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Nov 15: "We will be rockin' our mocs at our monthly Poets on the Rez on the San Carlos Apache rez for the 2nd year in a row!" — with [Sandra Pagan](#)

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**DOE MOVES FORWARD TO BURY NUCLEAR WASTE IN NEVADA**

Over the resistance of state officials, the Department of Energy is moving forward with plans to ship highly radioactive uranium waste to

the Nevada National Security Site for burial in a government landfill, federal leaders said Tuesday.

<http://erj.reviewjournal.com/ct/uz3688753Biz19065976>

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## **Intertribal Agriculture Council 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Membership Meeting**

December 9-12, 2013                      Flamingo Las Vegas

Click on the following to download the flyer and registration form. Registration form can be mailed or faxed.

[2013 Flyer](#)

[2013 Registration Form](#)

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### **Our Mission**

**To provide a unified effort to promote change in Indian Agriculture for the benefit of Indian People.**

The Intertribal Agriculture Council conducts a wide range of programs designed to further the goal of improving Indian Agriculture. The IAC promotes the Indian use of Indian resources and contracts with federal agencies to maximize resources for tribal members.                      [Contact Us](#)

### **2012 Slideshow**

- [Made/Produced by American Indians](#)
- [American Indian Foods](#)
- [Technical Assistance Program](#)                      [©2013 IAC. All Rights Reserved](#)

### **Call for Safer Storage of Nuclear Waste**

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission will hold a hearing in San Luis Obispo to receive public input and comments on a proposed rule on the long-term storage of radioactive nuclear waste at reactor sites. Attend the hearing and make your voice heard.

Date: Wednesday, November 20                      Time: 6:00-10:00 p.m.

Location: Courtyard by Marriott San Luis Obispo

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## **The Stream, November 7: Report Finds More Than Half of Shale Gas Areas Have Water Stress**

### **Energy**

[Global energy production will be increasingly pinched by scarce water supplies](#), leading to increased costs, according to a new report from energy consulting company Wood Mackenzie,

*The Wall Street Journal* reported. The report also found that more than half of shale gas areas in the top 10 countries with the most reserves have medium to extreme water stress.

### **Mining**

[Floods continue to release mercury from old gold mining operations](#) into California's streams and rivers, according to a study published last week in the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, the *Associated Press* reported. The contamination could threaten agriculture and fish downstream of the Sierra Nevada, and the study links it to mercury found in the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta and San Francisco Bay.

### **Agriculture**

In an opinion piece for *The New York Times*, Mark Bittman calls the [recent acquisition by a Chinese company of U.S. pork producer Smithfield a land grab, water grab, and technology grab](#). He argues that China gets a safer supply of pork while the U.S. gets the negative environmental consequences of pork production.

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**[What We Found at Hart Island, The Largest Mass Grave Site In the U.S.](#)**

[http://gizmodo.com/what-we-found-at-hart-island-the-largest-mass-grave-in-1460171716?utm\\_campaign=socialflow\\_gizmodo\\_facebook&utm\\_source=gizmodo\\_facebook&utm\\_medium=socialflow](http://gizmodo.com/what-we-found-at-hart-island-the-largest-mass-grave-in-1460171716?utm_campaign=socialflow_gizmodo_facebook&utm_source=gizmodo_facebook&utm_medium=socialflow)

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**[Sacred fire honours ancestral remains](#) [www.kamloopsnews.ca](http://www.kamloopsnews.ca)**

[The province signed an agreement with First Nations to resume four-laning the Trans-Canada Highway, but a group of Secwepemc say B.C. has no treaty or purchase of land to do so.](#)

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**[SHOWDOWN AT HIGHWAY 134 Mi'kmaq blockade of fracking equipment](#) «**

[subMedia](#) [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com)

[With some of the only video from behind police lines, subMedia.tv witnessed the brutal raid by the Royal Colonial Mounted Police on the Mi'kmaq blockade of f...](#)

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**[Nevada Magazine photo needs](#) January/February 2014 issue**

*Submission Deadline: Friday, November 27*

**Nevada Photographers Day II** - If you took photos during the 72-hour period of October 25-27, 2013 that capture the Nevada Day Spirit, send them our way. Submission deadline for this is Monday, November 11. More info here: <http://www.nevadamagazine.com/nevada-photographers-day>.

**Pre- & Early-Statehood Photos** - We need help obtaining historical photos from Nevada's early-statehood period. We're interested particularly in the era of 1861-1880. This also means present-day photos of Battle Mountain, Lovelock, Panaca, Pioche, Virginia City, Wells, Winnemucca, etc. (in other words, towns that were founded or booming during this time).

**Laughlin** - Anything from the Southern Nevada town of Laughlin, including events.

**Nelson/Techatticup Mine/Eldorado Canyon** - Anything from this area, especially Techatticup. The story will focus on the area's history (mine was established in 1861) and what tourists can see and do there today.

**Metropolis ghost town** - North of Wells. Also looking for history photos from the town's boom period in the early 1900s.

**Icons of Nevada** - Bristlecone Pine, Joshua Tree, Bighorn Sheep, Wild Horses, Mountain Bluebird, Hoover Dam, Las Vegas Strip, Ghost Towns, Vivid Dancer Damsel, Gaming, etc. Symbols of Nevada.

**Weddings** - Do you have beautiful or intriguing wedding photos taken in Nevada? We'd love to see them.

**Scenic Winter Drives** - Do you have photos of beautiful snowy byways in your collection? If so, we want to see them. Generally, we will consider great winter photos for the cover and our Visions department.

**Winter Events** - Any images that capture the spirit of a popular January/February celebration in Nevada.

*Please get permission to photograph on private property. If you just want publication and photo credit (no pay), please notify us when you submit your images.*

### **Editor's Note**

When you're out shooting, think of how you can get people enjoying Nevada in your photos. Remember, people engaging in activities adds a nice touch.

### **Visions**

Captivating images from your collection could be used in this department. Think seasonal and timely to the issue.

### **Your Nevada**

A gallery page featuring a single intriguing image, or multiple images, of the Silver State. Send your favorite Nevada images, subject line 'Your Nevada,' along with detailed caption info.

*E-mail images to:*

**Art Director Sean Nebeker at [snebeker@nevadamagazine.com](mailto:snebeker@nevadamagazine.com).**

Please put the subject and issue date (JF14) in the subject line, and provide your mailing address. We prefer you send an initial sampling of low-resolution images.

Sean will contact you later if he needs the high-res versions.

*Mail CDs or slides to:*

**Attn: Sean Nebeker Nevada Magazine 401 N. Carson St. Carson City, NV 89701**

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***ok You have several hours to fill? Here's a treasure trove:***

<http://www.nevadaobserver.com/ReadingRoom.htm>

*Too many sites of interest to just pull a few articles. When you surface, be sure to share your favorites or write counter-stories. sdc*

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## **Grant Deadlines**

### **AmeriCorps Notice of Funding Jan. 8**

2014 Draft AmeriCorps Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO). Additional resources will be posted on the website shortly. Submission of a Notice of Intent to Apply is required to be eligible for this competition and is due Wed., December 11, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. ET by e-mail to [IntentToApply@cns.gov](mailto:IntentToApply@cns.gov).

### **Environmental Solutions for Communities (Wells Fargo & National Fish & Wildlife Foundation) Due Dec. 16**

Program seeks to promote sustainable communities by supporting highly-visible projects that link economic development and community well-being to the stewardship and health of the environment. Collectively, investments under this initiative will promote a sustainable future for communities by:

- Supporting sustainable agricultural practices and private lands stewardship;
- Conserving critical land and water resources and improving local water quality;
- Restoring and managing natural habitat, species and ecosystems that are important to community livelihoods;
- Facilitating investments in green infrastructure, renewable energy and energy efficiency; and
- Encouraging broad-based citizen and targeted youth participation in project implementation.

Eligible applicants incl.: non-profit 501(c) organizations, educational institutions, and state, tribal or local governments. Grant awards will typically range from \$25,000 to \$100,000. In some circumstances, proposals submitted under this program may be eligible for additional funding through other NFWF programs. More info. at <http://www.nfwf.org/environmentalsolutions/Pages/2014rfp.aspx>

### **Rural Solid Waste Management Grants (USDA) Due Dec. 31**

This U.S. Dept. of Agriculture grant was created to evaluate current landfill conditions to determine threats to water resources. Funds will help provide technical assistance and/or training to enhance operator skills, reduce solid waste streams, and develop and implement closure, future land use, and safety and maintenance plans. GENERAL ELIGIBILITY

REQUIREMENTS: Private nonprofit organizations; public bodies; Native American tribes or groups; and academic institutions. For more, visit <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/UWP-solidwastemanagement.htm>

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**Myron Dewey added 9 photos.**

*What an empowering day at the indigenous symposium at the University in Wa in Tacoma Wa listening to the Native college students talk to Native Highschool kid about preparing for college and why, plus sharing there experiences. I so much enjoy being around empowering speakers and thinkers. This helps me challenge myself to strive in not just empowering myself*

*but those around me.*

*You are the answer to the future generations, let's empower our youth with the tools and knowledge to lead Indian Country.*

*I loved those college years, meeting awesome people, learning about tribal sovereignty, and so much more,*

*Who empowered you to at recent college and why did it work?*

*[Rachel J. Allen](#) Love it Myron! And isn't it great to see how all the AISES crew is doing--and what a small world we really live in? We all need to keep challenging ourselves & others to continue to make a path for positive change & for those who come behind us to pick up the task, as well. I enjoyed a presentation by [Louie Gong](#) just yesterday, that's how small the world is!*

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**BEADWORK MASTERPIECES!!**

Beadwork

By: [The Corner Mercantile, "Indian Goods" and authentic Indian Trading Post](#)

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**Can Elon Musk's cousin do for solar power what Tesla has done for electric cars?**

The once inexperienced businessman is changing the face of solar energy.

BY WILL OREMUS

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**Old hobbits die hard: Why pundits poo-poo the Keystone fight, and why they're wrong**

Some pundits like to pretend there is a One Ring issue that will solve all our climate problems, and the Keystone fight isn't it. Shut up.

BY HEATHER SMITH

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\*[Azmat Khan](#)

At some point time in their lifetimes, more than 50 percent of Americans will spend a year in poverty or near poverty, according to new research. In other words, poverty is more mainstream than you might think, experienced by a majority of Americans. And counter to the stereotype of the poor, most of them have worked extensively.

At [America Tonight](#), we're launching a new series, [#TheOtherAmerica](#), exploring the stories of people in America who try to play by the rules, work hard and raise their families, but still have trouble making ends meet. **Can you relate? Tell us about it.**

I'll be sharing your stories, and what we're learning from them, on air and online as the series continues. Find out more here: <http://alj.am/18eaYUd>

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**Calendar**

**November 13** - Tribal Nations Summit, Arizona State Capitol Senate Majority Caucus Room. 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. RSVP by November 6 to Zahra at (602) 926-5862 or email [them](#). The

leaders will discuss jobs, infrastructure, Health and Education Services, Natural Resources, Resources and Clean Energy.

**November 13-15** - Native American Fitness Council (NAFC) Medical Conditions and Exercise Instructor training. Flagstaff. Scholarship deadline October 9. For more information check the [website](#).

**Nov. 14-15 On the T.R.A.I.L.** (Together Raising Awareness for Indian Life) to Diabetes Prevention Phoenix, AZ

The National Congress of American Indians and Boys & Girls Clubs in Indian Country present this event. For more information contact Nia Butler of FirstPic, Inc. at 443.302.2080 or [nbutler@firstpic.org](mailto:nbutler@firstpic.org).

**November 16 - 2013 Tour de Coops** - Valley's Coolest Urban Chicken Coops. Sponsored by Valley Permaculture Alliance. Live music, food trucks, kids' chicken activities, and more. For information click [here](#).

**November 17 - Arizona Living Treasures Awards (AILTA) Ceremony.** 1:00 p.m. Monte Vista Room, Heard Museum. Honorees will receive an embroidered Pendleton blanket and award at the AILTA ceremony. For more information and to view the honorees check the [website](#) or contact Daryl Melvin, P.E., AILTA Vice President at (928) 380-1807 or email [him](#).

**Nov. 19-20 - Indian Housing Plan/Annual Performance Reports (IHP/APR) - HUD/ONAP**  
Reno, NV

FREE interactive 2-day training. Grantees receiving funds under HUD's Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) program are responsible for meeting program requirements including submission of Indian Housing Plans (IHPs) and Annual Performance Reports (APRs). This course will assist grant recipients in understanding the important IHP/APR components, deadlines and other requirements. For more info., visit <http://registration.firstpic.org> or call 1-202-393-6400.

**November 20-21 - Health Literacy Workshop** - Inter Tribal Council of Arizona, Inc. Tribal Epidemiology Center. Dr. Barry Weiss, UA, Department of Family & Community Medicine. Workshop is for programs looking to revise and improve current health communication materials and/or those interested in health literacy. ITCA, 2214 N. Central Avenue, Phoenix. Free. Limited to 30 seats and registration is required. Space is filling fast. For more information call the Tribal Epidemiology Center at (602) 258-4822 or [email them](#).

**Nov. 21-22 - Legal Landscape of Tribal Renewable Energy Development CLE Conference**  
Tempe, AZ

Agenda & Registration online at: [law.asu.edu/ILPTribalEnergy2013](http://law.asu.edu/ILPTribalEnergy2013) Register now! Co-hosted by the Indian Legal Program/SDOC and Office of Indian Energy/DOE. Free to Elected Tribal Officials. Special Rate for ILP Alums. Join us to celebrate the ILP 25th Anniversary on 11/22 & /11/23

**November 21 - Great American Smoke Out (GASO)** - Phoenix Indian Medical Center, 4212 N. 16th Street, Phoenix. 6:30 a.m. 2 mile Fun Run/Walk, 9:00 a.m.-noon. Health Fair, East Patio. For information please call Tina at (602) 248-4195 or email [her.](#)

**November 22 - Diabetes Health Fair**, Phoenix Indian Medical Center, 9:00 a.m.-noon. East Patio. To view the event flyer click [here.](#) For additional information email [Paula.](#)

**November 22 - ASU Indian Legal Program 25th Anniversary Celebration: Celebrating the Past- Looking toward the Future.** Reception, dinner and Family Day of Fun. For information check the [website.](#)

**November 23 - ASU NALSA 8th Annual Golf Tournament.** For registration or sponsorship click [here.](#)

**November 23 - Deer Valley Rock Art Center Annual American Indian Heritage Festival.** 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Free. Deer Valley Rock Art Center, 3711 West Deer Valley Road, Phoenix. For information call (623) 582-8007 or check the [website.](#)

**November 30-December 1 - Native American Indian Heritage Month Social and Indian Craft Market**, Sheraton Hotel Courtyard, 5151 East Grant, Tucson. Free. For information call (520) 622-4900 or check the [website.](#)

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## **8 Businesses Granted \$12 Million to Help 150 Million Americans Go Solar By Brandon Baker, EcoWatch                      09 November 13**

Eight companies, universities and nonprofits have been challenged-and awarded grants-to make it easier for nearly 150 million Americans to go solar.

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) [announced](#) \$12 million in grants today to the organizations as part of the second round of the [Rooftop Solar Challenge](#). The recipients are: [Broward County](#) in Florida, [California Center for Sustainable Energy](#), [City University of New York](#), [Clean Energy States Alliance](#), [Iowa Economic Development Authority](#), [Mid-America Regional Council](#) (MARC), [Optony Inc.](#) and the [Washington State Department of Commerce](#).

The Rooftop Solar Challenge, in its second year, aims to "reduce the cost of rooftop solar energy systems through improved permitting, financing, zoning, net metering, and interconnection processes for residential and small commercial photovoltaic (PV) installations," according to the DOE. Each awardee has proven the ability to cut the red tape in getting more commercial and residential solar systems in their region. Now, the challenge is for each winner to help eight "teams" across the country that have the potential for greater solar expansion.

"Today, solar modules cost about one percent of what they did 35 years ago, and permitting and interconnection are an increasingly large portion of overall solar system costs," DOE secretary Ernest Moniz said. "Through the Rooftop Solar Challenge, the Energy Department is helping to make the deployment of solar power in communities across the country faster, easier and cheaper-saving money and time for local governments, homeowners and businesses."



The eight teams announced today will help further expand the reach of innovative strategies that are making it easier, faster and cheaper for more homeowners and businesses to finance and [install](#) solar systems, [according to the DOE](#). These awardees will develop and replicate creative solutions that help standardize complicated permitting and interconnection processes that often vary from jurisdiction to jurisdiction; facilitate easy, cheaper bulk purchasing; and support user-friendly, fast [online applications](#).

Here are two of the eight grant awardees that can impact the most people, according to the DOE:

### **Optony, Inc.**

**Population Impact:** 60 million      **Amount:** \$1,199,598

- **Location:** California, Nevada, Utah, Idaho, Colorado, Hawaii, Texas, Florida, Iowa, Missouri, Washington, D.C., Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, Pennsylvania and New York
- **Partners:** [Solar Electric Power](#) Association, Strategic Energy Innovations, US Photovoltaic Manufacturers Consortium, Rocky Mountain Institute, Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments, Northern Virginia Regional Commission and Central New York Regional Planning and Development Board
- **Highlights:** The American Solar Transformation Initiative will use an innovative online Solar Roadmap platform and hands-on engagement to assist more than 400 jurisdictions where solar potential is abundant, but resources and information are scarce. The project will improve permitting processes, establish solar friendly planning and zoning guidelines, streamline the interconnection process, expand financing options, and ultimately develop strong solar markets across the country.

### **California Center for Sustainable Energy**

**Population Impact:** 37 million      **Amount:** \$1,299,522      **Location:** California

- **Partners:** California Governor's Office of Planning and Research, Energy Policy Initiatives Center at University of San Diego, Contra Costa Economic Development Authority, Optony, Energy Solutions, Southern California Regional Energy Network and local jurisdictions
- **Highlights:** The Golden State Solar Impact project will transform California's solar market by making permitting and interconnection processes more uniform, rapid and transparent across the state. The project will implement a standardized permitting process and develop tools such as a statewide interconnection and data portal to dramatically reduce soft costs in California.

The DOE awarded the representatives of 22 regional teams during the first round of the Challenge in 2012 to reduce the soft costs of solar installation. The agency said those efforts helped cut permitting time by 40 percent while reducing fees by more than 10 percent making it faster and easier for more than 47 million Americans to install solar systems. The representatives created group purchasing programs to drive down costs and streamlined the permit process by instituting online systems in communities that lacked them.

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**Come check out Nevada Athletics during Native American Heritage Month.**  
Check out these events for FREE!!

Womens Volleyball Game 11/14/13 7:00pm.  
Mens Basketball Game 11/22/13 7:05pm

Nevada Football Game 11/16/13  
Womens Basketball Game 11/29/13 5:00pm

**Stephanie Wyatt**

**We are looking for Pow Wow Princess's and Royalty to be recognized during the Women's Basketball Game. Please contact me if you are interested via message or if you know individuals pass the word along.**

**Looking for dancers Friday November 29th.....round dancing at half time. We had a great turn out last year. Lets make it bigger!!**

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**Introducing the Honor Wall**

Unveiled this week in honor of Veterans Day, the **Fold3 Honor Wall** pays tribute to millions of men and women who served our nation, from colonial days to the present.

We invite you to visit the **Honor Wall** and help us pay tribute to America's veterans by sharing your own memories, stories, and photos of a loved one. Whether you have family or friends serving now, or have ancestors who fought in the Revolutionary War or other conflicts in between, join us in commemorating them. With your help, the **Honor Wall** will keep their stories alive.

The **Honor Wall** hosts millions of names, yet it's just the beginning of a monumental tribute that will grow through your contributions. We've redesigned the Fold3 Memorial Pages to include representations of service, along with life events, photos, stories, documents, and connections to family members.

**Search for those you know**—ancestors, friends, fellow service members, family members, or perhaps you! If you find who you're looking for, add your own dedication. If you can't locate a Memorial Page for someone, create one of your own and add it to the Honor Wall. **It's easy!**

Just follow the prompts to choose the conflict in which someone served, then add more facts about the individual, including military service. The "Find more records" button will even give you links to possible matches to records on Fold3, [Newspapers.com](http://Newspapers.com), and [Ancestry.com](http://Ancestry.com).

Once you've contributed to the **Honor Wall**, let others know. Choose the "Share" link at the bottom of any Memorial Page. Spread the word, and help us commemorate all of America's heroes.

View sample Memorial Pages for ideas of how you can create or add to your family's pages.

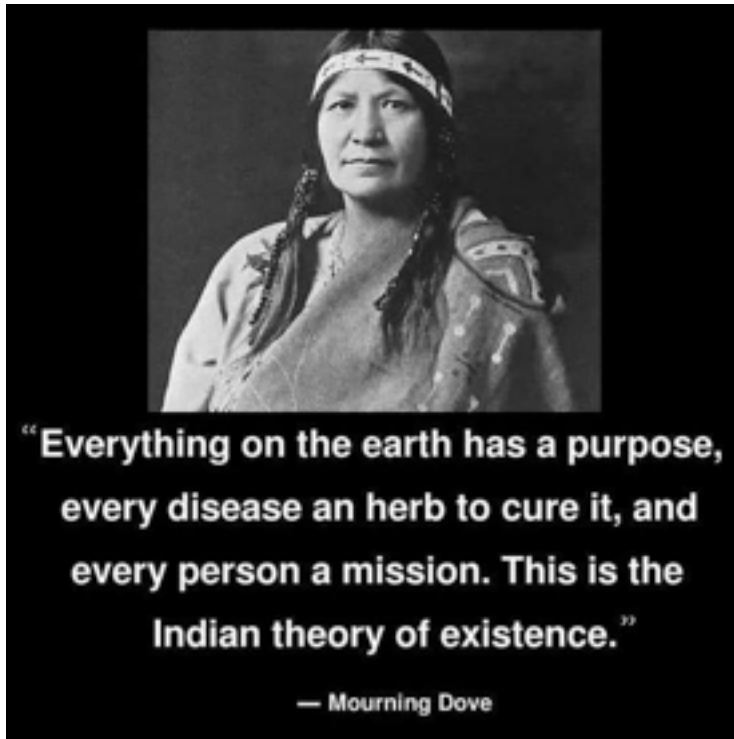
- 1 Revolutionary War: [Ezra Carpenter](#)
- 2 Civil War: [Robert E. Lee](#)
- 3 WWII: [Jimmy Stewart](#), [Courtney Brewer](#), and [Billy Oakley](#)
- 4 Vietnam War: [Larry Oakley](#)
- 5 Persian Gulf War: [Ann Dunwoody](#)

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**Carolyn Harry**

Inspiring lecture from Winona LaDuke on this mornings INM Webinair. Highlights for me: "lost cultures forget to acknowledge lost relatives." By relatives, she meant sacred foods given to us, (corns, medicinal plants, harvestings, etc) So many creation stories have these things in it, we have instructions. "Divest" as opposed to invest. All of this tied back economically to the dominant culture of corp.greed back to Tar Sands, fracking, etc." "They don't want to be here 1,000 years from now..they won't at the rate of what's happening, we do. We need to do now so our future generations CAN be here 1,000 years from now.' Again,..its up to us.

**#INM1yr webinar recording - Winona LaDuke "Restoring Stable Indigenous Economires: www.idlenomore.ca Idle No More kicked-off the #INM1yr webinar series on November 10th with Anishnaabe activist Winona LaDuke on Restoring Stable Indigenous Economies. Please share and stay tuned for more webinars running from Nov 10 – Dec 10.**



Why are we, as a species, marching to disaster? Why can't we slam on the brakes before we ride off the cliff to collapse? The problem is rooted in the requirements of capitalist reproduction, that large corporations are destroying life on Earth.

**Capitalism and the Destruction of Life on Earth: Six Theses on Saving the Humans truth-out.org**

Today, we are living in a pivotal world-changing moment in history. Indeed, it is no exaggeration to say that this is the most critical moment in human history.

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**An Accidental Cattle Ranch Points the Way in Sustainable Farming**

By STEPHANIE STROM                      NYT    11.12.13

The TomKat Ranch sells grass-fed beef, but it began as a way to try to get carbon back into the soil.