



Tribal Council breathes life into the Manataba Messenger

It has been over a year since the last issue of the Manataba Messenger was mailed out to the general membership. The Tribal Council saw the need of the people to provide news on current event, awareness and general information geared toward the tribal community as a result the CRIT Library was delegated to startup and coordinate the publishing of the Manataba Messenger.

Mission:

To assist the Colorado River Indian Tribes (CRIT) by providing a means of expression of speech through a quality tribal community newsletter with noteworthy interest of events, places, and lives which further enriches the identity and pride of its members.

Newsletter Contents:

The newsletter shall include articles on the following; birthday, anniversaries, photo contest,

job announcements, departmental news, tribal council, cultural information, and outside news of interest to the tribal membership.

Articles must not exceed 500 words and must be typed using Times New Roman, size 12 font. Submissions will not be altered in any way so, please take the time to proof and spellcheck your article prior to submitting. Electronic transmission is preferred in word format but not required. Contact name and phone number. Recent (not older then 6 months) photographs must be scanned and submitted in .jpg or .bmp format.

The Tribal Council reserves the right not to publish any articles that maybe inappropriate. Political statements that slander another Tribal Member or Tribal Council will not be accepted. Electronic submissions should be sent to: critlibrary@yahoo.com.

All written articles and photographs submitted will become property of the Colorado River Indian Tribes.

Publication Responsibilities:

Editors – Tribal Council
The CRIT Library/Archives Director, Amelia Flores and Computer Technology Specialist, Mr. Gilford Harper will be responsible for overseeing the publication for the 4 editions per year including online versions on the CRIT website. Articles are welcome by email or can be hand delivered to the CRIT Library at 928-669-1332.

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CONSTRUCTION OF NEW CRIT JDC FACILITY TO COMMENCE SOON



In September 2009, the Colorado River Indian Tribes (CRIT) was awarded a Federal grant under the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act to fund construction of a 15,000 square foot Juvenile Detention Center (JDC), with a maximum capacity of 38 beds, excluding special housing, at an estimated construction cost of \$5,896,213. The JDC facility will comply with Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act requirements for placement of juvenile status offenders in “shelter” protection separate from juvenile criminal offenders, as well as, sight and sound separation from adult offenders.

The facility will be dedicated to the juvenile offender and will compose of administration, public reception and visitation areas, kitchen and storage area, separate intake and special holding area, medical examination room and storage area, property storage, multi-purpose conference rooms for staff training, juvenile offender education, and counseling, separated male/female housing comprised of two-floors, and outside secure recreation area.

The new facility will be located in the orchard east of the current Tribal Adult Detention Facility, as originally designated in 2001.

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DATE: 03/01/11



News & Information From Your Tribal Council



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2011 CRIT Tribal Council and Administration. The Colorado River Indian Tribes' Tribal government is overseen by a nine-member Tribal Council, led by a Chairman and selected by bi-annual votes of the membership. Each Tribal Council member is elected to a four-year term. Elections are held in early December of even-numbered years

CRIT LEGAL DEPARTMENT: Victim Advocacy Program

In the past 10 years, we have seen an increase in the amount of domestic violence throughout the nation. The amount of women who incur domestic violence is staggering. Native American women have the highest rate of domestic violence, sexual assault and stalking when compared to other races. One in three Native American women will be raped in their lifetime. One in four has either experienced or knows someone that has experience violence in their lifetime.

Native American women have the highest rates overall when it comes to Intimate Partner Violence, Rape and Stalking.

For many Native women, walking away from the situation is not that simple. There are factors that make leaving a situation difficult. Many times resources are not easily

found or are not accessible. On the reservation, it can also be difficult for a woman to leave because of familial ties, or the lack of ability to keep things private. In small communities everyone knows everything. Some of the challenges that can be faced as well as lack of resources such as money, a safe place to go, a way to get away, what to do about the children, these are only a few of the possible reasons.

In December 2008, the Colorado River Indian Tribes enacted the Domestic and Family Violence Code. In September 2009 the tribes were awarded a grant from the Office of Violence Against Women. In August of 2010, the Colorado River Indian Tribes implemented its own Victim Advocacy Program (VAP). In December, the program opened its doors. With the help of the

Colorado River Regional Crisis Shelter, the CRIT VAP has been working to provide advocacy and other resources to women who are victims of domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking. It is with this goal in mind that CRIT VAP is vigilant in its domestic violence awareness campaign on the Colorado River Indian Tribes Reservation and to help end the cycle of violence.

If you are a victim or know someone who is currently in an abusive relationship, has experienced sexual assault or is being stalked and would like help, please contact the CRIT VAP at 928-669-2906 or the Colorado River Regional Crisis Shelter at 928) 669-0107 or 669-8620 whether you would just like to talk to someone or if you are seeking services.

ART LOGO CONTEST

The Arizona Tribal Libraries Gathering Planning Committee is looking for Tribal member submissions of a logo for the Arizona Tribal Libraries Gathering.

This logo should represent Arizona's Native American cultures and the importance of literacy to these Tribes.

**There will be a prize reward of \$250.00 in cash or gift card!
Deadline is April 30, 2011! The winner will be announced by May 15, 2011!**

Entries* by Tribal members can be submitted in a jpeg format and emailed to Oscar.hernandez@pascuayaqui-nsn.gov or original creations mailed to: Oscar Hernandez, 7474 S. Camino de Oeste, Tucson, AZ, 85757

**All entries will become property of the Arizona Tribal Libraries Gathering*
For more information please contact Oscar Hernandez 520-879-5472 or email at Oscar.hernandez@pascuayaqui-nsn.gov

Official Rules & Regulations

1. Entries by Tribal members only.
2. Design should measure no longer than 12" x 12" on unlined white drawing paper or illustration board.
3. Designs must be: ink or markers. No Pencil Sketching. Artwork must be clean/clear and printable.
4. An official entry form must be submitted with your design.
5. If artist is under 18 years old, please have parent/guardian sign Official Entry Form.
6. Artist must sign their artwork.
7. Limit one entry per person.
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Ranger is guest speaker for Native American Appreciation Month

The culture of Native Americans is well intertwined “with today’s Army Rangers” since both have a strong warrior history. COL John W. King II, Ranger Training Brigade Commander, told guests attending a November luncheon celebrating Native American Heritage Month at Ft. Benning.

The program for the Native American Heritage Celebration was provided by the Ranger Training Brigade. While introducing the guest speaker, King said SFC Taylor Rahm Tahbo was one of the first persons he met shortly after becoming commanding officer of the Ranger Training Brigade this year.

Tahbo, a Hopi and Tewa American Indian, is from the Colorado River Indian Tribes Reservation in Parker, Arizona. He is an Instructor with the 4th Ranger Training Battalion. During his first duty assignment with the 101st Airborne Division, Tahbo had two deployments- Operations Joint Guardian and Iraqi Freedom.

Tahbo said Native American Heritage

Month “is a time to honor my family and my ancestors, like my great-great-grand father, Lewis Tewanima, who won a silver medal in track and field in the 1912 Olympics, my great-great-grandmother, Grace Chapella, Taylor Willy Tahbo, a well-known and very respected medicine man.

“When I was a child, my father taught me to always walk tall and be a man,” said Tahbo. “Although he did not know it at the time, he was laying the ground work for a good soldier. All of the traits that my father taught me have enabled me to have a successful military career.

“American Indians have made great contributions to the military for more than 200 years and have participated in every American conflict since the Revolutionary War,” he said, adding that Native Americans have the highest per capita enlistment of any ethnic group.

Tahbo said the reasons Native Americans enlist for military Service are “time-honored

traits held high by all Native American societies,” and include “traits my father taught me: wisdom, strength, honor, pride, bravery and spiritual strength- all the makings of a warrior. These are the traits which made them feared opponents in the past and continue to make them courageous warriors today.”

Ft. Benning’s Donovan Research Library currently has a Native American exhibit on display through December. It is in honor of 92-year-old Cherokee elder and WWII veteran Walker “Edohi” Calhoun, who fought with the 66th Infantry- Black Panther - Division in Europe. The exhibit also provides general background about Native Americans.

Story submitted by Curtiss Martin, CRIT tribal member

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CRIT Library News

Congratulations to Steve Morris winner of a dozen ‘Red Roses’ and chocolates for Valentine’s Day. Second place winner was Mr. Robert Braning who received a Safeway gift certificate. The Library Staff would like to thank all 164 individuals who participated by checking out a book or taking a Computer class. We would also like recognize The Shrubbery and owner, Eleanor Martinez for supporting this year’s literacy activity by donating the beautiful arrangement and box of delicious chocolate candy.

March is a month to celebrate the following: Music in Our Schools; National Crafts; National History; thus in observation of the month, the CRIT Library will host a “Share Your Craft” on March 22nd at 12:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. All crafters are invited to share their favorite craft item. If you are interested in demonstrating a craft, please call the library so we can schedule an allotted time. We look forward to this opportunity of community sharing in the library.

There will be a Childrens Story Time & Craft on St. Patrick’s Day, March 17th at 3:00 p.m. Also planned is a Craft Time for Teens which will be held on March 16th at

1:00 p.m. Parents/Caregivers will need the call the library to sign up their children and teenagers.

The Library will host a special Wii Tournament for girls and boys ages 8 to 14 year olds on March 18th from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. The top three winners will receive their choice of movies passes to Bluewater Theaters, Arcade tokens, or gift certificate. Parents are encouraged to sign up their children before the tournament.

In honor of Dr. Seuss’s Birthday on March 2nd the library will offer a Dr. Seuss’s Story Time at 3:30 p.m. All children are welcome to listen to a few favorite Dr. Seuss stories. Refreshments and giveaways will be offered for those who attend so please call and add your name to the list of attendees.

Book Discussion

A book discussion on Crazy Weather will be held the evening of March 29th at 6:30 p.m. The fictional novel takes place along the Colorado River where the adolescence characters of South Boy and Havek adventures take them into manhood. The book written by Charles L. McNichols includes reflectiveness of years among the Mohave people and has much to teach about youth, and respect for other cultures. Those who are interested in joining the discussion can

pick up a copy of the book during library hours.

Big Falling Snow Book Presentation

In March the family members of the late Tribal Member, Mr. Albert Yava will be discussing their father’s book Big Falling Snow which was published in 1978. This amazing biography which was edited and annotated by Harold Courlander tells about a Tewa/Hopi life and times. Importantly, it includes the history and traditions of Mr. Yava’s people. Everyone is welcome to attend this enlightening presentation and discover unknown facts from the perspective of Mr. Yava’s children. The event will take place on March 24th at 6:00 p.m. in the library.

Don’t forget Spring events in April includes National Library Week, April 11-15, 2011, Earth Day and Easter. Look for flyers about planned activities or call the library for updated information.

To register for the events or for more information, please call 929-669-1332. The CRIT Library at located at 26600 Mohave Road. You may also visit the library’s Web site at www.critlibrary.com. Libraries hours are Monday thru Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The library is closed during lunch.

Colorado River Indian Tribes Sex Offender Website

Pursuant to the CRIT Sex Offender Registration Code, Chapter 7, Section 1-701, the Tribes must use and maintain a public sex offender registry website to provide information to the public about registered sex offenders residing, visiting, working or going to school within the Colorado River Indian Reservation

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THINGS TO REMEMBER:
Burn Hours: Monday-Saturday
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

- 1. Is it a Burn Day?**
Contact CRIT Fire Department
- 2. Have a water source close by?**
(water buckets, hose, truck, etc)
- 3. Responsible Monitoring?**
Individual(s) Must keep watch of fire at all times.
- 4. Safe distance from any brushline and/or structure?**
(Must be 50 feet or more)

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CRIT FIRE ST. #80- 928.669.2328 (24 HOURS)

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We want to hear from you!

The Manataba Messenger encourages letters to the editor. Share your thoughts on key issues and tell us about things the people of CRIT might find of interest. We will publish a maximum of 250 words: longer letters will be edited for length.

You may send letters to:
CRIT LIBRARY, 26600 Mohave Road
Parker, Arizona 85344
You may also e-mail letters to critlibrary@yahoo.com

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This is a non alcohol/drug event, please respect.

Headstart Is Interested in Your Child!

Thursday, March 24, 2011

9:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

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Developmental Screening- Hooked up with Health providers

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Must be 3 years old by August 31st, Have Birth Certificate, Immunization record/Blood Lead Level, Bring two (2) recent payroll check stub or W-2, or TANF letter or IRS Form 1040-1040a or Social Security Award letter. CRIT Tribal member children, bring Tribal enrollment certificate.

Child does NOT need to be potty trained. Head Start also serves children with disabilities.

Questions? Call Head Start (928) 662-4311, Monday -Friday 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

This event is supported by the following organizations: Indian Health Services, Parker School District, Arizona Early Intervention Program, W.I.C. Program, La Paz County Health Department

CRIT LAW ENFORCEMENT NEWS

In September, 2010, the Colorado River Indian Tribes – Law Enforcement Services Office was awarded a four-year grant by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) to implement the Tribal Motor Vehicle Injury Prevention Program. The grant provides funding to assist the Law En-

forcement Services Office in reducing motor-vehicle related injuries and death, by targeting impaired drivers and increasing seat belt use.

The multi-year plan developed for the program plan included three (3) goals:

1. Hire a Motor Vehicle Injury Prevention Coordinator; train the Coordinator, and designate a work place.
2. Increase community awareness regarding dangers and risks of impaired drivers and not using seat belts/child restraints through education and public awareness programs
3. Reduce motor vehicle injuries caused by impaired driving and use of seat belts/child restraints by proactive enforcement, establishment of sobriety checkpoints and issue traffic citations for non-compliance with seat belt/child restraints traffic laws.

The first goal was attained with the hiring of Hannah Ward-Harper as the new Prevention Coordinator, which incorporated a review board comprised of health professionals to review/interview all applicants and make a recommendation on the best qualified candidate.

To assist in the efforts of the Tribal Law Enforcement Services Office and the Tribal Motor Vehicle Injury Prevention Program, we will be collaborating with the State of Arizona Safety Campaigns, such as "Zero Fatalities", MADD, SADD, and Arizona Safe Kids Coalition, just to name a few, to enhance our overall efforts and prevent redundancy.

For program information, questions, or recommendations you are encouraged to contact Hannah Ward-Harper, Coordinator, at (928) 669-1340. **"The Loss of Just One Tribal Member Is Too Many"**

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The deadline for submissions for the "Photo Contest"

June issue is May 1, 2011. You must be a tribal member, and no professional portraits are eligible. Send your picture to: **Manataba Messenger, C/O CRIT Library, 26600 Mohave Road, Parker, AZ 85344. Or, email to critlibrary@yahoo.com**



Special Diabetes Receives Health Grant

The CRIT Diabetes Prevention Program received a Health Grant through the First Things First Program to provide Community Education to prevent or delay the onset of Diabetes and Obesity in children birth through five. Services will be provided to the families residing within the First Things First Colorado River Indian Tribes region, who are parents of children ages birth to five to include pregnant women.

CRIT Special Diabetes Program

We have the Power to prevent diabetes, by reducing as little as 10 pounds by walking 30 minutes 5 days a week and making healthy food choices.

Here are 7 powerful steps you can take to get started today:

1. MOVE MORE. Get up , get out, and get moving. Try walking, dancing, bike riding, swimming, or playing ball with friends, family. It doesn't matter what you do as long as you enjoy it. Try different things so you don't get bored.
2. EAT HEALTHY. Focus on eating less and making healthy food choices. Try to eat more fruits and vegetables (5—9 servings), dried beans, and whole grains. Cut down on fatty and fried foods. You still can eat the foods you enjoy, just eat less.
3. TAKE OFF SOME WEIGHT. Once you start eating less and moving more, you will lose weight. By losing even 10 pounds, you can cut your chances of getting diabetes.
4. SET GOALS YOU CAN MEET. Start by making small changes. Try being active for 15 minutes a day this week. Then each week add 5 minutes until you build up to 30 minutes 5 days a week. Try to cut 100 calories out of you diet each day (that's one can of soda). Slowly reduce your calories over time. Talk to you health care team about your goals.
5. RECORD YOUR PROGRESS. Write down all the things you eat and drink and the number of minutes you are active. Keeping a diary is one of the best ways to lose weight and it keep off.
6. GET HELP. You don't have to prevent diabetes alone. Ask your family and friends to help you out. Involve them in your activities. You can help each other move more, eat less, and live a healthier life. There are groups in your area that can help as well.
7. KEEP AT IT. Making even small changes is hard in the beginning. Try adding one new change a week. If you get off track, start again and keep at it.

DIABETES PREVENTION PROGRAM, Together, We fight Diabetes for our Ancestors, our Communities and Future Generations



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This project was supported by a grant awarded by the Office on Violence Against Women. The opinions, findings, conclusions and recommendations expressed in this publication/program/exhibition are those of the author and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women.

CRIT JUDICIAL NEWS

June 2010 Tribal Council appointed Neil T. Flores Sr., Chief Judge of the Colorado River Indian Tribes to serve a 2 year term. The former Chief Judge Gary LaRance resigned the position January 1, 2010 and Associate Judge Spencer Thomas resigned in June 2010. Deputy Judges Lawrence King and Sheila McCord were also appointed in June 2010, to assist in the conflict cases before the court. In its special meeting October 14,

2010, the tribal council took action by Resolution to Appoint Kristina Kalka and Kathy Field as Associate Judge for the Colorado River Indian Tribal Court. Ms. Field is a member in good standing with the Arizona Bar and Ms. Kalka is a member in good standing with the Arizona and California Bar.

In a Special meeting of January 11, 2011, the Tribal Council addressed the re-appointment of the Chief Judge

and ASSOCIATE Judges for the CRIT Court of Appeals. The following actions were taken: Karla J. Starr, Chief Justice: was re-appointed to serve. Robert Moller, Associate Justice; was re-appointed to serve. Robert N. Clinton, Associate Justice; was re-appointed to serve. Charlene D. Jackson, Associate Justice: new appointment to serve.

Free Tax Help Is Now Available For Colorado River Tribal Members

Free tax preparation for current year tax returns is now available at three sites on the Colorado River Indian Tribes (CRIT) reservation. The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program together with tribal volunteers are electronically preparing both federal and state individual tax returns at no charge.

Free tax help is available for people whose incomes are \$50,000 or less; seniors; the disabled or for individuals that English is a second language.

The free tax help volunteers will determine if you qualify for such items as the Child Tax Credit, the Earned Income Tax Credit, other credits, deductions and allowable expenses. "The tax volunteers will make sure you claim all the allowable new tax law items and don't leave any money on the table," said Kim Booth, Program Coordinator.

Individuals who want free tax help need to bring: photo identification for themselves (and their spouses); Social Security Cards or Individual Tax Identification Numbers for each person listed on the tax return; all wage and earnings statements (Forms W-2); interest and dividend statements (Forms 1099-INT or 1099-DIV); a copy of last year's tax return and any other information concerning income and expenses for 2010. If filing jointly, both spouses must be present to sign the required form.

If you are getting a refund, consider direct deposit. Direct deposit can increase the speed of your refund to as little as 10 working days or less and your check can't get lost, stolen or returned as undeliverable.

For information about sites locations, times and appointments, please 928-669-8555.

IRS Goes Mobile With "IRS 2 Go"

IRS has launched IRS2Go, a smartphone application that lets you interact with the IRS using your mobile device. IRS2Go reflects IRS' commitment to help you get the information you need—whenever you need it, wherever you are.



Get Your Refund Status

You can check the status of your federal income tax refund using IRS2Go. Simply enter your Social Security number, which will be masked and encrypted for security purposes, then select your filing status and enter the amount of your anticipated refund from your 2010 tax return. If you e-file your

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The Great Seal of the Colorado River Indian Tribes is circular with a serrated orange border. It is divided into four quadrants: top-left shows three arrows pointing right; top-right shows a sun with rays; bottom-left shows a blue mountain range; bottom-right shows a green and white checkered pattern, a white flower, and a yellow wheat stalk. The text "GREAT SEAL OF THE" is on the left and "COLORADO RIVER INDIAN TRIBES" is on the right.

CRIT Tribal Council and Administration

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