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Last week, the Federal Communications Commission published a list of areas potentially eligible on an experimental basis for Connect America Fund broadband subsidies to a wide range of applicants and service providers.

You are invited to join Connected Nation's Policy & Research Development team for a webinar about the project on Friday, February 14. Connected Nation staff will answer questions about the experiment project and provide guidance on how communities and providers can file "expressions of interest" due by March 7.

Click here to re-register today.

FCC Rural Broadband Experiment Project Title: FCC Rural Broadband Experiment Project Date: Friday, February 14, 2014 Time: 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM EST Register: <u>https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/921982402</u>

After registering you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the Webinar.

**Native America Calling** - Looking for local Phoenix area journalists who may be interested in pitching or producing news stories for their national newscast, as well as their national talk show, Native America Calling. For more information contact <u>Sarah</u>.

Rez Roundup- Episode 1

After a #Lakota woman froze because she could not afford propane heating gas, Last Real Indians took action. Lastrealindians announced their campaign to start heating homes on the rez with an affordable, renewable source. WATCH Chase Iron Eyes of Last Real Indians explain...

#### Arizona State University - New State of Indian Country Arizona Report Released.

Published by the ASU Office of Public Affairs in collaboration with community partners and university faculty and programs. Click here for the report.

#### Calendar

**March 1 - PIMC 20th Annual Social Pow Wow.** Phoenix Indian Medical Center, 4212 N. 16th Street, Phoenix. 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Gourd Dance, 10:00 a.m. Grand Entry 1:00 p.m. Welcome invitation to the public, drum groups, and dancers. For information call (602) 263-1576.

March 1 - Arizona Chapter of American Association of Diabetes Educators. 1st Annual State Conference. CE hours for nurses, dietitians and pharmacists. Cardon Children's Medical Center, 1400 S. Dobson, Mesa. For information contact Karen Beer via <u>email.</u>

March 1-2 - 56th Annual Heard Museum Guild Indian Fair and Market. For information check the <u>website.</u>

March 6-7 - American Indian Language Development Institute "Grant Writing Basics with a Focus on Language and Culture". UA, Tucson. Fee. For information contact Alyce Sadongei at AILDI at (520) 621-1068 or email <u>her.</u>

March 7-8 - ThunderBoy Contest Pow Wow. Chinle Community Center, Highway 191, Chinle. For information contact Alyscia at (928) 221-1385 or email <u>her.</u>

March 8 - Teen Leadership Conference: Sustaining the Good Order. For teens ages 12-24. A drug and alcohol free event sponsored by Guadalupe Prevention Partnership, Yonokame, and Lutu'uria Youth Group. 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Breakfast, lunch, raffle prizes, workshops. NATIVE HEALTH's Medical Director, Dr. Molina, Special Guest Speaker. For information contact Ralph Cota, Prevention Coordinator at (480) 768-2063 or Vanessa at (480) 768-2064. Click here to view the event flyer.

March 8-9 - 2014 Arizona Aloha Festival. Tempe Beach Park, Tempe.

March 11-13 - Pathways Into Health: Achieving Excellence, Harmony, and Balance Conference. "Enhancing Cultural Attunement Across Health Professions through Education and Health Development." Albuquerque, NM. For information click here.

March 16-19 - 13th Native Women and Men's Wellness Conference, Town & Country, San Diego. American Indian Institute. Click here for <u>information</u>.

**March 21-23 - Cancer Support Leadership Training.** Free. Training held in Phoenix at ITCA. I.H.S. Division of Epidemiology and Disease Prevention, CDC, and Great Plains Tribal Chairmen's Health Board are collaborating to bring this training to AI/AN people interested in offering cancer support in their own communities. Free, includes travel, meals, lodging, and training materials. For information call Richard at (605) 721-1922 x 144 or email <u>him</u> or email <u>Roberta.</u>

**March 25-27 - National Johnson O-Malley Conference,** Denver. Doubletree Hotel Denver. For information call (307) 332-2027 or check the <u>website</u>.

**March 27 - All Ages, One Region Conference.** 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Glendale Civic Center, 5750 W. Glenn Drive, Glendale. Free. Make region more age friendly by learning how to connect people of all ages with their communities. Explore regional Age-Friendly Network. Space is limited. Free breakfast and lunch. For information or to register email <u>Rachel</u> or check the <u>website.</u>

March 27-28 - 10th Annual American Indian Disability Summit, Phoenix Airport Marriott, 1101 N. 44th Street, Phoenix. For information or to register please call Rosalie at (602) 443-0707 or Dorothy at (602) 495-7521. For special accommodations/transportation needs please call Fernando at Arizona Bridget to Independent Living at (602) 443-0708.

March 29 - 11th Annual Westwood Pow Wow. Mesa Westwood High School. 845 W. 8th Street, Mesa. (480) 472-4400.

March 29 - Madison School District, Native American Parent Committee 19th Annual Social Pow Wow. Madison Park Middle School, 1431 East Campbell Road, Phoenix.

**March 31-April 4 - Native Fitness Week with Native Fitness Council.** Native Youth Fitness Leader Certification (March 31-April 1) and Personal Trainer Certification (April 2-4). Flagstaff. For information call (928) 774-3048. or click <u>here.</u>

**April 4 - SIRC 12th Annual Research Conference: People on the Move: Journeys of Resilience** towards Health Equity. Presented by ASU Southwest Interdisciplinary Research Center. Sheraton Phoenix Downtown Hotel, Phoenix. For information click <u>here.</u>

**April 4-6 - Fort McDowell Pow Wow,** Fort McDowell, Highway 87, 2 miles north of Shea Boulevard. For information call (480) 789-4773 or email <u>them.</u>

**April 5 - HopeFest** - Presented by CityServe Arizona. Free medical, dental, vision, food, housing, haircuts, clothing, personal care products and more. For more information email <u>Terrilyn</u>. To view the event flyer click <u>here</u>.

**April 5 - Dobson High School Social Pow Wow,** 1501 W. Guadalupe, Mesa. For information call Misty at (480) 472-3095 or email <u>her.</u>

**April 10-11 - Native American Fatherhood and Families Association Regional Seminar:** "Fathers: Keep Families Together", Oklahoma City, OK.

**April 10-12 - Association of American Indian Physicians and The Four Corners** Alliance Pre-Admission Workshop. University of Utah School of Medicine, Salt Lake City, UT. For AI/ An undergraduate and graduate students interested in pursuing a career in the allied health or medicine fields. Scholarships for airfare, lodging and meals are available. For information contact Gary at (405) 946-7072, email <u>him</u> or check the <u>website</u>. **April 11 - 2014 Arizona Public Health Association Spring Conference** - Making Healthy Eating & Active Living the Easy Choice.

**April 11-13 - 8th Annual Salt River Veterans Recognition Parade & Pow Wow**, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. NE Corner of Longmore and McDowell Roads. For information contact <u>Pacer</u>.

**April 12-13 - Northern Arizona University Spring Pow Wow**, NAU Mountain Campus, 318 W. McCreary Drive, Flagstaff. For information call Sean at (928) 699-1003 or email <u>him.</u>

**April 17 - AHCCCS Tribal Consultation Meeting.** Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation, Fort McDowell Radisson Resort, Wassaja Conference Center, 10438 N. Fort McDowell Road, Fountain Hills, AZ. 9:00-11:30 a.m. For information email <u>Bonnie.</u>

**April 18-20 - 28th Annual ASU Pow Wow,** ASU Band Practice Field, East 6th Street and South Rural Road, Tempe. For information call (480) 965-5224.

**April 19-20 - Inaugural PHX3on3 Tournament** - Downtown Phoenix. 70 hoops in downtown Phoenix. Tournament will feature divisions for all ages, a Fan Fest and many family activities. Registration opened January 1. For information click <u>here.</u>

**April 27 - Native American Training Institute** "Healing Addictions through Education, Treatment and Native Traditions". 4th Annual Professional Development Training on Indigenous Prevention/Treatment Strategies on Substance Abuse and Other Drug Related Issues. For information call Beverly at (505) 795-8117. Albuquerque, New Mexico.

April 27-29 - 2014 Region IX Leadership Institute. Arizona Alliance of Community Health Centers. Arizona Grand Resort, Phoenix. For information check the <u>website</u>.

**April 28-29 - College Board's Native American Student Advocacy Institute Conference,** University of New Mexico.

**May 4 - RECHARGE - One Day conference for Arizona Native Youth (Grades 7-10)** to promote college readiness. Arizona State University. Registration opens February 2014. For information call Annabell at (480) 727-8325.

May 15 - Preventive Health Collaborative 2nd Annual Health and Wellness Forum. Framing Your Message, Sustaining Your Future! 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Desert Willow Conference Center, 4340 E. Cotton Center Boulevard, Phoenix. Free continental breakfast and lunch. Free event. Speakers and panel discussions. Email <u>them to RSVP.</u>

**June 2-July 3 - American Indian Language Development Institute.** Celebrate Language, Landscape, and Lifeways. Respect the Plants. Respect the Animals. Speak to them in your language. For information call Alyce at (520) 621-068.

**June 12 - AHCCCS Tribal Consultation**. Flagstaff Medical Center, McGee Auditorium, 1200 N. Beaver Street, Flagstaff, AZ 86001. 9:00-11:30 a.m. For information email <u>Bonnie</u>.

June 16-July 2 - Summer Research Training Institute for American Indian and Alaska Native Health Professionals. Portland. For information click <u>here</u>.

June 18-21 - 2014 NABI Baseball/Softball Tournament. NABI Foundation.

July 1-5 - 12th Annual NABI Basketball. NABI Foundation.

July 16-18 - 20th Annual Child Abuse Prevention Conference, Glendale Renaissance.

August 17-21 - 46th Annual Southwestern School for Behavioral Health Studies. "Whole Health: Integrating Tradition, Best Practices and Collective Wisdom." For information contact Michele at (480) 784-1514 x 1508 or check the <u>website</u> after June 1.

September 23-26 - SIENA's 7th Annual Take Charge! Native American Leadership Conference for students in grades 7-12. Westin La Paloma, Tucson. For information check the website.

**October 4 - NATIVE HEALTH Children's Pageant**. MetroCenter Mall. For information contact <u>Susan</u>.

**October 16 - AHCCCS Tribal Consultation**. AHCCCS Administration, Gold Conference Room, 701 East Jefferson Street, Phoenix. 9:00-11:30 a.m. For information email <u>Bonnie</u>.

Now, it's been just over two weeks since I delivered my State of the Union address, and I said this year would be a year of action, and I meant it. Over the past 14 days I've ordered an across-the-board reform of our job training programs to train folks with the skills that employers need, and then match them up with good jobs that are ready to be filled right now.

I've directed the Treasury to create something we're calling "MyRA" -- sort of like an IRA, but it's MyRA. And that's a new way for Americans to start saving for retirement. And you can start with as little as \$25, \$50 and start building up a little bit of a nest egg and get tax benefits for doing it so.

We've rallied the leaders of some of America's biggest high-tech companies to help us make sure that all of our kids have access to high-speed Internet and up-to-date technology in their classroom so that they're learning the skills that they need for the new economy.

# Rare Books and Manuscripts Section (RBMS) of the Association of College and Research Libraries (<u>ACRL</u>), a division of the American Library Association (<u>ALA</u>)

In 1963, our colleagues convened in Chicago for the "Western Americana Institute". – <u>Retrofit</u> <u>Fun Fact #4</u>

#### **Retrofit: Exploring Space, Place, and the Artifact in Special Collections**

Join your colleagues at the 2014 RBMS Preconference where we will consider the broad metaphorical themes of space, place, and the artifact in the special collections milieu inspired by the RBMS preconferences and meetings of the early 1960s.

While special collections practices may have changed over the last 50 years, our core issues echo the challenges faced by our predecessors. Financial problems? Cataloguing and classifying? Acquainting the public with rare materials? Do these topics ring a bell with you? Special collections professionals today regularly confront challenges in the development of collections, the creation and use of space, and the definition of our roles within the larger contexts of institutional administration and intellectual life. Focusing on the artifact, the library/archive, and the marketplace, we aim to honor the past by addressing ways to "retrofit" ideas concerning these spaces and places fifty years ago and how pertinent these concepts are today.

We will meet in Las Vegas – a land of magic, entertainment, neon, and atomic testing – from June 24-27 for conversation and inspiration. Board our thematic spaceship and let's revisit the lessons of the past to build for tomorrow.

**Book/Artifact as Place:** Our opening plenary will focus on the artifact (i.e., the book, manuscript, and archive) as the fundamental unit central to our mission and to scholarship. Brian E. C. Schottlaender will address the topic from the perspective of a university library administrator and collector exploring the growing demands for innovation and collaboration. Andrew Stauffer will provide his view as a scholar researching the 'book as archive' and the impact of his discoveries on our work.

**Marketplace:** Thursday's plenary will examine the marketplace and its effect on the special collections ecosystem. Nina Musinsky will offer an overview of the market as a member of the rare book trade. Steve Enniss will follow with an upper-level administrator's perspective on the marketplace. Michelle Light will consider the evolving roles and opportunities for Special Collections in the marketplace, particularly with the advent of digitization and users' enhanced expectations.

**Library/Archive as Place:** Our closing plenary will delve into the construction and use of space, both physical and digital. Jim Reilly will address planning and implementing preservation strategies that balance effectiveness, cost, and environmental impact. Emily Gore will focus on the increasing opportunities for special collections libraries outreach via the development of new digital spaces. Shannon Mattern will share her research on the relationships between materialities of media and spaces by exploring the library/archive as a physical and metaphorical place.

Meet Our Plenary Speakers

• Brian E. C. Schottlaender, Plenary 1 *The Audrey Geisel University Librarian, University of California, San Diego* Brian is the Immediate Past Chair of the Board of Governors of the HathiTrust. He is also a member of the Boards of Trustees of ArchivesSpace, the Digital Preservation Network, and OCLC, and serves as an elected member of the governing Council of the American Library Association.

• Andrew Stauffer, Plenary 1

#### Department of English, University of Virginia

Andrew is an associate professor of English, the Director of NINES (<u>http://nines.org</u>), and a member of the faculty of the Rare Book School at the University of Virginia. He is the author of Anger, Revolution, and Romanticism (Cambridge UP, 2005) and numerous articles on nineteenth-century British literature. He is currently working on a book entitled, "Postcard from the Volcano: The Troubled Archive of Nineteenth-Century Literature.

• Nina Musinsky, Plenary 2

Proprietor, Musinsky Rare Books, New York

Nina is the proprietor of Musinsky Rare Books, Inc. which handles 15th- to early 19thcentury Western European printed books and manuscripts in the humanities. Nina is currently Chair of the Mid-Atlantic Chapter of the ABAA and serves on the Council of the Bibliographical Society of America.

• Steve Enniss, Plenary 2

Director, Harry Ransom Center,, University of Texas at Austin Steve is Director of the Harry Ransom Center at the University of Texas at Austin. He previously served as Eric Weinmann Librarian at the Folger Shakespeare Library and, before that, Director of Emory University's Manuscript, Archives, and Rare Book Library.

• Michelle Light, Plenary 2

Director of Special Collections, University of Nevada, Las Vegas Michelle has been at UNLV Libraries since March of 2013. Prior, she was Head of Special Collects, Archives, and Digital Scholarship at University of California, Irvine. Michelle is an active member of the Society of American Archivists and has held numerous roles therein most recently being elected to the SAA Council.

• Jim Reilly, Plenary 3

*Founder and Director, Image Permanence Institute,, Rochester Institute of Technology* Under Jim's leadership, IPI has made important contributions to image preservation, management of film archives, environmental monitoring and control, and sustainable preservation practice. • Emily Gore, Plenary 3

Content Director, Digital Public Library of America

Emily is the Director for Content of the Digital Public Library of America. In this role, Emily oversees the Digital Hubs Pilot Project and provides vision and oversight for content in the DPLA. Emily has been the recipient of over \$5 million of grant funding during the course of her career. She has a Master's degree in Library and Information Studies from the University of Alabama, a BA in English/Technical Writing from Clemson University and is a 2011 graduate of the Frye Leadership Institute.

• Shannon Mattern, Plenary 3

Associate Professor, School of Media Studies, The New School

Shannon's research and teaching address the forms and materialities of media and the spaces (architectural, urban, conceptual) they create and inhabit. She's written about archives, libraries, and other media-architectures; media infrastructures; place branding; public design projects; multisensoriality; and media exhibition. She's the author of The New Downtown Library: Designing with Communities (Minnesota 2007). You can find her at wordsinspace.net.

#### Preconference News October 9, 2013

**Retrofit Fun Facts Updated Regularly** 

Notice the Retrofit Fun Fact under the banner? As we ready ourselves for the 2014... Much more at <u>www.rbms.info</u>

#### Workshops

From Theory to Action: A Pragmatic Approach to Digital Preservation Tools & Strategies-This session is sponsored by Alexander Street Press.

Tuesday, June 24th, 8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Bally's Hotel and Casino Presenters: Lynne M. Thomas, Curator, Rare Books and Special Collections, Northern Illinois University, Aaisha Haykal, University Archivist, Chicago State University Registration: Limited to 24 participants Cost: \$149, please bring your own laptop (includes materials and refreshment breaks)

## This workshop was created as a result of an IMLS-funded study <u>Digital POWRR</u>, on identifying practical digital preservation solutions for small- and mid-sized libraries.

**Practitioners from** small and mid-sized institutions possessing an introductory knowledge of digital preservation issues, such as those outlined in the <u>Library of Congress's Digital</u> <u>Preservation Outreach & Education Curriculum</u>, and with responsibility for digital objects at their institution are our target audience.

#### Applying Descriptive Cataloging of Rare Materials (Graphics)

Tuesday, June 24th, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Bally's Hotel and Casino Presenters: Erin Blake, Folger Shakespeare Library (organizer), Ellen Cordes, The Lewis Walpole Library, Helena Zinkham, Prints & Photographs Division, Library of Congress Registration: Limited to 24 participants

Cost: \$135 (includes materials and refreshment breaks)

Through lectures, visual aids, and in-class exercises, workshop participants will be introduced to and gain some practical experience in using Descriptive Cataloging of Rare Materials (Graphics), or DCRM(G), the successor to Elisabeth Betz Parker's Graphic Materials: Rules for Describing Original Items and Historical Collections. The Bibliographic Standards Committee is pleased to present this full-day workshop will focus on the descriptive portions of the bibliographic record, following the scope of DCRM(G), with special attention to instructions that are given new emphasis, such as transcription. In addition, it will cover creating records for illustrations within books, and creating group-level records. It is suitable for those who have experience using one or more of DCRM(B), DCRM(S), and Graphic Materials, and who wish to learn to catalog according to DCRM(G). Participants should have experience in MARC cataloging.

#### **Designing an Effective Instruction Program**

Tuesday, June 24th, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Bally's Hotel and Casino Presenters: Robin M. Katz and Julie Golia, Co-Directors of Students and Faculty in the Archives (SAFA), Brooklyn Historical Society Registration: Limited to 24 participants Cost: \$149 (includes materials and refreshment breaks)

#### **Students and Faculty in the**

innovative postsecondary Brooklyn Historical sources to teach document and critical thinking have found SAFA students better than their peers. provide a professional librarians and archivists Summer Institutes and and national partners, This workshop is aimed at professional who has some responsibilities but who instruction activities into a workshop will include



Archives (SAFA) is an education program at Society which uses primary analysis, information literacy, skills. Independent evaluators are more engaged and perform This full-day workshop will development opportunity for based on three years of workshops conducted for local faculty and librarians alike. the special collections teaching experience/ wants to turn his/her more systematic program. The presentations from the

facilitators, sample activities and materials from many SAFA partners, discussions among the group, and some time for planning/brainstorming.

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The earth is the mother of all people, and all people should have equal rights upon it. Chief Joseph

### USDA's Climate Hubs: Providing Targeted Solutions to Modern Challenges Secretary Tom Vilsack February 05, 2014

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Ed. note: This is cross-posted from the U.S. Department of Agriculture blog. See the original post here.

America's farmers, ranchers and forest landowners face a complex and ever-changing threat in the form of a changing and shifting climate. The past three years alone have brought some of the most severe and devastating floods, droughts and fires our nation has experienced in recent history.

While no individual event can be linked to climate change, extreme weather conditions are increasingly impacting our farmers, ranchers and forest owners, to the detriment of their bottom lines, our food supply, and the future security of our farm economy.

We need a strategy that strengthens agriculture's response to the impacts of a changing and shifting climate. Our farmers and ranchers need new and better tools to respond and prepare for the challenges of drought, heat stress, excessive moisture, longer growing seasons and changes in pest pressure.



USDA has answered the call from our nation's producers and land managers and <u>launched seven</u> regionally-located Climate Hubs to act as repositories of data and offer the practical, science-based tools and strategies our producers need to adapt and succeed in the face of a changing climate.

Recognizing that regions face different climate challenges, the Hubs are housed in USDA facilities spread across the country. <u>Each Hub will</u> focus on developing research and <u>solutions</u> tailored to the specific vulnerabilities of its region, such as drought-tolerant seed varieties, strategies to maintain soil health, and ways to monitor and respond to fires and pest outbreaks.

We won't work alone. Climate Hubs support President Obama's <u>Climate</u> <u>Action Plan</u> to responsibly cut carbon

pollution, slow the effects of climate change and put us on track to a cleaner environment. Through Climate Hubs, we will further strengthen our partnerships with a wide range of organizations working on climate issues, including the Department of Interior, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, land-grant universities, Native Nations and organizations, state departments of environment and agriculture, research centers, and farm groups.

In order to address climate change, we have to get ahead of it, and no one innovates in the face of challenge better than rural America. This will not be an easy task, but I am confident that

working together, USDA and its partners can effectively manage the risks from a shifting climate and build a stronger, more secure future for our farm and forest resources.

Learn more by visiting the <u>USDA Climate Solutions webpage</u>. Tom Vilsack is Secretary of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

#### Hawaiian 'Right to Farm Bill' Would Block Local Pesticide/GMO Bans



Seattle is planning to build a new city park filled with hundreds of edible plants - such as fruit trees, vegetables plants, herbs, etc... Free to "anyone and everyone." If successful, it will be the first "food forest" of the nation. **Elizabeth Renter**, News Report: It sounds nice, a farming bill that protects the right to farm from here to eternity, but opponents say a new bill in Hawaii has more devilish intentions. When framed against another recent ordinance passed on the Big Island, or Kauai County, it sounds like an effort to give GMO and pesticides a limitless and never-expiring pass. Though it has some supporters, the opponents of the newly-proposed measures pull some weight.

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#### Island in Scotland to be First 100% Self-Sustaining Place on Earth

**Christina Sarich, News Report:** Virescent mountains, verdant valleys, and clean energy. Sound like a scene from The Sound of Music or a fictional novel about utopia? It is neither. It is in fact, the description of the one place on this planet that is about to be self-sustaining – Scotland's Eigg Island. Eigg has a pristine landscape, a broad array of sustainable strategies and gets over ninety percent of its energy from renewable sources. Along with its witty accent, the Scots offer an example of how to live well, without fossil fuels and rampant ecological and environmental degradation. <u>READ</u> | <u>DISCUSS</u> | <u>SHARE</u>

Honored tribal elder and leader **Sonny Hendricks**, a member of the Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians, passed away 2.11.14..