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Three SRPMIC Leaders Read into Congressional Record by Congressman Greg Stanton

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Three Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community women were recognized on June 18 by Greg Stanton, who represents Arizona's 9th District in the U.S. Congress. During a virtual presentation that was available to watch online, Rep. Stanton read statements into the Congressional Record honoring SRPMIC Council Representative Diane Enos and SRPMIC members Ruth Chough and the late Violet Perkins for their lifetime of achievement and immense contributions to the Community and to Indian Country. Their contributions are now memorialized in the Congressional Record and the history of the nation.

SRPMIC President Martin Harvier welcomed everyone who joined the virtual event and said he looked forward to the time when people can celebrate special events such as this in person in the near future.

"Congressman Stanton has been committed to tribal communities since he was elected to Congress, ... even though he does not have any tribal community in his congressional district," said Harvier. "... Congressman Stanton is committed to shining a light on individuals who have made and are making a difference in their communities. I have always said our Community has been blessed with great leaders who have built a strong foundation for our future. We should be proud to walk in their

footsteps and to build a stronger foundation for the future generations."

"These three amazing women have done so much, not just for the SRPMIC, but for the larger community that we're so lucky live in," said Stanton. "I as a member of Congress get to do something that is really cool when it comes to honoring people, and that is to [enshrine] people's lives and legacies into the Congressional Record, which therefore makes it a permanent part of American history."

The Congressional Record is the permanent record of the proceedings of the Congress of the United States and can be accessed through the Library of Congress, with bound hard copies in person and digitized copies online at www.congress.gov/congressional-record.

Here is the full text of the tributes read into the Congressional Record by Rep. Stanton.

Diane Enos
Madam Speaker, I rise to recognize and honor the contributions of President Diane Enos, current Council member and former two-term president of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. One of the greatest leaders our state has ever known, President Enos has been a champion for the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community and all tribes in Arizona. Her leadership serves as a model for tribal communities across the nation. For her incredible lifetime

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An Update on the Future of the Salt River Landfill



A compactor levels solid-waste at the Salt River Landfill.

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On May 10, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Michael Regan signed a notice that reinstates an Obama administration rule established in 2016 to limit greenhouse-gas emissions for municipal solid-waste landfills.

The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community is covered by the federal plan, which also imposes testing, reporting, monitoring and recordkeeping requirements on 41 states and the U.S. territories of the Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico.

Salt River Landfill CEO Rich Allen talked with O'odham Action News about what the future holds for the landfill and what day-to-day operations currently look like.

Allen said that the landfill is trying to find a beneficial use for the gas produced by the decomposition of the waste. Up until about five years ago, the gas was being sent to a power plant operated by SRP, and they used it to generate power. SRP closed that plant, so the landfill is working on a plan to convert that gas into renewable natural gas. The project is ongoing, but Allen said that he hopes the

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(L-R) 2021-2022 Miss Salt River 1st Attendant Nani Reina, Miss Salt River Sistine Lewis, 2021-2022 Jr. Miss Salt River Robin Ramirez and Jr. Miss Salt River 1st Attendant Riana Cisneros.

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The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community's Jr. Miss and Miss Salt River pageants were held virtually this year, on June 17 and 18, respectively. The crowning ceremony was held on Saturday, June 19, and posted to the Community's Vimeo. (To view the events, go online to www.srpmic-nsn.gov/community/msr/). This year's pageant theme was "Integrating O'odham and Piipaash Values in the New Decade."

Council Representative Cheryl Doka welcomed everyone to

both pageants. She explained that the duty of the 2021-2022 Miss and Jr. Miss Salt River is to be a goodwill ambassador at various events inside and outside the Community.

Doka recalled the pageants when she was a teenager. "It was always an exciting time to see the young ladies participate in the pageant, and I was always in awe of how graceful and confident each participant was. Every young lady was unique in her own special way. For many, this is a dream or a goal they would like to achieve and have been

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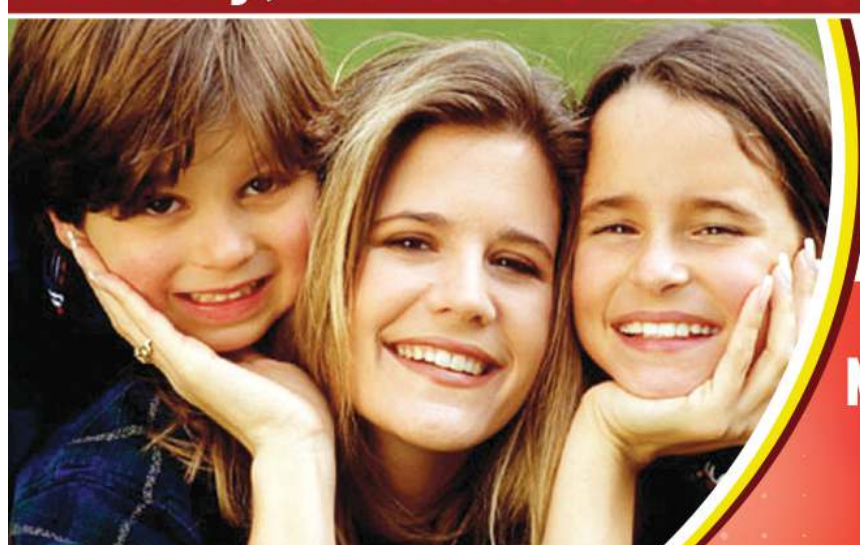
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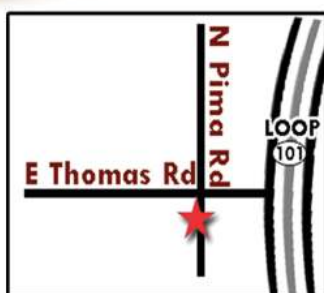
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COVID-19 Update

As of June 25, 2021, there are eight active cases of COVID-19 in the Community, with two Community members hospitalized. As always, we ask for your thoughts and prayers for a full recovery for these individuals.

Community members who have been fully vaccinated (receiving both of the shots) now number 1,863, and 249 have received at least one vaccine dose. Also, 62 young adults (age 18 and under) have been fully vaccinated and 64 have received the first dose. Please remember that a lot of what we do here in the Community as far as coming together for events in the near future will depend on members getting fully vaccinated. If you have not yet received your vaccination, please call the Community's COVID-19 Hotline at (480) 362-2603 to make an appointment.

Fourth of July Virtual Events

Starting Wednesday, June 30, a series of virtual events will celebrate July 4th in the Community. Events will include a hot dog-eating contest, BBQ Tips by Chef Jared Thomas and a Family Fourth of July Photo Contest. For more information, contact events@srpmic-nsn.gov or go to the SRPMIC Facebook page. Please note: Due to the current drought conditions, fireworks are banned in the Community. Before you light any fuses, I encourage you to think about the damage that you might do to your property or someone else's.

Monsoon Season

It was good to get the rain we received recently, even though it wasn't very much. In the monsoon season we don't know how severe the storms are going to be, but there is always the possibility of flooding. If your home or property has sustained flood damage in the past, we encourage you to be prepared. Sandbags are available from the Salt River Fire Department at the Osborn Fire Station, Indian School Substation and Lehi Substation.

Relief Payment

On July 1, the Tribal Council approved another relief payment, in the amount of \$1,500. I know the quarter ending is at the end of July; just think about what you need to do to carry over to get to that quarterly payout.

In closing, with the holiday season coming up, we still need to be aware that the virus is still here.

Stay safe, God bless and shield up!



SRPMIC COVID-19 Information	Enrolled Residents	Enrolled Non-Residents	Non-Enrolled Residents	Non-Enrolled / Non-Residents	Total	All Residents	All Enrolled
Completed Tests	9540	2582	1541	3402	17065	11081	12122
Positive	1013	281	217	372	1883	1230	1294
Negative	8349	2263	1294	2965	14871	9643	10612
Currently Hospitalized	1	0	0	0	1	1	1
Recovered	972	267	210	368	1817	1182	1239
Active Cases	8	5	0	1	14	8	13
Deaths	33	9	7	3	52	40	42

**Numbers may change based on verification of address and enrollment*

*** Additional testing data has been provided by an external partner [dating back August 19]*

**** COVID-19 Results Round Up will go live week of Sept. 14 increasing data collection with individuals self-reporting*

SRPMIC Youth COVID-19 Vaccines Available for Ages 12-17

Every Friday, beginning June 4, 2021
Youth ages 12-17 will receive the Pfizer vaccine

LOCATION:
SRPMIC COVID-19 site
Building#10237 E. Osborn Road

TIME:
7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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What Parents Should Know

- * The Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine is the only vaccine currently available for ages 12-17. Those 18 or older should get whichever vaccine is first available.
- * Your child will need a second shot of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine 3 weeks after their first shot.
- * COVID-19 vaccines can be received with other vaccines at the same childhood wellness visit, without having to wait between vaccines.
- * Your child may have some side effect (fever, body aches, sore arm) which are normal signs that their body is building protection.
- * Talk to your child about what they can expect at their vaccine appointment, and remind them that vaccines keep them and others healthy.

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An Update on the Future of the Salt River Landfill

landfill can move forward on the plan in the next couple of years.

The landfill has an approved height in its existing location and the capacity is based on how much space is available. The more waste coming into the landfill, the less time that capacity will last.

“Presently we’re looking, based on our existing tonnages, to get beyond [the year] 2050 or so,” said Allen. “But we have seen an increase in tonnage recently, so if that continues, [landfill capacity may be reached before then]. Everything is tied to how much [waste] is coming in.”

One of the things the landfill is looking at is whether it makes sense to create another area to fill beyond the current space allotted by the Community. This would extend the life of the landfill and open up the opportunity to solicit additional tonnage to increase the amount of revenue the landfill produces.

Allen said that the landfill adds an average of about 1,500 to 1,600 tons of waste per day. Mondays are usually the heaviest day and Saturday the lightest.

The landfill gets its revenue predominantly from its contractual relationships with the cities of Scottsdale and Mesa.



Pipes that collect gas from decomposing waste at the Salt River Landfill.

Those cities bring in the majority of the waste, with some also coming from Phoenix, the Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation and various companies.

The Salt River Landfill works with two contractors; one operates the green waste area and separates waste that cannot be composted. They grind up the matter and haul it to a facility in Phoenix to finish processing it into

various landscaping products. The other contractor owns and operates the recycling plant. That plant caught fire and was destroyed in October 2019. Presently, the contractor is going through permitting options with the Community for rebuilding the facility. This would also give the recycling plant updated equipment.

The Salt River Landfill employs 32

workers, primarily SRPMIC members. “We employ other Native Americans and non-Natives who are married to Community members and live within the Community,” said Allen. “We have one of the highest percentages of any of the SRPMIC enterprises for employing Community members. That’s one of the things we’re proud of.”

The SRPMIC Community Development Department and the Salt River Landfill will be making presentations on “The Future of the Landfill” at Community District meetings in the months of July, August and September. Be on the lookout for further information regarding these presentations.

The landfill is currently open to the public Monday through Saturday from 6 a.m. to 5 p.m.



Dirt and plant matter being set aside from the other waste that comes through the Salt River Landfill.

Kent Andrews Retires After 24 Years Working at SRPMIC

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Kent Andrews from the 1999 ECS Employee Handbook. Photo provided by Scott Thigpen

After dedicating 24 years to working for the Community, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Assistant Community Manager Kent Andrews will be retiring from his position on July 2.

Andrews developed and mentored several department heads that resulted in some of the strongest departments operating in the Community today, such as Engineering and Construction Services, Public Works and Community Development.

Upon learning of his retirement, coworkers had many good things to say about Andrews as a person, his dedication to serving the Community and consistently demonstrating support for the departments that keep SRPMIC moving forward as a Community.

SRPMIC Community Manager Bryan Meyers said he has enjoyed serving the Community with Andrews since 1997.

"I admire Kent's level-headed leadership. He is extremely thoughtful and brings a calming presence and sensible approach to resolving very complex, difficult situations," said Meyers. "Over the years, I relied on Kent on numerous occasions as acting community manager when I was on leave."



Kent Andrews speaking at a podium from a 2013 Open House. Photo provided by Helema Andrews

Cultural Resources Director Kelly Washington said that Andrews understands that the tribal government represents a unique community and culture that should be preserved, supported and celebrated. "I appreciate that Kent has always entrusted us to manage the day-to-day operations without attempting to micromanage, but has always been readily available to us when we have needed support, guidance, wisdom or just needed to vent," said Washington.

Washington recalled when Andrews signed up for the O'odham language class. Some of the O'odham Piipaash Language Program teaching staff were nervous about having the "big boss" in the class, but they enjoyed having him

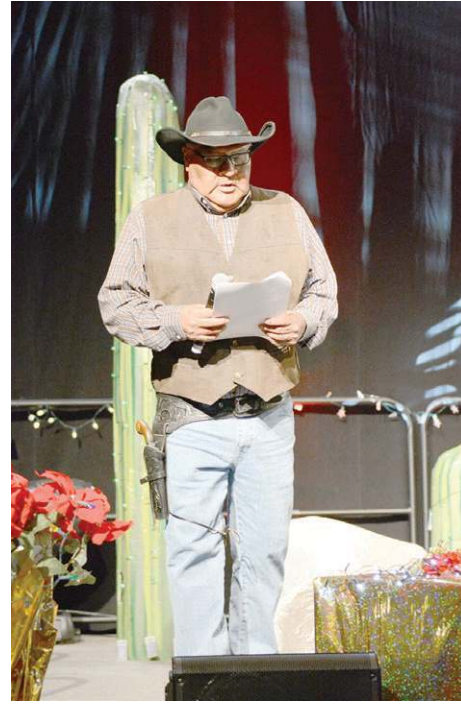
participate as a student, which provided them with a new perspective. Washington said that participating in these classes really earned Andrews a new level of respect among the OPLP staff.

ECS Design Division Manager Harold Jones said he is sad to hear that Andrews is retiring, as Andrews was always supportive of Jones' military obligations before he retired from the National Guard, which he greatly appreciated. Andrews' son Keith works in the ECS Survey Division.

ECS Residential Service Administrator Mike Villalpando said that he has known Andrews for some time growing up here in the Community. His earliest memories of Andrews involve music.

"I remember as far back as when he played drums for bands 'The Heritage of Freedom' or maybe 'The Red Express,'" said Villalpando.

Assistant ECS Director Scott Thigpen said that he and Andrews have talked at length about the "good and



Kent Andrews served as co-host for the 2017 Employee Christmas luncheon. Photo OAN Archives

bad of funk music" and the bass guitar. "I know he's a musician, but I never got to hear him play," said Thigpen. "I did, however, get to see him lip-sync to James Brown in front of 1,000 other employees. But I think I will remember Kent best as the guy with an endless supply of quick wit."

Education Assistant Superintendent Clary Retires

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Salt River Education Assistant Superintendent Cynthia Clary is retiring after a long career in the education field.

Clary started down the path of biology and pre-med in college, but after losing her parents during that time she switched to a focus on secondary education. Losing her parents at that young age and having to take the role of the adult, planning their funeral and handling other adult responsibilities, she missed school and was told by her graduate assistant that she should make sure she came back to school.

"I was becoming irritated when he told me that. I asked him what he meant by 'make sure you come back,'" said Clary. "He clarified and said 'Come back because no matter what else happens, education is the one thing that you can never lose. And he was right.'"

The change to secondary education was a positive thing for Clary. She said that she has enjoyed her various roles in education as a teacher, assistant principal, principal, curriculum and instruction director, federal programs director, assistant superintendent and superintendent.

Her career in education began as a high school teacher for 13 years, teaching

middle school and high school English, French, Spanish, and English as a second language.

Clary said she considers herself incredibly blessed to have worked for Salt River Education in the Community.

"The Community cares so deeply about its members, and it has been my honor to serve here," said Clary. "The Salt River Schools team is made up of nearly 300 amazing staff and has done great work in navigating obstacles such as the closure of Salt River High School and, most recently, the COVID pandemic. We have accomplished many things during my time here, and there is a lot to be proud of."

Clary is most proud of her work involving the creation of the Education Native Language and Culture department.

"This department works tirelessly to infuse O'odham and Piipaash into every aspect of education," said Clary. "It is imperative that the work of this department continues so that the O'odham and Piipaash languages, history and traditions are shared with the Community's most precious resource: its children."

Clary plans to embark on a new journey now by spending time with her daughter, son-in-law and new granddaughter in Texas. She will spend part of her time with her two other children, who live here in Arizona. She is looking forward to her son's wedding coming up in September, and she also plans on traveling.

"I have several trips planned, to the Bahamas, Haiti, Croatia and the Baltic Sea," said Clary. "I am most excited about my cruise around the world in January 2022. Checking things off the bucket list!"

Clary would like to thank the Tribal Council for their determination to make decisions that benefit the members of this Community.

"They are forward-thinking and always



Clary gets a sendoff from her fellow Salt River Education colleagues as they do a drive thru-retirement parade. Photo courtesy of Salt River Schools



Salt River Education celebrate Clary's retirement. Photo courtesy of Salt River Schools

working to make things better for SRPMIC," said Clary. "I want to thank the Education Board members, past and present, for their work and dedication to serve on behalf of Community-member students. They collectively always have the best interest of students in their hearts. I would also like to thank all of the wonderful Education staff, from transportation and

food service to campus teachers and staff and those who keep us healthy, informed and safe. You are my heroes."

The Salt River Schools Education Board selected Dr. Victoria Corlett as Interim Acting Superintendent at their special Board meeting on Tuesday, June 22. Dr. Corlett will begin her new duties on July 1.

Traditions Carried on During Community Day Events

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The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Day celebration on June 14 carried on virtually, bringing Community members together to honor the existence of the O'odham and Piipaash tribes and the land the Community calls home.

Because the Community is in Phase 2 of the Return to Work Plan of the COVID-19 pandemic, there were no large-scale engagement opportunities available to Community members. However, several SRPMIC departments paid homage to the important day with giveaways and videos to create an opportunity to acknowledge ancestors while paying respect to the culture and traditional ways of life.

The Community Relations Office (CRO) Events Division produced all of the events throughout the week, from the creation of graphic design for flyers, promotional items and event signage to social media posts, videos and a small in-person event to hand out "swag" to the Community.

CRO kicked off the second annual Community Day Video Series on June 11 and 12 with "Salt River Presents: The Love & Passion in Nutrition and The Love & Passion in Events," showcasing Community-member businesses Good Life Nutrition AZ and Pretty Party Planners AZ. Members of the Young River People's Council read a special proclamation on June 12.

Videos and photos for a Virtual Community Member Talent Show were sent in beginning on May 31, with the contest ending on June 11. The winners were Erica and Israel Harvier in the adult division and James Schaaf in the youth division.



Folding chairs, doormats, headphones, t-shirts and swag bags given away on Community Day. Photo provided by Julie Sepulveda

On June 12, approximately 1,000 items were distributed to the Community at the Promo Giveaway With Music at the Two Waters parking lot. Custom-branded folding chairs, doormats, wireless headphones and T-shirts were given away, as well as 350 "swag bags" for kids.

On Community Day, a special video presentation of traditional O'odham and Piipaash dances by the Community's traditional dance group Bird Singing and Dancing by the River was released on all SRPMIC social media as well as on SRPMIC TV.

Community Relations Manager Yvonne Schaaf said that the events were well received by the Community. "Thank you to the Community for continuing to support the SRPMIC's wishes of safe gatherings, mask wearing and overall understanding that in-person events, while paused for our safety, will come back stronger when it is time," said Schaaf. "We look forward to seeing everyone then!"

Emergency Management Highlight: Heat Awareness



BY TERRY NELSON
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Coordinator

It is not uncommon to see temperatures exceed 110°F within the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community for prolonged periods of time during the summer months. This extreme heat can create health risks and pose other limiting factors for individuals and businesses.

Extreme heat can occur quickly and without warning. According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, extreme heat kills about 600 people per year in the U.S., which is why it's important to stay hydrated, stay cool and stay informed. Being aware of risk factors and following these tips can help keep individuals and their families safe when extreme heat threatens:

- Stay hydrated ahead of the heat by drinking plenty of fluids, preferably water.
- Never leave people or pets in a closed car.
- Check on family members and neighbors.

- Avoid strenuous activities.
- Watch for signs of heat exhaustion, heat cramps and heat stroke.

- Recognize heat-related illnesses early and seek medical attention for those who become impacted beyond normal conditions.

The following groups are at elevated risk from extreme heat:

- Infants and young children
- Adults age 65 or older
- Those who are overweight
- People who overexert during work or exercise
- People with chronic health conditions
- Those who work outdoors

Be safe in these increasing temperatures by seeking shelter in places with air conditioning, and stay informed of weather conditions through local media outlets. For more information on measures that can be taken for safety in extreme heat, contact SRPMIC Emergency Management at (480) 362-7929 or Terry.Nelson@srmic-nsn.gov.

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preparing for, anticipating to share their culture, knowledge and personality with the Community. It is not easy participating in a pageant, so I applaud the participants for their strength, courage and positivity. I am so proud of them and know each one will do a good job.”

Rianna Tate sang the national anthem, and the invocation was given by 2020-2021 Red Mountain Eagle Powwow Princess La’Zensiah Vest. The master of ceremonies was Jacob Butler, SRPMIC member and Community Garden Coordinator for the Cultural Resources Department.

This year there were four new contestants, two in the Jr. Miss Salt River Pageant and two in the Miss Salt River Pageant.

JR. MISS SALT RIVER PAGEANT

“Tonight, two young ladies will demonstrate the knowledge they learned in preparation for today,” said Butler as he welcomed the Jr. Miss Pageant contestants.

The first contestant, Riana Cisneros, is the 14-year-old daughter of J’shon Medina and Ramon Cisneros. Her maternal grandparents are Yolonda Enos and Arthur Medina, and her paternal grandparents are Geraldine Carlos and Ramon Cisneros, Sr. She currently attends Westwood High School and her hobbies are singing and dancing.

The second contestant, Robin Ramirez, is the 15-year-old daughter of Susan Three Irons and Elias Ramirez. Her maternal grandparents are Marilyn and Valerian Three Irons, and her paternal grandparents are Annette and Lynnwood Vest. In her free time, she likes to draw, listen to music and play video games; she also likes to play the violin.

Talent

Both contestants were given the opportunity to select a traditional or modern talent for their presentations. Cisneros demonstrated bird dancing with the help of singers Edward Pacer Reina and his son Hostiin Reina. Ramirez sang two verses of two traditional O’odham songs, “Black Cloud” and “The Going Home Song.” Prior to singing, she explained what each song meant.

Traditional Attire

Cisneros’ traditional wear was made by her grandmother, Annette Vest. She wore a purple satin Piipaash-style skirt with four ribbons that represent the four directions. Her blouse was a traditional cream-colored top adorned with a purple and white beaded cape.

Ramirez wore a two-piece O’odham dress with an off-white cotton top gathered on the front, back and on the sleeves. Her wraparound skirt was maroon and brown, made of cotton material with a black flowered print. The length is knee high for better walking and dancing. She wore a green scarf around her waist and a multicolored beaded necklace with shells that she made herself.

Essay

Contestants prepared essays addressing the pageant’s theme. “It is important to know where you come from. If you don’t know where you come from, you can ask your elders and it’s important to know about your tribe,” said Cisneros in her essay. “We grow up from learning and dancing, traveling to many different tribes and communities. I think it’s important for us to know what tribe and community we come from.”

“I think we can integrate our cultural

values into the new decade by talking to our elders and listening to their stories,” said Ramirez in her essay. “When COVID-19 came into the Community, we lost many elders, storytellers, singers and family members. My family had to pray for strength to carry our grief and send our loved ones on their journey home. What this did for me was make me want to learn more about our language, Community and culture.

“We must remember that all of the songs and dances are not ours to keep, but they are ours to teach to the next generation to help them stay on track and to help our Himdak to continue.”

MISS SALT RIVER PAGEANT

Contestant Nani Reina, 22, is the daughter of Pacer Reina and Nellie Silversmith-Reina. Her maternal grandparents are the late Merna Lewis and the late Jimmy Silversmith, and her paternal grandparents are Annette Rave Ortega and Edward Reina Jr.

Reina plans to study early childhood education at Scottsdale Community College in the fall. When she is not spending time with her family, she has found a passion in sewing O’odham and Piipaash skirts. Most of all she loves watching baseball; her favorite team is the Arizona Diamondbacks.

“I decided to run in the pageant as I see Miss Salt River as someone who is always welcoming and always educating people about who we are as people from Salt River,” said Reina.

Contestant Sistine Lewis, 19, is the daughter of Cecelia Andrews-Lewis and the late Newt Lewis. Her maternal grandparents are Corrine Antone and the late Manuel Andrews, and her paternal grandparents are Carmen Moore and the late Glenford Lewis Sr. and Jacob Moore.

Lewis is currently pursuing an associate degree in general studies at Scottsdale Community College. She plans to earn a bachelor of science in nursing and dreams of becoming a labor and delivery nurse. During her free time, she enjoys drawing and painting as well as spending time with her family, friends and dogs.

“My reason for participating in this year’s pageant is to be more involved with my Community, as well as learning more of my O’odham Himdak,” said Lewis.

Talent

Reina demonstrated sewing techniques she has learned, showing some skirts she has made and explaining the meaning behind each one.

“Recently I was taught by many different seamstresses from the Community many different sewing techniques, one of them being how to create Piipaash skirts,” said Reina. “I am not a pro; it took me many hours to finish one skirt, [but] through practice I have created many different skirts within a day.” She pointed out that one of her first skirts has its flaws, but through practice she was able to create better pieces.

“I am thankful for the seamstress who taught me how to create these dresses and the life lessons that I have learned along the way,” she said.

Lewis chose to perform the traditional O’odham dance called the swing dance and explain its meaning.

“Coyote was on top of a hill looking down and watching these kids dancing and having fun. He saw how much fun they were having and decided to run down the hill with the group. The kids didn’t know what to do so, they kept dancing and smiling at him,” said Lewis about the meaning behind the dance.

“Unfortunately, Coyote had short legs, and the kids noticed how hard he was trying to keep up with them. They also felt bad because his tail was low and he kept slobbering all over himself. So the kids started dancing and stumbling to the right to help Coyote feel better, which is how the swing dance started.”

This is a social dance with two partners, but due to social distancing restrictions, Lewis demonstrated the dance alone.

Traditional Attire

Reina wore an O’odham-style dress from the early 1900s; due to the modesty laws of the time, Native women were forced to cover up from neck to ankles. Her dress was made of cotton with calico in a deep teal color. Her hair was covered with an unbleached muslin to keep it out of her face. Some might say the dress is plain and ugly, Reina explained, “but it’s a reminder of the hard-working women in our families and the support we have for one another.”

Lewis chose to wear a one-shoulder traditional-style dress composed of two pieces. For the top, she folded the material into a triangle and wrapped it around her chest and shoulder. The second piece was wrapped around the waist and tied at the hip to stay in place. She also wore a plaid apron around the waist. “The apron helps the woman as she tends to her daily chores, and she could place her apron in the river water to help cool her down during the hot summer,” she said. On her head she wore a traditional O’odham basket. She also wore a shell necklace to remind her of where she comes from.

Essay

In her essay, Reina addressed the difficulties imposed by the COVID-19 pandemic. She wrote, “Suddenly, everything came to a stop ... and I struggled emotionally, spiritually and mentally. I quickly knew that 2020 was going to be one of the hardest trials I would be facing in my young life. ...

“Like many others in the Community, my family experienced the loss of loved ones.” Reina recalled her time of isolation during her coming-out ceremony and how it taught her to prepare for life’s difficulties through discovering her cultural teachings and practices and trying to maintain a positive attitude.

Lewis wrote about the benefits of connecting with nature to help with physical and mental health issues. “For many decades our ancestors had to learn to provide for their families to stay alive and healthy. They walked this earth before us and gave us many traditions and values that we cherish today,” said Lewis in her essay. “As we come into a new decade that brings many changes, we as a Community must preserve our traditional values, connect with our Himdak as well as protect our wildlife, plants and families.”

Impromptu Questions

Finally, Miss Salt River contestants were judged on their unrehearsed responses to specially selected questions.

Asked about possible ways to help people struggling with addiction in the Community, Reina answered, “I think what we could do is to encourage them to get help. I have family members who struggle with drugs and alcohol, and it was a hard thing for them to realize they needed help. But they had courage and strength to overcome those trials and tribulations to be stronger people.”

Lewis was asked to name two places in the Community that are important to her and why. She answered, “One is our

beautiful river, because our ancestors were there and they beautified our land ... It’s very beautiful now with all the greenery, and especially now we can get in the water and swim during the hot summers,” said Lewis. “The other place that is beautiful to me is the Two Waters Building, because [you have] everything right there—the Huhugam Ki Museum, cafeteria, all the [government] buildings—and you get to see everyone there, not just one person but a mixture of all kinds of people.”

JUDGING AND CROWNING

This year’s pageant judges were SRPMIC Director of Administration Glen Law, Salt River Education family advocate Pamela Prasher and Colorado River Indian Tribes Mohave member Denise Homer.

The invocation was given by 2003-2004 Miss Salt River Aristina Sanchez, and Butler continued as master of ceremonies. Miss Salt River 1968-1969 Darayne Achin, currently an associate judge for the SRPMIC, gave a few remarks prior to the crowning. The outgoing Miss and Jr. Miss Salt River, Isabella Dockerty and Marisela Villegas, also give farewell addresses.

AWARDS: JR. MISS SALT RIVER

The Miss Congeniality award goes to the contestant who exhibits a friendly and personable attitude, is sociable and is always willing to assist others in an unselfish manner. The winner was Riana Cisneros, who received artwork created by Community artist Dwayne Manuel.

The Talent Award goes to the contestant who displayed creativity, artistic aptitude and an outstanding talent performance. The winner was Robin Ramirez. She received a clay pot made by Community artist August Wood.

The Essay Award went to Ramirez, who also received the Traditional Dress award.

Cisneros was named First Attendant. She received a sash and flowers, plus a shawl, a scarf, a shell necklace, a gourd trophy, a tripod ring light and a beaded necklace. In the event the new Jr. Miss Salt River is unable to fulfill her duties, the First Attendant shall take over the reign.

The 2021-2022 Jr. Miss Salt River title went to Robin Ramirez. She received the crown, sash and flowers, plus a shawl, a scarf, a shell necklace, a hat box, a Surface Pro laptop, a luggage set, a beaded cape, a beaded necklace, a gourd trophy and a \$1,200 monetary award.

AWARDS: MISS SALT RIVER

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The Talent Award was presented to Nani Reina, who received a clay pot made by Community artist August Wood.

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Three SRPMIC Leaders Read into Congressional Record by Congressman Greg Stanton



The Advisory Committee of U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder's Task Force on American Indian and Alaska Native Children Exposed to Violence held its second of four public hearings 2014 at the Talking Stick Resort. President Diane Enos welcomed the taskforce, special guests, and panelists to the hearing.

achievement, she was named one of Arizona's Women of the Century, and her legacy deserves to be forever etched in our historical record for all to remember.

Born on the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, President Enos strove to be the best in all challenges she chose to meet. As she attended classes at the Arizona State University School of Law, she worked as a reporter for the Scottsdale Progress and ran for a Council seat in her Community. While serving on Council, caring for family members, and attending and graduating from law school with honors, she passed the Arizona bar exam—on her first attempt. President Enos spent many years working as a defense attorney for the Maricopa County Public Defender's Office while still serving on Council. As the first attorney in Salt River, Ms. Enos was instrumental in inspiring those around her to pursue law degrees of their own.

After four terms as a Council member, the Community elected Ms. Enos to serve as their president in 2006. President Enos brought her dynamic leadership to move the Community forward. During her tenure, she was a relentless advocate for children and families. In partnership with the Community Council, she established a parent advocate program, a Family Advocacy Center, and worked to ensure every child had

a bright future and a loving family. President Enos and her work have left an immeasurable mark on our state and its children. Through all this, she demonstrated by example to her Community the value of a strong work ethic, education, commitment to family—and how crucial these values are to building a better society.

Even more than a family advocate, she was a visionary. President Enos drove development in the [Community's] Entertainment District, including bringing life to Talking Stick Resort and Salt River Fields, the only Major League [Baseball] spring training facility on tribal land. Her vision shaped and inspired so many, and because of her work, the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community is a better place. President Enos continues to share her profound historical knowledge and leadership by serving on several tribal enterprise boards, most notably the SRPMIC Gaming Board and the Salt River Materials Group.

Madam Speaker, I am privileged to recognize President Enos for the work she has done across Arizona. She has always given all her time, heart and soul to the betterment of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. Today, I extend my heartfelt gratitude and appreciation for her service. I wish her the best as she continues her work on

the Tribal Council to create a brighter future for all those she has shaped and inspired.

Ruth Chough

Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the lifetime achievement of Ruth J. Chough, a renowned and influential leader in the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. Mrs. Chough is a trailblazer in our state, a champion for her Community, a leader of real consequence who has bolstered the ladder of opportunity of so many throughout Arizona.

Born on June 6, 1930, in Sacaton, Arizona, Mrs. Chough, a full-blooded Pima Indian, grew up with her loving parents, who endowed her with a strong work ethic and sense of community. Raised in a home without electricity or running water, Mrs. Chough overcame barriers and challenges to strengthen her Community and preserve the culture of her people.

Even as a Salt River Day School attendee, she always said her first form of education was from the Salt River United Presbyterian Church, where she has been a lifelong member. Firmly rooted in her faith, Mrs. Chough served as an elder and Sunday school teacher, as well as other leadership roles in the church, using her experiences as a guiding light behind her work across Arizona.

Mrs. Chough attended teacher's aide training at Arizona State University and began her career in the field of education. She was an inspiration to the students who had the great privilege to learn from her. Because of her invaluable work, the SRPMIC Council appointed her to serve on the Education Committee, which is now known as the Salt River Education Board. She constantly advocated for the best interest of the students, teachers and administrators because she knew they were the foundation of what made a better community.

Her time on the board fueled her passion for service. Mrs. Chough became deputy registrar for the State of Arizona. She was a fierce advocate for voting rights, giving tools and resources to all Arizona citizens to exercise the sacred right to vote, especially tribal communities.

Mrs. Chough served on the Tribal Council, where she was instrumental in designing the Memorial Hall and

representing the Community across the country. In all her years in public service, she never lost sight of the importance of education. Because of her tremendous passion for students and building better communities, Mrs. Chough's leadership was instrumental in building the first-ever high school in the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community.

Madam speaker, I humbly rise to extend my heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to Mrs. Chough for her immense contributions to our state. A leader, advocate and community servant, her life's work remains enduring in our community and I wish her the best as she continues to create a legacy that will be felt for generations to come. Thank you, Mrs. Chough.

Violet Perkins

Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the life and legacy of the late Violet Perkins, who sadly passed away on April 1, 2007. Ms. Perkins lived through transformational times that our state and country confronted in the Great Depression, World War II, the economic boom of the 1950s, and decades of continued civil rights injustices and struggles for communities of color and indigenous nations, many of which persist today.

Despite these severe swings of history, Ms. Perkins' convictions were fortified and her personal mission only became clearer as she grew older. Throughout her life, Ms. Perkins was guided by her strong faith in the church

of the Nazarene. She dedicated her life to serving the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Pima Indian Community and leaving it better than she found it.

She molded herself into a unifier and leader, coincidentally growing up in an indigenous community that was divided into two tribes, two cultures, two languages, to only be later molded into one by age-old universal values that have stood the test of time. Ms. Perkins did her best to live these values and do right by her family and Community through her devoted and passionate public service and keeping sacred traditions and memories alive through her personal and professional life.

Earlier in her adulthood as a hospital housekeeper and eventually a nurse at HonorHealth Scottsdale Medical Center, Ms. Perkins cared for her neighbors during their most vulnerable [...] need. As someone who held a tremendous amount of respect for her elders and valued their experiences and insight, Ms. Perkins made protecting them and advocating what is best for them her entire life's mission. Ms. Perkins kept a crucial part of her ancestors' legacy a now slowly fading language as an Akimel O'odham translator and interpreter for the Maricopa County Elections Department. Because of her advocacy, more American Indians registered to vote in both state and national elections.

She also served as vice president of the Arizona Indian Council on Aging till 2005, where she led a conference planning meeting, chaired the disabili-



Community member, the late Violet Perkins, was a Maricopa county elections translator and interpreter of the O'odham language. Perkins was a volunteer in the Tribal, State and National elections for voter registration and shared with the Community the importance of voting at all levels of government. With her is her granddaughter Ariana Monica Hohokimal Leonard.

ties meeting and educated state legislators on tribal aging issues.

Her advocacy to get more indigenous communities to vote has been recognized by the Inter Tribal Council of Arizona and the Arizona Indian Gaming Association. Her life of selfless service has been memorialized in the University of Arizona's Women's Plaza of Honor. And now her life's work will forever be etched in the historical record of the United States of America.

In this spirit of remembrance, I rise to honor the tremendous life and legacy of Violet Perkins. Thank you, Ms. Perkins, and godspeed.

As he closed the event, Congressman Stanton once again congratulated the honorees and their families. Their work and achievement reaches beyond tribal community borders and has helped everyone in Arizona.

"All of Arizona owes you a debt of gratitude," said Stanton. "Diane Enos, Ruth Chough and the family of Violet Perkins, thank you, because I know through the level of public service that you all engage in it takes a village, family and community of support, and we are so thankful that you have lived the lives of service that you have."



Ruth Chough (second row, second from left) and the Salt River Education Board and Education staff.

Honoree and Family Responses

Diane Enos

Council member and past SRPMIC President Diane Enos graciously thanked Congressman Stanton for the honor and acknowledged that her accomplishments rest on the shoulders of those who came before.

"Accomplishments of any individual ... must be acknowledged as a result of our connections to each other and our past. And what has been given to us from our parents, relatives and our common history here, since we are in a sense tied together by birth. ... The good of our people is this call to service, and it comes from our land, water, children and our identity. Accomplishments during any individual's term as president are the results of the work of Tribal Council."

Enos acknowledged past and current Council representatives Ivan Makil, Merna Lewis, Lance Grey, Grinelda Gates, Tom Largo, Anthony Collins, Ricardo Leonard, Claire Miller, Lynn Myore, Dixie Padilla, Delbert Ray Sr., the late Lorna Ray, Willardine Sampson, Deanna Scabby and Martin Harvier. She also acknowledged fellow honorees Chough and Perkins.

Ruth Chough

"I want to thank you for honoring these great women of our Community and this great nation. My hope is that this is only the beginning of our country's recognition of all the past, present and future contributions of indigenous peoples of this continent to the nation and to the world," said former SRPMIC President Ivan Makil. "Woman have always been an important part of the foundation of our culture and our communities. Ruth Chough, throughout her life, has exemplified the cultural responsibilities, spirit and values of Native women. During her time as a Council member, the Community was challenged with several issues that had significant impacts on the future of our Community. Her advocacy has always been for the people of the Community and the Community's resources. She is an example of leadership that understands the foundational principles that are required to create a thriving and sustainable community. Thank you, Mrs. Chough, for your leadership and commitment to the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community and all of our people and the nation."

"On behalf of my mother, she would like to [express] her gratitude for the love and support my father and I gave her

when she was serving our Community," said Karilyn D. Smith, daughter of Ruth Chough. "Mom, I would like to say to you, you have a special way of keeping your family and Community strong. With our deepest love and gratitude from the Community, family, friends and especially from Roger and I, we love you."

Violet Perkins

"I remember her as a humble, smart and strong woman," said Alyssa Leonard of her grandmother, the late Violet Perkins. "When I ran for Miss Salt River, I dedicated my essay to her, telling everyone how hard-working she was and how she never gave up on her dreams, no matter what obstacles she had. I always looked up to her and she was always telling us about voting and how important it was to vote. Every [time] we went over there she would say we needed to register to vote."

SRPMIC Vice President Ricardo Leonard also said a few words about his late mother-in-law, explaining that she was part of the relocation program and lived in Compton, California.

"She was connected to her tradition and talked about some of the things she remembered as a young girl. There is a series of songs called the macaw songs—there are at least 200 songs in the series—and she recalled her grandfather singing those songs at nighttime," said Leonard. "She would be very humbled at this recognition right now; she would say, 'It's not about me, it's about everyone around me and what we have done.'"

Debbie Nez-Manuel said a few words on behalf of Violet Perkins and her husband, Royce Manuel, Perkins' son.

"When he thinks about his mother's work, he says it recognizes the importance of arming voters with information." Especially when it came to propositions that directly impacted Arizona tribes, Perkins worked to ensure that tribal voters were not just reading in English, but were armed with the words of the propositions in their language so they could understand the impact that they would have to their people.

Nez-Manuel thanked everyone who helped recognize these women from the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. "Thank you all for your work. We stand on the shoulders of giants."

SRPMIC Community Employment Program Opportunities

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Senior Human Resources Manager Crystal Banuelos and Workforce Development Manager James Smith of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Human Resources Department gave a presentation at the Lehi Council District meeting on Tuesday, June 15, describing the work-readiness and job-training opportunities that the Community offers its members.

“Our outreach is a critical aspect that our division is responsible for in relation to working with the Community,” said Banuelos. “Typically, [the Community Employment Division] would average about 500 visitors a month; when everything slowed down [due to the pandemic], we had to make some adjustments.”

Banuelos and Smith gave an overview of the programs that help with job preparedness, training, guidance and workforce support: the Internship Program, the Day Work Program, the WIOA Program for Adults and Youth, the Apprenticeship Training Program and the Special Needs Resources Program.

Internship Program

The Internship Program works with students currently in college or trade/vocational school, or recent graduates within one year of attaining a post-secondary certificate or degree. These individuals have to be 18 or older; undergraduates must have completed at least 24 college credits with a minimum C average. Graduates enrolled in a master's or doctorate program must be in good standing within their program.

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Those in vocational school must complete and pass the classroom training; usually they are moved to an externship and work closely with the Internship Program. The program can be credit or non-credit, depending on the need of the student.

“We work with the department in supporting the students. We are very flexible on hours; a lot of times students are going to school full time and maybe want to be in the Internship Program part time, and we can make it work,” said Banuelos.

Day Work Program

The Day Work Program provides short-term daily work through various needed government and enterprise projects. This program has been on hold due to the COVID-19 pandemic; as things start to get back to normal, this program will return. Participants

receive payment in a flat fee after work has been verified. Payment is issued from the Finance Department according to their process. Prior to being added to the list, participants must attend a virtual orientation and successfully pass a drug test and complete a participant agreement. The participant agreement includes new guidelines that support COVID-19 guidelines and protocols that include minimizing in-person contact, social distancing, wearing a mask and regular handwashing.

WIOA Adult and Youth Program

The Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act (WIOA) Adult and Youth Program is operated via a grant awarded to the SRPMIC under the U.S. Department of Labor. The program supports adults and youth through case-management services to help them pursue their career goals through training and educational opportunities. Staff works with eligible adult participants to help them with their educational plans, including support toward tuition and/or other services. For the youth, the program runs during the fall and spring for the in-school work program and the summer work experience program for SRPMIC youth ages 14 to 18. It helps encourage youth to start developing work-readiness skills and exposes them to the work environment. This program is currently on hold due to limited worksites.

Apprenticeship Program

The Apprenticeship Program provides vocational training paths so interested individuals may become skilled

in their chosen field. Trades available include accounting, office technology, dental assistant, medical assistant, pharmacy technician, healthcare administration, HVAC, carpentry, plumbing and heavy equipment.

Each trade begins with related training, and then students move to on-the-job training (OJT). The required OJT hours are predetermined by the Bureau of Apprenticeship so the student may become a journeyman.

“The classroom training lasts up to six months. The on-the-job training, depending on the trade, can go from one year to five years,” said Smith.

During the pandemic, the department tried a new approach, offering employment and training opportunities to Community members by posting flyers to the SRPMIC websites and social media accounts. As a result, the number of Community members seeking training in the medical field increased from one to 20.

“These individuals are still in the program, although there were a couple that made the decision that it was not for them and they stepped away early on. But we're glad a lot of people tried it out and are sticking with it,” said Banuelos. “The one area that a lot of people are not interested in is becoming a dental assistant. We've been trying to encourage people to try it out if that's what they're passionate about.”

Something else the program offers is the Job Connection, which helps employers within the Pima Corridor offer job opportunities to SRPMIC members.

“During the pandemic, we were receiving—and are still receiving—job opportunities from employers from the Corridor frequently and regularly,” said Banuelos. “We have the phone line where individuals can let us know of their interest, and we work to connect them with one of the job opportunities.”

Special Needs Resources Program

The Special Needs Resources Program helps people file for social security and disability. A liaison helps families go through the Individualized Education Plan (IEP) process and provides additional resources.

“We want individuals who leave any of our programs to be able to have gainful employment,” said Banuelos.

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Salt River Art Trail

The Salt River Art Trail is ready to be explored. The Art Trail encompasses a series of art installations extending from the heart of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community to the Talking Stick Entertainment District. The trail features sculpture, photography and other visual arts by SRPMIC artists Jeffrey Fulwider, Anthony Collins, Dwayne Manuel and Jacob Butler. Artwork along the trail includes Fulwider's "Basket Dancers" at the Pima Center, Manuel's "Gifts of a River" at the Discover Salt River Visitor Center, various art pieces and photography by Collins at the Residence Inn by Marriott, various art pieces by Butler at the Arizona Boardwalk at Talking Stick, and traditional art found throughout the Huhugam Ki Museum and Casino Arizona. Head to www.discoveraltriver.com/art-trail for the map and full descriptions of the artwork. By Chris Picciuolo

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Children's Resiliency Group Offers Support to Students

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In the fall of 2019, a partnership between Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community's Behavioral Health Services (BHS) and Salt River Schools (SRS) was created to provide behavioral health services for students and their families in a familiar, safe and accessible environment.

The Children's Resiliency Group was born out of this partnership, with the goal of increasing healthy coping skills, social skills, peer interactions and self-esteem. Coinciding with Salt River Elementary School's summer school dates, the Children's Resiliency Group recently held hour-long sessions in person at the school from June 21 to July 1.

According to exceptional education director Dr. Vicky Corlett, as schools return to in-person learning, BHS has been an integral part of the process, supporting staff, students and families as they transition back with support groups, weekly tips and more at all the sites.

"The groups and weekly tips focused on self-care and how to work through some of the anxiety people may experience returning to in-person learning," said Corlett.

HHS behavioral health counselor Constance McFarlin said that the group continues and is open-ended so students can join at any time through the schedule.

"The size of the group may change based on interest referrals. Our goal is to continue to accommodate new members as the number of group members increases," said McFarlin.

McFarlin also said that some of the main goals of the in-person sessions will be to use check-ins, therapeutic activities, creative strategies, psycho-education and play to address treatment goals of the participants.

Although parents and caregivers are not directly participating in the Children's Resiliency Group, a parent information packet and support are provided by the group facilitators to ensure that the children are supported not only in the academic environment, but in the home environment as well.

At this time, the group meets once a week, on Tuesdays, for grades K-2 and twice a week, on Wednesdays and Thursdays, for grades 3-6. The group days and times may change as the fall 2021 school year approaches to support the clients' academic needs.

To participate in the Children's Resiliency Group, families should contact BHS at (480) 362-5707 to enroll. Students who are not currently enrolled in BHS services can schedule an intake appointment to enroll in the group.



A kit that students will use for various activities with the Children's Resiliency Group. Photo provided by Constance McFarlin

Community Artists Contribute to Exhibition at Mesa Arts Center

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Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community artists Anthony "Thosh" Collins, Dwayne Manuel and SRPMIC resident Thomas "Breeze" Marcus are represented in artist Cannupa Hanska Luger's exhibition "Passage" at the Mesa Arts Center. The exhibition opened on May 14 and will be on display through August 8.

The centerpiece is "Something to Hold Onto," Luger's immersive installation piece consisting of more than 7,000 1-inch unfired clay beads. Each bead represents a life lost along the U.S.-Mexico border in the last 30 years, and the piece is intended to humanize this staggering statistic.

Manuel and Marcus's installation mirrors a large-scale floor mural of their signature abstract O'odham designs. A pop-up educational experience by artist Tanya Aguiñiga is part of the exhibition, along with photography and journalistic documentation by Collins and his wife Chelsey Luger.

Tickets are free and based on timed entry. To view "Passage," go to www.mesaartscenter.com/index.php/museum/art/exhibits/cannupa or call (480) 644-6500 for more information.



Nearly All COVID Deaths in US Are Now Among Unvaccinated

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Nearly all COVID-19 deaths in the U.S. now are in people who weren't vaccinated, a staggering demonstration of how effective the shots have been and an indication that deaths per day — now down to under 300 — could be practically zero if everyone eligible got the vaccine.

An Associated Press analysis of available government data from May shows that "breakthrough" infections in fully vaccinated people accounted for fewer than 1,200 of more than 853,000 COVID-19 hospitalizations. That's about 0.1%.

And only about 150 of the more than 18,000 COVID-19 deaths in May were in fully vaccinated people. That translates to about 0.8%, or five deaths per day on average.

The AP analyzed figures provided by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The CDC itself has not estimated what percentage of hospitalizations and deaths are in fully vaccinated people, citing limitations in the data.

Among them: Only about 45 states report breakthrough infections, and some are more aggressive than others in looking for such cases. So the data probably understates such infections, CDC officials said.

Still, the overall trend that emerges from the data echoes what many health care authorities are seeing around the country and what top experts are saying.

Earlier this month, Andy Slavitt, a former adviser to the Biden administration on COVID-19, suggested that 98% to 99% of the Americans dying of the coronavirus are unvaccinated.

And CDC Director Dr. Rochelle

Walensky said on Tuesday that the vaccine is so effective that "nearly every death, especially among adults, due to COVID-19, is, at this point, entirely preventable." She called such deaths "particularly tragic."

Deaths in the U.S. have plummeted from a peak of more than 3,400 day on average in mid-January, one month into the vaccination drive.

About 63% of all vaccine-eligible Americans — those 12 and older — have received at least one dose, and 53% are fully vaccinated, according to the CDC. While vaccine remains scarce in much of the world, the U.S. supply is so abundant and demand has slumped so dramatically that shots sit unused.

Ross Bagne, a 68-year-old small-business owner in Cheyenne, Wyoming, was eligible for the vaccine in early February but didn't get it. He died June 4, infected and unvaccinated, after spending more than three weeks in the hospital, his lungs filling with fluid. He was unable to swallow because of a stroke.

"He never went out, so he didn't think he would catch it," said his grieving sister, Karen McKnight. She wondered: "Why take the risk of not getting vaccinated?"

The preventable deaths will continue, experts predict, with unvaccinated pockets of the nation experiencing outbreaks in the fall and winter. Ali Mokdad, a professor of health metrics sciences at the University of Washington in Seattle, said modeling suggests the nation will hit 1,000 deaths per day again next year.

In Arkansas, which has one of the lowest vaccination rates in the nation, with only about 33% of the population

fully protected, cases, hospitalizations and deaths are rising.

"It is sad to see someone go to the hospital or die when it can be prevented," Gov. Asa Hutchinson tweeted as he urged people to get their shots.

In Seattle's King County, the public health department found only three deaths during a recent 60-day period in people who were fully vaccinated. The rest, some 95% of 62 deaths, had had no vaccine or just one shot.

"Those are all somebody's parents, grandparents, siblings and friends," said Dr. Mark Del Beccaro, who helps lead a vaccination outreach program in King County. "It's still a lot of deaths, and they're preventable deaths."

In the St. Louis area, more than 90% of patients hospitalized with COVID-19 have not been vaccinated, said Dr. Alex Garza, a hospital administrator who directs a metropolitan-area task force on the outbreak.

"The majority of them express some regret for not being vaccinated," Garza said. "That's a pretty common refrain that we're hearing from patients with COVID."

The stories of unvaccinated people dying may convince some people they should get the shots, but young adults — the group least likely to be vaccinated — may be motivated more by a desire to protect their loved ones, said David Michaels, an epidemiologist at George Washington University's school of public health in the nation's capital.

Others need paid time off to get the shots and deal with any side effects, Michaels said.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration this month began requiring health care employers, including

hospitals and nursing homes, to provide such time off. But Michaels, who headed OSHA under President Barack Obama, said the agency should have gone further and applied the rule to meat and poultry plants and other food operations as well as other places with workers at risk.

Bagne, who lived alone, ran a business helping people incorporate their companies in Wyoming for the tax advantages. He was winding down the business, planning to retire, when he got sick, emailing his sister in April about an illness that had left him dizzy and disoriented.

"Whatever it was. That bug took a LOT out of me," he wrote.

As his health deteriorated, a neighbor finally persuaded him to go to the hospital.

"Why was the messaging in his state so unclear that he didn't understand the importance of the vaccine? He was a very bright guy," his sister said. "I wish he'd gotten the vaccine, and I'm sad he didn't understand how it could prevent him from getting COVID."

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July 2021

-DISTRICT MEETINGS-

* All meetings are virtual*

-- agenda items subject to change --

MEETING DATE/TIME	AGENDA
CM Enos - DISTRICT A Mon, July 12, 2021 5 p.m.	Agenda not scheduled at time of print
CM Antone - DISTRICT B Sat. July 17, 2021 9 a.m.	Agenda not scheduled at time of print
CM Doka - DISTRICT C Sat., July 10, 2021 9 a.m.	Agenda not scheduled at time of print
CM Grey - DISTRICT D Thurs., July 1, 2021 5 p.m.	Agenda not scheduled at time of print
CM Largo - DISTRICT E Mon. July 26, 2021 5 p.m.	Agenda not scheduled at time of print
CM Scabby / CM Dallas - LEHI DISTRICT Tues., July 20, 2021 5:15 p.m.	Agenda not scheduled at time of print

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JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING DATE

Youth Development Specialist (Group Homes)	7/06/21
Homecare Assistant I (Homemaker)	7/07/21
Billing Specialist (HHS)	7/06/21
Accounts Payable Clerk	7/05/21
Community Relations Newsperson	7/06/21
Community Relations Newsperson (Advertising Sales)	7/06/21
Youth Development Specialist (Group Homes) Part-Time	7/02/21
Education Secretary	7/05/21
Financial Analyst	7/08/21
Language Culture Specialist	7/03/21
Licensed Practical Nurse (Community Health)	Continuous
School Teacher – Gifted	Continuous
Community Relations Manager (Multimedia)	Continuous

For more information contact the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
- Human Resources Department
Address: 10005 E Osborn Road Scottsdale, Arizona, 85256
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COVID HOTLINE: 480.362.2603

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, 10:30 a.m.
- Sunday Night Service, 6:30 p.m.
- Wed. Bible Study 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.

FERGUSON MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

1512 E. McDowell Rd. (Lehi)
Mesa, AZ 85203
Pastor Neil Price
(480) 278-0750

SERVICES

- Sunday School, 9 a.m.
- Worship Service, 10 a.m.
- Thurs. Bible Study Service, 7 p.m.
- Sunday service 9 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
(480) 404-3284

SERVICES

- Sunday Services 10 a.m.
- Communion First Sunday of

every month 10 a.m. (limited 10 people)

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST PAPAGO WARD

2056 N. Extension Rd. Scottsdale AZ, 85256
(480) 947-1084

SERVICES

- Sunday service suspended until further notice

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.
- Bible Study Wednesdays 6 p.m. via Zoom
- Churches Zoom ID: 7081368738 pwds : 3r28HAJ

SALT RIVER ASSEMBLY OF GOD

10657 E. Virginia Ave.
Scottsdale, AZ 85256
(480) 947-5278
Rev. Jim Lopez

SERVICES

- Sunday Morning Prayer 10 a.m.
- Worship 11 a.m.
- Evening Worship 6 p.m.
- Thursday Evening Worship 6 p.m.

SALT RIVER CHURCH OF CHRIST

430 N. Dobson Rd.
Mesa, AZ 85201
(720) 626-2171

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 INDEPENDENT CHAPEL

10501 E. Palm Lane
Scottsdale, AZ 85256
Rev. Melvin C. Anton
(480) 941-5419

- Sunday service suspended until further notice.

SALT RIVER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

P.O. Box 10125
Scottsdale, AZ 85271
E: SaltRiverPresbyterian@gmail.com

SERVICES

- Sunday Service, 1:00-2:00pm
- Communion First Sunday of the month
- CDC/SRPMIC Guidelines followed**

ST. FRANCIS CATHOLIC MISSION

3090 N. Longmore, Scottsdale, AZ 85256
(480) 994-0952
(602) 292-4466 (cell)

Administrator: Deacon Jim Trant
Parish President: Cindy Thomas
Father Alcuin Hurl and Father Antony Ticker

SERVICES

- Sunday Mass 12 p.m.
- Holy Hours 1 p.m.

O'ODHAM ACTION NEWS

If you have a story idea, please OAN at (480) 362-7750
Leave your name, number and brief message and we will return your call



MEMORIAL SERVICES DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

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: Monday - Friday, 8:00AM - 5:00PM.
- Family may meet with staff at office or cemetery

SERVICES PROVIDED DURING PHASE 2

- One (1) wake and/or funeral service per day at each facility: Memorial Hall and Xalychidom Piipaash Nyvaash
- Wakes and funerals may be scheduled between 7:00AM and 9:00PM. ALL services, except Traditional overnights must end no later than 9:00PM.
- If a family chooses to keep loved one at the facility overnight, no one will be allowed to stay with loved one. Family may choose to have mortuary transport loved one back to mortuary after wake service. (Transport fee may apply)
- Overnights will be allowed for Traditional O'odham and Piipaash services ONLY.
- Families will be responsible for overseeing and running the kitchen during services. This includes the serving of food and cleaning up after services. Day labors may or may not be available at this time.
- Nursery and family room will be closed.
- Memorial Services will create and post funeral announcements, if requested by family.
- Wakes or overnight services will not be allowed at the homes at this time, due to Community directive still in place regarding gatherings at homes.
- Memorials will not be held at this time.
- Facilities will not be available to hold family meetings at this time.
- Masks must be worn while attending services, 6 feet social distancing will be required, and if you are sick please stay home.

GRAVESIDE SERVICES PROVIDED DURING PHASE 2

- Tent, table, chairs provided
- Staff to assist with burial
- Casket cart
- Services limited to 2 hours max.
- If family wishes to dig grave, tools will be available
- Handwashing station, hand sanitizer and port-a-john available
- Must wear masks and follow social distancing

For any questions, please call Memorial Services at (480) 278-7050

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.

JUVENILE COURT JURISDICTION:

SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY COURT
ADDRESS: 10040 EAST OSBORN RD. SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85256
CONTACT: (480) 362-6315

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ANTONE, JORDAN JAMES - Formal Hearing Case: J-21-0089/0090 Court Date: August 4, 2021 at 11 a.m.

BEJARANO, SALINA RAE - Initial Paternity Hearing Case: J-21-0059 Court Date: July 12, 2021 at 11 a.m.

BURKE, BRANDEE LYN - Review/Initial Child Support Hearing/Order to Show Cause Hearing Case: J-19-0007/J-21-0063 Court Date: July 21, 2021 at 10 a.m.

BURKE, JULIA SALEE - Initial Termination of Parental-Child Relationship Case: J-21-0093 Court Date: July 8, 2021 at 11:30 a.m.

CARLISLE, MAURICIA LANDEAN - Review/Permanency Hearing Case: J-08-1059/J-11-0042/J-12-0050/0051 Court Date: August 18, 2021 at 9 a.m.

CARTHEN, TANIKA ROCHELLE - Status Hearing on Child Support Case: J-19-0053 Court Date: August 2, 2021 at 11 a.m.

CONGER, CHERELLE LEE - Initial Termination of Parental-Child Relationship Case: J-21-0084

Court Date: July 29, 2021 at 9 a.m.

CONGER, CHERELLE LEE - Review Hearing Case: J-20-0032 Court Date: August 16, 2021 at 10 a.m.

COOPS, ELIAS CHARLES - Evidentiary Guardianship Hearing Case: J-21-0057/0058 Court Date: July 27, 2021 at 10 a.m.

COOPS, ELIAS CHARLES - Review Hearing Case: J-19-0131/0132 Court Date: July 27, 2021 at 10 a.m.

CURRY, WILLIE - Evidentiary Guardianship/Permanency Review Hearing Case: J-21-0020/J-18-0124 Court Date: August 2, 2021 at 11 a.m.

CURRY, WILLIE - Status Hearing on Child Support Case: J-19-0053 Court Date: August 2, 2021 at 11 a.m.

CURTIS, LILA STAR - Disposition Hearing Case: J-21-0031 Court Date: August 25, 2021 at 11 a.m.

DOE, MANUEL - Review Hearing Case: J-18-0044 Court Date: August 19, 2021 at 9 a.m.

ENOS, ELLIOT CECIL - Initial Paternity Hearing Case: J-21-0028/0029/0030 Court Date: July 29, 2021 at 11 a.m.

ENOS, ELLIOT CECIL - Review Hearing Case: J-20-0130/0131/0132 Court Date: September 28, 2021 at 10 a.m.

ENOS, ROCHELLE MICHELLE - Review Hearing Case: J-17-0039 Court Date: August 9, 2021 at 11 a.m.

ENOS, YVETTE MARIE - Disposition Hearing/ Order to Show Cause Case: J-21-0060 Court Date: August 2, 2021 at 10 a.m.

ENOS, YVETTE MARIE - Review Hearing Case: J-18-0209/J-19-0169 Court Date: July 12, 2021 at 10 a.m.

FRANCISCO, MARISSA MARTINA - Initial Child Support Hearing Case: J-21-0078 Court Date: July 19, 2021 at 11 a.m.

GUTIERREZ, TONY ULYESE HILLIAN - Review Hearing Case: J-12-0161 Court Date: July 12, 2021 at 9 a.m.

HOWARD, MIRISSA CHERI - Review Hearing Case: J-18-0169 Court Date: July 8, 2021 at 9 a.m.

HOWARD, RITA ALMIRA - Review Hearing Case: J-12-0161 Court Date: July 12, 2021 at 9 a.m.

JACKSON SR., ADAM BRIAN - Review Hearing Case: J-12-0214/J-14-0143 Court Date: July 13, 2021 at 10 a.m.

JOHNSON, MANUEL LEE - Review/Permanency Hearing Case: J-08-1059/J-11-0042/J-12-0050/0051 Court Date: August 18, 2021 at 9 a.m.

LEWIS, ROBI COREY - Initial Child Support Hearing Case: J-21-0078 Court Date: July 19, 2021 at 11 a.m.

LEWIS, ROSEMARY RACHEL - Evidentiary Guardianship Hearing Case: J-21-0057/0058 Court Date: July 27, 2021 at 10 a.m.

LEWIS, ROSEMARY RACHEL - Review Hearing Case: J-19-0131/0132 Court Date: July 27, 2021 at 10 a.m.

LORING, RENAE GISELLE - Formal Hearing Case: J-21-0033 Court Date: August 17, 2021 at 9 a.m.

MACK, MICHELLE LYNN - Initial Paternity Hearing Case: J-21-0028/0029/0030 Court Date: July 29, 2021 at 11 a.m.

MANUEL, EZEKIEL RUBEN - Initial Paternity Hearing Case: J-21-0059 Court Date: July 12, 2021 at 11 a.m.

MANUEL, IAN JOSHUA - Disposition Hearing Case: J-21-0031 Court Date: August 25, 2021 at 11 a.m.

MARRUFO, MARISSA SHARON - Initial Guardianship Hearing Case: J-21-0091/0092 Court Date: August 2, 2021 at 9 a.m.

MARRUFO, MARISSA SHARON - Review Hearing Case: J-17-0191 Court Date: August 2, 2021 at 9 a.m.

MARTINEZ, NOHALANNIE ERIN - Review Hearing Case: J-19-0112/0113/J-20-0018 Court Date: August 17, 2021 at 10 a.m.

MOORE, JAMES ERNIE - Formal Hearing Case: J-20-0081 Court Date: July 22, 2021 at 10 a.m.

OLIVAS, LINDSEY LORRAINE - Evidentiary Guardianship Hearing Case: J-21-0026 Court Date: August 3, 2021 at 11 a.m.

OLIVAS, VICTOR JAMES - Evidentiary Guardianship Hearing Case: J-21-0026 Court Date:

August 3, 2021 at 11 a.m.

PABLO, ANTHONY SCOTT - Review Hearing Case: J-18-0045/0046/0047 Court Date: August 19, 2021 at 9 a.m.

PACHECO, CARLOS FRANK - Review Hearing Case: J-17-0156-0157/J-18-0185 Court Date: July 26, 2021 at 11 a.m.

RHODES, LAKOTA FELIX - Review Hearing Case: J-18-0209/J-19-0169 Court Date: July 12, 2021 at 10 a.m.

RODRIGUEZ, MICHAEL ISMAEL - Initial Termination of Parental-Child Relationship Case: J-21-0084 Court Date: July 29, 2021 at 9 a.m.

RODRIGUEZ, MICHAEL ISMAEL - Permanency Hearing Case: J-20-0032 Court Date: July 29, 2021 at 9 a.m.

THOMAS, DILLION DUSTIN LEE - Initial Guardianship Hearing Case: J-21-0091 Court Date: August 2, 2021 at 9 a.m.

TONEY, ZAKIRAH CHAR - Formal Hearing Case: J-21-0089/0090 Court Date: August 4, 2021 at 11 a.m.

VALENCIA, VICTOR PATRICK - Review Hearing Case: J-13-0086 Court Date: July 15, 2021 at 10 a.m.

VALLES SR., ROBERT ANTHONY - Review Hearing Case: J-15-0174 Court Date: August 19, 2021 at 11 a.m.

VEST, DWIGHT EDMUND - Review Hearing Case: J-19-0147/J-20-0046-0048 Court Date: July 14, 2021 at 9 a.m.

VEST, DWIGHT EDMUND - Review Hearing Case: J-21-0027 Court Date: July 14, 2021 at 9 a.m.

WELLINGTON, RACHEL LYNN - Evidentiary Trial for Removal of Guardian Hearing Case: J-19-0064 Court Date: July 6, 2021 at 10 a.m.

WHITMAN, GRANT JUSTIN C - Initial Guardianship Hearing Case: J-21-0092 Court Date: August 2, 2021 at 9 a.m.

WHITMAN, GRANT JUSTIN C - Review Hearing Case: J-17-0191 Court Date: August 2, 2021 at 9 a.m.

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ANDREWS, CRYSTAL MAE - Civil Complaint Hearing Case: C-21-0092 Court Date: July 15, 2021 at 9 a.m.

ANTONE, ANTOINETTE JOSEPHINE - Order to Show Cause Hearing Case: CF-17-0131 Court Date: July 29, 2021 at 10 a.m.

BAPTISTO, NATHANIEL ALLEN - Order of Protection Hearing Case: DVOP-21-0013 Court Date: August 10, 2021 at 11 a.m.

BIAKEDDY, ARLEN KATNEY - Default Judgment Hearing Case: D-21-0004 Court Date: July 13, 2021 at 10 a.m.

BIAKEDDY, ARLEN K. - Restraining Order Hearing Case: R-21-0017 Court Date: August 10, 2021 at 10 a.m.

BURNS, CHRISTINE ANN - Order to Show Cause Hearing Case: CF-19-0131 Court Date: July 28, 2021 at 9 a.m.

BURNS, SUMMER MARIE - Initial Paternity Hearing Case: CF-21-0093 Court Date: July 26, 2021 at 10 a.m.

CARLOS, ANTHONY SVEGI

JUDUM - Initial Child Support Hearing Case: CFCS-21-0025 Court Date: July 19, 2021 at 11 a.m.

CARLOS, ANTHONY SVEGI JUDUM - Order to Show Cause Hearing Case: CF-18-0147 Court Date: July 12, 2021 at 10:30 a.m.

CHAVEZ, YVETTE MICHELLE - NOTICE Motion for Default Judgment; Default Judgment Hearing Case: C-21-0045 Court Date: July 29, 2021 at 9 a.m.

DELONEY, JAYCE PHILLIP - Default Judgment Hearing Case: CF-20-0064 Court Date: July 29, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

DELONEY, JAYCE PHILLIP - Status Hearing Case: CFCS-20-0020 Court Date: July 29, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

DELOWE, DENITAL LOIS - Status Hearing Case: C-18-0096 Court Date: July 20, 2021 at 10 a.m.

HILL, INDARIA MODESTY - Initial Guardianship Hearing Case: CF-21-0037 Court Date: July 12, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE ESTATE OF JUANITA KAY JAMES - Probate Hearing Case: P-21-0007 Court Date: August 3, 2021 at 9 a.m.

JAUREGUI, ANGELICA LAURA - Order to Show Cause Hearing Case: C-19-0031 Court Date: August 17, 2021 at 9 a.m.

MANUEL, ANTHONY AARON - Evidentiary Paternity hearing Case: CF-21-0062/CF-21-0063 Court Date: July 19, 2021 at 10 a.m.

MILLS, JUILA MICHELLE - Entry of Default Judgement/Order to Show Cause Hearings Case: C-21-0033 Court Date: July 8, 2021 at 11 a.m.

MONTIEL, EULA THONYUPQUE HAWHEE - Probate Hearing Case: P-21-0039 Court Date: August 10, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

SMITH, MARIA CELESTINA - Divorce Hearing Case: D-21-0007 Court Date: July 13, 2021 at 11 a.m.

THOMPSON, FRANIZA - Initial Guardianship Hearing Case: CF-21-0049 Court Date: July 20, 2021 at 11 a.m.

DEFAULT NOTICES

ARLEN KATNEY BIAKEDDY D-21-0004 DEFAULT NOTICE BELEN CHIAGO MARTINEZ V. ARLEN KATNEY BIAKEDDY TO: ARLEN KATNEY BIAKEDDY, 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.
 4. A default judgment may have serious, adverse, and irreversible consequences against you.
 5. If you want to defend against the claim and avoid default judgment entered against you, you must file a written answer, motion to dismiss or other responsive pleading within thirty (30) days from when you are served with this Notice. The Court will not extend time for your response and you must make your response in writing, no oral responses will be accepted
 6. If you do nothing, the Court may give Judgment for what the Complaint demands. (Section 5-16.1, Judgment by Default)
 DATED this 18th of May, 2021.
 CLERK OF COURT - SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA COMMUNITY COURT

YVETTE MICHELLE CHAVEZ VALERIE BERNALEEN DOMINGUEZ V. YVETTE MICHELLE CHAVEZ C-21-0045 MOTION FOR DEFAULT JUDGMENT TO: YVETTE MICHELLE CHAVEZ, RESPONDENT

1. The Court has received a Motion for Entry of Default Judgment filed against you in this Court. A copy of the Motion and affidavit of amounts owing is attached to this Notice.
 2. You are given Ten (10) days from the date the Process Server hands you this to file an Answer, Motion to Dismiss or other responsive pleading.
 3. If you want to Deny the Motion, you must file a Written Answer, Motion to Dismiss or other responsive pleading within 10 days of service unless the law requires otherwise.
 4. You should go at once to a Legal Counsel or Advocate to see if they will prepare a written answer for you.
 5. If you do nothing, the Court may grant a Default Judgment against you and you will be obligated to pay the judgment and award. (Section 5-16.1, Judgment by Default)
 DATED this 8th of June, 2021
 CLERK OF COURT - SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA COMMUNITY COURT
JAYCE PHILLIP DELONEY CF-20-0064 DEFAULT NOTICE ANGEL KENTON V. JAYCE PHILLIP DELONEY TO: JAYCE PHILLIP DELONEY, 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.
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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 10th of June, 2021.
 CLERK OF COURT - SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA COMMUNITY COURT

ELOISE SUSIE DONAHUE C-21-0075 DEFAULT NOTICE COUNTRY CLUB CARS V. ELOISE SUSIE DONAHUE TO: ELOISE SUSIE DONAHUE, RESPONDENT
 1. A Complaint / Petition has been filed against you in this Court and your immediate attention to this fact

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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 May, 2021.
 CLERK OF COURT - SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA COMMUNITY COURT

NOTICE TO CREDITORS:
 Be advised a probate petition has been filed in the Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community Court, State of Arizona, Maricopa County, court case number P-21-0007 regarding decedent Juanita Kay James formally of Scottsdale, AZ, died on August 14, 2020. A hearing in this matter is scheduled for August 3,

2021 at 9:00 a.m. Any claims against Mrs. James estate should be filed prior to the hearing located at 10040 E. Osborn Road, Scottsdale, Arizona 85256.

ANTHONY AARON MANUEL CF-21-0062/CF-21-0063 DEFAULT NOTICE AMBER OSTROSKI V. ANTHONY AARON MANUEL TO: ANTHONY AARON MANUEL, 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.
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2ND QUARTER 2021 ELIGIBILITY DEADLINE - JUNE 30, 2021

Must be eighteen (18) years old, enrolled,
and living to be eligible for the

July 2021 Per Capita Payment.

Deadlines for CHANGES

Direct Deposit Start-Ups and Changes: Tuesday, July 13th at 5 p.m.. 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 2021** payout. Forms received after this date will not be effective until the **October 2021** payout.

Per Capita Eligibility: Tuesday, July 20th , at 5 p.m.. 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 **January 2021** payout. Forms received after this date will not be processed until the first week of **February 2021**.

Discontinue Direct Deposits: Wednesday, July 13th , 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.**

Tax Withholding Changes: Wednesday, July 20th , at 5 p.m.. 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 at (480) 362-7600; Tax Withholding & Direct Deposits call Finance-Per Capita at (480) 362-7710.

SALT RIVER BUSINESS LISTINGS

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srh@srpmic.com

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If we CANNOT contact you by phone or email, your business will be removed from the listing, you will need to contact Deborah Stoneburner at Deborah.Stoneburner@srpmic-nsn.gov or (480) 362-7439 to have your business put back on the listing.



Salt River Senior Services

CAREGIVER PROGRAM ACTIVITIES-

July 2021

Date	Time	Event	Location: Skype phone # and ID Conference Code
7/6/21	11:00 A.M.-12:00 P.M.	Caregiver Ladies Support Group	(480) 362-5990 ID 523711
7/7/21	1:00 P.M.-2:00 P.M.	Will, Probate, Estate planning By Rebecca Puentes from Legal Services	(480) 362-5990 ID 523711
7/12/21	1:00P.M.-2:00P.M.	Caregiver Men's group	(480) 362-5990 ID 523711
7/13/21	11:00A.M.-12:00P.M.	Caregiver Ladies Support Group	(480) 362-5990 ID 523711
7/14/21	10:00A.M.-11:00A.M.	Herbalism using Garlic and Ginger By Felicia Ruiz	(480) 362-5990 ID 523711
7/20/21	11:00A.M.-12:00P.M.	Caregiver Ladies Support Group	(480) 362-5990 ID 523711
7/20/21	1:00P.M.-2:00P.M.	Coping with Grief By Salt River Behavioral Health Services	(480) 362-5990 ID 523711
7/21/21	10:00A.M.-11:00A.M.	Retirement planning	(480) 362-5990 ID 523711
7/27/21	11:00A.M.-12:00P.M.	Caregiver Ladies Support Group By Strategy Financial	(480) 362-5990 ID 523711

If you wish to sign up, have any questions, or have the skype link emailed
contact Caregiver Program Coordinator, Cheryl Tate at (480) 362-7687 or work cell at (480) 246-1128



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DEFAULT NOTICES

give Judgment for what the Complaint demands. (Section 5-16.1, Judgment by Default)

DATED this 7th of June, 2021.

CLERK OF COURT - SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA COMMUNITY COURT

**JULIA MICHELLE MILLS
C-21-0033**

**DEFAULT NOTICE
COUNTRY CLUB CARS**

V.

JULIA MICHELLE MILLS

TO: JULIA MICHELLE MILLS, RESPONDENT

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DATED this 27th of May, 2021.

CLERK OF COURT - SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA COMMUNITY COURT

JULIA MICHELLE MILLS

C-21-0033

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE NOTICE
COUNTRY CLUB CARS**

V.

JULIA MICHELLE MILLS

TO: JULIA MICHELLE MILLS,

YOU ARE HEREBY ORDERED to appear before the above-entitled court on the 8th day of July, 2021 at 11 a.m., in Court Room #1, and show cause why you should not be held in contempt for Failure to appear for a Civil Complaint Hearing on May 27, 2021 at 9 a.m. after being duly served.

FAILURE TO APPEAR will result in a Bench Warrant issued for your arrest for Contempt of Court from (§6-41) of the Code or Ordinances. You are entitled to subpoena witnesses on your behalf and to be represented by counsel.

ORDERED this 27th day of May, 2021.
Judge Raymond Deer - SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA COMMUNITY COURT

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Calendar of Events

JULY

- 1 **CM GREY - DISTRICT D**, 5 p.m., Agenda not scheduled at time of print. Community members can also provide public comments, concerns and/or input by emailing: membercomments@srpmic-nsn.gov. For more information contact the Council Secretary Office at (480) 362-7469.
- 1-15 **BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES CHILDREN'S RESILIENCY GROUP**, 7:30 a.m. in person at Salt River Elementary School June-21- July 15 for Grades K-2; on Tues. and Grades 3rd -6th on Weds. & Thurs. The goal of the Children's Resiliency Group is to increase healthy coping skills, social skills, peer interactions, and self-esteem. To do this, we will work with children at SRES to gain the confidence needed to better manage their feelings and emotions in school and at home. These hour-long session will be held in person at SRES. Learn more by calling (480) 362-5707.
- 1-24 **CURBSIDE MEAL PICKUP, WEEKDAYS** 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m. at ECEC (Chaparral/Center) Face mask required. Free Breakfast and Lunch meals for any youth age 18 and under regardless of where they live or attend school. This service will resume in a limited fashion

- for families who request it from July 1-24th (Mon.-Thurs. only). Call out Transportation Department at (480) 362-2127 to learn more.
- 6 **1ST ANNUAL VIRTUAL 5K LET FREEDOM RUN**, time varies- this is the last day. Provided by the Community Recreational Services Athletics Presents. Online registration date is June 1-11, 2021 visit bit.ly/CRSDfreedom5k. Join us for the 1 mile Freedom roll, run and walk 5k through the July 6, 2021. For more information on CRSD (480) 362-2603.
- 6 - **2021 JR. ACE VIRTUAL SUMMER PROGRAM**, 1 p.m.-3 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays July 6, 8 & 13, 15 for grades 5 - 8 with fun engaging college related activities. If you want to register new students must register with the SCC American Indian Program please call (480) 423-6502 or email AIP@scottsdailecc.edu.
- 10 **CM DOKA - DISTRICT C**, 9 a.m., Agenda not scheduled at time of print. Community members can also provide public comments, concerns and/or input by emailing: membercomments@srpmic-nsn.gov. For more information contact the Council Secretary Office at (480) 362-7469.

- 12 **CM ENOS- DISTRICT A**, 5 p.m., Agenda not scheduled at time of print. Community members can also provide public comments, concerns and/or input by emailing: membercomments@srpmic-nsn.gov. For more information contact the Council Secretary Office at (480) 362-7469.
- 12 **SALT RIVER TRIBAL LIBRARY**, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Tuesday - Friday. Ways to make an appointment By phone: (480) 362-6600, By Email: TribalLibrary@srpmic-nsn.gov, Online at: www.srpmic-nsn.gov/reservations. When requesting an appointment, please provide: Full name, requested time/date, contact (Phone/Email). Appointments are 1 hour, all appointments must be scheduled, no same day scheduling; appointments are based in the order which they are reserved, minors must be accompanied by a parent/ guardian during phase 2, reservations are open to SRPMIC enrolled community members and SRPMIC residents.
- 12 **SRPMIC COUNCIL INFORMATION WEBSITE PAGE**. Please visit www.srpmic-nsn.gov/government/council for all Council related information. The site includes: Council information (bios, boards, contact info, etc.), The latest SRPMIC Council meeting videos, District Meeting information (dates,

- entry info, videos, etc.) and Boards & Committee vacancies. For more information contact Council Secretaries Office (480) 362-7466 or (480) 362-7469 or email councilsecretaries@srpmic-nsn.gov
- 17 **CM ANTONE - DISTRICT B**, 9 a.m., Agenda not scheduled at time of print. Community members can also provide public comments, concerns and/or input by emailing: membercomments@srpmic-nsn.gov. For more information contact the Council Secretary Office at (480) 362-7469.
- 20 **SOCIAL SERVICES- PANDEMIC ASSISTANCE**. Were you in the care of social services and recently turned 18 or will turn 18 during the pandemic? You may be eligible for assistance! If you believe you fall into this category there may be resources available to you! For more information contact Social Services at (480) 362-5645.
- 20 **CM SCABBY/ DALLAS - LEHI DISTRICT**, 5:15 p.m., Agenda not scheduled at time of print. Community members can also provide public comments, concerns and/or input by emailing: membercomments@srpmic-nsn.gov. For more information contact the Council Secretary Office at (480) 362-7469.

- 22 **ZOOM WITH A COUNSELOR - GRIEF & LOSS SUPPORT GROUP**, 5 p.m. via Zoom. Join BHS counselors Paulina Smith, LAC NCC and Micki Begay, MS in a safe space to talk, share stories, support each other, and learn ways to cope. For each group will be running on forth Thursday each month through December of 2021. Join Zoom Meeting ID: <http://zoom.us/j/81776569929> for more information on this group support call BHS (480) 362-5707 or to submit anonymous questions prior to the Zoom: email Jessica.Hunter@srpmic-nsn.gov
- 26 **CM LARGO - DISTRICT E**, 5 p.m., Agenda not scheduled at time of print. Community members can also provide public comments, concerns and/or input by emailing: membercomments@srpmic-nsn.gov. For more information contact the Council Secretary Office at (480) 362-7469.
- 29 **SRPMIC YOUTH VACCINE CLINIC - 2ND DOSE**, 3 p.m.- 6 p.m. at the SRHS Lobby. Salt River Schools will host the second Pfizer vaccine clinic for those youth who received the first one on July 1. Here's what you need to know: Parents/ Guardians must schedule a vaccine appointment for their child. Call (480) 362-2603 and select option 2. The event is located at Salt River High School. Park in the lot, then the

child(ren) receiving the vaccine + one adult are allowed to walk into the front lobby. Since this is the second dose, there is no consent form to fill out; the parent/guardian will review and sign the original consent form for accuracy. Questions? Call (480) 362-5555.

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