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How well do you know your own world?

Do you walk? Do you sense? Do you watch the small life? Do your feet ever touch the ground, skin to soil?

We are the children of this earth and we forget that basic truth due to lives dictated by concrete and steel, glass and screens.

Our lives, our knowledge of our hearts, the lessons of the hoop, are forgotten in the grid, the segmentation, the great separation of connection our societies have drifted toward.

Even our beliefs, our understanding of how to live a good life become weighed down in needless complexity, rules, and judgements.

But really, it's all so simple.

Honesty

Truth

Courage

Humility

Respect

Love

Wisdom

Understand that life springs from Mother Earth and all mothers.

Our cycle hasn't got 12 months, but 13 moons.

Walk the Good Red Road

Allow ceremony to ground you, to cleanse you, remind you to be present, to connect your spirit, body, mind and feeling.

Honour those who came before for their sacrifice and prayers, their effort to preserve these teachings. They dance in the Aurora, watching us, loving us, reminding us of seven generations passed, seven generations to come. They remind us that we are a moment in the journey.

All barriers are in the end simply illusions. All fences mere guide posts to help us remember that.

Open your wings and soar.

Ooen your lungs and breathe.

Open your heart and feel the pulse of all life.

Open your eyes and see.

Open your arms and embrace the moment, no matter what it is. Pain, joy, excitement, wonder...there is a teaching.

Educate yourself. Share your knowledge with others.

Be humble, humble, humble.

What you know, others have known, what you don't know, others have seen. You are part of the whole.

Your voice is unique, as is every voice. Sing together. Dance together. Mourn together. Laugh together.

Don't fear the passing of time. Instead anticipate the gifts the new seasons bring.

Give.
Forgive.
Be kind.
Hiy hiy

Aaron Paquette is a First Nations, Metis creator from Edmonton, Alberta, Canada.

He has an art show on right now at the Bearclaw Gallery. Go see it! http://www.bearclawgallery.com

He has a book out called Lightfinder and people like it. Go read it! http://www.kegedonce.com

He has a FB page. Go like it! http://www.facebook.com/AaronPaquetteArt

And he worked with the amazing artist and thinker Shane Golby of the Art Gallery of Alberta to curate a new Travelling Exhibit for the people of Alberta called Wayfinders. It features the incredible George Littlechild, the inscrutable Paul Smith, and the delightful Amy Malbeuf. Watch for it!

3,500 voters in North Dakota could put the brakes on huge fracking boom By Tim McDonnell Cross-posted from Climate Desk

The run-up to Tuesday's midterm elections has seen an <u>unprecedented spending surge</u> from environmental groups. Climate and energy issues — from <u>fracking in Colorado</u> to <u>coal mining in Kentucky</u> — have taken center stage. But a far less prominent political fight in North Dakota is poised to have an outsized impact on <u>America's biggest oil boom</u>.

The Fort Berthold Indian Reservation, on the shores of Lake Sakakawea in the northwest part of the state, is home to roughly half of the 14,000 members of the Three Affiliated Tribes of Mandan, Hidatsa, and Arikara Nation. The community sits atop roughly one-third of an immense treasure-trove: The Bakken Shale, the oil formation that is home to North Dakota's ongoing fracking boom. Tuesday, MHA Nation members will head to the polls to elect a new chair — the tribal administration's chief executive. Out of about 8,000 eligible voters, 3,500 are expected to turn up Tuesday, according to a spokesperson for the Tribal Election Board.

Both men vying for the position say they plan to crack down on the oil rush that has brought their nation a complex mix of wealth, environmental degradation, and corruption allegations. Normally, a chairmanship election on a Native American reservation would draw little interest outside the reservation's borders. But with so much oil development at stake, Fort Berthold is a different story.

Here's a sense of the scale of Fort Berthold's petroleum power, from the <u>Bismarck Tribune</u>:

The reservation has 25 rigs drilling, 1,300 oil wells and produces 333,000 barrels of oil per day. About \$25 million in oil tax revenue flows to the tribal treasury each month and the tribes' annual budget has swelled from a modest \$20 million annually to \$520 million.

That heap of cash is administered by a tribal council, which is headed by the tribes' current chair, Tex Hall. A former oil-field services company executive, Hall was elected in 2010, just as the oil rush was getting underway. Fewer than half of the tribes' members own mineral rights they can lease to drilling companies, according to Sebastian Braun, head of the Indian Studies department at the University of North Dakota. Since many residents don't benefit directly from the fracking boom, they depend on the tribal administration to spend the money wisely and to help the residents cope with rising housing and grocery costs and the other ancillary impacts of oil development.

Instead, Braun said, "people felt the money was spent in ways they didn't understand" — for example, on a helicopter to ferry VIPs to the reservation and a cruise ship for Lake Sakakawea — while the main town has only one stoplight for the increasingly heavy stream of truck traffic. And a report this August commissioned by the tribal council made various allegations about Hall's financial dealings with oil and gas companies. In September, Hall denied those allegations and, in a statement reported by the *Bismarck Tribune*, dismissed the report as a "smear campaign." Hall did not respond to Climate Desk's request for comment.

Lunker Federal 2-33-4H

Georgianne Nienaber

The video above shows oil production at work on Fort Berthold Indian Reservation. Via <u>Lunker</u> Federal 2-33-4H from Georgianne Nienaber on Vimeo.

Moreover, a spate of industry-related accidents have <u>raised concerns among locals</u> that the boom could come at too high a price to the environment. In July, for example, 1 million gallons of highly salty wastewater from fracking operations <u>leaked from a burst pipe</u>. Some of that wastewater made it to a bay on the lake that is a source of drinking water for the reservation.

Both candidates <u>running to replace Hall</u> want to take a more active role in regulating the oil industry. Mark Fox, the tribe's tax director, and Damon Williams, an attorney, are both promising to increase transparency for oil revenues and tighten environmental regulations on the industry. The tribe's constitution grants its chair significant influence on both issues, Braun said. In a <u>recent debate</u> the candidates wrangled over constitutional and educational reform for the tribe.

On oil issues, the candidates' platforms are so similar that the state's top oil industry regulator recently <u>said at a press conference</u> that he was "deeply concerned" that either election outcome will put a noticeable freeze on one of the state's most active production areas. Both candidates "are less friendly to rapid development than the current administration," said Lynn Helms, head of the North Dakota Department of Mineral Resources.

In other words, North Dakota's oil companies are likely to soon find themselves facing a formidable new opponent in the <u>fracking free-for-all</u> that the state has become over the past decade. But for Braun, curbing the industry's growth is less important than securing the tribes' natural resource wealth to benefit future generations. And the next MHA Nation chair will be the one to set that course.

"What is at stake overall in North Dakota is not what's happening in the next five years," he said, "but what will happen when this boom is over."

This story was produced as part of the Climate Desk collaboration.

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New studies of genomes thousands of years old have allowed scientists to see bits of history playing out over time, revealing that Europeans today have genes from...

nyti.mslBy Carl Zimmer

November 14 is Application Deadline for Phase II of the AT&T Aspire Mobile Connectivity Program

School districts that are challenged with student access to technology at home have a tremendous opportunity to receive free connectivity from AT&T. The AT&T Aspire Mobile Connectivity Program is providing middle and high school students in Title I schools (or schools in which greater than 50% of enrolled students are eligible to participate in the National School Lunch Program), free mobile broadband access for educational devices, mobile device management, network filtering, and teacher professional development for three years. This program is a \$100 Million commitment to the President's ConnectED Initiative aimed at promoting 21st century learning in classrooms and beyond. Applications are being accepted in three phases. The phase II deadline is November 14.

Connected Nation, Connect Nevada's parent organization, is a proud partner in this exciting initiative. Connected Nation is serving as an independent third party administering the application process and selecting schools to participate in the program. If schools are interested in this program they can find the criteria and application portal on Connected Nation's website: http://www.connectednation.org/attaspire

Take Our CAI Survey!

We need the help of all Community Anchor Institutions (CAI) in Nevada to answer a short questionnaire regarding broadband adoption. Institutions include K-12 schools, universities, libraries, hospitals/emergency medical facilities, and public safety facilities, and the information you provide will allow us to add data to our map.

We made it easy for you too - just click here!

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33rd ANNUAL NORTHWEST INTERTRIBAL GATHERING & ELDERS DINNER SCHEDULED FOR November 8th 2014

Eureka, November 8, 2014: For the past three decades the Northern California Indian Development Council, Inc. (NCIDC) has sponsored the Northwest Intertribal Gathering and Elders Dinner. This is the 33rd year of this annual gathering and we want to invite you to take part in this regional community wide event.

In keeping with the spirit of Thanksgiving and National American Indian Heritage Month, the Intertribal Gathering & Elders Dinner will be held on Saturday, November 8, 2014 at Redwood Acres Fairgrounds, 3750 Harris Street, Eureka, California.

The Gathering is a community event that provides us all with an opportunity to honor all Elders and Veterans. Elders are served a free turkey dinner with traditionally cooked local salmon beginning at Noon followed by an Elders' Gifting Ceremony at 3:00 pm.

The dinner, which includes roast turkey and open-pit baked salmon, is provided at no cost to all Elders over 55, regardless of ethnicity, with a nominal charge to other age groups. Throughout the day there will be American Indian arts and crafts available for sale, native singers, a drum group and dance demonstrations, which include: Brush, Tolowa Honoring, Aztec, Shake Head, Hoop and Pow Wow dancers. Last year over 4,500 people attended the Gathering and over 2,000 dinners were served.

The gates open at 10:00 a.m. Admission to the grounds and dances is free.

ADVICE FROM A TREE:

Stand tall and proud
Go out on a limb
Remember your roots
Drink plenty of water
Be content with your natural beauty
Enjoy the view!

(from New York Insight Meditation Center)

A teenager from the deadliest city in america is leading the research on colon cancer and finding a cure. Lets see if 5 percent of the 10 million see this.

The Internet Archive, Trying to Encompass All Creation By DAVID STREITFELD

The Internet Archive has 12 million items in its digital collection. Under expansion plans announced this week, that is merely the beginning.

"Like" Administrator Maria Contreras-Sweet on Facebook for all the latest news (and #TBT pics)



Now you can follow Maria
Contreras-Sweet on
Facebook for all of the latest
updates from her work as
SBA Administrator. She'll
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small business community
and photos from the
businesses she visits. She's
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Paiute Wind

First few friends tell other NV tribal people about this page and everyone is encouraged to post their POSITIVE news, ads and announcements. There's a lot going on in your communities. Lets get some postings going.

Thousands Of Relics Recovered From Ancient Mexican City

November Deadline Reminders:

Nov. 7 Species Recovery Grants to Tribes

Native American tribal governments are eligible. This U.S. Dept. of Commerce program provides assistance to tribes to support conservation programs for marine and anadromous species under its jurisdiction. This assistance can be used to support conservation of endangered, threatened, and candidate or proposed species as well as post-delisting monitoring of recovered species. Funded activities may include development and implementation of management plans, scientific research and public education and outreach. Link to RFP: http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppld=262508.

Nov. 12 Rural Community Development Initiative Grants (USDA)

Rural Community Development Initiative grants may be used for but are not limited to (a) training sub-grantees to conduct a program on home-ownership education; (b) training sub-grantees to conduct a program minority business entrepreneurs; (c) providing technical assistance to sub-grantees on how to effectively prepare a strategic plan; (d) provide technical assistance to sub-grantees on how to access alternative funding sources; (e) building organizational capacity through board training; (f) developing training tools, such as videos, workbooks, and reference guides to be used by the sub-grantee; (g) providing technical assistance and training on how to develop successful child care facilities; and (h) providing training on effective fundraising techniques. For more info., call 602/280-8745 or visit Link to current NOFA. Learn more.

Rural Healthcare Services Outreach Grant Program

Nov. 14 U.S. Dept. of Health & Human Services community-based program targeted to improve outreach & service delivery in local & regional rural communities. Eligibility: The lead applicant organization must be a rural nonprofit or rural public entity that represents a consortium/network of three or more health care providers.

Tribal governments & organizations are eligible as long as they are located in a rural area. Link to RFP:

http://apply07.grants.gov/apply/opportunities/instructions/oppHRSA-15-039-cfda93.912-cidHRSA-15-039- instructions.pdf

Nov. 21 Promise Zone Initiative (HUD, DOT, USDA) (apply via www.Max.gov)

The Promise Zones initiative seeks to revitalize high-poverty communities across the country by creating jobs, increasing economic activity, improving educational opportunities, reducing serious and violent crime, leveraging private capital, and assisting local leaders in navigating federal programs and cutting through red tape. Fact Sheet: http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=PZ R2 Fact Sheet.pdf

More info. at: www.hud.gov/promisezones . The urban, rural and tribal application guides and the Frequently

Asked Questions can be found at: https://www/hud/gov/promisezones.

Nov. 24 CDFI and NACA Programs (Treasury Dept)

CDFI Fund invests in and builds the capacity of CDFIs to serve low-income people and communities lacking adequate access to affordable financial products and services. The CDFI Fund provides Financial Assistance awards to applicants who have demonstrated the financial and managerial capacity to provide financial products and services to a low-income target market and to leverage additional resources effectively. Through Technical Assistance grants, the CDFI Fund enables certified CDFIs & emerging entities working toward certification to build their capacity as lending institutions. The NACA Program encourages the creation and strengthening of CDFIs that primarily serve Native American, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian communities

(Native Communities). Organizations funded serve a wide range of Native Communities, and reflect a diversity of institutions in various stages of development – from organizations in the early planning stages of creating a CDFI, to tribal entities working to certify an existing lending program, to established CDFIs in need of further assistance. The CDFI Fund awards both Financial Assistance and Technical Assistance awards under the NACA Program. The NOFAs and all application materials can be found at: CDFI Program: www.cdfifund.gov/cdfi and NACA Program: www.cdfifund.gov/native.

SPARKS – The Nevada Department of Agriculture announced today the <u>inaugural Nevada</u> <u>Governor's Conference on Agriculture</u>. The event is November 13, 2014 at the Atlantis Casino Resort and Spa.

The conference will bring together individuals and organizations that demonstrate leadership and collaboration in Nevada agriculture.

"I am pleased to announce the very first Nevada Governor's Conference on Agriculture," said Governor Brian Sandoval. "Agriculture is one of Nevada's leading industries, contributing more than \$3 billion to the state's economy.

"This includes our rich and diverse agricultural industries, from ranching and farming to all the associated businesses that keep these industries vibrant."

Open to the public, attendees will hear from peers, academic experts and industry leaders about public land issues, livestock grazing for ecosystem management, Genetically Modified Organisms and more.

The conference will also provide an opportunity to connect with Nevada agricultural businesses and government organizations in the exhibit hall.

At the hosted lunch, Governor Sandoval, via video, will be honoring two Nevada ranching families with the Nevada Centennial Awards, awards that recognize ranches that have been in existence in Nevada for 100 years or more.

The keynote speaker during the luncheon will be Dave Coon of Anderson Dairy, who will be sharing the history, challenges and future outlook for the company born out of the Las Vegas desert in 1907.

This event will close with the showing of <u>"Farmland," a documentary film</u> that opened across the country in May. The film looks at the lives of young farmers and ranchers and the challenges facing the next generation of production agriculturalists.

For more information, sponsorships or to register for the conference, please visit http://agri.nv.gov/governorsconference/.

The conference is in cooperation with the Nevada Farm Bureau's annual meeting, Nov. 14-15, 2014, also at the Atlantis.

MORE: Confirmed participants and speakers for the conference include:

- Sarah Adler, state director of USDA Rural Development
- Jim Barbee, director of the Nevada Department of Agriculture
- Bruce Breslow, director of the Nevada Department of Business and Industry
- Jeff Bryant, executive director of the Reno non-profit, Urban Roots
- Dr. Bob Conrad, public information officer of the Nevada Department of Agriculture
- Dave Coon, vice president for sales and marketing at Anderson Dairy
- Bill Dunkleberger, U.S. Forest Service Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest Supervisor
- Heather Dye, executive director of Nevada FFA
- Jessica Fagundes, director of communications for the Nevada Farm Bureau
- Dr. Tom Harris, professor of economics at the University of Nevada, Reno and director of the University Center for Economic Development
- John Hargrove, renewable programs manager at NV Energy
- Clint Koble, state executive director at USDA Farm Service Agency
- Rick Lattin of Lattin Farms, LLC (Fallon)
- Jim Lawrence, special advisor to the director of Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
- Ramona Hage Morrison, executive director of Liberty and Property Rights Foundation
- Martina Newell-McGoughlin, director of International Biotechnology, adjunct professor of plant pathology at U.C. Davis
- Denise O'Toole, agriculture instructor at Moapa Valley High School
- Jennifer Ott, project manager, High Desert Farming Initiative, University of Nevada, Reno
- Dr. Bill Payne, dean of the College of Agriculture, Biotechnology and Natural Resources at the University of Nevada, Reno
- Dr. Barry Perryman, professor of rangeland ecology and management at the University of Nevada, Reno
- Dennis Perea, deputy director of the Nevada Department of Employment, Training and Rehabilitation
- Bruce Petersen, State Conservationist, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service
- Paul Thomsen, director of the Nevada Governor's Office of Energy
- Dr. David Shintani, associate dean for academic programs at the College of Agriculture, Biotechnology and Natural Resources at the University of Nevada, Reno, and associate professor of biochemistry

- Nicole Sallaberry, local food and sustainability coordinator, Great Basin Community Food Cooperative
- Brad Schultz, University of Nevada Cooperative Extension education for Humboldt County
- Jeff Sutich, international marketing coordinator, Nevada Department of Agriculture
- Dr. Tamzen Stringham, Donna Anderson endowed professor of rangeland management at the University of Nevada, Reno
- Ron Torrell, president of the Nevada Cattlemen's Association
- Dr. Mark Walker, dean and director of University of Nevada Cooperative Extension
- Tony Wasley, director of the Nevada Department of Wildlife
- Ann Willard, agriculture education programs professional for the Nevada Department of Education

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Not Your Museum Indian: Frank Waln Discusses Symbolic Annihilation

From the Native perspective, it's easy to see why natural history museums are problematic.

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