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Shelly Davis-King: This came in from the Society of California Archaeology:

Over the past week, the SCA has learned about two **TV shows that glorify the looting and destruction of archaeological sites.** The first show, Diggers (National Geographic TV), aired a few days ago and the second, American Diggers (Spike TV), is scheduled to air on March 20. The public outcry on social media has been strong and professional organizations such as the SAA, SHA, and RPA have mounted letter writing campaigns urging members to voice their opposition. The SCA Board, too, is preparing a response to both shows and will continue to monitor developments. The SCA strongly urges members to learn more about the controversy and, if so inclined, to contact the companies involved to urge them to stop production on the shows. Below you will find useful links including the SAA letters to TV executives, an on-line petition for Spike TV, and contact information for both shows. Links to these sites will be available on our web page in a few days. Please join us in our efforts to stop the senseless and disgraceful destruction of archaeological resources.

Jennifer M. Farquhar, President, SCA

SAA letters can be found at: <http://bit.ly/w2MHJM> and <http://bit.ly/wzT7IA>

SAA call to action can be found at: <https://www.facebook.com/SAAorgfb>

On-line petition to stop Spike TV show: <http://www.change.org/petitions/stop-spike-tv-from-looting-our-collective-past>

Television Show Contacts:

Spike TV

Scott Gurney and Deirdre Gurney, Gurney Productions, Inc., 8929 S. Sepulveda Blvd.,

Suite 510, Los Angeles, California 90045 <http://www.gurneyproductions.com/contact>

Kevin Kay, President, Spike TV, 1633 Broadway, New York, New York 10019
<http://www.spike.com/about/feedback/>

Stephen K. Friedman, President, MTV
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Viacom Inc., 1515 Broadway, New York, New York 10036
<http://www.viacom.com/contact/Pages/default.aspx>

Lakotas arrested halting Keystone XL pipeline trucks

Posted by [Brenda Norrell](#) - March 5, 2012 at 7:05 pm

PINE RIDGE, S.D. -- Lakotas on Pine Ridge Indian land in South Dakota were arrested as they blockaded tarsands pipeline trucks from entering their territory on Monday, March 5. Lakota human rights activists Alex White Plume, Debra White Plume, Sam Long Black Cat, Andrew Iron Shell and Terrell Eugene Iron Shell were arrested late Monday. They were charged with disorderly conduct and taken to the jail in Kyle, S.D.

See Lakota grandmother Debra White Plume's comment and Andrew Iron Shell's photos, after their release from jail tonight: <http://bsnorrell.blogspot.com/2012/03/lakota-arrests-underway-halting-xl.html>

An action alert was sent out shortly before the arrests: "Calling all Lakota men on the Pine Ridge Reservation to come to Wamblee, South Dakota."

The alert said "Pipeline trucks are being held there at the border by our Lakota Oyate, Oglala Sioux Tribal Police and State Troopers in an effort to keep them from entering our territory. Even the state troopers told the trucks they have to turn around and cannot bring their pipeline or other materials on to our reservation."

"Pipeline trucks are refusing to turn around claiming they have corporate rights that supersede any other law."

Reports from the scene say that the trucks are being allowed to pass, as Lakotas are being arrested attempting to halt the trucks from entering their sovereign territory."

Lakotas joined Native Americans and First Nations to protest the Keystone XL pipeline at the White House in September. Debra White Plume was among those arrested. Lakotas urged the US to halt the plan for the pipeline, which would cut through Ogallala Aquifer, and endanger land, water and people from Alberta, Canada to Texas. First Nations in Canada are also protesting the pipeline and the ongoing devastation from the Alberta tarsands in Cree territory.

PHOTO: Lakota grandmother and activist Debra White Plume, and Oglala Vice President Tom Poor Bear protesting Keystone XL pipeline and tarsands at the White House.]

[No Tar Sands / No Keystone XL Pipeline / No Trespassing on Lakota Nation treaty lands](#) www.youtube.com

Wanblee, South Dakota - Oglala Lakota Nation - March 5, 2012

XL pipeline trucks stopped by Wanblee SD By: Carlin Red Blanket Sr. Photos: 18

TransCanada Says It Will Build Rejected Tar Sands Pipeline

TransCanada, the company behind the [rejected Keystone XL tar sands pipeline](#), sent a letter to the U.S. State Department on February 27 announcing its intention to [circumvent U.S. environmental review](#) and build the southern portion of the proposed crude oil pipeline from Cushing, Oklahoma, to Port Arthur, Texas.

"With this announcement [TransCanada is telling Americans that it is above the law](#)," Sierra Club executive director Michael Brune says.

[Carolyn Harry](#)

Awesome to see the support and attention given to the XL Keystone Pipeline. When Ruby Pipeline was going thru here, it was hardly given any attention by our own Tribe...even though it cut thru the heart of a prayer site...glad elders of surrounding tribes recognized a spiritual leader to take charge, guided by spirit law. We lost, but at least the handfull fought.

Editorial: Reining in feds

Editorial staff, Pueblo Chieftain

Rep. Scott Tipton is sponsoring an amendment to pending legislation that would preclude federal reserved water rights in Colorado.

The main bill would give federal review of a water project in California’s San Joaquin Valley. Rep. Tipton’s amendment would limit the federal action to that single project.

MORE SCHOLARSHIPS AND INTERNSHIPS

SAPAI Writing Retreat 2012: Dates: June 18 – July 27

Location: Salish Kootenai College, Pablo, Montana

This six week writing workshop will focus on bolstering critical scientific composition skills while providing guidance in drafting graduate theses and dissertations. Some key workshop elements will include; getting started with your writing, technical writing strategies, applying effective literature reviews, getting into the writing ‘zone’, effectively using your graduate committee, and utilizing constructive formal and informal peer review resources. The Writing Retreat provides the opportunity for participants to fully engage in writing without distraction and with the support of a writing coach, teaching assistant, and peer group. By the end of the workshop students should be close to completing a draft of their document for initial review by

their graduate committees. **In addition to writing support, Retreat participants also receive: Weekly stipends (\$250), lodging, meals, transportation (to and from retreat location), and limited child care assistance.**

Required prerequisites:

American Indian/Alaska Native graduate students in STEM fields who have completed all degree requirements with the exception of their thesis/dissertation are eligible. **Contact SAPAI Program Manager (contact info above) to see if your major/field of study is eligible.**

SAPAI TCU Faculty Preparation 2012: Dates: July 30 – August 17
Location: Salish Kootenai College, Pablo, Montana

Scholars will participate in a TCU Training Program that will prepare them for assuming a faculty position at a TCU. This workshop will accept a small number of scholars and will offer enhancement of skills and knowledge useful for TCU STEM faculty. It will focus on how a TCU faculty member can raise funding in support of research, teaching and infrastructure. The goal is to provide graduates with the ability to prepare grant proposals that will generate funding. Each SAPAI Scholar will be part of a transition team consisting of the scholar, the scholar's major professor during their graduate degree, a representative from the TCU where the scholar will become a faculty member, and a representative from the SAPAI Staff. This team will assist the scholar during Step 3 and beyond. **Faculty Prep participants also receive: Weekly stipends (\$250), lodging, meals, transportation (to and from training location), and limited child care assistance.**

Title: 2012 Native Vision Scholarship **Who:** American Indian/Alaska Native college students
Deadline: May 4, 2012 **Contact:** Marlena Hammen 410-955-6931
Website: http://www.nativevision.org/Scholarship_Recipients/Scholarship_Recipients.html/

The Native Vision Scholarship is awarded to two American Indian or Alaska Native college students who are enrolled members of a federally recognized tribe and exemplify a commitment to leadership, education, and athletics. Students must be in their first year of an associates or bachelor's degree program to be eligible for this award.

Eligibility: Candidates must:

- Be an enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe
- Demonstrate a sustained involvement in the community and an applied concern for American Indian issues and initiatives
- Maintain a GPA of at least 3.0 at the time of application
- Demonstrate involvement in extracurricular and/or athletic activities
- Be admitted to an accredited community college or four year undergraduate program (for fall 2012)

Title: Turkish Coalition of America (TCA)
Who: American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian college and graduate students who are admitted into a study abroad program at a university in Turkey. **Funds:** \$500-\$2,000

Deadline: Rolling Basis

Website: <http://www.tc-america.org/> **Contact:** Ms. Zeynep Guven (zguven@tc-america.org)

Turkish Coalition of America (TCA), a DC-based nonprofit organization that aims to foster a better understanding of U.S.-Turkey relations, provides up to 100 scholarships to American Indian, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian college and graduate students who are admitted into a study abroad program at a university in Turkey. TCA scholarships range from 500 to 2,000 USD depending on the term of study and are awarded on a rolling basis.

TCA's efforts to build bridges between U.S. and Turkey have resulted in the creation of university-based scholarship opportunities in Turkey. **Bahcesehir University** (an Istanbul-based liberal arts-focused private university) offers up to 8 tuition scholarships to African American, Hispanic American and Native American students on a first-come, first-served basis. **Istanbul Technical University (ITU)** provides up to 10 comprehensive scholarships (tuition, room, monthly stipend) per semester exclusive to American Indian, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian.

Title: American Indian Studies Dissertation Writing Fellowship Yale University 2012-2013

Who: Scholars working on pressing issues related to the American Indian experience. Scholars working on topics in Indigenous Studies that relate to the study of North American Indians are also encouraged to apply.

Deadline: March 23, 2012

Awards: \$27,300, full access to Yale facilities and services, and health care coverage

Location: New Haven, CT **Website:** <http://erm.yale.edu/fellowships>

Contact: RoeCloud.Fellowship@yale.edu.

The Fellowship will support a graduate scholar in any doctoral field for the academic year, beginning August 1, 2012 and ending July 31, 2013. Graduate students working towards careers in higher education who have completed all doctoral requirements but the dissertation are invited to apply. The expectation is that the dissertation will be completed during the fellowship year. The criteria for selection will be based solely on an assessment of the quality of the candidate's work and the project's overall significance for the study of American Indian and Indigenous Studies. **Title:** Environmental Leadership Program **Deadline:** April 2, 2012

Who: <http://www.elpnet.org/eligibility-requirements>

Location: The retreats are located in different venues but within the region

Website: <http://www.elpnet.org/about-fellowship>

Contact: info@elpnet.org

The Fellowship Program targets emerging environmental and social change practitioners eager to connect their specialized work to larger environmental and social concerns. ELP is committed to selecting a class of Fellows that represents diversity of race and ethnicity, gender, sector, sexual orientation, education levels, professional background, values and traditions, and environmental issue expertise.

The Fellowship Program offers intensive leadership and skill training, regional networking opportunities, and time for personal and professional reflection. Consisting of three retreats and additional optional trainings, our curriculum helps emerging leaders hone their leadership styles, improve their strategic communications, and strengthen their outreach to diverse constituencies.

Title: Cesar E. Chavez Fellowship **Who:** Recent College graduates **Deadline:** April 2012
Contact: Charles Miller ccf.recruitment@gmail.com 415-695-0449

The Cesar Chavez Foundation is accepting applications for the Cesar E. Chavez Fellowship. A year-long fellowship available to recent college graduates interested in:

- Community and resource building
- Learning more about nonprofits
- Managing an after-school and summer program
- Supervising volunteers
- Learning more about youth development.

As a Cesar E. Chavez Fellow, you will have the unique opportunity to connect with underprivileged disenfranchised communities and partner with families, youth and teens to empower themselves and improve their quality of life. As a fellow you will:

- Oversee our ¡Si Se Puede! Learning Center programs (after-school & summer program)
- Build and establish community resources
- Recruit and coordinate local volunteers
- Develop curriculum
- Join a group of alumni in which some are currently attending *Harvard Kennedy School, Fulbright Program, and USC Graduate School of Social Work*

Since this is an AmeriCorps Program all CEC Fellowships will receive a living stipend, an Education Award/Scholarship upon the completion of their service, and FREE housing provided by the Cesar Chavez Foundation.

Title: American Indian Graduate Center Scholarship **Awards:** Varies
Who: Native graduate and undergraduate students
Deadline: July 13, 2012 for 2012-13 academic year
Website: <http://www.aigcs.org/Scholarships.aspx> **Contact:** aigcs@aigcs.org

The American Indian Graduate Center is a national organization headquartered in Albuquerque, New Mexico providing educational assistance to American Indian and Alaska Native graduate and undergraduate students throughout the United States.

Since the founding in 1969, AIGC has awarded more than 16,000 scholarships totaling over \$44 million to graduate students in all fields of study.

INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

What: The Green Bay Metropolitan Sewerage District (GBMSD) Field Services Internship
Who: Upper-class undergraduate or graduate student working toward a degree in environmental science, chemistry, engineering, biology, or a related discipline **Where:** Green Bay, WI
Website: <http://gbmsd.org/media/67747/field%20service%20intern%20position.pdf>
Application: https://www.buildmyownsite.com/secure/GBMSD_Employment/step1.asp

The primary role of this position is as support staff for the Field Services Section. This position will be responsible for generation and maintenance of various reports, data bases, and spreadsheets. Other duties include special projects, manhole inspection aid, and data entry.

What: Gedakina, Inc.,

Who: Undergraduate and graduate students interested in pursuing careers in education, environmental studies, social work, or adventure based counseling. We are looking for self-starters, problem solvers, and passionate people who want to make a difference for young people and in the world we live in.

Where: Location is dependent on community needs and the intern's preferred place of residency in New England. **Website:** <http://www.gedakina.org/> **Deadline:** May, 2012 (Flexible)

Duration: The time commitment of interns will be negotiable, but ideally will consist of twenty to forty hours per week during the summer break, and ten to twenty hours during the academic year.

Contact: Rick Pouliot (rickpouliot@gedakina.org), Co/Founder and Executive Director

Our initiatives focus on leadership development, community health and wellness, indigenous traditional ecological knowledge (ITEK), healthy relationships and cultural revitalization/survival. Our approach emphasizes interconnected programs to reach Native American youth and families, with clear recognition that the challenges our people encounter on a daily basis are also interconnected. Gedakina conducts community-based activities and initiatives, regional alliance building, and public education and awareness building programs with a broad outreach.

Summer Interns will:

- Carry-out youth and community outreach helping to grow Gedakina's footprint across New England's rural, urban and reservation communities
- Assist with activity planning and implementation
- Co-lead activities including outdoor education, cultural revitalization and community/region wide events

What: Northwest Advanced Renewables Alliance

Who: Native American students in the fields of Environmental Science, Forestry, Biology & Engineering

Website: <http://nararenewables.org/grad> **Deadline:** Varies by university **Location:** Varies

Duration: 9 months (graduate students), 10 weeks (undergraduate students)

Description:

Featuring a broad alliance of private industry and educational institutions, the Northwest Advanced Renewables Alliance (NARA) takes a holistic approach to building a supply chain for aviation biofuel with the goal of increasing efficiency in everything from forestry operations to conversion processes. Using a large variety of feedstocks, from construction waste to forest residues, the project aims to create a sustainable industry to produce aviation biofuels and important co-products.

Interdisciplinary graduate training for **graduate students** with the integration, teamwork and communication skills needed to be leaders in the bio-energy and bio-products economy.

Research experience for **undergraduate students**; students participate in full-time research experiences for a summer (10 weeks) program that provides laboratory, fieldwork and research skills in the broad area of biofuels research.

Interdisciplinary graduate training

1. **Create** graduate students with the integration, teamwork and communication skills needed to be leaders in the bioenergy and bioproducts economy.
2. **Build** multicultural perspectives into the graduate study
3. **Improve** the diversity of STEM graduate programs.
4. **Disseminate** research, technology, and economic development opportunities to diverse stakeholders

Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU)

REU participants participate in full time research experiences for a summer (10 weeks) program that provides laboratory, fieldwork and research skills in the broad area of biofuels research. The REU program goals are:

- To excite undergraduate students about cutting edge research in the areas of biofuels
- Develop skills needed for future biofuels research careers
- Increase the number of students participating in biofuels research in the northwest, including those from schools -which do not have strong research efforts
- Integrate mentoring experiences for graduate students and post docs into a formalized training program

What: First Alaskans Institute 2012 Summer Internship Program **Who:** Alaska Native/American Indian/rural Alaskan college students or recent college graduates in good academic standing

Website: www.firstalaskans.org **Deadline:** March 16, 2012

Location: Alaska (multiple placement opportunities) **Duration:** June 4 – August 9, 2012

Contact: lenajacobs@firstalaskans.org

The 10 week, \$15/hour summer session has placed approximately 190 interns with various employer hosts since 2004. Over the years, many interns have been placed outside of Anchorage in locations including communities such as St. Mary's, St. Paul, Yakutat, Barrow, Kotzebue, Kiana, Angoon, Hoonah, Bethel, Nome, Metlakatla, Noorvik, Sitka, Juneau, and Fairbanks. The partner organizations ranged from village clinics and regional hospitals and tribal organizations to Anchorage-based regional corporation affiliates, British Petroleum (BP), and ConocoPhillips.

Our objective is to help develop Alaska Native leaders who contribute to the Native community by participating in boards and commissions, service projects, networking with leaders and engaging in the decision making process for issues that are crucial to the advancement of Alaska Natives as well as developing a cohort/network for career enhancement.

What: National Congress of American Indians Intern/Fellowships **Where:** Washington, D.C

Who: Undergraduate and graduate Native students

Website: <http://ncai.org/Internships-Fellowships.13.0.html> **Deadline:** April 15, 2012

Duration: Varies **Contact:** Katie Jones (kjones@ncai.org)

An internship with NCAI offers a unique opportunity for young leaders from throughout Indian Country to be on the front lines of legislative action and policy development from within the oldest, largest, and most representative organization of tribal governments. In order to ensure opportunities for participation by the wealth of emerging young talent in Indian Country, NCAI offers the following options:

Students enrolled in institutions of higher learning are invited to apply for semester or summer-long internships (for which most institutions will offer college credit), with one to two applicants selected for each term;

Applicants with a college degree or equivalent experience are invited to apply for eleven-month fellowships (for which a stipend and benefits will be available through the Youth Leadership Endowment), beginning the first week of September each year, with two to three applicants selected to serve annually.

What: Summer Venture in Management Program, Harvard Business School

Where: Cambridge, MA

Who: Rising college seniors

Deadline: May 16, 2012

Duration: June 16 – 22, 201

Website: <http://www.hbs.edu/svmp/about-the-program/>

Contact: svmp@hbs.edu

The Harvard Business School (HBS) Summer Venture in Management Program (SVMP) is a one week management training program for rising college seniors designed to increase diversity and opportunity in business education. This summer's program will be the 30th anniversary of SVMP.

An annual event at HBS, this unique educational experience helps participants develop a broader understanding of the challenges business leaders face, the many dimensions of the business world, and the impact they can have on their community and the world through business leadership.

[Good Morning California! How Long Have Gas Companies Been Fracking Around In Your Backyard?](#)

Theodora Filis, UK Progressive

What most Californians don't realize is that fracking has been taking place throughout their state for over sixty years. US towns and communities have been in the midst of an unprecedented gas drilling boom, using a process called hydraulic fracturing or "fracking." With each new drill comes frightening reports of poisoned drinking water, polluted air, mysterious animal deaths, industrial disasters and explosions.

[America's Water Infrastructure Shows Its Age — The National Debate About How to Pay for Repairs; Hundreds of billions of dollars are needed for renovation and improvement. But what projects will be chosen, and who will pay?](#)

Brett Walton, Circle of Blue

Early Wednesday morning, a faulty patch failed on a water main in suburban Washington, D.C., creating a sinkhole the size of a king bed that closed the road above indefinitely.

Just over a week ago, heavy rains inundated the sewer system in San Antonio, Texas. The two affected pipes spilled more than 757,000 liters (200,000 gallons) of untreated sewage into local water bodies.

And last month, tens of thousands of gallons of raw sewage poured from a ruptured pipe, slowing rush-hour traffic in Delray Beach, Florida. A water department inspection later found that sewer gases had disintegrated one-third of the 30-year-old pipe.

In ways big and small, water systems across the country are not meeting the basic obligation to provide a reliable supply of clean water. Pipes that deliver drinking water are rusting, clogging, and cracking. Reservoirs are losing storage capacity. During heavy rainstorms, sewers that combine domestic wastewater and street runoff are pouring untreated sewage into lakes, rivers, and coastal areas.

But while the effects of America's aging and eroding plumbing and water supply system are readily apparent, what to do about it is not.

Water Utility Leaders Taking Innovative Infrastructure Proposal to Congress

American Water Works Association, San Francisco Chronicle

More than 160 water utility leaders will take to Capitol Hill Wednesday to show their support for draft legislation that would create a federal Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Authority (WIFIA).

The draft legislation, currently being considered by the U.S. House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure's Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, would lower the cost of large water projects for consumers at a time when infrastructure is aging and in need of replacement.

Coke, Pepsi Alter Recipe to Avoid Cancer Labels

Martinne Geller, Reuters

Intro: "Coca-Cola Co and PepsiCo Inc are making changes to the production of an ingredient in their namesake colas to avoid the need to label the packages with a cancer warning."

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Along with Chumash Tribe members: Daniel Ellsberg Arrested Protesting the 'American Nuclear Doomsday Machine'

Jane Ayers, Reader Supported News

Ayers writes: "Ellsberg has been arrested close to one hundred times for civil resistance actions in the US since then, and when he shows up for an action, it must be for a serious reason. In 1983, for example, Ellsberg was arrested at this same Vandenberg Air Force Base protesting the MX Missile. In December 2010, he was arrested outside the White House protesting the war in

Afghanistan." [READ MORE](#)

Cancer-Free? The American Cancer Society Wants You

Public News Service-NV

<http://www.publicnewsservice.org/index.php?/content/article/25276-1>

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(03/12/12) Las Vegas, NV - To better understand the lifestyle, behavioral, environmental and genetic factors that may prevent or cause cancer, the American Cancer Society (ACS) is launching its [Cancer Prevention Study-3](#). ACS is looking for 300,000 adult volunteers, ages 30 to 65, from various backgrounds and in every state, including Nevada.

Liddy Hora with ACS explains.

"The study is open to anyone who is, first of all, willing to make a long-term commitment to the study, which involves completing periodic follow-up surveys at home for the next 20 to 30 years."

Hora says volunteers should view this as an opportunity to help eliminate cancer.

"A lot of people have come to me and said, 'You know, I'm a caregiver. What can I do to help support my loved one who is dealing with cancer?' I look at them and I say, 'This is a great opportunity to become involved in the Cancer Prevention Study-3.'"

Hora says this is the third major cancer study undertaken by the Cancer Society. Previous results have been used for decades to help health professionals develop guidelines for prevention.

Those interested can sign up at the American Cancer Society website, www.cancer.org/cps3. If chosen, they will have an appointment set to have a blood sample drawn.

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Richard Milanovich remembered as great leader, friend, philanthropist

News of Richard Milanovich's death Sunday morning fell hard on the hearts of those who knew and loved the well-respected tribal leader.

<http://www.mydesert.com/article/20120312/NEWS06/120311016/Richard-Milanovich-indomitable-spirit->

He stood up at a time when few stood. I send prayers to his family. Shelley Davis-King