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These pics are from UNR Special Collections, labeled "Moving Day" and undated. Would think they might be of Indian homes throughout Truckee Meadows being disassembled for move to the Colony, or from trees in background, Fallon to Stillwater. In any event, they are exemplary of the thousands of unlabeled pics that need your help. If anyone can identify the gentleman in the pic below, it will go a long way to solving the mystery. Remember, pics can be enlarged by clicking on them and dragging one of the points. (pics # #P2710 0022; 0019; 0027)



“The cure for boredom is curiosity.
There is no cure for curiosity.”

— Dorothy Parker

Silicon Valley Advanced Water Purification Center To Turn Sewage Into Drinkable Water (VIDEO) Robin Wilkey, Huffington Post

No, this isn't the opening scene of Waterworld. One of the biggest cities in America could soon source drinkable water from sewage.

Mexican-American War Service Records

Two of the newest titles on Fold3 expand our collection of Mexican-American War service records. Previously comprised of service records for Mississippi, the Mormon Battalion, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, and Texas, the newest titles include service records for Arkansas regiments plus the Mexican War Service Record Index.

A soldier's compiled military service record (CMSR) is created from muster rolls, pay rolls, receipts, and other military documents created for each unit. Therefore, his file will contain information about how much he was paid, where he served, his rank, promotions, furloughs, casualties, and sometimes a physical description.

The Mexican War Service Record Index will tell you if a particular man served in the Mexican-American War. If so, it will lead you to the unit in which he enlisted. It contains over 220,000 cards indexing the compiled service records of volunteer soldiers who served in the war. They're arranged alphabetically by state or territory, and then by soldier's last name.

When we search the index for Nathaniel T. Gaines, we learn that he served in the Mounted Regiment of Arkansas Infantry, Company B. The index card also indicates that he enlisted as a

sergeant and was promoted to lieutenant. We can then locate his CMSR within the Arkansas regiments. A card with information from the [Company Muster-in Roll](#) indicates he was 26 when he mustered in as a sergeant for one year on July 2, 1846, at Washington, Arkansas. His horse was valued at \$100 and equipment for the horse was valued at \$15.

Gaines was [absent on furlough](#) by order of Col. Yell on the muster roll for August 31, 1846. (Yell enrolled as a private but was [promoted to colonel](#). He was [killed in battle](#) six months later at Buena Vista.) Sgt. Gaines was [promoted to 1st Lieutenant](#) on November 14, 1846, and \$4.68 3/4 was withheld from his pay for subsistence forage for his horse between Little Rock and Washington. His horse was [stolen by Mexicans at Saltillo on Jany. 12.](#) He [mustered out](#) at Camargo, Mexico, on June 20, 1847.

You can learn more about the activities of a regiment by navigating to the browse menu where you'll see Unit Information at the top of the [Surname Starts With](#) list. The cards detail the movement of troops, if they were in battle, and other events while on the march from one location to another. The reports furnished by the Arkansas regiments are rather uneventful, but the First Tennessee Infantry engaged in battle as evidenced by a [Regimental Return](#) which recorded participation in the battle of Cerro Gordo on the 18 in which one Private was killed and 3 officers and 5 men wounded.

The Mexican-American War ultimately determined the southwest border of the United States when peace was negotiated in 1848. As Fold3 continues to add to the [Mexican-American War collection](#), you'll discover more documents and learn the stories of the soldiers who served in battles south of the border in this oft-forgotten conflict.

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Chemicals Linked to Increased Risk of Childhood Obesity

Mike Clifford, Public News Service-NV

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(07/29/13) LAS VEGAS, Nev. - It's common knowledge that eating healthy food and exercising can help people maintain a healthy weight, but there's another factor at play of which many people are unaware: chemicals in the products they buy and use that can contribute to fat accumulation.

According to Kathleen Schuler, senior policy analyst at the Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy, an emerging body of science links an increased risk of obesity to chemicals that disrupt hormones, especially during prenatal life and in childhood.

"One of the effects can be changing the cellular pathways to accumulate fat, so we're finding that many of the chemicals that we are exposed to every day are what we call 'obesogens' - chemicals that contribute to fat accumulation," Schuler explained.

It is estimated that one-third of American children and two-thirds of adults in this country are overweight or obese.

Chemical obesogens can be found in everything from electronics to nonstick cookware and more, Schuler warned.

"Bisphenol-A, which people know, it's in food-can linings" is among them, she stated. "It's in certain kinds of plastics. Phthalates are also hormone-disrupting chemicals that are known to be obesogens; and phthalates are used in plastics. They're also used in fragrance products, so many personal-care products have phthalates in them."

To reduce the risk of exposure, Schuler said, consumers can stop purchasing and using those products that contain the chemicals. Even better, she says, would be to reform the Toxic Substances Control Act, which is a federal measure that regulates industrial chemicals.

More information at <http://www.iatp.org/documents/chemicals-and-obesity>.

SLIDE SHOW: Yosemite Plan Calls for Scaling Back Human Activity

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A Plan to Save Yosemite by Curbing Its Visitors

By NORIMITSU ONISHI

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Green Project of the Week

The Ellis Creek Water Recycling Facility has two buildings that were designed with extensive living roofs, incorporated into the facility's design program to demonstrate the viability of this technology toward promoting environmental sustainability. After conducting an assessment report in 2011, [SYMBIOS](#) was hired and initiated a complete overhaul of the initial 2009 roof system.

Using a [Tremco](#) system, a planting plan was developed with sweeping fields of 13 succulent species to create an impression of flowing movement that follows the main axis of the building. The roofs are irrigated directly by utilizing the tertiary treated wastewater from the facility's operations. In the western United States where seasonal drought is an annual event this green roof project clearly demonstrates the appropriate use of this reclaimed water resource. In order to meet a net zero runoff requirement goal for the project, the living roof was integrated with a series of ground level bioswales and rain gardens.

Year: 2011

Owner: City of Petaluma, California

Location: Petaluma, CA, USA

Building Type: Municipal/Government

Type: Extensive

System: Custom

Size: 12174 sq.ft.

Slope: 9%

Access: Inaccessible, Open to Public

Designers/Manufacturers of Record:

Facility Designer: Carollo Engineers **Architect of Record:** Burks Toma Architects

Living Roof Designer: [SYMBIOS ecotecture](#)

Living Roof Installer: [SYMBIOS ecotecture](#) **Plant Propagation:** Green Roof Plants

Green Roof System: [Tremco](#) **Growing Medium:** [SYMBIOS](#) custom mix blend; 4" in depth

Community-Building and Self-Reliance: Our 2013 Homesteaders of the Year-

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The 2013 MOTHER EARTH NEWS Homesteaders of the Year believe in learning by doing, and open their homes and farms to teach modern homesteading skills and promote community-building.

5-lb. Kokanee salmon breaks 1973 record at Lake Tahoe [Associated Press](#)

A California man has landed the biggest Kokanee salmon ever caught at Lake Tahoe, breaking a record that stood for four decades.

The Alliance for Positive Youth Development invites you to join us for the **Best Practices for Youth Conference August 5th-8th, 2013**

A Unique Online and Offline Event
coming to a computer screen or a city near you!

Join us for a great professional development opportunity that leverages technology and social media to share and connect with youth development professionals, educators and young people working on youth issues around the country.

Professional Development Conference Workshops and Schedule

EAST COAST

12-12:30 pm - Google+ Welcome Hangout
1-2:00 pm - Workshop A
2-3:00 pm - Community Partners Facilitation Break/Presenter Networking
3-4:00 pm - Workshop B
4-5:00 pm - Community Partner Facilitation Break/Presenter Networking

WEST COAST

9-9:30 am - Google+ Welcome Hangout
10-11:00 am - Workshop A
11 am-12:00 pm - Community Partner Facilitation Break/Presenter Networking
12-1:00 pm - Workshop B
1-2:00 pm - Community Partner Facilitation Break/Presenter Networking

Youth Day Conference Kick-off - August 5, 2013

In five communities, youth will design a day of social media, webinars, livestreams and community activities to kick-off this year's conference. Community partners will bring together groups of young people in their community to discuss youth issues and share best practices from a youth perspective. Youth organizations outside the target communities can join in the conference day through the online workshops and live stream events. This kick-off will set the stage for the professional development topics in the remaining three days of the conference.

Professional Development Virtual Conference - August 6-8, 2013

The professional development portion of the conference will consist of webinars offered during the week of August 6- 8, 2013 at 1:00 pm Eastern (10 am Pacific) and 3:00 pm Eastern (12:00 pm Pacific) accessible only by conference registrants.

Additionally each day a Google+ Hangouts will cover topics of the day and create a conversation between presenters and the general public.

Tuesday August 6, 2013

Workshop A

From Facebook to Facetime; Using Digital Platforms to Engage + Empower Youth

Workshop B

From Youth Development to Politicized Citizenship: Empowering Youth to Be Agents of Social Change

Wednesday August 7, 2013

Workshop A Camp Blackbaud - Kids + STEM = Fun!

Workshop B Life Skills Scavenger Hunt

Thursday August 8, 2013

Workshop A Engaging young men in teen dating violence prevention

Workshop B Diversity at All Levels

For Full Workshop and Event Descriptions visit the conference website
at <http://apydconference.sisgigroup.org>

Conference Mission

The Alliance for Positive Youth Development provides valuable training and professional development for youth development professionals in an effort to improve and increase the positive outcomes on issues impacting young people. The Best Practices Conference promotes innovative and dynamic ideas from around the country on the future of youth development, engagement and leadership including the role of technology and its impact, and strategic approaches to the most pressing issues facing young people.

Conference Goals

Provide an affordable professional development opportunity to youth serving professionals

Begin a national conversation on strategies to create and increase positive youth development and engagement

Engage youth in their own development and leadership

Use technology to share best practices and to create a platform that allows strong strategies to reach new audiences with limited barriers

Build a foundation for ongoing networking, learning and community wide resource sharing

Do Not Miss This Unique Online Learning Event!

Registration Includes

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Workshop presentation links and year round access to recordings

Year long topic discussion areas

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Registration Types

Conference Pass - Full access to all online events

Organization Pass - Receive 40% off conference pass access for individuals in your organization. Minimum 5 registrations. Small organizations with a staff of less than 5 or budget of \$250,000 or

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youthconference@sisgigroup.org

Workshop Pass - Access to one live workshop and the recording

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Learn more at <http://apydconference.sisgigroup.org/>

First Americans were Black according to BBC documentary

originalpeople.org

BBC documentary Ancient Voices, Tracking the First Americans Thursday, August 26, 1999
Published at 15:39 GMT 16:39 UK The first Americans were descended from Australian aborigines, according to evidence in a new BBC documentary. (The skulls suggest faces like those of Australian aborigines...)

"You can't measure inspiration by a child's grades. You measure inspiration 25 years later when that hot-shot doctor, or lawyer, or entrepreneur thanks her fourth-grade teacher for having faith in her and encouraging her to pursue her dreams."

Why Teaching Is Harder Than It Looks femaleintel.com

Today's opinion piece explores why teaching is one of the hardest jobs out there.

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HUD's Office of Native American Programs 2013 Training Sessions

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PALOMAR STUDENTS HELP EXCAVATE PRE-PORTOLA HORSE BURIAL

By: PHILIP K. IRELAND - Staff Writer

CARLSBAD ---- Archaeologists working against the clock in Carlsbad have unearthed another nearly intact skeleton of a horse that may have lived and died 50 years before the Spanish began their conquest of California.

Last week's discovery, high on a hill overlooking the Agua Hedionda lagoon, follows the discovery in June of the skeletal remains of another horse and a small burro, said project manager Dennis Gallegos of Gallegos and Associates, the contractor hired to explore the site.

The finds are significant because native North American horses were thought to have been extinct more than 10,000 years ago, and the remains are older than the recorded conquests by the Spanish, who reintroduced horses to the New World.

"This is a story untold," said Mark Mojado, the cultural representative for the San Luis Rey Band of Mission Indians.

Why the animals were buried at all, why they were buried together, and why they appear to have been buried in a ritualistic way is a matter of academic conjecture, according to archaeologists, paleontologists and others who have seen the site.

Radiocarbon dating of 340 years, plus or minus 40 years, puts the death of the horse sometime between 1625 and 1705, Mojado said. Therefore, the horses died at least 50 years before San Diego Mission de Alcala, the first of the California missions, was founded in 1769. The other horse and the burro were buried at the same level, suggesting that they were buried about the same time.

The bones of the horses and the donkey showed no signs of having been shod, an indicator that the horses were not brought by the Spanish, who fitted their horses with iron shoes, said Larry Tift, a researcher with Gallegos.

The site

The three animals were unearthed within a few feet of one another on a hilltop overlooking the Agua Hedionda Lagoon, Gallegos said.

The 900-square-meter site has also revealed several "shell middens" ---- or layers of disturbed

shells. A pile of small 2- to 3-inch river rocks 20 feet away may have been a part of a [cooking pit](#) or perhaps a sweat lodge, Tift said.

Shell beads, flaked cutting and scraping tools, grinding tools such as metates and manos, even relatively recent [pottery](#) shards found over the last seven weeks, tell the story of constant habitation over 5,000 years on the hilltop, Tift said.

Possible explanations

The radiocarbon date, if corroborated by more elaborate tests, may be remarkable since North American horses were thought to have been extinct by the late Pleistocene era more than 10,000 years ago, said Bradford Riney, a paleontology specialist with the San Diego Natural History Museum.

"That would make (the site) extremely important," he said Thursday. "It would be an early example of domestication."

Alternately, Mojado postulated that the horses may have been Spanish in origin, perhaps from an ill-fated exploration that never returned and so was lost to history. Perhaps the lost Spanish explorers offered the horses and donkey to the American Indians as a gift, Mojado said.

"There were no horses here then," he said. "They didn't know what a horse or a donkey was. They would have seen them as big deer or antelope."

As a gift, and an unusual gift at that, the animals most certainly would have been revered, which could explain why they were buried high on a hill in the same way some Indians buried their own, Mojado said.

One horse and the donkey appear to have been buried ritualistically with their heads to the north, faces to the left, and their bodies "flexed" in the fetal position, an American Indian method of burial. The newly discovered horse, its ochre-colored bones already fading to yellow from exposure to sun and air, was not similarly posed.

Researchers said they know horses were deliberately buried because they can see definite lines where someone cut into the shell layers to dig a burial pit.

"I've been doing this for 16 years and I've never seen anything like it," Tift said.

The bones show no signs of cutting, splitting or crushing that would indicate a violent death, Piek said. Researchers see no signs the horses were butchered for meat.

Carlsbad then

Taken together, the features of the site suggest that the hilltop was used by American Indians from about 5,000 years ago.

At that time, the region now called Carlsbad was much wetter and more lush, with an average annual rainfall of about 350 inches. Although sea level was lower than now, lagoons ---- fed by

freshwater springs ---- reached deeper into inland valleys, providing a ready food and water source for its people, said Gallegos archaeologist Lucas Piek.

The hilltops provided an ideal place to live, Tift said. The ocean breezes would have helped cool dwellers and keep insects away, as well as providing security. Inhabitants could watch the approach of other humans and animals. The vantage point was also ideal for observing the movements of game animals.

The site is one of more than 300 in the Carlsbad area, Mojado said. A stone's throw away, researchers found the 8,000-year-old remains of a human. Down in the valley, archaeologists uncovered glass beads ---- trinkets brought from Spain ---- to trade with the natives.

California's Prehistoric State Artifact, a stone that some believe is shaped like a bear, was found on the Kelly Ranch property on a nearby hill to the north. Radiocarbon dating of artifacts at that site suggest that humans occupied the area more than 9,000 years ago.

Why was this site studied?

The cultural exploration is required by law as part of a study of the environmental impacts the project will likely create. The study examines traffic, noise, threats to indigenous plants and animals, as well as potential damage to historically significant sites. Gallegos said his work should conclude within two weeks.

Grand Pacific Resorts plans to break ground on a 700-room resort on the hill on Aug. 1, said Tim Stripe, Grand Pacific Resort Inc.'s co-president. The company plans to build 350 hotel rooms, 350 time-share units, two restaurants, four pools, tennis courts and conference rooms on a 50-acre site between Cannon Road and Hidden Valley Road. The \$150 million, Mediterranean-style complex will become Carlsbad's third large-scale resort.

After Gallegos and Associates has documented the site and removed the animal skeletons and other artifacts, a portion of the hilltop site will be capped with sand and soil to preserve any remaining archaeological artifacts. A small park, planted with native flora, is in the planning stage to preserve the site as open space, Mojado said.

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HOUSE CHAIRMAN SUGGESTS SHOWING NEVADA THE MONEY TO RESTART YUCCA MOUNTAIN

Rather than start from scratch on nuclear waste, a House chairman said Wednesday Congress should make another pitch — possibly along with \$5.6 billion — to Nevada to revive the Yucca Mountain site.

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