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LEGISLATIVE PANEL SIGNS OFF ON NEW RULES FOR FRACKING

CARSON CITY — A legislative panel on Friday signed off on new rules for oil and gas companies to follow for hydraulic fracturing, or fracking, in Nevada.

http://erj.reviewjournal.com/ct_uz3688753Biz22928426

Navajo Turmoil

[22nd Council passes removal of language requirement just after midnight - Navajo Times](#)

After hours of seemingly endless debating, the Navajo Nation Council voted just after midnight to remove the Navajo language requirement from qualifications to... navajotimes.com

[Supreme Court dismisses Deschene appeal - Navajo Times](#)

The Navajo Nation Supreme Court has dismissed the embattled Marine Corps vet's appeal.
navajotimes.com

[Navajo election at standstill amid confusion](#)

With their presidential election less than two weeks away, Navajo Nation officials are trying to figure out how they'll proceed with a race that has become increasingly embroiled in confusion amid a debate over the tribe's language. abc15.com

[Navajo high court orders election postponed](#)

[The top court on the largest American Indian reservation ordered tribal election officials Thursday to postpone the Navajo Nation's presidential election and immediately reprint ballots without the name of a candidate who was disqualified in a language fluency case.](#)

kob.com Oct 23, 2014

[Language Dispute Halts Navajo Election](#)

[The Navajo Nation Supreme Court ordered that one of the candidates in the tribe's presidential election be removed from the ballot because he failed to prove he spoke the Navajo language fluently.](#) The New York

Times Oct 23, 2014

[Navajo Times](#)

After deciding to postpone the election in a 2-1 vote, the Navajo Supreme Court has also written its ruling, a plea to the people of the Navajo Nation.

The Na... [See More](#)



How Native Americans Could Save the Democrats' Senate Majority

[Read the Article at Mother Jones](#)

Emerge NM

A record number of Native American women in New Mexico are running for office—and many of them are [Emerge NM](#) graduates! Great shoutout!

Native Women Aim to Make Waves in NM Political Arena

A record number of Native American women in New Mexico are jumping into the political arena, looking to win over non-Native American voters. [indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com](#)

Yosemite Indians

In 1962 the National Park Service of Yosemite built a sewer plant over a Paiute cemetery and then excavated 23 full skeleton which today they claim they cant locate. So much for the Historic Preservation and the commitment to Native American Tribes they are ordered to follow.



"We are either seeds of eternal hope or we are seeds of starving despair ... and now so accustomed have we become to destruction in the name of progress, we are on the brink of commercializing seed, of politicizing seed ... of genetically modifying seeds for the sake of someone's control of creation, of making seed the new military weapon of the twenty-first century."

Sr. Joan Chittister

Park Service Construction Damaged Native American Burial Sites

National Park Service officials approved \$3 million in illegal construction projects over a decade that damaged one of the nation's most sacred American Indian...

organicconsumers.org



npr.org|By All Things Considered

Paiute Indian Prayer by Descendant of Wovoka

Frieda Dick-Brown, a descendent of the famous Paiute Indian shaman Wovoka, says a prayer in the Paiute language. Wovoka was the creator of the Ghost Dance. F... [youtube.com](#)

Indigenous Literature: Diversity and Importance

Stories are an integral part of who we are as peoples. For First Nations people, traditional storytelling was mostly based on the spoken word. [allitup.ca](#)|By All Lit Up

SolarCity bond offering could catapult the company

Now that any ordinary person with \$1,000 can invest in SolarCity's solar bonds, the already-strong company could have access to nearly unlimited capital for continued growth and expansion. cleanenergyauthority.com By Amanda H. Miller

Monsanto Ordered to Pay \$93 Million to Small Town for Poisoning Citizens

Big wins can happen in small places. The West Virginia State Supreme Court finalized a big blow to the biotech giant Monsanto this month, finishing a... earthweareone.com

Election: Idaho? When 2014 Is That Close (Even Where It Should Not Be)

There are two narratives that will define this election, the rise of viable candidates and the abundance of close races even where they shouldn't be. indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com

Author Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz speaks about her book on the true history of how the United States became a nation and the Eurocentric racism used to justify it.

Theodore Roosevelt, Walt Whitman and Andrew Jackson Were Proponents of Native American Genocide

"It's essential to remember that the United States had been involved in overseas imperialism from the beginning." truth-out.org By Mark Karlin

Christina Thomas

I would like to thank David Bugli, Conductor of the Carson City Symphony, for asking me to perform for Nevada's 150th Sesquicentennial Celebration. I was honored to sing the Pinenut Blessing portion of the piece. Thank you Jim Cockey, Composer, of Sage and Sun, for incorporating the Paiute people into your music. I had a great time performing with such quality musicians. I hope to work with you all on other projects! And of course thank you to my wonderful family for coming to support me. While singing as corny as it sounds...I thought of my ancestors. In 150 years as a state/people we have gone through triumph and turmoil, but the fact remains, as do we, that we still have our culture and for that I'm blessed to be born a Native Nevadan.

Sound like something a tribal community could do?

Arts group's big plans for Silver City October 22, 2014 by [Miriam Hodgman](http://thisisreno.com/2014/10/arts-groups-big-plans-silver-city/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+ThisIsReno+%28This+is+Reno%29)http://thisisreno.com/2014/10/arts-groups-big-plans-silver-city/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+ThisIsReno+%28This+is+Reno%29

For more information about the Silver City Arts group, contact Carol Godwin at godwinsilvercity@aol.com. For information about events, contact Quest Lakes at 775-847-0742.

[Silver City, Nevada](#) is the kind of tight knit community people actually want to live in. Town events at the community center, including annual, free children's summer activities are open to everyone. Any resident can take part in the organic community garden across from the shady

town park, and town meetings are well attended and often animated. Residents also treasure the way their historic town looks. It's an unusual showcase for unique and diverse architecture – in just a few miles, you can find rare octagon, straw-bale, and geodesic homes, as well as houses built in the 1800's and elegant modern homes designed by architects like [Art Hannafin](#). In short, Silver City is the very opposite of Malvina Reynold's famous song "[Little Boxes](#)."

Miriam Hodgman

Miriam Hodgman is originally from San Francisco. She previously was the communications coordinator for the largest hunger-relief organization in Sonoma County, California. She has a bachelor's degree in American history, with a minor in American Indian studies, from San Francisco State University, and has a master's degree in public administration from Sonoma State University. She enjoys training a variety of martial arts.

2014 DESIGN MATTERS CONFERENCE: Crafting the Story – November 12-15 – National Building Museum – Washington, DC mwood

This year's Design Matters Conference, presented by the Association of Architecture Organizations, takes a close look at how design-related organizations can construct more meaningful program narratives, from easy to consume stories fit for national broadcast to memorable first-person appeals to ... [Continue reading →](#)

HURTFUL TEARS HOLD HEALING AND HOPE ... Six girls from the village of Tanana dressed in camouflage kuspuks they made themselves came to tell their stories of violence in the village, sexual abuse, alcohol and drug abuse. But they also bravely stood together on stage



yesterday at the First Alaskans Institute's 2014 Elders and Youth Conference and recited Elders and Youth Conference and recited their pledge: to protect themselves, to love their lives, their families, and village, and to not kill themselves. Alaska has one of the highest suicide rates in the nation, but these girls are fighting to help turn the tide as they

share their stories with others [Roy Corral](#) with [Janie Leask](#) and [12 others](#)

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Smithsonian Institution Seeks IT Specialist LSwindull Agency: Smithsonian NMAI

Announcement #: 15A DP-299911-DEU-NMAI Position Title: IT Specialist Open and Close Dates: 10/20/2014 – 11/03/2014 Vacancy Location: Suitland, MD Pay Plan/Series/Grades: GS-2210-12 View Position Listing: <https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/384207700>

[Laurel Weaver](#) via [AFT - American Federation of Teachers](#)



Really? Wow. Why? How truly sad. I am a teacher and we work so very hard and we are treated so unkindly. I love teaching and I personally know so many talented teachers who are leaving the profession. It's a war on public education. It is a national movement to dishonor and disempower those who know how to help and educate children the best. Teachers are beaten down and beaten up.

[TIME: Apologize to teachers](#)

Time magazine is about to use its cover to blame teachers for the problems in America's schools. On Monday, Nov. 3, this cover will be in every supermarket checkout line and newsstand across the country—and it's already online. action.aft.org

[Bridge: Where Modern Science And Ancient Myths Collide](#)

Historians, archeologists and researchers in our distant past insist that civilized life began on the Earth about 5,000 years

ago. They point to the fact that there... ancient-origins.net

More [Tesla Motors](#) battery Gigafactory jobs listed!

[Nevada JobConnect posts 28 Tesla gigafactory jobs](#)

First batch of factory, construction jobs for Tesla Motors' gigafactory could close in less than a month. rgj.com

[Sara Twiss](#)

My people! I'm in search of old pictures of Schurz - town, not the man. I'm writing a brief history of Schurz for the Mineral County paper and would like to receive at least 5 photos to submit with the story. I would like them today so I can scan into computer, resize, etc. If you have to dig around at home and share them with me on Monday that's fine. Story is due by Monday afternoon. I'd really appreciate the help! In the future check the paper for the story!

Mary Gibson via White Bison, Inc.

Tragic but true. Please share. This documentary could help so many who experience intergenerational trauma, and its free.

[Trailer for "The Wellbriety Movement: Journey of Forgiveness"](#) [youtube.com](#)

[Native American Indian Culture](#)

Native American farmer grows amazing multi-coloured corn.

The crop originates from Oklahoma, where part-Cherokee farmer Carl Barnes had the idea of gathering colourful ears of corn and breeding them together. As the years went on, he managed to produce corn displaying dozens of different colors on a single cob.



Red Power Media

With some of the only video from behind police lines, subMedia.tv witnessed the brutal raid by the Royal Colonial Mounted Police on the **Mi'kmaq blockade of fracking equipment**. But the fierce response of the community in defense of the warriors was also captured on camera.

Source.: « subMedia

<http://www.submedia.tv/stimulator/2013/10/20/showdown-at-highway-134/>

<http://www.upworthy.com/a-hospital-in-pennsylvania-has-a-secret-and-shes-growing-it?c=upw1>

[From Indigenous Socialism to Colonial Capitalism, Examining Native History of a Settler State](#)

Laura Flanders, Truthout: Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz, author of *An Indigenous People's History of the United States*, argues that an understanding of the history and functioning of the settler state is essential to all of us. [Watch the Video and Read the Transcript](#)

This week, as the two-year anniversary of Hurricane Sandy approaches, the Fish and Wildlife Service and other Interior agencies are tracking the progress of recovery on the East Coast; Secretary Jewell speaks at the National Workshop on Large Landscape Conservation; **Deputy Secretary Connor finalizes a major land transfer to a Native Alaskan community**; federal agencies charged with overseeing the nation's wilderness areas come together to sign a new agreement; and Interior wants veterans, military members and their families to send in photos or videos of our service members enjoying the nation's public lands for a Veterans Day video. Email photos to newmedia@ios.doi.gov. [Click here to watch this week's episode.](#)

Friday was the start of **Nevada Shade Tree Week**. Celebrate by planting a tree in your yard, or paying homage to the tallest tree in Nevada - a majestic 110-foot tall Giant Sequoia at the corner of Lander / Arroyo in Reno. Congrats [City of Reno Government](#) on its 33rd consecutive year as an Arbor Day-recognized "Tree City USA" 33 years thanks to sound urban forestry management. Good luck [University of Nevada, Reno](#) as it seeks to become a "Tree University USA."

What is We Need Diverse Books™?

Reading is the ultimate form of empathy.

Though more than half of schoolchildren are minorities--people of color, LGBTQIA, and/or people with disabilities--the fact remains that too few of these children see reflections of themselves in the books they read. Books are more than mirrors-- they're windows as well. **The more kids read, the more they understand not just themselves, but the Story of Us All.**

We Need Diverse Books™ (WNDB) is a grassroots organization dedicated to advocating and supporting non-majority narratives.

We've been featured in media outlets including:

You may know of #WeNeedDiverseBooks as the hashtag that went viral after [BookCon released its whitewashed author lineup](#). But since then we've become so much more than just a hashtag. We've incorporated and become an organization dedicated to creating tangible change within the publishing industry, and have been thrilled at the support we've received from organizations across the world. You can read more about our mission [here](#).

Thus far we've been a volunteer corps surviving on moxie alone - but we can do so much more with your help.

Help us change the face of children's literature

With your donation, WNDB will be able to:

- **Diversify our classrooms:** Through our Diversity in the Classroom program we will work with [An Open Book Children's Literacy Foundation](#), First Book, and the National Education Association to bring diverse books and authors into disadvantaged schools. Diverse authors will also visit other schools to give all children windows into different backgrounds and cultures so they can increase their empathy and understanding.
- **Support diverse authors:** Through our newly announced [Walter Dean Myers Award & Grant program](#) "The Walter" will recognize outstanding diverse contributions by authors in Young Adult and Middle Grade literature, and provide funds to help develop new diverse authors and artists.
- **Promote diverse programming:** WNDB will continue to have a presence at conferences across the country, aiming to foster positive, honest, and constructive discussions on diversity and show people that a diverse book is just a good book that any child can enjoy.
- **Develop educational kits:** In conjunction with School Library Journal and the American Booksellers Association, WNDB is creating educational kits to introduce teachers, librarians and booksellers to select diverse books.
- **Host WNDB's inaugural Kidlit Diversity Festival:** It will be a celebration of diversity in children's literature to be held in the Washington, DC area in the summer of 2016. The festival will showcase both diverse authors & illustrators, as well as authors who write diversely, with programming geared to promote the importance of our shared life experiences.

for more: <https://www.indiegogo.com/projects/we-need-diverse-books>

MOSES ON THE MESA with Ankica Sinković and Adan Buzo

check out the work by this cool Hopi artist [Duane Koyawena Arts](#) -<https://www.facebook.com/DuaneKoyawenaArts>

Mining for the Truth in Nevada and Guatemala: A Community Conversation

Thursday, November 13 at 5:30pm



Way back between 1300 C.E. and 1500 C.E., Polynesians or First Nations peoples (or both) were apparently paddling back and forth across some 3,500 km of ocean between present day Chile and Easter Island (Rapa Nui). I'm impressed. Very impressed.

[Epic pre-Columbian voyage suggested by genes](#)

South American DNA found in Easter Islanders
news.sciencemag.org

Nez Perce woman named Chica-ma-poo and known as Old Jean, the oldest member of Chief Joseph's band, Colville Indian Reservation, ca. 1901

[Bolivia Is An Example of How Socialism Can 'Work'](#)

A major reason for President Evo Morales' success is the inclusion of the indigenous community in the formal economy.
alternet.org

[The Aztec Calendar Wheel and the Philosophy of Time](#)

The Aztec calendar wheels have been a source of fascination for centuries. It was not just a way to keep time - it was a complete philosophy of time in which every day had a religious significance
ancient-origins.net

Way cool sites:

<http://ed.ted.com/periodic-videos>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DYW50F42ss8>

[A Psychiatrist Who Survived The Holocaust Explains Why Meaningfulness Matters More Than Happiness](#)

Meaning comes from the pursuit of more complex things than happiness.

businessinsider.com

[Grave robbers plunder ancient Danish burial sites](#)

Grave robbers have dug up and plundered four ancient burial sites in 'Mangenhøje' north of Grindsted near Billund in Jutland. It is believed the sites date back to the Stone Age some 4,000 years ago.

disinformation

[CENSORED NEWS: 'Halt impoundments' says Navajo Hopi Land Commission](#)

bsnorrell.blogspot.com

Oscar (Jay) Johnson Jr.

Jay has left us; no details at "press time". :~(