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Pictured above at the 2023 NAGSA Conference being held in Las Vegas, Nev., with actor, Zahn McClarnon right in the middle, are staff and Board Members (in no particular order) of local Hopi schools representing First Mesa Elementary School, Hopi Day School, Hopi Jr./Sr. High School, Keams Canyon Elementary School, Hotevilla-Bacavi Community School and Second Mesa Day School. Photo by: Romalita Laban HT Managing Editor

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WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 20, 2023

Actor Zahn McClarnon Headlines 2023 Native Grant Schools Conference

Attended by Local Hopi Schools

By: George Joe - Contributor

LAS VEGAS — December 15, 2023 Nearly 200 educators, school board members, and parents filled a meeting room here for the first day of the annual Native American Grant School Board Association Winter conference.

Six local Hopi schools attended this year's event. Hotevilla Bacavi Community School, Hopi Day School, Hopi Jr./Sr. High School, Keams Canyon Elementary School, and Second Mesa Day School were represented by staff and Board Members who were in attendance.

On the first day, a student dance group directed by Brent Chase captivated the audience. Chase shared Navajo stories of emergence.

Then a presentation by Rachel Robbin's-Whited, a lecturer from Eastern Michigan University who led a game based on the Pedagogy theory of famed educator Pierre.

Headlining the conference on Friday, December 15, 2023, day two of the conference was actor Zahn McClarnon. McClarnon is Lt. Joe Leaphorn in the AMC TV crime drama Dark Winds. He also is Biggie on Reservation Dogs.

This year's NAGSA conference started on Thursday, December 14, 2023 and runs through Saturday, December 16, 2023.

Zahn Tokiya-ku McClarnon is an American actor known for his performances in the Western crime drama series Longmire, the second season of Fargo, and the second season of Westworld. In 2022 he plays the lead role in the AMC series Dark Winds. He also features in the 2021 FX on Hulu series Reservation Dogs, and the Marvel Cinematic Universe series Hawkeye (2021), and Echo (2023).

McClarnon was born in Denver, Colorado, the son of a Hunkpapa Lakota mother and a father of Irish ancestry. He grew up near Browning, Montana, where his father worked at Glacier National Park for the National Park Service. He would often visit the Blackfeet Indian Reservation, where his mother grew up, and often stayed with his maternal grandparents on weekends and for longer visits. His mother lived on the Rosebud Indian Reservation in South Dakota. When his father was relocated to Omaha, Nebraska, for work, the family lived in the Joslyn Castle and Dundee neighborhoods. McClarnon has a fraternal twin brother.



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The Hopi Tribe Pandemic Recovery Committee GWEAP Q & A

PRESS RELEASE

Submitted by: Georgia Lomawaima, HTPRC Project Coordinator

Kykotsmovi, Ariz. – December 12, 2023

The Hopi Tribe Pandemic Recovery Committee Staff are actively reviewing and processing all applications received and sincerely request for your patience via phone calls and emails. Therefore we would like to provide the following most frequently asked questions:

Q: What is the meaning of GWEAP and what are the eligibility criteria for applying?

A: GWEAP stands for General Welfare Emergency Assistance Program. Individual must be 18 years as of July 31, 2023. Must be an enrolled tribal member as of July 31, 2023.

Q: How do I qualify?

A: You must complete an application and certify that you have experienced one of the listed hardships due to the pandemic. You must supply a form W9 with your legal name and current mailing address.

Q: Where can I submit my application?

A: You can apply through a paper application or on our online portal system.

Visit Hopi Tribe Pandemic Recovery Committee at hopi.nsn.gov/ Quick links Hopi Tribe Pandemic Recovery Committee/HTPRC GWEAP Portal. The paper application and W9 form are both available at this link.

Q: What is the source of the funds for distributing checks to tribal members?

A: The source is the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds under the American Rescue Plan Act.

Q: How much will each approved tribal member receive?

A: Upon review and approval, each tribal member will receive \$2,000.

Q: What will cause me to get denied?

A: Here are the areas we review for a completed application:

- Application on portal or paper completed with all required fields.
- Signature on paper applications.
- Name entered on signature line for portal application.
- Section B COVID related questions, if answered all 'No' you will receive a call from the Verification Specialist for further discussion and confirmation.
- W9 incomplete, must be fully completed with name, address, SS# and signature. W9's require a signature, do not print signature.

• No enrollment information provided with paper applications.

Q: When can we expect to receive our checks?

A: Disbursement dates vary for each applicant. After careful review and approval, applications are forwarded to the Finance and Treasury department for further processing.

Q: Am I required to complete the W9 although I do not work?

A: Yes. The GWEAP payment is not reported as income to the recipients. The Hopi Tribe's accounting system requires a W9 to enter or update the recipient to issue a payment. The Tribe needs to apply its practices consistently for audit purposes.

Q: Can I pick up my check?

A: No. All checks will be mailed to the address provided on the application.

Q: How do I know if my application has been approved or status of my application?

A: If your application was completed on the portal, you can check for 'status' any time.

If email address was provided, the applicant will receive email notification upon registering, if the application has been approved and when a payment has been issued.

Q: Which name should I use on my application if I am married but haven't updated it with enrollment?

A: Use the name on your current government documentation, example: State Identification or Driver's License.

Q: What if I moved or my address changed after I submitted my application?

A: It is likely the check may be returned to the Tribe, if so, the applicant will be contacted and a new check can be reissued only on one time basis. If awardee does not respond or no contact is made after 90 days the award is forfeited and no further action is taken.

Q: When is the last date I can submit my application?

A: Deadline is March 1, 2024 at 5 pm, on the portal and at the Tribal Administration Building.

Or until all the funding has been expended. A press release will be issued if all the funds have been expended prior to March 1, 2024. It is recommended that individuals do not wait until the deadline to apply.

The Hopi Tribe Pandemic Recovery Committee Staff can be reached Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. at: GWEAP Member Support email at gweapsupport@hopi.nsn.us GWEAP Verification Specialist at (928) 734-3397, (928) 734-3398 or (928) 734-3399

HOPI TRIBAL COUNCIL First Quarter Session December, 2023 MONTH OF DECEMBER 2023 – PROPOSED AGENDA

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Letter dated May 23, 2023 from Edison Tu'tsi, Chairman, Hopi Tribe Economic Development Corporation, Re: Auditor requires the Tribal Treasurer sign and return the Debt Confirmation Letter - Rosa Honani, Council Representative, Village of Sipaulovi – Tabled

2. Action Item #087-2023 – To approve the Moenkopi Development Corporation (MDC) forbearance on its Hopi Loan payments as a temporary measure until MDC pays off the PNC Loan and secures the Tuuvi Travel Center Property – Author/William Charley, Council Representative, Upper Village of Moencopi (Author changed per UVM's Request) – Tabled

XI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Action Item #070-2023 - Authorize transfer of an estimated \$5.7 million of expenditures, from the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) to the American Rescue Plan State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (FRF) – Jim Davis, Director, Office of Financial Management

2. Letter dated October 18, 2023 – from Eugene Talas to act on FY 2024 General Fund Budget – David Talayumptewa, Council Representative, Village of Kykotsmovi

3. Action Item #108-2023 – Obtain Tribal Council approval for eligible applicants for membership in the Hopi Tribe – Lamar Keevama, Director, Enrollment Office

4. Action Item #109-2023 – Reauthorization of Hopi Cancer Support Services Revolving Account – Dana Russell, Manager, Hopi Cancer Support Services

5. Action Item #110-2023 – To approve the continued use of the Hopi Solid Waste Management Program Revolving Account for operation and maintenance of equipment, vehicles, Hopi Landfill operations and appurtenances including local hire of laborers for the continued operation of the Hopi Solid Waste Management Program – Danford Wadsworth, Program Manager, Hopi Solid Waste Management Program

6. Action Item #111-2023 – Approve Release of Final Drawdown from FY 2023 General Fund for Village of Sichomovi in the amount of \$93,333.33 – Phyllis Wittsell, Village Manager, Village of Sichomovi

7. Action Item #112-2023 – Renew Range Management Fund – Revolving Account – Priscilla Pavatea, Program Manager, Office of Range Management

8. Action Item #113-2023 – To request the continuation of Revolving Account for the Hopi Medical Transportation Program to expand and enhance non-emergent medical transportation services – Carrie Dewangyumptewa, Supervisor, Hopi Medical Transportation Program

9. Action Item #115-2023 – Resolution authorizing Hopi Utilities Corp. to apply for the Tribal Electrification Program funding opportunity offered by the U.S. Department of Interior (DOI) – Carroll Onsae, General Manager, Hopi Utilities Corporation

10. Action Item #116-2023 –To approve the three (3) year Special Revolving Account for the Cultural Preservation Office and the Hopi

Tribal Historic Preservation Office – Stewart B. Koyiyumptewa, Program Manage, Cultural Preservation Office

11. Action Item #117-2023 – Update the existing Revolving Account resolution – Romalita Laban, Managing Editor, Hopi Tutuveni

12. Action Item #118-2023 – A resolution to authorize participation in settlement in opioid related litigation – Fred Lomayesva, General Counsel, Office of General Counsel

13. Action Item #119-2023 – Approve Land Information Systems update for Revolving Account for FY' 2024-2027 – Betty Poley, Assistant Supervisory Geodesist, Office of Community Planning & Economic Development/Land Information Systems

14. Action Item #120-2023 – Hopi Tribal Council approve the FY 2024 General Fund Budget and the Expenditure Authorization & Appropriations Language (EAAL) for Hopi Tribal Programs – Eugene Talas, Chair, Budget Oversight Team

15. Memorandum of Understanding on Cooperation Between the Hopi Tribe, the United States of Energy, the United States Department of Education, the United States Department of Agriculture, the United States Department of the Interior, the United States Department of Transportation, the United States Environmental Protection Agency, the United States Department of Labor, and the Federal Permitting Improvement Steering Committee – Dale Sinquah, Chair, Water Energy Committee, Council Representative, First Mesa Consolidated Villages

XII. REPORTS

1. Office of the Chairman

2. Office of the Vice Chairman

3. Office of Tribal Secretary – Report on Administrative Oversight of Program Depts.

- 4. Office of the Treasurer
- 5. Office of the General Counsel
- 6. Land Commission
- 7. Water/Energy Committee
- 8. Transportation Committee
- 9. Law & Order Committee
- 10. Investment Committee
- 11. Health/Education Committee

12. Pandemic Recovery Committee – Written Programmatic Report for October 2023

13. Report on the Moenkopi Developers Corporation (MDC) – Wallace Youvella, Jr., Council Representative, First Mesa Consolidated Villages*Hopi Tribal Council may go into Executive Session on any agenda item

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

*Hopi Tribal Council may go into Executive Session on any agenda item

**Time Certain Requests





Public Service Announcement

Hopi Law Enforcement Services Announces Adjusted Livestock Inspection Dates

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Submitted by: Simana Tenakhongva

Kykotsmovi, Ariz. – December 11, 2023 There will be No Livestock Inspections beginning December 25, 2023 through January 5, 2024, due to Sun Valley Livestock Auction and Prescott Livestock Auction not conducting any sales during this time.

Livestock Inspections will resume on January 8, 2024 on a biweekly schedule until further notice. See attached 2024 Sun Valley Livestock Auction Sale Schedule. Any questions please feel free to contact Hopi Law Enforcement Services at (928) 734-7341 or (928) 497- 1493. Thank you for your understanding.





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Search Launched for New UA Native American Initiatives Leader

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

by Ronald W. Marx - Interim Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost The University of Arizona

Tucson, Ariz. - December 4, 2023 In a message sent to fellow UA Colleagues, Ronald W. Marx – UA Interim Provost provide the following"

I am writing to inform you that the search for our next assistant vice provost for Native American Initiatives(NAI) has launched.

Interim W.A. Franke Honors College Dean Dr. John Pollard will chair the search committee that is comprised of faculty, staff, students, and community members. The search is expected to be completed by the end of the spring semester.

As the search moves forward, I have appointed Dr. Jeremy Garcia to the interim position of assistant vice provost for NAI

Dr. Garcia (Hopi/Tewa) is an associate professor of Indigenous Education in the Department of Teaching, Learning, and Sociocultural Studies in the College of Education. He is of the Hospoawungwa (Roadrunner) clan. Before joining the University, he served as assistant professor and Endowed Professor of the Electa Quinney Institute for American Indian Education at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

Dr. Garcia is a co-founding director of the Indigenous Teacher Education Program (ITEP) at the University. He continues to expand partnerships with Native nations to increase the number of Native teachers serving Native communities. As co-director, Dr. Garcia and colleagues advocated for a stronger research focus within the leading education research association, the American Educational Research Association, which led to the creation of a new section, Indigenous Teaching and Teacher Education. He also serves on a subcommittee within the National Indian Education Association working to advance Indigenous teacher education.

Dr. Garcia's research focuses on critical Indigenous curriculum and pedagogy, Indigenous teacher education, and critical and culturally sustaining family and community engagement. His research is grounded in Indigenous sovereignty which supports Indigenous educators through the development of Indigenous curriculum.

Dr. Garcia earned his bachelor's degree in elementary education from Northern Arizona University, a master's degree in curriculum and instruction from Michigan State University, and his doctorate in curriculum studies from Purdue University.

I appreciate Dr. Garcia's willingness to lead NAI during this transition.



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Pictured above: Dr. Jeremy Garcia (Hopi/Tewa)

The Hopi Tutuveni Team sends out positive energy to all during the Hopi Holiday Season!



U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Approves Silver Jackets Proposal for First Mesa and Moenkopi Villages Emergency Action Plan (EAP) project

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Kykotsmovi, Ariz. - November 30, 2023 On September 19, 2023, the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers Silver Jackets Coordinator, Chris Stanton informed the Hopi tribe of an approval to assist the First Mesa and Moenkopi areas with flood mitigation projects.

Silver Jackets teams are interagency teams that facilitate collaborative solutions to state flood risk priorities.

They bring together multiple state, federal, and sometimes tribal and local agencies to learn from one another and work together to reduce the risk of floods and sometimes other natural disasters.

Through partnerships, teams optimize the multi-agency utilization of federal resources by leveraging state/ local/tribal resources, including information, talent, and funding, while preventing duplication of effort.

Activities range throughout the flood risk management lifecycle and promote shared responsibility. Team activities have included state hazard mitigation plan updates, inundation mapping, tabletop exercises, and development of emergency action plans, risk communication workshops, coordination of perishable data collection, and many others.

Although each state Silver Jackets team is unique, common agency participants include state agencies with mission areas of hazard mitigation, emergency management, floodplain management, or natural resources conservation.

Federal participation typically includes the Federal Emergency Management Agency, National Weather Service, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Geological Survey, as well as the Natural Resource Conservation Service, and Environmental Protection Agency, among others. Some teams include membership from Tribes and academic institutions, regional and local government, and non-governmental organizations.

The Hopi Tribe supports the efforts made by the Silver Jackets program in securing the funding and resources to enhance First Mesa and Moenkopi preparedness and response capabilities in the face of potential flood events. Listed below are the anticipated key timelines:

1. Project Kick-off: November-December 2023

a. Team will hold an initial project meeting (kick-off) to discuss roles, responsibilities, and project expectations.

2. Plan Development: January-February 2024

a. Collect and analyze data relevant to flood risks and vulnerabilities.

b. Develop the Emergency Action Plan, including strategies, procedures, and communication protocols.

3. Plan Review and Approval: March-April 2024

a. Plan will be reviewed and approved by the team, including Tribal and Agency Subject Matter Experts.

4. Training and Community Engagement: April-May 2024

a. Tabletop Exercise will be conducted to ensure that residents are well-prepared.

5. Monitoring and Evaluation: Ongoing

a. Ongoing monitoring and evaluation of the plan's effectiveness, with adjustments made as needed.

For questions, comments, or concerns, please contact Mr. Chris Stanton, Silver Jackets Coordinator, at 480-416-6886, Christopher.D.Stanton@usace.army.mil, or the Office of the Chairman at 928-734-3105. Treasurer of Arizona, Kimberly Yee, Helps Consumers

Navigate Holiday Spending

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

By: Hon. Kimberly Yee, Treasurer of Arizona

Phoenix, Ariz. - November 22, 2023 As the season of holiday shopping approaches, it is important for families to balance the list of gift giving and fun filled festivities with the money that is in their pocketbooks. As Arizona's Treasurer, I'm also a Mom and holiday shopper myself, so I understand the unique challenges this time of year when spending trends increase and making sure all the shopping excursions are in check with smart money management. The holiday season is a time for creating cherished memories with our loved ones. With thoughtful planning, we can embrace the joy of holiday shopping and be generous without undue financial strain.

Read my 5 practical tips on how you and your family can successfully navigate holiday shopping this season.

1. Create your holiday spending plan.

As we enter the holiday season, it is essential to map out your holiday spending plan and create a budget. Once you figure out how much you can afford, make a list of everyone by name, including your family, friends, teachers and coworkers and write down an amount for each person. Also take into consideration other holiday expenses such as decorations, food for gatherings, greeting cards, travel and charitable contributions. By making a spending plan and sticking to it, you can be confident that you are entering the holiday season with a financial peace of mind.

2. Take advantage of sales and discounts.

Maximizing savings while shopping is an essential strategy to avoid overspending. With a detailed budget in place and spending plan mapped out, start by conducting comparison price checks across various retailers to identify the best deals for your desired items. When shopping online, take an extra few minutes to search for coupon codes. You may be able to score a discount on your purchase, a code for free shipping or other special promotions. Many larger retailers offer price protection, so if you purchase something now and the price goes down later, request a refund for the price difference.

3. Make a shopping list and check it twice!

Before you start shopping online or in-person, create a list of everything you want to purchase for that specific shopping experience. Stores are designed to incentivize you to buy as much as possible, so walk in prepared with a plan and don't get distracted. Avoid taking your cart through the store aisle by aisle as it creates the temptation to buy something that's not on your list. If your gift giving list is long, start early to catch the savings that have already started and remember that inventory is less optimal the longer you wait.

4. Avoid credit card debt and "buy now, pay later" purchases.

NerdWallet's annual holiday shopping survey found that over half of Americans incurred credit card debt in the last holiday season, and 31% of whom have still not paid off these balances. Consider opting for cash transactions to keep yourself within spending limits or ensure you have a clear plan for timely repayment of credit card purchases. While it may be tempting to use an after-pay program, try your best to only buy what you can afford at the time of purchase. Payment plans often have hidden fees or interest rates above 15%. Stay within your budget and never spend more than you have in the bank.

5. Organize a holiday gift exchange.

If you have a large family or friend group, planning a holiday gift exchange with a price limit can help alleviate excessive spending this holiday season. By only purchasing one gift, your entire group will save money and still have an exciting and unique gift-giving experience. At the Arizona Treasury, my staff does an annual white elephant exchange with a \$20 limit. This alleviates the stress of buying multiple gifts for various co-workers, and creates a fun and memorable experience for my team as they deliberate over the ultimate gift swap in the spirit of the playful gift exchange.

As we enter this holiday season, I extend my sincere wishes for a special and joyous time shared with your loved ones. The smart financial choices and planning you do now can ensure you enter 2024 with the financial freedom you deserve.

Hopi Tribe Department of Health and Human Services Covid-19 Emergency Response - Re-publication

Submitted by: Joyce Hamilton, Director - DHHS

Kykotsmovi, Ariz. - October 13, 2023 The days of long warm summer nights are long gone; as we move into the Fall and Winter seasons the immediate self-care we can give ourselves and our loved ones the message of taking necessary precautions against infectious diseases such as the flu, common cold and COVID. COVID viruses continue to be transmitted via close contact with someone with the virus. Data from the Hopi Health Care Center indicate a substantial decline in COVID-19 positive cases; what is not reflected in the Hopi Health Care Center weekly surveillance report are home COVID-19 test kits results. The COVID-19 home test kits have reveled positive cases which are then referred to the HHCC Public Health Nursing Department to provide care and guidance for the individual and their family. Recommendations to prepare for protection against the flu, common cold and COVID-19:

- 1. Everyone 6 months and older, regardless of current vaccination status, should get an updated COVID-19 vaccine.
- 2. People with cold like symptoms should still masks and get tested for COVID-19.
- 3. Those with confirmed or suspected COVID-19 should continue to follow current guidelines for isolation including staying home and wearing a mask around others for at least 5 days after their symptoms started or after a positive test if no symptoms.
- 4. Those exposed to COVID-19 should continue to follow recommendations including wearing a mask around others, monitoring for symp toms, and getting tested at least 5 days after last exposure.
- 5. People may choose to wear a mast at any time based on personal preference, but may be required in other places by local authorities (i.e., individual villages, businesses, and schools.)
- 6. Those that are concerned they may be at risk for serve disease, should talk to their health care provider about additional prevention actions.

Frequently asked questions:

How do I know if I have all my vaccinations up to date?

Your question on vaccinations would be best answered at the medical facility where you receive services. For example; you medical receive services at Hopi Health Care Center; the Public Health Nursing office can answer your vaccination questions such as last Flu vaccination and COVID-19 vaccination.

Where can I get vaccinated for the Flu or COVID-19?

The Hopi Health Care Center allows members to walk-in for vaccinations during operating hours. Operating hours for a walk-in vaccination is 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday; Wednesday from 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Where can I get a COVID-19 home test kit?

You can contact the Hopi Community Health Representative (CHR) program for a COVID-19 home test kit. A CHR will follow-up with you two business days to follow-up on test results. All COVID-19 positive tests are referred to the Public Health Nursing department for medical advice and guidance.

Are there FREE masks available on Hopi Reservation?

Yes, the Hopi CHR program has face masks for the community and is available Monday – Friday during normal business hours from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

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Department of Health and Human Services **Covid-19 Emergency Response Re-publication**, contin.

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Is the Hopi Tribe Executive Order lifted?

Hopi Tribe Executive Order No. 001-2023 remains in place. The Executive Order lifted the Face Mask Mandate; wearing of face masks is optional except in the case of a COVID-19 positive, the recommendation is wearing a face mask until symptoms clear.

How does the Executive Order impact me?

• Vulnerable Individuals can resume public interactions, but should practice social distancing wearing face masks, and minimizing exposure to social settings where distancing may not be practical, unless precautionary measures are observed.

• Employees can resume UNRESTRICTED STAFFING of worksites, Businesses must be able to demonstrate engineered workplace settings that build in social distancing and protections for staff. • Specific Type of Employee – VISITS TO SENIOR CARE FACILITIES AND HOSPITALS can resume. Those who interact with residents and patients must be diligent regarding hygiene. LARGE GATHERINGS (e.g., eating out, sporting, ceremonies) may operate under limited social distancing protocols and sanitation protocols.

• WELLNESS CENTER GYM can remain open if they follow standard sanitation protocols and make SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS (i.e. hours or programs specifically for high risk individuals)

The Hopi CHR program can be reached at (928)737-6342 and the Hopi Health Care Center Public Health Nursing department can be reached at (928)737-6257 for questions on vaccination clinic dates and times.

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. Guest Speakers

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Parents, Educators and all community members are encouraged to attend.

For more information call: (928) 734-3524



REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Hopi Court IT Management Services Request for Proposals

The Hopi Tribe is accepting proposals for Information Technology Management Services at the Hopi Tribal Court. The Court requires a contractor who can provide direction over the Court's IT system, which includes network environment, case management systems and digital recording systems. The project will last for one year. Submittal deadline is January 16, 2024. For more information or to receive the complete RFP, please contact Kathryn Kooyahoema, Hopi Court Administrator, at kkooyahoema@hopitelecom.net or (928) 738-5171.



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The Hopi Tutuveni welcomes original articles reporting on local, state and national news items on issues related to Hopi or of interest to Tutuveni readers. We are especially interested in articles reporting on issues impacting the Hopi community or on events and activities involving members of the Hopi Tribe. Articles should not exceed 750 words and should follow Associated Press (AP) style and formatting. The Managing Editor reserves the right to edit articles for style, length and clarity. If significant editing is required, the Managing Editor will communicate with the author prior to publication.

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Press releases must be submitted on official letterhead and include the name of the organization, contact person, telephone number and email address. Press releases should not exceed 500 words and submissions may be edited for length and clarity at the discretion of the Managing Editor.

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Letters should not exceed 250 words and must include the name of the author and complete contact information (address, phone number or email address)

CIRCULATION

The Hopi Tutuveni is published twice a month, with a circulation of 2,500 copies throughout the entire Hopi Reservation. The paper is delivered on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month to the following locations: Moenkopi Travel Center, Moenkopi Legacy Inn, Hotevilla Store, Kykotsmovi Village Store, Tribal Government Complex, Hopi Cultural Center, Hopi Health Care Center, Polacca Circle M, Keams Canyon Store.

and the headline and date of the article on which you are commenting. Anonymous letters and letters written under pseudonyms will not be published. The Tutuveni Editorial Board reviews all submissions and reserves the right not to publish letters it considers to be highly sensitive or potentially offensive to readers, or that may be libelous or slanderous in nature.

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Submissions must be exclusive to Hopi Tutuveni and should not exceed 1,000 words. Include with your submission your name and complete contact information, along with a short 2-3-sentence bio.

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All press releases, articles, letters to the editor and Opinion Editorials electronically as a Word document or as plain text in the body of an email to the Managing Editor, Romalita Laban. Articles, press releases and editorials that include photographs must be in high resolution, 300dpi or more and must be your own. All photographs must include photo credit and a caption for each photo listing the names of all persons included in the photo and description of what the photo is about. (call 928-734-3283 for deadline schedule).

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

HOPI SCHOOL SYSTEM CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

Nominations Due: Friday, January 12, 2024

The Committee will research and select a unified curriculum across all Hopi schools, as well as ensure curriculum alignment and mapping standards are included.

The Committee will discuss and determine the types of assessments, exit skills, along with in-depth strategic planning for implementation. Hopi Board of Education is seeking a representative from:

> Moencopi Day School Hotevilla Bacavi Community School Hopi Day School Second Mesa Day School First Mesa Elementary School Keams Canyon Elementary School Hopi Junior High School and Senior High School

If you are interested in serving on the Curriculum Committee, contact your local Principal or Dr. Rea Goklish.

SUBMIT NOMINATIONS TO: Dr. Rea Goklish, rgoklish@hopischoolsystem.org By: January 12, 2024, 5:00 p.m.

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Public Service Announcement Hopi Tribal Secretary's Office Closure

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

By: Romalita Laban, Managing Editor, Hopi Tutuveni

Kykotsmovi, Ariz. - December 12, 2023 at approximately 11:03 a.m. and two hours before closing, the Office of the Tribal Secretary staff sent out a notification the office would be will be closed beginning 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 12, 2023 through 1:00 p.m., Friday, December 15, 2023.

The staff made note that they would be traveling with the Tribal Council to Payson, Ariz. for Tribal Council's orientation for current and incoming representatives.

It was also notified that any calls or messages for the Office of Tribal Secretary, for Tribal Council members and Council committees could be left on voicemail or via email. All calls and emails would be responded to upon return to the office.

Due to the office being closed for three days out of the week, Hopi Tutuveni did inquire if the pre-set submission schedule for having documents submitted for the Hopi Tribal Council Agenda would be adjusted.

Secretary staff noted that no adjustments would be made to the schedule and documents could be left in the Secretary's Office.

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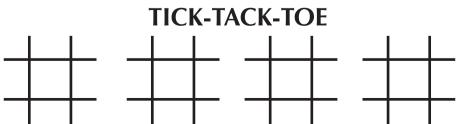
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Robert Lacapa November 15, 1954 — December 7, 2023

Robert Clinton Lacapa, better known as Bob, went to be with his Lord on December 7, 2023 in Phoenix, Arizona at the age of 69. Bob's life began November 15, 1954 in Phoenix, Arizona.

As a young adult, he began his career as a wild land firefighter with the Fort Apache Agency of Whiteriver, Arizona. He went on to receive his Bachelors in Forestry from Northern Arizona University. Since, he has held many titles in Fire Management, to Forest Manager, to Superintendent with the Bureau of Indian Affairs before retiring in 2016.

Bob loved his career but always made quality time for his children and grandchildren, traveling to support their royalty and sport endeavors. All his married life, he cared for and deeply loved his wife's family. In return, they loved and cared for him. Bob was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and brother. His departure leaves a great void.

Bob is survived by his wife of 47 years, Lela Mae Lacapa; children, Felicia and husband JJ Morris, Lindsey Lacapa, and Bryant Lacapa; grandchildren Latina Ethelbah, Zeke Ethelbah, and Jade Ethelbah; brothers, Andrew Lacapa, Duane Lacapa, and Bennett Lacapa; sisters, Andrea (Roman) Benavente, and Stephanie (Albert) Burnette.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Bennie (Hopi/Tewa) and Antonia (Kessay) Lacapa; brothers, Michael Lacapa and Nathan Lacapa.

There will be a one night wake and funeral held in his honor at the Canyon Day Assembly of God Church, set to begin Friday, December 15 at 2:00 pm and funeral, Saturday, December 16 at 1:00 pm.

Interment will follow at the Canyon Day Cemetery.

New Roadway Lighting and Pathway Completed Along SR 264 Near Hopi Cultural Center

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Kykotsmovi, Ariz. - December 12, 2023 The Arizona Department of Transportation advises drivers that pedestrian safety improvements at the intersection of State Route 264 and Indian Route 4 near the Hopi Cultural Center have been completed.

The project included new street lighting and a paved pathway with solar lighting leading from the intersection of SR 264 and IR-4 to the Hopi Cultural Center.

ADOT thanks drivers and the nearby communities for their support and patience throughout the project.

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November 2023 - HDS Book Club

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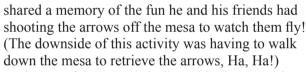
HDS BOOK READER - DUANE KOYAWENA

Submited by: Deborah Baker, Parent Liaison HDS

Kykotsmovi, Ariz. – December 1, 2023 the Reader during the month of November 2023 was Duane Koyawena, Artist who read the book titled, "Little Hopi/Hopihoya - The Bow" by Edward A. Kennard and illustrated by Charles Loloma.

The book Little Hopi/HopiHoya by Edward A. Kennard is a collection of stories about a young Hopi Boy, Peenie and his adventures. The story, "The Bow" that was read, is about the dreams Peeni has to own a bow and arrow so he can become a great hunter. Peeni daydreams about the bow and arrow as he helps his grandfather with everyday chores of the times. He eventually gets his bow and arrows through a race he has with a Yeibichai kachina.

This story created a rich conversation with Mr. Koyawena about how relatable this story is to Hopi boys today. Although the story takes place in a different time, the dreams of getting a bow and arrows by Hopi boys today is still the same. We learned by listening to Duane that much of the excitement of receiving the bows and arrows is the anticipation of getting one; seeing them brought into the plaza and taking notice of all of them and the conversations about the size and designs on the bows and arrows and guessing which ones might be the one for them was fun to hear. Duane also



The era of the story is indicated by how Peeni and his grandfather implement their chores, for

example, the use of a donkey to gather water at a spring and wood for fuel. Today, many Hopi families have indoor plumbing and although wood is still harvested; we are now using modern pickup trucks.

This led us to discuss how different life is for Peeni compared to Hopi children of today.

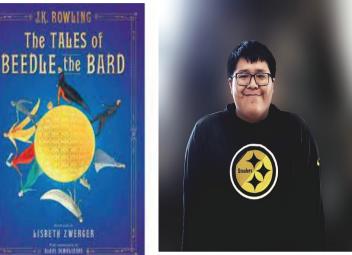
Discussions after reading a book are beneficial in helping children internalize the story and

allow them time to provide their insight and comment to the story line. This helps a child develop skills such as, evaluating, creating, and learning to be verbally expressive. It was an enjoyable book to highlight Hopi culture and lifeways.

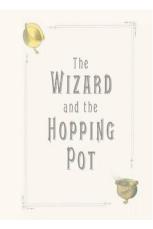
We wish to extend a great big Thank You to Duane Koyawena for spending the evening with us

and sharing this beautiful story of a young Hopi boy, named Peeni. Join us December 6, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. for December's Book club reading.

HDS students are encouraged to bring a note from a Parent or Guardian to verify your attention to the Book Club show on KUYI Hopi Radio and your name will be placed in a drawing for a copy of the book.



HDS BOOK READER - COLLIN MORGAN



Listen to the HDS Book Club live on KUYI 88.1fm, 88.9lpfm or at www.kuyi.net

December's Book Club reading to be aired on Monday, December 6, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. on KUYI Radio 88.1FM with the Reader being Collin Morgan, HDS Teacher Assistant who will read, "The Tales of Beedle The Bard" and "The Wizard and the Hopping Pot" by J.K. Rowling



Hopi Day School Tribute - a Long Standing Legacy and Historical Site

Jimson Lalo, Hopi Day School Board President, shares his creative efforts to memorialize the HDS Hawk mascot for Hopi Day School students, staff and supporters

By: Romalita Laban, Managing Editor - Hopi Tutuveni

Kykotsmovi, Ariz. - November 15, 2023 on the day Hopi Day School held it's annual Thanksgiving luncheon for students, staff and their guests, there was a very beautiful creation being sculpted with completion on the horizon and open for those in attendance to catch a glimpse.

It was a sight to see and getting the background of how the sculpture came to life was even more intriguing.

I was invited as a special guest of Deborah Baker, Parent Liaison for Hopi Day School, to attend the luncheon and the only reference she made to the sculpture was that she had a surprise for me to see.

Having been a long-time supporter of Hopi Day School, since my three sons attended and completed elementary school at HDS, I am well aware of the school's mascot being a hawk.

However fond I've been in the past about the hawk, I grew more fonder and very happily surprised when I made my way towards the entrance to the gym/cafeteria for a special meal.

Upon getting closer to the entrance, low and behold, I came up to a beautiful hawk sculpture and was mesmerized.

As Hopi people, the associations we have with the hawk are numerous. One could say we hold that particular bird with a certain affinity. One can only describe the connection we have in that manner to others, who may not understand the deeper meanings and connections we have with the hawk in our beliefs, religion and living life as a Hopi.

To say the least I was truly mes-

merized and so happy for Hopi Day School that such a beautiful creation was on display for all to enjoy, and it wasn't even all the way finished.

Upon talking with Baker during lunch, she shared that Jimson Lalo, who currently serves as the HDS School Board President offered to sculpt the hawk after discussions were held at school board meetings about garnering a sculpture via purchase. The cost would be higher than what was available and fundraising might have to occur.

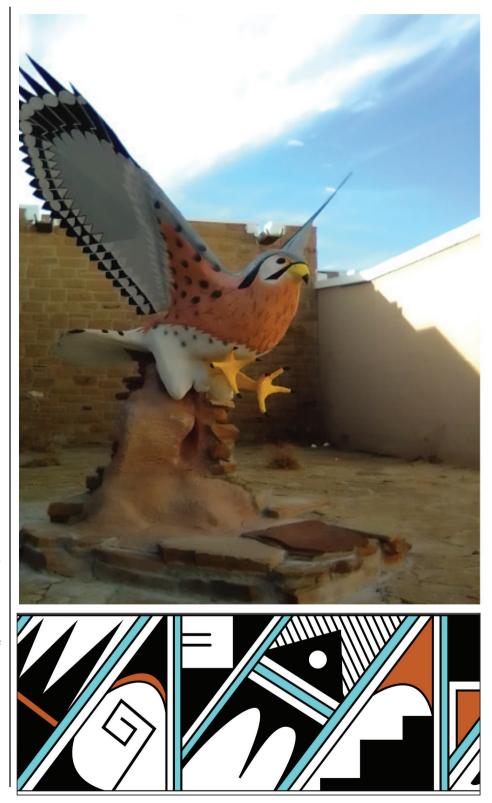
Rather than having the school pay for a sculpture, Lalo offered to create one with materials purchased by the school. Having 15 years of experience, gained while working in a taxidermy shop in Flagstaff, Ariz. aided the process to create one.

Lalo stipulated no payment would be required - he simply offered because of his support for the school.

Lalo's daughter also goes to HDS and his mother Fermina has been a long-time staff member, and he also attended HDS during his childhood, so it was a given that he would build the sculpture.

Lalo explained the process and materials he used while we visited. The energy and expressions he shared were very uplifting, in addition to his easy-going mannerisms, which seems to come through in his creation, as well. He also explained that he chose to sculpt a the fledging hawk, because of it's colors.

The sculpture is now complete, with pictures of the beautiful creation provided by Deborah Baker. Future plans for enhancing the area with seating areas for students and visitors are still being considered by the school staff and Board members.





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