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**'We Have Nothing to Celebrate': Columbus Day Protesters Fill Streets of Santiago**



- Jacob Chamberlain, staff writer

Mapuche Protest October 12, 2013. HECTOR RETAMAL/AFP/Getty Images Over 15,000 protesters gathered in Santiago, Chile on Saturday in an anti-Columbus Day demonstration to demand improved indigenous rights and a return of ancestral lands—521 years after Columbus began the European invasion of the Western Hemisphere.

The protest was organized by the country's largest indigenous group, Organización Mapuche Meli Wixan Mapu, "who have been in a long struggle with the government over ancestral land taken from them during colonization," [Al Jazeera America reports](#).

"We have nothing to celebrate" read a press release by Mapuche.

Police turned water cannons on the protesters and dispersed the crowd after several protesters had thrown rocks at the police.

The ongoing fight for indigenous land rights heated up on Wednesday, [Santiago Times reports](#), when a major police operation arrested 8 Mapuche activists as Chilean security forces cleared indigenous occupants from disputed land.

"Mapuche press also reported major property damage and the killing of livestock," *Santiago Times* reports, "though the later was denied by local police chief Ivan Bezmalinovic."

*Santiago times* reports:

The Mapuche people have been fighting for years, both in courts and protests, to accelerate the repatriation of traditional lands. The Chilean government made agreements to give some of the land back, but as a report from the United Nations last month commented, the timetable for the repatriation process would mean little progress in the near future.

This perceived inaction or delay has been met by regular demonstrations and occasional violent protest including arson attacks on disputed lands. The government response has been to treat these attacks as acts of terrorism. Many of the Mapuche political prisoners currently in custody are being held under Chile's anti-terrorism law.

*Al Jazeera* reports:

Mapuche protesters have been treated as 'terrorists' by the Chilean government -- which uses an anti-terrorism law against them. Thousands of Mapuche and their supporters demanded an end to the application of this law on Mapuche land activists in peaceful marches Saturday.

The U.N. urged Chile to stop applying the anti-terrorism law against the Mapuche in July.

"The anti-terrorism law has been used in a manner that discriminates against the Mapuche," U.N. Special Rapporteur on human rights and counter-terrorism Ben Emmerson said in a [press release](#). "It has been applied in a confused and arbitrary fashion that has resulted in real injustice, has undermined the right to a fair trial, and has been perceived as stigmatizing and de-legitimizing the Mapuche land claims and protests."

A separate anti-Columbus Day protest took place Saturday in Mexico City.

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## [8 Myths and Atrocities About Christopher Columbus and Columbus Day](#)

[indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com](http://indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com)

[On the second Monday of October each year, Native Americans cringe at the thought of honoring a man who committed atrocities against Indigenous People](#)

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### **Empowered to succeed...or fail: the double-edged sword of sovereignty and self-sufficiency**

**By Dave Castillo, Native Home Capital CEO      Reprinted from Green Fire Times**

**Editors Note:** Sustainable development is often thought about in terms of building new physical structures with limited adverse impact on the environment. However, even the thought of “developing” on tribal lands is complicated by limited access to funding as the result of a complex political and economic history between the United States and tribes. The following article reflects upon the work of Indian and other organizations working to help tribes engage in development activities generally as well as sustainable development.

“How is it that the U.S. can put a man on the moon but not a bank on an Indian Reservation?” This question was raised in the 1990s at a tribal event, attended by prominent federal officials, to launch an initiative for increasing access to private sector financing for projects on tribal lands. Reflecting back on that question now, it’s clear that practitioners in Indian Country have begun to ask - should we rely on the U.S. to build that bank or does the goal of tribal self-sufficiency require tribes to build it? [Read the full article here>>](#)

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### **Inter-Tribal Gathering & Elders Dinner** Press Release

For More Information Contact Lou Moerner at 445-8451 or [lou@ncidc.org](mailto:lou@ncidc.org)

November 9, 2013

Redwood Acres-Eureka

CORRECTION- FROM: For those under 55, a **\$6.00** donation for a dinner ticket is requested

TO: For those under 55, an **\$8.00** donation for a dinner ticket is requested

For Immediate Release:

The Northern California Indian Development Council has begun planning for the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Elders Dinner and Inter-Tribal Gathering. The event is to be held from 10 AM-9 PM on Saturday November 9, 2013 at Redwood Acres in Eureka, CA. The Inter-Tribal Gathering is one way of sharing the cultures of the various California Indians with the broader community. The theme of this year’s Gathering is "Praying for the River."

The main features of the gathering are the Salmon and Turkey dinner served from Noon to 4 PM and a traditional give away ceremony to all Honored Elders in attendance, regardless of race. This year's event features demonstrations of traditional Tribal dances throughout the day from the Tolowa, Yurok, Karuk, Hupa and Pomo Tribes. Special performances by the Aztec dancers and a traditional Hoop Dancer will round out the event. There is no charge for entrance to the

Gathering and the dinner is free to all Elders (age 55 & over). For those under 55, a **\$8.00** donation for a dinner ticket is requested.

Native communities have long respected the gift of elders and enjoy this time to show them how much they are appreciated. Community support is being sought this year to once again ensure the success of this gathering. Numerous volunteers are needed to help serve and prepare approximately 1500 meals and to provide assistance in set up, hosting and clean up before and after the Gathering.

**We are interested in collaborating with existing groups/clubs to fulfill mutual goals: ours being a successful Gathering and you're the successful completion of community service hours. Working with pre-established groups better enables communication and fun for all. *Individuals and families are always welcome!***

*Dedicated volunteers are needed in the following areas:*

November 8: 10 AM-5 PM (day of set-up only)

**Pantry stocking**

**Truck unloading**

**Cleaning of floors and benches**

**Chair and table set up and decoration**

November 9: 7 AM-9 PM (day of event)

**Recycling team**

**Food/beverage servers**

**Table bussers**

**Janitorial services: trash, restroom maintenance**

**\*Evening cleaning crew for tables and chairs (4-7 PM)**

November 10: 11 AM-3 PM (day of tear-down only)

**General clean up & recycling**

**Table and chair tear down and loading into truck**

**Trash removal and other janitorial duties as needed**

For more information, to donate or volunteer, please contact Lou Moerner at [lou@ncidc.org](mailto:lou@ncidc.org) (707) 445-8451, or visit [www.ncidc.org](http://www.ncidc.org).

*Thank you and we hope to see you there!*

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**Program Evaluation Webinar Series Offered**

**Program Evaluation**  
[Three-Part Webinar Series Offered](#)

We are happy to again offer our popular, webinar series which we provided this past summer. In good humor, it was offered last summer as a successful supplement to the "staycations" many

of you might have had. Now that summer is over and all of you who actually went on a real vacation can join us for this series this time around.

**Free Webinar Series**  
*Creating an Effective Program Logic Model/Evaluation Plan*  
[Wednesday, November 13th. 2 pm to 3 pm EST](#)

Join us for a webinar on how to build a practical and effective program logic model (evaluation plan). Logic models form the foundation and define the methodology for measuring program results.

We will discuss:

- The Difference Between Programs and Services,
- Building a Program Purpose Statement,
- A Comparison of Common Logic Models,
- Outcomes, Outputs and Other Results,
- Outcome Indicators,
- Applied to and Data Sources,
- Goals and Program Targets,
- Building the Logic Model with Results Online for Data Collection.

This webinar is ideal for program managers and directors, organization directors and CEO's. Class size is limited in order to provide a learning environment that promotes discussion.

[Sign up here](#)

**Creating Assessments That Really Work**  
[Wednesday, November 20th. 2 pm to 3 pm EST](#)

Effective outcomes evaluation and management relies on baseline and periodic assessments to determine improvements in knowledge, skills, and abilities of persons served in programs. Do you feel confident that you have the knowledge and skills to conduct meaningful assessments?

We will discuss:

- Desired Program Outcomes as a Basis for Assessment Design,
- Traditional Assessment Designs,
- Retrospective Assessments,
- Building and Delivering Assessments with Results Online,
- Assessment Analysis and Reporting.

This webinar is ideal for program managers and directors, organization directors and CEO's. Class size is limited in order to provide a learning environment that promotes discussion.

[Sign up here](#)

**Creating Meaningful Program Reports**  
[December 10th. 2 pm to 3 pm EST](#)

Have you ever wondered what a meaningful and results-oriented program report would look like? Or have you wondered what kind of information to provide your board of directors that would give them the information they need to govern the organization?

We will discuss:

- Defining Report Content by Audience,
- Reports on Conditions and Characteristics,
- Reports Demonstrating Process,
- Reports on Results,
- Cross-variable Reports,
- Practical Management Reports.

This webinar is ideal for program managers and directors, organization directors and CEO's. Class size is limited in order to provide a learning environment that promotes discussion.

[Sign up here](#)

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Sincerely, Results Technologies Solutions, Inc

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**Yoneo Ono call for nominations**

Many rural volunteers spend long, unpaid hours helping individuals and organizations in their communities. Yet, often their hard work results in requests for more assistance. Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC) grants the Yoneo Ono award to reward and publicly recognize these outstanding rural volunteers.

The 2014 honoree will receive an award, a reception in his/her honor and \$4,000 to donate to a charitable organization of her/his choice. RCAC hopes to encourage further rural volunteer activities by acknowledging the accomplishments of a select few. We need your help to identify an outstanding rural volunteer to receive this distinguished award.

If you know individuals who have these special qualities, and would like to see their hard work recognized, please complete the Yoneo Ono Award Nomination form by April 13, 2014. [Review the nomination criteria and complete the form>>](#)

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**Securing the future through water**

This [promotional video](#) for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers shares many eye-opening statistics

related to the importance of our waterways.

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**[Health Insurance Resource Center at healthinsurance.org](http://www.healthinsurance.org)**

What's happening with your state's exchange? Follow our updates here. <http://www.healthinsurance.org/news/>

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**[16-Year-Old Malala Yousafzai Leaves Jon Stewart Speechless With Comment About Pacifism](http://www.businessinsider.com)** [www.businessinsider.com](http://www.businessinsider.com)

[Stewart asked her how she reacted when she learned that the Taliban wanted her dead. Her answer was absolutely remarkable.](#)

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**[Paiute Della Hern peparing acorn mush](#)**

Paiute elder Della Hern on the show California Gold teaching acorn mush preparation;  
Length: 2:24

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**[Racism of Sports Logos Put Into Context By American Indian Group](http://cleveland.cbslocal.com)**  
[cleveland.cbslocal.com](http://cleveland.cbslocal.com)

[An American Indian organization has shed a new light on the context of how offensive and racist sports team images like the Cleveland Indians and Washington Redskins is to their community.](#)

*Did you see/hear the Bob Costas commentary during Sunday's game? sdc*

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**[Jenny Brekhus](#)**

Mega Project Alert! You have probably heard of the Southeast Connector but what about the affectionally known Northeast Connector? It could run up to a \$1B price tag and is presently in draft Environmental Impact Statement phase. Our community must balance expansion needs with maintaining the existing transportation network. Now is the time to set investment priorities. The public's input regarding mega projects carries more weight earlier in the multi-decade planning stages than later. Please join me this week at one of these workshops.

<http://www.rgj.com/article/20131008/NEWS/131008014/RTC-host-workshops-week-Pyramid-Highway-U-S-395-link>

**[RTC to host workshops this week on Pyramid Highway-U.S. 395 link](#)**

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

[The Regional Transportation Commission is hosting workshops Wednesday and Thursday concerning long-term plans to build a road connecting the Spanish Springs area to U.S. 395 to the west.](#)

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**[Engaging the Native community 10/4/13: Nevada Today](http://www.unr.edu)** [www.unr.edu](http://www.unr.edu)

RSJ grad student's film "Never to be Forgotten" honored by Nat'l Endowment for the Arts.

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**[Protect Sacred Sites Indigenous People, One Nation](http://www.protectsacredsites.org)** [www.protectsacredsites.org](http://www.protectsacredsites.org)

[On December 11, 2012 three Peaks activists peacefully turned themselves over to U.S. Marshalls in Departments of Agriculture, Defense, Energy, and Interior Sign Memorandum to Collaborate to Protect Indian Sacred Sites Release No. 0354.12](#)

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**[Nevada Diabetes Association](#)**

**Everyday in every way we are working to make life better for children and adults who have diabetes. The NDA is here to help until there i a cure. Call us at 775-856-3839 or 1-800-379-3839**

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**[Americans Prefer Hemorrhoids And Cockroaches To Congress](#) [www.npr.org](http://www.npr.org)**

**[That's according to a legitimate survey from Public Policy Polling.](#)**



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**November 2 - Unlocking the Revolution in Each of Us: How to Mobilize Change in Your Community**

On Saturday, November 2, 2013, Ronan Farrow, former aide to Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, will be on the campus of the University of Nevada, Reno to deliver his signature keynote for ASUN's Civic Engagement and Service-Learning Conference:Unlocking the Revolution in Each of Us: How to Mobilize Change in Your Community

The mission of ASUN's Conference on Civic Engagement and Service-Learning is to foster a culture of service within the University student body while connecting students to resources to continue serving the Reno community. Following Ronan's keynote, which concludes at 12:00

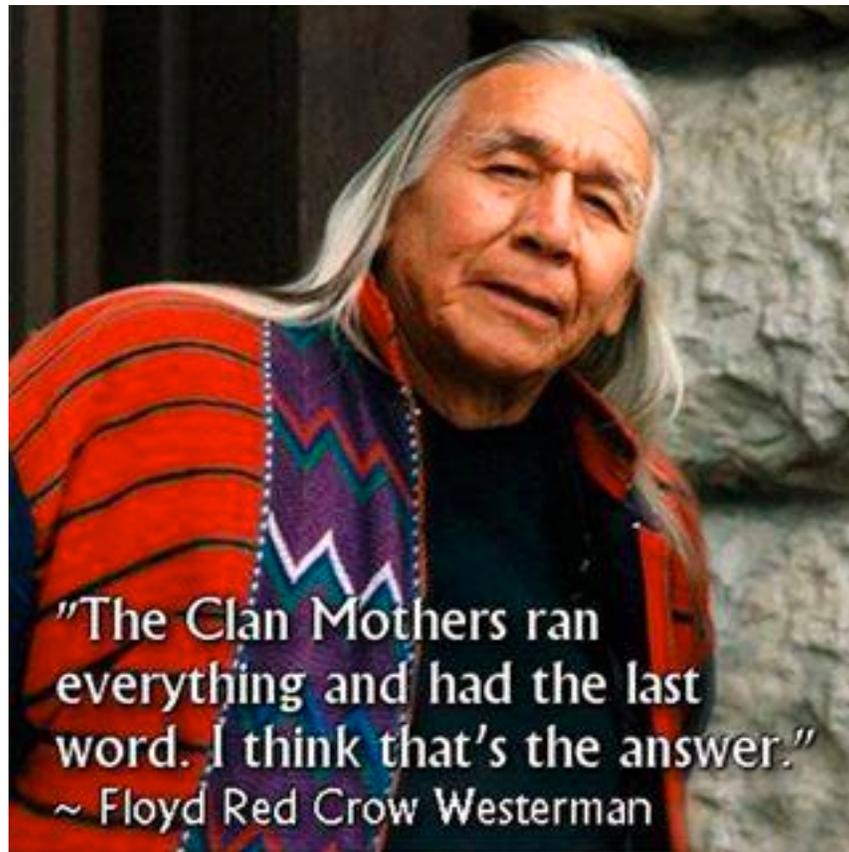
p.m., students and faculty of NSHE institutions will then engage in **site-based service projects in partnership with the Reno City Council, Project Solution and the Boys and Girls Club of Truckee Meadows.** The Conference as a whole will conclude at 4:45 p.m, food will be provided to those who participate in the site-based projects.

We hope you can join us for this exciting day! If you have any questions, please email me at [directorlegaffairs@asun.unr.edu](mailto:directorlegaffairs@asun.unr.edu).

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[SIT Study Abroad will begin accepting summer 2014 applications on September 15, 2013.](#)

[The Experiment in International Living](#) is now accepting applications for summer 2014.  
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*"For us, warriors are not what you think of as warriors. The warrior is not someone who fights, because no one has the right to take another's life. The warrior, for us, is one who sacrifices himself for the good of others. His task is to take care of the elderly, the defenseless, those who cannot provide for themselves, and above all, the children, the future of humanity."  
...Tatanka Iyotake (aka Sitting Bull)-Hunkpapa Lakota*



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[I think he liked our position!': On the birthday of John Lennon, Oren Lyons remembers a friend](#) [www.syracuse.com](http://www.syracuse.com)

[To countless millions, John Lennon will always be a Beatle. To Oren Lyons, he'll always be a](#)

[warm and thoughtful presence.](#)

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**Jessie Durant, Mono Lake Kutzadika'a, Paiute life at Mono Lake**

Jessie Durant speaks about Paiute Kutzadika'a life around Mono Lake (Part of Of Ice and Fire)  
Length: 3:44

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**Seats available on Inyo Water Commission      [Benett Kessler, Sierra Wave](#)**

The Inyo Water Commission was formed under the Long-Term Water Agreement between Inyo County and the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power in the early 90s. It was designed to be the public body that connects the people of the Owens Valley to water issues. Inyo County recently announced that two seats on the Water Commission will become available for appointment.

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**Science News and Reports: Reconciling reality for California’s streams, groundwater and climate change, San Joaquin salmon hatchery, predatation report, a deluge of data in the Dutch delta and more!**

**Maven, Maven’s Notebook**

**Reconciling the new reality for California's streams:** California's altered streams support 'novel' ecosystems, which are defined as ecosystems that are dominated by new combinations of organisms and species in highly altered habitats. Most of these aquatic systems are so altered that restoring them to original conditions is not possible. Managers need to recognize this reality, says a new essay by Peter Moyle, and act accordingly: " ... *The concept of reconciliation ecology is a practical approach to living with the new reality; it includes actively guiding ecosystem change, as illustrated by Putah Creek, Cosumnes River, Eel River and Six Bit Gulch in California. The first three waterways are all highly altered and managed with varying degrees of success to favor desired aquatic species, whereas Six Bit Gulch experiences such extreme conditions that the original ecosystem is still largely intact. The examples illustrate that most aquatic ecosystems in California are so highly altered that attempting to restore them to an earlier condition or stable state is largely not possible. Where more or less intact systems persist, it is usually because extreme environmental conditions restrict both alien invaders and human use in small watersheds. ...* " Read the essay here: [Novel Aquatic Ecosystems: The New Reality For Streams In California And Other Mediterranean Climate Regions.](#)

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Congratulations to **Alyssa Garcia**, University of Arizona Freshman for winning **Miss Indian Arizona**, she is from the Ak-Chin Indian Community.

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**\$60K grant to benefit Guadalupe students**  
**Money will be used to expand 5th-grade science units**

**Lauren Foreman, Santa Maria Times**

Thanks to a \$60,000 federal grant, Mary Buren Elementary School in Guadalupe will expand fifth-grade science units this year to include hands-on activities and field trips to teach students

how to protect systems that drain rainwater to streams, rivers and groundwater.

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**[News worth noting: DC legislators hold hearings on Endangered Species Act, water legislation, plus an update on SWP contract extension and a waiver for Poseidon](#)**

**Maven, Maven's Notebook**

Even though the federal government is shutdown, hearings in Washington DC continue.

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**[Officials in Arizona and Kansas Rig Ballots to Implement ALEC Voter Suppression Scheme](#)** **Brendan Fischer, PR Watch**

The new ploy is an effort to sidestep the US Supreme Court's decision earlier this year in Arizona v. Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, which rejected an Arizona law requiring that voters show proof of citizenship to register to vote. [Read the Article](#)

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**[Teacher at P.S. 98 Uses Knitting to Sow Confident Thinkers](#)** [www.dnainfo.com](http://www.dnainfo.com)  
[Fifth-grade teacher Anmarie Aquino shares her passion for knitting with her students.](#)

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**[American Indian Civilization: Ten Things You Might Not Know](#)**

[www.addictinginfo.org](http://www.addictinginfo.org)

Some little-known facts about the American Indian and their contributions to American life. You may be surprised at what you learn.

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<http://mavensnotebook.com/2013/10/14/reservoir-and-water-conditions-for-october-14/>

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**Great pics:** <https://www.facebook.com/SacredVisionsPowwow>  
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**[Incredible Moment As Underdog Billy Mills Wins 10,000m Gold - Tokyo 1964 Olympics](#)** [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com)

[Watch highlights of one of the most incredible stories in Olympic history as the USA's Billy Mills wins the 10,000m gold as a complete unknown underdog at th...](#)

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