



Notah Begay III holds clinics at Southern Dunes

Story and photos by C. Picciuolo

Four-time PGA Tour winner and current NBC Sports and Golf Channel commentator Notah Begay III hosted two free one-hour golf clinics on Saturday, August 10 at Ak-Chin Southern Dunes Golf Club.

The first clinic started at 8am, addressing children aged 16 and under about body size, posture and grip. Begay told a story about how he once had the nickname "T-Rex" because his arms are shorter for a golf player. No doubt, he overcame that and has had an exceptionally successful career.

After his introduction, the youth were separated into groups and Begay went down the line and spent time with each kid, showing pointers on stance and swing while they practiced driving the golf balls.

Next, groups were switched up and Begay showed the children how to putt and chip from the fringe.

"It was really nice, I never thought I would meet him. He talked to me about having the ball lined up between my legs and he helped me fix my swing by telling me to straighten my legs out and keep them close," said Zach Garcia, one of the youths who benefited from Begay's lessons.

Pate Justin was also on hand to receive pointers from Begay, and she told the Runner, "I was really excited to meet Notah because he is Navajo and I am Navajo and I really wanted to learn from him (about) the things I need to practice on. I was really happy that he came to Southern Dunes Golf Club because I always practice here and I never thought a famous golfer would come to this course, so I was really surprised and happy to meet him."

Begay took a break in the shade to have a few media interviews and when that was over, he repeated the same



PGA pro and TV analyst Notah Begay shows off his chip shot skills as youth gather around and soak up the information during the first half of the golf clinics at Ak-Chin Southern Dunes Golf Club.

clinic for adults, who eagerly awaited his presence to help them with their game.

He talked to the group about his time at Stanford University, where he earned a degree in Economics in addition to earning All-American honors three times,

led the golf team to a National Championship and roomed with Tiger Woods.

Overall, the event was a success and Begay thanked Southern Dunes staff for running a smooth event. His experience as the only full-blooded Native American to

have played on the PGA Tour has given him special insight to Native communities and the sport of golf.

"I think that one of the biggest challenges for Tribal leaders across Indian Country is to recognize legitimate opportunities when they're

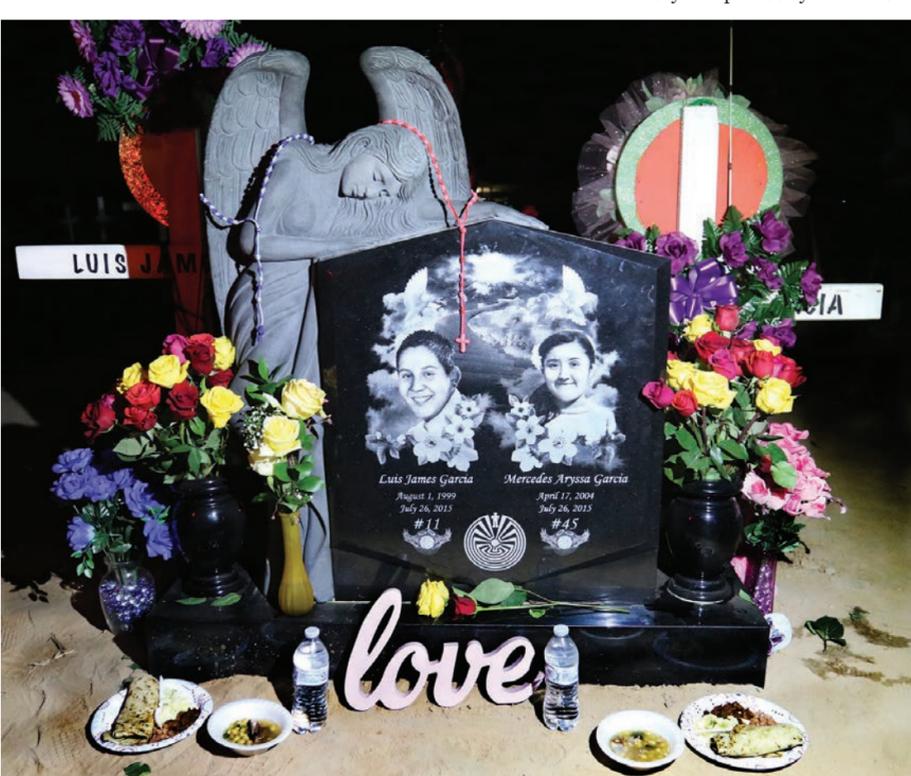
presented to them and I think that Chairman Miguel and the Council recognized that golf is an opportunity and I've known that for a long time, golf has given me so much," said Begay.

Ak-Chin Chairman Robert Miguel was present for

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Family still healing after 4th memorial for Luis and Mercedes Garcia

Story and photos by R. Peters



Family and friends honor two young and beautiful angels, Luis James Garcia and Mercedes Aryssa Garcia with a new headstone, on Saturday, July 27. The headstone placement was also blessed during the 4th Memorial services and candle lighting ceremony that took place at Ak-Chin Recreation earlier in the day.

On Saturday, July 27, an emotional gathering was held at Ak-Chin Recreation. As rattles and songs echoed in the rafters, supporters came out to pay their respects and honor the memory of Luis James Garcia and Mercedes Aryssa Garcia.

The memorial was held to honor the two youths who were tragically taken from their families and the

community on July 26, 2015.

Mother, Della White has struggled immensely over the years; as do her children Jalen and Mariella Garcia who were also in the accident. However, she has had a great support system that has helped her and her family heal.

We asked Della if she would like to share her memories

and events that took place during the memorials, which were set up to honor her children in prayer, as well as a memorial basketball tournament which helped raise funds to purchase a headstone for Luis and Mercedes.

"Oh my gosh over the years my sisters, my mom, our kids, close friends, my brother, husband and I worked so

Council Member Lisa Garcia elected Chair of Quail Run

Ak-Chin Tribal Council Member Lisa Garcia was elected as Chairperson on the Board of Directors for Quail Run Building Materials, Inc. during the annual board meeting held on Thursday, August 8, 2019.

Lisa Garcia is one of five directors on the Board for Quail Run Building Materials, Inc.



In January of 2013, the Ak-Chin Community partnered with Quail Run Building Materials, Inc. by purchasing 51% of the company.

Quail Run is located in north Phoenix and manufactures cold formed steel building components, specializing in high quality galvanized commercial and residential steel framing.

hard to raise money for this year and when it all came down to the very last days they all put in work to help me get everything together. From the very beginning they were all such a big help."

Why was the 4th memorial so special and what did the candle and ribbon ceremony signify?

I remember listening to my Auntie Sally at my Grandma Juanita's last memorial explaining that after four years it was time for us to let her go and let her continue her journey to be with all the others who have passed on in paradise.

I remember her telling us that when we untie that ribbon we were letting her go so she can go on her way. I think this is why I had such a hard time undoing my ribbon. Although, I don't want my babies to suffer and be held back it was and still is just

so extremely hard for me to come to realize that they are actually gone.

The fourth year is when we are to let our loved one's journey on to their next destination. When we are all to move on. It's crazy that this year Mercedes' dog Sparkle passed away and Luis' dog Dizzy is on his way out as well. I held on to them not wanting to let them go because I felt some sort of comfort when they were near me. Like I still had a piece of them with me, but now this year as they also left us I realized I have to let them go too.

Maybe the kids wanted to take them with them on their journey. I've always thought that when I knew I had to let the dogs go.

How was the headstone chosen and who did the artwork for it?

Choosing the headstone was extremely hard for me. When I finally decided to go we ran into a problem. The guy that we were going to meet with had a family emergency and had to leave so we couldn't meet up with him. I felt a little sigh of relief as I didn't know how I was going to handle it. I wasn't around for any of the planning (of) the kid's services and I thank God for my sister and family who put that together for me; as I seen how hard this was to put together I can't imagine how hard the original services planning must have been.

The time was coming closer and I knew we had to go and choose a headstone as soon as we could. So, a few days before I left for Hawaii I asked my sisters and my brother to go for me. I just couldn't get myself to do it. So, they went along with Mariella and took care of everything for me. I think

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Best of Luck Kristina on Your New Journey



Runner photojournalist Kristina Morago celebrates her last day with a delicious cake. Kristina's party was attended by many Community members, family, former and current Runner staff and other Ak-Chin employees.

Ak-Chin Runner staff members offered farewell and good luck wishes to long-time photojournalist, Kristina Morago, as her final day of working for the Ak-Chin Indian Community came to a close on Friday, August 2.

Kristina began working with Ak-Chin on September 3, 2008. During her tenure she has provided the community many valuable attributes, such as her longstanding relationship with the Community, surrounding tribes and key insights to

tribal government. She was an excellent photographer who captured thousands of photos as well as hundreds of articles all geared to covering the Community, through her thoughtful and respectful writings and viewpoints.

Up to her last days, Kristina kept busy, ensuring everything was in order before her departure, including the last issue of the Runner, which would have been near impossible to complete without her. During that week she also took the

time to share and reflect with the community, via email.

July 29 email:

Good afternoon all,

As I work on pages of the Ak-Chin Runner that will be out on Friday, I wanted to take a moment to inform you all that it is also my last issue. I will be leaving my position as photojournalist at the Runner. My last day in the office is this Thursday, August 1.

I have accepted a position with my tribe, the Gila River Indian Community. No words can express my gratitude and appreciation for the opportunity Ak-Chin Indian Community gave me nearly 11 years ago. I felt welcomed at day one and have been humbled to be a part of an amazing work family.

The years here have been incredibly rewarding. Covering events in and outside the Community, it has been a joy capturing those moments behind the lens and sharing/writing stories for Ak-Chin. I leave thousands, (someone estimates possibly a million :) of digital images and hundreds of stories that capture some of Ak-Chin's history, preserved for future generations.

During my time here, I have witnessed a generation of youth grow up and seen a generation of adults become elders. I have also seen the Ak-Chin O'odham Runner grow,

and to see the Community itself grow, I know prosperity will continue.

I would like to thank current and past Tribal Councils for providing equipment and support to the Runner, to current and past Runner staffs, including our summer youth workers - I want to name you all, thank you for the laughs, support during deadlines and all that makes the Runner what it has become.

To everyone I have come in contact with - departments, elders, members of the Community, I have enjoyed working with all of you. Being just a sister tribe away, I plan to keep in touch!

With no O'odham word for good-bye, I say "dep om'nei." Wishing you, the Runner and the Ak-Chin Indian Community all the best.

Sincerely, Kristina "Gov"

The Ak-Chin Runner invited other departments for a lunch celebration on Thursday, August 1, even bringing back former staff that came to recognize Kristina's contributions. Her sisters Johanna and Carole also stopped by for the merriment.

Guests at the party not only enjoyed a potluck meal with cake, but also wrote words of encouragement to Kristina on a large banner made by the Runner graphics artists.

Ak-Chin Chairman Robert Miguel took Kristina out to a farewell lunch earlier in the week and called in from out-of-state to share parting thoughts on behalf of the Community that Thursday as Ak-Chin Council member Delia Carlyle presented an award of appreciation for years of service to "Gov."

"Council member Carlyle was the first person I met from Ak-Chin when I would do site visits to the summer youth workers many years ago, back in the late 80's. Seeing her strength, leadership and love for her Community back then and now, I was humbled to receive the award from her," Kristina said.

Another special moment at the party came from the youth. After their high school day ended, Isaiah and Kaylan Peters brought Kristina flowers. "I was truly touched," she said. "The two are some of the many children in the Community I was able to photograph with my camera. To see them and others striving to live their best young lives, it's my hope that they and others reach and achieve their dreams."

Asked what her last story for the Runner was, "it was the Community Gathering," she answered. Her last Runner Request was an order for photographs and video for Marilyn at the main office. It was delivering the order where she received best wishes from Ak-Chin Vice-

Chairman Gabriel Lopez, who reminded her that it's not good-bye, but til we see you again.

"I can't tell you how appreciative I am to Ak-Chin for the opportunity to share your stories and history. I felt like my family became extended at the Runner, starting with my fellow photojournalist at the time, now Chairman Bob. To see him transition from his previous role to leading the Community, I'm proud of how he has maintained his O'odham Him-dak while working toward a vision of making Ak-Chin better for future generations."

From him I earned the nickname "Gov" and from the Community, I was given my O'odham name and I am forever grateful."

Leaving the office, Kristina and her family headed to sunny California to enjoy a weekend of Dallas Cowboys Training Camp in Oxnard, CA north of Los Angeles, before starting into her new role as Public Involvement Specialist for the Pima-Maricopa Irrigation Project (PMIP). The project is responsible for designing and constructing an irrigation delivery system to provide water, primarily agricultural, reservation wide.

We wish Kristina the best of luck on her new journey and look forward to a visit from the "Gov" soon!

Spotlight on Elder Chair Volleyball

Elder chair volleyball is an important sports activity for many members of the Ak-Chin Indian Community. While at the Parks and Recreation gym on Friday, August 9, I was invited to sit in with three members of the Mighty Turtles, one of three Ak-Chin teams who get together to play in tournaments; including the Lizards (Hu:hu:jud) and team 55+.

George Lewis is the Mighty Turtles team captain and has a contagious, cheerful personality. George's main role on the team is to keep teammates on the same page and follow the rules of the game; he has an excellent serve as well.



Mighty Turtles players George Lewis, Phyllis Lewis, and Connie Santiago practice elder chair volleyball.

Phyllis Lewis, who is George's wife, was joined on the other side of the net by Connie Santiago; both of whom have powerful volleys and sharp return skills. Phyllis has had a rough road the past couple of years, recently getting around in a wheelchair while in cancer remission. She said that her

doctor gave her clearance to play the game that she loves and means so much to her.

The team has been through a lot, as a few short years ago team member Marcella Lewis passed away. "This really made us stick together, more determined to carry on, because this is what she

would have wanted," said Phyllis.

Despite the tragic obstacles, the Mighty Turtles teammates have shown resolve and strength in sticking together, determined to keep going. The team has raised funds to buy their own t-shirts, lodging, food and rental vehicles for tournament travel, all while competing at a high level against other Community teams.

"We have a lot of clout on our team because we have Mildred (Narcia) and she is 82 now," said Phyllis. "She's healthier than most of us."

George Lewis said that the competition has changed

Story and photos by C. Picciuolo

since he first started playing in the elderly program in Communities such as in Yuma, Tucson, and at the Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation.

"You gotta keep up with everybody else. You have competitors out there that are more advanced in the game, so they want to win

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Eduardo Villanueva Hernandez, 77, of Maricopa AZ, passed away peacefully at his home on July 30, 2019. He was preceded in death by his parents, Ignacio and Maria Hernandez; brothers Ike, Reymundo, Luis, and Daniel; and sisters Rose (Galindo), Sally (Vega), and Beatriz (Salinas). He is the beloved husband of Alicia Margarita Hernandez of Maricopa; son Rafael Cruz Hernandez (Anne Elizabeth Whitacre) of Gilbert; and daughters Andrea Hernandez Holm (Garett) of Tucson; Sara Sheehan of Stanfield; and Veronica Hernandez Sanchez (Gilbert) of Maricopa. He will be dearly missed by his grandchildren Ezikiel and Joaquin Holm; Adrianna, Vanessa, and Terra Sheehan; and Julian (Nataly), Estrella, and Michael Sanchez. He is survived by his beloved twin sister Mary Helen Tye of Danville, CA. Mr. Hernandez also leaves behind his brothers- and sisters-in-law, and many loved Hernandez, Villanueva, Tarango, and Prieto family members. Originally from Texas, Mr. Hernandez grew up in Casa Grande, where he was fondly known as "Eddie" by family members and friends. He worked hard throughout his entire life, from his time as a migrant farm worker as a young man until his retirement from law enforcement. Mr. Hernandez proudly served his country in the U.S. Army,

and later went on to work in civil engineering. He also served in law enforcement in the communities of Central Arizona with great pride and love for the people there, including Casa Grande, Maricopa, Eloy, Stanfield, Gila River and Ak-Chin. Throughout his life he was an advocate of equality for all people and he actively participated in the United Farm Workers efforts for equal pay and rights for laborers. He will be remembered for his fair treatment of all and especially his willingness to help those in need. Mr. Hernandez was an artist who loved to draw and sketch. His drawings were his calling cards and he was quick to share them with others, leaving behind a record of memories and moments to be treasured. His greatest joy was to be surrounded by his loved ones in his home, where he could hear the laughter of his grandchildren playing and enjoy the Arizona desert that was so dear to his heart.

Flower Making Session

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

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

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

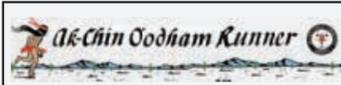
Place:
Him-Dak Art Building

TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED:
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MENU

<p>Friday August 16 Turkey sandwich, macaroni salad, chips, ice cream sandwich</p> <p>Monday August 19 Pinto beans, ground beef w/zucchini, (D) salad, corn bread, peaches</p> <p>Tuesday August 20 Ground beef burritos, carrots, wax beans, pears</p> <p>Wednesday August 21 Sandwich bar, pea salad, cookies</p> <p>Thursday August 22 Squash casserole, brown rice, salad, crackers, grapes</p> <p>Friday August 23 Breakfast, scrambled eggs, bacon, potatoes,</p>	<p>sausage, biscuit, fresh fruit Doors will open at 8:15</p> <p>Monday August 26 Baked chicken, wild rice, asparagus, rolls, baked apples</p> <p>Tuesday August 27 Lunch catered</p> <p>Wednesday August 28 Red chili stew, Normandy vegetables, wheat chumath, apple crisp</p> <p>Thursday August 29 Salad bar, potato soup, Jello-O</p> <p>Friday August 30 Lima beans, turkey w/ gravy (D), wheat rolls, broccoli, tropical fruit</p>
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1st day at Ak-Chin Child Development

Ak-Chin Child Development started their first day back at school on Monday August 11th. Here are a few photos of the children enjoying their time at the preschool.

Photos by J. Peters and L. Peters



Jonah Dickerson Kieran Yarberr Alexis Garcia Benjamin King Harlee Jose



Mason Laborin Summer Fowler Dallyss Peters Natalie Serratos Mylaunah Robles



Eleazar Baptisto Sky Gonzalez Mason Miguel Joesph Cantu and Maddox Brown

July Community Meeting

Article by Runner Staff and Photos by J. Peters

On July 29, members gathered at the Ak-Chin Service Center for the monthly community meeting and council updates; after an opening prayer given by Yolanda Miranda members took their seats to begin the meeting. Throughout the meeting everyone was welcomed to grab a bite to eat, as pizza, beverages and desert was available.

First on the agenda was Community Operations Manager Bart Smith who began by saying "It looks like we're going to meet the deadline for the welling...at the surface water treatment plant," slated for October 31. He also shared that there were two alternatives just in case something happens during the time the water will be shutdown. Plans are to reactivate the village well and fill up the reservoir to provide water for the community. "Those are going to always be the two alternatives that will be there

regardless; just another way we can have water available to the community at any time if something does occur."

The next items he talked about were two road projects, the Antone Avenue project and Ak-Chin Parkway and Smith Rd. project. The Antone Avenue project will consist of resurfacing the road that exists around the homes on Antone Avenue and putting in a pathway that will provide access to Ultra Star. Concrete fencing and a monument sign will also be erected at the entryway on Juan St. Construction is scheduled to begin in November or December.

Ak-Chin Parkway and Smith Rd. still has some irrigation issues that need to be resolved. Once completed, Smith Rd. will give direct access to the cultural resource building and extend to the

Sanitation Department, if needed, as well as provide access to the new tribal buildings, future homesites and possible fire expansion.

The new Health and Human Services Director Pamela Thompson greeted everyone with a friendly smile as she greeted everyone, "Good Evening Ak-Chin Indian Community." She then handed out a pamphlet and provided a brief profile of the Health and Human Services Department that included department contact information of all staff members, areas of expertise and a profile of the services they provide.

She expanded on staff duties and informed about their transportation services for individual counseling, substance abuse group meetings, AA meetings, and parent-teacher conferences at school. "Once a week we go to the DES office for anyone who needs transportation



Health and Human Services Director Pamela Thompson speaks to the community

there." Thompson shared.

She also talked about the social services offered; general assistance, burial assistance, home maker services, adult and child welfare CPS child protective services, adult protective services, sheltered care for children, foster care, child and adult care and case management.

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AUGUST 30, 2019
Please submit all announcements, wishes, etc. no later than **FRIDAY, AUGUST 30, 2019**
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August 23, 2019
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Lite Lunch with
Cake & Ice Cream

Hope to see you there!

SAVE the DATE: Saturday, September 28, 2019

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

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

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

- Fun Run/Walk (start at Youth Council/Enrollment Bldg. (Old Fire Station), sign ups at 7:30am start at 8am)
- Dance Group Performances • Artist Demonstrations
- Information Booths • Food Vendors • Arts & Craft Vendors
- Watermelon Contest • Bouncy House • Face Painting

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

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Hip, Hip BLU-RAY

Photos by J. Peters

Gather the family and grab the popcorn, Ak-Chin Library now has a selection of your favorite films in super high definition!

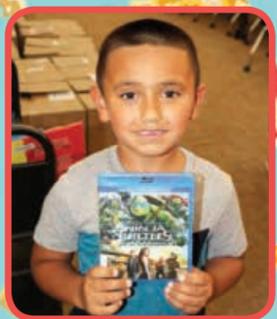
On Thursday August 8th, the library announced that Blu-Ray movies were now available to rent, with that they threw a special promotion for the first six people to come in and checkout a movie.

Those six lucky people received a box full of movie time goodies such as soda, candy, and of course popcorn! All Blu-Ray movies are available for checkout, adults are allowed to check out two movies at a time. Head on over to the library for your next cinematic adventure.

If you have any questions please call the Library at: (520) 568-1675.



Truant Officer Liane Iglesias was one of the first to receive a box of treats from the library.



Daniel Estrada has chosen his Blu Ray!



Celeste Ruelas picks her favorites, Deadpool and Annabelle.

Family Art Night at Him-Dak

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Families had a chance to create art on August 6 and 8, during the Family Art Night event at the Him Dak Art building. Art Building employees Waylon Antone, Amber Antone and Jeanette Peters led the projects for the families and different stations were made available for all ages. Each station was at a separate location, so families were able to go around and try out different projects.

On August 6, the art projects included a pipe cleaner sculpture, puzzle pieces, crayon watercolor painting, Styrofoam printmaking, and creating tiny people out of wood pieces and paint.

Also going on at the same time was the Flower Making Gathering, where Community members cut out tissue paper and made it into flowers to put on a wreath to place at Ak-Chin gravesites on All Souls Day.

On August 8, the Art Program brought everyone together for the final wrap up of projects to end the two-week Family Art Night sessions. Putting their final details on their work, families were able to create various projects in the artistic sessions and spend the evening together painting and creating beautiful works of art.

Stay tuned for the next session announcement from the Art Building.

An example of the pipe cleaner sculptures, one of the many art sessions that families were able to take part in at Family Art Night at the Him-Dak Art Building.



This family is in the process of creating some incredible projects together.

Maria Carlyle-Zepeda, her daughter Brenley Hackney and husband Armando Zepeda enjoy Family Art Night.



Cecily Peters and Brianna Peters show their finished painting projects.

WASH AWAY FINES

July 18th - Aug 31st

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

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Pamela then shared the behavioral health services offered; individual counseling, group counseling and substance abuse counseling. "We do work closely with our HR Department if there are employees that are needing our services."

She also talked about their budget, where funding comes from and how it is applied to their services. "60% of the budget is coming from BIA federal self-governance that covers GA and burial for members of federal recognized tribes. This is for anyone that is in the area, they can come here and receive burial services from the BIA dollars that we receive." Ak-Chin also provides a separate one for members, she shared. Home maker services also come from the BIA budget, "as well as shelter care which takes the majority of those dollars. Our tribal budget is 40% of our total budget."

Pamela then focused on activities that they are collaborating with alongside Ak-Chin Recreation and Health Education, such as gathering food for families, Girls night out, scheduled in November and Walk a Mile in Her Shoes which is in October. She also shared how they are working on groups and committees, in addition to providing support at functions like NABI and a Warrior program, geared to help young people with suicide prevention.

Leslie Carlyle-Burnett, Elder Center Director took the spotlight and began with her introduction, sharing that she has been working in the position for almost five years now. She handed out a pack of papers as a follow along guide to her presentation. In the handbook was the Elder Center Mission

statement, which she shared, as well as the programs involved at the elder center.

A care giver section, transportation section, and congregate meal program were a few Leslie mentioned. She then went on to explain what happens when you become an elder, "You become an elder when you turn 55." She goes on to inform the membership about filling out an intake form for all those who turn 55.

"If you're unable to get around in home that gives an idea to help you with other programs or get you connected with areas or agencies that can help." The intake forms provided at the center include basic information; once completed the elder is enrolled in the program. Everything is kept confidential, under lock and key.

She also talked about the Title VI program, and Title III programs that assist with congregate meals and transportation.

Next, was Ak-Chin Fire Department Division Chief- Emergency Management Glenn Booth, who opened with a greeting and provided an update on projects presented at the previous community meeting, ongoing projects that have moved forward, newer programs incorporated and existing programs.

Boothe introduced the electronic patient care reporting system, and briefly described how the patient charts; medical calls and billing processes that used to take up to 90 days for reimbursement on certain items; will now be contracted with an EMS billing contractor with the new patient care reporting

system. Through IT and all the security safe guards the billing vendor is now able to receive the charts electronically and log into the Ak-Chin system under a secure network so they can see the charts and implement the bill processing for reimbursement within 24 hours of submission. They are currently in the middle phase, and haven't gone 100%, as they have encountered some technical issues.

He further explained how Paramedics utilized tablets for EMS medical services patient care program, which will replace paper charts, and also has the ability to connect to the automatic defibrillator which monitors; vital signs, EKG, heart rate and then transfers everything over with this program via Bluetooth connection. Even though there have been technical issues with the Microsoft and the Bluetooth connections, they are going to start implementing this program and will have soon have the rest of the paramedics onboard, instead of them doing half and half paper charts and going back to the station to input data manually into the computer.

"It was a disappointment to learn some of the wireless technology didn't work... we also talked to some other fire departments that do the same thing and this was their solution too so we just got a cable."

Boothe then shared a picture of the Ak-Chin Indian Community Command of Communications, aka the command trailer which is getting a phone system installed, with the help of IS. They are also soliciting a bid process for the new community radio system which they are exciting about implementing, Community

Calling All Jewelry/Arts Vendors

October 21-25

Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino

If you have any questions, please contact Vanessa Martinez at 760-651-5151 or at vanessam@sanpasqualtribe.org.



ATTENTION:

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

What you need:

- Complete Enrollment Application
- Certified Birth Certificate
- Social Security Card
- Marriage License (If applicable)
- Notarized Affidavit (If applicable)

All forms can be filled out at the Enrollment Office.

Please keep contact information updated.

IE: Change of Name, Marriage, Divorce, Change of Address & Contact Numbers.

Please bring any supporting documents.

IE: Court Documents

REMINDER: \$5.00 Fee for ID replacement.

BEWARE It's against the law to use someone's or sell your Tribal ID cards. These cards have your personal information on them. **PLEASE TAKE CARE OF IT.**

AK-CHIN TRIBAL ENROLLMENT
 (520) 568-1029 or (520) 568-1074
Mailing Address: 42507 W. Peters & Nail Road, Maricopa, AZ. 85138
Physical Address: 16472 North Maricopa Road, Maricopa, AZ. 85139
 (Corner of Farrell & SR 347 (Old Fire Station))

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AUGUST COMMUNITY CALENDAR

AUGUST 2019

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

ELDER CENTER INFORMATION

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

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

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

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

LIBRARY INFORMATION

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

LIBRARY HOURS

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

RECREATION INFORMATION

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

Calendar Subject to Change



EDUCATION

GED Schedule

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



ELDER CENTER

AUGUST 16

Elder Check Day

Elder Shopping & Errands 1pm

AUGUST 19

Elder Shopping & Errands 1pm

AUGUST 20

Goodwill Shopping

AUGUST 21

Movies

AUGUST 22

Bingo hosted by Oasis Pavilion

AUGUST 23

Craft w/ The Library
 Elder Shopping & Errands 1pm

AUGUST 26

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

AUGUST 27

Council Updates

AUGUST 28

Caregiver Support Meeting 11am

AUGUST 30

Elder Shopping & Errands 1pm



LIBRARY

AUGUST 16TH

Elder Crafts 11am-12pm

AUGUST 17TH

Japan Pop 12pm-2pm

AUGUST 20TH

Elder Coloring 9am-10am

AUGUST 21ST

KRAFTZ 2:30pm-4:30pm
 Game Hacker 4:15pm-5:30pm

AUGUST 23RD

Family Board Game 5:30pm-7pm

Library closes at 5pm

AUGUST 24TH

Japan Pop 12pm-2pm

AUGUST 28TH

KRAFTZ 2:30pm-4:30pm
 Game Hacker 4:15pm-5:30pm

AUGUST 30TH-31ST

Library Closes 5pm



PARKS & REC

AUGUST 16

Elder Chair
 Volleyball Practice 8am to 12pm
 Open Gym 12pm to 5pm

AUGUST 17TH

Open Gym 11am -3pm
 Weight Room
 Members Only

AUGUST 18TH

Open Gym 11am -3pm
 Weight Room
 Members Only

AUGUST 19TH

Elder Chair
 Volleyball practice 8am to 12pm
 Open Gym 12pm to 9pm

AUGUST 20TH

Open Gym 8am to 5pm
 Co-ed Youth Volleyball Practice 5:30 pm -8:30 pm

AUGUST 21ST

Elder Chair
 Volleyball Practice 8am to 12pm
 Open Gym 12pm to 8:30pm

AUGUST 22ND

Open Gym 8am to 8:30pm

AUGUST 23RD

Elder Chair
 Volleyball Practice 8am to 12pm
 Open Gym 12pm to 5pm

AUGUST 24TH

Open Gym 11am to 3pm
 Weight Room
 Members only

AUGUST 25TH

Open Gym 11am -3pm
 Weight Room
 Members Only

AUGUST 26TH

Elder Chair
 Volleyball Practice 8am to 12pm
 Open Gym 12pm to 9pm

AUGUST 27TH

Open Gym 8am to 5pm
 Co-ed Youth Volleyball Practice 5:30 pm -8:30 pm

AUGUST 28TH

Elder Chair
 Volleyball practice 8am to 12pm
 Co-ed Youth Volleyball Practice 5:30 pm -8:30 pm

AUGUST 29TH

Open Gym 8am to 5pm
 Co-ed Youth Volleyball Practice 5:30 pm -8:30 pm

AUGUST 30TH

Elder Chair
 Volleyball Practice 8am to 12pm
 Open Gym 12pm to 5pm

AUGUST 31ST

Open Gym 11am -3pm
 Weight Room
 Members Only

New Pool Hours
Wednesday through Friday
2:00pm - 7:00pm

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Elder Center Director Leslie Carlyle-Burnett.

Aided Call Handling (CACH), so when someone calls the police department for assistance, CAHC will provide a standardized way to for dispatchers to ask questions in an orderly form for every single call. With this particular program it prompts everything; there are going to be training projects and courses over the year on the CACH program.

They will also be teaming up with IS (who will be in charge of doing license management)

and Ak-Chin Police to get things implemented, working as a team to move forward.

The community purchased the Command Trailer with 2016 Tribal Homeland Security grant program that went through a bid process in Tempe. Since its implementation, it has been used for larger scale events like Masik Tas, the Him-Dak events, and Fourth of July. Boothe is reaching out to all the directors to ensure that these assets are available to them for use.

Boothe finished up by discussing more on the command trailer, its amenities, current radio system, proposed new radio system, and recent department uses and requests from out of the community.

After a break, Chairman Robert Miguel and present council members provided their council updates to wrap up the July Community meeting. Chairman's updates included; the water

litigation outcome with Central Arizona District, visit from Democratic National Committee Chair Tom Perez, attending ITCA Retreat, how



Division Chief/ Emergency Management Glenn Boothe.

methamphetamine continues to destroy communities around Indian Country.

Although Councilmember Delia Carlyle was not present she had submitted her updates for the Chairman to read, her following updates included her report on AIGA retreat, attending

the Self-Governance Tribal conference in Washington D.C.

Next, Vice-Chairman Gabriel Lopez gave updates on; summer youth programs celebrations, visit from the Arizona State Treasurer Kimberly Yee, attending the Bahidag harvesting at the Him-Dak Ki, attending cultural sensitivity at Maricopa High School, and attending the Tohono O'odham Inebriation with Council member Lisa Garcia.

Council member Lisa Garcia was last to present, her updates included; attending the ribbon cutting ceremony for the Maricopa Overpass with the Chairman, attending the summer youth program celebration, the upcoming state issues drivers k, attended the ribbon cutting of new native school in Laveen.

With her fianl update the community meeting had come to a end and the monthly raffle winners were announced.

**Ak-Chin members!
Don't forget to mark
your calendars for the
next Community Meeting**

September 30th!

**Ak-Chin Service Center
6 PM**

NEW LIFE Ak-Chin Church

Where the full gospel is preached

Schedule of Services

Sunday School for adults and children
10:00 a.m.
Morning and evening church service is at
11:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.
in the Ak-Chin Service Center Complex

*Do you need a ride to church?
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Johnny Stephens 520-705-3052
Carlos Marin 520-560-2679*

2019

COMMUNITY GATHERING
October 24, 2019

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

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

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

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

Presented by the Cultural Resource Program Staff

Healthy Parenting Education and Support Group

Ak-Chin Health and Human Services

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

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

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

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

AUGUST 2019 Schedule

Sunday Mass at 12 noon
August 18- Fr. Antony Tinker
August 25 - Fr. Antony Tinker

ANNOUNCEMENTS

August 17, 10am
CCOE Meeting- St. Anthony- Sacaton

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

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The Cowboy Lifestyle Network is the Online Western Enthusiast Social Hub.
A community that pursues the western lifestyle and lives the cowboy ideal.





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the clinic, along with Vice Chairman Gabriel Lopez and Council Member Lisa Garcia.

“The clinic provided by Notah Begay, which included a session for children and adults, was first class. A number of participants attended and everyone seemed to enjoy

the clinic, which had Notah give great tips on putting, chipping, driving, and proper positioning,” said Miguel.

“Mr. Begay is a great person and it was an honor to have one of the most decorated and memorable Native American sports figures come out to Ak-Chin and give golf lessons. Notah really enjoyed

being out in Ak-Chin. He recalled that it been almost 7 or 8 years since he’s been out here. He rated staff and the Southern Dunes golf course first class and stated that he would be back in hopes of working on another project or two involving golf with the community.”

Above, left to right: Brandon Peters, head golf professional Jerrin Woodrow, associate golf professional Amanda Meyers, food and beverage manager Ryan Brandt, general manager at Laughlin Ranch Golf Club JC Wright, outside service supervisor Ryan Graham, sales & marketing manager Devin Lowe, Vice Chairman Gabriel Lopez, Notah Begay III, Chairman Robert Miguel, Council Member Lisa Garcia, general manager PGA Brady Wilson and assistant superintendent Nathan Moore. Below: Begay teaches a clinic to adult golfers.

Volleyball continued from page 2



Mighty Turtles give it their all during practice at Ak-Chin Parks and Recreation gym.

the trophies,” he said. Elder chair volleyball has an age limit of 55 years old and up, and players have to stay seated with their feet on the floor. Various Communities have different home court rules.

The Mighty Turtles currently have eight players on the roster. Other players who represent the team are George’s brother Kenneth Lewis, Linda Jose, Wanda White Eyes, Analita Laborin, Lena Cypriano and Fred Antone.

When asked what the ability to play elder chair basketball means to him, George said, “It’s meeting other people that we know who we have gotten close to. It’s meeting

friends, you get around and everybody meets one another. Everybody says hi, handshakes, hugs and everything.”

“So, it’s real nice getting out there until we get into the court then we play against one another, you know,” he laughed.

Carmen Narcia, team captain of team 55+, said that she tells her team to focus on the enjoyment of the game, not just to win. Team 55+ doesn’t practice at the Recreation gym because of conflicting work hours, but they try to get together as much as possible.

“The reason we play is to have fun,” said Narcia. “We try to be uplifted by the true enjoyment of playing and we don’t get mad at each other if we lose.”

Other players on team 55+ are Evalina Lopez, Jenny Holsen, Bernadette White, Florinda Peters, Marlene Garcia, Ruby Smith, Florine Vincent and Irene Arrendondo.

I also spoke to Virginia Zepeda, who is the team captain for Hu:hu:jud, which

means “lizards.” Zepeda said, “It’s good to travel and play other elders, to exercise and meet new people.”

Teammate Genevieve Miguel said that the Lizards were able to attend their furthest tournament, which was at Viejas Casino near San Diego, California. The team won a championship in 2017 at Fort Mojave.

The Lizards have six regular players total, with the other four being Carol Lopez, Janice Perez, Lernelene Peters and Glenna Francisco. The Lizards will be playing in a tournament at Avi Casino in Laughlin, Nevada, August 19-22.

The Mighty Turtles meet Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings at the Rec gym and play their next tournaments on September 7 at Santa Rose Village in Tohono O’odham Nation, September 18 at District 1 (Blackwater) at Gila River Indian Community and September 20 here at Ak-Chin.



“I think that one of the biggest challenges for Tribal leaders across Indian Country is to recognize legitimate opportunities when they’re presented to them and I think that Chairman Miguel and the Council recognized that golf is an opportunity(...)”

- Notah Begay III



Zach Garcia enjoys an intimate moment with Notah, who is teaching him proper golf swing form and stance. Notah went down the line as kids eagerly awaited his pro tips while teeing up. Garcia said, “He talked to me about having the ball lined up between my legs and he helped me fix my swing by telling me to straighten my legs out and keep them close.”

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A touching poem on the backside of the headstone with heavenly photos of Luis and Mercedes.

they did an awesome job!

The gentleman where we purchased the headstone done all the designing. We just provided him with pictures, the poem and an idea of what I wanted. He took care of the rest. I knew for sure I wanted the picture of Luis braiding Mercedes hair on there. To me, it signifies that hopefully

he’s still taking care of his little sister till this day, just in a different place.

How do you and your family want this memorial to be remembered?

I just want my children to be able to be happy wherever they may be. I tried my best here on earth to make sure they were always taken care of and were always happy

with smiles on their beautiful faces. I hope they may continue being happy, with this memorial being the last I pray they can go on their way. Just to let them be free, let them be happy. As hard as it may be I always have and always will want the best for my babies.

What are your most special memories that will always give you comfort when thinking of them?

I remember days before my babies left this world we cruised to Auntie Tanya’s house to pick up the truck. We left Jalen and Mariella behind it was just Mercedes, Luis and I. Mercedes and I sat with Tanya and the kids while Luis and David took a cruise to pick something up... I think just an excuse for Luis to drive the car lol... after they returned we said our see you later.

As we were leaving Luis asked if he could drive the car back instead of the truck. I of course gave him a hard time and Sadie tells me, “Gah mom just let him drive. He thinks he’s cool” lol... I told her, “ok, c’mon let’s go then. Jump in the truck.”

Luis immediately grabs his baby sister, puts his arm around her and tells me, “Let her go with me mom. I need

her.” Me looking at him in total disbelief lol only because they fight like cats and dogs, told him no. Mercedes asks me, “Can I mom? Can I go with my brother? He needs me.” I laughed and told them, “You guys are so full of shit, what for?” Luis pulls her closer to him and they hug one another and he says, “I need a copilot mom. Let her cruise with me.” I looked at them both smiled and said, “Oh I suppose. BUT you guys be careful!! I Love You Guys!!” They quickly jump in the car yelling, “ I LOVE YOU MOM!!”

I know that he probably only wanted her to go with him so she can handle the radio for him while he drove... but I can’t explain how much that very moment has played over and over in my head day in and day out... like something was trying to let me know what was about to happen days later... I remember the only tiny bit of comfort I had was when my cousin Marla told me that they had each other... That no matter what they were together and where there for each other... My Son needed his copilot and My Love Always had her Big Brother’s back...

My heart hurts every single day of my life... My Soul will never be the same... My Mind

is a mess... But my Faith tells me they are both holding each other close and are taking care of each other... That’s All I Need To Know. This day and every day I had with them. I’ll forever remember my son and his music and I’ll always remember Mercedes sassy mouth and off the wall comments, both of their love for basketball, their beautiful smiles and beautiful faces.

Anyone you would like to acknowledge for helping during the memorials?

So many people; everyone that has donated time, money, supplies, and food: Jake, Lily, Silas, Conchita, Salinda, My cousin Rose, Uncle Bobby, Cousin Halle, Auntie Cece and Tanya, my kids aunt Anna these folks were constant donaters and I appreciate them so much.

Everyone who has helped with the tournament year after year, Coach Thomas, Coach Dee and Jesse, Coach Angel, Alvin, Rene, and all the rest who have sat behind that table to make sure everything went smooth.

My Auntie Sally, Uncle Lawrence, Noahli, Auntie Vivian, Marla, Wilma, the Vah-Ki traditional dancers, Cousin Gohk and his crew and all who helped and sang and danced for the Memorial.

The Recreation department for allowing us to (have) the Memorial there at the gym as well as the tournaments; Delbert and his crew for clean-up and extra dirt; Events for allowing us to use tables and chairs; the Miguel family for the amazingly delicious food; Nikolai, Billy, and Ralston of Billy’s Powerhouse for the extra strong help with the headstone, and the Runner for printing our cards.

A BIG thank you to my mom, my sisters Marianna, Sonja, Melanie, Tanya, Serena, Nicole, Maria and all my nieces and nephews who all put in work concession stand after concession to help make sure things went ok. I’m sure there’s a million more people I need to thank, well I’m positive and I’m sure you know who you are.

Lastly, I’d like to Thank My Husband and Our Children for being by my side these past four years. I’ve been moody for sure, distant and an emotional mess beyond what I’ve ever imagined that I could be. All I can do now is move forward the best way I can and hope that you all remain by my side and help me along the way. I LOVE YOU ALL!!



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Course	Title	Credits	Day	Time	Instructor	Location
ACC 100 -2	Practical Accounting Procedures	3	Online	Online	Hendricks, Anne	Online
AIS 101 -1	Introduction to American Indian Studies	3	TR	6:00 PM – 7:15 PM	Siiki, Jivik	PHX
Art 100 -2	Basic Design	3	TR	1:00 PM – 3:45 PM	Manuel, Dwayne	PHX
BUS 100 -1	Introduction to Business	3	Online	Online	Wade, Neal	Online
BUS 220 -1	Legal Environment of Business	3	Online	Online	Cline, Wendi	Online
CAG 133 -1	Customer Service, Management, and Marketing	3	Online	Online	Wade, Neal	Online
HIS 122 -4	Tohono O'odham History and Culture	3	W	5:30 PM – 8:00 PM	Staff	PHX
MAT 142H -3	College Mathematics	4	MW	5:30 PM – 7:30 PM	Kelly, Shreya	PHX
MAT 151 -4	College Algebra	4	TR	5:30 PM – 7:30 PM	Kelly, Shreya	PHX
SSE 121 -1	Introduction to Substance Abuse	3	Online	Online	Capetillo, Mark	Online
THO 101 -3	Elementary Tohono O'odham I	4	Online	Online	Johns, Jeremy	Online
THO 101 -4	Elementary Tohono O'odham I	4	Online	Online	Johns, Jeremy	Online
THO 201 -1	Intermediate Tohono O'odham	4	Online	Online	Johns, Jeremy	Online
TOC 151 -1	Tohono O'odham Writing Systems	1	W	5:30 PM – 6:40 PM	Geronimo, Ronald	PHX
WRT 101 -6	Writing I	3	MW	5:30 PM – 6:45 PM	Billar, Louis	PHX
WRT 102 -5	Writing II	3	TR	5:30 PM – 6:45 PM	Billar, Louis	PHX

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Proof of Residency
(State Issued I.D.)

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AUGUST

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
				1 Aribella Vincent	2 Jennifer Boehm Jessica Narcia Wynema Vincent	3
4 Amelia Antone Jaxson Brown Nicole Delma Nathan Enos Aliyah Vincent	5 Yondell Antone Anthony Narcia, Jr. Rachel Peters Esperanza Santiago	6	7 Haylee Delma Alicia Gomez Joanne Stephens Daniel White	8 Raiden James	9 Joanna Acosta Stephanie Vincent	10
11 Jessica Corella William Narcia Tommy Pablo Christian Soliz	12 Rocio Castro Ava Quinonez Joshua Zepeda	13 Arrow Bowman Azalya White King-Benzie Peters	14	15 Daniel Pablo	16 Brandan Dean Virginia Mejia David Oliver Christopher Vincent Lashey White Josph Zabawa	17 Chaning Hoffman Johnny Perkins
18 Juan Lopez George Lopez	19 Jasmine Kaniatobe Lisa Miller Amanda Narcia Anthony Narcia, Sr. Owen Santiago Florine Vincent Delora Vincent	20	21 Doria Garcia Armida Mattia Sharon Pablo Colleen Padilla	22 Reginald Delores Nancy Hernandez Cruz Machado Lorice Manuel Michelle Narcia	23 Dorissa Garcia Jacob Warren	24 Jeffrey Manuel Michael Peters, Jr.
25 Janaya Lopez	26 JoAnn Hulse Denise Lewis	27 Barry Thomas	28 Wilson Antone Darren Peters Stewart Peters Stacey Smith Delila Villegas Jacob Vincent, Jr	29 Frankie Carlyle	30 Arnulfo Bandin, III Candi Chavez Amiyah Deleon Amare Santiago	31 Misty Quintero

AUGUST EMPLOYEE BIRTHDAYS

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|--|---|
| 8/16
Rudy Aguirre, TGA | 8/26
Lorenzo Holcomb,
Law & Order |
| 8/17
Chaning Hoffman, EPD | 8/27
Blanca Briones,
Human Resources
Gary Carr, Maintenance
Michelle Garcia,
Early Childhood |
| 8/19
Florine Vincent,
Community Government | 8/28
Darren Peters,
Fire & Safety |
| 8/21
Crystal Cantu, Maintenance
Elouise Carr, Law & Order
Daniel Mercado, IS
Dale Vance, Fire & Safety | 8/30
Candi Chavez, Sanitation
Liane Iglesias, Education
Christopher Johnston, IS |
| 8/23
Dorissa Garcia,
Community Government
Jose Lopez, Law & Order | 8/31
Sheryl Grothe, Law & Order |
| 8/24
Brenice Kaisem, Law & Order
Jeffrey Manuel,
Parks & Recreation | |

AK-CHIN JOB OPPORTUNITIES

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

Open to Current Fire Dept Temp/ Reserve EMTs:

- Firefighter/EMT

Open to Enrolled Community Members and Current Community Employees Only:

- Gaming Agent

Open to Enrolled Ak-Chin Members Only

- Art Technician
- Cashier/Stocker (part-time)

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

REMINDER

The next Runner submission deadline will be

FRIDAY AUGUST 30TH



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Protect Our FUTURE

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

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when sleeping in an adult bed rather than a crib, where would you put your baby to sleep tonight?



Practice The ABCs of Safe Sleep:

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

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ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SAFETY
Office of Prevention



Hope you have fun and enjoy your special day. With love Baby Jay

I would like to wish "myself" a very very Happy Birthday!!! September 2 Labor Day Yay!!! I'm gonna enjoy myself on the plane, on my way back from Santa Fe, New Mexico. Bernadette White

Happy Birthday King Paul Peters!
You ordered your own gifts on Amazon so I know you will like your day. Lucky kid I have. I hope you liked your cake as well just for you. You're my sweetest last baby and we all love you for who you are! Love Mom and your brothers

Happy Birthday D'andre Vincent!
OMG 21 years young with a basketball ball. Enjoy your day Dre. Love Monda and Maverick

Happy Birthday Mom
I'm gonna make this short and sweet. Just want to tell you thank you for everything you've done for me and continue to do. I know I can be a lot but you put up with it and for that I love you.

Happy Birthday Mom
Just want to say thank you for all that you do for us from everything from cooking good food and fixing our hair. Sorry we get on your nerves when we fight but we love you because you put up with it. Hope you enjoy your special day with us and we promise we will try not to fight.

Happy Birthday to my ole lady Celina. Hahaha. Thought I forgot about you huh. Just wanted to say I appreciate and am grateful, and thankful for everything you've done and continue to do for us and our little family. You and the kids are a blessing to me, and it wouldn't be possible without you. That being said I hope you enjoy your special day and what is planned. Love your hubby

Happy birthday to my Godmother Vanessa

Happy Birthday to Juan Lopez, Happy Birthday From Uncle Joe Smith

Happy Birthday Barry and Jeff
We love you very much. Have a great year. Debbie and Frasia

Happy Birthday to my Grandson Owen Santiago and many more to come. May God bless you always and be with you always. Love you so much. Love Grandma Lena C.

Happy Birthday to Misty Quintero
Have a good one. Love you. From Grandma and Grandpa

Happy Birthday to my Grandson Robert Santos, Jr. and many more to come. May God bless you always. Love you so much. Grandma Lena C.

Happy Birthday to my grandson Joseph, Juan, Michael Jr., Darren, and Stewart and to my granddaughters Michelle and Delila
Love, Grandma

Happy Birthday Rach, Aaron, Percy and Darren
Lotsa love to all you August birthdays!
Love your family

Ak-Chin Indian Community
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6th Annual St. Francis Historic Mission School Anniversary

September 6, 2019

16657 Church St. Maricopa, Az 85139

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Light refreshments will be served.





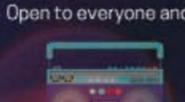
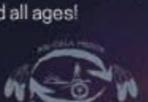
2ND ANNUAL LIGHT THE NIGHT GLOW RUN

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22ND
AK-CHIN SERVICE CENTER
7:00 PM

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

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

Questions? Please contact Health Education at (520)568-1085 or email Martina Peters at mguy@ak-chin.nsn.us


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After the clinics, Begay was the special guest at the Ak-Chin Southern Dunes Bogle Vineyards Wine Dinner in the club's Arroyo Grille, which included a five-course meal, each paired with a different wine from Bogle Vineyards.

schools and eventually earn a scholarship to play golf at Stanford University.

The one year Begay and Tiger Woods roomed together, they bonded and became "best friends."

the 2018 Chinle, Arizona basketball run to a potential State Title.

He signed autographs and took photos before making his way back to New Mexico.

Begay spoke briefly prior to dinner about how he got his start at golf at the age of 6 years of age. He also talked about the opportunities of getting various scholarships at an early age, which allowed him to attend private

He spoke about his Notah Begay Foundation and how he teamed up with PGA Champion Rickie Fowler to produce the new series on Netflix, "Basketball or Nothing," which focuses on

Brady Wilson PGA, general manager of Ak-Chin Southern Dunes is all smiles with his wife, Christy, during the Bogle Vineyards wine dinner at Arroyo Grille.



Vice Chairman Gabriel Lopez and his wife, Salinda, and Notah Begay during dinner.

LABOR DAY

DODGE CHALLENGER GIVEAWAY

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

EARN ENTRIES

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

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

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

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

VEGETABLE SLICER & DICER GIVEAWAY

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

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

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

COINTEGRITY Must be present to win. Casino Rewards card must be swiped at a Promotional Kiosk between 11AM and 7:45PM on September 2, 2019 to enter the promotion, unless free entries and several others. Earning period is from 6:00 AM on August 26, 2019 to 7:30PM on September 2, 2019. Final Drawing is at 8:00PM on Monday, September 2, 2019. Any Free Slot Play prizes must be accepted at a slot machine by 11:59PM on the Promotional Day and will expire 12 hours after deposit. Valid only at Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino. Must have Casino Rewards card and valid photo ID to participate.

SLICER GIVEAWAY Limit one redemption per person. Actual items may vary. Odds are based on 4,000 swipes. Supplies are limited. First prize, first served. In the event that demand exceeds supply of the Vegetable Slicer & Dicer, Harrah's reserves the right to issue \$10 in Free Slot Play. Free Slot Play will not be offered for the Digital Air Fryer. Any Free Slot Play prizes must be accepted at a slot machine by 11:59PM on the Promotional Day and will expire 12 hours after deposit. In the event that a drawing winner is not present, there will be up to three (3) redemptions for each cash drawing prize. Offer is non-transferable. Valid only at Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino and must have a Casino Rewards card and valid photo ID to participate. Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino is not responsible for damaged or malfunctioning gifts. All redemptions are final, no returns.

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Rodeo Events Cultural Performances Live Musical Acts December 14th - 15th

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