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Veterans Representatives Gather to Support Community Member Enlisted in Army

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On September 5, family and friends of Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community member Jacob Hunter Charlie came together at the Round House Café for a special meal to celebrate his decision to join the Army.

The very next week, he was deployed.

Beginning as a private, Charlie will be an M1 Armor Crewman MOS (military occupational specialties) 19K (kilo) operating the M1 Abrams tank. He will be stationed at Fort Moore in Georgia for six months before coming home for a couple weeks at Christmas. Then he'll return to training, graduating in March. From there, he will be assigned to a yet-undecided duty station.

"I'm excited to go anywhere," Charlie told O'odham Action News. "I'm excited to take another path and start my actual life and career. I'm thankful for my family being here to send me off. We've always been a military family, so it's something that I'm used to. My parents and family are proud, and making them proud makes me happy."

Charlie's family reached out to the SRPMIC Veterans Representatives to see if they could arrange a special send-off, and the office was happy to help.

"From what I see, there is a beautiful family here and I really like this interaction," said



SRPMIC member Jacob Hunter Charlie, mother Alicia and father Al Charlie, thanked friends and family for their support before Jacob was deployed in September.

Veterans Representative Amanda White to everyone in attendance. "I like that there are Community members who are stepping up and joining the military service. It's going to be a lot of dedication. Stay focused out there, and bring that back here."

Veterans Representative Troy Truax said that Charlie will have big shoes to fill—those of past SRPMIC veterans who have served in the military before him.

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SRPMIC HHS Prevention and Intervention Services Hosts SafeTALK Training



Vurlene Notsinne-Bowekaty (left) and Melanie Nosie (right) hosted the SafeTALK class which featured video presentations, slideshows, and a group discussion.

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On September 12, Melanie Nosie and Vurlene Notsinne-Bowekaty from the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community's Health and Human Services Department conducted a SafeTALK suicide-prevention training session for all SRPMIC staff.

SafeTALK consists of four steps anyone can take to become more understanding of people who are trying to overcome traumatic struggles and help those who may experience thoughts of suicide.

SafeTALK stands for Tell, Ask, Listen and KeepSafe:

T — Tell people you trust about your thoughts and feelings.

A — Ask people bereaved by a suicide what kind of support they need and if they have thoughts of suicide themselves.

L — Listen to the stories of those we have lost friends or loved ones to suicide. Hear their pain, attend to their distress and help them search for meaning in the loss.

K — Keep people safe from suicide while creating a safe space for them to share their sorrow.

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SRFD Firefighter Christopher Gannon Wins Firefighter of the Year Award



Salt River Fire Department Firefighter Christopher Gannon holds his United Firefighter of the Year Award, presented by United Fire Equipment Company. Photo courtesy of CRO Communications and Marketing Specialist Deedra Dallas

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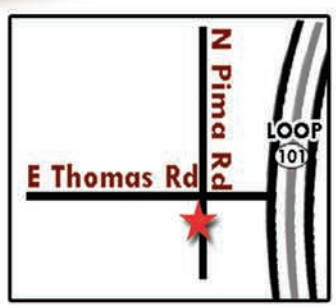
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Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community member Jacob Hunter Charlie (middle right), along with friends and family, come together for a photo at the Round House Café, where they had a special meal to celebrate his decision to join the Army.

“It sheds a positive light, having young Community members step up and answer the call to serve the country,” said Truax. “We need more young Com-

munity members to join any branch they [like]. But make sure you make the best choice for you in the long run, especially with your education.”

SRFD Firefighter Christopher Gannon Wins Firefighter of the Year Award

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Every year, United Fire Equipment Company, which has offices in Tucson and Tempe, presents its Firefighter of the Year Award to a firefighter in Arizona as a way of recognizing the brave actions of the men and women who protect the state's people and property. This year's award ceremony took place on September 7 and marked the company's 30th annual award ceremony.

“The winner of this award has been not only a hero, but a role model. The program recognizes an individual who executed their skills in an especially effective and inspiring manner,” said United Fire Equipment President and CEO Daniel Matlick. “For these reasons and more, it is our pleasure to induct [Salt River Fire Department] Firefighter Christopher Gannon as the 30th Annual Firefighter of the Year.”

The judges this year were John Kemp (Florence Fire Department), Dave Staub (Payson Fire Department), Bob Badgett (Gilbert Fire Department), Tom Shannon (Scottsdale Fire Department) and Dave Kean (Casa Grande



Left to right: Firefighter Immanuel Chavez, Secretary Benjalina Villalpando, Deputy Chief Mike Mink, Office Manager Linda Leidecker, Deputy Chief Randy Villa, Acting Fire Chief Tsosie Wood, Firefighter Christopher Gannon, Firefighter Tyler Packer, Firefighter Orlando Tolano, Firefighter Jonathan Hattabaugh, Fire Engineer Terry Kubal, Deputy Chief Nelson Wood. Photo courtesy of CRO Communications and Marketing Specialist Deedra Dallas

Fire Department). They judged the award finalists without knowing their fire department affiliation, location or gender, or whether it was a volunteer or career firefighter.

Gannon was recognized for his heroic effort in saving the life of fellow SRFD firefighter Tyler Packer in a tragic accident last year.

Packer recovered and is now back to work again at the SRFD.

“I'm not only very honored, but extremely humbled,” said Gannon as he received the award. “Little did I know how much that day's events would impact my life. When I heard about the nomination, I thought to

myself, ‘I just did my job.’”

Gannon said that he wasn't the only person who responded to the call. As far as he is concerned, everybody else who responded did their job.

“Several people had major roles that day, and this award could have gone to any one of them.”



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SRPMIC HHS Prevention and Intervention Services Hosts SafeTALK Training

Nosie and Notsinneh-Bowekaty informed the class that Indian Country continues to suffer from a high suicide rate. The goal for the SafeTALK class was to increase support within the Community by having staff learn more about suicide-prevention resources, how to recognize troubling warning signs, and steps they can take to help someone who is having thoughts of suicide. While suicide is not an easy topic to discuss, avoiding direct and open conversations about suicide is not helpful and could be dangerous.

After a suicide, people may feel alone, devastated, guilty, angry and more. The SafeTALK class detailed that feelings people experience after a suicide are not right or wrong, they simply locate where we hurt. Talking through tough emotions with people we trust is one of the best ways to heal and overcome.



Melanie Nosie gave out stickers to the class showing they are now trained on how to talk with others regarding suicide.

The training featured an educational video to illustrate how to detect thoughts of suicide in someone close and how to

be proactive if ever someone were to discuss suicide. The scenarios showcased outlined different ways people can communicate their traumas. For example, during one of the video clips, a male passenger on a city bus shares with the bus driver how he's needing prostate cancer treatment and is afraid to tell his wife. The despondent man tells the bus driver everything will be fine because he "knows a way how to fix everything," which prompts the bus driver to ask if the man is considering suicide. When the passenger shrugs and asks, "And if I am?," the bus driver compassionately suggests that he can call his dispatcher to radio medical help for the passenger. The man thinks about his situation and agrees, allowing the bus driver to get him the help he needs.

Suicide can be prevented, and all persons with thoughts of suicide need to be taken seriously. "If you notice your family member, co-worker or friend going from happy all the time to sad, quiet and not acting like their usual self, check in with them," said Nosie. Often the most profound method of help is talking about suicide with someone you trust.

Nosie and Notsinneh-Bowekaty also conducted a similar SafeTALK training with youth and teens at the Way of Life Facility earlier in September. The 45-minute SafeTALK session for the youth educated them on suicide prevention, awareness and the help that is available to them at any time, day or night.

The trainers also notified the class that SafeTALK training was being considered to be included into the Community's new-hire orientation in the future for all staff. The attendees supported this proposal, and the collective consensus quickly became that suicide-prevention training is needed on a more frequent basis.



The SafeTALK class featured great discussions about how Community Members and staff handle their complex emotions. Many shared their feelings and were met with support and empathy.

The September SafeTALK training was well-received, with a high rate of turnout and participation. Throughout the three-hour training, many attendees openly discussed their emotions and sensitive thoughts they've experienced without judgment or criticism from others in the training. This was a huge indicator of the positive impact of the SafeTALK class, showing that the Community is receptive to communicating more openly, continuing to heal and creating a supportive environment for all.

Additional SafeTALK training sessions are currently being planned for several dates in the future.

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Tribal Food Boxes Given Out At Food Bank

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On September 12, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community members were invited to pick up a "tribal food box" at the Food Bank, donated by St. Mary's Food Bank and packed with traditional Native ingredients.

The event was a partnership between the Food Bank and the SRPMIC WIC program. About 100 attendees picked up a box, including nine WIC clients.

Inside the food boxes were chicken, Anasazi beans, Navajo Pride flour, corn, tomato sauce and Pilkan Haak Chu'i (Fine-Grind Parched Pima Club Wheat Pinole) from Ramona Farms.

Community Health and Nutrition Supervisor Margaret Fisher, MS, RDN, CDCES, said that tribal food boxes can help Native people overcome health disparities.

"Studies are showing that when people include traditional foods in their eating habits, they tend to consume more nutrients and less calories as well as [gain] a strengthened cultural capac-



SRPMIC members line up at the SRPMIC Food Bank to receive Tribal Food Boxes from St. Mary's Food Bank.

ity and [improve their] overall well-being," said Fisher.

Fisher said that culture especially matters in communications about food, and that the boxes provide a link to local food systems and build trust in the Community.

"Cultural understanding can build trust," said Fisher. "Food is a big part of culture. SRPMIC WIC and program partners taking the time to learn more about the Indigenous foods of importance to those we serve will help build trust."

The event also offered insights for providing culturally relevant cooking advice.

The University of Arizona's Coopera-

tive Extension office was on-site to give out free samples of dishes made from the ingredients in the boxes.

Other programs participating at the event were SRPMIC Diabetes Prevention Services and Child Find, a component of the AZ FIND initiative, who were on hand to help caregivers prepare children age 5 and under for preschool.

Fisher said that WIC provides foods that are good for "growing bodies," connects Community members to nutrition resources, and provides healthy meal and snack ideas.



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Accelerated Learning Academy Hosts “Fall Into Reading” Event



Violet Talgo (left) and Layla Carlos (middle) with Salt River Elementary School Teacher Dawn Meyers (right) celebrate literacy while dressed in costumes.



Luis A. Lopez and family celebrate the joy of reading while visiting the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Police Department booth.

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On September 14, the Accelerated Learning Academy (ALA) hosted its second annual “Fall into Reading Cosplay” event in the ALA gymnasium. This year’s theme was “Careers in Cosplay,” and the event held as a way to continue to promote literacy within the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community.

Cosplay is when fans of a book, movie, TV show, comic or animated series dress up as their favorite characters. Those who dress up are considered “cosplayers,” and many spend a majority of their free time re-creating their favorite character’s costume from scratch, without any help from Hollywood.

ALA staff invited students and their families to dress up as their favorite book characters and attend the event to get more of an understanding of the many ways they can now make a career out of cosplay. More than 15 SRPMIC departments set up information booths for families, each handing out free books, school supplies and prizes. As the families visited the information booths, soundtracks from the Netflix TV show Stranger Things and the Xbox video game Halo played

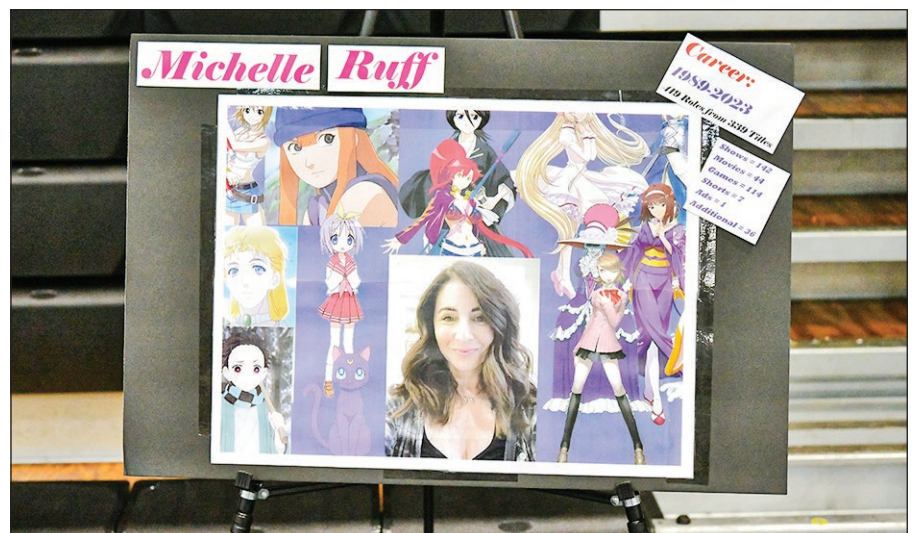
throughout.

The focus during the second annual Fall into Reading event was to help continue improving literacy in the Community and to show examples of artists who have turned their dreams and passions into legitimate, long-standing careers.

Inside the gymnasium, ALA staff featured stand-alone displays of artists who have launched their careers in the entertainment field. One example was Michelle Ruff, an award-winning artist and graduate of Michigan State University. Since she started her career in 1989, Ruff has starred in more than 419 roles from 339 titles ranging from television and movies to video games and commercials. Ruff’s career path was one of the many examples showcased to ALA students and their families as a path they could possibly take.

Literacy is an important factor for successfully navigating any career path. The ability to read and write is paramount, even in non-performing roles such as wardrobe and makeup.

Thankfully, with the help of the teachers and staff at ALA, it is now more possible than ever for the Community’s youth to improve their literacy and begin taking steps to build their future careers.



Michelle Ruff’s career snapshot in voice over, acting, and performing was one of the featured artists displayed inside the ALA gymnasium.



There were plenty of free books, school supplies, and goodies for students and their loved ones to take home.

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U.S. Senator Maria Cantwell Visits Community



Left to Right: SRPMIC President Martin Harvier, U.S. Senator Maria Cantwell, SRPMIC Vice-President Ricardo Leonard, HHS Director Joe Remitera, pose for a photo at the River People Health Center during Cantwell's visit to the Community.

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On September 15, the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community welcomed U.S. Senator Maria Cantwell from the state of Washington, who is a member of the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs.

Cantwell was in Arizona for the last week of the congressional recess and wanted to visit Indian Country and speak with tribal leaders on important topics.

The first stop for Cantwell was the River People Health Center, where she became more familiar with the Community's progress in the health-care space and the activities that are underway to take over the federal functions of the Indian Health Service via a self-governance compact, according to Office of Legislative Affairs Assistant Gary Bohnee.

At the River People Health Center, Cantwell tried tepary beans for the first time as RPHC staff were preparing an O'dham squash bowl made with squash grown in the Community

Garden.

"I've never heard of this bean. I'd be growing these beans, let me tell you," said Cantwell as she talked about the importance of a high-protein and high-fiber diet with a pulse-crop protein source. "Glad to see that Indian Country is adopting this philosophy and [implementing] it in your own facilities."

Health and Human Services Director Joseph Remitera thanked the senator for her part in authorizing "advanced appropriations" for the funding of the RPHC.

"It was a real honor to have Senator Cantwell here," said Remitera. "In order for us to complete our mission, we need the funding so we can deliver care to the Community and all tribal enrollees."

After the visit to the RPHC, Cantwell took part in a discussion about the looming federal government shutdown, and she met with other tribal leaders from the Gila River Indian Community and the Colorado River Indian Tribes.

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Eight Community Members Attend Firefighter Recruit Training



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Adrienne Scabby practices her hand-eye coordination as she swings a sledgehammer during her course event.



Jayden Waterman exits out of an air conditioning vent during his close proximity training course.



Daniel Garcia



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Daniel Garcia uses a STIHL TS 700 Quicksaw to break open a door in his timed exercise.



Nathaniel Saldivar opens a fire hydrant to release water and connect the firehose.



Alejandro Jimenez-Hill uses a waterhose and practices putting out a fire on the second story of an apartment complex.

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"I wake up at 3:40 a.m., get here at 5 a.m., and then we all walk in together, all of the recruits, right at 5:30 a.m.," said Daniel Garcia, one of the eight Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community members currently completing firefighter recruit training in Mesa this fall.

The 16-week training involves early mornings, homework and lots of physical conditioning. However, each challenge the recruits face is a building block toward achieving their dream of becoming firefighters for the Community.

This year's recruits attending firefighter training are Daniel Garcia, Alejandro Jimenez-Hill, Adrienne Scabby, Luis A. Lopez, Damian Castro, Michael Diaz, Nathaniel Saldivar and Jayden Waterman.

"The training is great; we learn and do a lot," said Lopez. The recruits traditionally attend training from 5:30 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. "We put in 40 hours a week, but we also have homework we need to do. It's learning how to balance it all."

Usually the recruits dress in the standard-issue firefighter shorts and T-shirts; however, they know all too well the feeling of putting on their

10-pound firefighter uniform in the scorching 110-degree Arizona heat. "It's like wearing a sauna just on your body," said Scabby.

The recruits train relentlessly at the City of Mesa Public Safety Training Facility. The campus is filled with various obstacle courses curated to simulate real-time situations that they will find themselves in as firefighters.

Each recruit is timed in every one of the exercises, which include using a chainsaw to cut open a door, crawling in and out of confined spaces, swinging a sledgehammer to practice their aim, running to connect a fire hose to nearby fire hydrants, and much more. "We have to grind it out now. We know we have our brothers and sisters waiting for us at home," said Jimenez-Hill.

A five-story training building sits at the heart of campus. Recruits have to run up five flights of stairs in full uniform

to complete various timed class objectives. Next to the staircase, a badge donated by the East Valley Regional Recruit Fire Academy class of 2018-2 reads, "Honor those who came before you by setting the example for the ones to follow." After completing the course, all recruits are instructed to tap the badge as a way of checking in and out.

Accountability is one of the leading factors in building long-lasting camaraderie among the recruits, especially when working together with other firefighters from fire departments across the Valley. Throughout their training, the SRPMIC recruits have been divided up into smaller teams alongside other firefighter recruits from Fort McDowell, Maricopa, Mesa, Phoenix and other localities. "Being here feels like we're working together with family; we all know one another," said Saldivar.



The City of Mesa Public Safety Training Facility housed many of the timed training exercises.

With only a few more weeks remaining before live-fire training and graduation, the Community-member recruits have already begun to feel like their dreams are starting to become a reality. "We just [commemorated] 9/11, which is like a firefighter holiday, and I'm realizing that now we're a part of that and it's just an amazing feeling," said Diaz. For the next few weeks, the

recruits will continue to train and develop their firefighter skillsets. The hard work that they've all showcased has already given the recruits a newfound perspective on life and their accomplishments thus far. "I just feel very lucky to be here. I can't thank my Community enough for allowing me to be here. I love it," said Castro.



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Four Tribes Leadership Meeting Held at Talking Stick Resort

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On September 9, leaders from the four O'odham tribes gathered for the Four Tribes Leadership Meeting at the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community's Talking Stick Resort. This was the first time the leaders gathered for this meeting since before the COVID-19 pandemic.

At the meeting, each tribe presented updates on activities that are occurring in their communities.

Miss Salt River Kennise McGertt began the gathering with an opening prayer. Also representing the SRPMIC were Council members Deanna Scabby and Mikah Carlos.

SRPMIC leadership spoke about the newly opened transitional housing and the Council's approval of a budget for the upcoming year. They also shared a few statistics regarding economic activity in the corridor.

Community representatives also talked about strategic planning and government services that they have been working on.



Tribal leaders gather at the Four Tribes Leadership Meeting at Talking Stick Resort on September 9. Photo courtesy of Angela Willeford

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"After the pandemic, we as a Council knew that there needed to be some healing," said Scabby. "So, we looked at our tribal government services that we currently have in place, [seeking ways] to maximize the services we provide to the Community and [where we can make improvements] across the departments."

Scabby said that the Tohono O'odham Nation gave an impressive presentation on how their whole tribal government works, which included the different villages. The Tohono O'odham Nation's representatives also introduced their recently elected leadership and Legislative Council members.

Leaders from the Ak-Chin Indian Community spoke about the upcoming Masik-Tas celebration in December and the importance of keeping the O'odham language in their Him-Dak (Way of Life).

Gila River Indian Community representatives talked about preparing for the election of the tribe's governor, lieutenant governor and judicial positions.



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Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community

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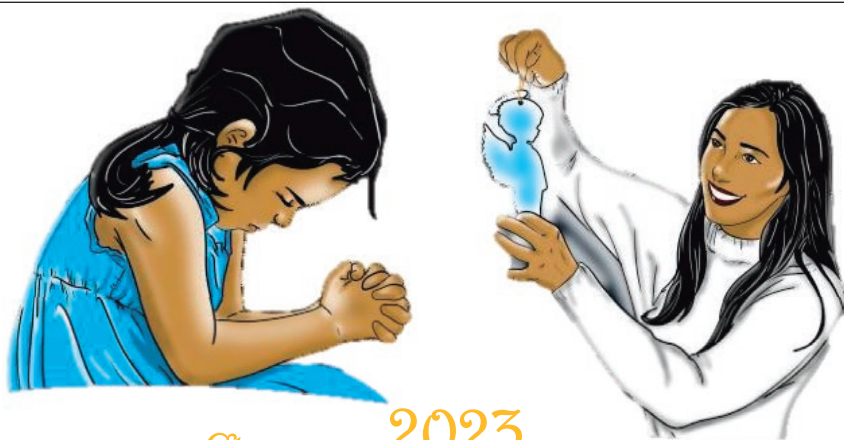
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Applications will be accepted starting 10/2/22. To qualify for sponsorship, applicant must have legal AND physical custody* of the children; and child or guardian must be an enrolled SRPMIC tribal member in order to apply.

Gifts will be distributed through a scheduled, no-contact drive through the week of 12/11/22.

To submit an application:

- Go Online to: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SRPMICChristmasAngelTreeProgram2023>
- Call: 480-362-7460 (Leave a message-this is a VOICEMAIL ONLY line)
- Email: ChristmasAngels@srpmic-nsn.gov
- In Person: Social Services Office at 10005 E. Osborn Rd, Building 32 (N. Side of building)

*Kinship and foster care placements do not qualify for sponsorship at this time, but may be eligible for other resources

**Please note: Completing an application DOES NOT guarantee sponsorship. Sponsorships will be arranged based on availability and in the order which applications were received.

October Red Dress Walk to Honor Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women

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The ongoing crisis of missing and murdered Indigenous women has become a matter-of-fact situation. It's an unfortunate truth that Indian Country knows all too well the meaning behind the acronym MMIW.

This year, Arizona Governor Katie Hobbs signed an executive order to create the MMIW Task Force, which requires a yearly status report be submitted to Governor Hobbs every December 1 until the year 2026. The task force was created with the objective of consulting with tribal governments on the scope and nature of the issues associated with missing and murdered Indigenous people in Arizona.

Plans to increase awareness of MMIW and to honor lost loved ones in the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community started just a few years ago, prior to the creation of the Arizona MMIW Task Force.

"Back in 2019, my friend Sophia Villalpando and I saw that different tribes were hosting walks, and we really didn't see any of that here," said Cody Lee Makil. "So, we chatted over Facebook about it and then we started having our monthly walks."

Villalpando and Makil both felt it was appropriate to take the initiative and start hosting walks to honor and remember Indigenous women who have been victims of tragedy. The Red Dress Walk began in 2019 with monthly walks in the Community. "Sofia made snacks and brought water, and we had red balloons for people to release up to the sky as a way to honor their loved ones," said Makil.

Sadly, due to the pandemic, the Red Dress Walks had to be postponed. Earlier this year the walks restarted, but they encountered yet another hurdle this summer. "The last walk we had was around March/April, but then the weather just got too hot, so we had to stop," said Makil.

Now that the temperature has started to ease up after those record-breaking consecutive 115-degree days, Villalpando and Makil are gearing up for the next Red Dress Walk on Sunday, October 22.

The walk will begin at the park south of the Salt River Multi-Purpose Building. Walkers will head south to Longmore Road, go west on McDowell to Dobson Road, and then return by the same route. Check-in will begin at 10 a.m. and the walk will start at 10:30 a.m. All are welcome to attend.

October 22nd, 2023
Sunday
10am-1:30am
(Walk @ 10:30am)



Red Dress Walk for Missing Murdered Indigenous Women



On Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
All are Welcome.
Start @ Park / Field South of Salt River Multi-BLDG., 1880 N. Longmore Rd. S. On Longmore then W. on McDowell To Dobson then Back same route.

Questions: Email us @ Reddresswalk@gmail.com

Community Seniors Learn How to “Meal Prep Like a Pro”



Health and Wellness Program Director Celinda Joe hands out iceberg lettuce as an alternative to low-carb tortillas.



Each Senior who attended the class was given a bento-box for them to fill with nutritious foods, snacks and fruits.

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On Monday, September 18, at the Way of Life Facility, the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Health and Wellness department held a “Meal Prep Like a Pro” class for Community seniors. The goal for the class was to inform and educate Community seniors about the many health benefits of meal preparation.

Meal prep involves cooking and storing meals for a short or long period of time for later consumption. Health and Wellness Program Director Celinda Joe shared with the class a popular method of meal prep that is currently gaining

tons of attention on social media. “There is an account on TikTok where the person buys a family meal at a steakhouse and then splits the meal up into smaller portions they can eat later in the week,” said Joe. She then added how she plans out her own meals in advance. “When I do my meal prep, I plan for four meals,” said Joe.

Inside Room 56 at the WOLF, the seniors were given a free copy of the meal-prep cookbook *The Workweek Lunch Cookbook*, written by Talia Koren. The book details healthy alternatives for meals as well as instructions on how to meal prep.

The seniors then made their first meal-prep dish, turkey avocado wraps. Each senior was given low-carb

tortillas, light mayonnaise, deli-sliced turkey, avocados and roasted red bell peppers. At only 410 calories, the dish was a perfect example of the many meals that people of any age can make at home and refrigerate to eat a few days later. However, their turkey avocado wraps were too delicious to pass up, as most everyone in class decided to prep their lunch and eat it too.

For those who wanted to save calories and not use a tortilla for their wraps, leaves of iceberg lettuce were offered to the class as a substitute. “You can meal prep with your family, your grandkids. They’ll love it,” said Joe.

As part of the class, each senior was given their very own bento box, which is a two-sectioned food container. The

top section was for their turkey avocado wrap and the bottom section was for healthy snacks, like peanuts, walnuts, mandarin oranges and blue corn tortilla chips.

The September meal prep class was hosted by the SRPMIC Diabetes Prevention Services, and the program served up plenty of good food and valuable information for the Community seniors. Gone are the days when eating healthy means eating bland and unsavory foods. Now, with their meal-prep cookbook in hand, the Community’s seniors are ready to eat more healthy and delicious meals they’ve planned out themselves.



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LIANNA OLMEDO

Why did you choose your college?

I chose Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University because of my interest in aeronautics, which led me to attend the university. My interest in aviation peaked when I found the flight training program was integrated into the degree program.

What is your major and why did you choose this pathway?

My major is Aeronautical Science. I am also enrolled in the Professional Pilot Fixed-Wing Flight Program. I chose this pathway to become closer to achieving my dream career and work towards being a part of the aviation industry.

Did you enroll in college immediately after high school? Why/why not?

Yes, I enrolled in Scottsdale Community College after graduating high school when I was 16 years old. I knew I wanted to continue pursuing higher education. However, I was still determining what career I wanted to follow when I attended my first semester at SCC. After my first semester, I found Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University and decided I wanted to pursue an education to become a Professional Pilot.

What was your freshman or first-year experience like?

My first year was a very different and unique experience, which I am grateful for. The first year may have had its challenges and difficulties, but it shaped me into the student I am today. New experiences and getting out of my comfort zone have given me the tools to keep pushing forward to accomplish my goals.

What challenges have you faced and how have you overcome these challenges?

The challenges I have faced are learning to accept failures and acknowledging that I am competent in my ability to do whatever I put my mind to, no matter if I am a woman of color pursuing a male-dominated career. I overcame these challenges by receiving advice and encouragement, whether this was by talking through them among friends and family or facing them head-on.

What is your favorite thing about this school/college?

My favorite thing about Embry-Riddle is being inside an aircraft's cockpit and receiving the training necessary to become a professional pilot, along with learning new things about the



world of aviation.

How do you balance your time between school, work and family?

I balance my time between school, work, and family by creating a routine that best fits my schedule. Being on top of my assignments and studying has helped me as well. It may be challenging, but having things in order is rewarding because I can still enjoy the things I love, such as spending time with my family or doing my hobbies.

Looking back, is there anything that you would do differently?

I don't think there is anything I would do differently. The lessons and experiences I've learned and encountered have made me into who I am today. I wouldn't change anything differently.

What do you plan on doing once you graduate?

After I graduate with my Bachelor's and complete my pilot licenses/ ratings, I plan to be a pilot for the U.S. Air Force or a Cargo Airline Pilot.

How has the Higher Education Program helped you?

The Higher Education Program has helped me financially and allowed me to pursue my dream career. As well as giving me the chance to share my story and encourage younger people to take advantage of their resources to help them further their education or future career goals.

SHIANNA WILSON

Why did you choose your college?

I chose Simmons University because of the reputation it has for the Nursing Graduate Programs, specifically the Family Nurse Practitioner program. The school is based in Boston. I was also drawn to that because Boston is well known for medical education.

What is your major and why did you choose this pathway?

My major is Master of Science in Nursing: Family Nurse Practitioner. I decided on this degree after working as an RN for over a year. I truly felt that I could do more with my career and make a bigger impact by advancing my education and nursing knowledge.

Did you enroll in college immediately after high school? Why/why not?

Yes, I got my first degree right after high school. My first degree was from ASU and was in Bachelor of Science in Biological Sciences. I went right after high school because I knew I wanted to do something in the science/medical field. I knew that going to college was going to be my best chance at achieving a career in those fields.

What was your freshman or first-year experience like?

It was scary, exciting, humbling, and fun. I lived in the dorms at ASU and it was the first time I had ever been on my own. I was pushed out of my comfort zone and was forced to be held accountable for my own day to day life. I still called my mom almost every day though, hahah. I met friends freshman year that were bridesmaids at my wedding and are still some of my best friends to this day.

What challenges have you faced and how have you overcome these challenges?

I have faced many challenges over my academic years. I would say the most difficult challenge I face is my own expectations of myself. It becomes easy to get down on yourself when you don't make that grade you wanted, or you do something less than perfect in clinical. Over the years I have learned to treat myself with kindness and be proud of where I am. I have achieved a lot. I have taken all my shortcomings and tried to turn them into something positive to better myself for the future.

What is your favorite thing about this school/college?

My absolute favorite thing is just to learn. I appreciate that everyday I gain knowledge that I didn't know the previous day. I love that through my education I have grown and continue to grow.



How do you balance your time between school, work and family?

My husband is my greatest support. School, friends, family, work, and personal time are all very important. It's important to have that balance and to be honest it's easy to get off balance on your own. He helps me balance all these things and is always there with love and support.

Looking back, is there anything that you would do differently?

I do not think that I would change anything about the path that I have taken. I believe that it has taken me exactly where I should be. I am proud of where I am and the direction my education and career have taken me.

What do you plan on doing once you graduate?

I would love to work family medicine to start my career and I will see where that takes me. I would like to go back to school at some point and get my PhD.

How has the Higher Education Program helped you?

I cannot begin to express my gratitude to the Higher Education Program for investing in my education and future. I owe my whole career to the program because of the opportunities that it has gave me. It's opened so many doors for me. I feel I was able to dream bigger because of the program and will be forever grateful.

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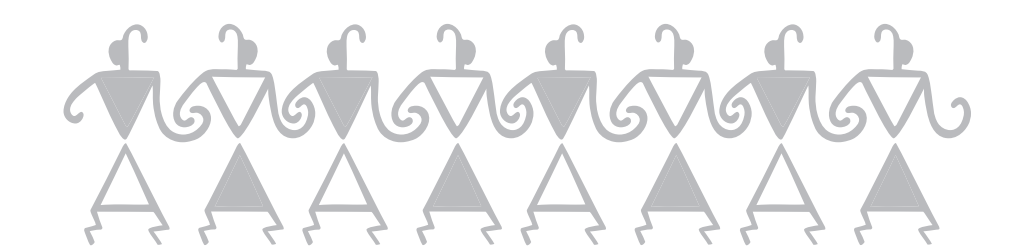
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Community Recreational Services Hosts Kayaking Excursion on Saguaro Lake



Participants of the Community Recreational Services Outdoor Recreation Program on their kayaking trip at Saguaro Lake. Photo provided by Kasey Kauakahi

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On September 9, the Community Recreational Services Outdoor Recreation Program took 15 Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community members kayaking at Saguaro Lake.

Recreation staff met the participants at the lake and gave them a parking pass, a life jacket, and a kayak with a paddle.

SRPMIC Recreation Coordinator II Kevin Riding-In said that they chose Saguaro Lake because of its proximity to Salt River.

"It's got a nice recreational beach where participants can kayak without

running into a lot of motorboats," said Riding-In. "It has nice scenery as well. We gave them some basic paddling instructions, and then we got in the water to stay cool and boarded the kayaks to begin our paddle adventure."

Riding-In said that hosting outings like these gives people a chance to participate in activities that they might not have done before in a fun and safe environment.

For more information about the Community Recreational Services Outdoor Recreation program, head to the Way of Life Facility's Facebook page at <http://facebook.com/SRPMIC.WOLF> and their Instagram page [@saltriverrecreation](https://www.instagram.com/saltriverrecreation).

SALT RIVER PIMA MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY
Community Regulatory Agency/Office of Alcohol Beverage Control
8840 E. Chaparral Road, Suite 165, Scottsdale, Arizona
(480) 362-5450 FAX (480) 362-5488
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the SRPMIC Code of Ordinances, Ordinance Number SRO-492-2017, a public hearing on a Liquor License Application for AMF Bowling Centers, Inc. dba Mavrix/Octane, located at 9119 E. Talking Stick Way, Scottsdale, AZ 85250, shall be held at the SRPMIC Community Regulatory Agency (CRA) on October 18, 2023, at 10:00 am, located at 8840 E. Chaparral Rd., Suite 165, Scottsdale, AZ 85250 (Conference Room). Petitions and testimony will be heard from persons in favor of or opposed to the issuance of a liquor license that reside in the Community, or own or lease property located within the Community that is in close proximity to the proposed premises. To request for additional information regarding this application, contact Licensing Investigator II, Missie Stillman, at (480) 362-6896.

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AROUND THE COMMUNITY



On September 8, the Salt River Police Department hosted a showcase at Salt River Fields. The event was intended to highlight the different divisions and responsibilities of the Department to potential recruits. Various booths and displays were posted sharing examples of responsibilities and encounters. The details of various units of SRPD including patrol, traffic, rangers, bike unit, K9, dispatch, and special operations were made available to attendees interested in joining the SRPD. Photos courtesy of E. Jakupi, SRPD

4th Quarter 2023 ELIGIBILITY DEADLINE December 31, 2023

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

DEADLINES FOR CHANGES

Direct Deposit Start-Ups and Changes: Thursday, December 28th at 5:00 PM. This deadline is for new start-ups for direct deposit or changes to existing information. All forms MUST be submitted with a "VOIDED" check or statement from the bank with the Routing and Account Numbers. Forms received by this date will be effective for the **January 2024** payout. Forms received after this date will not be effective until the **April 2024** payout.

Discontinue Direct Deposits: Thursday, December 28th at 5:00 PM. This deadline is to discontinue an existing direct deposit.

***Failing to notify the Per Capita department when an account is closed may delay your Per Capita payment.

Per Capita Eligibility: Tuesday, January 16th at 5:00PM. This deadline is for submitting the Adult SRP-MIC Member's Per Capita Information Certificate. Forms received by this date will be effective for the January 2024 payout. Forms received after this date will not be processed until the first week of April 2024.

Tax Withholding Changes: Tuesday, January 16th at 5:00PM. This deadline is for making changes to "Additional" tax withholding percentage or amount.

Tax forms are available on the Finance Per Capita Intranet Site and can also be requested by e-mailing FINPERCAP1@srpmic-nsn.gov.

If you have any questions regarding:

-Tribal ID, Per Capita Eligibility & Change Forms:
call Membership Services @ 480-362-7600

-Tax Withholding & Direct Deposits:
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RISE GRANT

Community Meeting

Thursday, Oct. 19
5:30-7PM

Education Board Room
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All Salt River Schools students, staff, families, and Community members are invited to help us with the planning of this grant.

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LEGAL NOTICES

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Andrews, Dracy Devon - Permanency Hearing Case: J-23-0040/J-23-0041/J-23-0042 Court Date: October 18, 2023 at 11 a.m.

Antone, Jordan James - Mother: Brittany Spex (DOB: 03/08/2000) Child: A.W.S. (DOB: 10/24/2022) Disposition Hearing, Case: J-23-0033 Court Date: November 9, 2023 at 11 a.m.

Antone, James Sheldon - Mother: Brittany Spex (DOB: 03/08/2000) Child: A.W.S. (DOB: 10/24/2022) Permanency/Review Hearings, Case: J-23-0033 Court Date: December 14, 2023 at 11 a.m.

Baptisto, Nathaniel - Review/Permanency Hearing Case: J-13-0087 Court Date: November 2, 2023 at 11 a.m.

Carpenter, Ce:dagi Ju:k - Permanency Hearing Case: J-19-0055 Court Date: October 25, 2023 at 10 a.m.

Chiago Sr., Vincent Vernon Lee - Permanency Hearing Case: J-16-0173 Court Date: October 30, 2023 at 4 p.m.

Curtis, Lila Star - Initial Guardianship Hearing Case: JV-23-3032/3033/3034 Court Date: October 18, 2023

at 9 a.m.

Doe, Manuel - Review/Permanency Hearings Case: J-18-0044 Court Date: November 15, 2023 at 9 a.m.

Francisco, Marissa Martina - Informal Adjustment Agreement Review Hearing Case: J-23-0026 Court Date: October 24, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

Kavoka, Jessica Ann - Evidentiary Termination of Parental-Child Relationship Hearing Case: J-22-0128/J-22-0129 Court Date: October 23, 2023 at 9 a.m.

Lewis, Calvin - Mother: Renae Loring (DOB: 02/18/1994) Minor: M.A.L. (DOB: 07/09/2022) Adjudication Hearing Case: JV-23-3038 Court Date: October 30, 2023 at 10 a.m.

Lewis, Robi Corey - Mother: Marissa Francisco (DOB: 03/13/1999) Minor: C.M.L.F. (DOB: 02/08/2020) Informal Adjustment Agreement Review Hearing Case: J-23-0026 Court Date: October 24, 2023 at 9 a.m.

Manuel, Ian - Initial Guardianship Hearing Case: JV-23-3032/3033/3034 Court Date: October 18, 2023 at 9 a.m.

Osif, Angel John - Mother: Erica Spex (DOB: 01/25/1988) Child: L.M.O (DOB: 07/25/2008) Relinquishment Hearing Case: J-13-0259/J-16-0235 Court Date: October 24, 2023 at 11 a.m.

Osif, Angel - Motion Hearing Case: J-14-0115/J-13-0259/J-16-0235 Court Date: October 24, 2023 at 11 a.m.

Pavatea, Sherica Marie - Review/Permanency Hearings Case: J-23-0023 Court Date: October 17, 2023 at 9 a.m.

Unknown Father/John Doe - Mother: Renae Loring, (DOB: 02/18/1994) Minor: M.A.L. (DOB: 07/09/2022) Adjudication Hearing Case: JV-23-3038 Court Date: October 30, 2023 at 10 a.m.

Spex, Brittany Arless - Permanency and Review Hearing Case: J-23-0033 Court Date: December 14, 2023 at 11 a.m.

Swan, Dajuan Anthony - Review Hearing/Permanency Hearings Case: J-22-0127 Court Date: October 17, 2023 at 11 a.m.

Valencia, Victor - Review/Permanency Hearings Case: J-13-0086 Court Date: November 2, 2023 at 11 a.m.

Valenzuela, Frank Harvier - Mother: Ce:dagi Ju:k Carpenter (DOB 03/24/1987) Child: C.R.C. Permanency Hearing Case: J-19-0055 Court Date: October 25, 2023 at 10 a.m.

Valles Sr., Robert Anthony - Review/Permanency Hearings Case: J-15-0174 Court Date: October 18, 2023 at 10 a.m.

Weatherspoon, Ruben - Review Hearing/Permanency Hearing Case: J-22-0126 Court Date: October 17, 2023 at 11 a.m.

**CIVIL COURT
JURISDICTION: SALT RIVER PIMA MARICOPA
INDIAN COMMUNITY COURT
ADDRESS: 10040 EAST OSBORN RD.
SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85256
CONTACT: (480) 362-6315
CIVIL COURT CASES REPORT TO COURTROOM
#1/ #2 ON THE 1ST FLOOR.
FAILURE TO APPEAR CAN AFFECT YOUR**

RIGHTS

Andreas, Keisha Ann - Review Hearing Case: CF-22-0031 Court Date: November 9, 2023 at 9 a.m.

Clapp, Monica - Probate Hearing Case: P-23-0009 Court Date: November 6, 2023 at 10:30 AM

Enos, Nancy Dey - Probate Hearing Case: CV-23-3011 Court Date: October 23, 2023 at 9:30 AM

Enos Jr., John Michael - Civil Complaint Hearing Case: CV-23-3233 Court Date: October 18, 2023 at 10 AM

Gallegos, Erica Olivia - Initial Child Support Hearing Case: CV-23-3370 -Court Date: October 24, 2023 at 10 a.m.

Gallegos, Erica Olivia - Initial Child Support/Order to Show Cause Hearings Case: CF-11-0149/CF-11-0102 -Court Date: October 19, 2023 at 10 a.m.

Hayes, Maria Felicia - Initial Guardianship Hearing Case: CF-23-0075 Court Date: November 14, 2023 at 9 AM

Jauregui, Alicia Sandra - Evidentiary Child Support Hearing Case: CFCS-23-0021 Court Date: November 1, 2023 at 9:30 AM

Martinez, Ambria Jean - Probate Hearing Case: P-23-0009 Court Date: November 6, 2023 at 10:30 AM

Scott, Coby Dewayne - Motion Hearing Case: C-23-0043 Court Date: October 9, 2023 at 10 AM

Zepeda Jr., Hector Jose - Review Hearing Case: CF-22-0071 Court Date: November 8, 2023 at 9 AM

DEFAULT NOTICES

COELHO, ANA R.
A motion for an entry of default judgement was submitted under CFCS-19-0048 at a hearing on July 24th 2023. Pursuant to Salt River Rule 1-16.1 (c), Ana R. Coelho has ten business days from completion of service of the above motion (and attachments/enclosures, if any) to file a responsive pleading, but it is too late to request an extension of time. After all requisites of Salt River Rules 5-16 and 5-16.1 (c), are satisfied, the entry of default judgment becomes legally effective under CFCS-19-0048. Ana R. Coelho can contact Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Court at 10040 E. Osborn Rd., Scottsdale, AZ 85256, (480) 362-6315.

**GALLEGOS, ERICA OLIVIA
ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE NOTIICE
CF-11-0149/CF-11-0102
IN THE MATTER OF:
S. B. DOB: 05/19/2006,
J. B. DOB: 11/04/2007,
K.B. DOB: 04/10/2010**

TO: Erica Olivia Gallegos,

YOU ARE HEREBY ORDERED to appear before the above-entitled court on the 19th day of October, 2023 10:00 AM, in Court Room #1, and show cause why you should not be held in contempt for failing to comply with the April 25, 2023 order.

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

You are entitled to subpoena witnesses on your behalf and to be represented by counsel.

ORDERED this 17th day of August, 2023.

JUDGE RAYMOND L. DEER SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY TRIBAL COURT

**LEWIS, CALVIN
SUMMONS
JV-23-3038
I.T.M.O.: M.A.L. (DOB: 7/9/2022)**

TO: Calvin Lewis

On September 7, 2023, a Petition was filed in this court alleging that the child named above is a dependent child as defined at S.R.O. § 11-2 Dependent child. You may obtain a copy of the petition by calling (480) 362-6315. A hearing has been set to determine whether the child named above has been neglected or abused, or is otherwise a dependent child.

THEREFORE YOU ARE ORDERED to APPEAR for a dependency Adjudication Hearing and respond to the allegations in the Petition before the Salt River Juvenile Court located at 10040 E. Osborn Road, Scottsdale, Arizona 85256 on Monday, October 30, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., in Court Room # 3 before Judge Darmody.

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

orders by motion. Further, failure to appear at Court hearings or to participate in services may result in the termination of your parental rights or the establishment of a permanent guardianship.

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

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

COURT CLERK -SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY COURT

**UNKNOWN FATHER/JOHN DOE
SUMMONS
JV-23-3038
I.T.M.O.: M.A.L. (DOB: 7/9/2022)**

TO: Unknown Father/John Doe

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COURT CLERK -SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY COURT

Honoring Salt River Veterans with the Salt River Cemetery Veterans Memorial

**SUBMITTED BY AMANDA WHITE,
SRPMIC VETERANS REPRESENTATIVE**

The Salt River Veterans section at the Salt River Cemetery is a sacred place that pays tribute to the brave men and women who served our country and made the ultimate sacrifice. The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community's Veterans Services Office is seeking input on the Salt River Cemetery Veterans Memorial, a commemoration of our

veterans' selfless service and sacrifice. This memorial serves as a reminder of the deep gratitude we have for them and their contributions to our nation.

The Veterans Services, Engineering and Construction Services, and Public Works departments, in collaboration with Salt River veterans, have created a master plan for the Salt River Veterans Cemetery. We extend our gratitude to those Salt River veterans who have

supported us throughout the planning process.

The plan encompasses a 35-foot by 45-foot area for a Veterans Memorial, complete with new parking and a nearby shared committal shelter for easy access. The main focus of the memorial is to honor and elevate the extensive and meaningful history of Salt River veterans.

To ensure the Veterans Memorial at

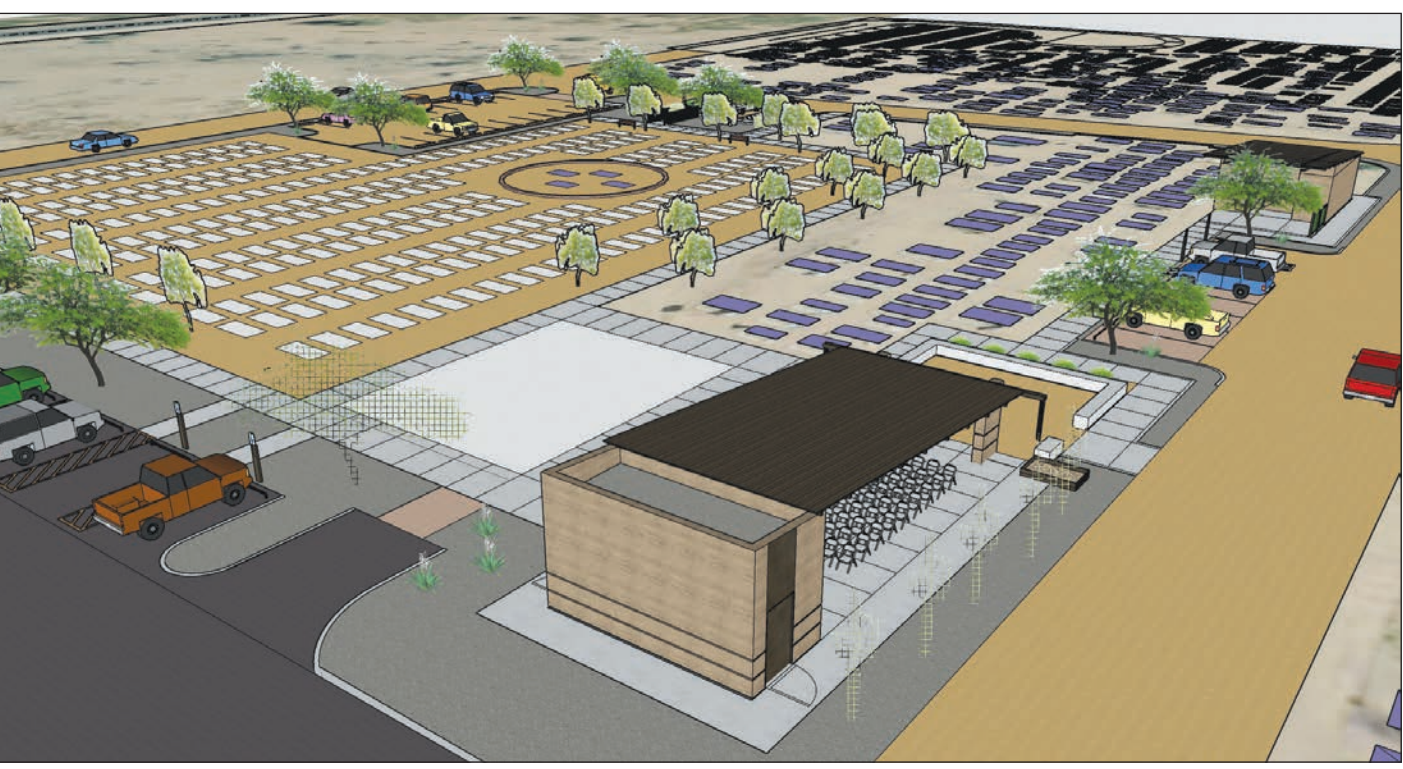
the cemetery is a success, we need your help. Please share your inspiration and vision regarding how you think we can best honor Salt River veterans buried in the Salt River Cemetery.

Some ideas include adding hard-scapes (like concrete walkways or brick pavers), memorial walls or columns, and service branch flags or seals. We could also include desert landscaping, benches and an O'odham feature to visually represent the veterans. Your participation in these improvements would be a meaningful way to honor the legacy of Salt River veterans.

Join us at the Veterans Hall, located at 10223 E. Osborn Road, on October 12 and 26 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. for a discussion and brainstorming session about a memorial concept. Lunch will be provided. We need your ideas to ensure the success of this important project.

As we move forward, let us not forget this quote: "Veterans know better than anyone else the price of freedom, for they've suffered the scars of war. We can offer them no better tribute than to protect what they have done for us." Salute the legacy of Salt River veterans by participating in these improvements to the Veterans area of the cemetery.

A rendering of the Salt River Cemetery where a designated veteran's memorial is being developed.



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

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

LEHI PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
 1342 E. Oak
 Mesa, AZ 85203
 Pastor Annette Lewis
 annette.f.lewis@gmail.com
 (480) 404-3284
SERVICES
 -Sunday Services 10 a.m.

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

THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST PAPAGO WARD
 2056 N. Extension Rd. Scottsdale AZ, 85256
 (480) 947-1084
SERVICES
 -Sunday service begins at 10 a.m.

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

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

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

SALT RIVER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
 P.O. Box 10125
 Scottsdale, AZ 85271
 E: SaltRiverPresbyterian@gmail.com
 Visit us on Facebook
 Pastor Charlotte Fafard
SERVICES
 -Sunday Service, 1 p.m.
 -Communion first Sunday of the month

ST. FRANCIS CATHOLIC MISSION
 3090 N. Longmore, Scottsdale, AZ85256
 (602) 292-4466 (cell)
 Administrator: Deacon Jim Trant
 Parish President: Cindy Thomas
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SERVICES
 -Sunday Mass 12 p.m.
 -Holy Hours 1 p.m.

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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.

EXCLUSION NOTICE

Vincent Edward Rodriguez



EXCLUSION INFORMATION

On May 3, 2023, the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Council approve the exclusion of Vincent Edward Rodriguez (DOB: 6/17/69) because it was determined that his behavior and actions were detrimental to the peace, health and morals of the Community.

Mr. Rodriguez is known to frequent the residence at 10882 East Indian School Road within the boundaries of the Community.

If you see Mr. Rodriguez within the Community please report it to the SRPD immediately.

TEMPORARY EXCLUSION NOTICE

Fernando Muniz



TEMPORARY EXCLUSION NOTICE

On August 9, 2023, the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Council approved the temporary exclusion of Fernando Muniz (DOB: 12/31/1993) because it was determined that he represents a present and substantial danger to the Community.

Fernando Muniz is required by law to register as a sex offender.

Fernando Muniz is known to reside and/or frequent the residence at 9990 East Highland Avenue, within the boundaries of the Community.

If you see Fernando Muniz within the Community, please report it to the SRPD immediately.

PERMANENT EXCLUSION NOTICE

Steve Hodgson



PERMANENT EXCLUSION INFORMATION

On August 23, 2023, the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Council approved permanent exclusion of Steve Hodgson (DOB: 12/11/1963) because it was determined that his presence and behavior is detrimental to the peace, health or morals of the Community.

If you see Steve Hodgson within the Community, please report it to the SRPD immediately.

PUBLIC WORKS NOTICE

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

The Salt River and Lehi Cemeteries will be closed from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m.

If you have any questions, please contact Memorial Services at (480) 278-7050

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Clarkdale, AZ
- Welder/Maintenance Machinist I**
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- Utilityperson I-Sr – Beeline Plant**
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Calendar of Events

OCTOBER

S'HE:PIJIG MAŞAD XLY'A SHAXUK

HUHUGAM KI: MUSEUM WILL BE CLOSED FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

6 WALK FOR O'ODHAM PIIPAASH, starting at 8 a.m. at the Two Waters Complex. The Walk for O'odham Piipaash is not a test of endurance, it is prayers for our O'odham/ Piipaash past, present, and future. Online Pre-registration is required, visit tinyurl.com/WFOP1023 to be one of the first 500 and received a free T-Shirt!

6 FIRST FRIDAYS WITH HIGHER ED, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. via Microsoft Teams. Join Higher Education staff, as well as featured guest speakers the first Friday of every month to learn important information about all kinds of college-related topics, including applications, funding, scholarships, counseling, and more! Email HigherEd@saltriverschools.org to register.

7 PIIPAASH MATASHEEVM COMMUNITY SOCIAL, 12 p.m. at Lehi Gathering Area. All bird and O'odham singers and dancers are invited to join us for dinner (while supplies last) and dancing. For questions, please contact piipaashmatasheevm@srpmic-nsn.gov

9 INDIGENIZE THE VALLEY PHX FEST, 10 a.m. – 8 p.m. at Margaret T. Hance Park 67 W. Culver St. Phoenix. Celebrate in the present tense with a pop-up market, skateboarding competition, musical performances, and art. This event is FREE but registration is encouraged at https://tinyurl.com/IPDPHX23

9-13 SALT RIVER SCHOOLS ON FALL BREAK - NO SCHOOL

12 VETERAN'S MEMORIAL CO-DESIGN MEETING, 11 a.m. at SRPMIC Veteran's Hall. Your input is needed to help co-design the veteran's memorial for the Salt River Cemetery! Lunch will be provided. Questions? Contact Veteran's Services at 480-362-7884

13 SAFETY DAY, 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. at South Side of ALA Football Field. This free family event will feature police and fire displays and demos as well as food and informational booths. Please contact Bobby.ScabbyJr@srpmic-nsn.gov with questions.

13-14 FREE TABLE AND CHAIRS GIVE-AWAY FOR COMMUNITY MEMBERS, at the old ALA building 1663 N. Longmore Rd. from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday and 6 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. First come, first served; must provide tribal ID and bring own help and equipment to load furniture. For more information, contact the SR Public Works Department at 480-362-5600 or email PWCustomerService@srpmic-nsn.gov

14 NO SECOND SATURDAY AT THE HUHUGAM KI: MUSEUM

14 NATIVE CONNECTIONS 39TH ANNUAL PARADE, 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. in Phoenix, Arizona, starting at 3rd Street and Oak Street and heading north to Steele Indian School Park. Join us for this free community event in celebration of "The Beauty of Native Art" - featuring floats, performers, music, and fun! For more information, contact parade@nativeconnections.org

14 PHOENIX INDIAN CENTER'S 2ND ANNUAL GOURD DANCE AND SOCIAL POWWOW, 10 a.m. - 9 p.m. at Steele Indian School Park (following Native Connections Parade) Join us for this free, one day event filled with culture, music, food

and community! For more information, call 602-264-6768 or email info@phxindcenter.org

14 62ND ANNUAL MISS INDIAN ARIZONA SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM, 6:30 p.m. at Chandler Center for the Arts. More details to come! Contact Miss Indian Arizona Association at (928) 662-6028

17 CM SCABBY / CM DALLAS LEHI DISTRICT MEETING, 6 p.m. at Lehi Community Center 1231 E. Oak St. Mesa, AZ 85203 Agenda items to be determined and Community Member Comments. Please contact Council Secretaries Office at (480) 362-7469 with questions and to confirm meeting schedule.

17 YOUNG CHILD CELEBRATION, 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. at ALA Gymnasium. We will have a celebration of kids and share resources on caring for them. There will be people involved in the health and well being of children on site to share what they know. We will have fun activities for kids. There will be healthy snacks, playtime, nutrition information, books and reading, and an area for parents to meet each other and network. Please contact Maggie Fisher with questions at 480-362-7300

19 CM DOKA DISTRICT C MEETING, 6 p.m. at SRPMIC Council Chambers 10091 E. Osborn Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85256. Topics to include SRPD Animal Control Team Overview and Community Member Comments. Please contact Council Secretaries Office at (480) 362-7469 with questions and to confirm meeting schedule.

19 RISE GRANT COMMUNITY MEETING, 5:30 p.m. – 7 p.m. at SRES Board Room 4836 N. Center St. All Salt River Schools students, staff, families, and Community

members are invited to help us with the planning of the Raising Indigenous Success in Education (RISE) – there are many things we'd like to do with the funding and need your help to decide! A light dinner will be served. Bring the kids; we'll have arts and crafts activities available. Questions? Call 480-362-2500.

20 CM BUTLER DISTRICT A MEETING, 6 p.m. at SRPMIC Council Chambers 10091 E. Osborn Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85256. Topics to be determined and Community Member Comments. Please contact Council Secretaries Office at (480) 362-7469 with questions and to confirm meeting schedule.

20 40TH ANNUAL SILVER & TURQUOISE BALL PRESENTED BY PHOENIX INDIAN CENTER, PIC Turquoise Ball description: held at Sheraton Downtown Phoenix. Including silent and live auctions, cultural performances, and an indigenous inspired dinner by Chef Denella Belin. Visit PhxIndCenter.com/Silver-Turquoise-Ball for more information

21 CM ANTONE DISTRICT B MEETING, 9 a.m. at SRPMIC Council Chambers 10091 E. Osborn Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85256. Topics to be determined and Community Member Comments. Please contact Council Secretaries Office at (480) 362-7469 with questions and to confirm meeting schedule.

22 RED DRESS WALK FOR MMIW/P, 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. at Field South of Salt River Community Building 1880 N. Longmore Rd. Walk to begin at 10:30 a.m. All are welcome to join as we walk to remember our sisters and bring awareness. Please email questions to readdresswalk@gmail.com

22 IRON MAN 70.3 ARIZONA, All-day in Tempe and at Tempe Beach Park. Be mindful of road closures if traveling in Tempe.

26 VETERAN'S MEMORIAL CO-DESIGN MEETING, 11 a.m. at SRPMIC Veteran's Hall. Your input is needed to help co-design the veteran's memorial for the Salt River Cemetery! Lunch will be provided. Questions? Contact Veteran's Services at 480-362-7884

26 SPOOKTACULAR, 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. at Accelerated Learning Academy. Join the Safe Schools & Security team at their premier annual event: SPOOKTACULAR! All manner of costumed creatures* are welcome to our public event on Thursday, Oct. 26. The event is scheduled from 5:30-7 p.m. at the Accelerated Learning Academy. Spooktacular is free and open to the public. *Because this is a school event, we ask you refrain from wearing violence-themed costumes (no weapons of any kind). Questions? Call 480-362-2010 or email Esteban.Lopez@saltriverschools.org.

26 THRIVING WITH DIABETES, 8:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. at River People Health Center's Teaching Kitchen. Every fourth Thursday of the month, providers will go over major topics of diabetes care including food, medication, physical activity, and stress management. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. Call (480) 362-3355 for information and to reserve a spot.

28 FALL FESTIVAL, 5 p.m. - 9 p.m. at ALA Football Field. See ad on page 7 for more info!

31 HALLOWEEN, Stay safe and have fun!