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**Visions
by
Vice Chairman David Reede**

Greetings San Carlos! I am pleased to announce that next Tuesday my office will sponsor, "Breakfast with the Vice Chairman." This event will serve as the kick off for a series of regular monthly community information sessions. This event will take place on Tuesday, March 27th from 7:00 -8:00 a.m. in the Tribal Council Hall. This free continental breakfast will provide you with an opportunity to find out what is happening in my office, get to know my staff, ask questions, and meet others from the community. In the month of April, I will also launch monthly community meetings which have been appropriately named, "For Your Information (FYI) Community Information Sessions." These sessions will focus on a particular topic of importance to the community. The first FYI session will take place on Monday, April 23. The guest presenters will be the San Carlos Housing Authority and the topic will be housing programs.

I would like to thank the community for your patience and understanding relating to the delayed opening of Burdette Hall. Unfortunately, Burdette Hall will be closed throughout the month of April for necessary floor repair. The closure of these facilities is due to severe moisture damage sustained by the floor. There are seven areas of the floor that have become buckled as a result of excess moisture under the floor panels. Due to the fact that there are no pipes under Burdette Hall, the cause of the moisture has been somewhat of a mystery. Currently, we are in the process of determining the origin of the excess moisture. There are several theories that have been presented such as the lack of a proper drainage system or a natural spring. However, to properly repair the floor it is extremely important that we identify the exact cause of the damage. We are currently working with securing a company that has the capability to conduct tests that will help to pinpoint the cause of the moisture. Replacing the gymnasium floor within Burdette Hall will be an expensive undertaking and prior to making such repairs it is important that the necessary preventative precautions are taken to prevent this type of damage from reoccurring. On a brighter note, I am pleased to announce the hiring of Mr. Monolito Sneazy as the Recreation Director. The Recreation Director is responsible for the day to day management of Burdette Hall. Mr. Sneazy is slated to begin service on Monday, March 26. Additionally, Burdette Hall has operated thus far without a rental policy. To address this matter, my office has completed a draft rental policy to provide structure to this process. This policy includes fair deposit and rental fees. This document has been forwarded to the Tribal Council for review and comment. I apologize for any inconvenience that the Burdette Hall closure may have caused. I ask for your continued support as I work toward a timely and full repair of the floor. I assure you resolving this matter will remain a priority for my office. It is my goal to provide a safe and functional community space for our tribal members.

On a final note, I would like to invite all of you to help decorate the Office of the Vice Chairman by contributing to my office's Wall of Vision. The Vice Chairman's Wall of Vision is a wall located within the Office of the Vice Chairman that has been designated as a space for the community to share their vision and dreams for a better San Carlos. This wall will serve as a daily reminder to the visitors, staff and all who enter the Office of the Vice Chairman, that a community of vision is a community of hope. To participate, please share your visions in a statement no more than two sentences long. You can send them in by mail to P.O. Box 0, San Carlos, AZ 85550, email to

russell@scatvicechairmanreede or fax them to 475-5515, please include your name and telephone number. We encourage all schools to participate.