Facebook Live and in person. Search for Lehi Church of the Nazarene.

-Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.  
-Worship Service, 10:45 a.m.  
-Sunday Night Bible Study, 6:30 p.m.  
-Wed. Devotion Night at church, 6:30 p.m.  
-SOAR Group 2nd & 4th Friday every month at the church 7 p.m.  
-Monday night Prayer Meeting, 6 p.m.  
-Singspiration, last Sunday of the month at 6 p.m.

### FERGUSON MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

1512 E. McDowell Rd. (Lehi)  
Mesa, AZ 85203  
Pastor Neil Price  
(480) 278-0750  
SERVICES  
-Sunday Worship Service, 10 a.m.  
Now available through the Zoom app. Call church for Zoom ID.

### LEHI PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1342 E. Oak  
Mesa, AZ 85203  
Pastor Annette Lewis  
[annette.f.lewis@gmail.com](mailto:annette.f.lewis@gmail.com)  
(480) 404-3284

### SERVICES

-Sunday Services 10 a.m.  
-Communion First Sunday of every month 10 a.m.  
Birthday Sunday Potluck- Last Sunday of the Month, after services.  
-Youth Devotion/Music (bring your instruments!) last 2 Saturdays of the month at 4 p.m.

### THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST PAPAGO WARD

2056 N. Extension Rd. Scottsdale AZ, 85256  
(480) 947-1084  
SERVICES  
-Sunday service begins at 10 a.m.

### PIMA CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

12207 E. Indian School Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85256  
Pastor Marty Thomas  
(480) 874-3016/  
Home: (480) 990-7450  
SERVICES  
-Sunday service 11 a.m.  
-Lord's Supper very first Sunday of the month (potluck after)

### SALT RIVER ASSEMBLY OF GOD

10657 E. Virginia Ave. Scottsdale, AZ 85256  
(480) 947-5278  
Rev. Winter Elk Valencia Services  
-Sunday Morning Prayer 10 a.m.  
-Worship 11 a.m.  
-No Evening Service till further notice.  
-Thursday Bible Study 6pm

### SALT RIVER CHURCH OF CHRIST

430 N. Dobson Rd.  
Mesa, AZ 85201  
(720) 626-2171  
[SaltRiverChurchofChrist.com](mailto:SaltRiverChurchofChrist.com)  
SERVICES  
-Bible Class 9:30 a.m. -10:30 a.m.  
-Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.  
-Sunday Bible Class 6 p.m.  
-Bible Study Wednesdays 7 p.m.  
-Provides transportation services for Community members call phone number

### SALT RIVER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

P.O. Box 10125  
Scottsdale, AZ 85271  
E: [SaltRiverPresbyterian@gmail.com](mailto:SaltRiverPresbyterian@gmail.com)  
Visit us on Facebook  
Pastor Charlotte Fafard  
SERVICES  
-Sunday Service, 1 p.m.  
-Communion first Sunday of the month

### ST. FRANCIS CATHOLIC MISSION

3090 N. Longmore, Scottsdale, AZ 85256  
(602) 292-4466 (cell)  
Administrator: Deacon Jim Trant  
Parish President: Cindy Thomas  
Father Peter McConnell and Father Antony Tinker  
SERVICES  
-Sunday Mass 12 p.m.  
-Holy Hours 1 p.m.

Please call the Church ahead of time to confirm information. Information was correct at the time of print, however, services may have changed since then.

## PUBLIC WORKS NOTICE

SRPMIC Council has approved the nightly closures of the Salt River and Lehi Cemeteries due to continued vandalism.

The Salt River and Lehi Cemeteries will be closed from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m.  
If you have any questions, please contact Memorial Services at (480) 278-7050

## SALT RIVER BUSINESS LISTINGS

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[cody@boxingbearsphotography.com](mailto:cody@boxingbearsphotography.com)

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[daliarendiz0815@icloud.com](mailto:daliarendiz0815@icloud.com)

**DALLAS PROFESSIONAL PAINTING**  
Commercial Painting Company, Licensed, Bonded, Insured, ROC#250102  
David Dallas, (623) 337-4070  
[david@dallaspropainting.com](mailto:david@dallaspropainting.com)

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Food catering for all your needs  
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Healthy cafe offering plant-based juices and smoothies, meal-replacement options and event catering. Mon-Fri 9am-3pm, Sat 11am-3pm. Closed Sundays.

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[goodlife.nutrition@yahoo.com](mailto:goodlife.nutrition@yahoo.com)  
(480)274-3306

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[Heavenlytouch08@yahoo.com](mailto:Heavenlytouch08@yahoo.com)

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## 50 Years of Recycling and Sustainability

Salt River Materials Group (SRMG) is the commercial trade name for the marketing activities of Phoenix Cement Company and Salt River Sand and Rock Company. Headquartered at the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community's Chaparral Business Park near Scottsdale, Arizona, SRMG is the only Native American-owned producer of portland cement in the U.S. and is also a major manufacturer and marketer of sand and gravel and recycled coal combustion products and pozzolans throughout Arizona and the Southwestern United States. With 400+ employees, SRMG operates a cement plant in Clarkdale, Arizona, seven aggregate facilities in Metro Phoenix, six fly ash sources in three states, and has sales and distribution of materials in eight states. This year, SRMG is celebrating 50 years of recycling and sustainability in the fly ash industry. Originally founded as Phoenix Cement Company (PCC) in 1959, the company began selling fly ash in 1973 and has since become one of

the largest suppliers of fly ash in Arizona and the Southwestern U.S.

A pioneer in the cement industry, PCC had the vision to add value by obtaining a fly ash marketing contract with a utility partner. In 1973, PCC entered into its first fly ash contract with Arizona Public Service (APS) at the Cholla Power Plant in Joseph City, Arizona. PCC brought the Cholla fly ash to its Clarkdale Cement Plant and blended it with Phoenix Cement® Type I/II/V(LA) Portland cement, producing a Phoenix Cement® Portland Pozzolan Type IP cement meeting ASTM C595 specifications. This offered a convenient product for ready-mix concrete producers with limited silo space. Phoenix Cement® Portland Pozzolan Type IP continues to be a top seller in SRMG's extensive line of products. In the 50 years of PCC's contract with Cholla, PCC has processed, removed and recycled 7 million tons of fly ash, reducing carbon impacts and beneficially using the fly



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# Calendar of Events

## ONGOING

**TUESDAYS - TAI CHI AT WOLF**, 9 a.m. – 10 a.m. in the Senior Room at the Way Of Life Facility. Contact Senior Services with questions, (480) 362-6350

**TANF 3-YEAR PLAN PUBLIC COMMENTS OPEN**, Salt River Tribal TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) is seeking assistance from the public to provide comments on the proposed TANF 3 Year Plan that will be in effect from June 1, 2023 through May 31, 2026. Please submit comments to [Quentin.Begay@SRPMIC-nsn.gov](mailto:Quentin.Begay@SRPMIC-nsn.gov) OR [WinterElk.Valencia@SRPMIC-nsn.gov](mailto:WinterElk.Valencia@SRPMIC-nsn.gov). Comments must be submitted by May 27.

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**20 CM ANTONE DISTRICT B MEETING**, 9 a.m. at SR Community Building 1880 N. Longmore Rd., Scottsdale, AZ. Topics: TBD, community member comments. For more information, call Erica Harvier at (480) 362-7466 or Elyse Lewis at (480) 362-7469.

**23 PUBLIC WORKS WEEK COMMUNITY DAY**, 4:30 PM - 8:30 PM at the Salt River Community Building. Please join the Public Works Department as we celebrate National Public Works Week (May 21-27, 2023) "Connecting the World Through Public Works". Enjoy a dinner and get all the information you need on the different services provided to you and the Community by the Public Works Department! Any

questions, please contact the Public Works Department at (480)-362-5600 or email [PWCustomerService@srpmic-nsn.gov](mailto:PWCustomerService@srpmic-nsn.gov)

**25 THRIVING WITH DIABETES WORKSHOP**, 9 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. at River People Health Center Teaching Kitchen. Come hungry! There will be a light breakfast and a catered lunch! Please call (480) 362-3355 to register and reserve your seat. See ad on page 16.

**25 SRPMIC IT DEPARTMENT PRESENTATION: INTERNET CONNECTIONS AND SAFETY**, 9 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. at Lehi Senior Center. Community Seniors (55+) are invited to attend basic computer classes for a fun, hands-on learning experience. No prior computer experience is necessary, contact [ITCustomerCare@srpmic-nsn.gov](mailto:ITCustomerCare@srpmic-nsn.gov) for more information.

**25 CM BUTLER DISTRICT A MEETING**, 6 p.m. at SRPMIC Council Chambers, 10091 E. Osborn Rd. Scottsdale, AZ. Topics: Cultural Greetings (Ske:g tai. / Kamduum?), additional items to be added, community member comments. For more information, call Erica Harvier at (480) 362-7466 or Elyse Lewis at (480) 362-7469.

**26 BUSHMASTER'S RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE**, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. at Salt River Community Building hosted by American Legion Post 114 ("The Bushmasters") in advance of Memorial Day Weekend. Contact Troy Truax Jr. at [Troy.Truax2@srpmic-nsn.gov](mailto:Troy.Truax2@srpmic-nsn.gov) or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and use sponsor code: AmericanLegion114

**27 MEMORIAL DAY FLAG PLANTING**, 7 a.m. - 12 p.m. Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Veterans is looking for volunteers and members of the community to assist in planting American flags on the graves of passed heroes/ veterans in our local cemeteries. The event will start at St. France Cemetery, followed by Salt River Cemetery and Lehi Cemetery. Lunch and beverages will be served after the flag planting. For more information call (480)-362-7884 or email [veteranservices@srpmic-nsn.gov](mailto:veteranservices@srpmic-nsn.gov)

**29 MEMORIAL DAY**, Tribal offices closed. Please plan accordingly.

**2 FIRST FRIDAYS WITH NUTRITION SERVICES**, 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. at River People Health Center Teaching Kitchen. Please call (480) 362-3355 for more information.

**3 INTER-TRIBAL YOUTH BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT, PRE-GAME RECOGNITION.**

**4-7 INTER-TRIBAL YOUTH BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT PLAY.** Games will take place at Salt River Fields, Salt River Recreation Baseball Fields and Salt River High School. For more information go to <https://www.mlb.com/dbacks/community/youth-sports/inter-tribal-youth-tournament>

**13 PATHWAY TO HOMEOWNERSHIP**, 5:30 p.m. at the Two Waters Bldg.

B-Room B-106. This workshop is an orientation to the SRFSI homeownership program and covers the following topics: Homeownership process, Program requirements, Assessing your personal financial situation and Becoming "Home Loan Ready." To register contact Gracie Briones at (480) 362-7833 or email [briones@srpmic-nsn.gov](mailto:briones@srpmic-nsn.gov) OR Lori Calderon at (480) 362-5763 or email [lori.calderon@srpmic-nsn.gov](mailto:lori.calderon@srpmic-nsn.gov)

**14 SRPMIC DAY**, Tribal offices closed. Please plan accordingly.

**15 INVESTING FOR YOUTH, PART 1.** 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Two Waters, Building B-Room 106. SRFSI is offering education workshops for community members. Investing for Youth is a two-part series and both workshops must be attended. Email [gracie.briones@srpmic-nsn.gov](mailto:gracie.briones@srpmic-nsn.gov) for questions and to reserve your spot.

**19 JUNETEENTH**, Tribal offices closed. Please plan accordingly.

**16 JR. MISS SALT RIVER PAGEANT**

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**21 NAGI FOUNDATION SPAY AND NEUTER CLINIC** by appointment at the Salt River Ball Fields, 1837 N. Longmore Rd., Scottsdale, AZ. SRPMIC members, residents and employees are eligible. Pets must be brought in by legal owner, age 18+. Cats must be in their own carrier and dogs on a leash. Limited spaces. Request an appointment at [nagi.foundation.org/spayneuter](http://nagi.foundation.org/spayneuter). If there is no space left,

you will be added to a waiting list. For questions call (602) 730-2092.

**22 INVESTING FOR YOUTH, PART 2.** 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Two Waters, Building B-Room 106. SRFSI is offering education workshops for community members. Investing for Youth is a two-part series and both workshops must be attended. Email [gracie.briones@srpmic-nsn.gov](mailto:gracie.briones@srpmic-nsn.gov) for questions and to reserve your spot.

**22 2023 GRADUATION RECOGNITION EVENT**, 6 p.m. at Talking Stick Resort. This event is to recognize all SRPMIC high school and postsecondary graduates from the class of 2023. This includes any graduation from high school, GED, trade school, or college/university occurring from July 2022 through June 2023. Registration must be completed by June 9, contact the Higher Education Program at (480) 362-2547 or [GradRecognition@saltriverschools.org](mailto:GradRecognition@saltriverschools.org)

**23-24 NAGI FOUNDATION WELLNESS CLINIC**, Doors open 8 a.m. at the Salt River Ball Fields, 1837 N. Longmore Rd., Scottsdale, AZ. First come, first served. SRPMIC members, residents and employees are eligible. Pets must be brought in by legal owner, age 18+. Cats must be in their own carrier and dogs on a leash. Services include exams, vaccines, flea/tick treatment, microchipping and health screening (for diseases like heartworm, lyme, FIV & FeLV). For questions call (602) 730-2092.