

March Community Meeting

Story by R. Peters

March 27, Ak-Chin Council held their monthly meeting, which was held back at the service center.

Vice-Chairman Lemuel Vincent opened up the meeting, as Chairman Robert Miguel was on travel, as well as Councilmember Lisa Garcia.

After the opening, Connie Miguel, Purchase Referred Care Manager presented PRC information as well as Medicare information.

Connie provided a basic overview, via PowerPoint on the different types of Medicare options. She shared information primarily on Medicare Parts A and B, as well as information on Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS).

She explained how Medicare primarily serves adults aged 65 and over and individuals who have been approved to receive social security due to disability. She also discussed when adults age 65 can enroll in Medicare, the difference in free plans and paid plans and how Ak-Chin PRC can assist with members who are not enrolled in Medicare or AHCCCS.

Connie's presentation sparked many questions. She ended by letting members know that Ak-Chin PRC will be holding meetings once a month to assist with those who are receiving Medicare or disability benefits.

After Connie's presentation, Council presented their updates.



Ak-Chin Reservoir sits at the southwest border of the Ak-Chin Indian Community.

Ak-Chin Indian Community Ak-Chin Link Pipeline

Article submitted by: Gary Parker, with contribution from Damian Murrietta. Photo by R. Peters

"Agreement in Principle for Revised Ak-Chin Water Settlement" became public law October 19, 1984. The Santa Rosa Canal was completed in 1987 and the first CAP water was delivered to the Reservoir that year.

As part of the Ak-Chin Water Settlement, the United States government is required to deliver water to the southeast portion of the Ak-Chin Indian Reservation.

In 1983, the Ak-

Chin Reservoir was constructed to hold a temporary surface water supply that would then be delivered to lands on the west and east side of Highway 387.

The "Link Pipeline" is called this because

it links the reservoir water on the westside of the community to the eastside of the community to irrigate all the land east of Hwy 347.

CAP is the Central Arizona Project that

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Kathy Shoemaker retires from Ak-Chin Finance



Kathy Shoemaker (center with red lanyard) is surrounded by co-workers and Community Government as they wish her a happy retirement on April 4. (Story and photo by R. Peters)

Kathy Shoemaker officially retired as Ak-Chin Finance accountant on April 7, 2023.

Kathy has worked for Ak-Chin Indian Community for 14 years.

On April 4, finance co-workers collaborated efforts to honor Kathy with a grand retirement party in the council chambers, complete with decorations, food and cake.

Many stopped by to wish Kathy well and also show their gratitude for her dedicated service with gifts, including a traditional basket made

by one of the Community Elders and a luggage set.

They also had a card that everyone was able to sign and give their farewells.

Co-worker Shannon Narcia shared a memorable moment with Kathy.

"One day she brought in her family in to meet everyone here, her grown grandkids and their children and they accidentally locked themselves out of their van and so they called the fire department and you could hear the sirens from both the police

and fire truck when they came to unlock their car. The look on their faces when they heard the sirens was hilarious."

Shannon also pointed out how "GREAT" it was "that the Government Team and Council came out to show her how much they appreciated (her) dedication and her hard work..."

She was a great accountant, it showed in the work she did. As a community member I appreciated her hard work and due diligence." Before her official retirement, Kathy shared a message to all

community employees, via email.

"I want to thank each of you for everything that you have added to my life. Please know that it has been a pleasure working with you.

I am retiring as of 4/7/23. I will take all my experiences with me as I begin my new leaf in life. I plan on taking time for myself. I will do some traveling and visiting with friends and family out of state.

After 60+ years of working, it will be different and exciting."



Harrah's Ak Chin Casino Executive Chef Colin Ribble

Are you a cook or chef looking to enhance your cooking skills? Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino is having a culinary hiring fair in the casino ballroom from Noon to 5 p.m. on April 29.

The event open to all culinary experience level will host same-day and on-the-spot interviews. Successful applicants will join the Culinary Development Program with starting pay ranging from \$17.50 - \$22.00 an hour based on experience.

All cook positions are eligible for a \$1,500 signing bonus and many of the cook positions also include gratuity.

I sat down with Harrah's Ak Chin Casino Executive Chef Colin

Story and photos by T. Marshburn

Ribble to learn what someone joining the program can expect to learn.

"Our Culinary Development Program caters to each individual person. They can go as far as they are willing to with the program. The sky is the limit."

The Culinary Development Program is for new and existing employees. Current open positions include cooks of all levels and Sous Chefs. Added Chef Ribble, "Around 30 to 40 percent of my Sous Chefs were cooks that have come through the leveling program.

Although the blueprint of success differs for each person, everyone will be proficient in safety and sanitation."

The restaurants under Chef Ribble's supervision include Chop Block and Brew, Oak & Fork, Agave's Restaurant, DUNKIN' and Copper Cactus Grill.

Individuals interested in attending the culinary hiring fair can call 480-802-5000 or visit the Harrah's Ak-Chin website.

Ak-Chin Elders enjoy Easter Festivities at Elder Center



On April 6, Ak-Chin Elders participated in their annual Easter egg hunt. The Elders also enjoyed coloring eggs and then hunting for the hidden treasures! It was a fun day for all. We hope everyone had a Blessed Easter. Submitted by Ak-Chin Elder Center. (Photos by Runner Staff)



Blood Pressure and Glucose Checks



The Ak-Chin Elder Center provided blood pressure and glucose checks on April 5th. This is open to Community members and residents who would like to have their levels checked. The next blood pressure and glucose check will be on May 3rd at 9 am. The location is at the Elder Center. Community members and residents are welcome.

Elder April Breakfast-Lunch Menu

21 Breakfast Tortilla Wrap, Fresh Salsa, Muffin, Fruit Salad Indian Tacos, Lettuce, Tomato, Cheese, Corn on the Cob, Grapes	26 Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Bacon, Yogurt Parfait & Fruit Crusted Tilapia or Baked Chicken, Black Beans, Carrots, Apple Sauce
24 Chicken Fried Steak, Scrambled Eggs, Biscuit, Yogurt, Fruit Squash Casserole, Wild Rice, Spinach Salad, Jell-O/Orange	27 Overnight Oats w/ Fruit, Boiled Eggs, Toast Red Chili Stew, Potato Salad, Pinto Beans, Chumath, Apricots
25 Cream of Wheat, Boiled Eggs, Toast, Fruit w/ Cottage Cheese Pork Chops, Mashed Potatoes, Butternut Squash, Fresh Cut Fruit	28 Potatoes w/ Chorizo, Tortilla, Beans, Peaches w/ Cottage Cheese Chicken Tortilla Soup, Cheese Quesadilla, Spring Salad, Ice Cream, Apple

** Menu subject to change **

Vice-Chairman shared that he was invited to speak at a wellness conference in San Lucy for a Men's group. He then talked about the conference calls and meetings he had attended. He attended Arizona Indian Gaming Association Meeting with Chairman and Councilmember Garcia, where he met the new Arizona Department of Gaming Director, Jackie Johnson. Vice-Chairman also shared on departmental processes that he's involved with to get back on track since the community is now open to full capacity.

Councilmember Cecil Peters talked about being in a lot of web-ex meetings, as well as some in-person meetings with departments and directors. He shared that council has sat down with HR to go over recommendations for COLA and merit, as well as meeting with the Treasurer and Community Manger about upcoming requests and projects with departments.

He talked about meeting with farm manager who shared farm financials; pointing out the farm did excellent last year. He attended meetings with Capital Projects for updates on timelines, construction, as well as update on the admin

building. Web-ex meeting with casinos and in-person meetings for updates, off-track betting. He also shared meetings on water issues.

Councilmember Gabriel Lopez also talked about meetings through web-ex as well as finally getting to have some meetings in person. He shared that there are a lot of talks about water issues, even with all the rain, there is still a drought in Arizona. He talked about how the Salt River water was being released, and hoped it could be captured and used. He also stressed meetings with CAP and water reclamation, as well as issues with the Anthem water lease.

He reiterated what Connie said about the lack of stats from Gila River on funding and how we need those to share with IHS in order to get more funding. He shared discussions on the admin building and the costs and plans from the past to now, and how the costs have changed. He and Councilman Peters went to visit a community member down south who needed assistance with housing. Lopez also shared difficulties trying to work with the El Paso Gas line on their survey, due to right of ways and security issue for equipment. Other issues

Meeting continued from Front

included providing water at 238 for the race track and running into cultural and archaeological sites.

Council also informed community of situation with the City of Maricopa and the intersection at casino. City is unaware of process that Ak-Chin needs approved from Bureau of Indian Affairs to approve the right of way. So, Community had to issue a cease-and-desist letter.

Once Council completed their updates, Community members were able to ask questions.

Questions included: water conservation efforts, graffiti in Ak-Chin and Maricopa, security cameras in park, privacy issues, truancy event on drugs, drones in community – contact Council if you see drones in community, dialysis center update, transportation for dialysis patients and treatment options, maintenance concerns, dumping in big trash bins and designated areas, police concerns, IMT status, and candlelight vigil reminder.

The meeting ended approximately 830p, after the raffle, which included gift cards and nice luggage sets. Stay tuned for the next meeting date announcement.

Members & Residents

SAVE THE DATE

More info. to come...

Friday, April 28, 2023
Him-Dak Museum Evening Event
5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

&

Saturday, April 29, 2023
31st Annual Him-Dak Celebration
8:00 am - 12:00 pm

For any questions, please contact the Him-Dak office at: 520-568-1350

PARKS & RECREATION PRESENTS

Mothers Day EVENT

LET EVERY MOM FEEL SPECIAL

Saturday, May 13, 2023

AK-CHIN COMMUNITY MEMBERS & RESIDENTS ONLY

KIDS CRAFTS & MOTHER'S PAMPERING STARTS AT 9AM

LUNCH BEGINS AT 12 PM

MUST R.S.V.P. - DEADLINE APRIL 28TH

For more information, call Recreation at (520) 568-1740 or email: Recreation@ak-chin.nsn.us

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STORIES**
The Ak-Chin O'odham
Runner is a Community
Newspaper and encourages
Community involvement.

If you have artwork, photos,
poems or a great story that
you would like to share,
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NEXT DEADLINE
Don't forget the
DEADLINE for the
May 5 - 18, 2023
issue is due by
FRIDAY, APRIL 28TH

Please submit all
announcements, wishes, etc.
no later than
FRIDAY, APRIL 28TH

Material submitted after the
APRIL 28TH DEADLINE
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and relevant, it will be
included in the next issue.

Ak-Chin Indian Community
ARBOR EARTH DAY
Friday, April 28, 2023
Milton "Paul" Antone Park
46851 W. Farrell Road
Maricopa, AZ 85139
9:00AM-1:00PM

**MAKE EVERY DAY
EARTH DAY**

Harrahs
AK-CHIN CASINO

- Children Seed Exchange & Tree Planting
- Education Exhibits
- Live Entertainment
- Vendor Booths
- T-Shirts
- Lunch

REDUCED WASTE EVENT

KTAR's Ron Wolfley meets with Ak-Chin Fire



Former Football player and KTAR radio host, Ron Wolfley stopped by the Ak-Chin Fire department for a meet and greet on April 11th.

Wolfley signed football cards and gave his opinion on the current state of football.

Story and photos by T. Marshburn



San Juan Church Feast

Saturday, June 24, 2023
Ben Miguel Residence
47431 W. Farrell Road
Maricopa, Arizona 85139

Traditional Lunch, Procession
Matachina Dancers,
Fireworks and
Chicken Scratch Dance - Friends

Everyone Welcome

More Information coming in next issue of the Ak-Chin O'odham Runner

Ak-Chin Child Development
Accepting applications for
Preschool 2023-2024 SY
Deadline is July 28th, 2023

Our office is open
8am-5pm
Monday-Friday
Register now!
First day of Preschool is
August 14th, 8:30am-2:00pm

Enrollment is based on availability and children are selected in the following order:

- Child is an enrolled member of the Ak-Chin Indian Community
- Child is a non-enrolled member, but he/she is the Legal child of an enrolled member of the Ak-Chin Indian Community
- Child is living within the Ak-Chin Indian Community boundaries.
- Child is living outside of the Ak-Chin Indian Community boundaries and is enrolled with another federally recognized Native American Community.
- Child of a parent who is an employee of the Ak-Chin Indian Community.
- Non-member children based on availability.

Ak-Chin Child Development offers:

- A High Quality Early Education Experience
- Health/Developmental Screenings
- Disability Services (Through M.U.S.D.)
- Kindergarten Readiness
- *Story time (Provided by Ak-Chin Library)
- *Cultural Activities/Events (Provided by Language Program/Cultural Resources)*
- *Physical/Nutrition Education (Provided by Ak-Chin Health Ed. Program)
- *Fire Safety Education (Provided by the Ak-Chin Fire Department)*
- *Field Trips/Fun activities throughout year*
- Health and Safety Protocols in Place
- * Some activities may be postponed or modified to fit safety protocols.

Transportation provided for children living within the Ak-Chin Community boundaries.

Pick up a 2023-2024 Enrollment Packet at Ak-Chin Child Development.
Please bring in the following documents to be considered for enrollment

- Completed Application
- Certificate of Degree of Indian Blood (CDIB) if applicable
- Child's Certified Birth Certificate
- Child's Current Immunization Record

(returning students only need the current Immunization Record and a completed Returning Student application)

Only completed applications with required documents will be accepted. Children registering must be three (3) years old prior to September 1st of the current year.

If you have any questions please contact the Preschool at
48251 W. Farrell Rd.
Maricopa, AZ 85139
(520) 568-1700.
Ak-ChinChildDevelopment@ak-chin.nsn.us

Ak-Chin Parks & Recreation
SHOE DRIVE
DONATE YOUR GENTLY USED ATHLETIC & TENNIS SHOES AND CLEATS TO HELP COMMUNITY MEMBERS

COLLECTION DATE:
ARBOR & EARTH DAY EVENT
APRIL 28, 2023

DROP-OFF LOCATION
PARKS & RECREATION BOOTH
MILTON ANTONE PARK
9A-1P

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
520-568-1740
EMAIL: Recreation@ak-chin.nsn.us

Pipeline continued from Front



Testing performed by Pipeline Inspection and Condition Analysis Corporation to Ak-Chin Link Pipeline, December 2022. (Photos submitted)

transports water from Lake Havasu to Tucson.

This is a 336-mile-long canal system with multiple pumping plants and Lake Pleasant as a storage facility for water.

The Santa Rosa Canal is approximately 55 miles long that begins east of Eloy from the CAP canal and ends at the Ak-Chin Reservoir.

The "Link" pipeline was constructed to deliver surface water from the reservoir to the bifurcation that is located at the southern boundary of the Reservation east of White and Parker Road.

This pipeline is an approximate 8.5-mile siphon that consists of 78" and 84" pre-stressed concrete cylinder pipe.

The pipeline was modified to deliver surface water to the Community's water treatment system to replace a declining groundwater supply for domestic water use.

Since the pipeline has been in place for 40 years there is testing that is required to determine if the pipeline is in sound condition and can convey the surface water without

significant losses and to determine if there are any of the 20 ft joints of pipe that require repair or replacement.

Testing was performed in 2017 and again in 2022. Similar testing will be conducted every 5 years to assure the condition of the pipeline.

In December 2022, the Community contracted with Pipeline Inspection and Condition Analysis Corporation (PICA) to conduct electromagnetic testing of the pipeline to determine the condition of the wire wraps that are part of the external strength of the pipeline.

PICA also provided an internal inspection and evaluation of the pipeline; the pipe joints will be completing leak detection in May 2023 when the Farms will have more water in the pipeline.

All testing completed to date has been favorable and will be reported to the Bureau of Reclamation as part of the settlement agreement and annual funding for operation, maintenance and replacement which is completed by Ak-Chin Farms.



Mother's Day Craft

**WEDNESDAY,
MAY 10, 2023
HIM-DAK ART BUILDING**

AFTERNOON SESSION:
AK-CHIN EMPLOYEES, MEMBERS & RESIDENTS
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

EVENING SESSION:
AK-CHIN MEMBERS & RESIDENTS
4:30 - 7:00 PM

Transportation provided within the Ak-Chin Indian Community, please call before 4:00 pm.

520-568-1350



Ak-Chin Early Childhood enjoy Easter fun at school



**You look after everyone else.
Look after yourself, too!
Check out these health care
resources for Native women
at all stages of life.**



For more information, visit
go.cms.gov/womenshealthchecklist



Tasty Crafts at the Library

Story and photos by A. Santiago



On April 13, the Ak-Chin Library hosted a Tasty Craft class by Amy Batopis and Matthew Cross, where participants had fun making some Pepperoni Pizza bagels.

pepperonis. Amy baked the pizza bagels for the children to enjoy after being cooled down.

For more information about upcoming Tasty Craft classes please see the Community Calendar on page 5.

Children first added the pizza sauce then some cheese and topped it off with their desired number of

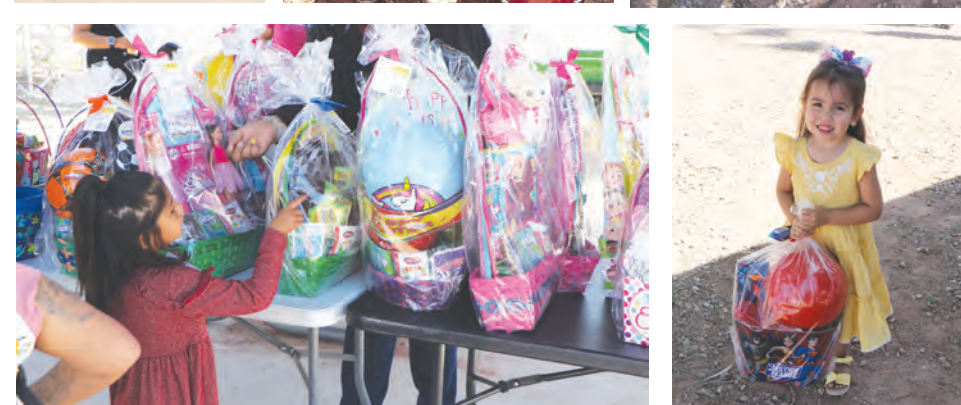


Ak-Chin Recreation Easter Activities

Photos by Runner Staff



More than 100 egg-decorators signed up to help color and decorate the dozens and dozens of eggs at Ak-Chin Recreation on Friday, April 7. Families gathered together for the fun and creative activity. All the decorated eggs were safely stored so they could be hidden the next day.



Over 200 signed up for Recreation's Easter Egg Hunt at Milton "Paul" Antone Memorial Park on April 8th. Four divided age groups quickly dashed to find the most eggs. Those lucky enough to find a prize egg claimed their choice of gift, while vouchers were given to all for lunch.

Ak-Chin Recreation hosts Softball Youth Skills Camp

Story and photos by A. Santiago



Desert Thunder Softball team pose for group photo before the softball skills sessions.

On April 16, Ak-Chin Parks and Recreation hosted a softball youth skills camp for boys and girls, ages 6-17. The event was held from 3pm-8pm at the Milton "Paul" Antone Memorial Park.

The camp was led by Lori Mercado, Head Coach for Desert Thunder Softball and her team. Desert Thunder offered many different drills to help develop skills in hitting, fielding, catching, and throwing.

Special guest, Jessica Mercado and Lori's daughter was on hand to provided pitching instruction. Jessica, Tohono O'odham members, is a Desert Thunder Alumni softball pitcher and currently plays for Central Arizona College.

Arizona Desert Thunder is a competitive youth fastpitch organization, as posted on their FB page. They shared many photos



from the camp along with this comment on their page.

"The kids put in some community service and transferred their knowledge to these awesome kids at the Ak-Chin Indian Community by hosting a skills camp for them. #payitforward #skillscamp #softball #akchinindiancommunity"

Kylee Carlyle participates in first band performance

Submitted by: Victoria Garza, Legacy Traditional Maricopa Band Director. Photos by D.Carlyle



Kylee Carlyle with her dad, Carlton Carlyle, and seated first row, second from left.

On April 18, Ak-Chin Community member, Kylee Carlyle, daughter of Carlton and Diana Carlyle gave her first performance on flute during the Legacy Traditional Maricopa 4th grade band ensemble, April 18.

Legacy Traditional School Maricopa's 4th grade band ensemble has been working all year on their musicianship, some of them performing and playing for the first time ever at our Spring concert.

The song pieces played that night were 4 months of hard work, dedication and practice.

I challenged them to play



a full song this year rather than the typical songs like hot cross buns, because of their dedication to their instruments and I am so proud of their success.

The 4th Grade band played the finale song of "Mickey Mouse Band March" to its fullest potential and highlighted our only Trumpet player who began and ended our song on such brilliant notes.

It should be noted that without the support of our LTS administration and LTS Parents, we would not have such a successful performance, and I am thankful for that support as a first-year band teacher.

Our music department is growing the love of music in Maricopa and continue to challenge our students.

We have our 5/6th grade band/orchestra concerts coming up on the 28th and junior high on May 4th!



Ak-Chin youth prepare for summer jobs

Story and photos by A. Santiago

WIOA Orientation was held April 4-5, at the Ak-Chin Education building, recruiting students for the 2023 Summer Work Program.

Students, accompanied by their parents, selected their choice of departments to work at and listed their best skills suited for them.

The 16-age group and older students were given an interview after filling out some information about themselves



on why they wanted to work and which department they were interested in the most.

Student requirements, included ages 14-24 years old and an enrolled member of Ak-Chin.

The WIOA program provides numerous life skill sessions, career development, college prep workshops and so much more.

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

Sunday Mass at 12 noon

April 23
Fr. Julius Tvrdy

April 30
Mass and Confirmation
Bishop Thomas Olmsted

May 7
Fr. Julius Tvrdy

May 14
Fr. Julius Tvrdy

May 21
Fr. Julius Tvrdy

May 28
Fr. Julius Tvrdy

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



APRIL 2023

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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

LIBRARY HOURS
Monday – Friday – 9AM-6PM
Saturday-Appointment Only
Sunday-Closed
Questions? Call Us!
520-568-1675

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

HEALTH EDUCATION

Ak-Chin Health Education Program

FAMILY PLANNING MOBILE MEDICAL CLINIC
Wednesday, April 12th
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
@Ak-Chin Clinic Parking Lot

FUNCTIONAL FITNESS
Tuesdays and Thursdays
10:00 - 11:00 AM
@ Elements Event Center
16000 Maricopa Road

WIC
Tuesday, May 9th
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM
@Ak-Chin Indian Community Library

LIBRARY

Ak-Chin Indian Community Library

MONDAYS
MULTI MEDIA MONDAYS
5:00 - 5:45PM

WEDNESDAYS
BUDDY'S READING CIRCLE*
2:00 - 6:30PM
NOW ACCEPTING NEW PARTICIPANTS

TUESDAY 4/25
TASTY CRAFTS W/MATT*
5:00 - 5:45PM

THURSDAY 4/27
TASTY CRAFTS W/AMY*
5:00 - 5:45PM
*Participants must be signed up for program to attend.
Call 520-568-1675 for more information.

PARKS & RECREATION

RECREATION

YOUTH AND JR. HIGH BASKETBALL
Resumes 4/19/23

WEIGHT ROOM
Mondays - Thursdays
8 AM - 9 PM
Fridays 8 AM - 6 PM
Sat - Sun Closed

OPEN GYM HOURS VARY*
*Call 520-568-1740 for specific daily hours

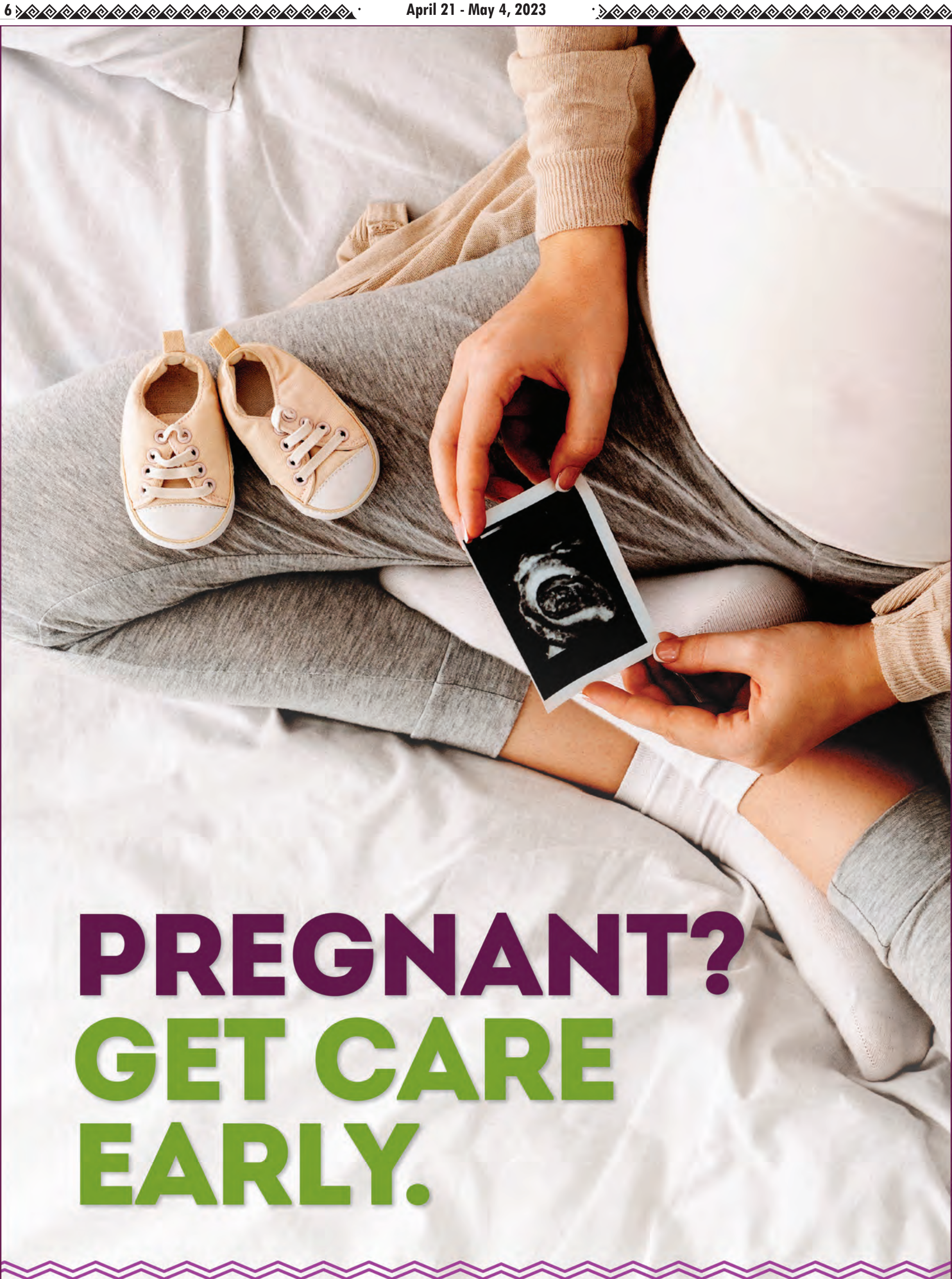
OPEN GYM

HOURS VARY*
Mon., Wed., Thur., Fri
Closed 2 PM - 4PM

Tuesday
Closed 2 PM - 4 PM & 5:30 PM - 7 PM
*Call 520-568-1740 for specific daily hours

Ak-Chin Indian Community Environmental Programs

ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS



PREGNANT? GET CARE EARLY.

Your baby is the future of your Tribal community.
Take care of yourself and your baby during pregnancy.

GET EARLY PRENATAL CARE.

Prenatal care visits help reduce problems during birth and give you a way to learn more about what to expect during pregnancy.

GO TO APPOINTMENTS REGULARLY.

You will have many check-ups during your pregnancy. Try not to miss any — they are all important.

Make an appointment with your healthcare provider
if you are or think you may be pregnant.

For more information about the
ITCA Maternal Health Innovation Program,
scan the QR code or go to bit.ly/ITCAMHI.



VIDEO CREATION

Turn your home videos and photos in to a video to share with family or on social media.

Memorial Video

Slide Show

Event Celebration

For More Information
Call The Library
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520-568-1675 or Email
library@ak-chin.nsn.us

SCAN & EDIT OLD PHOTOS

For Any Questions
Contact The Library at
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Scratches
Age spots
Pen marks
Stains

EDIT

Color
Image size

Before After

WASH AWAY FINES

Every 5\$ is a case of water for your fine

"Wash Away Fines" by donating a case of water to the Library.

Contact the Library at 520-568-1675 to see if you owe.

JOB OPENINGS

- Communications Officer
- Desktop Support Assistant
- Detention Officer - Certified
- Economic Development Analyst
- Fire Chief
- General Worker
- Librarian
- Police Officer (Certified and Non-Certified)
- Project Manager
- Sr. Network Systems Specialist

Please visit our website at www.ak-chin.nsn.us, for Job Openings, to review the job posting and apply. If you need assistance, please call Human Resources at 520-568-1050.

AK-CHIN HEALTH EDUCATION PRESENTS...

MAY THE 4TH BE WITH YOU

MAY 4TH 2023 | 5:30 PM

START LINE NEAR AK-CHIN RECREATION CENTER

STAR WARS

JOIN US IN-PERSON FOR A 2 MILE COURSE!
REGISTER USING GOOGLE FORMS
PARTICIPANTS WILL RECEIVE A T-SHIRT, DINNER, AND ENTERED INTO OUR RAFFLE
REGISTRATION DEADLINE MAY 1ST

EVENT IS OPEN TO AK-CHIN COMMUNITY MEMBERS, THEIR FAMILIES, RESIDENTS, EMPLOYEES & THEIR IMMEDIATE FAMILIES.

QUESTIONS? CONTACT MARTINA PETERS @ (520)568-1085 OR MGUY@AK-CHIN.NSN.US

Pay your fines with Cereal and Water!!

For every 5\$ owed a box of cereal or a case of water may be donated

Contact the Library at (520) 568-1675

Buddys Reading Circle

Now accepting new participants

Buddy's Reading Circle is a Reading Enrichment Program created to help children learn to read, if you have or know someone with a child who struggles to read please fill out the survey below.

We will then reach out to set up a reading evaluation with one of our reading specialists.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/853MRTY>

For any questions or for more information please contact Library Manager at 520-568-1676 or Mfaleod@ak-chin.nsn.us

All surveys are confidential and will only be seen by Library Manager

"Happy Birthday Ms. Zaida Soliz"

Have A Blessed Day on your Birthday. Thank you for everything you did for our Program, you have been a big help since you worked with us. I know you picked up words, so use them as much as you can. Have fun, take care and be safe on your Special Day.

O'odham Ñeok Pion
Jioş Cem Hekid O:m Vemajk

I would like to wish my first Granddaughter a very Happy Birthday. You always go and beyond on making sure we are ok, well taking care, helping hand on what is needed to be done. I want to thank you for all you do for me. Love all the chats, along with the laughs. Going places, watching you play toka. Singing songs, most of all helping us out here at the Language program on your artistic talent also learning the O'odham Ñeok. Well, My Pretties you have a Happy Birthday.

Love you, Lu'lu'u

Happy Birthday to my daughters Karen and Marlene
Love, Mom

Happy Birthday to my granddaughter Angelita and grandson Antonio
Love, Grandma

Wishes

Employee Birthdays
4/21 - 5/4

21-Apr Lourdes Smith Law & Order	Lerline Peters Cultural
22-Apr Vickie Tavena Social & Health Services	28-Apr Deborha Salmons Finance
26-Apr Alyssa Bullis Early Childhood Lorenzo Batopis Environmental Protection Karen Gardner Retail	30-Apr Michelle Granados Law & Order
	1-May Marlene Garcia Housing Department Shauna Brown Capital Projects

EMPLOYEE UPDATES

 James Adams Custodian	 Kathleen Miguel Recreation Program Assistant
 Savannah Boyd Student Counselor	 Stephanie Valdez ECE Programs Manager

Birthdays April 21st - May 4th

4/21 Renelda Pete Zaida Soliz Anyssa Justin	4/26 Angelita Garcia Lorenzo Batopis Karen Gardner Juan Luz, Jr.	5/01 Vivian Lewis Richard Brady Marlene Garcia Antonio Rodriguez
4/22 Vickie Tavena Ricky Attakai, Jr. Andrew Enos	4/27 Gregorio Castro Robert Stephens	5/02 Selina Richiusa
4/23 Jonathan Dean Hunter Narcia	4/28 Julianna Trenado Miguel Contreras-Valles Giselle Contreras-Valles Jesus Balderrama	5/03 RJ Marsh Joseluis Santiago Blas Castro Sonya Joaquin Samuel Paddock Jr. Cruz Alvarez
4/24 Martina Antone	4/29 Araya Pena Douglas Pablo	5/04 Irene Arredondo Geraldine Vincent
4/25 Duane Anderson Benjamin Chavez Irma Arellanes-Burgos Valerian Joaquin, Jr.	4/30 Natalie Romo Aliyah Deloney Jordyn Miguel	

Happy Birthday!

**Ak-Chin Chairman Robert Miguel, surrounded by Da Krazy Pimpz.
(Runner file photo - 2019)**

Prior to the show, saxophonist and band leader, Eddie Jimenez expressed his appreciation to Ak-Chin

The Pimpz also recorded and filmed a video “Las Curvas” at Ak-Chin Circle Entertainment Center in 2018.



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