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*"Death is something inevitable. When a man has done what he considers to be his duty to his people and his country, he can rest in peace" - Nelson Mandela*

*"For now, let us pause and give thanks for the fact that Nelson Mandela lived -- a man who took history in his hands, and bent the arc of the moral universe toward justice. May God Bless his memory and keep him in peace." - Barack Obama*



**Musk oxen gather near Bethel for the first time**

Read more here: <http://www.adn.com/2013/12/03/3211257/muskox-gathering-near-bethel-for.html#storylink=cpy>

*Oh whoops.....this didn't go out yesterday which give me some space to rant. While my remarks are confined to Nevada-specific events, the subject matter applies to all areas as these sort of meetings are going on in most regions.*

*Among many events this hectic time of the year were the Connect Nevada Broadband Summit and "Transit Connections 2013 - the Value of Transit"*

*Broadband and transportation are the two essential infrastructures of the 21st Century. Yet these conferences had little tribal participation. (Geoff Ellis and delegation/Alan Mandel at Broadband and Tom Purkey (RSIC) at Transit). Broadband and transportation are the linchpins in education, economic development, health care delivery, to say nothing of entertainment or the ways they can positively address strains on the environment for the next decades.*

*Both conferences included free registration and meal service. Both had had excellent speakers, resources and direct access to policy and fund makers.*

*Where are tribal representatives and their youth? Aside from school attendance, these one day events provide opportunity to learn the skills of networking, observing/acquiring public presentations, conference organizing, understanding institutional structures, informal access to public policy makers and funding deciders from the local to federal personnel.*

*Usually they also include information about demonstration projects, discretionary grants and public-private partnerships.*

*Technology is here to stay although it will evolve at a pace faster than 98 rpm (which dates me; should be measured in GHz).*

*The above further illustrates the necessity of skill transfer from us old farts to the "millenials". These workshops provide a neutral environment in which individuals can have stress-free person to person introductions. The mere presence of emergent leadership makes a great statement.*

*One does not need to "participate" in the sense of making presentations or doing public speaking, but the opportunity to hear the "vocabulary of the day", to get the latest data being bandied about, and see who is at the center of trends, translates well for successful proposal writing and lobbying.....all at little cost to the tribe.*

*It gives tribal leadership the opportunity to see where the paradigm shifts are coming, ironically often now turning to the traditional tribal point of view, among the many ironies of the history of tribal-european contact that continues to fascinate me.*

*The reality, however, that the "dominant" society now understands the need for planning to be for seven generations hence means that emergent tribal leaders need to be prepared to do so.*

*Just sayin' .....*

## Upcoming Events

[MWA2013: Museums and the Web Asia 2013](#)

**December 9-12, 2013** | Hong Kong, China

**December 14-15 - 37th Annual Pueblo Grande Museum Auxiliary Indian Market.** Pueblo Grande Museum, 4619 East Washington, Phoenix. Over 100 booths of fine art and collectibles, performers, variety of Native foods, community village will provide demonstrations. For information call (602) 495-0901 or check the [website](#).

**December 16 - Navajo Nation Museum - 16th Annual Keshmish Festival.** Free. All are welcome. For information check the [Navajo Nation Facebook page](#).

**December 18 - 2013 PIMC Holiday Indian Market, 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.** All are welcome. Free. Phoenix Indian Medical Center, 4212 N. 16th Street, Phoenix. For information contact (602) 263-1576. Beautiful crafts made and sold by Native Americans from the Southwest.

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**Association on American Indian Affairs - Scholarships and Programs -** Check the [website for more information](#).

**December 20 Deadline - Native American Management Internship, Gilbert, Arizona.** Management internship for students studying in fields relating to government or business leadership including public administration, public policy and American Indian studies. Applicants must also be interested in pursuing a career in public service to Native American communities upon graduation. Graduate students preferred. Undergraduate students may be considered. For information email [Gabriel](#).

**January 3 Deadline - Arizona Indian Education Association (AIEA) Student Scholarship.** Scholarship recognizes American Indian youth who demonstrate exemplary achievement in academics, community service, leadership, and who exemplifies American Indian cultural participation. The goal of AIEA Student Scholarship is to promote college and career readiness, encourages, and support students as they develop into scholars and prepare to engage in important careers as adults. For grades 7-12, also open to Arizona community college and/or university undergraduate students. For additional requirements/information call Theresa at (480) 472-0577 or email [her](#).

**January 10 Deadline - Science Undergraduate Laboratory Internship** for undergraduate students to pursue science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) at the Department of Energy Laboratories. Must be enrolled as a full time undergraduate student. For more details click [here](#).

**January 15 Deadline - Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Center for Health Policy** at the University of New Mexico Doctoral Fellowships. For informatoin call (505) 277-0130, email [them](#) or check the [website](#).

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Papua New Guinea in the South Pacific is home to over 700 distinct tribes- from the Huli Wigman with wigs of human hair to the Baining Fire Dancers who drink python's blood to dance

on fire. [Take this quick quiz](#) to find out which tribe you belong to and have a chance to win a dream vacation to Papua New Guinea.

[Enter the 'What Tribe Are You Sweepstakes' Today!](#)

### [THE CONTEST ENDS DECEMBER 27!](#)

Would you rather hike Tavorvur volcano or cruise the Sepik river? Would you rather be beautiful or frightening? [Take the quiz](#) to learn which Papuan tribe suits your personality. Your answers will place you in one of the tribes and provide you with several unique getaway packages tailored to "your" tribal personality. Best of all you will be entered to win a dream vacation to Papua New Guinea.

**What exactly makes these tribes so unique? Check out these amazing facts!**

- **Malagan Carvers** are world famous for the beautiful wood carvings they create.
- **Karawari Sago Maker** relies heavily on Sago, which is the staple food of the Sepik River, and its' creation requires a lengthy process that occurs daily for those who live on the River.
- It is said that as a rite of passage, men in the **Baining Fire Dancer** tribe drink python blood to gain the strength to walk on fire.
- **Tufi Tribesmen** are known for their intricate and beautiful facial tattoos.
- Males of the **Huli Wigman** tribe go into an 18-month seclusion period in order to learn to grow their hair long.
- Legend has it that **Asaro Mudmen** cover themselves in mud to pretend to be ghosts in order to keep their enemies away.
- **Trobriand Islanders** live on their namesake island which is home to one of the few matriarchal societies on earth.

[Ready to learn more? Enter the 'What Tribe Are You Sweepstakes' Today.](#)

[Learn More About Papua New Guinea](#)

Papua New Guinea is one of the last frontiers of adventure travel, providing an unparalleled array of natural beauty, exotic wildlife and cultural tradition. Located just north of Australia, it is the second largest island in the world - slightly larger than the state of California. With over eight hundred known languages, travelers can immerse themselves in a vibrant collection of cultural possibilities. Papua New Guinea offers a range of vacation activities from hiking remote jungle trails, cruising the mighty Sepik river, surfing the waves of New Ireland, fishing some 8,000 miles of coastline and experiencing some of the world's best scuba diving amongst coral reefs, wrecks, walls and caves. [Learn more about these activities and visiting Papua New Guinea today!](#)

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### **Resources**

#### **American Indian Ambassadors Program -**

Americans for Indian Opportunity's leadership and development and community building initiative. For individuals ages 25-35. For information call (505) 842-8677 or check the [website](#).

**American Indian Student Support Services - Arizona State University.** Scholarship information. Check the [website for scholarship information](#).

**University of Arizona Mel and Enid Zuckerman College of Public Health - Online Admissions Information Sessions.** If you are a resident of Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah,

Washington, or Wyoming, you may be eligible to enroll in the MPH and DrPH programs at Arizona resident tuition rates through the Western Regional Graduate Programs. For information contact Kim at (602) 827-2070 or email [her](#).

**Healthy Native Families: Preventing Violence at All Ages** - Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium - Click [here for the link](#).

**New Newsletter - U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs - Office of Tribal Government Relations.** To receive information and/or to connect with the office email [them](#).

**Administration for Native Americans (ANA) Native American Veterans - Storytelling for Healing** - Free DVD, "Native American Veterans: Storytelling for Healing" by calling (877) 922-9262 or email [them](#).

**WERNATIVE** - is a health text messaging service for American Indian and Alaska Native teens and young adults. Text NATIVE to 24587 for weekly health tips, contests, and life advice. Sponsored by the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board. Funded by the National I.H.S. HIV Program.

**White House Webpage dedicated to Native Americans** - The White House [webpage](#) is meant to serve as another tool to help Indian Country navigate the federal government and learn how the President's Agenda is helping to win the future for Native Americans. There is a new fact sheet on how the American Jobs Act will benefit Native Americans and the economy. There are also three blog posts [on the Administration's ongoing work in Indian Country](#).

**Center for Native American Youth - Champions for Change** - Bringing greater national attention to the issues facing Native youth through communication, policy development, and advocacy. Champions include individuals who initiate programs, events, or other efforts to improve the lives of fellow Native youth and Indian Country. Be creative- submission of stories can be in a written or video form. Check the [website for more information](#).

**Veterans Crisis Line** - For service members, veterans, family members and friends in need of support and connection to resources: 1-800-273-8255, option 1. Also available via chat at [www.VeteransCrisisLine.net](http://www.VeteransCrisisLine.net) and by text at 838255.

**Free Art Classes for U.S. Veterans, Military and Reserves** - Check the [website for information](#).

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**Marin officials eye Japanese nuclear plant plume**  
[Nels Johnson, Marin Independent Journal](#)

Concern that a radioactive plume is headed for the West Coast from the crippled Japanese Fukushima nuclear plant has prompted Marin County officials to monitor the situation.

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**Pollution Rules Watered Down?**                      **Nick Welsh, Santa Barbara Independent**  
Environmental Groups Sue California Water Resources Control Board

A coalition of statewide environmental organizations — including Santa Barbara’s Channelkeeper — sued the California Water Resources Control Board, charging that the new conditions imposed on contaminated agricultural runoff do not go far enough in protecting surface streams and underground water supplies from further pollution.

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## [US Wildlife Services Kills 1.5 Million Animals Each Year with No Public Accountability](#)

**Center for Biological Diversity, News Report:** The Center for Biological Diversity and allies petitioned the Obama Administration today to reform the federal wildlife-killing agency known as “Wildlife Services,” which kills nearly one point five million coyotes, bears, otters, foxes, birds and other animals each year without any requirement to disclose its activities to the public. Under various names, Wildlife Services has killed millions of animals since the early part of the twentieth century, targeting native carnivores. A petition was filed with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, which oversees Wildlife Services. [READ](#) | [DISCUSS](#) | [SHARE](#)

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## **Home for History Launches!**

AASLH is proud to announce that our new website—the [Home for History](#)—is launching this month. The Home for History is an exciting and innovative way for history professionals to engage and learn about the field.

In addition to finding traditional information about the services and programs AASLH offers, the Home for History website offers fresh content from the field, serves as a valuable source for resources and tools, and creates an online place for history professionals to engage and network.

View Award Winner profiles, search historic sites that AASLH members can visit for free, catch up on the latest News and Views from the field. These are just some of the new things you can do on the Home for History website.

The Home for History also includes the [StEPs Clearinghouse](#)! The clearinghouse is an answer to the call for an online site to help history organizations find high-quality resources, training opportunities and other tools. Whether you are looking for sample bylaws or social media policies, the latest thoughts about storytelling in exhibitions, or tips for recruiting volunteers the StEPs Clearinghouse has the help you need. The Clearinghouse was made possible by the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

The Home for History was created with you in mind. There are new features for members, such as [Member Deals](#), and ways for AASLH members to [Share News](#) about themselves or their institutions. Over the next several months we will be highlighting some of these new features, so be on the lookout.

But for now, start browsing and start engaging!

The address is the same, but it’s a brand new home!

Ps. If you still see the old website, just refresh your browser.

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**From Native Health:** John Molina, M.D., J.D

Hello everyone... Happy Holidays!

I want to take this opportunity to introduce myself as the new Medical Director for NATIVE HEALTH. I am an enrolled member of the Pascua Yaqui Tribe and raised in the community of Guadalupe, Arizona. I have worked as a physician and health administrator with the Indian Health Service, AHCCCS and was the former CEO of Phoenix Indian Medical Center. I am delighted to be working with NATIVE HEALTH because I truly believe in the mission to "provide holistic, patient centered, culturally sensitive health and wellness" to our patients. I sincerely believe our



## Peace of Mind for Indian Country

Everybody wants to make good decisions about their own health care. Reduce stress, eat right, exercise, and see your doctor regularly. Sure, it sounds easy, but when you can't afford health care, there's nothing easy about it. We all want health, harmony, and peace of mind, especially when it comes to our families. Don't let worries about health insurance get in the way! Thankfully, there are new insurance options that offer no- and low-cost coverage. Under the new health care law, more American Indian and Alaska Native people can get better coverage from a variety of providers, including tribal, urban, and Indian Health Service programs.

The time to sign up is now, before someone you love really needs it. You may be eligible for tax credits to help pay for health insurance; this makes it affordable and with no cost-sharing or deductibles when you receive services from Indian health programs. Sign-ups started October 1st. Contact your local Indian health program about how you may qualify or find out more at [www.healthcare.gov/tribal](http://www.healthcare.gov/tribal).

**Have questions? Call 1-800-318-2596**

24 hours a day, 7 days a week (TTY: 1-855-889-4325)



mission and work will make a difference in creating healthy families and communities.

The Affordable Care Act (ACA), also known as the health care law, was created to expand access to co

verage, control health care costs, and improve health care quality and coordination. The ACA also includes permanent reauthorization of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act, which extends current law and authorizes new programs and services within the Indian Health Service.

The ACA provides American Indians with more choices; depending on your eligibility and the coverage available in your state, you can: \*Continue to use I.H.S., tribal, or urban Indian Health programs, \*enroll in a qualified health plan (QHP) through the Marketplace, and/or; \*Access coverage through AHCCCS (Medicaid), Medicare, and the Children's Health Insurance Program.

If you choose to enroll in a QHP through the Health Insurance Marketplace plan, you may qualify for special benefits and protections offered to American Indians. (Information provided by [www.ihs.gov/aca](http://www.ihs.gov/aca)).

New changes in health insurance coverage mean new opportunities to keep you and your family healthy. Learn more about how you may qualify for affordable health insurance on the Health Insurance Marketplace. You may also speak with a Certified Application Counselor (CAC) to learn more or set up an appointment to discuss your options or help you enroll.

Please join us! NATIVE HEALTH is participating in the **American Indian Children's Benefit Concert on Friday, December 13, at the Arizona Science Center. Admission is free with the donation of a new toy.** Performers this year include: Artificial Red, Yellow Bird Indian Dancers, Kara Hodges, Dine Urban Voices, Ethan 103, and Sihasin. For a complete listing check the [website](#). This is a wonderful free evening of song, dance, and visiting the interactive museum. Please bring your family and friends to this amazing, fun-filled evening. Click here to view the [Children's Benefit Concert flyer](#).

The **Tribal Health Reform Resource Center** website has received a slight makeover in order to be user friendly. To view the site click [here](#).

**I.H.S. launches new ACA webpage** to help AI/An enroll in the Marketplace. For information click [here](#).

**Health Insurance Marketplace: What it means for American Indians and Alaska Natives (brochure)**. Click [here to view the brochure](#).



## **Tribal enterprises listed by Nevada Magazine:**

### **Arrowhead Market**

Yerington Paiute Tribe      Yerington, NV      775-463-486

**Elko Smoke Shop**    Elko Band Council    1750 [Silver Eagle](#) Drive, Elko, NV 775-777-1732

**Four Seasons Smokeshop**    Walker River Paiute Tribe, 4058 Highway 95 S. Schurz, NV  
775-773-2588

**Fox Peak Station** Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe, 615 E. Williams Avenue, Fallon, NV  
775-423-5655

**Fox Peak Station** Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe, 1 Nevada Pacific Parkway, Fallon, NV

**I-80 Smokeshop** Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, 1000 Smokeshop Circle, Wadsworth, NV  
775-575-2181

**Las Vegas Paiute Smokeshop** Las Vegas Paiute Tribe, 1225 N. Main Street, Las Vegas, NV  
702-366-1101

**Las Vegas Paiute Golf Resort** Las Vegas Paiute Tribe, 10325 Nu-Wav Kaiv Blvd., Las Vegas, NV  
702-658-1400 [www.paiutegolf.com](http://www.paiutegolf.com)

**Las Vegas Paiute Snow Mountain Smoke Shop** 11515 Nu-Wav Kaiv Blvd. Las Vegas, NV  
89124      702-645-2957

**Meeks Bay** Washoe Tribe of Nevada & California, 7941 Emerald Bay Road, Tahoma, CA 96142  
530-525-6946      [www.meeksbayresort.com](http://www.meeksbayresort.com)

**Moapa Paiute Travel Plaza** Moapa Paiute Tribe, Interstate 15 Exit 75 Moapa, NV  
702-864-2600

**Nixon Store** Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe      50 Highway 447 Nixon, NV    775-574-0464

**Pyramid Lake Scenic Byways Cultural Center** 709 State Street Nixon, NV    775-575-1088

**Silver Sage Travel Center** Ely Shoshone Tribe 760 S. Pioche Highway Ely, NV  
775-289-6550

**Smokeshop 1** Reno-Sparks Indian Colony 2001 E. Second Street Reno, NV 775-329-2972

**Smokeshop 2** Reno-Sparks Indian Colony 901 Golden Lane Reno, NV 775-329-6299

**Smokeshop 3** Reno-Sparks Indian Colony 11450 S. Virginia Street Reno, NV 775-852-4010

**Smokeshop 4** Reno-Sparks Indian Colony 420 Old US Highway 40 Verdi, NV 775-345-2620

**Smokeshop 5** Reno-Sparks Indian Colony 1962 Pyramid Way Sparks, NV 775-353-2140

**Tammen Temeeh Kahni "Our Grocery Store"** Duck Valley Paiute-Shoshone Tribe  
Highway 225 Owyhee, NV 775-757-3301

**Washoe One Stop** Washoe Tribe of NV & CA 915 Mica Drive Indian Hills, NV  
775-267-0402

**Washoe Tribe Smoke Shop** 2990 S. Curry Street Carson City, NV 775-885-9550

**Washoe Tribe Smoke Shop** Highway 395 S. Gardnerville, NV 775-265-3738

**Wells Smoke Shop** Wells Band Council 1700 Mountain View Drive Wells, NV  
775-752-3255

**Yerington Paiute Tribe Smokeshop** Yerington, NV 775-463-3670

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**The Bank of America Foundation** continues to identify general operating support as one of its grantmaking priorities. In the last full giving year, the Foundation provided more than \$200 million to address critical issues facing neighborhoods and communities where BOA has a presence.

In addition, the Foundation has been increasing its focus on housing needs, awarding \$22 million this summer in grants to nonprofits that build and rehab affordable housing, offering foreclosure prevention services and homeowner counseling, and providing a range of services aimed at revitalizing neighborhoods and helping working families.

BOA is also looking for new ways to provide support for organizations. For example, earlier this year the company issued a "green bond" consisting of a three-year, fixed-rate bond worth \$500 million in aggregate principal. The issuance of bonds is part of the company's efforts to support renewable energy initiatives and promote energy efficiency. Bond funds will be used to finance green investments.

Some of the Foundation's grants are awarded through an RFP process. For example, last year the following notices were issued:

- Workforce Development/Education (Application period: Jan. 22 to Feb. 15)
- Community Development (Application period: April 15 to May 10)
- Critical Needs (Application period: July 8 to Aug. 2)

Other giving by the Foundation results from proposals which are accepted throughout the year, often with the collaboration of local BOA branches.

For more information, visit the BOA Foundation website at [www.bankofamerica.com/foundation](http://www.bankofamerica.com/foundation)

To learn more about funding for operating costs, sign up to attend CD Publications' Dec. 12 audio conference, *Winning Operating Funds from Foundations*. To register, go to [www.cdpublications.com/store/257](http://www.cdpublications.com/store/257).

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<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-2210747/21st-century-Gypsies-New-Age-Travellers-adopt-horse-drawn-caravans-love-Facebook-long-solar-powered.html>

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[Ocean 2050: How to sustain our biggest ecosystem](http://www.bbc.com) [bbc.com](http://www.bbc.com)

[Mankind is consuming the ocean's resources at an alarming rate. How do we sustain this vital resource for generations to come?](#)

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*This world is like a mountain. Your echo depends on you. If you scream good things, the world will give it back. If you scream bad things, the world will give it back. Even if someone says badly about you, speak well about him. Change your heart to change the world. ~ Shams Tabrizi*

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[Watch Hoop Dancer Derrick Suwaima Davis Win 2013 World](#)



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

[A video of Derrick Suwaima Davis giving the performance that won him the 2013 World Championship Hoop Dance Contest at the Heard Museum in Phoenix.](#)

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**Association of Tribal Archives, Libraries, and Museums**

*"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world"  
... Nelson Mandela*

As indigenous peoples, or supporters thereof, we need to keep walking Nelson Mandela's long walk. In his name, let's not be distracted by things that don't move us forward. Let's quit worrying about outside influences or cultural slurs and focus on things within our control. Like Mandela, who was a great supporter of libraries and literacy programs, we need to insist on a well-educated, culturally connected population. Tribal leaders, it is within your control to do this.