



# Ak-Chin O'odham Runner



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## Unity Run 2010

Story & Photo by R. Miguel

In the distance, you could see the flashing lights of the medical vehicles moving slowly west on Farrell Road Monday night.

As they got closer, you could see the outline of the Unity Runners who had been running all day, preparing for their night's stop in Ak-Chin Indian Community.

A beacon of welcome; along with the members of the Community and guests who waited for their arrival; the Fire Department lined up all their fire trucks and apparatus, providing light to the runners as they entered Ak-Chin.

In its fifteenth year of existence, Unity co-founder, Meldon Fulwilder of the Gila River Indian Community, reminisced back to the day that he and six of his counterparts decided to create a spiritual run that would help promote drug free awareness and to instill the O'odham traditions that have continued to decline throughout the years.

"We had been talking about putting this event together for awhile before we finally decided that we needed to stop talking about it and make it happen," Fulwilder said.

"We started off with 75 runners during the first year and it grew each



Passing the staffs; from left to right; Cecily Peters to Kaycee Lopez and Raymond Rivers to Jose Lopez. These runners made their way through the field roads of Ak-Chin Farms during Ak-Chin's leg of the 2010 Unity run.

## Casa Grande JROTC meets with Ak-Chin Veterans

On March 8, 2010, nine members of the Casa Grande Union High School JROTC (Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps) came to the Ak-Chin Indian Community and gave a presentation to the Ak-Chin Veteran's Group.

The purpose of the presentation was to provide an overview of the program's features and to request a donation for a two day class trip to Camp Pendleton Marine Corps Base in California, scheduled for April.

Casa Grande's JROTC program has over 150 cadets, all volunteers. The elective course focuses on developing traits most sought after by colleges, universities and employers.



Front row (l-r): Councilman Anthony Narcia, Sr., Cadet 1st Lieutenant Cheyenne Wulff, Cadet Captain Elizabeth Salmons, Cadet Private Juri Moya, Cadet Sergeant Katarina Rodrigues and Gunnery Sergeant Jesus Flores – Instructor. Back Row (l-r): Cadet Corporal Daniel Torres, Cadet Sergeant Jonathan Nez, Cadet Sergeant Mathew Reynoso and Cadet Sergeant Major Omar Jimenez – Instructor.

year to the 150 plus we have now. I'm happy with the way it's turned out throughout the years."

As the 15th Annual Unity Run made its way through the Ak-Chin Community and onto the Miguel family grounds for an overnight stay, many of the participants looked forward to camping out at one of their favorite stops on their journey.

Many in the Unity group looked tired, but strong in spirit after arriving late. The group marched around in a circular path before given a welcome by the Miguel family and by Ak-Chin Councilman, Gabe Lopez.

A spiritual blessing and fanning was given to everyone by spiritual leaders who traveled with the group, before participants set up their tents and other camp gear for the night. Afterwards, they were served traditional foods prepared by community members.

Following dinner, spiritual songs were sung and stories were told around a campfire by elders in the Unity group. The songs and stories were an instrumental key in forming Unity according to Fulwilder.

"One of the reasons for Unity was to allow participants, especially the children, to visit other Indian communities and learn about their traditions and culture," he said.

"We are all O'odham people but each community has different traditions and teachings that they've lived by, so we felt it was important that we all should know about each other and respect our O'odham him-dag even if it differs in each community."

Since first hosting the Unity run three years ago, the Miguel family has always welcomed Unity participants by opening its doors for runners to take showers or just to have a place to relax.

This sort of hospitality has made the Ak-Chin stop a highlight, according to a few runners who were welcomed into the homes of Gabriel Lopez, Gilbert Joaquin, Benedict Miguel, Vanessa Soliz, Georgia Corella, Robert Miguel and Delia Carlyle.

"For the past few years I've been told by Unity people that everyone here in Ak-Chin is nice and they make you feel important," said Benedict Miguel, who has participated in Unity for a number of years as a coordinator for the Ak-Chin area. "It's good to hear that from the people and nice to know that they appreciate you."

Eager to host Unity again is something the Miguel family is looking forward to in the near future. This year is the final rotation that Unity will stop at the Miguel family grounds.

Unity coordinators, the Miguel family and Ak-Chin Community officials decided a few years ago that the Miguel family and Ak-Chin Recreation Department would rotate every four years in hosting Unity.

Fulwilder, who spoke on behalf of Unity, acknowledged his appreciation to the Miguel family. "We've always enjoyed coming here and meeting all the nice people. They've always taken care of us and made us feel at home," he said. "Even though we won't make a stop here at the Miguel family grounds, Ak-Chin has great people and we look

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Happy Belated birthday Uncle Dooby & Cousin Mikey Thanks for sharing your cake it was really good! From Your little pals and I tall one... NOVA - JASON - ANDREA & SHAINA

Happy Belated Birthday Mikey and Dooby! Wishes for many more to come your way (the food was great Rosiel!) We Love U! Joey & Julene

Happy Birthday "Timothy" I wish I could be with you on your special day. Always remember I'm thinking of you. I love and miss you very much. Love, Lisa

Happy Birthday "Squirrel" We love and miss you. Love, Jr. & Sissy

Happy 8th Birthday "Jr." Wow how time flies, you're growing up so fast. You have accomplished so much and we are very proud of you in everything you do. We hope you have a great day and enjoy your party. Love, Mom & Timothy

Happy Birthday "Brother" I know I can be a bother sometimes, but it's only because I love you. Love, Sissy

Happy Belated birthday to Nakota Tow!! "Kota" I hope you had a fun day and got what you wished for. Love Uncle Si

Happy Belated Birthday to Alonza Arellanes!! "Biddy" I hope you had a fun filled day and hope you got your pink princess. Love Silas

Happy Birthday to Deanna Rascon!! I hope you have a good one and have fun. From Silas

Happy Birthday to Nicole Vincent!! "Licky" me and Lex hope you have a good birthday. From Silas & Alexa

Happy Birthday to Kalani Williams "Tookies" I hope you have a nice birthday and hope you have fun. From Silas

Happy Birthday to Christian Arellanes!! Happy 16th From Si & Lex



I want to wish my little "Princess" a HAPPY 4th BIRTHDAY "Lexy" you are turning four years old and should be graduating from pre-school next year. Where have the

years gone? I wish you were still that same little baby that came into my life 3 years ago. I tell you that all the time and you always tell me "Mommy I'm getting bigger now". "Lexy" you are so funny and say some silly things and that's what keeps me going and you're funny even when you get in trouble cause you do some funny things to make me laugh when I am mad at you. That's why I can never stay mad at you for long. "Lexy" I hope you enjoy and have fun at your party. I still don't know which one you want to be, "Genebee", "Sleeping Beauty", or "the dark girl" I guess you want to be all of them huh? HAPPY BIRTHDAY "Princess Lexy"!! Love Mommy

Happy 8th Birthday to a special grandson (Dooner) We love you so much! Lots of Hugs & Kisses, Grandma and Grandpa Vincent

Carlton Joseph Carlyle, Jr. "Silly Goose" I want to wish you a Wonderful, exciting, amazing Happy 8th Birthday. I LOVE YOU SON and will always be by your side no matter what. I am very proud of the things you do in life, keep up the good work. Have a great birthday party and enjoy! Love you with all my heart, DAD

Happy Birthday to Katie I LOVE YOU MEATY, you are becoming a big girl, thanks for always being my wrestling partner, you're the best. Keep shooting for the stars Meaty cause you are going to be something special. Rock on to SLIPKNOT LOVE YOUR DAD, TOM

Happy birthday to Junior Carlyle!

My Dearest Sweetheart here is wishing you a great birthday. But you are as young as you feel. Even though I hang out with you sometimes, you act like you're the older one. Here I am the spring chicken. I love you very much and I'm wishing you a very Happy Birthday. Your admirer, "W. Jay"

Happy Birthday Skeeter (Marlin Peters) have a great day. Love, your Grandma Debbie

Happy Birthday to my son Norbert Peters, Sr. Love your mom

Happy Birthday to my granddaughters Shannon and Dannon Much love from your Grandma Evelina

Happy Birthday Robert Villareal (Dad) It was a pleasant surprise to have you come to Maricopa and to be able to spend your birthday with you. We hope you enjoyed your time just as much as we enjoyed having you, Mabel, Rhonda, Lupita, Taylor and Ricky here. We plan on seeing you guys very soon again. Love, Robert & Family

To: Dannon Happy Birthday to You! Enjoy your day! Love Always, John & Terri

To: Ms. Evelina and Ms. Leona Happy Birthday to you both! Love Always, John & Terri

Happy Birthday Seda Love Bone and Family

Happy Birthday to our Grandma & Yoo-Yoo Every day we spend with you is like a celebration. Hope you both enjoy your special days in your own special way. Love, Cecil, Raychel & kids



"Happy 13" to Dannon Peters Dan, we want you to know that we are very proud of all the things you have done in your life (big and small) and we have loved seeing our little tween now become a beautiful teen. Love, Dad & Mom

To our sister Dannon Happy 13th Birthday - Team Jacob all the way! (Morgan & Zuke) Love you - (Cecily) Hugs and Kisses - (Darren, Rach & Percy)



Happy Birthday! "Kalvin" Love Daddy



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DEADLINE Don't forget the DEADLINE for the April 1 - 15, 2010 ISSUE is due by FRIDAY, MARCH 26TH. Please submit all announcements, wishes, etc. no later than FRIDAY, MARCH 26TH. Any material submitted after the MARCH 26TH DEADLINE cannot be guaranteed placement. But, if appropriate and relevant, will be included in the following issue.



Maricopa Youth Football Team Pee Wee Cougars - Attitude, Pride, Confidence, Desire and Love for the Game

TEAM ROSTER: Aaron Owens, Aaron Morgan, Arnulfo Bandin III, Brenden Crane, Cameron Garcia, David Owens, Isaac Miranda, Isaac Soqui, Jahtura Modica, Jeramiah Perez, Jonathyn Samuel, Kody Gaylord, Marcus Stephens, Michael Waites, Ruben Baltierra, Tahj Kimble, Tahji Holloman.

We are proud of You Isaac Miranda. May God Bless the Team Members, Coaches (BIG BOY) and Cougar Parents for a great experience!

Submitted by: Yolanda Miranda



# 2010 March Community Calendar



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Lawrence Batopis Jr. Maverick Santiago Olivia Vincent	2 Sonja White	3 Wilma Antone Courtney Olivas	4 Madeleine Van Sickle	5 Dannika Lewis Sharalee Andaverde Kerrianna Justin Gabriel Lopez Emma Narcia Cayden Peters	6 Jose Gutierrez, Jr. Damonique Lewis Glennadean Lewis Simon Vavages
7 Audrey Antone Delbert White Emily Lewis	8	9 Stanislaus Antone Jonathan Narcia Charlene Whitman	10 Irene Medina Mercedes Stephens	11 Angelisa Cuatt Giuliana Sandoval Mildred Narcia Devin Peters Breon Stephens Robert Stephens Jr.	12 Lisa Chavez	13
14 Brenna Antone Crystal Maddox Davin Miguel	15 Dwayne Antone Timothy Luz LeRoy Narcia Rosalie Narcia Ana Blanchard	16 Kalvin Antone Donald Narcia Mariella Norris Tracy Wind	17	18 Kelly Antone	19 Delphine Vazquez	20 Carlton Carlyle, Jr. Daria Garcia Sarah Carlyle Jose Hernandez
21 Eric Chavez Joel Vincent	22 Manuel Garcia George Lewis, Jr. Norbert Peters, Sr. Nicole Vincent	23 Christian Alvarez Brandon Antone Melanie Antone Marie Ortega Mark Pablo Deanna Rascon	24 Jessie Williams	25 Mario Ortega David White, Sr.	26 Evelina Lopez	27 Benedict Miguel Celia Soto
28 Isidro Miguel	29 Leona Kakar Dannon Peters Monica Ruiz	30 Alissia Bandin Marvin Shade	31 Courtney Delores Maria Hernandez Shannon Peters Robert Velasquez Zaydyn Norris	Events for the Month: 19th-21st- High School Basketball tournament at Ak-Chin gym 23rd- Town Hall Meeting Service Center 6pm-8pm 25th- Community Gathering at Service Center 6pm-8pm		



# Council Updates

2010 goals to improve, create, and develop resources and efforts to further sustain our Community, moves on.

The Waste Water Treatment Facility is on target and construction positive. Continued water line and grinder pump removal moves forward, as those in the Greasewood division see and experience everyday, when traveling on the neighborhood streets. At the conclusion of the project those areas of construction will be addressed.

As discussed in our Community Meetings, ACIC is purchasing the Southern Dunes Golf Course, which is located north of and is contiguous with community. The added potential with Southern Dunes and Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino will give additional economic stability and overall benefit for both parties to work hand in hand.

The progress of the 152 room hotel addition to Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino Resort continues to move forward with identifying Penta Building Group for preconstruction services.

On a more general plan, Council has been reviewing options to address the Community's economic and commercial feasibility. We plan to identify resources to the initial steps in creating and defining the commercial opportunities that present themselves along highway 347 by April.

With the hotel expansion and the goal of creating more housing comes the need to have our Fire Department meet those demands. Review of a new Fire Station on the northwest corner near the water tank of the casino area is currently the designated area. Aspects to traffic and roads are being reviewed.

As noted prior, Council is scheduling to meet with Community Boards, Commissions and Committees, to review and update by-laws, policies and procedures. In doing so, there may be redeveloped committees as members identified may no longer be present. Just to name a few of them are Law and Order Code Committee, Election Board, Livestock Committee, Farm Board, Housing Commission, TGA Commission, Education Committee, Industrial Board, ACES Board, Pageant Committee, P&Z Commission, etc.

2010 Census is just days away, please make the time to get counted.

The positive benefits of updating our Census numbers for the Community can make a difference. March 22 is the kickoff at the Service Center in the main village.

Council met with Gila River Health Care Commission and presented concerns and requests for additional information on the process of services for the Community. GRHCC will be providing information and responses to the questions which Council will present at the next Community Meeting on March 29th.

Thank you,  
Ak-Chin Tribal Council



## Community Meeting

Monday, March 29, 2010  
Ak-Chin Service Center  
6 - 8 pm

## Elder Trip deadline to Papago Cowboy Exhibit in Topawa extended to March 22nd

On Tuesday, March 30, the Elders from Ak-Chin will be treated to a visit to Sells and Topawa, Arizona.

The chartered bus for the trip will leave the Elder Center at 9 am and will

return back to Ak-Chin at about 5pm.

After touring the Papago Cowboy Exhibit at the Tohono O'odham Cultural Center and Museum in Topawa, elders will be stopping at the Tohono O'odham Desert Rain Café for lunch. This new Tohono O'odham non-profit restaurant in Sells features an outdoor patio and all traditional foods.

Because of the popularity of this trip creating a waiting list, the Elder Center has chartered a bus so that **ALL community elders can attend.**

The reservation deadline for this trip has been extended to **Monday March 22.** For reservations contact the Elder Center at 520-568-1750.

### Ak-Chin Elder Center Menu for March 2010

**Monday, March 15:**  
( R ) Chili Beans w/ground beef, ( D ) Ground beef pattie, crackers, Pineapple chunks Milk, Coffee & Tea

**Tuesday, March 16:**  
Chicken pot-pie, Apricots, Milk, Coffee & Tea

**Wednesday, March 17:**  
Pork chops w/yams, green beans, bread ( R ) pumpkin bread, ( D ) Fresh apples, Milk, Coffee & Tea

**Thursday, March 18:**  
Beef stroganoff w/noodles, bread slices, corn, fruit cocktail, Milk, Coffee & Tea

**Friday, March 19:**  
( R ) Grilled cheese w/tomato soup, ( D ) Grilled turkey w/ vegetable soup, hot peach cobbler, Milk, Coffee & Tea

**Monday, March 22:**  
Hamburger stew, corn muffins, pears, Milk, Coffee & Tea

**Tuesday, March 23:**  
Beef fajitas, Spanish rice, purple grapes, Milk, Coffee & Tea

**Wednesday, March 24:**  
Indian Tacos, popover, applesauce, Milk, Coffee & Tea

**Thursday, March 25:**  
Baked chicken w/rice, sliced beets, ( R ) chocolate pudding, ( D ) Vanilla pudding, Milk, Coffee & Tea

**Friday, March 26:**  
Chicken salad on lettuce, cucumber slices, carrots & celery slices, fruit, crackers, Milk, Coffee & Tea

**Monday, March 29:**  
Hot Roast beef sandwich w/mashed potatoes, peas, & carrots, carrot cake

**Tuesday, March 30:**  
( R ) Split peas w/frybread, ( D ) pork chops w/ bread, sliced carrots, fruit cocktail

**Wednesday, March 31:**  
Chicken Tacos, rice, corn, applesauce, Milk, Coffee & Tea

Ak-Chin Elder Center-Ge Gelik Ha Ki  
(520) 568-1760

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- anyone who has restricted activities because of falling concerns



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# March 2010 Elderly Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
14 	15 Happy Birthday "LeRoy Narcia" Commodity 9am CHAIR VOLLEYBALL Arts & Crafts 9am	16 Happy Birthday "Donald Narcia" Fitness Activity Arts & Crafts 9am	17 <b>BINGO</b> Arts & Crafts 9am 	18 Fitness Activity Arts & Crafts 9am	19 Happy Birthday "Delphine Vasquez" Elder Checks Mailed Quarterly B Party Arts & Crafts 9am	20
21	22 Happy Birthday "George Lewis" CHAIR VOLLEYBALL Arts & Crafts 9am	23 Arts & Crafts 9am	24 Fitness Activity Arts & Crafts 9am	25 <b>Rawhide Night 5:30 pm</b> Arts & Crafts 9am	26 Happy Birthday "Evelina Lopez" Fitness Activity Arts & Crafts 9am	27
28 	29 Happy Birthday "Leona Kakar" Elder Advisory Meeting CHAIR VOLLEYBALL Arts & Crafts 9am	30 <b>T.O. Cultural Center Field Trip</b> Arts & Crafts 9am	31 Fitness Activity Arts & Crafts 9am	Call us for services: Transportation, Congregate Meals, Caregiver Support Program and other Elder Support Services, 520-568-1760. Open Daily: Monday-Friday 8:00am-4:00PM. Lunch Served Daily 11:00am-12:00PM		



# LIBRARY NEWS

The new part-time library pages have been working hard this week and retaining the wealth of information from all library staff. Their first day was tough. Ashley and Karen had to listen to Library Manager Melanie talk for 3 hours. The following day, they had to endure Library Assistant, Jeffrey Stoffer talk about programs. Their third day, they observed Library Technician, Matthew Cross explain the intricate details on how to clean DVDs and CDs. Library Clerk, Jeannette Peters had them on their fourth day, explaining her future craft program with Teens. Today, they will learn how to make movie style popcorn and the test will come on Saturday.

Saturday, Karen and Ashley will witness "behind the scenes" on the library's first big program of the year—not only will the library staff be grilling all beef

hot dogs, but library staff will be showing "Twilight in Forks," and "New Moon." All the festivities will start at noon. This event is for all hard-core Twilight Saga readers, fans, and movie goers! Not to mention, if you are a Team Jacob or Team Edward fan, everyone will have a shot a winning life-size cut-outs of Jacob, Edward or all three (Jacob, Edward, & Bella). Cut-outs will be determined by answers to trivia questions from **both** the book and the movie. Prizes will be raffled off for laminated posters, Jacob puzzle, door hangers and Twilight books!

On a different note, evening hours will resume as soon as lobby cameras are installed. We appreciate the patience of everyone and the Council for expediting the camera purchase for the lobby.

## Sunday Hours

Sunday hours are projected to begin April 11th from noon to 4 p.m. Karen Ashley will be shadowing current

Library staff on the Circ desk to prepare to open the Library doors on Sundays.

## New Books

**Not Without Hope** by Nick Schyler. In February 2009, 24-year-old author, Nick Schuyler and three football friends—Raiders linebacker Marquis Cooper, 26, Lions defensive end Corey Smith, 29, and Will Bleakley, 25, a teammate from the University of South Florida—sailed away from Tampa Bay for a day in the Gulf of Mexico. But 35 miles off the Florida coast, their 21-foot boat flipped. For more than 12 hours, they gripped the boat as the temperature dropped and the waves climbed. Then, to Schuyler's horror, one by one, his friends succumbed to hypothermia. Found 45 hours later, Schuyler too suffered severe hypothermia, injuries, and the guilt of being the only man to survive.

**Making Rounds with Oscar** by David Dosa. An otherwise ordinary cat, Oscar has the uncanny ability to predict

when people are about to die. Adopted by staff members at Steere House nursing home when he was a kitten, the three-year-old tabby has presided over the deaths of more than twenty-five nursing home residents thus far. His mere presence at the bedside is viewed by physicians and nursing-home staff as an almost absolute indicator of impending death, considered a blessing because it allows staff members to notify families that the end is near and because he provides companionship to those who would otherwise have died alone.

**Letters to Jackie:** condolences from a grieving nation letters selected by Ellen Fitzpatrick. Book contains examples of the thousands of condolences letters written on Jacqueline Kennedy following the assassination of her husband, President John F. Kennedy.

# MHS Students hear living history



**Dr. Alexander B. White poses with his book "Be A Mensch."**



**Retired Navy Master Chief Petty Officer Jack Duncan.**

Many have seen war movies which depict World War II, the Korean Conflict, and the Vietnam War or Schindler's List, which is a story about the Holocaust. Maricopa High School 11th grade history students were given a first hand glimpse of living history with the visit of two speakers to the old gymnasium on Tuesday, March 2nd.

Dr. Alexander White is a Holocaust survivor who was in Oskar Schindler's camp. He spoke of time spent in various concentration camps and his brief encounter with Nazi leader Adolph Hitler. Dr. White encouraged the students to be a 'mensch,' someone who is

decent, responsible, and of good character.

Master Chief Petty Officer Jack Duncan, U.S. Navy Retired, spoke next, and shared his 43 years in the military. Enlisting in 1942, Duncan served during World War II, the Korean Conflict, and the Vietnam War. He explained the importance of getting an education, and encouraged interested students to seek careers in the armed services.

Both allowed time for questions after their presentations. Some students sought autographs and opportunity to speak with White and Duncan one on one.

## Kindergarten Round-Up

**Maricopa Unified School District will be hosting Kindergarten Round-Ups at each of our elementary school sites on March 30th at 10:30AM and 6:00 PM.**

**The registration is open to any child Kindergarten age-eligible (5 years old before August 31, 2010). Parents should bring immunizations records, proof of residency and a birth certificate. Individual tours can also be scheduled by contacting the appropriate school site. For more information please call 520.568.5100 x 1008, visit the website at [www.maricipausd.org](http://www.maricipausd.org) or call one of the six elementary school sites:**

**Butterfield Elementary – 520.568.6100**  
**Maricopa Elementary – 520.568.5160**  
**Pima Butte Elementary – 520.568.7150**  
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*This free three part series is designed to provide parents with the information and skills they need to actively participate in the Special Education process!*

Thursday, March 25th, 2010  
**Participation in the Special Education Process**  
 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

This PowerPoint training discusses how children with disabilities and their parents are guaranteed certain educational rights, known as procedural safeguards, from birth through 21 years of age. This training will help parents make informed educational decisions for their child.

## Special Education

Arizona Department of Education, Exceptional Student Services

Location:

Maricopa Unified School District Office  
 44150 W. Maricopa/Casa Grande Highway  
 Maricopa, 85138

To register or for more information contact:

Amy Dill  
 Parent Information Network Specialist for Gila/Pinal Counties  
 480-759-1029

Thursday, April 8th, 2010

**Participation in the IEP Process**  
 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

This PowerPoint training provides an overview of the purpose of the IEP, who should be a member of the IEP team and attend the meetings; how parents can prepare for and participate in the IEP process; what parents can do when they disagree with the proposed program; and how to track their child's progress.

Thursday, April 29th, 2010

**Beginning with the End in Mind: Secondary Transition**  
 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

This PowerPoint training covers the entire transition planning process. The training discusses all components of transition services including: measurable post secondary goal development; coordinated set of activities; courses of study; and annual IEP goals. This training will help parents learn how to be active participants in secondary transition planning.



Unity continued

look forward to next year and a stop at your recreation center.”

Before departing to their next destination, officials from the Tohono O’odham Nation relayed information to Unity coordinators of the recent up-rise of the ongoing drug wars that have continued to alarm people who trek into Mexico. The 2010 Unity’s final destination is in Cedagi Waihia (Poza Verde) Sonora, Mexico.

Participants and coordinators discussed the alternatives of trekking into Poza Verde for the final closing ceremonies on Saturday, or stopping in New Fields, where a make shift headquarters will be placed. New Fields is located in Arizona, just within miles of the Mexican border.

After receiving the drug cartel threat, some in the Ak-Chin group felt the strength to continue into Poza Verde would benefit Unity greatly, sending a message that their purpose will overcome any obstacle that may hinder their journey.

The welcomed rest in Ak-Chin pro-

vided runners and coordinators a fresh start as they made their way down Farrell Road.

Ak-Chin runners participating in Unity are; Cecily Peters, Dannon Peters, Jonas Miguel, Kathleen Miguel, Jose Lopez, Alex Lopez, Danel Peters, Kaycee Lopez and Lucio Martinez.

At press time, runners made their way to the Tohono O’odham Nation, enroute to the Archie Hendricks Sr. Skilled Nursing Facility.

Unity affiliates would like to thank the following for preparing the food and allowing Unity runners and personnel to use their homes; Costella Lopez, Dorissa “Sha” Garcia, Lerline Peters, Georgia Corella, Delia Carlyle, Genevieve Miguel, Denise Miguel, Janice Perez, Mary Anna Soliz, Lisa Garcia, Gwen Lopez, Jennifer Zepeda, Rufus White, Benedict Miguel (Coordinator), Francisco Miguel (Coordinator), Donation Committee, Cultural Resources Department, Gabe Lopez, Marla Antone, Youth Council, Bea Romo, Gilbert Joaquin, Robert Miguel and Vanessa Soliz.



Footz the Clown explains to parents and children how fun it is to color during her presentation at the Ak-Chin Preschool.

## Footz the Clown visits Preschool

Story by R. Miguel & Photo Deidra Carlyle

Through a grant from ITCA; in conjunction with United Way; the Ak-Chin Child Development school was able to bring “Footz the Clown” to the community for parents and children to enjoy her presentation on the fun and importance of literacy.

Forty-Nine students and parents enjoyed Footz’ presentation as she focused on book reading, colors, letters,

numbers and counting.

She encouraged parents to get involved with their child’s literacy by setting up fun activities to the mentioned subjects.

Following the presentation, children were allowed to mingle with Footz. Each child in attendance received a book, courtesy of the grant.



Ak-Chin Councilman, Gabriel Lopez, addresses the Ak-Chin UNITY contingent before they depart for the UNITY run.



Photo by R. Miguel

## Dear Greasewood Subdivision Resident,

Construction Crews will begin working within the Greasewood Subdivision and will continue through September 2010. This work is necessary to eliminate the existing Grinder Pump Stations. Please use the alternate detour routes as posted and for your safety, follow all traffic control measures.

As the days get longer and sun rises earlier, the contractor’s crews will also be starting earlier. Workers are currently starting at 7:00 a.m., but will soon begin their work days at 6:30 a.m., and

eventually as early as 6:00 a.m. as the days get lighter and warmer.

All Emergency, Health, Welfare, Bus Stops, Schwan’s deliveries and Trash Services will be maintained during this period. Please contact the EPD 520-568-1155 if you have any questions or concerns, as they will be coordinating efforts with the contractor.

Thank you for your patience, AK-Chin Capital Projects MGC Contractors, Inc.

## REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

The Fire Department is seeking Public Comment on a draft Emergency Operations Plan for the Ak-Chin Indian Community.

The Emergency Operations Plan is designed to address “All-Hazards” in the Community, and provide overall direction to Community departments and employees regarding their role and responsibilities during a local disaster or emergency.

A draft copy of the Emergency Operations Plan is available for review at the Fire Station on Farrell and S.R. 347, between the hours of 8:00 am and 5:00 pm., Monday through Friday.

The Public Comment period will be from Monday March 22, 2010 through Thursday April 1, 2010.

Interested Community members can come by the Fire Station and speak with any of the Chief Officers to review the plan, gain an understanding of the concepts and elements of the plan, and provide input and comment to the final plan.

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## February 2010 Perfect Attendance

Justine Lopez	Desiree Bernal	Heaven Smith
Steven Ruelas	Carlton Carlyle	Luis Garcia
Mercedes Garcia	Derek Manuel	Marin Lopez
Ethan Manuel	Tobias Nez	Jesus Corella
Jalen Garcia	Ralston Justin	Laila Garcia
Earl Justin	Kahleah DeLowe	Isaiah Peters
Stacey Smith	Adrian Montana	Josephine Salas-Vargas
Victor Bandin	Novalene Narcia	Traci Thomas
Madeleine VanSickle	Kerianna Justin	Holly McDarment
Victor Andaverde Jr.	Samson Pinheiro	
Morgan Peters	Mariella Garcia	
Jessie Williams	Joe Miguel	Keep Up
Mary Antone	Tyra Williams	the great work!

## Maricopa Elementary Spring Book Fair



Monday, 3/22 – 8:30-3:30

Tuesday, 3/23 – 8:30-7:00 p.m.  
(Family night)

Wednesday, 3/24 – 8:30-2:00

Thursday, 3/25 – 8:30-3:30

Friday, 3/26 – 8:30-1:00

## Maricopa Elementary Spring Carnival

Saturday, March 20th  
from 9am-1pm.



### On Children

And a woman who held a babe against her bosom said,  
Speak to us of Children.  
And he said:  
Your children are not your children.  
They are the sons and daughters of Life's longing for itself.  
They come through you but not from you,  
And though they are with you yet they belong not to you.  
You may give them your love but not your thoughts,  
You may house their bodies but no their souls,  
For their souls dwell in the house of tomorrow, which you cannot visit,  
not even in your dreams.  
You may strive to be like them, but seek not to make them like you.  
For life goes not backward nor carries with yesterday.  
You are the bows from which your children as living arrows are sent forth.  
The archer sees the mark upon the path of the infinite, and He bends you  
with His might that His arrows may go swift and far.  
Let your bending in the archer's hand be for gladness;  
For even as He loves the arrow that flies,  
so He loves also the bow that is stable.

(Kahlil Gibran)



## 2010 CENSUS: IT'S IN OUR HANDS "A:cim Ob'd Wi Dakdokc"

### 2010 Census is here!

Enumerators will be coming to your home in the next couple of weeks to ask you 10 simple questions from the census questionnaires. Please answer your doors when the enumerators come knocking! All information that you provide will be kept strictly confidential.

Also, it is very important that you list everyone who is living within your household. An accurate count of our population is vital so federal funding can be allocated to the community based on the numbers we show from the census data collected.

So let's all actively participate in the 2010 Census!  
Be Counted! It's Easy. It's Important. It's Safe.

If you have any questions, please contact  
Delia M. Carlyle, Partnership Specialist at (520) 510-9220 or  
Victoria A. Smith, Enrollment Specialist at (520) 568-1023.



## Sample

United States Census 2010

This is the official form for all the people at this address. It is quick and easy, and your answers are protected by law.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
Economics and Statistics Administration  
U.S. CENSUS BUREAU

Use a blue or black pen.

**Start here**

The Census must count every person living in the United States on April 1, 2010.

Before you answer Question 1, count the people living in this house, apartment, or mobile home using our guidelines.

- Count all people, including babies, who live and sleep here most of the time.

The Census Bureau also conducts counts in institutions and other places, so:

- Do not count anyone living away either at college or in the Armed Forces.
- Do not count anyone in a nursing home, jail, prison, detention facility, etc., on April 1, 2010.
- Leave these people off your form, even if they will return to live here after they leave college, the nursing home, the military, jail, etc. Otherwise, they may be counted twice.

The Census must also include people without a permanent place to stay, so:

- If someone who has no permanent place to stay is staying here on April 1, 2010, count that person. Otherwise, he or she may be missed in the census.

1. How many people were living or staying in this house, apartment, or mobile home on April 1, 2010?

Number of people =

2. Were there any additional people staying here April 1, 2010 that you did not include in Question 1? Mark  all that apply.

Children, such as newborn babies or foster children  
 Relatives, such as adult children, cousins, or in-laws  
 Nonrelatives, such as roommates or live-in baby sitters  
 People staying here temporarily  
 No additional people

3. Is this house, apartment, or mobile home — Mark  ONE box.

Owned by you or someone in this household with a mortgage or loan? Include home equity loans.  
 Owned by you or someone in this household free and clear (without a mortgage or loan)?  
 Rented?  
 Occupied without payment of rent?

4. What is your telephone number? We may call if we don't understand an answer.  
Area Code + Number  -  -

OMB No. 0607-0919-C: Approval Expires 12/31/2011.  
Form D-61 (1-15-2009)

5. Please provide information for each person living here. Start with a person living here who owns or rents this house, apartment, or mobile home. If the owner or renter lives somewhere else, start with any adult living here. This will be Person 1.  
What is Person 1's name? Print name below.  
Last Name  MI   
First Name

6. What is Person 1's sex? Mark  ONE box.  
 Male  Female

7. What is Person 1's age and what is Person 1's date of birth? Please report babies as age 0 when the child is less than 1 year old.  
Print numbers in boxes.  
Age on April 1, 2010  Month  Day  Year of birth   
→ NOTE: Please answer BOTH Question 8 about Hispanic origin and Question 9 about race. For this census, Hispanic origins are not races.

8. Is Person 1 of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin?  
 No, not of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin  
 Yes, Mexican, Mexican Am., Chicano  
 Yes, Puerto Rican  
 Yes, Cuban  
 Yes, another Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin — Print origin, for example, Argentinian, Colombian, Dominican, Nicaraguan, Salvadoran, Spaniard, and so on.

9. What is Person 1's race? Mark  one or more boxes.  
 White  
 Black, African Am., or Negro  
 American Indian or Alaska Native — Print name of enrolled or principal tribe.   
**AK-Chin Indian Community**  
 Asian Indian  Japanese  Native Hawaiian  
 Chinese  Korean  Guamanian or Chamorro  
 Filipino  Vietnamese  Samoan  
 Other Asian — Print race, for example, Hmong, Laotian, Thai, Pakistani, Cambodian, and so on.  Other Pacific Islander — Print race, for example, Fijian, Tongan, and so on.

Some other race — Print race.

10. Does Person 1 sometimes live or stay somewhere else?  
 No  Yes — Mark  all that apply.  
 In college housing  For child custody  
 In the military  In jail or prison  
 At a seasonal or second residence  In a nursing home  
 For another reason

→ If more people were counted in Question 1, continue with Person 2.

U.S. CENSUS BUREAU

You do not need to stay within the boxes provided; you can write AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY under the boxes.

## HERO HAIRCUTS

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 Grill Opens at 12pm  
 Movie begins at 1:10pm

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**March 20th**

**new moon**

## TGA Commissioners Sworn In



Rebecca Alvarez and Lisa Garcia are sworn into the Ak-Chin Tribal Gaming Commission by Ak-Chin Vice-Chairperson, Leslie Carlyle-Burnett during a ceremony last week at TGA Headquarters.

Photo by KD Morago

Ak-Chin Vice-Chairperson, Leslie Carlyle-Burnett congratulates Terry Enos after administering his Oath of Office. Enos was selected the Commission Vice-Chairman immediately following.



Photo by KD Morago



### COMMUNITY O'ODHAM GATHERING

**MARCH 25, 2010**  
 6:00 pm. to 8:00 pm.

**AK-CHIN ARCHAEOLOGY**  
**JOHNNY LOPEZ**



The event will be held at the Service Center. We encourage community members with children to come and listen and share the cultural. Come hungry we have a delicious meal planned.

Sponsored By: The Him-Dak EcoMuseum ,  
 Cultural Resources Office and Ak-Chin Language Program  
 Please contact the Culture Resource staff at 568-1372

## The 2010-2011 New Miss Gila River



Photo by KD Morago

Miss Gila River 2010-2011 Tia Benally speaks to the audience after she is crowned on Saturday, March 13th at the Komatke Boy's and Girl's Club in District #6 Community. Four girls competed for the title of Miss Gila River. Selected as 1st attendeant is Lorena Clashin (far left), both are from District #3. The Miss Gila River pageant precedes the 48th Annual Mul-Chu-Tha Fair celebration to be held beginning Friday, March 19 - 21, 2010 in Sacaton.

Use your health, even to the point of wearing it out. That is what it is for. Spend all you have before you die; do not outlive yourself.  
 —George Bernard Shaw

When you're green you're growing, and when you're ripe you start to rot.  
 —Ray Kroc

If it weren't for the fact that the TV set and the refrigerator are so far apart, some of us wouldn't get any exercise at all.  
 —Joey Adams

One should always play fair when one has the winning cards.  
 —Oscar Wilde

Life is not lost by dying; life is lost minute by minute, day by dragging day, in all the thousand small uncaring ways.  
 —Stephen Vincent Benét

## Ak-Chin Indian Community Library 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Peer Leadership 4:30 <i>Pig Day (Bacon's Favorite day of the year!)</i>	2 Board Gameapoolza 5:00-6:00 <b>Preschool Storytime</b> 10:30 & 11:00	3 Craftz! 2:00-4:00 "Pig Origami"	4 Gaming Idol 4:30-6:00 <i>National Grammar Day</i>	5 Movie Night! 5:15 "Where the Wild things are"	6
7	8 Peer Leadership 4:30 <i>International Working Women's Day</i>	9 Board Gameapoolza 5:00-6:00 <b>Preschool Storytime</b> 10:30 & 11:00	10 Craftz! 2:00-4:00 "Tribal Bracelets"	11 Gaming Idol 4:30-6:00	12 <b>Native American Movie Night!</b> 5:15	13
14	15 Peer Leadership 4:30	16 Board Gameapoolza 5:00-6:00 <b>Preschool Storytime</b> 10:30 & 11:00	17 Craftz! 2:00-4:00 "Shamrock Plants" <i>St. Patrick's Day</i>	18 Gaming Idol 4:30-6:00	19 Movie Night! 5:15 "Twilight"	20 <b>Moonlight Movie Madness!!!</b> 2:00 "New Moon"
21 <i>National Common Courtesy Day</i>	22 Peer Leadership 4:30	23 Board Gameapoolza 5:00-6:00 <b>Preschool Storytime</b> 10:30 & 11:00	24 Craftz! 2:00-4:00 "Bookmark Pet's"	25 Gaming Idol 4:30-6:00	26 Movie Night! 5:15 "Fantastic Mr. Fox"	27
28 <i>Palm Sunday</i>	29 Peer Leadership 4:30	30 Board Gameapoolza 5:00-6:00 <b>Preschool Storytime</b> 10:30 & 11:00 <i>Passover</i>	31 Craftz! 2:00-4:00 "Penguin Madness!!!"			

**Women's History Month!**



# 2010 Intersession



Ak-Chin Youth Council members young students make Hawaiian leis



Ak-Chin Fire Marshal Cecil Peters oversees Tommy Pablo as he extinguishes a fire.



**Above:** Julene Narcia and Sylvia Guitierrez help children with their arts & crafts.

**Right:** Richard Joaquin III shows off his winning moves during "Freeze Dancing".

**Bottom:** Maureen Conlin of "Happy Notes Music" leads kids in making sounds with tube-like instruments.



For five; pretty much sunny spring days; K-12 Ak-Chin students had the privilege of being entertained by Ak-Chin Indian Community Departments with fun and games, as Intersession Activities were hosted at the Ak-Chin Recreational Facility.

The Education Department Conducted a Joint Activity with Courts and Social Services.

"What an awesome day! We had a total of 30 students for the activity," stated Education Director, Jana Narcia, as she also provided a breakdown of their day's activities.

**Games Played:** Checkers Concentration (Conducted by Mr. Yee & Lab Tutor, Christine McCaulay. Also, did puzzles.

**Activities:** coloring & reading (conducted by Lab Tutors, Roberta Rice & Jennie Young)

**Bingo:** Drake Lewis & Lab Tutor, Roberta Rice

**Kick Ball:** All departments & MUSD Rep - June Shull (participated with the student (activity in park):

**Dance Freeze:** staff participated with students by assisting with the music played on June Shull's "boom box." Staff from all departments "cheered" on the students who participated with the "hula hoops."

**Dance Contest:** Richard Joaquin III & Doria Garcia (these kids were "tearing up the floor").

Courts employee Lisa Wilshire said the youth "were very energetic. The afternoon kick-ball game was enjoyable for both employees and staff."

Edward Mouchette thought "the inter-session went great. It was a pleasure to get to know the younger age group of the community. They were very interactive. Good Job boys on winning the kickball game. We had a good time."

Sandy Mays, Preschool Coordinator comments, "We shared the intersession group with the Library. I wasn't there... but I heard it was a lot of fun!"

Although it rained on Monday, that did not damper the Recreation's spirits, who quickly recovery from the canceled Rockman Trip and sponsored their own activity that included dancing, karaoke and scavenger hunts.

Other departments who hosted activities included: Diabetes, Fire, Housing, Him-Dak and Runner.

Kudos to all the departments who pitched in for the food, snacks and drinks during the week-long activity. (Elderly, Cultural Resource, Language and Police).

Special thanks to Hilary's gang "Peer Leadership" for filling in when needed and to the Youth Council, who was more than willing to assist with activities and mentoring. Great Job to all!



Noahli Antone, Sharon Carlyle, Lisa Garcia and Bianca Valenzuela dance in sync to the DJ sounds of Diana Estrada.



Carlton Carlyle, Jr. puts on the ultimate checker move as William Yee watches in amazement.



The Language Program hosted O'odham Bingo by calling out the numbers and colors in O'odham.



Children have a "ball" playing with a huge volley-ball during the Diabetes Prevention session.



**Clockwise:** James Lopez attempts a block during a one on one game against Officer Greg Perry during Intersession.

During Monday's Intersession, Hawaiian Dancers took time to teach the children a hula dance.

Edward Mouchette leads the conga line to lunch as children behind him have a good time.



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A Lady Warriors player attempts to shoot between two Wildcat defenders during girl's tourney action. The Wildcats placed second in the tournament.

## Gila River and Salt River capture Ak-Chin Jr. High Basketball tourneys

Story by R. Miguel & Photos by Runner Staff

The Gila River boy's basketball squad and Salt River Renegades girl's team captured the Ak-Chin Jr. High Boys and Girls Basketball Tournament held during the week of March 6th and 7th.

The Renegades knocked off District 6, Wildcats, Lady Warriors and Arizona Swish to nab a spot in the title game.

They ended up defeating the Wildcats, who they defeated in the second round, in the championship game.

The Renegades have been a constant participant in Ak-Chin tournaments and usually have placed in the top three during the past few years.

The Gila River boy's squad have

also been participants in tournaments the previous years and have captured tourney titles.

They can add the 2010 title to their resume as they battled hard through a tough tournament field that featured two strong teams from the Navajo Nation.

Gila River defeated Ak-Chin, and then lost to Window Rock. In the loser's bracket, they defeated Tolani Lake, which earned them a spot in the title game against Window Rock.

Seeking revenge, Gila River played great and took the tourney title with a 45-42 victory over a disappointed Window Rock squad.



Dennis Antone of Ak-Chin dribbles between two defenders in the boy's tournament.

### Boy's Division

#### Champions Gila River



### Boy's Division

#### Second Place Window Rock



### Boy's Division

#### Third Place Tolani Lake



### Girl's Division

#### Champions Renegades



### Girl's Division

#### Second Place Wildcats



### Girl's Division

#### Third Place Arizona Swish

Maricopa Public Safety Personnel Presents:

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- Checks can be Payable to : Professional Firefighters of Maricopa IAFF Local 4561

*There will be a Raffle and Concessions at the event!*





Brianna Estrada and Julia Dickerson show off their awards following the annual Maricopa High School Basketball banquet.



Lester Gonzalez, Jace Dickerson and Jarvis Gonzalez are recognized with numerous awards during the annual MHS Winter Sports Banquet.

# Maricopa Athletes recognized during banquet

Story by R. Miguel & photos submitted by Ann Antone

Maricopa High School basketball players were recognized during the annual 2010 Maricopa High School Sports Banquet.

Varsity Rams; Jace Dickerson, Jarvis Gonzalez, Lester Gonzalez, Terrance Motley, Davon Snell and Freddy Mena were recognized by Head Coach Andy Brandchik for their team play and individual accomplishments.

Dickerson received the Ram Varsity Award and Jarvis Gonzalez the Varsity Defensive Award and 4A-II East Sky 2nd Team All Conference, while Lester Gonzalez, Snell and Mena nabbed the 4A-II East Sky Region Honorable Mention awards.

The six were key players in helping the Rams qualify for the 4A state tournament.

Lady Ram Varsity Head Coach Jennifer Miller recognized Julia Dickerson, with the Hustle Award and gave her a certificate for being selected 4A-II East Sky Honorable Mention.

Brianna Estrada, honored with her Varsity Letter Award. Amanda Hamm also received 4A-II Honorable Mention accolades while Brittany Parks was selected 1st Team 4A-II. The four also helped the Lady Rams qualify for the state tournament.

Special recognition went to Ram senior forward/center, Motley, who was selected All-Region Player of the Year for the 4A-II, East Sky Conference.

Motley will represent Maricopa and the conference during the 4A All-Star Basketball game.

**Right:** Maricopa Rams forward/center, Terrance Motley battle for position during a regular season game against Notre Dame Prep.

The 6'5 senior was named 4A-II Conference Player of the Year after averaging nearly 18 points per game.

Motley will represent MHS during the 4A All-Star game which will be played at an undetermined site. The game will be played at the conclusion of the school year.

Photo by R. Miguel



Photo submitted by Lisa Garcia

Ak-Chin girls from l to r: Paige Provost, Amber Antone, Alyssa Garcia, Shauna Richmond, Brianna Estrada, Julia Dickerson and Cecily Peters.

## Ak-Chin Sports

**Above:** The Ak-Chin High School girl's basketball team took second place in a basketball tournament in Salt River just recently.

Both Ak-Chin boy's and girl's teams were also given Sportsmanship Awards for their positive behavior and demeanor on and off the court throughout the tourney. Named to the All-Tournament Team were; Julia Dickerson, Alyssa Garcia and Brianna Estrada. Shauna Richmond was given the Hustle Award.



**Right:** Alexis Estrada goes in for a layup against Ft. McDowell during a Friendship Youth League

2010 CENSUS: IT'S IN OUR HANDS  
"A:cim Ob'd Wi Dakdokc"

Please join us for the  
Ak-Chin Indian Community  
**2010 Census Enumeration Day**

Monday, March 22, 2010  
4:00pm - 7:00pm  
Ak-Chin Service Center

**EVERYONE WELCOME!**

Hamburgers, Hotdogs will be served.  
Free Census items to be given away  
Raffle to be held

If you have any questions, please contact  
Delia M. Carlyle, Partnership Specialist  
at (520) 510-9220 or  
Victoria A. Smith, Enrollment Specialist  
at (520) 568-1023





**EMPLOYEE UPDATE**



**Guadalupe Galaviz**  
Teacher's Aide  
Preschool



**Eddie Gonzalez**  
Detention Officer  
Detention



**Ashley Vincent**  
Library Page  
Library



**Tomasina Long**  
Detention Officer  
Detention



**Karen Gardner**  
Library Page  
Library

My name is Ashley Vincent and I am eighteen years young. I was born June 10th in Sacaton, Arizona and have lived on the Ak-Chin Indian Community with my grandma my whole life. Throughout all my years of education, K-12th grade, I attended the Maricopa District Schools. I am proud to say that I graduated from Maricopa High School on May 29th of 2009. (Class of '09!!)

Currently I am attending my first semester of college at MCC in Mesa, Arizona. There I am furthering my schooling to earn my degree to be a certified EMT/Paramedic in hopes of some day working here on the reservation. For five years I have been part of the Ak-Chin Youth Council and currently am serving my term as vice-president. In being a part of the youth council I have had many opportunities to travel to different reservations, states, and met a great amount of Native Americans from all over the U.S. If I am not working with the youth council or doing school work I am usually with my family and friends whom I love hanging out with.

Hi! My name is Karen Gardner. I have lived on the Ak-Chin reservation all my life. I am married and have two children, ages six and two. My favorite things to do are participate in volleyball leagues or tournaments with family and celebrating the holidays with my family.



**WHEN:** April 6, 2010  
**TIME:** 1pm to 4pm  
**WHERE:** Harrah's Ballroom  
(Enter through Hotel Entrance)  
**WHO?** Ak-Chin - Community Members, High School Students & Employees

**Sample List of Vendors Include:**

- Penta
- MGC
- Gila River WIA Program
- Ak-Chin Fire, Police, Elder Center, Human Resources, Maintenance, Library and more!
- Brookline College, Central AZ College, UofA, Maricopa Skill Center and more!
- AZ Community Action, Inter Tribal Council of AZ, Medicare/Social Security Administration

**Career exploration is an exciting time. Join us and begin to identify opportunities for future employment and explore careers within your Community.**

**This is an important opportunity for you to meet and speak with representatives from Community departments, contractors, colleges, vendors and other resources.**

**Wherever you are in your career, there is much to gain by visiting the Round Up.**



**Door Prizes**

- Sony 46" Flat Screen TV \* Compaq Presario Laptop
- FLIP Video Camcorder \* iPod Shuffle
- Basha's Gift Cards \* Free Oil Change

*(Receive one entry to win one of these fabulous door prizes by attending the Round Up! Attend one of the seminars being offered and receive five entries to win a prize!)*

**The Annual Performance Reports (APR) Are Available**

The Annual Performance Reports (APR) are available at the Housing Department office for review.

If you would like a copy please call the Housing Department office at (520) 568-1730.

These reports will be submitted to Phoenix HUD office.

**JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Current openings in the Community:**

- Tool Crib Attendant-Maintenance
- ◆
- Groundskeeper-Parks and Recreation
- ◆
- Graphic Artist
- ◆
- Social Services Supervisor
- ◆
- Language Technician (Enrolled Community Members Only)

Check with Human Resources for the latest job announcements.

Please pick up applications at the Human Resources Office or e-mail your resume to [resumes@ak-chin.nsn.us](mailto:resumes@ak-chin.nsn.us).

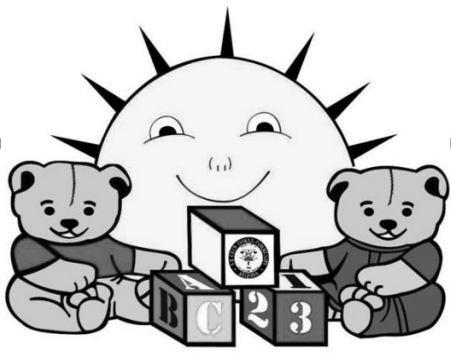
Complete your application in full and be sure to sign your name. Submit applications before the closing date as late applications will not be accepted.

If you are claiming Indian Preference, proof of tribal enrollment **MUST** be submitted at the time of application.

**2010 March Recreation Schedule**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 8:30am Open Gym 8:30 Open Wt Rm. 7pm Open Gym	2 8:30am Open Gym 8:30 Open Wt Rm. 7pm Open Gym	3 8:30am Open Gym 8:30 Open Wt Rm. 7pm Open Gym	4 8:30am Open Gym 8:30 Open Wt Rm. 7pm Open Gym	5 8:30am Open Gym 8:30 Open Wt Rm. 5pm Ak-Chin Jr. High BB Tournament	6 8am Ak-Chin Jr. High BB Tournament
7 8am Ak-Chin Jr. High BB Tournament	8 9am Intersession Activities 5pm Men's 4 on 4	9 9am Intersession Activities FYL Games: 530p-9p	10 9am Intersession Activities	11 9am Intersession Activities	12 9am Intersession Activities	13
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**ALL ABOUT READING TIME!**

**TOPIC: Create a Love for Reading at Home**

**by: Liz Burks**

**When:**

Tuesday, April 20, 2010 6pm-8pm

**Where:**

Ak-Chin Child Development Center  
48203 W. Farrell Road  
Maricopa, AZ 85239

**For Parents and children age birth to 6 years  
Tell a friend**

**A hands on parent activity:**

- \* Create a flannel story board and magic wand
- \* Learn how to use every day things at home for reading
- \* Learn more about reading skills

**FREE FOOD! BOOKS! FUN FOR EVERYONE!**



**2010 Census: No Reason to be Skeptical**

Contact: Scott Sylvester  
406.294.8113

As an American Indian or Alaska native, you may be skeptical about government intrusions into your personal life. However, there is an upcoming monumental effort that needs the help of you and other American Indians and Alaska Natives: the 2010 Census.

Why? Your participation is key to receiving community benefits that are desperately needed on and off tribal lands.

By filling out the 2010 Census form, an average \$1,200 per person of census-based federal money will be distributed annually for the next 10 years to your community.

These federal funds can go toward a wide range of government services, such as public housing, health care, education and roads. The bottom line is the more American Indian and Alaska Natives who are counted, the more money the community receives.

Still concerned about divulging

your personal information to the 2010 Census?

The truth is, by law, the Census Bureau cannot share individual respondents' answers with any other government agency. This includes the FBI, the CIA, welfare and immigration. In fact, not even the President of the United States can find out individual respondents' answers. This same law prohibits the Census Bureau from selling or giving away addresses.

Every U.S. Census Bureau employee goes through a thorough background check prior to hiring and is sworn to secrecy on individual respondent's information. They know that if they give out any information, they can face a \$250,000 fine and jail time.

In the spring of 2010 when your census form arrives, please take 10 minutes to complete the form; it will pay dividends to your community. The census is safe, and participation is easy and important.

**NEW LIFE AK-CHIN FAMILY CHURCH**

WHERE GOD IS CHANGING LIVES

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME** to join us @ 16785 Hohokam Street  
(Johnny Stephens house)

*Jesus says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."  
Matthew 11:28*

Our times for service are as follows:

Sunday morning	-	10:00 a.m.
Sunday evening	-	6:00 p.m.
Thursday Bible Study	-	6:00 p.m.

For more information or prayer, contact one of our pastors.

Pastor Carlos Marin 520-560-2679

Associate Pastor Johnny Stephens 520-705-3052

**March/April Holy Week 2010**

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

**Sunday Mass at 12 PM**

Sunday, March 21, 2010 Fifth Sunday of Lent with James R. Blantz, C.S.C.

**Holy Week 2010** with Father Dale M. Jamison, O.F.M.

Sunday, March 28, 2010 **Palm Sunday**, the entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem

Thursday April 1, 2010 at 7:00 PM **Holy Thursday**, the institution of Communion and the betrayal by Judas

Friday, April 2, 2010 at 7:00 PM **Good Friday**, the arrest, trial, crucifixion, death, and burial of Jesus Christ

Saturday, April 3, 2010 at 7:30 PM **Holy Saturday**, the Sabbath on which Jesus rested in the grave

Sunday, April 4, 2010 **Easter Sunday**, Resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead

**Stations of the Cross**

Come and participate as we walk with Jesus. The "Stations of the Cross" go over the final hours of Jesus, and the devotion commemorating the Passion. **Fridays (The Season of Lent) at 6:00 PM.**

St. Francis of Assisi Roman Catholic Mission

**Special Events:**

**Catholic Council of Elders**

March 27, 2010 at 10:00 AM  
Hosted by Intertribal Kateri Tekakwitha Circle  
Held at St. Mary's Basilica in Phoenix, AZ

**Chrism Mass**

March 29, 2010 at 7:00 PM  
Sts. Simon & Jude Cathedral  
6351 North 27th Avenue  
Phoenix, AZ 85017-1804  
Most Reverend Thomas J. Olmsted  
Bishop of Diocese of Phoenix



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Cell: 520-371-8256

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+Sacristan/Advisor



## Town Hall Meeting

To prevent  
**Underage Drinking**

**When: Tuesday, March 23, 2010**  
**Where: Ak-Chin Service Center**  
**Time: 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

Sponsored by the Ak-Chin Underage Drinking Project

### Food & Refreshments served

- Learn about underage drinking and the impact on the community
- Discuss how YOU can give recommendations

**Alert & empower yourself & your community**

For More Information Please Contact: Hilary Cummings @ 480.326.7999

Funded by SAMHSA & The Ak-Chin Underage Drinking Project



# Godspell set for March 26 & 28 at CAC's Pence Center; Special no-cost matinee for schools March 25 & 30

PINAL COUNTY, Ariz. – Central Arizona College presents Godspell on Friday, March 26, at 7 p.m., and Sunday, March 28, at 3 p.m., inside the Don P. Pence Center for Visual & Performing Arts at the Signal Peak Campus.

Tickets for the show are \$5 for adults. There is no charge for any student with an I.D.

Advance tickets may be purchased by calling the Cashier's Office at 520-494-5240 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Tickets also may be purchased in person at the Cashier's Office - located in the Student Services Building (Building M, Clock Tower) on the Signal Peak Campus - during that same time period.

Day-of-show tickets are available 90 minutes prior to the scheduled start of the production.

Conceived and originally directed by John-Michael Tebelak, with music and new lyrics by Stephen Schwartz, Godspell is one of the biggest off-Broadway and Broadway successes of a l l - t i m e .

Based on the gospel according to St. Matthew, and featuring a score by Stephen Schwartz, Godspell features a list of well-known songs that include Day by Day, Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord, Learn Your Lessons Well, All for the Best, All Good Gifts, Turn Back, O Man and By My Side.

"Drawing from various theatrical traditions, such as pantomime, cha-

rades, acrobatics and Vaudeville, Godspell is a groundbreaking and unique reflection on the life of Jesus, with a message of kindness, tolerance and love," John Owens, CAC's professor of theater and the director of the production, explained.

The cast of Godspell features both students from Central Arizona College and members of the community. The following actors have been cast for the production:

Arlette Argati, Ivan Baez, Sarah Barnhouse, Danette Carey, Gabriella Dominguez, Matt Higgs, Gilbert Montano, Kim Osteen-Petreshock, Reggie Nichols, Jordan Price, Timothy

Steele, and Sarah Wester.

In addition to the two shows open to the public, Central Arizona College is inviting middle and high schools to bring their students for a complimentary morning matinee on Thursday, March 25, or Tuesday, March 30.

The performances begin at 10 a.m. and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Home schooled student also are invited.

To make a reservation, schools may contact Stella Garcia, media and community events assistant, by phone at 520-494-5204, or by e-mail at stella.garcia@centralaz.edu.

## Celebrate Frank Pinkley Day at Casa Grande Ruins National Monument March 20, 2010

COOLIDGE, AZ – On Saturday, March 20, Casa Grande Ruins National Monument will host Frank Pinkley Day in honor of the life and accomplishments of Frank Pinkley (1881-1940). Come join us for this special tribute to a man who personified the National Park Service spirit and whose great legacy remains with us to this day. Ranger Dave Winchester will give a slide presentation on the life of Frank "Boss" Pinkley at 3:00 P.M. Throughout the day the monument will also screen Ken Burn's film featurette, "The Boss," produced along with his film series, "The National Parks – America's Best Idea."

Pinkley was the first resident custodian of Casa Grande Ruins and later the first Superintendent of the Southwestern Monuments. His first residence at the monument was a tent house to which a wood supported metal roof was added when he married Edna Townsley in 1906. The Pinkleys constructed their own adobe house at the monument in 1911, an act soon rewarded by presentation of a bill of collection for rent by the U.S. Government.

Pinkley served in the Arizona

Senate from 1914 to 1918 and was involved in numerous civic activities in Florence and Coolidge. He returned to his duties at Casa Grande Ruins in 1918 and remained a staunch defender and advocate of the national monuments of the southwest for the rest of his life. The City of Coolidge continues to honor Pinkley with street names and with the preservation of historic buildings such as the Coolidge Women's Club and the Coolidge Masonic Temple.

Casa Grande Ruins National Monument protects the multi-story 'Great House' and the ruins of other ancient structures built by the people of the Sonoran Desert over 800 years ago. Established as the nation's first archeological reserve in 1892, the Ruins sparked the beginning of the archeological preservation movement in America. The Monument is open daily from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. except for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Directions and additional information are available on the Monument's website, <http://www.nps.gov/cagr>, or you may call (520) 723-3172.

For Immediate Release  
Contact: Gina D'Abella  
520-568-9428



### Earth Day Art Recycling Contest

PRESS RELEASE



Show your artistic talent and environmental stewardship this Earth Day by participating in the Art Recycling Contest sponsored by Environmental Concerns Organization, Inc. and your local



Maricopa residents are encouraged to take items from their waste basket and recreate them into an art object. The art objects submitted will be judged in both student and adult categories and winners will be given awards.

- 1. What is the purpose of the Art Recycling Contest?**  
The purpose of the Art Recycling Contest is to encourage Maricopa residents to recycle their trash instead of throwing it away.
- 2. Who can participate?**  
Maricopa students – Grades K-12 can enter the art contest. Adults of all ages can also participate.
- 3. How do I get more information?**  
Contact the Recycling Association of Maricopa at 520-568-9428 or e-mail [1earth@cox.net](mailto:1earth@cox.net).
- 4. What is the entry deadline?**  
Artwork must be submitted to your local Recycling Association of Maricopa facility any Saturday between the hours of 9 am and 2 pm. Entries must be received by **2 pm Saturday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2010** to qualify.
- 5. What are the prizes?**  
Judges will choose one winner from each of five different categories – Grades K-2, 3-5, 6-8, 9-12 and Adult. Category winners will receive a "Certificate of Accomplishment" and Valuable Gift Cards from local participating businesses. A "Best of Show" will be awarded to one winner, who may come from any of the five categories. Winners will be announced on Earth Day, April 22nd, 2010 in the media and will have their artwork, their name and, for the students, the name of their teacher and school displayed at the Maricopa Library.
- 6. What are the contest rules? How will the entries be judged?** To get a copy of the detailed information regarding the contest rules, submission requirements and the point system used to judge the entries, call the Recycling Association of Maricopa at 520-568-9428 or e-mail [1earth@cox.net](mailto:1earth@cox.net).

## Free Rabies Clinic

Ak-Chin Fire Department Truck Bay


Date: April 9, 2010 Time: 9:30 - 12:30

Free Rabies Vaccination Clinics sponsored by: IHS Environmental Health, the USDA Veterinary Services & the Ak-Chin Indian Community.

### Things to Remember:

- Dogs and cats must be 12 weeks (3 months) before they can be vaccinated
- All dogs and cats should have their first rabies vaccination followed by a booster shot within the first year.
- Dogs should be on a leash and cats should be put in a carrier, a cage or a pillow case.
- All pet owners are responsible for their pets during the rabies clinic





Education Outside The Box, Inc.

### The Ak-Chin "Peer Leadership Program" WANTS YOU!

**KIDS, ages 10-18**  
**JOIN US Mondays**  
**4:30-6:00 pm at the Ak-Chin Library**

Participate in fun activities and events while working to make your Community a Better Place to Be!

For more information contact Hilary Cummings 480-326-7999



# After 3,000 miles, The Walk Home Group returns to Tohono O'odham Nation

Dear Friends,  
The Walk Home is coming home! After walking nearly 3,000 miles, the walkers have arrived in Arizona and will arrive home on Saturday, March 20, 2010. We want to celebrate their remarkable journey to Native wellness with the community and friends.

dream, and it has faced many obstacles along the way. But step by step, the walkers have inspired people along the route to examine how they can take charge of their own wellness.

They have visited Native communities – on reservation and in cities – sharing the ways in which we all have the solution to creating health and wellness.

## ATTENTION

- Grandparents
- Aunts
- Uncles
- Cousins
- Friends
- Neighbors
- Babysitters
- Nannies
- In-home Childcare Providers



- ◆ Do you care for a child in your home for at least 5 hours per week?
- ◆ Do you care for at least one other child besides your own?
- ◆ Is the child in your care between the ages of birth and five years of age?

If you have answered yes to all of these questions, you may be eligible to participate in the Friends, Family and Neighbor Caregiver Outreach Assistance Project.

Participants are eligible to receive free training, free resources, networking opportunities, and incentives up to \$2500.

If interested please contact Amy or Kim, Home Provider Specialist, at (520) 836-0736 for more information!



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First Things First (FTF), approved by Arizona voters, works to ensure that our youngest children have access to quality early childhood experiences so they will start school healthy and ready to succeed.



The Walk Home walkers from left to right: Shane Johnson, Daryl Stewart, organizer Terrell Dew Johnson, Maray Johnson, and Frances Segundo-Lopez, return home to Sells on Saturday, March 20th. The walk began in the state of Maine 18 months ago and crossed the entire US. (submitted photo)

They have shared how Native foods, cultural identity and fitness can create healthy and vibrant communities.

As they return home, the walkers bring the prayers and blessings of many people whom they met along the way.

Please join us as we welcome the walkers home and celebrate their accomplishment.

The Walk Home Comes Home Saturday, March 20, 2010

8:00am – Gather at intersection of Highway 86 and Little Tucson turnoff.

8:00am – 11:00am – Walk to Sells Ending at TOCA/Tohono Plaza

11:00am – 12:30pm – Traditional singing and dancing TOCA/Tohono Plaza (located next to Bashas)

12:30pm – Arrival of Walkers at

TOCA/Tohono Plaza  
12:00pm – 2:00pm – Traditional Foods Lunch

1:00 – 3:00pm – Traditional Singing and Dancing; Open Mic

What the walkers have accomplished is remarkable and inspiring. We now turn to the Tohono O'odham community and other friends to celebrate their accomplishment as well as to share in their journey toward wellness. For more information or to learn how you can help support the arrival of The Walk Home, please contact us at TOCA. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely, (TOCA)  
Tohono O'odham Community Action  
(520)383-4966

YOU'RE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE WIA

# YOUTH PROGRAM

AGES 14-21

**GILA RIVER/AK-CHIN EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING**  
**WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT**  
**YOUTH PROGRAM • AGES 14-21**

ORIENTATION DATES  
MAR 8TH, 22ND @ LIBRARY  
&  
APRIL 12TH @ SERVICE CENTER

TIME  
3:30 PM

CONTACT  
TO FIND OUT IF YOU ARE ELIGIBLE  
CONTACT LAURIE JUAN  
520/562-3387  
PHOENIX 480/963-0902  
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**Sherman Indian High School**  
**25th Annual Inter-Tribal Powwow**

Saturday April 17, 2010  
Riverside, California  
Ira H. Hayes Stadium

**Miss Sherman Pageant**  
Friday April 16, 2010  
6pm – 9pm  
Robert Levi Memorial Auditorium  
Hosted by Latanya Nelson  
Miss Sherman 2009/2010

**Vendor Information**  
Arts & Crafts Booths Fee - \$75  
Food Booths Fee - \$200  
Deadline – April 10, 2010

**Powwow**  
11am – 11pm. (Free Admission)  
Parking Fee (\$3.00)  
Gates open at 10am  
Gourd Dancing 11am & 6pm  
Grand Entry 12pm & 7pm  
11pm Retiring of Colors

**Contact**  
Lorene Sisquoc  
951-276-6719

**Head Staff**  
Emcee – Michael Reifel – San Carlos Apache  
Arena Director – Vic Chavez – Dine  
Spiritual Advisor – Jimmy Castillo - Tongva  
Host Northern Drum – Wild Horse  
Host Southern Drum – BearWolf  
Head Gourd Dancer – Charley Narcomey – Golden State Gourd Soc.  
Head Man – TBA  
Sherman Indian Student Head Man – TBA  
Sherman Indian Student Head Woman - TBA  
Posting of Colors – Sherman Indian Marine Cadets & 1<sup>st</sup> Native Warriors Society, Arizona.

**Cultural Awareness Area**  
East end of football field. Cultural displays & demonstrations;  
Basketry, Native American Resources & information Evening: Bird Singing & Dancing.

**All Singers & Dancers Welcome**  
Open invitation to all former Miss Sherman's & All Sherman Alumni. All after cost proceeds from Powwow benefit Sherman Indian High School Senior Scholarships.  
Bring chairs & shade. In the event of rain Powwow will be held in Gymnasium.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**  
Sherman Indian High School is a Alcohol, Drug Free & Smoke Free Campus. No drugs, alcohol, tobacco, or anyone under the influence of any of these substances is allowed. Security is strictly enforced & violators will be prosecuted. No pet dogs or cats & no firearms allowed. Sherman Indian High School is & will not be responsible for any theft, loss or damages to property or person(s).



**7TH ANNUAL**  
**HONORING OF OUR FALLEN HEROES**  
**THEIR MOTHERS, SPOUSES & FAMILIES**

**MARCH 22-23, 2010**

*You are invited to join the Piestewa Family, POWs Joseph Hudson, Shoshana Johnson, Jessica Lynch, Patrick Miller, & Gold Star Families*

**1. EVENING RECEPTION/DINNER IN HONOR OF MOTHERS, SPOUSES, FAMILY MEMBERS WHO HAVE LOST LOVED ONES IN THE WARS & CANDLELIGHT VIGIL FOR ALL FALLEN HEROES**  
**TIME:** Monday, March 22; 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.  
**WHERE:** Phoenix Elks Lodge # 335  
 14424 N. 32<sup>nd</sup> Street, Phoenix, Az (South of 1-51/Greenway Exit)

*(Please RSVP by March 15; Military, Traditional Native or semi-formal dress recommended)*

**2. SUNRISE MEMORIAL FOR OUR FALLEN HEROES - PIESTEWA PEAK**  
**TIME:** Tuesday, March 23; 6:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.  
**WHERE:** PIESTEWA PEAK IN PHOENIX AT THE APACHE RAMADA

*Everyone is invited. Parking is limited; please carpool. Shuttle available also. Breakfast burritos coffee tea will be served at the Sunrise Service. Traditional or military dress encouraged. All events are open to the public!*

Financial assistance respectfully requested! Send tax-deductible donations to Piestewa Memorial Committee, ITCA, 1932 E. Lamar Road, Phoenix Arizona 85016  
 Sponsors: Piestewa Memorial Committee, Gold Star Mothers of Arizona & Elks Lodge # 335  
 Fiscal Sponsor: Inter Tribal Council of Arizona

**Evening Reception RSVP & General Information:** Liz Gonzales, 623-334-9393 [lizzviane323@aol.com](mailto:lizzviane323@aol.com)  
 Ernest Martinez, 602-312-8663 [azforpiestewa@cox.net](mailto:azforpiestewa@cox.net)  
**Gold Star Mothers & Families RSVP:** Dee Newman, 623-572-9411 [agndjn@cox.net](mailto:agndjn@cox.net)  
**Color Guard Units POC:** Josie Delsi, 520-836-1022 [kakar\\_delsi@cgmailbox.com](mailto:kakar_delsi@cgmailbox.com)

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- Featured Key-note speakers throughout the day
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**Saturday, April 24, 2010**  
 Phoenix Convention Center - **FREE ADMISSION**  
 8:30am-3:00pm

**Register Online at [www.diabetes.org/expophoenix](http://www.diabetes.org/expophoenix)**  
 Questions? Please call Nicole Johnson - (602) 861-4731 X7098 or [njohnson@diabetes.org](mailto:njohnson@diabetes.org)

**Kickball League**

**Ak-Chin Parks & Recreation Department**  
**Is looking for kickball players**

**Team Division:**  
**CO-ED: 8-12 yrs. old**

**"Come out & lets play some ball"**

Anyone interested in playing kickball or for more info. Please contact the Recreation Department at: 520-568-1740/9527

**March 2010**

**[www.harrahsakchin.com](http://www.harrahsakchin.com)**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 \$40 World Series of Poker Tournament 7pm Hot Seats	2 Hot Seats 11a-1p	3 Young At Heart \$65 WSOP Tourney 7pm Salty River Jasmine 1p-4p	4 \$5.99 Lunch Buffet for guests 50+ Hot Seats	5 Robert Street Band 8p-1a Seafood Buffet \$19.99 Hot Seats	6 Robert Street Band 8p-1a Go Green Drawing Hot Seats	7 Robert Street Band 3p-8p Go Green Drawings \$40 WSOP Tourney 5pm
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**WIN A SEAT IN THE 2010 WORLD SERIES OF POKER!**

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- Earn entries to win a 2010 hybrid car!
- Drawings every Saturday & Sunday through March 28, 2010. Five lucky winners will be drawn each day, beginning at 6pm. Each winner will receive \$250 and an invitation to return for their chance to win a brand new 2010 Toyota Prius.
- Cars awarded March 14 & 28.
- Swipe for one free entry each day at Total Rewards and earn one additional entry for every 25 Base Reward Credits earned in Slots, Blackjack and Video Poker.

**Be in the Hot Seat**  
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**Sunday - Thursday:**  
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 Every half hour, we draw a lucky seat.

Everyone in that seat number wins \$50 in promotional chips. Use those chips to bet and win more — every time you win with a promotional chip, you keep it to use again and multiply your winnings!

Only at Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino Resort. **BE PART OF THE FUN!**

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**St. Patrick's Day**  
 Wednesday, March 17, 2010

**Drink Specials:**  
 Irish Cactus \$2.00  
 Irish Coffee \$2.50  
 Green Beer \$1.00

**Special Entertainment:**  
 Authentic Irish music by Seanachie, FREE in the Oasis Lounge, 7pm - 11pm

**Food:**  
 A classic Irish feast in the buffet  
 \$9.99 for lunch (399 Reward Credits)  
 \$12.99 for dinner (599 Reward Credits)





# WANTED



Him-Dak Museum is looking for youth and teen art...5-18 yrs. Of age and a member or residing in the Ak-Chin community.

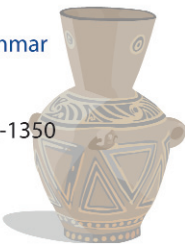
This is your chance to share with your community what great talent you have making handmade bracelets, photos, paintings, leather work, cell phone pictures of your friend, poetry you wrote, skate board art and much more....

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| <b>Paintings</b>    | <b>Video Media</b>                      |
| <b>Sculpture</b>    | <b>Basketry</b>                         |
| <b>Woodcarving</b>  | <b>Photography (camera, cell phone)</b> |
| <b>Computer Art</b> | <b>Welding</b>                          |
| <b>Wood Carving</b> | <b>Ceramics</b>                         |
| <b>Biography</b>    | <b>Poetry Writing</b>                   |
| <b>Modeling</b>     | <b>Jewelry Making</b>                   |

Art exhibiting any form of vulgarity, indecent illustrations/grammar or gang related material will no be accepted.

For further information please contact Julene Narcia at 520-568-1350 or by email: [janarcia@ak-chin.nsn.us](mailto:janarcia@ak-chin.nsn.us)

Deadline for submissions is March 26, 2010



## Birthday Celebration for Evelina Lopez

Saturday, March 27, 2010  
at the Harrah's Event Center  
Dinner - 4:00pm to 6:00pm  
Dance - 6:00pm to 12:00pm  
(Carl & Buddies)  
Everyone Welcome!

# 11th Annual DANIEL - JIMMY LOPEZ - ENOS Memorial Roping

Saturday April 24, 2010

AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY ARENA  
MARICOPA, ARIZONA

Books Open 9:00 A.M. ....Rope at 10:00 A.M.  
ENTER CASH - PAYOUT CASH

Food Booths

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Roping Dance

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- #14 Roping, .....\$100.00, Pick-1/Draw 3 or Draw all 4, 3-Steer (Enter 2X)
- #12 Roping, .....\$100.00, Pick -1/Draw 3 or Draw all 4, 3-steer (Enter 2X)
- #10 Roping, .....\$100.00, Pick -1/Draw 3 or Draw all 4, 3-Steer (Enter 2X)

Enter as Header or Heeler

Prizes to Average Winners of Each Roping  
Saddles to High Money Winner #5 & under, #6 and above

CATTLE BY RYAN JUSTIN

Management May Change Any Roping Without Notice

More Information Contact Gabe Lopez (520) 568-3645, Ben Valisto (520) 840-4389

LOPEZ - ENOS COMMITTEE & STOCK CONTRACTOR NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCIDENTS, INJURIES, LOSS OR THEFT

## 19th Annual Him-Dak Celebration

Ak-Chin Him-Dak EcoMuseum & Archives  
Ak-Chin Indian Community  
Maricopa, Arizona

# April 10, 2010

**"Celebrating Ak-Chin's Youth & Their Art"**

**Fun Walk & Run 8:00 a.m. Registration starts at 7:30a.m.**  
(Ak-Chin Fire Dept. to East side of Museum Grounds)

**Dance Groups & Singers perform every hour**  
10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

**Artist Demonstration**  
8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**Arts and Crafts Booths**  
8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**Food and Information Booths**  
8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

For additional information contact the Him-Dak Staff (520)568-1350  
47685 N. EcoMuseum Road Maricopa, AZ 85239  
Monday-Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

*Watercolor painting by Damon Peters*

## AK-Chin Indian Community

# APRIL 23, 2010 is the big EARTH DAY celebration!

**Location:**  
Government Headquarters  
42507 W. Peters and Nall Road

**Events:**

- 7am - Community Clean-Up (Main Building)
- 10am - Environmental Activities (Recreation Center)
- 11am— Lunch/Dessert

**Earth Day 2010**

*Mark your calendars and save the date*

## Attention Food and Arts & Crafts Vendors!!

**Vendor  
Spaces  
\$20.00**

We are currently looking for food or arts & crafts vendors, for the Him-Dak Museum's 19th Annual Celebration. Event will take place on April 10, 2010 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

For further information contact Julene Narcia @ (520) 568-1350 or by email [janarcia@ak-chin.nsn.us](mailto:janarcia@ak-chin.nsn.us)

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