

San Xavier District Wa:k Newsletter

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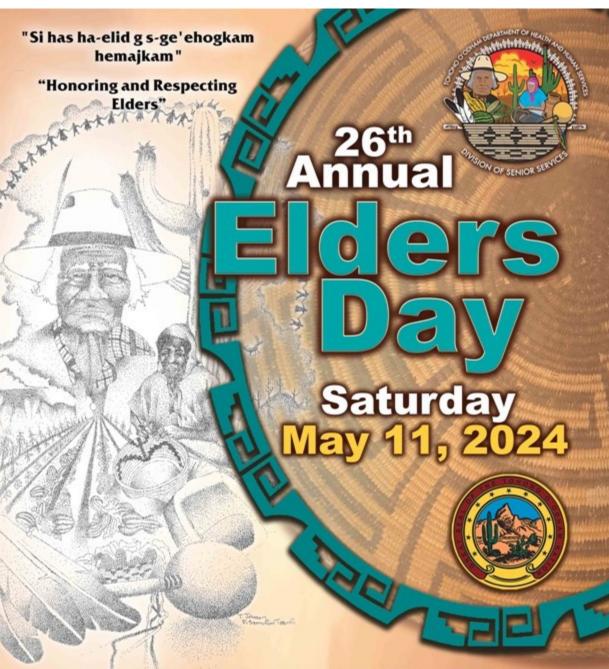
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28	59	30		DEADLINE to submit minutes to SXD Council Dept. May 2nd		
VACANCIES:	VACANCIES:					

Planning & Housing Committee – (1) Term up

Recruiting enrolled Community Members of the SXD to fill the vacant position on a voluntary basis. If interested, please submit a letter of interest to the SXD Council Dept.

Please be advised that meeting dates and times are subject to change.





Desert Diamond Sahuarita Casino, I-19 & Pima Mine Rd.

"Proud of our O'odham Culture and Traditions"

Pre-registration open from February 20, 2024 thru March 20, 2024

- · Registration start time begins at 7 a.m.
- Pre-registration is for O'odham Elders only, registration will close when 900 participants have registered.
- · Non-Tribal attendees can register after March 20 if there is still space available.
- · This event is a 55 and older event.
- · No children allowed or family members under 55 unless an elder assistant.
- · If you do not feel well, please do not attend.

https://26th-Annual-Tohono-Oodham-Nation-Elders-Day-Tickets.eventbrite.com

For more information call: The Division of Senior Services (520) 383-6075

Persons attending and participating in the Elders Day event assume all risks including but not limited to illness, injury, death, or property loss and agree not to hold the Tohono O'odham Nation, its agencies, event sponsors, and volunteers liable.

Covid Department





Tuesday, April 30, 2024 SXD Multipurpose 8am Elders/9am Community

One per household, Two per vehicle First come! First Serve!

- Must be an ENROLLED SXD Member to receive a box. (or registered voter with document, APPROVED Relinquished Letter, Family Tree, and/or proof of residency (Bill), driver license or State ID)
- MUST have TRIBAL ID/Enrollment Available
- Letters are required if you are unable to retrieve your own food (with tribal number and home address)
- MUST be 18 years old



EVERY SECOND FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

NEXT: APRIL 12TH

SIZE AVAILABILITY VARY. PLEASE CALL FOR AVAILABILITY.

COVID NEWS

March 2024 marked 4 years since the declaration of the pandemic! Still Covid continues to spread!

The CDC recommends vaccinations to prevent serious sickness and hospitalization. Elders, persons with pre-existing conditions may be recommended to receive multiple doses.

March had over 1,000 cases a week (as of 3/13/24)

COVID OFFICE

Provides...



- Covid Tests, when needed.
- Covid Box (if you test positive) includes Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and cleaning supplies for your household.
- PPE and sanitizing stations for funerals and anniversaries, when requested.

If you have any questions on the information provided you can contact us our office (520) 573-4010 or by email covid@waknet.org.

LILY FRANCISCO

LIL MISS WA:K CEKŞAÑ



Places that I've traveled to the past 3 months:

Miss Tohono O'odham Farewell Sif Oidak District

Miss Tohono O'odham Pageant Topawa, Babquivari District

TON Wapkial ha' Taş Sells District

Iwo Jima Flag Raising Parade Sacaton, Gila River Indian Community

Miss TON celebration Gu'vo District

Jr Miss Pison Mo'o Cekşañ Pageant, Pisinemo District

Wa:k Pow Wow, San Xavier District

Miss Gila River pageant, San Tan Gila River Indian Community

Mul-Cha-Tha, Sacaton Gila River Indian Community

Glia River Indian Community

Skeg taş Wa:k Community.

Hi, My name is Lily Francisco, I am your Lil Miss Wa:k Cekṣañ 2023-2024, I would like to let the community know how my rein has been going so far. I like being a princess because everyone is so beautiful, and I like going to new places. My favorite part is riding in the parades and saying hi and waving to all people especially all the grandmas and grandpas. I also like all the dancing I'm learning from waila, Cumbia to dancing in the Pow Wow Grand Entry. I am getting to know the other Royalty girls and happy to see them everywhere we go. We have had a few fundraiser one was at our Wa:k Pow Wow selling snacks and drinks, and the other is we are asking our family and friend, or community members to sponsor a day in March and donate that amount so we can continue to travel and pay for our gas and food, If you like to help, Please let anyone of the royalty parents know. I am excited that we will be going to the Gathering of Nations in April. I'd like to thank all the parents, grandmas, and especially my family and friends for all the love and support. I am enjoying my time as Lil Miss Wa:k Ceksañ.

Respectfully, Lily D. Francisco



Danaliah Miguel 1st Attendant, Jr. Miss Wa:k Ceksan

This report is our 2nd quarter submission of our travels. For January, we had a two-day workshop on "Public Speaking" at our Community Building with the girls. We had the Miss Indian Arizona Royalty do a presentation for us, and we had the honor of District Chairman Nunez, Vice Chairwoman Sally Pablo, and our own District former royalty. I learned a lot from these workshop. I learned to not be afraid of talking to crowds of people, and everyone is afraid of doing that so it takes a lot of practice and courage to speak in front of crowds. It is normal to be scared, so you learn from your mistakes so you can encourage yourself to try again. Even my own auntie Karlette, I didn't know she ran a couple of times to get the title and she won, so now I know I can compete again to win a title, something new we learn everyday

We attended the outgoing Miss Tohono O'odham Nation Farewell Celebration in North Komelic, Sif Oidak District. It was mostly our Nation's Royalty which was nice, and I got to see a couple of my relatives. It was mostly her family and her District support. She shared her experience.

Attending the Miss Tohono O'odham Nation pageant at Baboquavari H/S Fine Arts building, we supported A'Dream Lake from our community. She did a great job and received 2nd Attendant. She was a winner in my eyes, and I wish her the best of luck in her new position.

Next was our Wapakial Ha:Tas Parade in Sells, Az. We did a float for our entry, we learned a new song from Mikey Enis, thank him for that, and I learned how to make a seagull for our float, which was fun. All the girls learned the song and sang it at the judges' stand. Our seagulls were hanging like they were flying with the clouds. Everyone put their help in; thank you Karen Antone for helping us with the clouds, seagulls, and the food from the parents while we made our decorations for our float. During the parade it was a good experience. It gave me a chance to have fun with my royalty sisters and it is something I enjoy doing and hope to do more. Everyone took time with their creative minds for their floats and had fun, and it showed everyone worked together. Congratulations to all of us for taking 1st Place for Royalty for the parade.

I attended the Pisinimo Ceksan Tas, and my grandmothers, Francine & Jolene Ramon were able to take me. I would like to thank them. We took my cousin Tyee with us. It was a short parade. Annalicia, Alynah, Kiara and myself were able to represent our community. We took second place for the royalty. We stayed for the events for the day, and saw different performers.

We participated in our pow-wow for grand entry on Sunday. I have never participated in the pow-wow before, something new I learned again.

We have had 2 fundraisers this quarter: breakfast sales at the softball tournament. I wasn't able to help but we donated, we had our family reunion. I'd like to thank Marisa Jose for allowing us to sell the breakfast burros at their tournament, and Michelle, Melissa and Annalicia for being able to sell them. We had a sweet booth at the pow-wow on Sunday and did really good there. I want to thank my grand mothers, Francine & Jolene Ramon, for helping us. I want to thank everyone for your continued support of our fundraisers when we have them.



Arianna Moreno 1st Attendant, Miss Wa:k Ceksan

Ske:g Tas Everyone!

My name is Arianna Moreno, and I am your Miss Wa;k Ceksan 1st Attendant 2023-2024. Over these past three months, my rovalty sisters and I have been busy traveling to different communities on the nation and fundraising for all of our travels. Starting in January, we attended the Miss Tohono O'Odham Nation Farwell Banquet. I enjoyed spending time with Eleni and celebrating all the accomplishments she's had throughout her reign. The following weekend was the pageant for Miss T.O, there I got to see all the girls present their different talents and I thought they all did an amazing job. Going on to February, we attended the O'odham Wapkial Ha:Tas in Sells. I had a lot of fun being in the parade and seeing all of the beautiful floats. Next we participated in the Iwo Jima Flag Raising Military Parade. There, I got to see the many veterans come together for the parade, and I enjoyed it especially because seeing them made me think about how one day I want to be just like them. The next day, we went to the Pisinemo Pageant. Although only two girls were running I still enjoyed seeing the talents they had to share with us. Moving on to March, I think was our busiest time. Starting with the Pisin Mo'o Ceksan Tas where we were part of the parade and got to enjoy all the different events throughout the day. After spending the day there, we headed home to rest. Then, in the evening we participated in the Grand Entry for our Wa:k Pow Wow. The following day, we had a fundraiser on the last day of our Wa:k Pow Wow, where we sold sweets and snacks, and participated in the Grand Entry. We had a lot of fun selling our snacks and welcoming everyone who came near and far to attend our annual Pow Wow. This past weekend, we attended the Gila River Pageant. I enjoyed seeing all the contestants and their amazing talent presentations and learning new things about their community. We also attended the Mul-Chu-Tha Parade. Overall, I've had a lot of fun attending pageants, meeting my new royalty sisters, participating in parades, and learning new things. I look forward to all of our upcoming appearances. Thank you all for your continued love and support, have a wonderful month of April.



Natural Resources

Greetings Wa:k Community! We hope everyone had a nice & pleasant Easter. Our department has been quite busy this past month. Recently, we held interviews for our Natural Resources Specialist position, and after much consideration, the interview panel finalized their selection to fill the position. Stay tuned for next month's edition, when we will highlight the person joining our team and have them share a bit about themselves.

Staff have also been busy attending various meetings such as the Asarco Working Group Meeting, the Roadside Clean-up Planning Meeting, the Green Valley Regional Water Study Meeting, the Four Southern Tribes Meeting, the SXD Climate Change Workshop planning meeting, the Rainwater Harvesting Project Contracts Meeting, the Culture and Natural Resources Committee Meetings, planned Earth week activities for the staff, participated in the Coronado Film Event, presented at the World Water Day, and took part in the SXD/TON Leadership/Cultural Affairs tour.

Climate Change Workshops have been underway. We have been discussing community concerns about climate change, what resources already exist that help the community be resilient to climate change, and what gaps we may need to focus on. The final workshop will be on April 6th, where we will discuss solutions further and start prioritizing actions the District can take to prepare for the effects of a warming climate.

ASARCO has completed storm water control designs on the North Pit's West end. The District, SXAA, and TON have all reviewed these documents and the pre-bid package to provide comments before ASARCO sent out for bid. The District looks forward to this work being completed to protect our vital surface water resources.

The District received 5 applications for home site rainwater harvesting installations. With the funding available through ARPA, we will be able to install rainwater harvesting features for all 5 home sites and 2 new homes currently being built by the Housing Department. Rainwater harvesting landscaping is a great way to provide water to native vegetation to support growing shade and food. Keep an eye out for future workshops to learn how you can do this at your own home.

The Natural Resources staff provided tours of the Wa:k Hikdan to three groups: The Sonoran Institute Board of Directors, the Saguaro National Monument Interns, and the Mission Garden group. All 3 groups came out and enjoyed a wonderful day at our Riparian Site and provided plenty of positive feedback. We are also assisting with getting the Hikdan ready for the upcoming Young Women's Gathering. Our Groundskeepers are doing a wonderful job maintaining the Hikdan, utilizing the brush chipper mulch to spread on the access roads, thus helping to suppress dust and control erosion. If anyone would like to reserve the Wa:k Hikdan for any occasion, please call our office and request a form.

We had 4 different agencies requesting monitors this month. SWCA oversaw bridge replacement work, TOUA replaced a pole, the Pima County Dept. of Transportation addressed drainage issues, and the US Census conducted surveys.

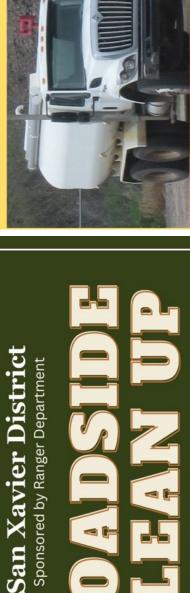
SAVE THE DATE for our upcoming 2024 Bi-annual Monitor Training scheduled for April 4th and 5th, please see flyer for further details.

If you have any questions regarding any of our projects/ events, please feel free to contact David Tenario: (520) 573-4056, Geena Johnson: (520) 573-4055, Cie'na Schlaefli: (520) 573-4054, or Kim Encinas-Paredes: (520) 573-4053.

Thank you and enjoy Earth Week! David Tenario, NRD Director



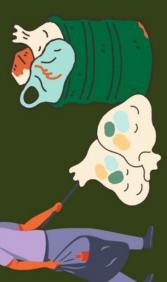
NAUTRAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT



2024. FROM 7AM-12PM

Take pride in your community and help pick up trash!

APRIL 4-5, 2024



Meet at com

For any questions contact San Xavier Rangers at (520)471-8092

RESOURCES DEPT. 1 CALL THE NATURA **RESERVE A SPOT** San Xavier District Council

04/04-7am-1:30pm

2024 MONITOR

TRAINING

04/05- 8am-11am

Kim Encinas-Parades

(520) 573-4053 Geena Johnson

Starting on Friday March 22, 2024

Chambers

We will be accepting call-ins to reserve a spot; space is limited

(520) 573-4055

Certification is good for 2 years & anyone not attending will be ineligible to work as a Monitor



San Xavier District

for the San Xavier District

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gjohnson@waknet.org

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Ranger Department

Hello Wa:k Community,

Curbside Service:

Reminder if you don't have curbside service.

Tohono O'Odham Solid Waste provided curbside service for \$18.00 every three months.

If you are interested, please contact the Ranger Department. We will provide you with the application.

Please do your part to keep the community dean.

Also, contact the Tohono O'odham Solid Waste office if you have any large items that you need picked up.

Community:

The District has a week of activities set up for Earth week this month. Please join us.

Important Telephone numbers:

Emergency	911
Tohono O'odham Police Department	(520)383-3276 or (520)383-3267
Tohono O'odham Nation Animal Control	(520)383-6482
Ranger Department	(520)807-8499
San Xavier Ranger Cell- phone	(520)471-8092
Ranger Supervisor	(520)807-8484

Animal Control:

Please contact Tohono O'odham Nation Animal Control if you have a dog or cat problem. T.O.N Animal Control (520)383-6482. Also, remember to get your dog or cat spayed and/or neutered. Help control the pet population.

Cemeteries:

A reminder to keep the cemetery clean and please properly dispose of all trash. We are in the process of obtaining bins for you to dispose waste. (only at the cemetery).



REMINDER:

Report any suspicious persons, activity, or vehicles to the police department. Thank you for doing your part in keeping our community safe.

The staff sends their prayers and thoughts to all the families who have lost a loved one in the past month. May the Creator be with you during this time.

Stats for March 2024

Community Assist - 2	Illegal Dumping-1
Suspicious Activity -5	Property Damage -2
Public Assist -3	Trespassing - 3
Animal Control -6	Assist Other Agency – 3

Planning Department

SAN XAVIER DISTRICT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN MEETINGS WITH THE COMMUNITY WILL BE HELD ON APRIL 15 & 23 AT THE DISTRICT COUNCIL CHAMBERS, both at 6pm

The San Xavier District is ready to seek your input on the development of a COMPREHENSIVE PLAN for the San Xavier Community. Two Meetings will be held with the Community, the first on **Monday night, April 15**, and the second on **Tuesday night, April 23**, both at **6pm** in the SXD Council Chambers. The San Xavier District government hired the consulting firm "The Planning Center" to assist in this process. The Planning Center previously assisted the District with the creation of San Xavier District's Development Review Manual in 2010.

The San Xavier District Comprehensive Plan will be a guiding document that will compile our Community's goals and vision for the next 10 years and also reflect an implementation plan in which we can reach our goals. Direct input from these meetings, data from prior community documents, along with the data gathered from our 2023 Door-to-Door Wa:k Community Survey will be utilized to create an encompassing Community document. We hope you can attend these meetings to provide your input for the Comprehensive Plan. Thank you. If you have any questions, please call the Planning Department, Mark Pugh at 520-573-4076 or John Baskett at 520-573-4075.

ATTENTION WA:K COMMUNITY MEMBERS

The San Xavier District Climate Change Resilience Project is looking to hear and learn from you!

The San Xavier District Climate Change Resilience Project is a District led and Nation approved study aiming to gather community input and perspectives on the topics of land, food, and water to better assess and inform the District's climate preparedness. The goal is to help the District maintain or enhance the resilience of its natural resources, and to minimize any harms from climate change with community at the forefront. To deal with current and future climate change challenges, we hope to interact with community members to engage in dialogue and identify collective solutions.

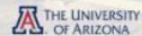
Final Workshop on April 6th!

Community Workshops

Saturday, April 6th Community Building 8 AM - 12 Noon Participants will be compensated the equivalent of \$50 per workshop, limited funds available.



If you have any questions or would like to learn more about the project, please contact: Cie'na Schlaefli at (520) 573-4054 or cschlaefli@waknet.org



	SUNDAY	7	14 1030am-12pm White Bison @ PWH	21 8am - 2pm Community Swap Meet @ SXM	28 1030am-12pm White Bison @ PWH	LO.	
	SATURDAY	6 Climate Change Workshop - Community Bldg.	13 9am Livestock Public Hearing (C)	SXAA Youth Conf (CB) Community Spring Blessing (Blk Mtn)	27 7am-1pm (CB) Earth Day 7am-12pm Roadside Cleanup	4	
Events	FRIDAY	5 7-11am Monitor Training (C)	12 9am-4pm Diaper Giveaway	19 Newsletter Articles Due	26 WIC (CB)	e	ouse
r District	THURSDAY	4 7am Monitor Training (C) 6pm Livesock Public Hearing (C)	=	18 6pm SXD Community Mtg (C)	25	2	(C)- Chambers CB- Community Building PWH- People Wellness House
San Xavier District Events	WEDNESDAY	3 830am All Staff Mtg 530-730pm Women's Circle Support Group @ PWH	10 530-730pm Women's Circle Support Group @ PWH	17 9am Manager's Mtg 530-730pm Women's Circle Support Group @ PWH	24 6-8pm Family STEM Night © Education 530- 730pm Women's Circle Support Group @PWH	_	Notes (C
	TUESDAY	2 6pm SXD Council Mtg (C)	6	16 6pm SXD Council Mtg (C)	23	30 Sam/9am Spring Cleaning Supply Distribution	7
April 2024	MONDAY	1 7am-? Wa:k Ceksan Royalty Breakfast Sale @ SXCA WIC (CB)	00	15	22 Earth Day	29	9

ATTENTION

IF YOUR NAME APPEARS ON THIS LIST; PLEASE CONTACT THE SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA INDIAN COMMUNITY, ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION SERVICES DEPARTMENT, ROW OFFICE AT 480-362-6870.

1. AHMSATY, AMANDA CATHERINE	42. COLEMAN, KYSHONDA REACHANELL	83. JAMES, FLOYD LINDSEY
2. AHMSATY, KENNETH DALE	43. COLEMAN, TRISTAN LEMAR	84. JAY, REESE ANTHONY
3. AHMSATY, SELENE KAY	44. COLEMAN, RENEISHA SHANTE	85. JOHN, JR. PATRICK SABIN
4. AHMSATY, BRENDA RUTH	45. COOPER, CARLOS BLAINE	86. JOHNS, ADRIAN
5. AHMSATY, TIFFANY CATALINA	46. COOPER, DOREEN	87. JOHNS, JEFFREY MAURICE
6. ALLISON, CORNELIA RENEE	47. COOPER, ELAINE BEATRICE	88. JOHNS, MARCHELLO FABIAN
7. ALLISON, SHANNA ELIZABETH	48. COOPER, ROBERT CHRISTOPHER	89. JOHNSON, NORA JEAN
8. ALSTON, PRISCILLA FREDA	49. COPPEDGE, CHERYL LUCILLE	90. JOHNSON, RICHARD ANDREW
9. ANAYA, ANGEL ALICIA CLAUDINA	50. DAVIS, CATALINA MELVA	91. JOHNSON, CANDACE ROSE
10. ANAYA, MARCUS JORDAN	51. DAVIS, MARLON JEROME	92. JOHNSON, LIEANN LOUELLA
11. ANAYA, MARIO REGIS	52. ENOS, CHRISTOPHER LEE	93. JOHNSON, JOLEEN FRANCES
12. ANTONE, DORINE ANN	53. ENOS, COLLEEN GALE	94. JOHNSON, JUANITA LYNN
13. ANTONE, RODERICK RYAN	54. ENOS, JOAN FRANCES	95. JOHNSON, ROGER OTIS
14. ANTONE, RONALD WAYNE	55. ENOS, RALSTON ROBERT	96. JOHNSON, JEANETTE DELORES
15. ANTONE, SR., TROY PATRICK	56. ENRIQUEZ, JR., MARIO JORGE ANAYA	97. JOHNSON, KATIE
17. APODACA, DAMIKA DARLENE	57. ESCALANTE, BYRENE	98. JORDAN, JR., ANTHONY FAVELA
16. APPLEGATE, MARIE DELORES	58. FRANCISCO, DARLA SUE	99. JOSE, ALONZO
18. BALDERRAMA, NICOLE JOAN	59. FRANCO, JOSEFINA	100. JOSE, BARBARA JEAN ENOS
19. BAPTISTO, IAN ANDREWS	60. FRANCO, ANA TERESA	101. JOSE, JOSEPH R.
20. BAPTISTO, RODERICK LESLIE	61. FRANCO, MILO PATRICIO	102. JOSE, ALICIA ANN
22. BOJORQUEZ, DELILAH NICHOLE	62. FRANCO, JESUS	103. JOSE, KATHLEEN
23. BOJORQUEZ, JOSEPH NICHOLAS	63. FRANCO, MARTIN	104. JOSE, KENNETH VICTOR
24. BROWN, GAIL KIMBERLY	64. FRANCO, JR., GUILLERMO	105. JOSE, PAMELA MAY
25. BROWN, FERNANDA MARIE	65. GARCIA, STERLING DALYN	106. JUAN, JESSEE MARTIN
26. BUSHMAN, JENNIFER LEIGH	66. GARRITY, YVETTE DANIELLE	107. KATON, CARLA JEAN
27. CALABAZA, JANET FAYE	67. GOODWIN, DENISE	108. KYYITAN, BRENDA OLETA
28. CARLOS, DENISE EDNA	68. GOODWIN, JOHN	109. LEMUS, LILIA ROSE
29. CARMEN, CARLOS ELIGIO	69. GOODWIN, BRYAN D.	110. LEON, CHRISTINA FRANCES
30. CARMEN, GERALDINE	70. GOODWIN, SHARON	111. LEWIS, LARRY PETER
31. CARMEN, ALICIA	71. HAZEL, KATE	112. LEWIS, TRAVIS
32. CARMEN, DELORES MARIE	72. HENDRICKS, ANNAMARIE LORENA	113. LEWIS, LISA ANN
33. CARMEN, ERIC EUGENE	73. HENDRICKS, RACHEL MAE	114. LEWIS, MARLO RENEE
34. CARMEN, ORLANDO LEE NISH	74. HUDSON, WANDA ELAINE	115. LEWIS, CARA RAE DAWN
35. CARMEN, CONRAD KENNETH	75. JACKSON, ANTHONY LEE	116. LEWIS, CHRISTOPHER JAMES
36. CARRA, CONNIE FRANCIS	76. JACKSON, BONITA MONICA	117. LEWIS, EDWARDINE
37. CARRA, MARY ELLEN	77. JACKSON, RECHELLE	118. LEWIS, ENRIQUE
38. CARRA, NINA	78. JACKSON, JR., VERTON	119. LEWIS, JACQUELINE LEWIS
39. CARRA, JR., BERNARDINO	79. JAMES, CORRINE AMBER	120. LEWIS, JULIA ALICIA
40. CELLAR, OLIVIA	80. JAMES, DORINDA LEE	121. LEWIS, HEATHER
41. CHIAGO, JR., REGIS ANTHONY	81. JAMES, ELFRETA ANN	122. LEWIS, KAYLA MARIE
	82. JAMES, FREDERICK ANTHONY	123. LEWIS, LITTLE FEATHER

124. LEWIS, RONALD M.	165. NISH, JEREMY REGINALD	206. SEGUNDO, CHEYENNE MARIE
125. LEWIS, TERRI JANE	166. NISH, JOHN LEWIS	207. SEGUNDO, FEDRICO
126. LEWIS, VALENTINO	167. NISH, WINFER LEE	208. SEGUNDO, MARY JEANETTE
127. LEWIS-CHIAGO, MICHELLE RENEE	168. NISH, XANTHENES XENOPHON	209. SEGUNDO, JAMIE
128. LYONS, PAMELA SUE	169. NORRIS, PENELOPE RAE	210. SEGUNDO, VALERIE ANN
129. LYONS, ROMMELL FREDERICK	170. OSIF, ANGEL JOHN	211. SETOYANT, CHERYL KAY
130. LYONS, MICHAEL ANTHONY	171. OSIFE, FRANCISCO TYRONE	212. SETOYANT, DELVINA ANN
131. MACK, SHERI LYNN	172. PABLO, BERNALEEN	213. SETOYANT, GLENNA MARIE
132. MACK, ROBERTA LYNN	173. PABLO, MAURA ANTOINETTE	214. SETOYANT, LYNDON JAY
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139. MATTHEWS, DONALD LEE	183. RANGEL, DEVONA MARIE	225. SMITH, MARLENE FRANCES
140. MATTHEWS, LORENTINE JAMES JOSEPH	184. RAPHAEL, CHRISTIN FAYE	226. SMITH, SAMANTHA DORRINE
141. MATTHEWS, PHYLLIS A.	185. RAPHAEL, DIANE RASCON	227. SMITH, TINA RENAE
142. MATTHEWS, REGINA TONI	186. REED, ALTHELIA CLARA	221. SMITH, JR., JAMES
146. MENDOZA, PRIMA SHALIS	187. REED, THOMAS CONROY	228. SMITH-YUCUPISO, BERNALENE
147. MIGUEL, GERALD	188. REED, CONLEY E.	229. SOKE, CARLA ANN
148. MIGUEL, AUTUMN LORRAINE	189. RENTERIA, GEORGE ALONZO	230. SOKE, MAUREEN LINDA
150. MILES, DYNELL LORENZO	190. REYNOLDS, MICHAEL NELSON	231. SOKE, JR., CALVIN GLEN
151. MILES, JAYLEE MESSINA	191. RIOS (MATTHEWS), SETH SKY	232. STEVENS, BARBARA ANN
152. MILES, LELISA MARIE	192. RIVERS, SHERWIN RAY	233. STEVENS, JUDITH LUCILLE
153. MILES, ZENA	193. ROCHA, GRACE REBEKKA	234. STEWART, JEROME WAYNE
154. MILES, JR. IRWIN LEE	194. SALINAS, CARLOTTA JUNE	235. STEWART, RICARDO WAYNE
149. MILLER, ERLINDA	195. SALZA, FRANCES	21. SUSANYATAME, BEULAH RAE DAWN
155. MONTALVO, VICKY	196. SANDOVAL, ROGER	236. TAPIA, TINA COLETTE REYES
156. MONTOYA, KATHLEEN ALICE	197. SANDOVAL, ROGER	237. TASHQUINTH, ALEX
157. MORENO, GLENNA	198. SANTOS ROBERTA ANN JOHNSON	238. TASHQUINTH, ANTHONY
158. MYORE, J T NISH	199. SANTOS, JOSEPH STEPHEN	239. TASHQUINTH, JAMES C.
159. NISH, CAMILLUS	200. SCOFFER, ALYSSA JESSICA	240. TASHQUINTH, JOSEPH FRANCIS
160. NISH, DALE AMBROSE	201. SCOFFER, AMANDA BETH	241. TASHQUINTH, KATERI ANN
161. NISH, FANIEL FRANCIS	202. SCOFFER, DESTINY ELLEN	242. TASHQUINTH, MARY MARARET
162. NISH, CHRISTOPHER	203. SCOFFER, ERICA KAYE	243. TASHQUINTH, MICHAEL ERVIN
163. NISH, LINDA MAE	204. SCOFFER, WILLIAM KEVIN	244. TERRY, DENISE GAIL
164. NISH, MONICA DEPHINE	205. SEGUNDO, ANDREA	245. THOMAS, ADRIANNE SUNSHINE
246. THOMAS, AMBER JEAN AMSATY 247. THOMAS, ANTHONY	256. THOMAS, MILFORD 257. TORO, MADELINE MATHEWS	266. WATHOGOMA, LAURIE 267. WHITE, RAMONA LEE
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253. THOMAS, YVETTE LYNETTE	263. VEGA, MANUEL ANTHONY	273. WIKI, WENDY
254. THOMAS, STEPHANIE MARIE	264. WAHNETAH, KAMI ELLA	274. WIKI, VICTOR JOHN
255. THOMAS, MICHELLE LANETTE	265. WASHINGTON, RUBIN	275. WILLIAMS, YVONNE
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- Pick up trash and plastics around your community.
- Go on a family outing and enjoy mother nature.
- Plant a tree.

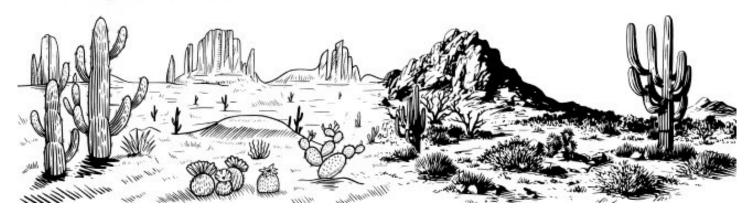
Fun Fact! Did you know Earth is approximately 4.5 billion years old!!

Friendly reminders

- · Flush your water heater.
- · Change your air filters.
- Wipe down your air vents.
- Declutter inside and outside your home.
- Seal any cracks in your windows, doors, and/or walls.

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Information Technology

As we are in the middle of tax season, we wanted to take a moment to address an important matter that concerns all of us: scam phone calls.

During tax season, there tends to be a rise in fraudulent activities, especially through phone calls. Scammers will often impersonate government agencies or financial institutions, looking to obtain personal information or financial details from unsuspecting individuals.

It's important for all of us to remain vigilant and cautious when receiving unsolicited phone calls, especially those claiming to be from the IRS, tax authorities, or any other financial institution. Some have even impersonated law enforcement agencies, threatening criminal charges if fines aren't paid. These scam callers may use various tactics to intimidate or deceive individuals into providing sensitive information or making payments.

Some warning signs of a scam call include

- ♦ Impersonator scams
- ♦ Debt relief and credit repair
- Business and investments
- ♦ Charity
- ♦ "Free trials"

To help safeguard yourself against these scams, we have included a link to consumer advice from the <u>Federal Trade Commission</u> regarding scams.

Scan the QR code to access the link or you can go to:

https://consumer.ftc.gov/articles/phone-scams



Please take a moment to review it, as it includes helpful information on what to look for if/when you receive these calls.

San Xavier Mission

Happy Easter Season!

Celebrate our New Life in Christ for 50 days.

Thank you to all who helped lead the Stations of the Cross during Lent and those who ministered at the Holy Week Services.

Congratulations to the adults who received their First Communion on Holy Thursday! (Johnnea Antonio, Jovan Antonio, Kassandra Armenta, Cristian Guarista, Aaliyah Lee)

Congratulations to the adults who were initiated into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil! (Mia Figueroa, Charles Forbes, Amaya Haro, Raul Haro, Braylynn James)

Baptisms of Infants: April 13 Next openings is in September

Confirmation of teens and Adults: April 23 at 7:00 PM

Women Circle Support Group

Every Wednesday from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm, at the 'O'odham Ap'edag Ki.

The purpose is to have a place where women can listen and give support to each other.





O'odham Ap'edag Ki:/ People Wellness House

I want to give a BIG Thank you to all the students and their families for making Family Day a successful event. I enjoyed the beautiful day with good company, lots of good food, and exploring and learning about beautiful animals. I finally saw the lion face to face... he is absolutely beautiful! We look forward to having more Family Days events in the future.

I also would like to thank the PWH staff for making this event happen.

-Irma Tucker, Program Administrator

S-keg Tas Wa:k Community,

The month of March was an exciting one for all children, their siblings, parents, and staff. It was a 2-day event with lunch at Golden Corral and then to Reid Park Zoo. The K- 3rd graders went on Monday 03/11/24, and 4-6th graders on Tuesday 03/12/24. The children enjoyed every moment of the outing while accompanied by their parents, grandparents, and the staff. Children toured the zoo, rode the carousel, and picked their own zoo animal to ride.

The trip was an enjoyable one. Seeing the excitement and happy faces of the children was all that counted and brought joy to the staff. We thank all Parents & Guardians who attended.

Margaret Unito, Case Manager

The People's Wellness House after-school youth groups went to eat at Golden Corral before visiting the Reid Park Zoo. The kids piled on fried chicken, french fries, macaroni and cheese, and other sorts of delicious foods on their plates. After eating, they located the ice cream machine and topped their ice cream cones with Gummy Bears. What a treat!

- Genevieve James, Case manager

Everyone had a great time. We all enjoyed having lunch together at the Golden Corral before we went to the zoo. The staff at the People Wellness House came together as a team to make this event happen for the children and their families. Thank you to the children, the parents, and grandparents. Also, to Irma, Margaret, and Genevieve. Respectfully, Jim Funmaker, Cultural Facilitator









S-ke:g Tas! Happy Spring!

It is hard to believe we have so little time left in the school year. With approximately 8 weeks left of school, I strongly encourage you to keep your children active by continuing to learn and having fun! For this up-coming SUMMER, the SXD Education Center will be opening our doors for SXD students to participate in the following educational programs and events/activities:

- EARLY RISERS (Incoming Kindergarten)
- ADVENTURE BEGINS AT YOUR LIBRARY SUMMER READING PROGRAM (1st 6th graders)
- MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRAM (Incoming 7th & 8th graders)
- RECOGNITION DAY (Kinder 6th grade)
- RECOGNITION DAY (7TH, 9TH, 10TH & 11TH graders
- SXD HONORARIUM CELEBRATION
- INFANT & TODDLER PROGRAM

Please remember that the above programs and events/activities will take place in June and July. More information will be forthcoming on when applications will be available! In addition to these programs, I would like to remind all High School Students that summer school is right around the corner! If you need to attend to recover or gain credits, please look out for more information. Take advantage now so you don't fall behind. We want the children to continue to work hard and be prepared for the next grade or to graduate. Please encourage your child/children to do their best. Once again, thank you for your continued support of your child's education. Becoming active and involved in your child's education builds healthy children and a healthy community.

Looking forward to serving you and everyone else as you continue your education.

Carmen H. Martinez, Program Administrator

SXD Books and Tuition Grant

What is needed for a Book and

Tuition assistance?

- * Completed application
- Tribal Enrollment/ OR a
 Family Tree if not San
 Xavier enrolled
- Verification of school enrollment
- Grades from previous semester, if applicable.
- Financial Needs Analysis
 (FNA) for Community
 Colleges & University
 students
- * Billing statement
- Summary of educational goals
- * FAFSA/Award letter
- * General Welfare Law
- * W-9

The Education and Health
Committee will review all applications on the 2nd Tuesday
of the month (time and dates
are subject to change).



GREETINGS FROM THE LIBRARY

It's April!



Greetings from the library! We have been extremely busy with our library programs as well as our after-school program.

We are also excited and preparing for our 2024 Summer Infant Toddler Program Here are some important dates happening at the

San Xavier Education Center

- March 28, 2024 Pima County Resource Navigator (Please see attached flyer)
- April 24, 2024-STEM Night 6pm-8pm
- 1st Session Infant/Toddler Program June 3-14, 2024
- 2nd Session Infant/Toddler Program July 8-19, 2024

Both Sessions will be Monday—Thursday 10:30-11:30.

Every first Wednesday of the month, Pima County Book Mobile is at the Education Center from 3pm-4pm

Therapy Dog named "Shiloh" continues to come to the after school program so the kids can read to him. He's good therapy for all of us.

Call Gertie or Aliza at 520-807-8621 if you have any questions

> Feel free to E-mail us as well at: glopez@waknet.org aosegueda@waknet,org

Gertrude Lopez—Learning Resource Coordinator

Aliza Osegueda—Learning Center Aide



It is April, and it is almost time to collect Ciolim (cholla buds).

When picking the ciolim, you can use metal tongs or the saguaro ribs, cutting it in half and tying a string to hold the saguaro ribs together.

Once it is in position, you can use the tongs and pinch the cholla buds, twist and turn, and pluck the bud.

Once the gathering is done, you can use creosote bush branches and brush off the thorns.

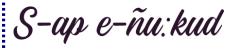
The ciolim can be roasted, boiled, and sun-dried for storage. The ciolim are rich in calcium soluble fiber that helps regulate blood sugar.

The afterschool program will continue language immersion in O'odham. Learning the vowels, the sun cycle, how are you, and singing O'odham songs. In the Head Start Program, the students sing I Am Special in O'odham, Seven Days a Week and I'iotĭ Ne'e.











Elizabeth Ortega

San Xavier Culture Language Teacher

S-keg Tas Wa:k Community,

Blessings to families and students! Our students are now nearing the end of the second semester of school. I want to encourage students to start focusing on these last two months of school. Parents, please talk with your students and have them start working on any late and missing assignments that must be turned in. It will allow them time to improve their grades and give them time to complete extra credit assignments. Parents and students, keep up the great work!

This month, our VOY students will be attending U of A for indigenous day they will get a chance to tour U Of A and receive more information regarding educational programs that are offered at University of Arizona. Ten students from VOY were picked to attend the World Water Day along the Santa Cruz River in collaboration with Alianza Indigena Sin. We will have a family STEM night on April 24, and welcome the community to attend.

Please contact the Education Center if youre child is interested in attending the Voices of Our Youth or After School Program. Keep an eye out for our upcoming summer programs here at the education center. On another note, please enjoy this summer with free admission for students and families at the Desert Museum. You will need to bring a tribal ID for free entry. If you have any questions contact the Desert Museum at (520) 883-1380. Please keep an eye out for future events and flyers posted on our Wa:k page and in the monthly newsletter for more information on upcoming events.

Please keep in mind that Community Liaisons Gloria and Anna are available to assist students and families walk-in, phone, email, or appointment.

May the Creator watch over all of you today and always.

Sa 'pa

Anna Butler and Gloria Rios

Community Liaisons Greetings



Need help?

A Pima County Resource Navigator can...

assist you with:

- Aguiring a cell phone
- Food resources
- Pet supplies
- Eviction prevention
 Utility assistance
- Completing the VI-SPDAT
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connect you to:

- Legal services
- Veterans resourcesEmployment resources









Karl Wagner Resource Navigator karl.wagner@pima.gov O: (520) 724-7303 | C: (520) 565-7615



AT SAN XAVIER
LEARNING CENTER LIBRARY
THURSDAY, April 25, 2024
10am – 12pm

Contact 520-807-8620 with any questions or concerns



ARIZONA-SONORA DESERT MUSEUM now offers FREE ADMISSION

NATIVE AMERICANS/INDIGENOUS PEOPLES OF THE AMERICAS

The Tohono O'odham and Pasqua Yaqui have a rich and diverse history in the Sonoran Desert region that is intimately tied to the land the Museum now inhabits. Providing free admission to all Indigenous peoples of the Americas is a continuing acknowledgment that the Desert Museum sits on Indigenous land.

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Guest Services
Representative will
issue you an admission
ticket at no cost.

Simply bring your Tribal

ID or CIB to the ticket

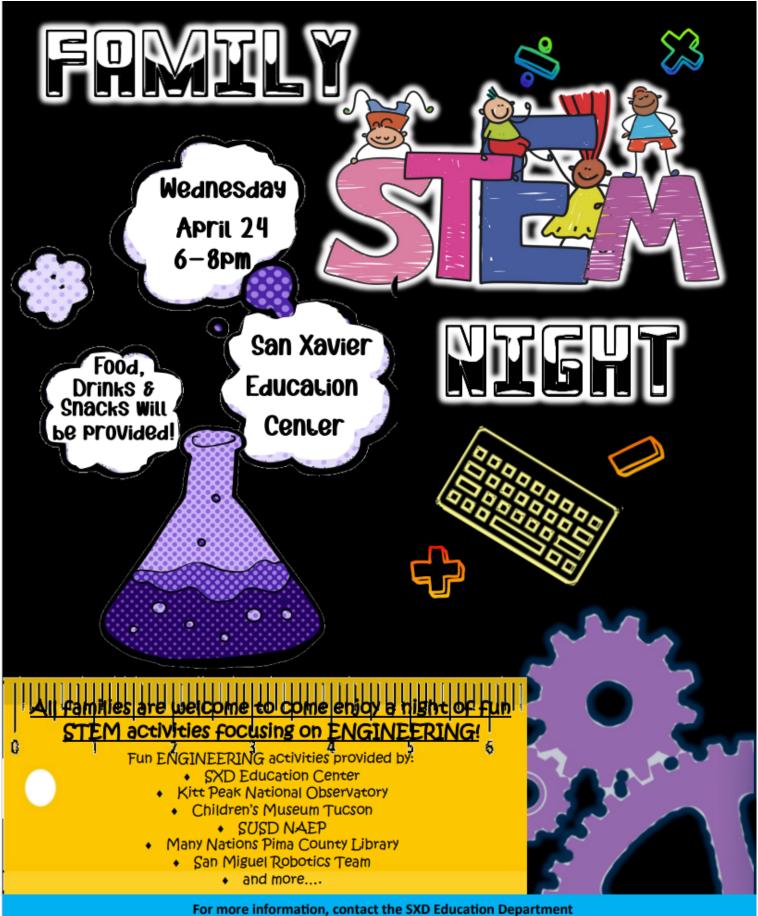
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Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum 2021 N. Kinney Road Tucson AZ 85743 phone (520) 883-2702 email: info@desertmuseum.org www.desertmuseum.org

Museum Hours:
October - May: 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
June - September: 7:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Open for Cool Summer Nights on Saturdays



The Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum recognizes that it resides within the ancestral homelands of the Tohono O'odham and the multi-milliennial presence of the Pascua Yaqui. We honor these tribial nations, and commit to equal-partner relationships as we unite to inspire all people to live in harmony within the Sonoran Desert region.



For more information, contact the SXD Education Department at 520.807.8620



INCOMING KINDERGARTENERS

Schedule:

- 8am-12pm
 - Mon-Thur •
- Mon-May 20-Parent Orientation •
- Mon-April 22- Applications available

San Xavier Education: (520) 807-8620



San Xavier Education Center

2024 MIDDLE SCHOOL SUMMER PROGRAM

July 1st-12th, 2024 | 8:00 AM- 2:00 PM



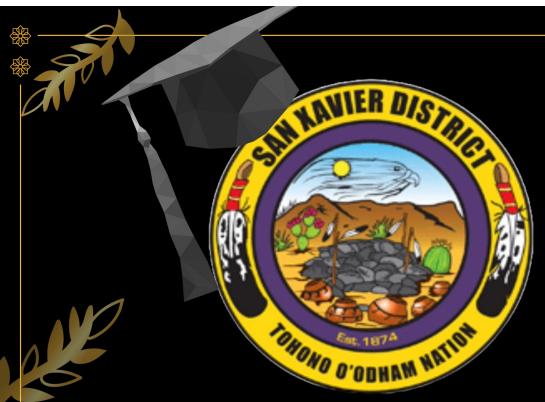
Stipend summer program What is needed:

- Completed application500 word essau
- SXD Enrolled OR traditional community member

Students will be notified of acceptance into the program.

Applications available
Monday, May 13th
Application Deadline:
Friday, June 21st
Mandatory Parent orientation
Wednesday, June 26th
First day
Monday, July 1st

Please contact the San Xavier Education for more information 520.807.8620



San Xavier District, Graduate

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Friday, June 28th



Join us for a joyous evening celebration.

Are you a 2024 Graduate? Please pick up an application at the SXD Education Center if you have been:

- -Promoted from 8th grade
- -Graduated from High School
- -recieved your GED
- -Graduated from a Community College or University
- -Received a certification certificate

Applications available Monday, April 22nd

Applications DUE Friday, June 14th

Call the SXD Education Center for more information at 520.807.8620







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