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*(So nice to be vindicated by national press; wonder how those that did not support the Shoshone Treaty are feeling now. sdc)*

**Tribal Water Rights Save Rivers and Communities**

**Hayley Hutt, Indian Country Today Media Network**

Recent news of the Klamath Tribe's victory in a water rights battle after 38 years of court proceedings came as no surprise to the Hoopa Valley Tribe. Hoopa knows that tribal water rights and tribal trust are the most powerful tools for restoring the West's salmon rivers. The Endangered Species Act (ESA) only prevents extinction, but tribal trust goes further by requiring restoration of abundance.

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**Obama Hints at Approval of Keystone XL Pipeline at SF Fundraiser, Blames Middle Class Priorities**

Mark Karlin, BuzzFlash at Truthout: Given the recent, supportive State Department analysis basically green-lighting the Keystone XL Pipeline, President Obama appeared at a fundraiser to be laying the groundwork for approving it. [Read the BuzzFlash Commentary](#)

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**Richard Misrach's Cancer Alley: Documenting the Poisoning of America's Wetland**  
**Liza Gross. KQED**

In February 1970, in a [special message to Congress](#), President Nixon served notice that American corporations had laid waste to the country's land, air and water resources long enough. "We in this century have too casually and too long abused our natural environment. The time has come when we can wait no longer to repair the damage already done."

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**Aging inland waterways infrastructure to be rehabbed?**

Congress takes up funding legislation [David Bennett](#), Delta Farm Press

An aging U.S. waterway infrastructure – which carries more than 60 percent of America's grain and other commodity exports -- may be set to get a funding boost from Congress that will allow for more than a facelift. In fact, the spine of the system is in desperate need of repair and new construction and long-term plans are coalescing to fulfil those needs.

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**Fracking Could Lead to Big Profits for Some Companies**

Greg Flakus, Voice of America

The increased use of horizontal drilling and hydraulic fracturing, to extract natural gas and oil in many parts of the United States, has dramatically increased the nation's energy supply, but also raised concerns about such issues as water pollution. Private companies are now rushing into the relatively new market for recycling drill site water.

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**Scrambling for water – LADWP at Inyo Supervisors** By [Benett Kessler](#), Sierra Wave

Director of Water Operations for the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, Martin Adams, had hit the public relations trail recently to sell LA's latest plan for the Owens Dry Lake. The bottom line – DWP will spend the money to protect bird habitat there if they can quit cleaning up dust on the Owens Dry Lake. He pitched the Supervisors with LA's wishes. DWP's plans continued with an historic trend – to pit environmental interests against one another in the hallmark divide and conquer tactic. He said if more water is used on the dry lake, there will be less water for ranchers and others.

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**Sandoval not ready to commit to TRPA** Sandra Chereb, Associated Press

Nevada Gov. Brian Sandoval favors keeping alive the threat to leave the bi-state Tahoe Regional Planning Agency Compact, a decades-old agreement that has governed environmental controls and development in the basin , a legislative committee was told Tuesday.

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**Author of American Indian Activism Frederick E. Hoxie at the Mitchell**

Native News Network Staff in Native Currents. [Discussion »](#)

**EVANSTON, ILLINOIS** – Author and historian Frederick E. Hoxie will spotlight influential American Indian activists and their political and legal achievements at a book seminar from 6:30 to 7:30 pm on Thursday, April 11, at the Mitchell Museum of the American Indian.

American Indians are shaped by stereotypes in our public media.

Hoxie, whose latest book is "This Indian Country: American Indian Political Activists and the Place They Made" ,Penguin Press, 2012, is the Swanlund Professor of History at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, where he is also affiliated with the College of Law and the American Indian studies program. He is a founding trustee of the National Museum of the American Indian.

In the book, which he will sign at the event, Hoxie sets out to demonstrate that American Indians' battles for legal rights, self governance, and cultural preservation didn't end with the military defeats and treaties of the 19th century, although that's still a common perception among many non-Native people.

According to the Penguin Press website, Hoxie has for years asked undergraduate students at the start of the semester to name three American Indians. Almost without exception, year after year, the names are Geronimo, Sitting Bull and Crazy Horse. The general conclusion is inescapable:

Most Americans instinctively view Indians as people of the past who occupy a position outside the central narrative of American history.

Hoxie's "This Indian Country" profiles Native American lawyers, lobbyists, writers, and politicians, including among others, James McDonald, Choctaw, Sarah Winnemucca, Paiute, and D'Arcy McNickle, Salish.

**“These are courageous people, they're persistent people,”**  
Hoxie told an interviewer for a New York public radio station.

**“Their goal was the autonomy of their communities.”**  
Hoxie said,

"What people know about American Indians is often very much shaped by stereotypes in our public media and simplistic stories. There's really a much deeper and more interesting and really much more American story behind all of that."

Hoxie, who holds a doctorate from Brandeis University, is on the roster of the Organization of American Historians' Distinguished Lectureship Program. Kirkus Reviews called Hoxie's book "a capable, engaging work of history, important for students of official relations between the US government and the Native peoples under its rule."

Cost for attending the Mitchell Museum's book seminar is \$5 per person. Those wishing to visit the museum's exhibit galleries before or after the seminar can do so for the regular museum admission fee of \$5 for adults and \$3 for seniors, children, students, and teachers, with valid school ID. Museum admission is free for Mitchell members and tribal members.

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## **GrantStation**

### *National Funding Opportunities*

Support for Homeownership Initiatives

#### **[Wells Fargo Housing Foundation: Homeownership Grant Program](#)**

The Wells Fargo Housing Foundation is committed to increasing homeownership through the development of affordable housing in the United States. The Foundation's Homeownership Grant Program supports local nonprofit housing organizations nationwide that help create sustainable homeownership opportunities for low- to moderate-income families. The program focuses on construction/rehab, homebuyer education and counseling, foreclosure counseling and prevention, subsidies, and home repairs. Funded programs must serve owner-occupied low- to moderate-income homebuyers only. Requests are reviewed three times per year. The remaining deadlines for 2013 are April 30 and July 31. Visit the Wells Fargo website to submit an online application.

Financial Literacy Efforts Worldwide Funded

#### **[United Methodist Women: Call to Prayer and Self-Denial Offering](#)**

The mission of United Methodist Women is to foster spiritual growth, develop leaders, and

advocate for justice. The United Methodist Women's 2013 Call to Prayer and Self-Denial Offering, "Living Stewardship: Creating Financial Literacy," will support financial literacy programs throughout the world. Grants of up to \$25,000 will be provided to nonprofit groups and organizations that work to empower and educate their constituents through knowledge and development of financial literacy skills. Priority will be given to projects that build the capacity of persons to change their own situations and prioritize the involvement of women in project initiation, implementation, and evaluation. Funds can be requested to start a new project or to strengthen an ongoing program. The application deadline is June 3, 2013. Visit the United Methodist Women website to download the National or International application.

#### Grants Promote the Family Farm System

#### [Farm Aid](#)

The mission of Farm Aid is to keep family farmers throughout the United States on their land. Farm Aid supports organizations that work to maintain a family farm system of agriculture and that promote solutions to the challenges facing rural communities. Grants of \$3,000 to \$10,000 are provided in the following categories: Growing the Good Food Movement supports programs that build local and regional food systems, connecting farmers directly to consumers and creating new value-added markets for family farmers. Helping Farmers Thrive focuses on projects that provide farmers with the resources needed to get started on the land, access new markets, transition to more sustainable farming practices, produce renewable fuels, and stay on the land in the face of financial crisis and natural disasters. Taking Action to Change the System funds organizations that promote fair farm policies and grassroots organizing campaigns to defend family farm agriculture. Letters of inquiry are due by June 1, 2013. Grant application guidelines are available on the Farm Aid website.

#### Educational Gaming Programs for Youth Supported

#### [Entertainment Software Association Foundation](#)

The Entertainment Software Association Foundation is dedicated to supporting positive programs and opportunities that make a difference in the lives of America's youth. The Foundation seeks to harness the collective power of interactive entertainment by funding programs that utilize technology or computer and video games to educate America's youth and young adults, ages 7-18. Funded programs must be available nationwide, or reach at least two or more states. The application deadline is May 15, 2013. Visit the Foundation's website to download the application instructions.

#### Support for Music, Education, and Grassroots Organizing [Sparkplug Foundation](#)

The Sparkplug Foundation primarily supports nonprofit organizations that are proposing start-up projects in the fields of music, education, and grassroots organizing. In the Music category, the Foundation supports emerging professional musicians or music-development programs. In Education and Teaching, the Foundation funds projects that deal with "the whole student" and with learning as a community activity. Through Grassroots Organizing, the Foundation encourages activist strategies for addressing institutional injustices and for building a reasoned, just society. The Foundation also provides limited support for projects in Israel that involve Palestinian communities. Online questionnaires must be completed by April 8, 2013. Letters of intent are due April 15 and the deadline for final applications is May 15, 2013. Visit the Foundation's website to review the funding guidelines and online application instructions.

## Organizations Serving Military Families Recognized

### [Newman's Own Awards Program](#)

The purpose of the Newman's Own Awards Program is to recognize volunteer and nonprofit organizations supporting our nation's military families. Eligible applicants must be comprised primarily of volunteers or be a nonprofit organization, and be working with the families of Active Duty, National Guard, or Reserve units and/or veterans. Applying organizations will be evaluated on their innovative plans for improving the quality of life for members of the military and their families. Grants of up to \$25,000 are provided. The application deadline is May 1, 2013. Visit the program's website to submit an online application.

## Grants Promote Physical Activity Programs at Elementary Schools

### [Active Schools Acceleration Project](#)

The Active Schools Acceleration Project (ASAP) seeks to increase quality in-school physical activity by identifying the very best strategies to motivate and support youth movement. In 2013, ASAP will award Acceleration Grants of \$1,000 each to 1,000 elementary schools in the United States to kick start one of three school-based physical activity programs – 100 Mile Club, BOKS, or Just Move. In addition to the grant money, participating schools will get a 'game plan' for their chosen program, and a nationwide support network of other schools embarking on the same path. Teachers, parents, coaches, and other school wellness champions who want to expand physical activity opportunities in their school are encouraged to apply. Applications will be accepted through April 22, 2013. For more information visit the ASAP website.

## Sabbaticals for Christian Pastors and Congregational Renewal

### [Lilly Endowment National Clergy Renewal Program](#)

The Lilly Endowment National Clergy Renewal Program, administered by the Christian Theological Seminary, provides support to Christian congregations throughout the country whose pastors wish to take time for reflection and renewal. In 2013, the program will provide grants of up to \$50,000 to congregations whose pastors and parishioners, working together, produce compelling plans for an extended sabbatical time for the minister and a complementary set of activities for congregational renewal. Up to \$15,000 of the grant may be used to help the congregation fulfill pastoral duties during the pastor's absence and/or to support activities that enable the congregation as a whole to be renewed in its ministry. Christian congregations whose ordained pastors have a Master of Divinity degree from an accredited theological school are eligible to apply. Congregations in any of 49 states may apply. (The Endowment offers a separate program for Indiana congregations.) Applications must be postmarked by April 19, 2013. Visit the Christian Theological Seminary's website to download the application guidelines.

## *Regional Funding Opportunities*

### Funds for Initiatives in Louisiana and New Mexico

### [The Frost Foundation](#)

The Frost Foundation provides support to nonprofit organizations in the states of Louisiana and New Mexico. The Foundation's areas of grantmaking interest include education, human service needs, and the environment. The Foundation's efforts are directed primarily to supporting exemplary organizations that can generate positive change beyond traditional boundaries, to encouraging creativity which recognizes emerging needs, and to assisting innovation that addresses current urgent problems. Priority is given to programs that have the potential for wider

service or educational exposure than an individual community. The application deadlines are June 1 and December 1, annually. Visit the Foundation's website to review the application guidelines and download the application form.

Grants Address Environmental Issues in the Northeast and Southeast [Merck Family Fund](#)

One of the Merck Family Fund's goals is to restore and protect the natural environment and ensure a healthy planet for generations to come. The Fund provides grants to nonprofit organizations that address one of the following four priority areas: The Promoting Energy Efficiency program supports state and regional policies in the Northeast and Southeast that provide incentives and subsidies for energy efficiency implementation. The Conserving Ecologically Valuable Land program provides grants for land conservation projects in the Southeastern U.S. The Urban Farming and Youth Leadership program supports initiatives in low-income urban areas in the Northeast that help young people to create urban farms and local markets. The Making Paper Production Sustainable program seeks to increase the rates of recycled paper in large paper sectors, reduce sourcing from endangered forests, and maximize clean production nationwide. Letters of inquiry may be submitted throughout the year. The upcoming deadline for invited proposals is August 1, 2013. Visit the Fund's website to learn more about the program areas.

Support for Bank Communities in the West [Union Bank Foundation](#)

The Union Bank Foundation supports nonprofit organizations in the communities in which the bank has major operations, primarily in the states of California, Oregon, Texas, and Washington. The Foundation's areas of interest include affordable housing, community economic development, education, and the environment. The bank also offers a corporate sponsorship program for nonprofit organizations addressing additional areas such as arts and culture, health and human services, and emergency services. Requests to both of the bank's charitable contributions programs may be submitted throughout the year. Visit the bank's website for detailed funding guidelines and online application information.

Healthy Living Programs in Iowa and South Dakota Funded [Wellmark Foundation](#)

The Wellmark Foundation is dedicated to improving the health of Iowans, South Dakotans, and their communities. The Foundation's Matching Assets to Community Health (MATCH) grant program focuses its funding on improving health through prevention within the following areas: childhood obesity prevention, and community-based wellness and prevention. Funded programs should advance work in one of the following categories: Promoting Active Living and Built Environment, or Increasing Access to and Consumption of Nutritious Food. Grant awards must be matched dollar-for-dollar by resources, either cash or in-kind, with at least one half of the match being cash. Letters of interest are due April 30, 2013. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about the Foundation's priorities and to download the request for proposals.

Funds for Organizations in Maine, Lexington, KY, and Atlanta, GA

[Frances Hollis Brain Foundation](#)

The mission of the Frances Hollis Brain Foundation is to help alleviate human suffering and to improve the human condition. The Foundation's grants are limited to nonprofit organizations located in Lexington/Fayette County, KY; the Atlanta, GA, metropolitan area; and the state of Maine. The Foundation supports organizations that increase access to healthcare; support human

services; provide access to educational opportunities; or promote self-sufficiency and the ability to provide for self, family, and community. Grants generally range from \$5,000 to \$10,000. Letters of inquiry may be submitted at any time. Invited applications are due May 1 and October 1, annually. Visit the Foundation's website to review the grant priorities and policies.

Environmental Education Programs in Alabama Supported [Legacy Grants Program](#)

The mission of Legacy is to create environmentally responsible citizens of Alabama through balanced, fact-based education that considers diverse environmental views. The Legacy Grants Program provides environmental education grants to nonprofit organizations and schools throughout Alabama that are planning a community-based environmental program. Grants of up to \$10,000 are provided. The application deadline is April 26, 2013. Visit Legacy's website to download the grant application form.

### *Federal Grant and Loan Programs*

International Arts Exchanges Supported [Department of State](#)

The Creative Arts Exchange program provides support for arts-based international people-to-people exchanges that support and further U.S. Department of State foreign policy objectives. Current themes include economic statecraft and the arts, arts in collaboration, community engagement through the arts, and professional development in the arts. The application deadline is May 6, 2013.

Funds Available to Help Families Affected by Substance Abuse or HIV/AIDS

[Department of Health and Human Services](#)

The Comprehensive Support Services for Families Affected by Substance Abuse or HIV/AIDS program supports activities and services designed to increase well-being, improve permanency, and enhance the safety of infants and young children who have been exposed to a dangerous drug or have been exposed to HIV/AIDS, or are at risk of being placed in out-of-home care as a result of the parents' substance abuse or HIV status. The application deadline is May 13, 2013.

Tribal Youth Leadership Development Funded [Department of Justice](#)

The National Intertribal Youth Leadership Development Initiative program provides support to enhance tribal efforts to increase youth engagement, coordination, and action related to juvenile justice, delinquency prevention, and public safety in Indian country. The application deadline is May 20, 2013.

Program Supports Microenterprise for Refugees [Department of Health and Human Services](#)

The Refugee Home-Based Childcare Microenterprise Development Project program provides support to assist refugee women in becoming economically self-sufficient by providing home-based child care services. Supported applicants will teach refugee women about child care laws, regulations, and licensing requirements and about cultural norms concerning child care and child care development. The application deadline is May 21, 2013.

Program Funds Services for Ex-Offender Reentry

[Department of Health and Human Services: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration](#)

The Offender Reentry Program provides support to expand and enhance substance abuse

treatment and related recovery and reentry services to sentenced adult offenders returning to the community from incarceration for criminal offenses. The application deadline is April 16, 2013.

Youth Violence Prevention Programs Supported

**Department of Justice: Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention**

The Community-Based Violence Prevention Demonstration Program supports the use of strategies to reduce violence. Applicants must demonstrate a significant crime and violence problem affecting youth, specifically, high levels of aggravated assaults, shootings, and killings over an extended period of time. The application deadline is April 22, 2013.

Program Supports AmeriCorps Members in Schools

**Corporation for National and Community Service**

The School Turnaround AmeriCorps program supports the placement of AmeriCorps members in persistently underachieving schools across the country. Letters of intent are due April 2, 2013. The application deadline is April 23, 2013.

Funds Available to Bring Local Food to Schools

**Department of Agriculture**

The Farm to School Grant Program provides support to improve access to local foods in schools. The program provides grants for training, supporting operations, planning, purchasing equipment, developing school gardens, developing partnerships, and implementing farm to school programs. The application deadline is April 23, 2013.

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**HELLDORADO PARADE DEADLINE APRIL 29**

Applications now are being accepted for participation in the 2013 Helldorado evening parade. Floats, equestrian units, marching bands, performers, car clubs, motorcycle clubs, individual motorized vehicles, walking groups and other types of entries are welcome to participate. Entries should be themed on the traditions of past Helldorado Days, what Helldorado Days mean now, and/or the birthday of the city of Las Vegas. Each entry will be judged on appearance, theme and creativity. Participants will be notified after the parade if their entries won.

The parade will start downtown at 5 p.m. Saturday, May 18, and is expected to last approximately two hours. The parade route heads north on Fourth Street from Gass to Ogden avenues. There is no fee to participate. The application with parade rules can be downloaded from the city's website at [www.lasvegasnevada.gov/helldorado](http://www.lasvegasnevada.gov/helldorado) and should be submitted no later than Monday, April 29. The first 120 qualified applications will be accepted. For more information on the Helldorado parade, call 229-6672.

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**Aerial Footage of Arkansas Oil Spill**

From the Eagle Watch April 4, 2013

Watch this and weep!!

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_embedded&v=3iIdWGG1BP8#!](http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=3iIdWGG1BP8#!)  
<[http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player\\_embedded&v=3iIdWGG1BP8#%21](http://www.youtube.com/watch?feature=player_embedded&v=3iIdWGG1BP8#%21)>

See also:

[www.redgreenandblue.org/2013/04/02/exxon-spills-tar-sands-oil-then-lies-about-it/](http://www.redgreenandblue.org/2013/04/02/exxon-spills-tar-sands-oil-then-lies-about-it/)





**North American Indigenous Peoples' Preparatory Meeting for the World  
Conference on Indigenous Peoples at the Sycuan Resort, February 28 - March 1, 2013.**

The following report is from Jay Tabor,

**[Report from Sycuan](#)** **[intercontinentalcry.org](http://intercontinentalcry.org)**

Editor's note: The following report was composed and edited over a three-day period as new information became available. For purposes of clarity and accuracy

**[Response to Jay Taber's column on Sycuan](#)** **[intercontinentalcry.org](http://intercontinentalcry.org)**

Editor's note: the following response to Jay Taber's column on Sycuan has been published on IC in its entirety without alteration, at the request of its author

**[Preparing for the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples](#)**  
**[indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com](http://indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com)**

In 2010, after the United States as the final holdout endorsed the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP), the Bolivian government called for a high level plenary meeting of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) to be held in 2014. The purpose is "to share persp...

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**Marlon Brando's Oscar® win for " The Godfather"**

[www.dailymotion.com](http://www.dailymotion.com)

Sacheen Littlefeather refusing to accept the Best Actor Oscar® on behalf of Marlon Brando for his performance in "The Godfather" - the 45th Annual Academy Awards® in 1973. Liv Ullmann and Roger Moore presented the award. Check more video [www.whitewolfpack.com/](http://www.whitewolfpack.com/)

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**Princess Grace Foundation Seeks Indigenous Film Projects**

**NEW YORK** – The Princess Grace Foundation proudly announced the second year of the Princess Grace JustFilms Documentary Awards, made possible by the Ford Foundation's JustFilms program.

These grants are awarded to help support social justice documentary film projects:

**Thesis projects by students**

**Filmmakers' final projects at media arts centers**

In this second year of the grant, an emphasis is placed on filmmakers who are: Native/Indigenous Peoples of the Americas. In general, this includes:

- Inuit people
- Alaskan Natives
- American Indians
- Native Hawaiians
- First Nations
- Metis, and
- indigenous peoples of Mexico,
- the Caribbean,
- Central America, and
- South America.

The Princess Grace Foundation USA, a public charity, was formed after the death of Princess Grace (Kelly) in 1982. They present scholarships, apprenticeships, and fellowships to assist artists in the early stages of their careers. The Foundation has cultivated a diverse group of more than 600 artists who continue to advance the spectrum of performing arts with innovative, cutting-edge, and vibrant theater, dance, choreography, film, playwriting and design. Since the Foundation's inception, more than 750 Awards have been given to recipients, totaling nearly \$10 million.

The Princess Grace Foundation USA Executive Director Toby E. Boshak notes,

**“PGF-USA is excited to continue to expand our already diverse community of documentary filmmakers by funding these unique stories and thanks the Ford Foundation for the opportunity to achieve this goal.”**

Through the Princess Grace JustFilms Documentary Awards, Princess Grace Foundation USA will identify and support voices that tell authentic and powerful stories from or about underrepresented communities. Grants will be made in accordance with the applicants' thesis/ final project budgets. Nominations for film grants are submitted by Deans/Department Chairs in conjunction with the faculty of established US colleges and universities, or directors of non-profit media arts organizations with structured film production programs that the Foundation has invited to apply.

The Foundation is looking to identify and support voices from underrepresented communities that have authentic and powerful stories to tell. In this round, particular emphasis is placed on social justice films by Native/Indigenous Peoples of the Americas. In evaluating an application, primary consideration will be given to the talent and potential of the filmmaker as demonstrated by the sample work submitted with each application.

The panel will also consider the quality, originality and mastery of the subject and approach of the proposed project, as well as the potential impact the work will have on viewers, the community and the film's subject(s). An advisory panel, independent of the Princess Grace Foundation USA staff and Trustees, reviews every application on its merits in competition with other applicants in the same category and awards the scholarships for the next school year.

Applications and guidelines can be found at: [www.pgfusa.org](http://www.pgfusa.org).

A current list of accepted schools can be found in the Frequently Asked Questions of the Grants Program section. Additional schools/media arts centers who would like to be considered may contact Program Manager Diana Kempainen at [grants@pgfusa.org](mailto:grants@pgfusa.org). The postmark deadline for applications is **June 1**.

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from Annette George      My daughter took this on our last road trip to New Mexico. This was Indian country, AZ. No one batted an eye! Yahoo!

