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NCAI and the California tribes will host the organization's 69th Annual Convention & Marketplace in Sacramento, California this October. This year's Annual Convention will also host a Constitutional review.

Over the course of six days, meetings and events will focus on the rights and sovereignty of American Indian and Alaska Native tribes. Throughout the week NCAI will convene it's General Assembly, educational breakout sessions, and cultural celebrations, all with the purpose of engaging Indian Country in reconnecting with NCAI's original mission, to serve as the unified voice of Indian Country and protect the rights and sovereignty of tribal nations.

Sacramento Convention Center 1400 J Street Sacramento, CA 95814 [Website](#)

Draft Agenda Click [here](#) for the latest draft agenda! **Agenda at a Glance**

Saturday, October 20

7:30 am - 3:00 pm NCAI Embassy of Tribal Nations Fundraiser - Golf Tournament

Sunday, October 21

8:30 am - 5:00 pm Pre-Meetings

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm New Member Orientation

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Welcome Reception (hosted by the Local Planning Committee)

Monday, October 22

7:00 am - 8:00 am National Native Prayer Breakfast

8:30 am - 12:00 pm First General Assembly

1:30 pm - 4:30 pm Second General Assembly
4:30 pm - 6:00 pm Full Committee Meetings

Tuesday, October 23

7:30 am - 8:30 am Area Caucus Meetings
8:30 am - 12:00 pm Third General Assembly
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Youth Honoring Luncheon
1:30 pm - 4:00 pm Concurrent Breakout Sessions
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm Subcommittee Meetings
6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Cultural Night - Hosted by the Local Planning Committee

Wednesday, October 24

7:00 am - 8:00 am Area Caucus Meetings
8:00 am - 9:00 pm Health Walk/Run
9:15 am - 12:00 am Fourth General Assembly
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm Exhibit Hall Networking Reception
1:30 pm - 4:00 pm Concurrent Breakout Sessions
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm Subcommittee Meetings

Thursday, October 25

7:30 am - 8:30 am Area Caucus Meetings
8:30 am - 12:00 pm Fifth General Assembly
9:00am - 10:30am NCAI Constitutional Convention
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Elders Honor Luncheon
1:30 pm - 4:00 pm Sixth General Assembly
4:00 pm - 5:30 pm Full Committee Meetings
7:00 pm - 10:00 pm NCAI Gala Banquet

Friday, October 26

8:30 am - 12:00 pm Seventh General Assembly
8:30 am - 12:00 pm Indian Arts & Crafts Only

[Viewers Respond to Episode About Baby Veronica Custody Battle: Boycott the Anti-Native American](http://indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com)

indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com

In response to yesterday's episode of the Dr. Phil Show that attacked the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) and undermined the significance of Native children remaining in their tribe and being ...

For the Policy and Legislative Wonks:

Here is a list of Bill Draft Requests dealing with records. There is no text available for the BDRs – only the titles. The text of a bill is not available until the bill is introduced. These bills focus on public, electronic, criminal history, voting rights and public access to records.

48, 49, 93, 24-125, 159, 168, 185, 211, 212, 214, 233, 248, 295, 325, 343, 344, 345, 400, 402

<http://www.leg.state.nv.us/Session/77th2013/BDRList/>

Registration Open for AASLH's Basics of Archives

Proceed at your own pace through this online course covering the basics of archival management and practices.

The course is made up of five lessons:

- Archives and Archivists
- Acquiring Your Collections
- Processing Collections
- Housing Your Collections
- Access and Outreach

The course is web-based and takes 15-20 hours to complete. There are **no required times to be online**. You may finish the course anytime during the four-week course period.

- Register now and take the course anytime between October 29-November 30, 2012
- \$85 members / \$160 nonmembers

To learn more, [visit the Basics of Archives webpage](#).

After uproar, Ga. officials back off archives plan [NORMAN GOMLAK | October 18,](#)

MORROW, Ga. — When Georgia officials announced plans to severely restrict public access to its state archives, it set off a firestorm not only among scholars and people tracing their family roots, but national historical groups.

Archives supporters expressed outrage at plans to limit access to appointments-only on six days a month to view some of the state's most valuable papers, from the fading parchment of the 1798 Georgia state constitution to Jimmy Carter's 1976 statement of candidacy. They collected more than 17,000 signatures on an online petition, rallied at the State Capitol and hired a lobbyist.

On Thursday, Georgia Gov. Nathan Deal and Secretary of State Brian Kemp backed off of the plan – sort of. Deal announced that he was restoring \$125,000 of a \$733,000 budget cut so that the archives could remain open two days a week and visitors could view records without making an appointment.

"Georgia's Archives are a showcase of our state's rich history and a source of great pride," Deal said in a statement, which did not address the fate of seven workers who recently received pink [slips](#) effective Nov. 1. Three other employees – new archives director Chris Davidson, an archivist and a building manager – will definitely stay.

The controversy focused national attention on shrinking funding for state archives at a time when they're processing, preserving and digitizing far more records than just a few years ago.

Georgia's cost-cutting move was "a continuation of a trend we see at the federal level," said Lee White of the National Coalition for History in Washington. "It's not something we want to see spread to the states."

While most states have had to slash their budgets in recent years, making layoffs almost routine, the proposal to slash the Georgia Archives' budget struck a nerve in the Peach State, which celebrates a rich history from the Civil War to the civil rights movement.

Deal, a Republican, had ordered agencies to their cut spending during the current budget year by 3 percent. Kemp imposed the entire cut for his department on the state archives. His spokesman acknowledged that it was a "brutal cut" but necessary given past funding reductions for the secretary of state's office, which is also responsible for elections, professional licensing, [business](#) regulation and the State Capitol.

The agency is already struggling to keep pace with more stringent ID requirements for professional licenses, part of a new law aimed at cracking down on illegal immigration in Georgia.

But archives supporters pushed back.

"We've complained for years" about budget cuts that whittled down the archives staff from more than 50 to 10 and reduced public access from five days a week," said Kaye Lanning Minchew of the Coalition to Preserve the Georgia Archives. "It takes a near disaster to get more attention."

Activists were soon joined by groups such as the National Coalition for History and the Council of State Archivists.

Vicki Walch, the council's executive director, said the number of workers at state archives has declined 20 percent since 2004 as the volume of processed paper records has increased from 2.4 million to 3.4 million linear square feet over the same period.

She said many archivists were surprised that Georgia had been hit so hard because the archives, located south of Atlanta in a 10-year-old complex next to a National Archives satellite facility, was regarded as a premier program. It has a relationship with Clayton State University, which offers a degree in archival studies.

"To have this happen has just sent a shock wave throughout the community because if it can happen in Georgia, what's going to happen someplace else?" Walch said earlier this week.

Archivists complained that no serious research could be conducted during two-hour periods. The archives contains 260 million documents, 1.5 million land [grants](#) and plats, and 100,000 photographs.

Archives backers also lamented that people wouldn't be able to easily leaf through important documents such as the 1798 Georgia state constitution – kept in a green bound volume in a secure, climate-controlled room – or Georgia's Royal Charter.

"I think any archivist will tell you that an archive should be open at least five days a week, if not one weekend day, because our mission is to serve the broadest possible constituency we can, said Sarah Quigley, manuscript archivist at Emory University.

In Thursday's announcement, Deal said he would propose that the archives be placed under the University System of Georgia, effective July 1. The state Legislature must approve the change.

Jared Thomas, a spokesman for Secretary of State Kemp, said his boss supported the changes and would be determining the effect on the laid-off employees, including those in charge of preservation, conservation and reference.

"We don't know yet," he said. "We're still working through the issue. The current level of public access will be maintained.

If the staff cuts remain, Walch is concerned that three staff members won't be able to handle the workload of processing new documents. On a recent weekday, stacked boxes of donated papers from the architectural firm Robert and Company sat near a door awaiting processing.

"The real shortsighted part of this is without that processing, you'll have access to things processed years ago but the things coming in now that just get shelved won't be open to anybody," she said.

Minchew said she was "delighted" by the governor's decision to restore some funds and not require appointments, but agreed that staffing is a concern. "Now we want to hear more details."

Online: Associated Press writer Ray Henry contributed to this report from Atlanta.

A Rogue Climate Experiment Outrages Scientists

By [HENRY FOUNTAIN](#) NYT October 18, 2012

<http://www.nytimes.com/2012/10/19/science/earth/iron-dumping-experiment-in-pacific-alarms-marine-experts.html>

A California businessman chartered a fishing boat in July, loaded it with 100 tons of iron dust and cruised through Pacific waters off [western](#) Canada, spewing his cargo into the sea in an ecological experiment that has outraged scientists and government officials.

The entrepreneur, whose foray came to light only this week, even duped the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in the United States into lending him ocean-monitoring buoys for the project.

Canada's environment ministry says it is investigating the experiment, which was carried out with no government or scientific oversight. A spokesman said the ministry had warned the venture in advance that its plan would violate international agreements.

Marine scientists and other experts have assailed the experiment as unscientific, irresponsible and probably in violation of those agreements, which are intended to prevent tampering with ocean ecosystems under the guise of trying to fight the effects of [climate change](#).

Though the environmental impact of the foray could well prove minimal, scientists said, it raises the specter of what they have long feared: rogue field experiments that might unintentionally put the environment at risk.

The entrepreneur, [Russ George](#), calling it a “state-of-the-art study,” said his team scattered iron dust several hundred miles west of the islands of Haida Gwaii, in northern British Columbia, in exchange for \$2.5 million from a native Canadian group.

The iron spawned the growth of enormous amounts of plankton, which Mr. George, a former fisheries and forestry worker, said might allow the project to meet one of its goals: aiding the recovery of the local [salmon](#) (fish)."

Plankton absorbs carbon dioxide, the predominant greenhouse gas, and settles deep in the ocean when it dies, sequestering carbon. The Haida had hoped that by burying carbon, they could also sell so-called carbon offset credits to companies and make money.

Iron fertilization is contentious because it is associated with [geoengineering](#), a set of proposed strategies for counteracting global warming through the deliberate manipulation of the environment. Many experts have argued that scientists should be researching [such geoengineering techniques](#) — like spewing compounds into the atmosphere to reflect more sunlight or using sophisticated machines to remove carbon dioxide from the air.

But tampering with the environment is risky, they say, so any experiments must be carried out responsibly and transparently, with the involvement of the scientific community and proper governance.

“Geoengineering is extremely controversial,” said [Andrew Parker](#), a fellow at the Belfer Center at the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard. “There is a need to protect the environment while making sure safe and legitimate research can go ahead.”

[Mark L. Wells](#), a marine scientist at the University of Maine, said that what Mr. George did “could be described as ocean dumping.”

Dr. Wells said it would be difficult for Mr. George to demonstrate what impact the iron had on the plankton and called it “extraordinarily unlikely” that Mr. George could prove that the experiment met the goal of permanently removing some carbon dioxide from the atmosphere.

NOAA acknowledged that it had provided the project with 20 instrument-laden buoys that drift in the ocean for a year or more and measure water temperature, salinity and other characteristics. Such buoys are often sent out on what the agency calls “vessels of opportunity,” and the data they provide, uploaded to satellites, is publicly available.

But a spokesman said the agency had been “misled” by the group, which “did not disclose that it was going to discharge material into the ocean.”

The nature of Mr. George's project was first reported this week in an article in The Guardian, a British newspaper, after it was revealed by the [ETC Group](#), a watchdog group in Montreal that opposes geoengineering.

Mr. Parker, of Harvard's Kennedy School, said it appeared that the project had contravened two international agreements on geoengineering, the [London Convention](#) on the dumping of wastes at sea and a moratorium declared by the United Nations [Convention on Biological Diversity](#) — as well as [a set of principles](#) developed at Oxford University on transparency, regulation and the need for public participation.

Mr. George, said that his experiment was not related to geoengineering, and that 100 tons was a negligible amount of iron compared to what naturally enters the oceans. "This is a community trying to maintain its livelihood," he said of the Haida.

He said his team had collected a "golden mountain" of data on the plankton bloom. Mr. George, who described himself as chief scientist on the project and said he has training as a plant ecologist, refused to name any of the other scientists on the team.

Scientists who have been involved with sanctioned iron fertilization experiments strongly disputed Mr. George's assertion about the quality of his experiment, saying that it was roughly 10 times bigger than any other but that the fishing boat used and the science team were clearly insufficient.

[Victor Smetacek](#), an oceanographer with the [Alfred Wegener Institute for Polar and Marine Research](#) in Germany who recently published [an analysis](#) of the last sanctioned experiment, one in 2009 in the Southern Ocean, said Mr. George's project would give a black eye to legitimate research. "This kind of behavior is disastrous," he said, describing Mr. George, with whom he had brief contact more than five years ago, as a "messing around, bumbling guy."

Mr. George, 62, of Northern California, was previously in the public eye when, as chief executive of a company called [Planktos](#), he [proposed](#) a similar iron-fertilization project, in the equatorial Pacific west of the Galápagos Islands, whose purpose was the sale of carbon offsets. Under [cap-and-trade](#) programs in various countries, polluters can [offset their emissions](#) of greenhouse gases by buying credits from projects that store carbon or otherwise mitigate global warming.

The project was canceled in 2008 after what his company called a "disinformation campaign" by environmentalists and others made it impossible to attract investors.

Mr. George said that during that period he was contacted by the [Old Massett Village Council](#), one of two Haida groups on Haida Gwaii, about "wanting to do something about their fish," which had suffered population declines.

But John Disney, the council's economic development director, said he had worked with Mr. George on other projects before, including one to generate carbon credits by replacing alder forests on the islands with conifers. That project never came to fruition.

Mr. Disney defended the iron sprinkling project, saying that it had been approved by Old Massett's villagers and cleared by the council's lawyers.

He said at least seven Canadian government agencies were aware of the project. But a spokesman for Canada's environment minister said Thursday that the salmon group was twice warned in advance that its plan violated international agreements Canada had signed that would prohibit an iron-seeding project with a commercial element, the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation reported.

Mr. Disney also said that the marine science community, including researchers at the Wegener Institute in Germany, had known about the project.

But Mr. Smetacek disputed that as well. "I've had no contact with this guy on this," he said, referring to Mr. George.

Ian Austen contributed reporting from Ottawa.

Cutthroat Trout Won't Get Federal Protection Courthouse News Service-Oct 18, 2012

The loss of historic habitat for the Colorado River cutthroat trout is not enough to grant federal protection, a federal judge ruled.

Film Competition in Beverly Hills Encourages Water Conservation

The fifth annual installment of the event was held this week at the Paley Center for Media.
Laurie Lande, Beverly Hills Patch

The environmentally focused [Intelligent Use of Water Film Competition](#), held Wednesday evening at the [Paley Center for Media](#) in Beverly Hills, awarded \$10,000 to a New York filmmaker for his original film focusing on the need for responsible water use.

Winners and losers as US weather patterns change

Rob Smith, Western Farm Press

A combination of warming water temperatures in the Atlantic and changes in the Pacific Decadal Oscillation (PDO) pattern (which shifts heat and energy to different parts of the world) is creating more extreme weather patterns and affecting food production.

TransCanada Temporarily Shuts Keystone Pipeline

Maria Fisher, Associated Press

Intro: "TransCanada Corp. has temporarily shut down its existing 2,100-mile Keystone pipeline after tests showed possible safety issues, a federal agency said Thursday." [READ MORE](#)

[Alberta Tar Sands Illegal Under Treaty 8, First Nations Charge](#)

Kristin Moe, Yes! Magazine: In 1899, First Nations in northern Alberta signed a treaty with Queen Victoria that enshrined their right to practice traditional lifeways. Today, it's

the basis for a legal challenge to Shell Oil's mining of tar sands. [Read the Article](#)

Are your affairs in order? If you haven't reviewed your estate planning documents recently, now is a good time to double check. Many life events—children graduating, buying or selling a house, contemplating retirement—could have an impact on your will, estate taxes or other plans. For me, my kids are out of the house now, and I haven't made changes since they were toddlers!

Join Don Ragona and me for a free, 2-hour session where we answer your questions directly. Click below to sign up today.

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Time: 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM MDT

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This two-hour session with Don Ragona and Morgan O'Brien will offer an exploration of wills and general estate planning questions. The session will include opportunities for questions and answers.

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- Mac®-based attendees Required: Mac OS® X 10.5 or newer
- Mobile attendees Required: iPhone®, iPad®, Android™ phone or Android tablet

Researchers catch rare fish at Grand Canyon San Francisco Chronicle

An endangered fish characterized by a long, high sharp-edged hump behind its head had been considered extinct from Grand Canyon National Park until researchers sampling for it in the lower part of the canyon caught one last week out of the Colorado River.

Warming Lakes: Effects of Climate Change Seen on Lake Tahoe

Lisa Borre, National Geographic

Lake Tahoe is one of hundreds of lakes around the world in the midst of a warming trend. The effects of climate change are starting to complicate efforts to maintain the lake's relatively pristine state, putting Tahoe's sapphire blue water and its overall ecological health at risk.

Hi, Everyone, You are invited to the free Oct 23 western NV **regional summit on creating sustainable food systems**. Please see this photo album for a detailed agenda and an updated list of speakers - just RSVP me to hold your seat and lunch ticket. Some of the speakers are Amanda Burden from Edible Reno-Tahoe magazine, writer David Berliner, poet Shaun Griffin, Wendy Baroli of GirlFarm, FBNN, farmers from Holley Family Farms, Hungry Mother Organics, Churchill Buttes Organics, leaders from USDA, Rural Development, UNCE,

health care, school lunch programs, school gardens, farmers markets, community gardens, teachers, social service directors, students, etc You don't want to miss this one! <https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.391666044234993.87834.100001748010792&type=1&l=8b3fef8fda>

Regional Food Summit Oct. 23, 2012

Wow, this Food Summit is really shaping up to be a serious "think tank" on our region's food system! Speakers include USDA Deputy Secretary Kathleen Merrigan, renowned speaker & author David Berliner, & State & Local Movers and Shakers (scroll down for details):Silver Springs, Nevada - Healthy Communities Coalition of ...See More

By: [Quest Lakes](#)

Northwest Tribes Step Up Opposition to Proposed Coal Terminals

Read more:

<http://indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com/2012/10/19/northwest-tribes-step-up-opposition-to-proposed-coal-terminals-140853>

Coal Train Opposed by Coalition of Tribes in Northwest - ICTMN.com

m.indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com

[Tribal opposition to the proposed terminal off Oregon is escalating, with recent protests; it's becoming a hot-button election issue, as well.](#)

BBC News - Kateri Tekakwitha: First Catholic Native American saint

www.bbc.co.uk

The Catholic Church is about to canonise its first ever Native American saint, Kateri Tekakwitha. She died over 330 years ago, but her story still inspires and captivates.

Jolene Aleck

I'm leaving to Rome, Italy in two day's and I am not prepared! Tomorrow, the news wants see Amber pack her bags for this historic event.

What is the most amazing thing about this is that thousands of Indian people will be speaking their language saying prayers, being who they are (Indigenous peoples) in another country! Yay, it is great to be among the many going to Italy, for the soon to be... Saint Kateri!

UNR Libraries News

FOR THE LITTLE HISTORIAN WITHIN

If you get a little sentimental about “days of yore” when faced with historical documents and artifacts, you’re going to love this. Special Collections has started an experiment to transcribe handwritten materials held within the department, and they want your help. Help us transcribe the first summer school diary which was created between 1912-1914. Take a look [here](#). Try it; your inner historian with thank you, and Special Collections will too!

A GOOD BUY: 3D PRINTERS FOR DELAMARE LIBRARY

The 3D printers at DeLaMare Library haven't come up for air following the news that DeLaMare was the first academic library in the U.S. to offer 3D printing and scanning as a library service. Both 3D printers are in constant use, the interviews and articles have rolled in, and DeLaMare even hosted special guest [Travis Good](#) from *Make* magazine for a discussion about libraries and the makerspace movement. Read more here: [Library Journal](#), [RN&R](#), [NEVADA Today](#), [KTVN](#), [ACRL Tech Connect](#), [Engineering.com](#), [FOX 11](#), [NCET](#), [MyNews4](#), [On 3D Printing](#), [This Is Reno](#), [Daily Sparks Tribune](#), and [TMC.net](#).

OTHER LIBRARIES NEWS:

- The Libraries have just implemented **OneSearch**, a new online search tool. OneSearch allows seamless searching across a wide array of databases. Try it [here](#).
- UNR is one of eight institutions world-wide to be using the latest cloud-based research tool (read more [here](#)). *Mendeley* is a reference manager and academic social network that helps researchers organize their work, collaborate with others online, and discover the latest research. It also provides data dashboards that are designed to give libraries insight into the way researchers work and use library-provided collections at the document level.
- They're only two years old and they're the biggest darling in the social media world. Take a few minutes to enjoy [Pinterest](#), and some of the latest pins on the University Libraries boards. Jump onboard, even the Obamas have Pinterest accounts.

Have you shared your ideas about how to **help veterans near you** yet? By telling us what you would do in your own community, you could help inspire others and also become eligible to receive \$1,000 to bring your idea to life.

<https://apps.facebook.com/after-the-uniform>

[Workforce Development](#): The impact of libraries on workforce development is expanding. We have seen new partnerships take off, making it possible for us to serve citizens better.

[Early Learning](#): Investing in young children and their families and caregivers can make a real difference in opportunities for lifelong success. IMLS announced new grants this year, and will make additional grants next year, to support programs that increase school readiness and provide summer learning opportunities.

[Building Digital Success](#): More than 100 million Americans do not have Internet access at home. We know that lack of digital literacy skills is becoming a major barrier to success in school, on the job, and in the community. IMLS is working to develop new

tools and resources to help libraries meet the digital literacy training needs of their communities.

[Connecting to Collections](#): The work of preserving collections held in libraries and museums and providing new ways for people to use, access, and share digital collections is at a turning point. New technology and new collaborations make it possible to share information in unprecedented ways. At the same time, new and challenging issues are surfacing about sharing collections in the digital world. IMLS is supporting conversations and resource development that will help us move forward.

We are looking forward to continuing to highlight the important role of libraries and museums in creating strong communities and providing opportunities for individual success.

—Susan Hildreth, Director, IMLS

From the Bench: New Blog Series Highlights the Work of Conservators

Part scientist, part detective, conservators help to protect and preserve objects that have great power to connect us to science, history, art, nature and culture. [Read More](#)

National Students Poets Program Debuts at National Book Festival

September 22-23, we had the opportunity to attend the 2012 Library of Congress National Book Festival with thousands of book lovers, poets, and authors, celebrating books that have shaped America. The new National Student Poets Program debuted at the National Book Festival with five outstanding high school poets. [Read More](#)

National Leadership Grant Video: San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts' Center for Creative Energy

The San Angelo Museum of Fine Arts has partnered with the Upper Colorado River Authority and the local school district to help students learn about water issues at the same time as they learn about art. [Read More](#)