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http://www.powwows.com/2014/02/21/what-can-you-say-in-your-native-language/



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This Is Your Brain on Poverty: What Science Tells Us About Poverty

Saturday, 22 February 2014 09:19 By <u>Christian Exoo and Calvin F. Exoo</u>, <u>Truthout</u> | Op-Ed Extract:

If you're a child born into a poor household, you're more likely to exhibit psychological symptoms than if you were born to a non-poor household - symptoms that are a direct result of being born poor. (That's the impulse control, attachment and resilience that Brooks was talking about.) How do we know this? In 1993, a group of researchers started an eight-year longitudinal study of children in the Great Smoky Mountains, a range of peaks along the North Carolina-Tennessee border. One thousand four hundred twenty children were recruited - 25 percent Native American, 7.5 percent black and the rest white - and given psychiatric exams annually. Unsurprisingly, the children from poor families were found to have problems, about 60 percent more than their middle-class counterparts.

Then something interesting happened. The Eastern Band of Cherokee who live in the region opened a casino and in 1996 - exactly halfway through the study - every member of the tribe started receiving income. It wasn't much - the annual payout increased each year, hitting an apex of \$6,000 before taxes in 2001, with children's money going straight to a trust fund - but it made a big difference. The rate of conduct and oppositional defiant disorders in (now formerly) poor children dropped to that of children who had never experienced poverty. Those children were less likely to commit a crime and more likely to graduate high school. And by age 21, they had almost an additional year of schooling - all strong markers of upward economic mobility.

When a single behavioral condition in a child, like ADHD (which is almost twice as likely to appear in poor children as in the general population), is estimated to cost (for treatment, educational adjustments, parents missing work and juvenile justice) \$14,576 per child per year, doesn't \$6,000 seem like a bargain? A recent *New York Times* article noted that amphetamines often are given to poor children who don't meet the diagnostic criteria for psychiatric disorder, with almost 20 percent of doctors nationwide not following the guidelines set by the American Academy of Pediatrics. But these children aren't sick - they're merely poor - and are exposed to the side effects of amphetamines - stunted growth and stimulant-induced psychosis - as an unlucky consequence of social position.

for complete article: http://www.truth-out.org/opinion/item/21967-this-is-your-brain-on-poverty-what-science-tells-us-about-poverty

Clearing Our Heads About Keystone

Ven. Bhikkhu Bodhi, Truthout: After environmental study, the State Department recently offered an almost apologetic justification for permitting the Keystone XL pipeline to be built, but strong pragmatic considerations and deeper reflection, lead to the possibility of a pivotal decision for a different world. Read the Article

On the News With Thom Hartmann: Over 1,000 Medical Professionals Say That Fracking Must Be Stopped, and More

In today's On the News segment: It looks like Progressives may be able to claim a victory; there are still massive problems at the crippled Fukushima nuclear power plant; more than 1,000 medical professionals say that fracking must be stopped; and more.

Watch the Video and Read the Transcript

2014 Edelman Lecture: Joy Harjo

Mar 12, 2014 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Pacific Northwest College of Art (PNCA) in collaboration with Museum of Contemporary Craft (MoCC) is honored to welcome celebrated author, activist, and musician Joy Harjo, who will deliver the 2014 Alfred Edelman Lecture on Wednesday, March 12, 6:30 pm.

Harjo's lecture is part of Illuminations, a city-wide event series celebrating Native arts and cultures centered around *This is Not a Silent Movie* at Museum of Contemporary Craft.

About Joy Harjo

Joy Harjo was born in Tulsa, Oklahoma and is a member of the Mvskoke Nation. She just published her memoir, *Crazy Brave*, detailing her journey to becoming a poet.

Harjo's seven books of poetry, which includes such well-known titles as *How We Became Human-New and Selected Poems*, *The Woman Who Fell From the Sky*, and *She Had Some Horses* have garnered many awards. These include the New Mexico Governor's Award for Excellence in the Arts, the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Native Writers Circle of the Americas; and the William Carlos Williams Award from the Poetry Society of America. In 2009 *For A Girl Becoming* was published.

She has released four award-winning CD's of original music and in 2009 won a Native American Music Award (NAMMY) for Best Female Artist of the Year for *Winding Through the Milky Way*. Her most recent CD release is a traditional flute album: *Red Dreams*, a *Trail Beyond Tears*. She performs nationally and internationally with her band, the Arrow Dynamics.

She also performs her one-woman show, *Wings of Night Sky*, *Wings of Morning Light*, which premiered at the Wells Fargo Theater in Los Angeles in 2009 with recent performances at the Public Theater in NYC and LaJolla Playhouse as part of the Native Voices at the Autry. She has received a Rasmusson: US Artists Fellowship and is a founding board member of the Native Arts and Cultures Foundation. Harjo writes a column "Comings and Goings" for her tribal newspaper, the *Muscogee Nation News*. She lives in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

About the Edelman Lecture

When the late Portland architect and photographer, Alfred Edelman, taught three-dimensional design at PNCA, he challenged his students to consider the principles of engineering, kinetics, physics and other subjects seemingly dissimilar to art. In doing so he brought the outside world into his classroom. Founded by Carol Edelman, the Alfred Edelman Lecture was created to enhance the student's understanding of the visual world by presenting timeless and/or unique ways to examine and manipulate three-dimensional space and to be a catalyst for lively discussions in the classroom at PNCA.

2014 Keep America Beautiful/UPS Community Tree & Recovery Tree Planting Grants Deadline March 12, 2014

UPS Foundation has been a supporter of Keep America Beautiful since funding KAB's Volunteer Management program in 2004. The corporation's leadership in environmental issues and outstanding efforts to promote and sustain volunteerism in America earned UPS the Keep America Beautiful Vision for America Award in 2007. In 2008, The UPS Foundation realigned its global strategy and announced a renewed focus on environmental sustainability.

In 2014, The UPS Foundation is proud to offer the Keep America Beautiful/UPS Community Tree & Recovery Tree Planting Grants in the amount of \$160,000 consisting of the following:

- 1) 25 grants @ \$5,000 each for Community Tree Planting Projects
- 2) 5 grants @ \$5,000 each for Post-Recovery Tree Planting Projects
- 3) 1 grant @ \$10,000 for a large scale Post-Recovery Tree Planting Project

Community Tree Planting Projects will address one or more of the following: reducing levels of carbon dioxide (CO₂) and greenhouse gas emissions through strategic plantings; emphasizing the importance of native trees; or planting fruit trees to produce fruit for local consumption.

Post-Recovery Tree Planting Projects will be given to affiliates whose communities have lost significant trees as a result of a natural disaster. These grants will focus on planting trees that have a greater likelihood of withstanding disasters (e.g., roots hold soil and prevent erosion, lessen runoff to mitigate flooding).

- Projects will demonstrate long term operational and financial sustainability.
- Priority will be given to affiliates that encourage and have an articulated plan for UPS employee engagement in tree planting projects.

KAB Affiliate Eligibility & Proposal Requirements:

- KAB certified affiliates in good standing are eligible to apply.
- Proposals should clearly describe the need for the project in the community.
- A strong sustainability plan must be included in the proposal.
- Employee engagement plan to utilize and capture/track the number of UPS employees involved in the project.

Important Deadlines:

- Completed applications must be received by March 12, 2014.
- Winners will be announced April 1, 2014.
- Projects must be completed by April 2015.

Policy Update Congress Reauthorizes Farm Bill Last week, the President signed the \$956 billion Farm Bill after the U.S. Senate passed the Conference Report by a vote of 68-32, reauthorizing agricultural and nutrition programs for five years. The final legislation includes a number of important reforms to Native education-specific provisions.

Native Education Impacts

Title IV - Nutrition

Service of Traditional Foods in Food Service Programs - Section 4033

- Allows for the service of donated traditional foods in residential childcare facilities, child nutrition programs, hospitals, clinics, and other facilities.
 - \$8.6 Billion Reduction to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
- Reduces SNAP, formerly known as food stamps, by \$8.6 billion -far lower than the \$40 billion reduction planned in the House of Representatives reauthorization.
- The Congressional Budget Office estimates that 850,000 people will lose or have diminished SNAP benefits as a result.

Title VI - Rural Development

Tribal College and University Essential Community Facilities - Section 6005

• Reauthorizes the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act program through 2018.

Title VII - Research, Extension, and Related Matters

Equity in Educational Land-Grant Status Act of 1994 - Section 7402

• Amends the definition of a "1994 Institution" to include new institutions and expand the pool of qualified research grant TCU partners.

NIEA Membership Engages Federal Leaders at LegSummit 2014

NIEA membership joined United South and Eastern Tribes leadership and federal officials last week in Washington, DC to advocate for FY 2015 funding levels and Native education policy priorities. Stakeholders emphasized the need to reauthorize the Elementary and Secondary Education Act with language that includes increased tribal authority in education and enhances language immersion opportunities.

Over the course of the three-day summit, membership had the chance to speak with congressional leaders, like Senator Jon Tester of Montana, and federal partners from the Federal Communications Commission, Health and Human Services, and the Justice Department.

Although LegSummit 2014 is over, it is crucial our membership engages Congress throughout the year. As constituents, you have the authority to engage your congressional members and make an impact by advocating on behalf of your Native students and communities.

Please utilize NIEA policy material to aid your future discussions with your community and federal leaders:

- NIEA FY2015 Budget Request
- <u>ESEA Policy Paper</u>
- Esther Martinez Policy Paper
- WIA Policy Paper

• Native Children Commission Policy Paper

For policy and advocacy questions, please contact Clint J. Bowers, NIEA Policy Associate, atchowers@niea.org.

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The public health experiment took place in several low-income school districts in the county, while others served as control groups and...

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Heads Up: The General Section of HUD's Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) is out which means the Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) Program NOFA should be announced soon.

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION DIRECT HOME LOANS FOR NATIVE AMERICANS: The Native American Direct Loan (NADL) program makes home loans available to eligible Native American Veterans who wish to purchase, construct, or improve a home on Federal Trust land or to reduce the interest rate. Veterans who are not Native American, but who are married to a Native American non-Veteran, may be eligible for a direct loan under this program. To obtain a NADL, the law requires that:

- 1. The applicant must be an eligible Veteran.
- 2. The tribal organization or other appropriate Native American group must be participating in the VA direct loan program. The

tribal organization must have signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, which spells out

the conditions under which the program will operate on its trust lands.

- 3. Apply for a Certificate of Eligibility.
- 4. The loan must be to purchase, construct, or improve a home on Native American trust land.
- 5. The Veteran must occupy the property as his or her home; a loan for rental or investment purposes is not permitted.
- 6. The Veteran must be a satisfactory credit risk.

Commissioned Officers of the Public Health Service and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration are considered to be active duty members and Veterans, once discharged. Length-of-service requirements apply, in most cases. All prospective applicants are encouraged to first contact their local housing authority and VA to discuss their financial situation. For more info. about the NADL program: https://benefits.va.gov/homeloans/nadl.asp. For FAQs: https://iris.custhelp.com/app/answers/detail/a_id/1080.

DESIGNING FOR PEOPLE AND PLACE: SUSTAINABLE & AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR THE PINE RIDGE INDIAN RESERVATION

A University of Colorado Boulder (CU) service-learning program, funded by HUD's Office of Policy Development and Research (PD&R), is bringing stakeholders and students together to offer the Oglala Lakota Nation viable models of sustainable, energy-efficient housing.

The Oglala Lakota of the Pine Ridge Indian reservation in South Dakota is located in the second poorest per capita county in the U.S.

The Pine Ridge reservation is also one of the largest reservations at 2.1 million acres. The Oglala Sioux Housing Authority observed that the reservation had 1,100 houses, but needs 4,000. Despite these challenges, Rob Pyatt, director of the CU Native American Sustainable Housing Initiative (NASHI), has found a resilient culture. "Lakota culture is based on the idea of sustainability, and a deep respect for the natural environment," values for Designing for People and Place: Sustainable & Affordable Housing for

the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. Last spring, CU's Environmental Design Program collaborated with the Oglala Lakota College and the South Dakota School

of Mines and Technology to conduct design charrettes with Pine Ridge residents and design four homes — each featuring different construction materials and methods. The housing design emphasizes energy efficiency in sustainable materials, aan alternative to the conventional wood-frame houses found throughout Pine Ridge. The homes are designed to be net-zero energy (producing more energy over the course of a year than they use) through cost-effective passive strategies like natural ventilation and passive solar orientation combined with more expensive active renewable energy systems, such as photovoltaic panels, solar thermal hot water, and wind turbines. All four homes were designed using the LEED for Homes rating system criteria. The first model house, a straw-bale construction, got underway this past summer. The three other models are expected to be built using structural insulated panels, optimized wood frame, and compressed earth block. For more info., contact Mike Blanford at Michael.D.Blanford@HUD.gov.

Native-American tribes begin pilot program to prosecute domestic violence | Al Jazeera America

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VAWA pilot program allows three tribes to regain authority to prosecute non-Natives.

Funding Deadlines (Best get busy ones!)

Investing in Manufacturing Communities Partnership March 14

Eligible lead applicants include Indian Tribe or a consortium of Indian Tribes. FY 2014 competition to designate up to 12 communities as manufacturing communities. Read more here and see the Federal Register for application information.

EDA Economic Development Assistance Programs Federal Funding March 14

Federally recognized Native American tribal governments are eligible. Grants made under these programs will leverage regional assets to support the implementation of regional economic development strategies designed to create jobs, leverage private capital, encourage economic development, and strengthen America's ability to compete in the global marketplace. EDA is soliciting applications from rural and urban communities to develop initiatives that advance new ideas and creative approaches to address rapidly evolving economic conditions.

EDA's investment priorities include environmentally sustainable development and economically distressed and underserved communities. For more information, visit the opportunity Web page.

Supportive Services for Veteran Families (VA) March 14

Grants to private nonprofit organizations and consumer cooperatives who can provide supportive services to very low-income Veteran families to assist with housing needs. Grantees also will provide families with outreach, case management, & assistance in obtaining VA & other benefits. Eligibility: 501c3 private nonprofit organizations, consumer cooperatives, and tribally designated housing entities. For more., visit http://www.va.gov/HOMELESS/docs/SSVF/ Notice Funding Availability Under Supportive Services for Veteran Families Program.pdf

Native American Food Security Grants March 14

Project supports Native organizations working to eliminate food insecurity among tribal seniors and elders in rural &/or reservation-based Native American communities. Native American-controlled 501(c)(3) nonprofits, tribal organizations designated as §7871 under the Internal Revenue Code, community organizations without 501(c)(3) status (with an appropriate fiscal

sponsor), and tribal colleges or tribal schools with programs that meet the spirit of this grant initiative are eligible to apply. Priority is given to projects that focus on eliminating food insecurity among Native elders in Native communities, incl. ensuring adequate food supplies for the senior populations in Native communities; food affordability; ensuring sufficient food quality; adequacy; and/or food appropriateness - focusing on 1) locally-grown, healthy foods or 2) developing or expanding locally-controlled and locally-based food systems that provide healthy foods to senior community members. Proposals will be accepted online. For more info., visit http://www.firstnations.org/grantmaking/2014nafsi

First Things First – Navajo Nation Food Security Grant (AZ Tribes) March 19
These grants support regional programs that address food insecurity among families with children birth through age five. Funds can be used to distribute emergency food boxes with a focus on including items and nutritional resources. Eligibility: Nonprofit and privateorganizations, units of Arizona government or Tribal governments or entities providing services in Arizona, and Arizona institutions of higher learning. Link to RFP: http://www.azftf.gov/WhatWeDo/Funding/Pages/RFGA Detail.aspx?RFGAID=FTF-RC001-15-0487-00

Planning Grants for Expansion of Comprehensive Community Mental Health Services March 19

Indian or tribal organizations are eligible. The purpose of this U.S. Dept of Health & Human Services program is to develop a comprehensive strategic plan for improving, expanding and sustaining services provided through a system of care approach for children and youth with serious emotional disturbances & their families. Priority will be given to applications that demonstrate the ability to engage in planning activities that reflect the

CALL for SUBMISSIONS

In respons to the **300th anniversary of Junipero Serra** founding the missions in California, we want to **hear from Native** (and allied) artists, writers, performers, musicians, and thinker about the **present day effects** of the social, sprititual, political, eonomic and pysicial trauma that California Naive people survived through at the missions. Audio and video works will be exhibited through News from California online. Diverse viewpoints and the whole range of emotions - from rage to whimsy - encouraged.

We're honored to have artist, James Luna, as Ar Editor for a special issue of News devoted to your voices on missionization today.

Submit photos, clips, writings, and questions to lindsie@heydeybooks.com by July 1, 2014...

I am pleased to announce the new release of the **NMAI Artist Leadership Program Call for Proposal** with a due date of Monday, May 5, 2014!! This outreach program of the NMAI Museum Programs Department targets individual artists as well as Native museums and cultural centers. This is a great opportunity for Indigenous artists of the Americas and Hawaii to interact with museum's collections and share their newly gained artistic inspiration with their community through public art projects by collaborating with community youth and artists. This program aims to affirm that indigenous arts do hold value and knowledge, rebuild cultural self-confidence, challenge personal boundaries, and foster continuity while reflecting artistic diversity.

So please share the link below with the Native artists that you know and Native museums and cultural centers that would benefit from this NMAI opportunity.

http://nmai.si.edu/connect/artist-leadership-program/

Please let me know if you have any questions in this regard. Have a great week!!

Red Road' is a dark, dramatic thriller explored in a Native American community dailynews.com

Those who know Jason Momoa as the stoic warrior Drogo on "Game of Thrones," where one of his glares was worth several thousand...

On This Day (2/26/1860): **In 1860 the Massacre at Tutulwat took place in California**. The Wiyot were holding their annual World Renewal ceremonies at the village of Tutulwat, on "Indian Island" (also known as Gunther Island) about a mile and a half offshore from Eureka in Humboldt Bay, California. A group of Eureka men came to the island in the early morning after the last ceremony was completed. They were armed with hatchets, clubs and knives. They left their guns behind so the noise of the slaughter would be only screams rather than gunshots. Reports of the number of Wiyots killed that night vary from 80 to 200; they were mostly women and children, who were apart from the men conducting ceremonies. There was one survivor of



massacred group on Tutulwat, an infant called Jerry James. This is a photo of a 2009 Wiyot Elders Gathering healing and the survival of Wiyot culture 150 years after the notorious

1860 massacres. (photo vis Clark Museum)



MC's- Vern Chocan, Onion Lake SK Manny Lieras, San Diego CA STICKMAN- Sonny Dixey, Ft Hall ID

Invited Singers—Terry Paskimen, Colin Chief, Lyle Tootoosis
Randall Paskimen, Algin ScabbyRobe, Glen Begay, Noah Fred,
Bobby Mercier, Chase Sayer,Bear ScabbyRobe, Mike Andrews
Lennis Denny, Dustin Harmon, Spazz Dewitt, Pierson Tahuka,
Rocky Morin, Red Hoop Singers

Traditional NV Style Singers Encouraged to Attend!!

Raffle Items— Weekend getaways, Concert Tickets, Pendleton Blankets, Dinner Certificates, Gas Cards, Flat Screen TV, CD's Gift Cards, Beadwork, 50/50's and much much more!!

This Round Dance is sponsored by the Red Hoop Singers and their families. This year is a memorial for the late Jaron Malone. Red Hoop would like to thank all the community partners for their donations and support. Raffle tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5, you do NOT need to be present to win! Potluck dinner on Saturday 22nd @4:00pm, Round Dance begins at 6pm both nights. All food donations are appreciated. If you have any questions or for Arts/Craft vendor information; please call (775)450-9655 or (775)901-1341, RedHoopRoundDance@facebook.com. Host Hotel is Carson Valley INN; for reservations and information call CVI (800) 321-6983.

Hope to see you there! This is a Drug and Alcohol free event!!

Help the Senior Center Food Bank!! Bring a can of food to donate to the Elder Food Bank!!



