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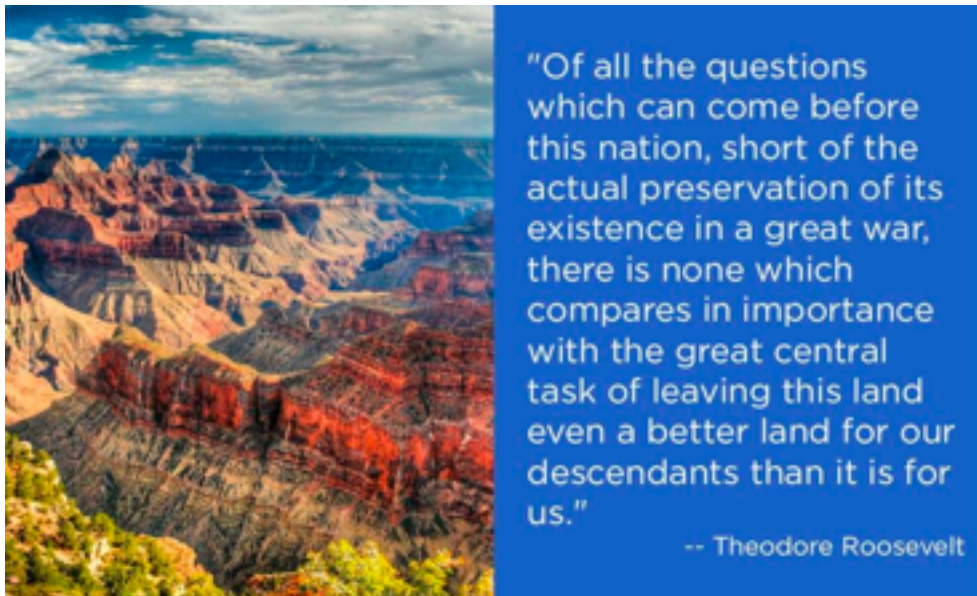
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RIP Dustin Collins

RIP Andy Allen



Yesterday, in the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals, a three-judge panel cleared the way for Barrick Gold Corporation to proceed with the destruction of Mt. Tenabo, which overlooks and is now part of the Cortez gold mine in Crescent Valley. Cortez is the second-largest gold mine in the world. There is one thin ray of hope: Barrick strongly objected to the requirement that protecting sacred sights was a requirement that BLM had to follow. But all three judges ruled against them.

.The court stated:

“Although E.O. 13007 has no force and effect on its own, see *id.*, its requirements are incorporated into FLPMA by virtue of FLPMA’s prohibition on unnecessary or undue degradation of the lands, see 43 U.S.C. § 1732(b); 43 C.F.R. § 3809.5.”

The court later stated: “Moreover, E.O. 13007 requires only that sacred sites be accommodated “to the extent practicable.” *Id.* BLM determined that further accommodation was not practicable given the lack of specificity as to location and as to the number of Tribal members who use any

particular site on the pediment for religious activities. We see no arbitrary or capricious agency action in relation to BLM's obligation under E.O. 13007 to accommodate the use of sacred sites."

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I first went to the area as a kid since our family ranch was in the next valley east, and then again for several summers in college when my sister was a field student doing a dig of the Welsh and Chinese mining settlements on Tenabo (remnants of which have all since been completely destroyed by Barrick). Citizen Alert folks used to take our caravans of urban folks there and Mary and Carrie Dann would camp with us and tell stories about the area. Mt. Tenabo, they told us, is where their people came from.

I was in the court room in Reno in 2009 when Judge Hicks denied the injunction to protect Mt. Tenabo. In my journal from that time I wrote: "With all due respect to Judge Hicks, he primarily based this decision on a highly dubious claim by one miner living on Mt. Tenabo for several years who testified he 'never saw any Shoshones going up there to pray.' The Newe do not broadcast their spirituality in mega churches. One elder told me yesterday after the Judge issued his decision that she would hide every time on those rare occasions when she would see anyone up there."

This is exactly what my friend Joe Sanchez (Duckwater Shoshone), who dedicated his life to defending the rights of his people and enforcing the Treaty of Ruby Valley, meant when he talked about the inefficacy of a colonial court system that sits in judgment of a culture that it knows nothing about.

May we all be forgiven for our collective shame and responsibility for this irreparable desecration. And may we redouble our efforts to hold Barrick Mining Corporation accountable.

**Bob Fulkerson**

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9th Circ. Backs Barrick Mine Project Over Tribal Opposition - Law360

The Ninth Circuit on Thursday refused to block a major Barrick Gold Corp. mining project in Nevada, rejecting a bid from Indian tribes claiming that work shouldn't move forward because the project area... law360.com

[SYLAP 2014: June 14th – August 8th \(Shoshone Language Project\)](#)

[SYLAP Applications available below!](#) [Note the date changes!](#)

[April 4, 2014: Applications must have arrived to the Shoshoni Language Project Office in order to be considered.](#)

May 2, 2014: We will notify applicants as to the status of their acceptance.

May 23rd: We will send out the welcome packet materials that you will need to fill out and bring with you to Salt Lake City.

If you would like to receive updates by e-mail or request an application for SYLAP 2014, please click [here](#) to fill out the request form.

**SYLAP 2014 Application
(First Year)**

**SYLAP 2014 Application
(Returning Interns)**

for video: <http://shoshoniproject.utah.edu/sylap/sylap-2014/>

The Washington Post – Harry Reid predicts Redskins name changes within three years
Dan Steinberg March 27, 2014

Senate Majority Leader Harry M. Reid (D-Nev.) predicted Thursday that the Redskins will change their name within three years.

Reid said he was unimpressed by the Redskins' new charitable endeavor for Native Americans, the Washington Redskins Original Americans Foundation, which was launched earlier this week. The team announced the creation of the foundation after conducting four months of research into Native American issues and opinions, a process that included visits to 26 Indian reservations in 20 states.

The team also announced that it had distributed “over 3,000 cold-weather coats to several tribes, as well as shoes to players on boys and girls basketball teams,” and that it “assisted in the purchase of a new backhoe for the Omaha Tribe in Nebraska.”

Reid, though, called the effort “a phony deal, like everything [owner Dan Snyder has] done.”

“Dan Snyder, he’s got a great new deal,” Reid said in a phone conversation. “He’s going to throw a few blankets to the Indians and get a tax deduction for it. I can’t imagine why the man doesn’t realize that the name is going to change. It’s only a question of when it’s going to change. That’s the only question.”



Reid compared the situation to that at the University of North Dakota. Las Vegas multimillionaire Ralph Engelstad, from Reid's home state, built an impressive arena for the university's hockey team, leveraging his influence to encourage the school to keep its Fighting Sioux nickname and logo. Under pressure from the NCAA, the school still wound up dropping the nickname.

"And Snyder has to realize, he is on the losing side of history," Reid said. "And the sooner he does it, the better off we are. The Wizards, you know, they were the Washington Bullets. With all the killing that took place, the murders in Washington, Abe Pollin – a very nice man – decided I don't need any of this. So they changed it to the Washington Wizards. We're all used to the Washington Wizards. And I don't know what [the Redskins will] change the name to, but we'll get used to it really quick."

Reid has spoken out on the Redskins before, telling The Hill in December that "we live in a society where you can't denigrate a race of people." And several other high-profile politicians have taken similar stances. Sen. Maria Cantwell (D-Wash.) and Rep. Tom Cole (R-Okla.) wrote a letter to NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell in February, calling the team's name "a racial slur" and urging Goodell to formally oppose it. Rep. Betsy McCollum (D-Minn.), with Cole a co-chair of the Congressional Native American Caucus, reacted angrily to Snyder's foundation earlier this week.

"Team owner Dan Snyder wants to keep profiting from his team's racist brand and use those profits to attempt to buy the silence of Native Americans with a foundation that is equal parts public relations scheme and tax deduction," she said in a press release.

Earlier this month, House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.) suggested that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office should stop issuing the trademark for the team's name. And Reid argued that the end game is approaching.

"I think the name will be changed within the next three years," he said on Thursday. "You know, I may slip a year or two, but I think it's just a question of time. Because Native Americans are organized. We have Native Americans who now are not all poor. We've got these Indian gaming establishments who have money, who are gonna help with this. And Dan Snyder's not the only person in the world with money."

http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/dc-sports-bog/wp/2014/03/27/harry-reid-predicts-redskins-name-changes-within-three-years/?Post+generic=%3Ftid%3Dsm_twitter_washingtonpost

[EDITORIAL: Rancher stands up; feds should back off](#)

[\(Sound familiar? But where was the LVRJ on the Dann and Yowell cases? sdc\)](#)

LAS VEGAS REVIEW-JOURNAL

A rancher needs big brass ones to stand up to Washington. Not only is the federal government the country's largest and least competent landowner, it's also the country's largest police force and largest law firm, wrapped with red tape into one unflinching leviathan.

Cliven Bundy has big brass ones, all right. And the belt buckle and hat to go with them. But Clark County's last cattle rancher knew his defiance would one day come to this. After more than 20 years of being dared to use their heavy hands, Bureau of Land Management officials and federal authorities say they're finally going to seize and auction Mr. Bundy's livestock.

Starting Thursday, Washington restricted access to almost 600,000 acres of land — nearly 1,000 square miles, or roughly the area of Rhode Island — with pockets of closures so agents and

contract cowboys can round up several hundred "trespass cattle" owned by Mr. Bundy. The restrictions will be in place through May 12. Public land, indeed.

Although Mr. Bundy stopped paying grazing fees to the BLM in 1993, the desert tortoise is

driving this confiscation. The BLM closed large areas of land northeast of Las Vegas to grazing in 1999 in another misguided attempt to protect the reptile and its habitat. Never mind that grazing has long benefited tortoise populations by churning seeds into soils, keeping predators at a distance and limiting the vegetation overgrowth that feeds wildfires. Never mind the long record of federal busybodies killing off tortoises by trying to save them.

The environmentalist toadies at the Center for Biological Diversity don't like ranching and grazing. They believe a few hundred cattle will *destroy* hundreds of thousands of acres of desert. They want the BLM use force to remove Mr. Bundy's cattle. The roundup will disturb plenty of

NWHM | NATIONAL WOMEN'S HISTORY MUSEUM

NWHM hosts its first Google Connected Classroom

NWHM will host a program called *Game Changers: Women & Sports* on Monday March 31, from 11am to 11:45EDT, in partnership with Google Connected Classroom. It will be hosted on Google+ Hangouts on Air: <https://plus.google.com/events/cjn2ibrqm175hn38f75in4lhupc>. We invite you to watch the live stream of this event and submit real-time questions via the Q&A chat function. (You don't need to be a teacher or a student to participate!)

Playing softball, 1942 | Library of Congress

Dr. Bonnie Morris (The George Washington and Georgetown Universities) and Professor Nancy Hogshead-Makar (Women's Sports Foundation) will lead the program, which explores the political, cultural and social barriers that women overcame to play sports, and ongoing challenges that they face. Dr. Morris teaches women's studies including a course on gender and athletics. Prof. Hogshead-Makar is an Olympic gold medalist, civil rights lawyer and has been associated with the Women's Sports Foundation for 30 years.

Connected Classrooms is a new program on Google+ that makes it easier for teachers to connect their students with virtual learning opportunities on Google+. By joining the Connected Classrooms G+ Community, educational organizations can connect to teachers and classrooms around the globe and launch their own virtual field trips.

We hope that you will be able to join us for this engaging discussion.

National Women's History Museum | 205 S. Whiting Street, Suite 254 | Alexandria, Virginia 22304 | 703.461.1920 | nwhm.org

tortoise habitat, at great public expense, but no matter. BLM officials have spent years in the courts making sure Mr. Bundy has no legal recourse to stop them this time.

Mr. Bundy, 67, doesn't care what judges say about the unforgiving land his family has lived on for nearly 140 years. "Tell them Bundy's ready," he told the Review-Journal's Henry Brean this week. "Whenever they've got the guts to try it, tell them to come."

This action could reignite the Sagebrush Rebellion — Mr. Bundy has allies across the West. There is great potential for violence. It shouldn't come to that. We hope it doesn't.

The most obvious solution, releasing federal land to local control, won't happen overnight. So we offer a final chance at compromise: Have Washington stand down and send the zealots of the Center for Biological Diversity to collect the cattle, instead.

EDITORIAL: UNLV MINOR CREATES A DRONE HOME

Rarely does a new college minor have such potential for a major economic impact. But UNLV's decision to introduce an undergraduate engineering minor in unmanned autonomous systems — drones to layfolk — already has helped attract the booming industry to Nevada.

<http://erj.reviewjournal.com/ct/uz3688753Biz20510414>

Serra Da Capivara National Park Journal: Discoveries Challenge Beliefs on Humans' Arrival in the Americas

Friday, March 28, 2014 - 01:40 in [Paleontology & Archaeology](#)

Archaeologists say humans reached what is now northeast Brazil as early as 22,000 years ago, upending a prevailing belief of 20th-century archaeology in the United States that people arrived in the Americas about 13,000 years ago.

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PTO Today: Parent Group of the Year

PTO Today's Parent Group of the Year contest highlights the great work being done by elementary and middle school parent groups throughout the United States. Click above to learn more about the funding guidelines and application process.

Inter-American Development Bank: Initiative for the Promotion of Regional Public Goods

The Inter-American Development Bank's Initiative for the Promotion of Regional Public Goods provides grants to address challenges or seize opportunities for development that can be dealt with more effectively and efficiently by means of regional cooperation in Latin America and the Caribbean. Click above to learn more about the funding guidelines and application process.

Department of Justice: Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation Program

This program provides support for place-based and community-oriented crime prevention strategies as part of an effort to revitalize communities. Click above to learn more about the funding guidelines and application process.

National Funding

Support for Spay/Neuter Programs Nationwide

PetSmart Charities: Targeted Spay/Neuter Grant Program

The mission of PetSmart Charities is to improve the quality of life for all companion animals through programs that save the lives of homeless pets and promote healthy relationships between people and pets. PetSmart's Targeted Spay/Neuter Program provides grants for spay/neuter projects that focus on owned pets (dogs and cats) in areas where there is a critical need across the U.S. and Canada. Target areas may include all or part of a county, city, township, ZIP code, census tract, neighborhood, mobile home park, or other location. Funds are provided for projects that focus on a particular breed that has an especially high intake at the local shelter. ([Free-Roaming Cat Spay/Neuter Grants](#) are also provided.) Grant applications will be reviewed until funding is exhausted. Visit the PetSmart website to submit an online application.

Innovative K-12 Math and Science Programs Funded

Toyota U.S.A. Foundation

The Toyota U.S.A. Foundation is committed to improving the quality of K-12 education throughout the country by supporting innovative programs and building partnerships with organizations dedicated to improving the teaching and learning of mathematics, science, and environmental science. The Foundation places priority on programs that are broad in scope and incorporate systemic approaches, creative programs that develop the potential of students and/or teachers, and cost-effective programs that possess a high potential for success and relatively low duplication of effort. Grants of \$50,000 and up are provided to colleges and universities as well as nonprofit organizations engaged in pre-collegiate math and/or science education. K-12 public and private schools are not eligible to apply. Requests may be submitted at any time. Online application guidelines are available on the Foundation's website.

Grants Promote a Sustainable and Equitable World

Jessie Smith Noyes Foundation

The Jessie Smith Noyes Foundation supports grassroots organizations and movements working to change environmental, social, economic, and political conditions to bring about a more just, equitable, and sustainable world. The Foundation's funding priorities include environmental justice, sustainable agriculture and food systems, and reproductive rights. Grants are provided throughout the United States in both rural and urban communities. (The Foundation also offers support to nonprofit organizations that advocate for sustainable practices in New York City.) The first step in the application process is to complete the funding quiz. After completing the quiz, organizations that are eligible for grant consideration will be directed to an Internet Application Form, which may be submitted throughout the year. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about the funding priorities and application process.

Guest Theater Artists at U.S. Colleges Supported

Stage Directors and Choreographers Foundation: Guest Artist Initiative Program

The Guest Artist Initiative Program, an initiative of the Stage Directors and Choreographers Foundation, funds the hiring of professional stage directors and choreographers to helm theater productions at universities and colleges across the country. American colleges and universities are eligible to apply for matching funds of up to \$5,000 to support the guest artist fee for a director or choreographer for a specific project. This year the Foundation will provide up to \$6,000 to be shared by at least two schools. The application deadline is May 5, 2014. Visit the Foundation's website to download the application guidelines and form.

Regional Funding

Funds for Pacific Northwest Health Care Organizations

Cambia Health Foundation

The Cambia Health Foundation is dedicated to creating a more person-focused and economically sustainable health care system. The Foundation provides support to nonprofit organizations serving the residents of Idaho, Oregon, Washington, and/or Utah that address one of the following three program areas: Transforming Health Care, Children's Health, or Sojourns (palliative and end-of-life care). The remaining 2014 deadlines for letters of inquiry are May 2 and September 12. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about the guidelines for each program area. Application details are available on the [Grant Application Center](#) page.

Grants Enhance Local Community Organizations in Florida

Florida Blue Foundation: Quality of Life Grants

The mission of the Florida Blue Foundation is to improve the health and well-being of Floridians and the communities in which they live. The Foundation's Quality of Life Grants support nonprofit organizations that address critical issues in local communities throughout the state. Grants are provided for programs and event sponsorships related to improving arts and culture, education and literacy, human and social services, disaster relief and preparedness, and diversity and community development. Applications may be submitted throughout the year. Visit the Foundation's website and click on "Improve Quality of Life" under "Our Focus Areas" to learn more about this grant opportunity.

Support for Dental Care Programs in Kansas

Delta Dental of Kansas Foundation

The Delta Dental of Kansas Foundation works to increase access to dental care for underserved populations, build the capacity to provide dental care, increase public awareness of oral health, and promote the prevention of oral disease throughout the state. The Foundation provides grants of up to \$150,000 to community-based programs designed to improve oral health, with special consideration given to programs that focus on low-income children and senior citizens. Grants are provided for new initiatives, new components of existing programs, start-up funding, or one-time events. The application deadline is May 1, 2014. Visit the Foundation's website to download the grant guidelines and application materials.

Vermont Human Service Organizations Funded

The Richard E. and Deborah L. Tarrant Foundation

The mission of the Richard E. and Deborah L. Tarrant Foundation is to create opportunity, help meet basic needs, and improve the lives of people in Vermont. The Foundation provides support to nonprofit organizations in Vermont that address the following categories: Crisis or Hardship focuses on unmet needs in the areas of shelter, food, substance-abuse treatment, safety, essential transportation, dependent care, disability, or other challenges. Barriers to Success focuses on working to create a greater level of opportunity or independence in life by negotiating barriers in areas such as essential youth development, employment readiness, or family resilience. Letters of interest may be submitted throughout the year. Visit the Foundation's website to review the grant guidelines.

Federal Funding

Program Brings AEDs to Rural Communities [Department of Health and Human Services](#)

The Rural Access to Emergency Devices Grant Program provides support to develop community partnerships to purchase automated external defibrillators (AEDs), provide defibrillator and basic life support training, and place the AEDs in rural communities with local organizations. The application deadline is April 30, 2014.

Support Provided for Humanities Capacity Building [National Endowment for the Humanities](#)

The Challenge Grants program provides support to build the capacity of humanities institutions and organizations. The application deadline is May 1, 2014.

Funds Available to Provide Employment Training for Court-Involved Youth

[Department of Labor](#)

The Face Forward 2: Intermediary and Community Grants program provides support to address the employment barriers of court-involved youth while helping these youth develop the employment skills needed to obtain good jobs. The application deadline is May 2, 2014.

Program Supports Savings Accounts for Low-Income Families

[Department of Health and Human Services](#)

The Assets for Independence Demonstration Program offers support to provide individual development accounts and related services to individuals and families with low incomes. The application deadlines are May 7 and July 14, 2014.

Partner Depot

[IEDC - Creating Quality Jobs: Transforming the Economic Development Landscape](#)

[The International Economic Development Council](#) recognizes that as the role of economic developers has expanded to include everything from technology transfer to attracting retail to expand a community's tax base, the profession must examine the types of jobs it is creating and how well they meet the needs of individuals and communities in a globalized, skill-based economy. This report identifies the role of economic developers in creating quality jobs and improving the quality of existing jobs. [Download the free Creating Quality Jobs: Transforming the Economic Development Landscape Report today.](#)

Today (3.30) is National Navajo CodeTalkers Day. We honor these brave warriors for the service



and sacrifice.

The BLM is seeking public comment on a Houston-based oil company's proposed gas exploration drilling around Tabor Flats in Elko County with the use of hydraulic fracturing, better known as fracking. For more information, visit:

<http://bit.ly/1mg4FYq>

Are you going to give the BLM your opinion on this matter?

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**Frack Free Nevada**

I would like everyone to do something for our state (Nevada).

Please contact Lowell Price ([lprice@govmail.state.nv.us](mailto:lprice@govmail.state.nv.us)) and ask him to see the baseline testing for the water, soil, and air for the area where the permits have been approved in NE Nevada.

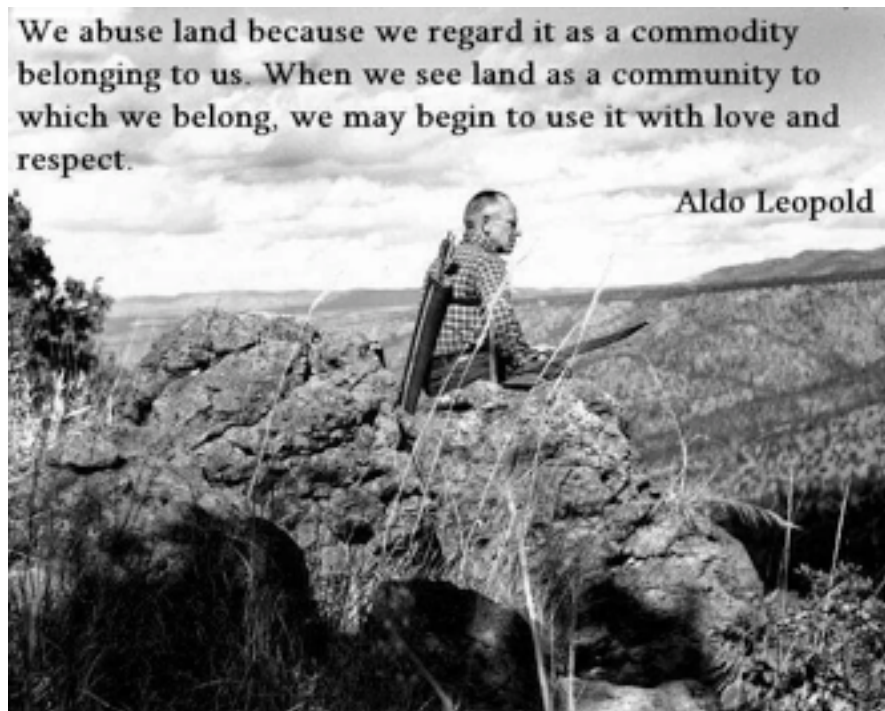
Ask him to list off the chemicals they used and are using in the fracking process.

Ask for the amount of bond in place to protect the people and wildlife of Nevada in the event of a spill, accident, or other problem.

Ask him what regulations the industry is regulated by since the proposed regulations are not in place yet.

Ask him why the hurry to let drilling and fracking occur when the program hasn't been created.

PLEASE EVERYONE  
DO THIS.



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**RIP**

**Dustin Collins**

Born in 1987, a Peace and Dignity Runner and most recently a Response Center Engineer for Hewlett-Packard in L.A.

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Andy Allen

A member of the Walker River Paiute Tribe, Andy Allen learned the Paiute language and traditional stories from his family and friends. The language and narratives give him a strong sense of community and enabled him to remain close to his Native culture. Because of this, he has become an advocate of language preservation. He taught the language and narratives of Northern Paiutes for decades to individual students and huge audiences. He was skilled at teaching Paiute and is both an educator and entertainer who wove in cultural and historical information about his tribe, and reciting Paiute creation stories and narratives of traditional animal tales of “coyote” and “crow”. Living in rural Schurz, he eagerly traveled far from home to the urban and rural reaches of the state to be certain that the commodity he holds most precious—the Paiute language—will never die.

Andy’s presentations included teaching Paiute terms for objects, animals, and other items in a formal, structured manner. He was also skilled in the telling of traditional narratives (often humorous) in Paiute, allowing the audience to get a feel for the sounds and rhythms of the language before providing English translations. He was frequently accompanied by one or more traditional Paiute storytellers, such as Ralph Burns or Ben Aleck of the Pyramid Lake Paiutes, or Marlin Thompson from Walker River Paiutes in Yerington. Andy says that “stories are a good way to put children to bed at night, but they can also bring together and inspire people.”

The Paiutes are one of the major Great Basin tribes of Nevada, and language is one of the premier distinguishing features of the tribe. Northern Paiutes are thought to be more closely

affiliated with the Shoshone in the geographical region they inhabit today. Paiute stories often have humorous endings, or incorporate creation narratives with descriptions of ancestors and the landscapes they inhabited. People in the stories may take the shape of animals or tricksters and undergo physical or spiritual transformations.



As an elder in his community, Andy was a classic tradition bearer,” one whose spirit and personality are intertwined with his intent to share, preserve, and teach the Paiute language. Some believe that his is the last generation with the knowledge and ability to sustain the Northern Paiute language and traditional stories. It was a rare treat to experience Andy and his associates sharing their linguistic and storytelling traditions.