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Monday, March 17 at 10:00am

Legislative Counsel Bureau, 401 South Carson St., Room #3138, Carson City

**Thousands to
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nativenewsonline.net

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Kristin Moe, YES! Magazine

Moe reports: "First Nations groups in the heart of Alberta, the Canadian province where the tar

sands are being mined, have been mounting what may be the most formidable opposition to the fossil fuel industry yet." [READ MORE](#)

Wastewater Injection Triggered Oklahoma's Earthquake Cascade

One of Oklahoma's biggest man-made earthquakes, caused by fracking-linked wastewater injection, triggered an earthquake cascade that led to the damaging magnitude-5.7 Prague quake that struck on Nov. 6, 2011, a new study confirms. The findings...

U.S. Geological Survey confirms: Human activity caused 5.7 quake in Oklahoma

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[The United States Geological Survey \(USGS\) issued a press release yesterday indicating that the magnitude 5.7 earthquake that struck...](#)

On Shaky Ground: Fracking, Acidizing and Increased Earthquake Risk in California, a joint report from Clean Water Action, Earthworks and Center For Biological Diversity is an analysis of the threat that a boom in drilling in California would pose to our communities, drinking water and public safety.

2014 Winter Challenge Nisqually River youtube.com

[Hank Adams answers 2014 Winter Challenge at Lillian Gregory Boat Launch at Franks Landing on the Nisqually River, March 7, 2014.](#)

See Myron Dewey Nevada response on Facebook

For all my relatives who speak of Honoring and respect of our elders and ancestors . There is an opportunity to help support the Alice Piper Memorial, for a young girl who said "yes I will be educated" when it was not allowed. I am financially supporting this effort and I ask you if you can at what ever level you can. And if not please pass this on to help educate others of this effort. Thank you. Follow this link to help. https://www.kickstarter.com/projects/2030084756/alice-piper-statue-honoring-equal-education-for-al/posts/767476?at=BAh7CD0McG9zdF9pZGkD9LULSSIIidWlkBjoGRVRpAyJ7TUkiC2V4cGlyeQY7BIRJIhgyMDE0LTA0LTA1IDE3OjUyOjM0BjsGVA%3D%3D--d5fe1305ea9aab80656eae1e97b083e5f80aaf68&ref=backer_project_update

Confederated Tribes of Umatilla Indian Reservation

Winter Chal...

Way to go Suquamish police department on the winter Challenge

Suquamish Police 2014 Winter Challenge

[@\[617937524952385:274:Suquamish Police Department\] accepting the 2014 winter challenge. Check this out!](#)

Pyramid Plhs's video.

[This Goes to our Winter Water Challenge 2014 Indigenous Water Rights. We challenge all BIE schools! This goes with our first post.](#)

Elliot Aguilar response: [WP 20140308 002.mp4](#)

[Good morning relatives, me and my grandpa went to weber and do the winter challenge 24 hours.](#)

WRPT: Chairman Carl Johnson completed his 2014 Winter Challenge at daybreak. Challenged [Casey Green](#) and Josh Dini (someone tag him). He challenges all WRPT EMPLOYEES so tags those for him. [National Park](#)

Buffalo Field Campaign is the only group working in the field and on the policy front to protect the wild bison of the Yellowstone ecosystem.

https://www.facebook.com/buffalowild?notif_t=fbpage_fan_invite

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Yellowstone Announces End to 2014 Bison Slaughter Following One-Man Blockade [Buffalo Field Campaign](#) | March 11, 2014

Comfrey Jacobs appeared in U.S. federal court today for his first arraignment after being [arrested for blocking the road to Yellowstone National Park's bison trap](#) on March 6.

Jacobs was charged with three offenses: disorderly conduct, breaking a closure and interfering with a government operation. He was offered a plea bargain: if he plead guilty he would be charged \$1,000 in restitution, be placed on unsupervised probation for five year and be banned from Yellowstone National Park for five years.

Jacobs did not accept the plea bargain, as he is awaiting further legal council. There will be a continuation of his arraignment on April 2. If Jacobs chooses to go to trial, he will be tried by a judge and not a jury of his peers.

The goal of Comfrey's decision to block access to Yellowstone's bison trap was to prevent more of [America's last wild, migratory bison from being shipped to slaughter](#). Jacobs stalled slaughter operations for more than two hours.

Comfrey's action demonstrated strong public opposition to the buffalo slaughter and has drawn an incredible amount of media and public attention to the issue. The day following Jacob's blockade, Yellowstone National Park [issued their only press release for this year's controversial bison operations](#), announcing that the Stephens Creek bison trap was empty and Yellowstone had no further plans to capture this season.

"My action raised enough public awareness that Yellowstone announced a cease to their operations the following day," Jacobs said.

This was the first time a citizen exercised civil disobedience at Yellowstone's Stephens Creek bison trap. Yellowstone National Park initiates a seven-mile public access closure surrounding their Stephens Creek bison trap while highly controversial bison management activities are underway. Members of [Buffalo Field Campaign](#) (BFC) were present to document and lend support.

Comfrey told Buffalo Field Campaign, “I have no regrets. I accept all the consequences of my actions and hope it raises awareness on this issue.”

Since Feb. 7, approximately 450 wild buffalo have been captured in Yellowstone National Park’s Stephens Creek bison trap, located in the Gardiner Basin. 318 were shipped to slaughter or research facilities and some were released. Additionally, more than 270 wild bison have been killed by state and treaty hunters just outside Yellowstone’s boundary in Montana.

*Perfectly formed and only six weeks away from being born, a buffalo calf, still attached to the womb, is discarded in his mother’s gut pile. Adult female buffalo are taking the brunt of the killing through hunting and slaughter. Photo credit: Stephany Seay/ BFC*

Through hunting, slaughter and consignment to research, more than 600 of America’s last wild, migratory bison have been eliminated this year, marking a decimation of the world’s most significant bison herds.

“Comfrey Jacobs is a hero,” said BFC’s Executive Director Dan Brister. “His actions speak for thousands of people who are upset by the slaughter of America’s last wild buffalo.”

Yellowstone and its partners in the Interagency Bison Management Plan (IBMP) have set an arbitrary population target of 3,000-3,500 bison, yet a Yellowstone bison carrying capacity study has determined that the Park can sustain upwards of 6,200 wild bison. Additionally, there are tens of thousands of acres of public lands surrounding Yellowstone that could sustain thousands more.

“The IBMP’s population target is totally [driven by politics with no basis in science](#),” said Stephany Seay, a BFC spokesperson. “Wild American bison are ecologically extinct throughout their native range, and while they have no federal protections they certainly warrant Endangered Species Act protections.”

The zero-tolerance bison politics of Montana’s livestock industry are driving the policies that are pushing these significant herds back to the brink of extinction.

To speak out against the IBMP’s slaughter visit the Buffalo Field Campaign’s page [and take action](#).

**Visit EcoWatch’s [BIODIVERSITY](#) page for more related news on this topic.**

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### **Neon Museum meets visitor projection in its first year — more than 60,000**

**By JANE ANN MORRISON                      LAS VEGAS REVIEW-JOURNAL**

Unlike the Mob Museum and the Springs Preserve, which both set unrealistic attendance expectations, the Neon Museum turned out to be spot on.

Early on, the estimate was 45,000 to 50,000 visitors a year. Later it was bumped to 60,000 a year.

In 2013, the first full year of operation, the museum and the Neon Boneyard Park pulled in 60,461 visitors. “It’s what I expected it to be,” said museum board Chairman Bill Marion.

The Neon Museum has been operating in the black since its official opening in October 2012, Marion told the Las Vegas City Council on Wednesday. “The good news is that we’re not asking you for anything,” the public relations company owner said.

The city has been a partner with the museum since its inception under former Las Vegas Mayor

Jan Jones, who preceded the Goodman era which began in 1999. “She had the foresight to know this was an art form to be treasured,” Mayor Carolyn Goodman said.

“The museum has zero debt, and for that we have you to thank,” Marion told the council.

The idea of collecting former neon signs and displaying them in a Neon Boneyard and placing a few on Fremont Street gained momentum in 2005, when the shell-shaped entrance to the La Concha Motel was obtained, saving it from destruction. The hotel with the distinctive lobby was designed by renowned architect Paul Williams and built in 1961. In 2006 it was moved from the Strip to the current site at 770 Las Vegas Blvd. North

**SEVENTH ANNUAL**  
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Memorable signs from the Stardust, the Moulin Rouge, the Aladdin and other properties are stored in the Neon Boneyard Park. There are 450 pieces representing 150 neon signs.

The museum initially was only open for pre-scheduled tours, but now it offers programs. Marion cited family programs including an astronomy session which was free to the public.

It has nine full-time and 20 part-time employees and 30 volunteers.

In 2013, it took in revenues of \$1,956,903 and entertained 60,461 visitors. Eighty percent of the visitors were non residents and of that 80 percent, 25 percent were international visitors.

Photo shoots in the Boneyard have been popular with 247 shoots, and 48 special events were held there last year. Those events included weddings, corporate receptions and dinners, private receptions and dinners, and some people rent the Boneyard to shoot their wedding photos.

“The tours sell out well in advance,” Marion said. “We’ll do additional fundraising because we’d like to expand the collection and the programs.”

Nancy Deaner, director of the city’s Office of Cultural Affairs, said the idea of “saving our neon” was around since the 1980s but various community groups couldn’t handle the costs, including transporting the signs, and they didn’t know where to put them. “That’s when the city stepped up and brought resources that no one else could bring to the table.”

The city was the original creator of the Neon Museum, which now is an independent operation with its own nonprofit status, much like the Mob Museum.

The city leases the land to the museum for \$1 a year.

Starting in 2007, the Las Vegas Centennial Commission contributed \$1.1 million toward the construction project and another \$800,000 federal grant from the National Scenic Byways program, according to Marion. “Then the city became the construction manager for the La Concha visitors center, and provided us with technical engineering and project manager.”

Ticket prices for day tours are \$18 for general admission and \$12 for seniors, students, active military, veterans and Nevada residents. At night, the tour prices are \$25 for general admission and \$22 for Nevada residents and those in the other categories.

A schedule of free family events is available at [www.neonmuseum.org](http://www.neonmuseum.org) or by calling 702-387-6366.

Contact reporter Jane Ann Morrison at [jmorrison@reviewjournal.com](mailto:jmorrison@reviewjournal.com) or 702-383-0275.

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*You cannot uneducate the person who has learned to read. You cannot humiliate the person who feels pride. You cannot oppress the people who are not afraid anymore. – César Chávez*  
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## Long Ways Calendar

**7th Annual California Indian Big Time      April 5      Humboldt State University**  
[www.humboldtstate.edu/multicultural](http://www.humboldtstate.edu/multicultural)

**7th Annual Men and Open Women Basketball Tourney    April 11-13    Owyhee**  
See above

**Indian Arts and Crafts Market    April 12-13      CA State Indian Museum**  
10-5 pm Regular admission fees apply. 916.324.0971

**Fresno State First Nations Powwow    April 13    [500nations.com/California\\_Events.asp](http://500nations.com/California_Events.asp)**

**42nd Annual UC Davis Powwow**      **April 19**      **East and West Quad UC Davis**  
[www.cc.ucdavis.edu/powwow.html](http://www.cc.ucdavis.edu/powwow.html)

**Yomen: 11th Annual Spring Celebration and Free Community Event**      **April 27**  
**Maidu Museum** 1970 Johnson Ranch Rd. Roseville 10-3 pm [www.roseville.ca.us/museum](http://www.roseville.ca.us/museum)

**Indian Gaming Trade Show and Convention 2014**      **May 11-14**      **San Diego, CA**  
Save the Date and watch for more information soon.

**2014 National Tribal Forum on Air Quality**      **May 13-15**      **Anacortes, WA**  
The NTF provides environmental professionals from tribes, EPA, and other organizations an opportunity to meet and discuss current policies, regulatory initiatives, funding, and technical topics in air quality. For more info., visit [http://www4.nau.edu/itep/conferences/conf\\_ntf.asp](http://www4.nau.edu/itep/conferences/conf_ntf.asp)

**2014 National Healthy Homes Conference (HUD)**      **May 28-30**      **Nashville, TN**  
The nation's leading interdisciplinary event brings together health, housing and other professionals dedicated to improving the lives and homes of America's families and communities. This national conference brings you leaders from the forefront of the healthy homes industry and offers the opportunity to learn from professionals, stakeholders, and leading experts that are guiding the nation toward healthier homes and communities with more than 130 sessions in six dynamic tracks. For info. & to register, visit <http://www.healthyhomesconference.org/>.

**Promoting Strong & Safe Tribal Communities**      **June 3-5**      **South, FL**  
Save the Date for Native Learning Center's 6th Annual Summer Conference. NLC partners with the U.S. Dept of HUD to offers Tuition FREE courses and trainings to Native Americans and Indigenous people with an emphasis on the educational needs of Tribal members and their communities. For more info., visit [www.nativelearningcenter.com](http://www.nativelearningcenter.com) .

**NLC's Indian Housing Training Conference**      **Aug. 18-22**      **Save the Date**  
for Native Learning Center's Indian Housing Training Conference. More info will be available soon at [www.nativelearningcenter.com](http://www.nativelearningcenter.com) .

**2014 Impact Summit**      **September 29-30, 2014**      **Washington, DC**  
See below

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[America's Great Indian Nations - Full Documentary](http://youtube.com)      [youtube.com](http://youtube.com)

[This documentary profiles six of the major Native American tribes that were defeated and subdued as part of the settling of the United States. With reenactme...](#)

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[Families of missing, murdered Indigenous women await committee report -](http://aptn.ca)      [aptn.ca](http://aptn.ca)

[APTN National News Canadians will learn Friday whether or not a federal committee will recommend a National Inquiry into missing...](#)

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[Senator Reid Discusses Nevada's Sesquicentennial](http://youtube.com)      [youtube.com](http://youtube.com)

[Throughout this year, my home state of Nevada will celebrate the 150th anniversary of its path to statehood.](#)

### **Four Statewide Nevada Day Parades Scheduled This Year**

Four statewide Nevada Day parades will be held this year to celebrate the 150th anniversary of Nevada's statehood.

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### **2014 Impact Summit**

**September 29-30, 2014**

**Washington, DC**

In celebration of CIC's 10 year journey to advance the art and science of indicators, facilitate the exchange of knowledge and encourage the development of effective indicators, we invite you to our annual forum on fostering informed civic and media discourse about local, regional, national, and global priorities.

The 2014 IMPACT SUMMIT will offer all of the great features of past conferences: inspiring keynotes, engaging presentations from leaders and peers that span the gamut of indicators work.

The 2014 IMPACT SUMMIT will be a highly interactive conference, bringing together indicator practitioners, think tank analysts, academics, funders, and data providers. Around the theme of storytelling, participants will share their work and ideas, explore the trends moving your community, work to bridge the distance between facts and perceptions, and connect with colleagues new and old.



**2014 IMPACT SUMMIT**  
Washington, DC, September 29-30, 2014

#### **Call for Presentation Proposals**

In the practice of community indicators, statistics matter but the numbers become more important when we give them meaning. Using data to tell more engaging, more meaningful, more accurate, more connected stories with data is key to improving our outcomes.

Within the CIC community of practice, we all work with data; some of us collect it, some of us analyze it, some of us visualize it; all of us aim to communicate it to make a difference in communities. Community indicators practice breathes life and human values into statistics and delivers data trends that matter into the hands of more people who will use them.

Submit your proposal and join us to learn together about the best work in translating data into stories that matter and match the facts for two intense days of sharing and learning at the 2014 Impact Summit.



#### **Conference Format and Tracks**

We invite stand-alone presentations, thematic panels, shorter stories and work-in-progress that deliver best practices, new ideas, or lessons learned across the spectrum of community indicators practice and use approaches for different types of learners.

Submit your proposal today in one of the following cross-cutting tracks:

Submit your proposal by April 20, 2014:  
[communityindicators.net/2014proposals](http://communityindicators.net/2014proposals)

| TRACKS & TOPICS | HEALTH                                                                                           | COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT | SUSTAINABILITY | EDUCATION |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|-----------|
| MEASURE         | Tools and technologies, resources and methods to obtain meaningful data.                         |                                  |                |           |
| CONNECT         | How we use tools, like story telling or visualization, to engage the public and decision-makers. |                                  |                |           |
| IMPACT          | How indicator projects can mobilize people to change minds, policies, systems, and priorities.   |                                  |                |           |
| SUSTAIN         | Strategies and resources to sustain, improve and grow indicator projects.                        |                                  |                |           |

We will accept the following formats for your presentation:

- Panel presentations of 3-4 speakers sharing a theme
- Stand-alone presentation of 15-20 min
- Other creative formats (workshops, pecha kucha, speed data-ing) by invitation. Stay tuned

Acceptance notifications will be emailed by May 30, 2014.



### **Conference Theme      Data - Stories - Impact      Translating Indicators into Action**

Tools, such as storytelling, graphic animation, visualization, and social media, let statistics tell more engaging, more meaningful, more accurate, more connected stories that, in turn, improve community outcomes. How do we collect data and use it to connect and have an impact? How



do we go from data to action? How do we build stories that reach their intended audiences? How do we sustain our work so that we can continue making a difference? These are some of the difficult questions we will address over the course of our two-day conference.

**Location**

The FHI 360 CONFERENCE CENTER, located a block from Dupont Circle, will host the 2014 Impact Summit in its bright and spacious facilities.

The conference hotel is the **Churchill Embassy Row Hotel**, also located on Connecticut Avenue.

The area is a hub to numerous art galleries, and convenient to all the top museums, landmarks and attractions, with easy public transportation access from the airport and throughout the city.

The conference is a two-day affair on September 29 and 30 and will be preceded by workshops and field trips on September 28. A reception is planned for the evening of September 29.

Under the overall banner of **Data - Stories - Impact - *Translating Indicators into Action***, the 2014 Impact Summit will offer tracks in the following areas:

- **MEASURE:** Tools and technologies, resources and methods to obtain meaningful data.
- **CONNECT:** How we use tools, like story telling or visualization, to engage the public and decision-makers.
- **IMPACT:** How indicator projects can mobilize people to change minds, policies, systems, and priorities.
- **SUSTAIN:** Strategies and resources to sustain, improve and grow indicator projects.

Sessions will also be identified according to the following topics: Health, Community & Economic Development, Sustainability, Education, or Cross-cutting.

In addition our Impact and Leadership Awards will recognize and celebrate outstanding indicator projects and remarkable leaders in the field.

Look for an innovative pecha kucha session and an inspiring speed data'ing hour

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**JESSICA SAYLES, PRINCIPAL, HOULDSWORTH, RUSSO AND CO.** (LVRJ Business Journal)

Accounting has a new face, and Jessica Sayles is proof.

Sayles, a principal at Houldsworth, Russo and Co., is a young Hawaiian woman who shuns the accountant stereotype.

“When you think of an accountant, you think of them sitting in the corner, saying, ‘Don’t bother me, don’t talk to me,’” Sayles said. “I want to change these perceptions.”

Sayles began her career at Houldsworth, Russo and Co. as an intern in 2007. She stayed with the company and rose through the ranks, becoming an audit manager, then a CPA, and today she is a principal.

The firm specializes in audit and tax works for nonprofit organizations and small businesses.

“It’s really passionate people who don’t necessarily have a financial background,” Sayles said.

Sayles is also a part-time instructor at UNLV, teaching governmental and nonprofit accounting to graduates and seniors.

It’s a way to give back to the academic community where she earned her bachelor’s degree and master’s. It also allows her to keep a pulse on the university’s up-and-coming next generation, she said.

**Sayles came to Las Vegas from Hawaii in 2001, with a goal of keeping strong ties to her culture.**

**“They call Las Vegas the ninth island. It’s pretty connected here,” she said.**

She competed in hula dancing for six years and dances for fundraising events. She previously served as treasurer for the Las Vegas Hawaiian Civic Club and is finance chairwoman.

Recently, she and a team of professionals formed Pacific Rim, which gives advice to struggling minority-owned businesses. Accountants, marketing experts, lawyers and insurance professionals volunteer their time.

Currently, Pacific Rim finds candidates through word of mouth, but the group hopes to soon formalize the application process.

Nonprofit organizations and giving back are themes in Sayles’ life, ones she attributes to her culture, her mother’s positive influence and her company’s culture.

“You don’t have to be the mold,” she said. “You can be something different and still be successful.” — Kristy Totten


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From KH:

Found this wonderful site with many fantastic suggestions for old computers other than throwing them away and adding to the junk of the world. May want to send it out in your listserve.

<http://www.greenprophet.com/2008/05/recycling-computer-reuse/>

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A photograph of a bright blue sky with sunlight streaming through dark, dramatic clouds. The sunbeams create a strong contrast against the deep blue background.

**“ Think about it this way:  
We’re killing people in foreign  
lands in order to extract 200  
million-year-old sunlight.  
We frack our own backyards and  
pollute our rivers, or we blow up  
our mountaintops...for an hour of  
electricity, when we could just take  
what’s falling free from the sky.”**

Danny Kennedy, former Greenpeace activist & founder of Sungevity

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