Welcome back and happy 2014! I hope you had a fabulous Winter break and that you're ready to focus on this new semester. I've added a link below to an article about an event we had last month. We are grateful to the Phoenix Indian Center and to Freddie Johnson for allowing NAPAC to host their annual Winter Stories series.


**Upcoming Events:**

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*Don't be afraid to give your best to what seemingly are small jobs. Every time you conquer one it makes you that much stronger. If you do the little jobs well, the big ones will tend to take care of themselves.*

— Andrew Carnegie
A Night of Education for Parents

Thursday, January 30, 2014 | 4:45 - 8:30 p.m.
Akimel A-al Middle School, 2720 E. Liberty Ln., Phoenix, AZ 85048 (view map)

4:45 PM  Check in/Registration, Dinner & Vendor Fair
6:00 PM  Welcome by Dr. David Schauer, Kyrene Superintendent
6:15 PM  Session One class offerings
7:20 PM  Session Two class offerings

$5 per adult includes dinner, childcare and classes.
Registration at: www.kyrene.org/parentsummit

Support the Kyrene Foundation by donating your loose change!
MidFirst Bank will provide on-site coin collection during the event and will match up to $1,000 deposited into their Fundraising Van. All donations will directly benefit the Kyrene Foundation.

Arizona College and Career Ready Standards -- what are they?
You may have heard of “Common Core” in the media, but what does it really mean? Arizona Superintendent of Public Instruction, John Huppenthal, has a presentation that will give you the facts on how College & Career Ready standards will help your child and our state.

Other parent sessions include:
Raising a Bright, Bold, and Beautiful Girl
Teen drug trends with Tempe Narcotics officer
Empowerment Against Bullying
Navigating the 5th to 6th Grade Transition
Connecting the IEP to AZ College and Career Ready Standards
Which Kyrene school is right for my 3-6 year old?
Helping your struggling reader (k-5)

Special thanks to our sponsors:
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NAVAJO CLASSES AT PHOENIX INDIAN CENTER AND MESA PUBLIC SCHOOL
Classes start January 18, 2014

CHILDREN’S DINÉ BIZAAD CLASS
Instructor: Freddie Johnson
Learn basic Diné vocabulary using numbers, date, colors and commands. We will use the Traditional approach to learning clan introductions, Basic Diné Culture will be used in lessons. OPEN TO EVERYONE, NO AGE LIMIT.

Mesa Public School: Student Services Center
Saguaro Room (2nd Floor)
1025 N. Country Club Drive, Mesa AZ 85201
Tuesday Nights 6:00pm to 7:00pm
CLASSES START JANUARY 21, 2014 and ENDS MAY 13, 2014

DINÉ CULTURE CLASS
Instructor: Freddie Johnson
This class will emphasize on Basic Diné Culture according to seasonal changes. It will help identify with Clan teachings through basic Protection Way and Blessing Way teachings.

Phoenix Indian Center
GED Classroom
4520 N. Central Ave., Phoenix AZ 85012
Monday Nights 6:00pm to 7:00pm
CLASSES START JANUARY 27, 2014 and ENDS MAY 12, 2014

CLASSES ARE FREE!

NAVAJO SINGING CLASS
Instructor: Jolyana Begay
FREE CLASSES for continuing and NEW students.
Join Diné Urban Voices and learn Navajo Social songs, children’s lullabies and some traditional songs to teach the importance of Language. The class performs at various functions throughout the Phoenix area. Class will meet MONTHLY on SATURDAY.

WHEN: January 18, FEBRUARY 15, MARCH 22, APRIL 19, MAY 10, 2014, 10:00AM – 11:30AM
WHERE: PHOENIX INDIAN CENTER, GED CLASSROOM
CLASSES START JANUARY 18, 2014

EARLY CHILDHOOD DINÉ CLASSES
Instructor: Freddie Johnson
FOR 4 YEARS AND UNDER. Learn basic vocabulary words using flash cards, kinship terms, basic food items, counting and colors.

Native American Community Services Center (Phoenix Indian Center)
4520 N. Central Ave., Phoenix AZ 85012
THURSDAYS 3:00pm to 4:00pm
CLASSES START JANUARY 23, 2014

CLASSES ARE FREE!

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: FREDDIE JOHNSON (602)264-6768 EXT. 2403, FAX: (602)274-7486
Email: fjohnson@phxindcenter.org

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Save the Date!
Saturday, January 25, 2014
Mother 2 Mother Workshop

Mark your calendar for Saturday, January 25th

Father Matters is hosting a Mother 2 Mother - Motherhood Secrets Revealed Workshop at the Hope VI Emmett McLoughlin Community Training & Education Center - 1150 S. 7th Ave, Phoenix AZ 85007 from 9:30 AM-4:00 PM.

Continental Breakfast and Lunch provided
English and Spanish facilitation
Certificates of completion provided at the end of the workshop
Workshop is FREE! Registration required

WOMEN ONLY!

No child care provided, No children please!

RSVP
602-774-3298 or email
info@fathermatters.org

Visit Father Matters at www.fathermatters.org
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Join us for a Learning Experience about the LGBTQ/Gay Community

January 28th, 2014, 6:30 to 8:00 PM

@ Mercado MPR

9201 So Avenida del Yaqui, Guadalupe AZ 85283

Ms. Sheila Lopez-Aguirre from PFLAG (Parents, Family, Friends of Lesbian and Gay) will be presenting on raising gay youth, and the social challenges that some gay youth encounter.

PFLAG is the nation's largest family and ally organization. Made up of parents, families, friends, and straight allies united with people who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT), PFLAG is committed to advancing equality and societal acceptance of LGBT people through its threefold mission of support, education and advocacy.

Light Dinner & Raffle Prizes

Call Ralph Cota at 480-768-2063 or Vanessa Bustos at 480-768-2064 for further information.

Guadalupe Prevention Partnership
Pasqua Yaqui Tribe
Register at http://www.aieacorp.org/
What is Hoop of Learning?
Hoop of Learning is a high school to college bridge program for Native American students, 9-12th grades. This scholarship program is year-round, but is most active during the summer months (summer session I). A new cohort begins every summer and high school students take college courses on the campus of Chandler-Gilbert Community College.

Mission Statement
Encourage, Enable, and Empower Native American students to complete high school and transition successfully to higher education

Program Goals
- Increase high school graduation and retention rates
- Increase Native American enrollment and participation in college.
- Empower Native American students to reach their goals
- Enhance Native American culturally relevant curriculum.
- Increase diversity on campus
- Strengthen partnerships with external Native American communities, school districts, and other agencies.

Program Eligibility
- Student must be an enrolled member of a federal/state recognized American Indian tribe (or in the process of obtaining a census #)
- Self motivated; demonstrate good attendance
- Currently enrolled in high school and provide a current copy of high school transcript
- Minimum 2.0 GPA in high school

Program Requirements
- Take the college assessment test in English and reading (math-optional)
- Student & parent(s): attend a mandatory orientation
- Adhere to college policies and procedures; commit to successful completion of college course
Program Funding
The Hoop of Learning Scholarship covers the following for participating students:
- Full tuition & fees*
- Textbooks (average $100.00)
- Monthly bus pass (if needed)
- Lunch stipend (summer school only)

*Current tuition: 1 credit hour = $81.00
  3 credit class = $243.00
  Registration fee = $15.00
- Actual Scholarship award for one class: $258.00

Sample of Classes Offered *
- AAA/CPD150: Strategies for College Success (required for new students)
- English, Reading and math courses: dependent on placement test results
- HIS140: American Indian History
- AIS105: Intro to American Indian Studies
- REL203: American Indian Religion
- ENH259: Native American Literature
- NAV115: Navajo Language
- AIS110: Navajo Government (required for Chief Manuelito Scholarship, along w/NAV115)
- General Studies Coursework: selection varies per semester

* Total number of credits/classes earned varies by student

Contacts & Application
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Hoop of Learning is located at the Pecos Campus of CGCC:
Room SC164
2626 E. Pecos Rd.
Chandler, AZ 85225-2499
Front desk: (480) 857-5188

* Applications can be requested at anytime. Preferred due date to turn in applications, is at least 4 weeks before the beginning of each semester.

Maricopa Hoop of Learning
www.cgc.edu/hoopoflearning

An EEO/AA Institution
FMF FATHERS MENTORING FATHERS WORKSHOP
02.22.14 SATURDAY
9:30-4:00
FREE WORKSHOP FOR MEN ONLY
A GATHERING OF MEN IN 2014

LOCATION
FMF WORKSHOP
St. Luke’s Medical Center
1800 E. Van Buren St.
Phoenix, AZ 85006
Phillips Auditorium

TOPICS INCLUDE:
• Explore New Roles as a Father
• Discuss Effective Communication Techniques
• Find Out How Other Men Take on New Responsibilities of Fatherhood
• Hear Ways to Spend Quality Time with Your Children
• Experience How You Can “Let Go” of the Past
• How to Increase Your Commitment While Balancing Other Commitments

FREE Continental Breakfast and Lunch provided
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This New Year, make plans to attend the 4th annual Taste of Kyrene event!

Join us for a fun night out, and you’ll help support the Kyrene Foundation, which provides invaluable resources for students and their families through the Kyrene Family Resource Center, as well as recognition and awards for staff and students, and student scholarships for extra-curricular and enrichment programs.

Did you know that there are nearly 400 homeless students in the Kyrene School District?

The Taste of Kyrene raises tens of thousands of dollars each year to help these students in need.

Purchase your tickets online for $35 in advance, and $50 at the door. Gather a group of 10 friends, and buy a table for reserved seating for $450.

A limited quantity of reserved tables are available, so don’t delay!

4th Annual Taste of Kyrene
Friday, February 28, 7:00-10:00 p.m.
The Foothills Golf Club
www.tasteofkyrene.org
Cocktail attire suggested
Phoenix Indian Center invites you to the 2nd Annual Youth Leadership Day

Sat. Feb 1st 2014

Leadership Day Includes:
- PRIZES! Games! Group Learning!
- College and Career Planning
- Underage drinking prevention skills
- Cultural enrichment

Grades 9-12

For more Information:
Patryce Caye or Linnea LaFave
602-264-6768

Please return your completed registration packets to the Phoenix Indian Center
Open to the first 200 students
Register for the upcoming Diversity Leadership Alliance Workshop

"Exploring Culture and Perspectives In Our Complex World"

Workshop Sponsor

"Exploring Culture and Perspectives In Our Complex World"
presented by
Dr. Mallary Tytel, PhD, MBA

Date Thursday, January 16, 2014
Time 8:00AM - 12:00 Noon
(Registration begins at 7:30AM)
Location Gateway Community College
108 N. 40th St., Phoenix, AZ 85034 (map it)
Cost Free Event w/light refreshments
RSVP TODAY
Registration Deadline
Tuesday, January 14, 2014

**To Register click:
http://www.diversityleadershipalliance.net/BookingRetrieve.aspx?ID=194336

Workshop Objectives

- Identify strategies and opportunities for making decisions
- Articulate how individual and group world view and culture affect desired outcome
- Recognize the multiple realities in any situation
- Demonstrate using a new tool for managing today’s complex cultural challenges
Father Matters Third Annual
Court & Custody Conference
03.13.14 Thursday 9:30-4:00
Hosted at South Mountain Community Library
7050 South 24th Street Phoenix, Arizona 85042

Special Guest Speakers
- Ann Van Wey
  Child Protective Services
- Lourdes Preciado
  Division of Child Support
- Pamela Donison - Donison Law Firm

Who Should Attend?
- Parents
- Family Members
- Social Workers
- Case Managers
- Faith Leaders
- Counselors
- EVERYONE

Topics Include:
- How to find the right attorney
- Divorce & Separation
- Parental Impact on Children
- Child Support & Visitation
- Modification of Child Support
- Open Forum for Q & A
  SPACE IS LIMITED!

FREE Continental Breakfast and Lunch provided (English Only)
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2014 Conference Registration Form

Name: ____________________________________________________________
Address: ________________________________________________________________________________________________________
District/Employer: ________________________________________________________________________________________________
Email: ___________________________ Phone: ___________________________

Workshop Selections (please choose one for each session)

Morning Session (10:45-12:00)
   ___ 1A Common Core & School Social Work
   ___ 1B Sand Tray Play Therapy

Midday Session (1:00-2:30)
   ___ 2A Cultivating Resources: Communicating Performance
   ___ 2B Supporting Students After Sexual Assault

Afternoon Session (2:45-4:15)
   ___ 3A Preventing Teen Dating Abuse
   ___ 3B Creating a Nationally Standardized Evaluation

Conference Fees
   ___ SSWAAZ Member ($125)
   ___ Non-Member ($150) -includes membership for the remainder of the year-
   ___ Student ($50)

Please mail this form with check or purchase order payable to SSWAAZ to:
P.O. Box 977
Gilbert, AZ 85299-0977

Or pay online (via PayPal) at www.SSWAAZ.org

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