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Skehg' Hiosik Galindo Named First Attendant in Miss Indian Arizona Scholarship Program

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Due to the COVID-19 virus, the 60th Miss Indian Arizona Scholarship Program was once again held virtually this year. On Saturday, October 9, five young women competed for the title of Miss Indian Arizona and the opportunity to represent all 22 tribes of Arizona. This year, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community member Skehg' Hiosik Amber Ariel Galindo, 24, was one of the five contestants. The others were SuNigh Louise Antone (Tohono O'odham Nation), Lorraine Renee Cooley (San Carlos Apache Tribe), Alyse Marrietta (Gila River Indian Community) and Vanessa Sloan Lister (Navajo Nation).

Galindo is the daughter of Sunflower Dallas-Richards and Robert Galindo Jr. Her maternal grandparents are Leonard Dallas Jr. and Natasha Silversmith; her paternal grandparents are Bear Paul Galindo and the late Karen Fulwilder.

The program started off with introductions, which included a video of each contestant explaining her public service platform and performing a traditional tribal dance.

"I want to promote mental health awareness and suicide prevention. I want to help normalize speaking about mental illness and shed light on how we can help those experiencing it," said Galindo. "I also want to serve as an example for those who think

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Newly crowned Alyse Marrietta (Gila River Indian Community) takes the title of Miss Indian Arizona on Saturday, October 9. SRPMIC member Skehg' Hiosik Galindo was named runner up and titled first attendant and Lorraine Cooley (San Carlos Apache Tribe) was named second attendant. Photo by Michael Schaaf courtesy of MIAA

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Interior Department Announces Consultations on Changes to NAGPRA

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On July 15, the Department of the Interior announced that it will conduct consultations with tribal and Native Hawaiian community leaders as part of an ongoing review to update Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) regulations after repeated requests for substantive updates to NAGPRA regulations since 2010.

The deadline for leaders to submit written comments was on September 30.

NAGPRA was enacted in 2010, and it provides a process for the disposition and repatriation of Native American human remains, funerary objects, sacred objects and objects of cultural patrimony back to lineal descendants, Indian tribes and Native Hawaiian organizations.

The Secretary of the Interior is responsible for implementation of NAGPRA and it issues regulations to interpret the law.

Current Secretary Deb Haaland (Pueblo of Laguna), who is the first Native American to serve as a cabinet secretary, said that changes to NAGPRA regulations are long overdue. "It is crucial that as we consider changes, we consult with tribes and Native Hawaiian communities at each step," said Haaland.

"I'm hopeful this process will eliminate unnecessary burdens to the repatriation process and allow Indigenous peoples greater access to their ancestors' remains and sacred items."

Based on community input and previous consultations, the Interior Department has prepared a draft proposed rule which seeks to:

"I'm hopeful this process will eliminate unnecessary burdens to the repatriation process and allow Indigenous peoples greater access to their ancestors' remains and sacred items."

- U.S. Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland (Pueblo of Laguna)

Simplify and improve the regulatory process for repatriation of Native American human remains and cultural items and thereby advance the goals of racial justice, equity and inclusion; Rectify provisions in the current regulations that inhibit and effectively prevent the respectful

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Take the Pledge and Start By Believing to End the Silence of Sexual Assault



A number of SRPMIC departments including the Social Service Department handed out promotional items and information to SRPMIC members who attended the Start By Believing to end the silence of sexual assault drive-thru event.

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On Wednesday, October 6, the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community's Family Advocacy Center held a drive-thru event to continue their Start By Believing campaign to promote awareness on ending the cycle of silence and transform the way we respond to sexual assault. The event took place in the Two Waters employee parking lot; cars lined up to take the pledge, receive information from a number of SRPMIC tribal departments and get promotional items. The Start By Believing cam-

paign began in April to raise awareness of sexual assault cases in the Community. This global campaign was created by the organization End Violence Against Women International to help transform the way we respond to sexual assault as a society.

"It's a campaign to educate individuals on how they can break the silence and how to better respond when an aunt, niece, cousin, daughter or son comes forward [to say] they were sexually assaulted. [We ask ourselves], how can I hold that space for them differently so that they feel heard and supported?"

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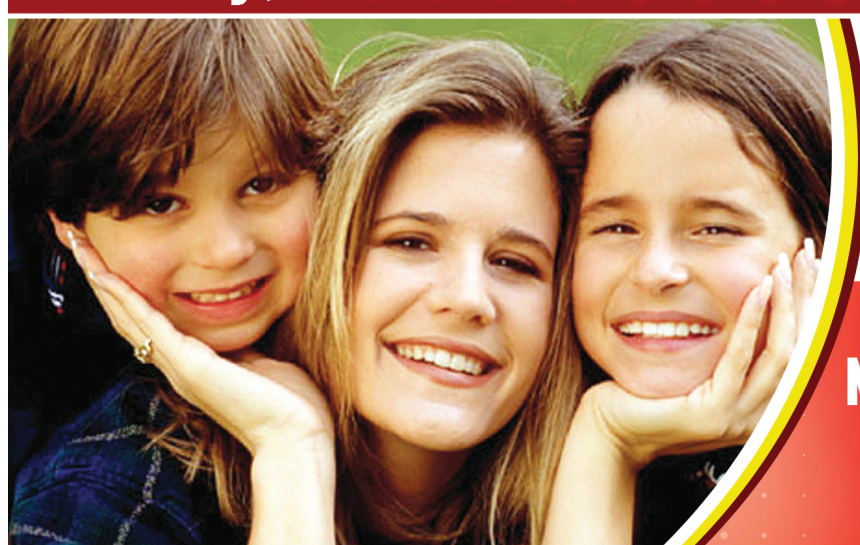
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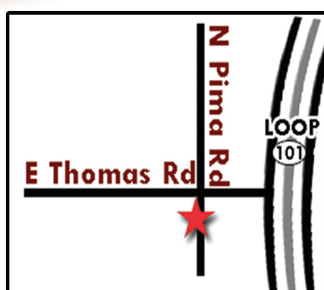
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such illnesses have to stop them from achieving their goals.”

Galindo’s introduction explained that her hobbies included learning more about her culture, photography, traveling, hiking, camping, off-roading and spending time with her family and friends.

For the second portion of the program, the contestants fashioned their formal dresses. Galindo wore a white iridescent gown accented with a diamond necklace and earrings. She performed and explained the meaning of the traditional O’odham dance “What Kind of Flower.” For her traditional wear, she wore a one-piece plaid peasant dress with a muslin apron made by SRPMIC member Annette Vest.

Galindo placed runner-up in the program. She will be the First Attendant to the newly crowned Miss Indian Arizona, Alyse Marrietta (Gila River Indian Community). Lorraine R. Cooley (San Carlos Apache Tribe) was named Second Attendant.

Galindo said she still can’t believe how close she came to receiving the title.

“I wanted to run for Miss Indian Arizona because I am getting to the age where I won’t be able to run [anymore], and I didn’t want any regrets,” said Galindo. “I wanted to take the opportunity to represent myself, my family, the Community and all 22 tribes of Arizona.”

Galindo explained that she had a great time taking part in the program. She and her fellow contestants participated in a number of joint activities, including a trip to the Arizona State Fair, the nail salon, dinner and the pag-

eant rehearsals. Her favorite parts of the program were Lister’s singing; Marrietta’s talent presentation, which revolved around her love of graphic design and film; and Antone’s dresses.

This was Galindo’s second time competing in the Miss Indian Arizona Scholarship Program. She first competed in 2016, and she feels that since then she has grown. Working as a gaming agent for the Community, attending Scottsdale Community College and sitting on the Miss Salt River Pageant Committee have given her more life experiences.

“I can tell I have grown a lot. I have had a lot of different experiences and that has helped me,” said Galindo about her experience this time around. “I am more comfortable and sure of myself. Things came a lot easier with my talent, oral presentation and the interview portion. I was more prepared and confident that I could get through it all.”

Galindo encourages young girls who are interested in the Miss Salt River Pageant or the Miss Indian Arizona Scholarship Program to just do it. “It’s something fun and new, and you gain a lot of experiences and new opportunities.

“I would like to thank my parents, siblings, my dad’s sister and everyone else who has given me support the entire time; I appreciate it,” said Galindo. “Just coming back after all this time and seeing it makes me very emotional, and I am just really happy to represent my Community and the 22 tribes.”

Watch the Miss Indian Arizona Scholarship Program on YouTube at the following link: www.youtube.com/watch?v=juDfqJsxE_A.



SRPMIC member Skehg' Hiosik Galindo receives her sash as she was named the new Miss Indian Arizona 1st Attendant. Photo by Michael Schaaf courtesy of MIAA



Skehg' Hiosik Galindo wore a white iridescent gown accented with a diamond necklace and earrings for formal dress portion of the program. Photo by Michael Schaaf courtesy of MIAA



Skehg' Hiosik Galindo wore a once-piece plaid peasant dress with a muslin apron made by SRPMIC member Annette Vest; she accented the outfit with an olla she carried on her head. Photo by Michael Schaaf courtesy of MIAA

Social Services Honors Kinship Care Providers with Food Boxes

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In September, the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community’s Social Services Department celebrated National Kinship Care Month by providing their Kinship Care Program providers with food boxes.

Kinship care is any family member that is taking care of another family member. In the Community, more often this is grandparents who are supporting grandchildren. These cases come to the Kinship Care Program through an open Child Protective Services case or open Social Services case when, for whatever reason, the children cannot be with their biological parents.

“A lot of times it’s grandparents, aunts, cousins or family friends that the children are placed with,” said Foster Care Licensing Specialist Katie Avalos. “The Kinship Care Program will get a referral from Social Services case managers, and they begin working with the family to help support and preserve the children in that family setting.”

The Kinship Care families received food boxes containing 25 lbs. of flour, 20 lbs. of rice, 12 lbs. of beans, 10 lbs. of sugar, 12 cans of green beans, 10 cans of tomato sauce, 50 ounces of chicken breast, 12 cans of tuna, six packs of pasta, two jars of peanut butter, two jars of grape jelly, three jars of spaghetti sauce, two loaves of bread and 10 lbs. of ground beef.

“We just wanted to do something to show we appreciate the work that these families are doing. A lot of the time they are not expecting to take on the



Kinship Care providers received ground beef, sugar, beans, flour, rice, pasta, pasta sauce, peanut butter, jelly, green beans, and more in a food box provided to them by Social Services for National Kinship Care Month.



Social Service Department Foster Care Licensing Specialist Katie Avalos and Social Services Manager Norma Hernandez prepare the food boxes for Kinship Care families during Kinship Care Month.

additional challenges of raising more children. Some of them have been long done raising children, and we try to do small things to support them throughout the life of their case,” said Avalos. “In Kinship Care Appreciation Month, we’re just doing something that can show how much we care about the work they are doing for the Community’s children For some of them it [helps with] taking the edge off the grocery bills this month—some of our families are pretty big. We are here [to help] in whatever way we can to make these placements successful.”

The Kinship Care Program was able to provide the food boxes to 32 kinship homes. They delivered to those families who were unable to pick up the food boxes during the drive-up event.

For more information on the Kinship Care Program, call (480) 362-7230.

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Moccasin Maker Apologizes For Profiting Off Native Culture

BY ANNE D'INNOCENZIO
AP Retail Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Moccasin maker Minnetonka is publicly apologizing for making money off of Native culture and promised to do more to support Indigenous communities in the future after 75 years in business.

In a statement posted Monday on its company website, Minnetonka CEO David Miller said the company is not a Native-owned business. He noted the Minneapolis-based company acknowledged its appropriation in the summer of 2020, but Miller said this public apology was long overdue.

“We deeply and meaningfully apologize for having benefited from selling Native-inspired designs without directly honoring Native culture or communities,” said Miller. “While Minnetonka has evolved beyond our original product set, moccasins remain a core part of our brand, and in 2020 we began to step up our commitment to the culture to which we owe so much.”

The company timed the apology to coincide with Indigenous Peoples’ Day. President Biden issued a proclamation on Friday to observe Oct. 11 as a day to honor Native Americans, marking the first U.S. president to do so.

To better address the needs of the Native American community, Minnetonka said it has hired Adrienne Benjamin as a reconciliation advisor. She is a Minnesotan, Anishinaabe, and a member of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe.

The company said it’s also making a concerted effort to improve diversity, equity, and inclusion of under-represented groups at Minnetonka. It added that it made updates to the language it uses in telling its story and describing its products. It also noted it’s committed to collaborating with local Native artists and designers and is exploring potential partners for future collections.

Minnetonka also will seek out more partnerships with Native-owned businesses as vendors and suppliers. In the past year, it has done business with two different Native-owned companies, the company said.

Students Enjoy Blue Corn Mush for NARD

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To celebrate Native American Recognition Day on September 24, Salt River Schools Food Services offered a tasty treat for the students of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community during their meal distribution. They created a unique dish using blue corn mush topped with blueberries, strawberries, banana and honey.

The blue corn was purchased from Ramona Farms and the blue corn ash was gifted from chef Tamara Stanger.

Blue corn mush is a traditional Indigenous Southwestern dish that is similar to cream of wheat. It is a good source of calcium for those who are lactose intolerant.

“This recipe is part of another project called the Kitchen Creations Project, where we’re trying to incorporate more Indigenous foods into school menus,” said Education Food Services Manager Shannon Reina. “We chose this one [because] we thought it might be more inviting, hoping they might be interested and come and try it.”

Salt River Elementary School teacher Dawn Burstyn-Meyers was also handing out the winning prizes for the school’s Virtual Open House contest.

“They had to figure out a secret phrase,” said Burstyn-Meyers, “which was ‘Always Reach for the Stars.’ Home Depot gave us doormats; they also got some star crackers and other items.”

For more information on Salt River Schools and to keep up with future events, follow them on Facebook and Instagram @saltriverschools or visit their website at www.saltriverschools.org.



Education Food Services Manager Shannon Reina waits for students to arrive at the Food Services Distribution to share the special Native American Recognition Day blue corn mush dish.



Salt River Schools Food Services staff prepare 100 blue corn mush topped with fruit and honey cups for SPRMIC students.



One student enjoyed trying the new dish.

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Take the Pledge and Start By Believing to End the Silence of Sexual Assault

said SRPMIC Family Advocacy Center Director Carol Colmenero.

Often, those who disclose that they have been victims of sexual assault feel like they are not being heard and supported.

“They often shut down and not say anything else, and what ends up happening is they never receive justice because they felt like they were not going to be believed or someone would accuse them of lying,” said Colmenero. “This campaign is [designed] to end the silence of sexual assault and change how we are responding to individuals that disclose to us.”

The Family Advocacy Center sees this campaign as an opportunity to

educate the Community about ending the silence and breaking the cycle of sexual assault. If someone says they have been sexually assaulted, as the campaign says, start by believing them. The Family Advocacy Center hopes to keep the campaign going forever and help families be able to talk about this issue and heal.

At the event, families made their way through different tents and received information and promotional items. They took the pledge to start by believing, and their pledges were placed on a banner hanging up at the end of the drive-thru. The pledge stated: “I am pledging today to end the silence of sexual assault and start by believing.”

When someone discloses to me, I am going to believe them and I am going to let them know I believe them.”

“When you believe a survivor of sexual assault, they are more likely to move forward in healing and getting justice for themselves,” said Colmenero. In addition, convicting a perpetrator of sexual assault means fewer victims in the future.

For more information on services offered by the Family Advocacy Center, call (480) 362-5425. For more information on the Start By Believing campaign, visit www.startbybelieving.org.

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Community Health Educator Vurlene Notsinneh-Bowekaty handed out information on how to spot domestic violence in a relationship and let people know about upcoming events for domestic violence awareness.

“It’s important for our culture to talk about abuse. I think that’s the biggest problem that we have come through the Family Advocacy Center—families don’t want to hear about what goes on behind closed doors. I think our culture needs to open those doors and talk about it.” - Victim Advocate Mannalle Davis



SRPMIC members take the pledge to Start by Believing to end silence of sexual assaults.



Family Advocacy Trauma Therapist Arlena Moreno and SRPD Detective Julian Owens get ready to hand out goodies to SRPMIC families.

“If someone came up to me and told me [sexual assault] was happening to them, I would believe them, because it’s not right if someone is ignored. There are different ways they can stand up and help other victims of sexual assault too.” - Jr. Miss Salt River Robin Ramirez

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repatriation of most Native American human remains and cultural items;

Remove the burden on Native Hawaiian organizations and Indian tribes to initiate the process and add a requirement for museums and federal agencies to complete the process; and

Streamline existing regulatory requirements by eliminating ambiguities, correcting inaccuracies, simplifying excessively burdensome and complicated requirements, clarifying timelines and removing offensive terminology in the existing regulations.

Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs Bryan Newland (Ojibwe) said that the repatriation of human remains and sacred cultural objects, and the protection of sacred sites, is integral to preserving and commemorating Indigenous culture. "As the Department continues its work to confront the history of federal boarding schools—including returning the human remains of Native children to their families—we will implement the policies and requirements of NAGPRA to address tribal concerns," said Newland.

National Day of Remembrance for U.S. Indian Boarding Schools

September 30 was the National Day of Remembrance for U.S. Indian Boarding Schools. On this day, the Department of the Interior announced it would begin tribal consultations as the next step of the Federal Indian Boarding School Initiative, which is a review of the legacy of federal boarding school policies. This review will result in a final written report on the investigation to the Secretary by April 1, 2022.

"I launched the Federal Indian Boarding School Initiative to begin the long healing process that our country must address in order to build a future we can all be proud to embrace. As we move forward, working with tribal nations is critical to addressing this legacy

with transparency and accountability," said Haaland. "Tribal consultations are at the core of this long and painful process to address the intergenerational trauma of Indian boarding schools and to shed light on the truth in a way that honors those we have lost and those that continue to suffer trauma."

The topics that participants are requested to address include appropriate protocols on handling sensitive information in existing records, ways to address cultural concerns and the handling of information generated from existing records or from potential sitework activities, the management of former boarding school sites, and NAGPRA.

Barnaby Lewis, Gila River Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, Serves on Federal Advisory Review Committee

NAGPRA has a seven-member Federal Advisory Review Committee that monitors and reviews the implementation of NAGPRA. Committee members are appointed by the Secretary of the Interior from nominations made by Indian tribes, Native Hawaiian organizations, traditional Native American religious leaders, national museum organizations and national scientific organizations.

One of those committee members is Barnaby Lewis, the historic preservation officer at the Gila River Indian Community, who was nominated by all four O'odham sibling tribes. Lewis' term ends on May 10, 2022.

On August 13, in a Zoom meeting for a tribal consultation on draft updates to the regulations implementing NAGPRA, changes to the act were discussed. After noting that current regulations have a lack of instructions or requirements related to a duty of care, deadlines or delivery of documents, National Park Service National NAGPRA Program Manager Melanie

O'Brien said that an attempt to solve that problem would be to address these issues and to hold museums and federal agencies accountable for that duty of care, as well as meeting those deadlines.

Another issue identified are some of the complicated or confusing definitions in the regulations and a proposal to attempt to clarify those definitions. One example of this instance was when O'Brien attended a consultation between a museum and tribes, and a significant amount of time was spent on discussing the definition of an associated funerary object versus an unassociated funerary object.

Simplifying and prioritizing cultural affiliation was also a major proposal in the meeting. The way the regulations are currently stated, O'Brien said that there can be a perceived higher standard for identifying cultural affiliation that goes beyond what is in the Act. This would provide clear instructions for museums and federal agencies to assist in resolving cases of multiple culturally affiliated tribes who make competing requests for cultural affiliation or repatriation.

Cultural Compliance Supervisor Angela Garcia for the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community was on the Zoom call and commented about agencies consulting with tribes ahead of any activities that would disturb land to identify potential discoveries. Garcia spearheads the NAGPRA consultation for the SRPMIC Cultural Preservation Office. "Agencies really do need to make a better effort ahead of time before their discoveries, and I don't want to give them any reason to go ahead without identifying all of the alternatives to avoidance," said Garcia. "And I think that is an issue that we've dealt with quite a bit, that there isn't enough prior consultation to ground disturbing activity. Our whole goal with NAGPRA

is to avoid having to repatriate. So, I think we need to do more prior to any kind of discoveries."

The entire metro Phoenix area is one huge archeological site, and when unintended excavations of a local burial site or other sacred objects on non-tribal or federal land make the news, SRPMIC Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Shane Anton makes it known to media outlets that the SRPMIC does not release information about burial discoveries or cultural resource discoveries for several reasons. "Understandably, the first and foremost concern is that publicizing archaeological discoveries before a project is complete makes them vulnerable to disturbance or looting," said Anton.

"This is an issue for all archaeological sites. In cases of burial discovery, it is particularly important to safeguard them from damage, because burials are the remains of human beings who continue to deserve respect and dignity. Also, it is a violation of traditional religious beliefs to take photos, video or other imaging of human remains, funerary objects and certain other types of discoveries."

For burial-site discoveries within the City of Phoenix, the city and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development consult with the tribe.

Once there is a discovery of remains, Anton said a blessing is given, and "it is explained that we are sorry that [the Huhugam] have been disturbed and displaced and we are your living relatives. We will provide you a new home so that you can continue on in peace with this part of your journey. We just communicate our sorrow about their displacement and try to reassure them we are working on their behalf."

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Can I Get The Flu And COVID-19 Vaccines At The Same Time?

BY EMMA H. TOBIN
Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — Can I get the flu and COVID-19 vaccines at the same time?

Yes, you can get the shots in the same visit.

When COVID-19 vaccines were first rolling out in the U.S., the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommended waiting 14 days between the shots and other immunizations as a precaution. But the agency has since revised its guidelines and says the wait is unnecessary.

The CDC and other health experts point to past experience showing that vaccines work as they should and any side effects are similar whether the shots are given separately or in the same visit.

“We have a history of vaccinating our kids with multiple vaccines,” says flu specialist Richard Webby of St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital.

Staying up to date on all vaccinations will be especially important this year, experts say.

Since people were masked and staying home, last year’s flu season barely registered. This year, it’s unclear how intense the flu season will be with more places reopening.

“The worry is that if they both circulate at the same time, we’re going to have this sort of ‘twin-demic,’” Webby says. “The concern with that is that it’s going to put extra strain on an already strained health care system.”

The CDC recommends an annual flu vaccine for everyone 6 months and older, and says ideally everyone should be vaccinated by the end of October. It takes 10 to 14 days for the flu vaccine to take full effect so if you wait until the flu begins circulating, your body may not have time to build up protection. Vaccine options vary by age but include several types of shots or a nasal spray version.

One caution: COVID-19, colds and flu all share similar symptoms so if you feel ill, the CDC says to postpone a vaccination appointment until you’re better to avoid getting others sick.

SRPD Receives Donations for Children Through Literacy for All Program

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On September 15, Salt River Schools’ Literacy for All Project Manager Trinidad Yazzie and Community Literacy Advocate Wendy Jefferson donated various art supplies and books to the Salt River Police Department (SRPD).

The donated items included two children’s games, card games, 20 books for young children, 10 coloring books with crayons, and four small bags of books with four board books per bag for pre-K children.

“While Trinidad was assisting me, she asked me if SRPD would like books, games and puzzles that officers could give to the children of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community,” said Off. Christopher Davis.

“What Trinidad and Wendy did for the SRPD will assist the department with Community policing. But, more importantly, it will make many of the children at SRPMIC happy.”

The SRPD is partnering with Native Youth Community Projects (NYCP) to create a Community children’s book that provides a short insight on what the SRPD is all about and what they do for the Community. “We are hoping SRPD continues to create more books for young readers and families,” said Yazzie.

“NYCP has several projects within our grant for Salt River Schools focusing on literacy, cul-



Salt River Schools' Literacy for All donated various books and art supplies to the SRPD.

ture, college and careers.”

Salt River Schools was awarded a four-year grant in August 2018, and this is the fourth year of the grant.

- Improve the pathway to college and career readiness, emphasizing the jobs within the Community, as well as college applications and scholarships.
- Instill a self-determined habit of reading from infancy to adulthood through book distribution and literacy training.
- Strengthen cultural connections, autonomy and habits of reading in the home through the creation, publication and distribution of culturally relevant books.

- Conduct a literacy campaign that educates and engages the Community and employs youth to develop workforce skills.

If anyone in the Community would like to create or receive books for their children, or if you’d like additional information on current Literacy for All projects, email Literacy@saltriverschools.org or text Wendy Jefferson at (480) 878-8604.

Salt River Job Board

LISTINGS: Employers have different application & on-boarding requirements. Contact us so we can assist you.

MULTIPLE HOTELS HIRING:

- Marriott Courtyard
- TRU - Home 2 Suites by Hilton
- Staybridge
- Comfort Inn Suites
- Great Wolf Lodge

JOBS: Housekeeping & Laundry Attendant, Kitchen, Front Desk Contact: William Robles at 480-362-6849

ACTIVE HIRING:

- **Salt River Materials Group**
Jobs: Laboratory Technician/ Environmental Technician/ Mobile Equipment Operator
- **A & A Materials**
Jobs: CDL Truck Driver/ Heavy Diesel Mechanic
- **Beeline Pit Stop**
Jobs: Cashier/Little Caesars Crew Member
- **Scottsdale Auto Show**
Jobs: Ford Cert. Technician/Part Time Receptionist/ Part Time Service Porter/Lot Attendant

FOOD SERVICE

Texas Roadhouse
Jobs: Host/Server/Bussers/Cooks & More
Contact: Chester Mack at 480-362-7870

ACTIVE HIRING APPLY NOW

OCTOBER 2021

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SRPMIC Community Employment
Two Waters - Building B
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DAY WORK PROGRAM WELCOMES NEW PARTICIPANTS
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WIOA ADULT PROGRAM IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS
WIOA Adult Program supports ALL eligible individuals with their educational/training goals toward a career, provides support. To learn more, contact **Amy Francisco, WIOA Supervisor at (480) 362-6829**

APPLICANT POOL
Temp pool accepting applications for various positions. May also submit interest for construction (skilled or general labor).
Community Employment: 480-362-7950

Call the Job Connection Line at 480-362-7870

WEST NILE VIRUS!

WHAT COMMUNITY MEMBERS NEED TO KNOW TO PREVENT WEST NILE AND STAY SAFE!

As you spend time outdoors, SRPMIC has some simple recommendations to help you and your family to protect yourself against West Nile Virus (WNV).

One of our best defenses against West Nile Virus is the use of mosquito repellent.

MOSQUITO REPELLANT helps reduce your exposure to mosquitos that may carry the virus.

- Apply an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-registered insect repellent to your skin and clothing.
- Choose the concentration based on the hours of protection you need — the higher the percentage (concentration) of the active ingredient, the longer the repellent will work.
- Follow the directions on the package, paying special attention to recommendations for use on children.
- Do not apply onto cuts, wounds, or irritated skin.
- Don't spray repellent in enclosed areas or directly onto your face.
- Be sure to wash it off after returning indoors.

OTHER PERSONAL PRECAUTIONS

- Wear shoes with socks, pants, and long-sleeved shirts.
- Avoid unnecessary outside activity at dawn and dusk during peak mosquito season.
- When outside, cover strollers or playpens with mosquito netting.
- Keep all windows and doors closed; only windows and doors with screens should remain open.

This information was brought to you by the SRPMIC – HHS Environmental Health Program and Community Development Department's Environmental Protection & Natural Resources Division. If you have additional questions please email epnr@srpmic-nsn.gov and/or call EPNR hotline at 480-362-7500.

I'toi Sivol Continues to Grow in O'odham Communities

BY CHRIS PICCIUOLO
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One food plant traditionally grown by the O'odham since the 17th century is most commonly known as the I'toi sivol, a type of multiplier onion, which means that the plant produces small, clustered bulbs. These onions most likely came from Father Eusebio Francisco Kino, the Jesuit missionary who traveled through this area in the late 1600s. He founded Mission San Xavier del Bac, among many other missions in northern Mexico and Southern Arizona, and worked with many of the local tribal communities, including the Tohono O'odham and Maricopa people.

Frederick E. Grossman wrote in his 1873 book *The Pima Indians of Arizona* that wheat was the main crop of the Pima, "with barley, onions and cotton of lesser importance." The onions he referred to were likely the I'toi sivol.

Jacob Butler, garden coordinator for the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, said that the fact that these onions are still here in the communities is actually a testament to their importance. "It shows the value that they have, because people have been making sure the onions have been around," he said.

"When you harvest them, you have a short window of time that you can actually plant them in the spring as well. Right after you pull them out, you can plant them again and get a grow-out from that, and you have to plant them again before the bulb dries out. When you take the onions out of the ground, they end up drying out even if you have them in a cool, dry place or they are refrigerated. The bulb will shrivel, so you have to get the onions in the



I'toi Sivol from 2010.
Photos courtesy of Jacob Butler

ground two to three months after they have been harvested. It's kind of cool to know that they're not a seed that can store long-term outside of the ground, and so to see them around and [know that they] still exist in our communities is awesome."

The name I'toi signifies Elder Brother, who is the creator deity in O'odham cosmology, as seen in *The Man in the Maze* image. I'toi sivol is the spelling that is more commonly used in the SRPMIC, and siwol is used by the Tohono

both winter and summer rains in the low desert.

Butler said that the introduction of this onion gave people another option to grow outside of spring and summer as a winter crop, along with wheat and the tan pea.

In Southern Arizona, there is also what people call wild onions, or "blue dicks," perennials that have an underground corm on the bottom instead of a bulb. A corm is kind of a modified stem, somewhat like a solid onion.

This particular onion will have a dark purple or bluish flower on a single stem, which sets it apart from an almost identical wild onion that is poisonous. Butler said that this onion comes out of the ground a little after spring, right after the rains, and you will usually see it along hillsides. "If you're harvesting, you will need to wait until it presents its flower, which is indicative of it being the right [non-poisonous] one," said Butler.

"It tastes more like a water chestnut than an onion. They are about the size of our onions, like a small shallot with a pink or reddish outer layer."

Butler obtained the sivol from different people in the Community, such as Ed Mendoza, and from the Gila River Indian Community's Pima-Maricopa Irrigation Project. "We wanted to see the differences, but they're all pretty much the same," said Butler.

SRPMIC members can order the I'toi sivol through the Native American Seed Request Program at Native Seeds/SEARCH, which has about 10 bulbs per packet. You can find more information on the program at www.nativeseeds.org.

O'odham, according to Butler. Both words are an O'odham translation of the word for onion in Spanish, cebolla.

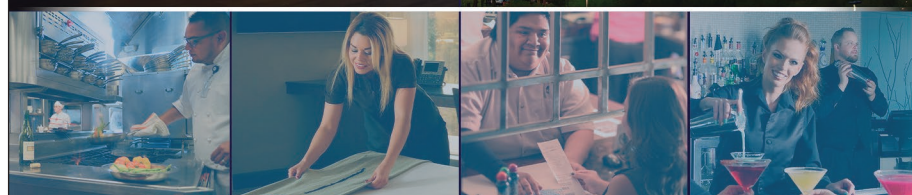
These onions resemble the wild onions harvested on I'toi Mountain, also known as Baboquivari Peak.

There are other names for I'toi, such as Se:he or Se'ehe, which is the preferred name at SRPMIC that Butler uses as well.

The plants have mild shallot-like bulbs and spicy greens. These onions are easy to cultivate and will grow in

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SRPD MONTHLY CRIME STATISTICS

August - September 2021

The Uniform Crime Report (UCR) program was established in the 1920s by the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) to standardize crime reporting nationally, this report has become the Country's leading crime indicator, this is the reason the Salt River Police Department lists these particular crimes.

SRPD Calls for Service, Police Reports and Response Time Stats.	AUG.	SEP.
CATEGORY		
Events	5,694	3,998
Police Reports	394	311
Priority ONE Calls	420	385
Avg. ResponseTime (Priority One)	6.48	6.22
Avg. ResponseTime (Priority Two)	10.30	10.50

SRPD Arrested Persons Number of Native Adults & Juveniles	AUG.	SEP.
CATEGORY		
Native Adults	62	44
Native Juveniles	3	3
TOTALS	65	47

SRPD Arrested Persons Number of (Native, Non-Native, Adults & Juveniles)	AUG.	SEP.
CATEGORY		
Native	65	47
Non-Native	139	96
TOTALS	204	143

SRPD Calls for Service, Police Reports and Response Time Stats.	AUG.	SEP.
CATEGORY		
Number of Telephone calls received	7,738	6,673
Number of 9-1-1 calls received	1,713	1,589
Number of Alarm signals received	65	61

SRPD Calls for Service, Police Reports and Response Time Stats.	AUG.	SEP.
CATEGORY		
Non-Injury Accident	27	23
Injury Accident	4	9
Fatality Accident	0	1
Private Property Accident	14	13
Citations	1,009	561
DUI Arrests	31	31

SRPD Calls for Service, Police Reports and Response Time Stats.	AUG.	SEP.
CATEGORY		
Assault	11	5
Forgery/ Counterfeiting	0	2
Fraud	6	6
Embezzlement	0	0
Stolen Property	3	2
Vandalism	20	7
Weapons violations	2	2
Prostitution	0	0
Sex Offenses	3	6
Drug violations (sell/ manufacture)	1	0
Drug violations (possession)	31	38
Gambling	0	0
DUI	31	31
Liquor laws	14	10
Drunkenness	0	0
Disorderly conduct	3	10
ARPA violations	0	0
Suspicious Activity Persons & Vehicle	165	130
Curfew (persons under 18)	0	1
Runaway (persons under 18)	0	0
Domestic violence	5	4
All other violations (illegal dumping)	5	1
Trespass	0	0
Animal Problems	100	61
TOTALS	400	316

SRPD Calls for Service, Police Reports and Response Time Stats.	AUG.	SEP.
CATEGORY		
Aggravated Assault	9	6
Arson	0	0
Burglary	5	9
Homicide	0	0
Rape	1	1
Robbery	1	0
Theft	43	35
Vehicle Theft	5	7
TOTALS	64	58

Salt River Fire Department

FIREFIGHTER SPOTLIGHT

XAVIER MARTINEZ

Firefighter/Paramedic

Apparatus # - E291

Station 291

10 years of service with Salt River



1. What is your educational background?

I attended Camelback High School in Phoenix and graduated in the class of 2008. After high school, I obtained my EMT certification at Scottsdale Community College and also took various classes for fire science back when they had a fire science program. I also went to Phoenix College and completed courses for the paramedicine program and obtained my paramedic certificate. I am currently attending RSI to hopefully start my own HVAC business as a side business.

2. Where are you from?

I was born in Phoenix and lived in different areas in the Valley growing up. We lived in Scottsdale, then moved to the reservation near 92nd [Street] and McDowell when I was younger. Then my family built a house near Dobson and McDonald, where they still reside.

3. What made you want to be a firefighter?

My brother Ray [Martinez] enrolled me in the Salt River Fire Explorers when I was 12. He was in Explorers before me, and he then became a firefighter in Salt River. Former firefighter Royce Manuel taught me a lot about the fire service, which led me to becoming a firefighter.

4. What's the most rewarding part about being a firefighter at Salt River?

Being able to see my family and helping out my fellow Community members in their time of need. I also like being able to make lifelong friends that I work with. We spend one-third of our lifetime working as firefighters, so it's like we grow up to be one big family.

5. Besides firefighting, what are some of your other passions?

Before I started HVAC school, I was training in Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu at Soul Fighter Headquarters in Tempe. I have trained in BJJ for 10 years and try to train in between going to school and working. But will pick it back up when I finish HVAC school. I started the first tribal nation bagpipe team in the state of Arizona. I have been playing bagpipes for two and half years. I was trained by world-renowned Pipe Major Len Wood from Scotland. Our SRFD Bagpipe Team performs alongside various other fire department teams throughout the state and the country.

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SRPMIC COVID-19 CLINIC

COVID-19 BOOSTER

The Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community (SRPMIC) now offers the COVID-19 booster shot for those 65 years and older, and those 18+ with underlying medical conditions, based on the CDC guidance, that put them at higher risk for severe COVID-19.

At this time, the booster is only for those who are fully vaccinated with the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine and at least 6 months after being fully vaccinated.

Other groups may receive a booster shot based on their individual risk and benefit. Meet with your health provider to determine if the booster shot is right for you.

Data from a small clinical trial show that a Pfizer-BioNTech booster shot increased the immune response in trial participants who finished their primary series 6 months earlier. With an increased immune response, people should have improved protection against COVID-19, including the Delta variant.

COVID-19 VACCINES AVAILABLE EVERY FRIDAY

Who can receive a COVID-19 booster vaccine and meets the CDC criteria for a booster shot:

- Community Members & family
- Community Residents & family
- SRPMIC Business & Enterprise Employees and family members
- SRPMIC member owned business and employees and family members

COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic
Salt River Gymnasium
1880 North Longmore Road
Scottsdale, AZ 85256

Friday from 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Closed for a lunch 12 - 1 p.m.

Call the COVID-19 Hotline for an appointment at (480) 362-2603

Families Clean Up Lower Salt River



Families clean up the lower Salt River. The families have been cleaning local recreation areas since 2019. Photo courtesy of Litter Critters AZ.

BY CHRIS PICCIUOLO
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Erikka Luitjens, Jennifer Nerat and their kids have been cleaning up trash and other items together along the Lower Salt River, the Phon D Sutton Recreation Site and other local recreation areas since 2019.

Luitjens said the clean-ups started with just her and her sister-in-law taking their three kids out to the river to explore nature while they cleaned up, which led her to start the group Seeds of the Salt River.

Litter Critters AZ, a group of six families and 13 kids, was born out of

that group, and they come out about twice a week to clean.

"I wasn't expecting to clean up trash the first time my family kayaked the Salt River. We pulled off into this little cove to take a break and explore, and when I rounded the corner I found hundreds of water bottles, aluminum cans and other trash floating in the water. I was in shock," said Nerat.

So far in 2021 alone, the group has collected more than 215 thirteen-gallon garbage bags of trash, 119 bags of recycled items, 482 shoes, and other items such as chairs, inflatables and even a loveseat.

What's Shaking in October?



BY TERRY NELSON

SRPMIC EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR

In addition to the monsoons, floods and extreme heat experienced in the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, other natural disasters can occur throughout Arizona. For example, most people are unaware that Arizona can experience earthquakes. Compared with neighboring states such as California, Nevada and Utah, Arizona does not experience the same frequency or strength of earthquakes. However, hundreds of temblors do occur around the state annually.

In preparing for potential impacts from earthquakes and to practice earthquake safety, each year during October thousands register and participate in the "Great ShakeOut" drills held across the country and worldwide. International ShakeOut Day is held on the third Thursday in October. Arizona is taking part this year with the Great Arizona ShakeOut on October 21.

How can you prevent or lessen impacts from earthquakes?

- * Evaluate your home to establish locations where you could hide to escape falling objects.
- * Secure your space by identifying objects that have the potential of falling and causing injury, such as large bookcases or TVs that are not secured to the wall.

How do you respond if you experience a major earthquake?

- * If you're inside a building: "Drop, Cover, and Hold On."
- * **DROP** to the ground
- * Take **COVER** by getting under something sturdy
- * **HOLD ON** until the shaking stops
- * **If you're outdoors:** Find a clear spot away from buildings, trees, streetlights and power lines. Stay there until the shaking stops.
- * **If you're driving:** Pull over to a clear spot. Stay there with seatbelts fastened until the shaking stops. Then proceed with caution, avoiding bridges and ramps which may have been damaged.

SRPMIC Emergency Management encourages everyone to use this annual exercise opportunity to prepare their family and home in case of moderate to severe earthquakes.

For more information on how to register to participate in the statewide exercise, visit www.shakeout.org/arizona. For additional information on earthquake preparedness and measures that can be taken for personal safety during earthquakes, contact SRPMIC Emergency Management at (480) 362-7929 or at Terry.Nelson@srpmic-nsn.gov.

NOTICE TO COMMUNITY MEMBERS ABOUT TREE PRUNING

Salt River Project (SRP) has hired contractors from ACRT Inc and Asplundh Tree Expert Company to come onto the Community to identify, prune and remove vegetation around transmission power lines and easements. Operations will commence October 21, 2021 and are expected to continue through April 29, 2022.

Community Development Department's Environmental Protection & Natural Resources (CDD/EPNR) division have been coordinating efforts with both SRP and SRP Contractors to ensure the trimming operations meet the Community's conditions and requirements for ongoing maintenance.

SRP periodically prunes or removes trees that are near power lines to prevent unsafe conditions and to maintain reliable electric service. Trees that grow too close to overhead power lines can create fire and safety hazards, and cause power outages. SRP prunes or removes vegetation around lines that are part of the SRP electric delivery system. SRP uses an internationally recommended arboricultural technique called "directional pruning." This explains the various tree shapes that result from this pruning technique. However, this approach enables them to maintain the proper clearance from overhead lines and keep trees in place.

If you have any concerns regarding recent vegetation clearing activities, please call CDD/EPNR hotline at 480-362-7500.

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POKER ORIENTATION

Friday, November 12, 2021 | 10AM – Noon

**Required to advance to classes.*



POKER CLASSES

Monday, November 15, 2021

Monday - Friday | 9AM – 1PM

All events held at the Casino Arizona Human Resources Office

8900 E. Chaparral Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85256

For more information, please contact Lisa Miguel at 480-850-7761 or Rebecca Tenorio at 480-850-5473.

FALL FESTIVAL VIRTUAL CONTEST!

**DEADLINE TO SUBMIT
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2021 AT 12:00PM**

VIRTUAL FAMILY HOUSE DECORATING CONTEST

FRONT YARD DECORATING ONLY!
ONE ENTRY PER PERSON.

REGISTER:

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CATEGORIES:

**SPIRITED
SPOOKY
THEMED - FALL FESTIVAL
UNIQUE**

- MINIMUM (4) PHOTOS OF YOUR DECORATED HOUSE (Suggested Photo/Angles: Front of house, up close decor shots/ for best judging of house).
- 10 SECOND VIDEO OF YOUR DECORATED HOUSE (Video requirements: Shoot horizontally not vertically - Non distracting backgrounds or make sure video is not dark but well lit - Avoid shaky video, keep camera steady.)

**\$250
GIFT CARD
PRIZES
FOR 1ST PLACE WINNER
IN EACH CATEGORY**

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@<https://tinyurl.com/av7hfbn4>



**0-5 YEAR OLDS
6-10 YEAR OLDS
11-15 YEARS OLDS
16+ YEAR OLDS**

- MINIMUM (3) PHOTOS OF YOURSELF IN YOUR COSTUME (SUGGESTED PHOTO/ANGLES: FRONT OF ATTIRE, SIDE AND BACK OF ATTIRE.)
- 10 SECOND VIDEO OF YOURSELF IN COSTUME (Video requirements: Shoot horizontally not vertically - Non distracting backgrounds Make sure video is not dark but well lit - Avoid shaky video, keep camera steady)

**GIFT CARD PRIZES
FOR THE TOP 3 IN
EACH CATEGORY:
1ST PLACE \$150
2ND PLACE \$100
3RD PLACE \$75**

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**MOST UNIQUE DESIGN
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HALLOWEEN THEME**

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- 10 SECOND VIDEO OF YOUR PUMPKIN (Video requirements: Shoot horizontally not vertically - Non distracting backgrounds. Make sure video is not dark but well lit - Avoid shaky video, keep camera steady)

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**Fridays
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Time : 7:30 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.
CLOSED FOR LUNCH 12 - 1 P.M.

WHO CAN RECEIVE A THIRD DOSE AND MEETS THE CDC CRITERIA FOR IMMUNOCOMPROMISED:

- SRPMIC Members and families of community members
- Non-Community Member residents who live in the boundaries of SRPMIC
- Tribal government employees & families
- SRPMIC Tribal member businesses & employees & families
- SRPMIC businesses & enterprise employees & families

If you are an immunocompromised individual that receives your care outside the Community, it is highly recommended that you speak with your doctor to confirm the third dose is right for you. Being immunocompromised should not be confused with being high risk.

IF YOU MEET THE CRITERIA TO RECEIVE A THIRD DOSE OF THE COVID-19 VACCINE PLEASE MAKE AN APPOINTMENT BY CALLING THE SRPMIC COVID-19 HOTLINE.

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November WIC Updates

For the health and wellness of our clients and staff, SRPMIC WIC will be providing Telehealth services for the entire month of November, by appointment only.

*For appointments please call: 480-362-7300

Already a WIC client? Please don't forget to check your food benefits for the month.

The WIC office will be closed on November 29th and 30th to move to the new River People Health Center. Stay tuned for more updates!

Contact Information:

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Text: 1-888-365-1338

Email: WIC@srpmic-nsn.gov

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Public Comments on Proposed Amendments to Ordinances II-167 and II-174 Regarding Qualified Residential Treatment Programs

Comment Period: September 30, 2021 – October 29, 2021

On Wednesday, September 30, 2021, the SRPMIC Council authorized a 30 day public comment period for the proposed amendments to the Community's Dependency Code regarding Qualified Residential Treatment Programs. The draft ordinance does the following:

1. Requires a Review Hearing. When a temporary or permanent ward of the court (child) is placed in a residential treatment facility, the Court must hold a Review Hearing within 60 days of said placement. The Court must review the placement and determine whether the placement is appropriate.
2. Findings required at all future Review Hearings and Permanency Hearings. If a temporary or permanent ward of the court (child) remains in a residential treatment facility, the Court must review the placement and determine whether that placement is appropriate at every Review Hearing and Permanency Hearing moving forward.
3. Federal Funding. The changes are required

by federal law in order for the Community, through the Social Services Department, to have an "approved plan" in order to continue receive approximately 3 million dollars in reimbursement funds per year.

The Proposed Ordinance Changes can also be viewed at:
<https://www.srpmic-nsn.gov/government/ogc/proposed-ordinances/>

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

Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
 The Office of the General Counsel
 Attn: Jeff Harmon
 10,005 East Osborn Road
 Scottsdale, Arizona 85256
jeff.harmon@srpmic-nsn.gov

SEC. 11-167. REVIEW HEARING.

(a) *Requirement.* Except as otherwise provided by this chapter, the status of all children subject to the dependent provisions of this chapter shall be reviewed by the court at least every six months from the time of removal at a hearing, except that the first review hearing shall be held within three months after the judgment or disposition is entered, whichever is later.

(b) *Qualified residential treatment program placements.* Within sixty days of the start of each placement in a qualified residential treatment program, and at every review hearing after that, the Court shall:

(1) consider the assessment, determination, and documentation made by the qualified individual conducting the assessment;

(2) determine whether the needs of the child can be met through placement in a foster family home or, if not, whether placement of the child in a qualified residential treatment program provides the most effective and appropriate level of care for the child in the least restrictive environment and whether that placement is consistent with the short-term and long-term goals for the child, as specified in the permanency plan for the child; and

(3) approve or disapprove the placement.

(c) *Return to home.* A child shall be returned to the home of the parent, guardian or custodian from a finding made at the review hearing, unless the court finds that a reason for placement outside the home still exists.

(d) *Written order.* If continued court supervision is determined to be necessary, the court shall set forth the following in a written order:

(1) What services have been provided or offered to the parent, guardian, or custodian to help correct the underlying problems.

(2) The extent to which the parent, guardian, or custodian has visited or contacted the child, any reason why such visitation and/or contact has been infrequent or not otherwise occurred.

(3) Whether the parent or custodian is cooperative with the court.

(4) Whether additional services should be offered to the parent, guardian or custodian.

(5) Whether the parent, guardian, or custodian should be required to participate in any additional programs to help correct the underlying problems.

(6) When the child's return can be expected.

SEC. 11-174. PERMANENCY HEARING.

(a) At the permanency disposition hearing, the court shall determine the following factors:

(1) The circumstances of the dependency;

(2) The present condition of the child and parent(s), including physically, emotionally, and psychologically;

(3) Proposed placement and other relevant care plans for the child, including the plans and ability for the child to maintain cultural-connectedness and familial ties, where feasible and in the child's best interest. For proposed placement considerations, the court considers placements in the tribal service area and out of the tribal service area. If the child is located out of the tribal service area, the court will determine if

the placement continues to be appropriate and in the best interest of the child;

(4) The child's desires if over the age of 14, or where otherwise deemed appropriate;

(5) The age of the child;

(6) The remedying actions of the respondent parent(s) or guardian(s) from the time of removal;

(7) A history of any out-of-home placements;

(8) Any bonds the child has formed with substitute care;

(9) Efforts by the Community social services department to identify any available relative placement options when the child is not placed with family;

(10) The existence of any reasonable efforts by the Community social services department to assist the parent(s) and children with reunification of the family, when reasonable efforts were required;

(11) The recommendations of the Community prosecutor and Community social services department;

(12) The recommendations of the appointed guardian ad litem;

(13) The recommendations of the parent(s) or legal guardian(s);

(14) The recommendations of all persons who have a privileged relationship with the child who has made a recommendation, including any expert who has made a best interest recommendation;

(15) Any other such facts, conclusions or observations as may be pertinent to the parent and child relationship;

(16) For a child for whom another planned permanent living arrangement has been determined as the permanency plan, the steps the Community social services department is taking to ensure the child's foster family or child care institution is following the reasonable and prudent parent standard and to ascertain whether the child has regular, ongoing opportunities to engage in age or developmentally appropriate activities; and

(17) For a child 14 years of age or older, the services needed to assist the child in making a successful transition from foster care to successful adulthood.

(b) Upon considerations of all of the factors of subsection (a) of this section, the court shall make specific findings as to the following:

(1) The remedying actions of the respondent parent(s) or guardian(s), and the effectiveness of such actions;

(2) Any emotional bonds the child has formed with substitute care;

(3) Efforts by the Community social services department to identify any relative placement options when the child is not placed with family;

(4) The existence of any reasonable efforts by

the Community social services department to assist the parent(s) and child(ren) with reunification of the family, when reasonable efforts were required;

(5) The Community social services department has made reasonable efforts to finalize the permanency plan within 12 months from the time the child entered the Community's care and at least once every 12 months thereafter while the child remains in the Community's care; and

(6) The best interest of the child.

(c) *Qualified residential treatment program placements.* If a child is in placement at a qualified residential treatment program, the Court shall:

(1) consider the assessment, determination, and documentation made by the qualified individual conducting the assessment;

(2) determine whether the needs of the child can be met through placement in a foster family home or, if not, whether placement of the child in a qualified residential treatment program provides the most effective and appropriate level of care for the child in the least restrictive environment and whether that placement is consistent with the short-term and long-term goals for the child, as specified in the permanency plan for the child; and

(3) approve or disapprove the placement.

(d) The best interest of the child shall be the primary determining factor in making the permanency disposition. As to the determination of best interest, the court shall consider the following (if such information exists):

(1) Any recommendations from the child's treating mental health professional regarding the plans to meet the child's needs for consistency and bonding, including any emotional bonds the child has formed with substitute care;

(2) Proposed plans regarding the ability of the child to maintain cultural-connectedness and cultural identity;

(3) Any evidence in the record of the parent's demonstrated ability or lack of ability to substantially remediate the underlying issues that led to the dependency action;

(4) Any other relevant evidence presented.

(e) Upon motion by the parties, the court may reconsider a permanency determination plan that was previously ordered. In doing so, the court shall conduct a permanency hearing pursuant to this section.

(f) Procedural safeguards will be applied to permanency hearings.

SALT RIVER PIMA - MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY

FALL FESTIVAL

TRUNK OR TREAT

4PM - 6PM

SPOOKY DRIVE THRU

SATURDAY 30 OCTOBER

COMMUNITY RELATIONS - EVENTS | 480.362.7740 | SRPMIC | SALTRIVERPIMAMARICOPA

SALT RIVER HIGH SCHOOL
 ATHLETIC NORTH PARKING LOT
4PM - 6PM
SPOOKY DRIVE THRU

Welcome to the Council Corner. Here you will find a recap of the weekly Council Meeting actions and other important information. During the Stay Home, Stay Safe order, the SRPMIC Council is continuing business by holding Council and board/staff meetings via Skype or conference calls. Regular Sessions and Work Sessions will be available for a delayed viewing at <https://www.srpmic-nsn.gov/> click on Tribal Government, Virtual Council Meetings.

Enrolled Community Members are now able to submit comments to: membercomments@srpmic-nsn.gov. Reminder, Council should not receive comments about any pending court issues, any Human Resources issues, or issues related to juveniles.

September 8, 2021 – Skype Council Meeting Items:

Roadrunner Resolution – Council approved a resolution delegating the President or Vice President authority to purchase certain parcels of the Salt River allotted lands (SRAL’s 267-B, 268 and 268-A) on behalf of the SRPMIC.

FY2022 Budget Resolution – Council approved a resolution to approve the operating, capital improvement, debt service and gaming compact payment budgets for the SRPMIC for FY2022.

COVID-19 Update – The Assistant Community Manager provided an overview of the current Community COVID-19 report as of August 8, 2021.

Administrative Reports: Chief Auerbach provided the weekly report on major crimes occurring in the Community for the weeks of August 31, 2021 to September 7, 2021.

Executive Session Items: Gaming Update, CIP Investment Policy, Petition, Office of General Counsel Legal Matters.

September 9, 2021 – Skype Council Work Session Items:

Animal Welfare and Community Enrichment Center / NAGI Proposal – Council was presented on the NAGI Foundation proposed development options, locations, and costs. ECS/CDD staff will work with the NAGI foundation for further information and to be presented back to Council.

Update on Employee COVID-19 Vaccination – The Community was informed that on August 18, 2021 the Council approved a mandate that required all tribal government employees to be fully vaccinated by September 30,

2021.

SR Devco – An update was given on the existing digital and proposed digital billboards at certain locations. Approval was given for SR Devco to move forward in the process with the request of developing two digital billboards (converting a static billboard to a digital billboard and creating one new digital billboard) located at McClintock and the 202 freeway.

Special Domestic Violence Criminal Jurisdiction (SDVCJ) & Residency Ordinance – A presentation was given in regards to the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) and implementing Special Domestic Violence Criminal Jurisdiction along with policy questions.

Medical & Recreational Use of Marijuana – Guidance on the Medical & Recreation Use of Marijuana in the Community was discussed. Council approved that presentations be given at District meetings.

Executive Work Session Items: Minutes.

September 15, 2021 – Skype Council Meeting Items:

Public Hearing: Dark Fiber-Phase I Telecommunication Easements – Information was presented on the proposed telecommunication easement on Red Mountain Road and Power Road (in vicinity of the Granite Reef Dam). Will be back on the October 27, 2021 Council meeting agenda for Council action.

Commercial Water and Sewer Ordinance – Council approved a proposal to develop a new Commercial Water and Wastewater ordinance and to edit Chapter 18 of the Code. The ordinance and edits will be presented back to Council for consideration.

Possessory Interest Tax (PIT) – FY2022 – Council approved the proposed FY2022 PIT.

COVID-19 Update – The Community Manager provided an overview of the current Community COVID-19 situation and testing results for the week of September 15, 2021.

Community Member Comments – Two comments were received. The first comment was in regards to the future of the SR Landfill. The second comment was in regards to the youth in not knowing ancestral ways and history. Youth need to learn about our land, our water, our way, our life to know the foundation of our culture and identity.

Administrative Reports: Chief Auerbach provided the weekly report

on major crimes occurring in the Community.

Executive Session Items: Gaming Enterprise Monthly Report, Judicial Selection Questions, Council Retreat, SRF LOC, Office of General Counsel Legal Matters.

September 16, 2021 – Skype Council Work Session Items:

Executive Work Session Items: Judicial Interviews, Community Member Requests for Executive Sessions.

September 22, 2021 – Skype Council Meeting Items:

FY2022 Enterprise Budgets – Council approved the FY2022 budgets for: Salt River Fields, Gaming Enterprise, Salt River Materials Group, SR Devco, Salt River Landfill, Saddleback Communications, Golf Enterprise, SRFSI, Staybridge, Salt River Auto-Show, and Beeline Highway Pit Stop.

COVID-19 Update – The Community Manager provided an overview of the current Community COVID-19 situation and testing results for the week.

Administrative Reports: Chief provided the weekly report on major crimes occurring in the Community.

Executive Session: Gaming Update, NCAI Membership Renewal, Judge Information, Request for Information, Development Update, 84th Street Right-of-Way, OGC Legal Matters.

September 23, 2021 – Council Work Session Items:

Executive Session: Contingency Plan.

September 29, 2021 – Council Meeting Items:

NCAI Resolution – Council approved the resolution for the annual NCAI dues for CY 2021-2022.

Code Revision-Qualified Residential Treatment Programs – Council approved a 30-day comment period.

IGA for Waste Collection and Transportation Mutual Aid – Council approved the resolution for an amended IGA for waste collection and mutual aid services with participating Maricopa County cities and towns.

Cox Communications License Agreement – Council approved a license agreement with Cox Communication for the provision of video services with SRPMIC boundaries.

COVID-19 Update – The Community Manager provided an overview of the current Community COVID-19 situ-

ation and testing results for the week.

Community Member Comments: One comment was received regarding the Fall Carnival.

Administrative Reports: Council approved by motion the ratification of a non-member burial request.

Executive Session: Gaming Enterprise Revolving Line of Credit, Amicus Brief, Exclusion Request, Incentive Question, Judge Follow-Up, Treasurer, OGC Legal Matters.

September 30, 2021 – Skype Council Work Session Items:

Staybridge Suites – Council received information on the history of Staybridge Suites.

Section 12 Infrastructure Plan – Council received information on the Section 12 Infrastructure Plan.

Executive Items – FY2022 Government Budget, 12% Gaming Grant Process.

October 6, 2021 – Council Meeting Items:

Certification of Enrollment – Council approved certification of 10,878 enrolled members.

Special Use Permits (SUP’s) – Council approved the SUPS for the Monster Dash Run (5k) and Here Comes Santa Run (5k).

Transfer Agreement for River People Health Center – Council approved the transfer of the River People’s Health Center from the US Government to the SRPMIC.

HHS Recommendations for Halloween – Council approved the recommendations for allowable and disallowable Halloween activities.

COVID-19 Update – The Community Manager provided an overview of the current Community COVID-19 situation and testing results for the week.

October 7, 2021 – Skype Council Work Session Items:

Executive Session – Solanna Group, Mask Enforcement, Gaming, Council Materials, Project Questions, and ACM Update.

WEEKLY - President, Vice-President, and Executive Administration hold Skype meetings for various other meetings.

For the most recent updates, check the SRPMIC Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/SRPMIC/>.

You Know About Phishing ... Now There’s ‘Vishing’

BY RICHARD WALL, BUSINESS ANALYST & COMMUNICATIONS TEAM SUPERVISOR
SRPMIC Information Technology Department

For a long time now, IT experts have been warning people about “phishing,” a practice used by cybercriminals who try to get your personal information by sending you fake emails. Well, now there’s another threat to your cybersecurity: vishing.

Vishing is the phone-based equivalent of phishing. With vishing, cybercriminals leave voice messages in your voicemail system with the hopes you’ll call them back, as opposed to phishing, they send you emails. The content of both is pretty much the same: an urgent request for you to take some kind of action. In the case of vishing, instead of clicking on a link, the cybercriminals want you to call them back.

Vishing messages fit into a couple of categories. The first is the “resolving a purchase” scam. The message might say, “Your Netflix account will auto-renew in two days. Please call

[phone number] to modify or cancel this payment.” The other category is the technical support (or help desk) scam. Here the typical message is something like, “Hello, this is Dell Technical Support. We noticed suspicious activity on your computer and think your computer may be infected with a virus. Please call [phone number] immediately for assistance in removing the virus.” The phone number given in the voicemail messages will always match the caller ID number on your phone. Most times, this phone number is a local number (or perhaps a harmless looking “1-800” number), in an attempt to make the call seem more legitimate. And guess what? It’s not!

Unfortunately, the cybercriminals use something called “caller ID spoofing.” It allows the crooks to disguise their real number to make it look like the call is coming from a phone number you trust. Bottom line: You can no longer trust caller ID because it really doesn’t identify the person (or location) calling you.

So, why does vishing work? Well, victims feel phone calls are “safer” because they are not immediately exposing their browser or computer. Victims also believe they’ll see through any scams by talking to someone directly. Unfortunately, the cybercriminals have been at this a long time, so they know what to say and when to say it to put their victims at ease.

Then, it’s a matter of either getting the victim to reveal personal information (date of birth, credit card number, account number, etc.) or to go online to a website where the cybercriminal walks them through “steps” to supposedly handle the issue but that instead effectively install malware on the victim’s own computer.

How can you reduce your risk of becoming a vishing victim?

- Never assume that calling a phone number is safer than clicking on a URL link. Either action can put you in direct contact with a cybercriminal.

- Never rely on unknown sources. If you get a voicemail from “your bank” asking you to call them back at a specific number, ignore that number and use the number on your bank card or other printed documentation already in your possession.
- Never feel obligated to return a voicemail. If you don’t recognize the number, be very suspicious.
- If you have any vulnerable friends or family, make sure they contact you after receiving any unfamiliar voicemails and before they take any action.

Hopefully these tips will help you spot a vishing attack before you, or someone you know, becomes a victim. And remember, the best way to avoid becoming a vishing victim is the same as for avoiding becoming a phishing victim: Stay vigilant, be suspicious and, if action is required, don’t rely on any phone numbers or URLs provided in an email or voicemail.

SRPMIC EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

JOB TITLE CLOSING DATE

Building Maintenance Supervisor	10/22/21
Grounds Maintenance Worker (Cemetery)	10/23/21
Veteran's Representative Assistant	10/23/21
Building Maintenance Worker	10/24/21
Warehouse Stock Clerk (Public Works)	10/24/21
Custodian (Education)	10/25/21
Building Maintenance Worker (Education)	10/26/21
Recreation Maintenance Worker II	10/26/21
Revenue Cycle Supervisor	10/26/21
Senior Application Support Analyst	10/26/21
Accounts Payable Clerk	10/27/21
Library Assistant	10/27/21
Lead Custodian	10/28/21
Legal Office Manager (Legal Services)	10/28/21
Custodial Supervisor	10/28/21
Police Officer (Recruit)	10/30/21
Education Behavioral Health Counselor	10/31/21
Benefits Coordinator Manager	10/31/21
Senior Benefits Analyst	10/31/21
Accounting Clerk I (Finance)	11/1/21
Tax Auditor	11/1/21
Staff Archaeologist	11/3/21
Heavy Equipment Operator	11/4/21
Senior Community Relations Newspaper	11/5/21
Career Counselor	11/7/21
Senior Project Manager (Water Resources)	11/7/21
Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor	11/7/21
Irrigation Ditch Rider (Zanjero)	11/10/21
Water Distribution Worker I	11/10/21
Water O&M Technician	11/11/21
Police Officer (Lateral)	11/13/21
Special Systems Supervisor	11/14/21
Water Distribution Worker III	11/16/21

Accountant	Continuous
Senior Accountant	Continuous
Instrumentation and Controls Technician	Continuous
School Teacher – Gifted	Continuous
Community Relations Manager (Multimedia)	Continuous
Licensed Practical Nurse (Community Health)	Continuous
Substitute Teacher	Continuous

For more information contact the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
 Human Resources Department
 Address: 10005 E Osborn Road Scottsdale, Arizona, 85256
 Phone : (480) 362-7935 Website: <http://www.srpmic-nsn.gov/employment/>

SALT RIVER BUSINESS LISTINGS

<p>ART & MAX'S LANDSCAPING Free estimates mowing, service, sprinkler, repair, trimming tree clean up, maintenance. Max, (480) 667-9403 art&maxlandscaping@gmail.com</p> <p>AIR CONDITIONING AND HEATING-RMG MECHANICAL Comm. member own business. One job done right the first time! We service all makes and models. License #ROC310871 Bonded & Insured. Rebecca Gonzales, (480) 334-1257 / (480) 823-2802 Rmgmechanical@gmail.com</p> <p>AU-AUTHUM KI, INC. Commercial construction. Margaret Rodriguez, (480) 250-7566</p> <p>BOXING BEARS PHOTOGRAPHY Boxing Bears Photography is a photography business based in Scottsdale, Arizona. We specialize in portrait photography and photobooths. Cody Wood, (480) 272-4035 boxingbearsphotography.com cody@boxingbearsphotography.com</p> <p>DALIA'S LANDSCAPING Yard maintenance / tree trimming, sprinkler repairs and service. Sherry Harris, (480) 580-0501 / (480) 868-5452 daliarendiz0815@icloud.com</p> <p>DALLAS PROFESSIONAL PAINTING Commercial Painting Company, Licensed, Bonded, Insured, ROC#250102 David Dallas, (623) 337-4070 david@dallaspropainting.com</p> <p>ERNIE'S CATERING Food catering for all your needs Ernie Lopez (chef and owner) (480) 907-8945 erniescateringbusiness@yahoo.com</p> <p>MOQUINO'S BODY & PAINT LLC. Auto Body Work and Paint LLC. Comm. member 15 percent discount.</p>	<p>Pete Moquino, (480) 236-3033 moquinoscustompaint@yahoo.com</p> <p>LB's HAIR SALON For all your hair needs, 30 plus year experiences specializing in trending haircuts, color, highlighting, perms, blow dry's, also manicure, pedicure and facial waxing. Linda Baptisto, (602) 525-9142 hairbylindab@yahoo.com</p> <p>LG Landscaping LLC Contact Lisa Miguel or Jade Anton to get a Free Quote for all your landscaping needs. lglandscapingnative@gmail.com (480) 238-4858</p> <p>NATIVE CREATIVE APPAREL, LLC Native American themed clothing for babies, kids and adults. Design your own custom shirts Isaac Lopez, (480) 410-8685 / (562) 761-9341 nativecreativeapparel@gmail.com</p> <p>NATURES DEFENSE Do it yourself pest control. All organic, non-toxic, chemical free. Safe/effective against roaches, scorpions, fleas/ticks, beetles, bed bugs and more! JB Cortez, (480) 453-9371 saltriverjrb@gmail.com</p> <p>NATIVE GROUND COFFEE A Native American coffee company from Salt River. Winter Wood, (480) 522-8393 www.nativegroundcoffee.com</p> <p>PIMA AWARDS PROMOTIONAL PRODUCTS, INC Promotional products, silkscreened and embroidered apparel, custom made awards and printing services. NEW ADDRESS: 15610 N 35th Ave Ste #7 Phoenix, AZ 85053 www.pimaawards.com Ron Lee, (623) 271-8311</p> <p>PIMARA CONSTRUCTION Civil & structural engineering. Virginia Loring, (480) 251-6849</p>	<p>vlpimara@cox.net</p> <p>PIIPASH SHELL 4001. N. Pima Scottsdale, AZ Michael Smith- Owner Piipash LLC (480) 947-6400 (store) piipash@hotmail.com</p> <p>RED MOUNTAIN ENGINEERING, LLC Full service civil engineering, surveying and consulting firm. Patrick D. Dallas, (480) 237-2708 www.redmtnengineering.com</p> <p>REZHAWK TOWING & RECOVERY, LLC Please call for appointment. Lock out available Eric Schurz, (480) 735-9730 rezhawktowingandrecovery@yahoo.com</p> <p>SALT RIVER HOSPITALITY Food service, bar, janitorial equipment and supplies. J.B. Cortez, (480) 453-9371 srh@srpmic.com</p> <p>7 STARS OF ARIZONA, LLC Concrete & Masonry construction, General contraction ROC#26357. Angela Willeford, (602) 889-7290 angelawilleford@sevenstarscompany.com</p> <p>STAYSHONS CHEVRON Community Member owned business since 1994. Boyd Chiago, (480) 990-2004</p> <p>THE MAIN INGREDIENT Kitchen supplies, open to the public. J.B. Cortez, (480) 453-9371 themainingredientaz@gmail.com</p> <p>VMK ENTERPRISES, INC Janitorial supplies. Sheryl@vmkenterprises.com</p>
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If we CANNOT contact you by phone or email, your business will be removed from the listing, O'odham Action News at (480) 362-7750 to have your business put back on the listing.

3RD QUARTER 2021 ELIGIBILITY DEADLINE SEPTEMBER 30, 2021

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

October 2021 Per Capita Payment.

Deadlines for CHANGES

Direct Deposit Start-Ups and Changes: Tuesday, October 12th 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 **October 2021** payout. Forms received after this date will not be effective until the **January 2022** payout.

Per Capita Eligibility: Tuesday, October 19th , 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 **October 2021** payout. Forms received after this date will not be processed until the first week of **November 2021.**

Discontinue Direct Deposits: Tuesday, October 12th , 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: Tuesday, October 19th , 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.

PUBLIC WORKS NOTICE

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

The Salt River and Lehi Cemeteries will be closed from 8:00 PM to 5:00 AM.

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



MEMORIAL SERVICES Wake and Funeral Services

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

CONTACTING MEMORIAL SERVICES

- Memorial Services and Cemeteries office open regular hours: 8:00AM - 5:00PM Monday-Friday.
- Family may meet staff 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 7AM and 9PM. ALL services, except Traditional overnights must end **no later than 9PM.**
- 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 to include the serving of food and cleaning up after services. Day labor may or may not be available at this time.
- Nursery and family room closed at this time.
- Memorial Services will create and post funeral announcements, if requested by family.
- Wakes and Funeral services will **not be allowed** at the homes at this time, due to Community 11th directive.
- 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 may assist with burial
- Casket cart/table for Urn
- 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 guidelines

Please Call Memorial Services at (480) 278-7050 for any questions



Salt River
PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY
 10005 E. OSBORN RD. / SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA 85256-9722 / PHONE (480) 362-7400

LOCAL EMERGENCY DECLARATION
****COVID-19****
TWELFTH DIRECTIVE – October 13, 2021
A SAFE HALLOWEEN 2021

TO PROTECT AND DEFEND THE HEALTH AND WELFARE OF THE ONK AKIMEL O'ODHAM AND XALYCHIDOM PIIPAASH, RESIDENTS, COMMUNITY EMPLOYEES, BUSINESSES AND VISITORS OF THE SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY BY ISSUING DIRECTIVES FOR A SAFE HALLOWEEN 2021.

The Tenth Directive Clarification of Directives – Maintain Face Coverings and Rescind Exemptions for Schools operating in the Commercial Corridor and Businesses within the Community from the SRPMIC Directives for COVID-19 Practices—issued on August 13, 2021 remains in effect.

The Eleventh Directive – Prohibition on Wakes in Private Homes—issued August 25, 2021 remains in effect.

The COVID-19 virus continues to be a serious public health threat to the Community and now all COVID-19 positive cases within the Community are of the Delta variant which is twice as infectious as previous strains. [Grab your reader's attention with a great quote from the document or use this space to emphasize a key point. To place this text box anywhere on the page, just drag it.]

Approximately 5,700 Community Members are unvaccinated. Currently there is a 140% increase in active COVID-19 cases over the same time as last year. Children 14 to 17 years of age are the most likely to bring the virus into the household. Infants and toddlers are the most likely to infect others within the home.

All eligible people should get vaccinated.

It is necessary for the Community to continue efforts to protect the most vulnerable within the population. The virus remains at high levels within the state and the Community and as of October 11, 2021 the Arizona Department of Health Services and local public health departments have identified 1,120,361 cases of COVID-19 with 20,382 deaths in the state and within the Community 1,434 cases of COVID-19 have been identified and 48 deaths.

NOW THEREFORE the SRPMIC Local Emergency Declaration for COVID-19 of March 18, 2020 remains in effect, and I, along with the Council, in addition to the requirements of the Tenth and Eleventh Directives, hereby issue the following for Halloween 2021:

No trick or treating or haunted houses for Halloween 2021. Wear a face covering (type recommended by the CDC, not a costume) in public per Tenth Directive

Permitted Activities:

- Outdoor activity that brings people together if **preventive steps** are followed.
- The following **prevention steps** should be practiced around others:
 - o All individuals two years or older wear a face mask outside of home (**required per Tenth Directive**)
 - o Wash hands regularly with soap and water or clean them with alcohol based hand rub
 - o Maintain at least six feet distance from persons not of your household
 - o Avoid touching your face
 - o Cover your mouth and nose when coughing or sneezing
 - o Stay home if you feel unwell

This Twelfth Directive shall remain in effect until November 1st at 6:00 a.m.

October 13, 2021

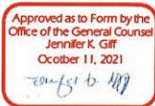
Date

Salt River Pima-Maricopa
 Indian Community Council

Martin Harvier
 Martin Harvier, President

Attest:

Erica Harvier
 Erica Harvier, Secretary



2021 Christmas Angels Program

Submit your application for sponsorship starting 10/4!

With COVID, the Christmas Angels Program continues to transition and find ways to support Community families in a fun, and SAFE way! This year ALL applications will be taken in electronically and over the phone, on a first come-first served basis.

To submit an application:
 Call: 480-362-7460
 or
 Email: ChristmasAngels@srpmic-nsn.gov

Applications will be accepted starting 10/4/21. Children or guardian MUST be enrolled SRPMIC tribal member in order to apply. Gifts will be distributed through a scheduled, no-contact drive through the week of 12/13/21.

Please note: Completing an application DOES NOT guarantee sponsorship. Sponsorship will be arranged to availability and in the order in which applications were received.

SRPMIC Coronavirus information (COVID-19)
(480) 362-2603

PRESS #1 Covid-19 Vaccine Incentive
PRESS #2 Testing Appointment
PRESS #3 Vaccine Appointment
PRESS #4 Home Bound Assistance

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DEFAULT NOTICES

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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 20th of September 2021

CLERK OF COURT - SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA COMMUNITY COURT

MATTHEW DAVID SAUNDERS SR.
CF-21-0073

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE NOTICE
I.T.M.O.: B.M.H. (D.O.B. 5/21/2018)

TO: Matthew David Saunders Sr.,

YOU ARE HEREBY ORDERED to appear before the above-entitled court on the 25th day of October, 2021 at 11:00 AM, in Court Room #1, and show cause why you should not be held in contempt for Failure to appear hearing on September 9, 2021 at 10:30 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 20th day of September, 2021.

Judge Raymond L. Deer - SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA COMMUNITY COURT

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TERRANCE ROBERT DAVIS WILLIAMS
V.

DEVENY MAY SCHURZ

D-21-0017

DEFAULT NOTICE

To: Deveny May Schurz, 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.

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DATED this 28th of September 2021

CLERK OF COURT - SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA COMMUNITY COURT

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Calendar of Events

OCTOBER

ONGOING-COUNCIL MEETINGS,

Regular Sessions, Wednesdays at 1 p.m. Questions can be directed to the Council Secretaries Office at (480) 362-7469. To contact the Council members, call Erica Harvier at (480) 362-7466 or Elyse Lewis at (480) 362-7464. To contact President Harvier or Vice-President Leonard, call Ardell Moore at (480) 362-7465 or Pat Rush (480) 362-7438. Community members can view the public Council meetings at www.srpmic-nsn.gov/governemnt/council/councilmeetings/

Community members can also provide public comments, concerns and/or input by emailing: membercomments@srpmic-nsn.gov

ONGOING - HAVE A DISABILITY OR DIAGNOSIS?

Want to work? Need some help? Vocational Rehabilitation can help you! We provide services and support for employment. NOW scheduling 1-on-1 orientations. Contact us today! Georgia Goodwin-Acosta - (480) 362-2650 or email Georgia.Goodwin2@srpmic-nsn.gov.

ONGOING - SALT RIVER TRIBAL LIBRARY,

10 a.m. - 7 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 a--ppointments 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.

ONGOING- SENIOR SERVICES

FOOD DISTRIBUTION FOR SENIORS,

times vary. The Senior Services Department will be returning to hot lunch meals delivery and served meals for drive thru Monday through Friday. The meals giving out will include: (1) hot lunch meal served daily. Scheduled times are: Home Delivery Meals- 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and Drive thru Meal pickup- Salt River and Lehi locations at 11 a.m.- 12 p.m. If you have any questions, please call Senior Services (480) 362-6350.

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ONGOING - WIC UPDATES.

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for the month. Additional contact information, Text 1-888-365-1338 or email WIC@srpmic-nsn.gov

ONGOING- COVID-19 BOOSTER AVAILABLE

at SRPMIC COVID-19 CLINIC EVERY FRIDAY, 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m., Closed for lunch, 12-1 p.m., Salt River Gymnasium, 1880 N. Longmore Rd., Scottsdale, AZ 85256. Who can receive a COVID-19 booster vaccine and meets the CDC criteria for a booster shot: Community members and family, Community residents and family, SRPMIC Business and Enterprise, Employees and family members, SRPMIC member owned business and employees and family members. Call the Covid-19 Hotline for an appointment at (480) 362-2603. See ad on page 10.

26 CM LARGO- DISTRICT E, 6 p.m.,

Community Members can view the public Council Meetings at: www.srpmic-nsn.gov/government/council/councilmeetings/. 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

26 CASINO ARIZONA / TALKING STICK RESORT JOB FAIR,

2 p.m. - 7 p.m. SRPMIC member private event 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., at Talking Stick Resort, Salt River Grand Ballroom. For information on the upcoming job fair, please call (480) 850-5446. See ad on page 9.

22 & 29 ONGOING- OCTOBER VACCINATION DRAWING INCENTIVE,

One entry per individual, one prize per winner, three winners each week. Two (2) draws 12-54, one draw 55+. Drawings held each Friday. Three month drawing (Sept-Nov). October 2021 "I Took the COVID Winning Shot" SRPMIC enrolled member Vac-

ination Drawing Incentive prize list. Individuals are automatically entered through the HHS database. Info: Drawing@srpmic-nsn.gov. September winners received TVs, Laptops, Gift Cards, and Ipads, you could be next. Call the COVID-19 Hotline for an appointment: 480-362-2603

29 DEADLINE TO SUBMIT, for FALL FESTIVAL VIRTUAL CONTESTS

at 12 noon. FAMILY HOUSE DECORATING CONTEST. Categories: Sprited, Spooky, Themed-Fall Festival and Unique. \$250 Gift Card Prizes for 1st place in each category. VIRTUAL COSTUME CONTEST Age Categories: 0-5 years old, 6-10 years old, 11-15 years old, 16+ years old. Gift Card for top 3 in each category, 1st place/\$150, 2nd place/\$100 and 3rd place/\$75. VIRTUAL PUMPKIN DECORATING CONTEST. Categories: Most Unique Design, Animal Theme, Disney/Cartoon Theme, Scariest Theme, Halloween Theme. Call (480) 362-7740 for more information. See ad on page 12 for entry details.

29 HALLOWEEN SPOOKTACULAR HOT AIR BALLOON FESTIVAL,

Join us Friday, October 29th from 5:00pm to 9:30pm for the most exciting Halloween event the Valley has ever seen!!! Bring the entire family to experience Halloween in a fun and safe environment. Over 20 Hot Air Balloons on display and passing out over 4,000 pounds of candy to Trick-or-Treaters, live music, food and beverage, a FREE Kids Zone with over 30 inflatable slides and attractions, costume contest, vendor market, tethered balloon rides, fireworks, and much more. Please note that balloons will begin coming down before the event time is over. There will be no refunds issued if you arrive after balloons are deflated. Arrive early to ensure maximum happiness! (\$4 of every event ticket is designated for park-

ing expenses).

30 FALL FESTIVAL TRUNK OR TREAT,

4-6 p.m., Spooky Drive Thru at the Salt River High School, Athletic North Parking Lot. Call (480) 362-7740 for more information. See ad on page 13 for more details.

31 DEADLINE TO APPLY FOR OCTOBER 2021 BOARD VACANCIES.

Vacancies include: Saddleback Communications, Gaming Enterprise, Salt River Landfill, Salt River School Education Board, Miss Salt River Committee, Law Enforcement Commission. For questions, contact the Council Secretary at (480) 362-7466 or 362-7465 or 362-7400. See ad on page 16 for more details on board vacancies.

NOVEMBER

12 Don't miss your opportunity to become a Poker Dealer at Casino Arizona or Talking Stick Resort.

POKER ORIENTATION, 10 a.m. - noon. Required to advance to classes. All events held at the Casino Arizona Human Resources Office, 8900 E. Chaparral Rd., Scottsdale, AZ 85256. For more information, please call Lisa Miguel at (480) 850-7761 or Rebecca Tenorio at (480) 850-5473. See ad on page 11 for additional information.

15-18 VIRTUAL JOURNEY TO WELLNESS 2021,

5:30 p.m., SRPMIC Diabetes Prevention Invites you to Virtual Journey to Wellness 2021, Community Event. Get registered now. Prizes for participating. A virtual education week to learn new idea for movement, personal wellness tips, & healthy choices. Monday - Thursday. Special session on men's health on Wed 11/17. Motivational speakers, Cooking Demos, Online Workouts, Goodie bags for ALL, strategies for change and health tips. Register at FITNESSFEST.

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28 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

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