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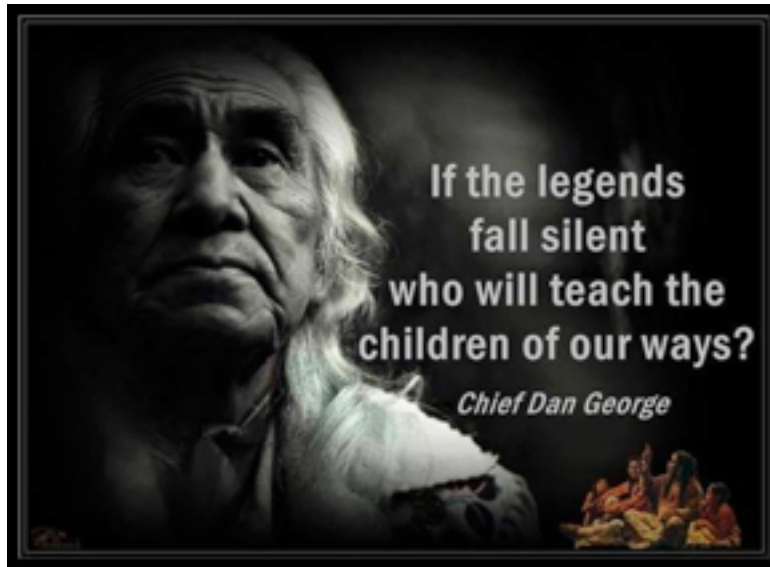
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Well here we are at another 00 issue - for new readers this means this is the issue in which I ask you to confirm you received this Journal, ask for your feedback (content, length, format, etc) and request names/emails of those you think might enjoy receiving this. Are there topics in which you are interested and want more coverage? Is my humor inappropriate for these pages? To how many persons to you forward articles? Enquiring minds want to know. Please check in. And remember Journal archives are at www.shaynedel.com compliments of the California Indian

Education Association. While 2015 records have not been posted as yet, the site is searchable for a large number of topics. Thanks to all of you throughout the years. sdc

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Below are the new oral histories added over the previous year.

Click **View Oral History** below each photo to see a streaming video of the oral history (will open in a new window). Depending on connection speed, it might take the video a minute to load.

If a transcript has been completed, click **View Transcript** to view the transcript in a new window. Transcripts will be added as they become available.

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Extract of President's Remarks upon signing "Cobell Bill" 12.8.10

.....Here in America, we believe that all of us are equal and that each of us deserves the chance to pursue our own version of happiness. It's what led us to become a nation. It's at the heart of who we are as a people. And our history is defined by the struggle to fulfill this ideal -- to build a more perfect union, to ensure that all of us, regardless of our race or religion, our color or our creed, are afforded the same rights as Americans, and the fair and equal treatment under the law.

.....I think all of us understand that we haven't always lived up to those ideals. When we've fallen short, it's been up to ordinary citizens to stand up to inequality and unfairness wherever they find it. That's how we've made progress. That's how we've moved forward. And that's why we are here today -- to sign a bill into law that closes a long and unfortunate chapter in our history.

After years of delay, this bill will provide a small measure of justice to Native Americans whose funds were held in trust by a government charged with looking out for them. And it represents a major step forward in my administration's efforts to fulfill our responsibilities and strengthen our government-to-government relationship with the tribal nations.

.....As long as I have the privilege of serving as your President I will continue to do everything I can to restore that trust. And that's why I am so extraordinarily proud to sign this bill today.

Barak Obama

Circle of Blue: "Long-term monitoring of 22 large U.S. rivers provides a rare glimpse into how water quality conditions have changed over the last 65 years. Although the greatest increases in nitrate concentrations occurred prior to 1980, levels have since remained high in most rivers. Unfortunately, there is no widespread evidence of improving conditions." — Edward Stets, lead author of a U.S. Geological Survey study that [examined persistently high nitrate levels in U.S. rivers](#).

By the Numbers

2,966 megawatts: Installed wind power capacity in the United States in the first nine months of 2015 – more installed capacity than any fuel source, including natural gas. ([Federal Energy Regulatory Commission](#))

7.3 percent: Decrease in average annual runoff by the end of the century compared with the period from 2016 to 2035 for Alaska's Susitna River Basin. The basin is the proposed site of the tallest hydroelectric dam to be built in the United States in nearly 50 years. The runoff study is one of 58 technical and environmental studies of the dam site. ([Federal Energy Regulatory Commission](#))

Reports and Studies

Georgia Reservoir

Hall County, Georgia, located 80 kilometers (50 miles) northeast of Atlanta, proposes to build [Glades Reservoir](#) on a tributary of the Chattahoochee River to supply 50 million gallons of water per day. The county claims this is the water supply gap it will face by 2060.

The Army Corps of Engineers' [draft environmental review](#) endorses the project, which is located in the Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint watershed that has been the source of conflict within

and between Alabama, Florida, and Georgia for more than two decades. Construction of the reservoir, 140-foot dam, and pipeline system to draw water out of the Chattahoochee will effect wetlands, streams, and forests.

Comments on the draft review should be sent to Richard.M.Morgan@usace.army.mil by December 29.

Chicago Area Waterway System

A canal completed in 1900 that connected Lake Michigan to the Mississippi River Basin is the centerpiece of a 90-mile system of channels used for water supply and navigation around Chicago. The U.S. Geology Survey published [a report on the system's hydrology](#) and the challenges its faces from invasive species and sewage pollution. [link](#).

[Home Means Nevada 1986: Katie Frazier Paiute Songs](#) [vimeo.com](#)

[Gina Howard](#) Grandma Katie.....

[Navajo Nation now requires law degree for top chief justice](#)

The Tribal Law and Order Act and the Violence Against Women Act requires presiding judges with law degrees. [indianz.com](#)

[#NativeVote16 Denise Juneau's 54 generations, first in Congress](#)

Denise Juneau, a member of the Mandan Hidatsa Tribes, and Montana's two-term Superintendent of Public Instruction, is running for Congress. She'll face... [trahantreports.com](#)

[Strange World](#)

[November 4, 2013](#) ·

These are actual tiny child handcuffs used by the U.S. government to restrain captured Native American children and drag them away from their families to send them to the Indian boarding schools where their identities, cultures and their rights to speak their Native languages



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Las Bambas Project: A Restriction on Indigenous Vocal Input in Peru's Mining Operations Friday, 06 November 2015 00:00 By [Evelyn Estrada](#), [Council on Hemispheric Affairs](#) | News Analysis

<http://www.truth-out.org/news/item/33560-las-bambas-project-a-restriction-on-indigenous-vocal-input-in-peru-s-mining-operations>

He Runs to protect his tribe's water [Kyle Boggs](#) Opinion Nov. 5, 2015 Web Exclusive

What do you think about when you run? This is my favorite question to ask long-distance runners in the Arizona desert.

When I asked Hopi runner and farmer Bucky Preston this question, he thought about the thousands of miles he has run to protect and honor his people's water. "When I run, I meditate and pray, and see where the running takes me," he said. "But I always come back to water."

In 2003, Preston started the annual Paatuwaqatsi Trail Run. Paatuwaqatsi means "water is life," and since its inception, the run has been a celebration of the sanctity of water. It includes a 50-mile ultra-marathon as well as a 10 and 4-mile run.

Preston has used the concept of running to draw attention to unacceptable water uses. Peabody Energy, for example, runs coal slurries with tribal water and diverts water for coal mining, and the Arizona Snowbowl ski resort uses reclaimed municipal wastewater on the San Francisco Peaks to make snow. Then there's the tragic legacy of uranium mining, which has irreversibly contaminated drinking water.

"I run to raise awareness to those issues," he said. "Lately, I've been thinking about the Animas spill (in Colorado), and even our water (on Hopi lands), which contains high levels of arsenic."

Preston was born and raised in Walpi, Arizona, a village on top of First Mesa, about 300 feet above the canyon below. His earliest memories are of running. "We ran everywhere; there are foot paths connecting the villages from all directions." When asked what prompted him to start an organized run, he recalled the time when he left the reservation to learn a few trades and returned to find many of the trails missing.

"I knew where they were, because I spent my life running on them," he said. Fearing that they would be lost, he started rebuilding and maintaining the trails.

Minutes before the sun rose on Sept. 12, 68 ultra long-distance runners gathered around Preston, the sky clear and purple behind them. "These trails are like the blood vessels of our body — spread out -- but all connected; they bring energy through our bodies," he told them. "When you put the footprints on the land, that's calling the rain, and it's calling the Kachina and the Cloud People. We're here, and we're asking for your help."

Unlike other ultra marathons, Paatuwaqatsi is not truly a race, nor does it turn a profit. Initially, Preston didn't even want to have a clock around, but he has since warmed up to the idea.

"The runners have kept it going; every year, it essentially pays for itself and is completely volunteer-run," said Flagstaff resident Andy Bessler. In his previous position with the Sierra Club, Bessler helped Preston start the run by finding ways to fund its first year. "Bucky wanted to start it, because this was when Peabody Coal was pumping their aquifer for slurry water, so we were really trying to help him draw attention to its impact on the springs."

Over the years, Bessler has helped Preston with trail maintenance along every section. "It's amazing to be working on these trails that are thousands of years old," he said. "You're securing loose rock steps and thinking about Ancestral Puebloans setting these stones here."

The largely white outdoor recreational culture of the Southwest does not always have an amicable relationship with the area's Native communities. There's the controversial use of reclaimed wastewater to accommodate skiers and snowboarders on the San Francisco Peaks, the ATVers who flock to Sand Mountain in Nevada -- ignoring objections from the Paiute-Shoshone -- and the rock climbers who climb monoliths on the Navajo Nation, despite a ban on such activities since 1971.

Paatuwaqatsi, however, is different, something Bessler and Preston see as mutually beneficial and respectful. "It's kind of creating a new tradition that incorporates bahana culture and Hopi culture," Bessler said. "It's really acceptable for Hopi people — and the Anglos feel very humbled and honored to be there."

"Kwakwhay!" yell the men. "Askwali!" yell the women. Both phrases are gender-specific ways of saying the same thing: Thank you. The communities thank the runners because they help ensure the success of their crops, said Preston, who lets the runners go right through his cornfield. Preston is also glad that more local people, including young Hopis, have started running.

"That's what I wanted to see for our people, to get them back to long-distance running, because that's who we are." As for the runners who come back year after year, Preston added: "They run for life, a long healthy life for all of mankind, and all living things out there."

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This Week at Interior: fresh from the White House Tribal Nations Conference -- we're strengthening relations with tribal leaders, empowering native youth with education grants, and unveiling a new one-stop website to improve access to government services. [Click here to watch.](#)

Olympic Gold Medalist Billy Mills Keynote at Veterans Day Celebration

Three events: parade entry, post-parade party, community dinner scheduled

Reno, Nev. — For its annual Veterans Day Celebration, the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony has lined up veteran and Olympic gold medal winner Billy Mills to speak about his military experience and how it contributed to his success as an athlete and eventually, an internationally known philanthropist. However, Mills' appearance is just one of the elements of the Colony's Veterans Day celebration next Wednesday.

To start the day, about 75 community members are expected to join tribal members Beatrice Thayer and Thomas McGinty in the City of Reno Veterans Day Parade. This year's parade

theme, “Honoring those who served and sacrificed to preserve freedom – WWII 70th Anniversary,” recognizes the two tribal elders’ experience during World War II.

Thayer served in the U.S. Army/Air Force from 1945-59 after lying about her age, so she could join the military at 17-years of age. In 1973, she volunteered for the Nevada Army National Guard and retired in 1982.

McGinty, a corporal of the U.S. Army Air Corps, served from 1941-1945. Two months ago, he celebrated his 100th birthday.

After the parade, the RSIC Tribal Historic Preservation Office will host a post-parade party from 1–4 p.m. Located at 1995 East 2nd St., the THPO has created a museum quality, military exhibit which includes donated artifacts and items from veterans. Refreshments will be served and the public is invited.

At 6 p.m., at the Reno Gym, 34 Reservation Rd., Mills’ appearance will highlight the Colony’s community dinner. This event will include traditional Native ceremonies (songs, music, and prayer) and special recognition for World War II Veterans.

Along with Thayer and McGinty, two other tribal members who are WWII veterans will be presented with special gifts for their service: Louis Melendez, a U.S. Army Cpl., and Daniel Vidovich, a U.S. Marine.

Also a U.S. Marine, Mills was born on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota. Orphaned at 12-years of age, Mills was sent to Haskell Indian School in Lawrence, Kan. There, Mills, an Oglala Lakota American Indian , caught the attention of the cross-town coaches at Kansas University and eventually earned an athletic scholarship. During his collegiate career, Mills won the Big Eight Conference cross-country championship in 1960 and was on the 1959 and 1960 Jayhawk outdoor national championship track and field team.

With a degree in physical education, Mills joined the U.S. Marine Corps and was a first lieutenant in the Reserves when he qualified for the 1964 Olympics. Practically an unknown, Mills managed a come-from-behind Olympic victory in the 10,000 meter run, the only American to ever win this event.

“Running Brave,” a motion picture about Mills’ life still serves to inspire youth, especially in Indian Country. In 2013, Mills was awarded the Presidential Citizens Medal, the second highest civilian honor.

For more information about the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Veterans Day Celebration, the RSIC community, culture, economic developments, business opportunities and services, please contact Montooth at (775)329-2936, ext. 3268 or at smontooth@rsic.org .

'To Dust': Multi-media piece about draining of Owens Lake

Sierra Wave

To Dust tells the story of an important part of the California Water Wars: the draining of Owens Lake by the city of Los Angeles after the construction of the Los ...

Two Hopi Traditions: Running and Winning

By JOHN BRANCH

Running has a special place in Hopi culture, and the Hopi High School boys' cross-country team is building on that heritage, with a chance at a 26th straight Arizona state title Saturday.

Tatanka Truck takes indigenous food on the road

If someone asked you to name a few quintessential American foods, what comes to mind? Burgers and hot dogs with a side of fries? Meatloaf with a side of mac & cheese? Thanksgiving dinner? Well, yes and no. Sure, those dishes have come...

citypages.com/By Mary Jo Rasmussen

[The foodie traveller ... on the revival of Native American cuisine in Minneapolis](#)

[The Tatanka street food truck serves wild rice, cornflour cakes and wild greens using local, organic ingredients. Its mission is to redefine American food](#)

The Guardian

CORRECTION: [Click here: Why, Carly? : snopes.com](#)

Telling Place: The Stone Mother at Pyramid Lake, Nevada Stories

[vimeo.com](#)

Libraries in New York and Seattle Area Staging a Battle of the Sorters

By EMILY S. RUEB

Public libraries in New York have one hour to defend the city's title as home to "the world's fastest library-sorting system" and to break a 2-2 tie with a team from Seattle.

[A Book's Journey Through the New York Public Library](#)

Cyrus Vance Has \$808 Million to Give Away

By JAMES C. McKINLEY Jr.

The Manhattan district attorney is giving grants, from criminal penalties against three international banks, for public and private criminal justice programs in New York and around the nation.

Court overturns nearly century-old conviction for fishing at traditional Yakama location

By Kate Prengaman kprengaman@yakimaherald.com

YAKIMA, Wash. -- Justice can come slowly. In this case it has taken nearly a century.

www.yakimaherald.com

NYT OPINION **A Seismic Shift in How People Eat** By HANS TAPARIA and PAMELA KOCH

Eating habits are changing across the country and food companies are struggling to keep up.

<http://jonathanturley.org/2015/11/09/rambler-goes-reggae-leading-critics-of-the-redskins-is-under-fire-after-posting-pictures-of-himself-in-black-face/#more-94510>

Lee Meisel On Butchering Whole Animals And Being A 'Success Story' For His Tribe

Lee Meisel starts his days by slinging whole pig carcasses over his shoulder and carrying them on his back into the kitchen of his own small restaurant in kcur.org | By Gina Kaufmann

[LIVE VIDEO: President Obama delivers a statement from the Roosevelt Room with Secretary of State John Kerry.](#)

MSNBC

[Cherokee Pride October 28 at 11:52pm](#)

Happy Birthday to Dr. Joe Medicine Crow, the last living Plains Indian War Chief and World War II veteran. He turned 102 years old on Tuesday.

Joseph Medicine Crow, ‘The Last Plains Indian War Chief’ Turns 100 [Adrian Jawort 11/7/13](#)

“He’s waited 100 years for this event, so it doesn’t hurt us to wait an hour,” emcee Robert Old Horn said, as Doctor Joseph Medicine Crow was on ‘Indian time,’ for his own birthday party. Medicine Crow entered the Apsaalooke (Crow) Multi-Purpose Building to thunderous applause as the Crow Nation and other guests stood up as he walked past on October 27.

Medicine Crow holds among his titles being a tribal historian, anthropologist, educator, as well as decorated World War II veteran. In 2009, President Obama bestowed upon Medicine Crow the Presidential Medal of Freedom – the nation’s highest civilian honor.

Prior to WWII, Medicine Crow – who was the first of his tribe to graduate from college – was studying for an advanced degree in anthropology before volunteering for the Army and being sent to Europe.

It was on the European battlefields Medicine Crow completed all of the four tasks needed to become a Crow War Chief. As a scout he led several successful war parties deep behind enemy lines; he stole German horses; he disarmed an enemy; and he touched an enemy (counted coup) without killing him.

His grandfather was Medicine Crow, a renowned fierce warrior and scout during the Plains and Indian wars during the 19th Century. “My grandfather trained me to be a warrior,” notes Joe Medicine Crow. “The Crow people were so-called, ‘warlike.’ We were a very militaristic people.”

He told of how he counted coup on an enemy during Ken Burn’s 2007 documentary, *The War*. It wasn’t really planned after Medicine Crow saw a lone German soldier walking past in a narrow

alley as he hid waiting to ambush someone. "I saw his rifle and I knocked it out of his hands," he recounts. "All I had to do was pull the trigger, but for some reason I put my gun down and tore into him."

After a violent struggle, Medicine Crow held the German soldier's throat by his hands, and he was ready to finish him off. The soldier gasped, "Momma!" and Medicine Crow let him go out of sympathy. With that deed and without meaning to, he had committed two of 4 deeds to becoming a war chief.

Coming upon a farmhouse, they spotted a small group of soldiers and with around 50 horses in their possession. (While the German Army was renowned for being mechanized, they and the Soviets did deploy more than 6 million horses during WWII.) Medicine Crow decided that before they bombarded the area with artillery, they should make off with the horses. They did so just before dawn as the explosions started.

"The one I was riding was a sow with a braid, so I felt pretty good riding it," he says. "It was a beautiful horse." As he rode, he sang a Crow praise song.

It wasn't until after he came home and told elders of his deeds he was informed that he'd actually committed the acts necessary to become a Crow War Chief. "So I guess you're looking at the last Plains Indian War Chief," he says.

During Medicine Crow's birthday feast, Crow tribal members recounted stories of how they were inspired by their 'grandfather' Medicine Crow from their decisions to join the military to pursuing higher education. Prince Albert II of Monaco gave him a birthday card thanking him for an earlier gift Medicine Crow had given him during a visit, as did the historian and emeritus of the Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History, Herman J. Viola.

But perhaps expressing the sentiments best via a tribute poem was Longmire writer Craig Johnson, who'd written about Medicine Crow the previous month. Old Horn read it out loud:

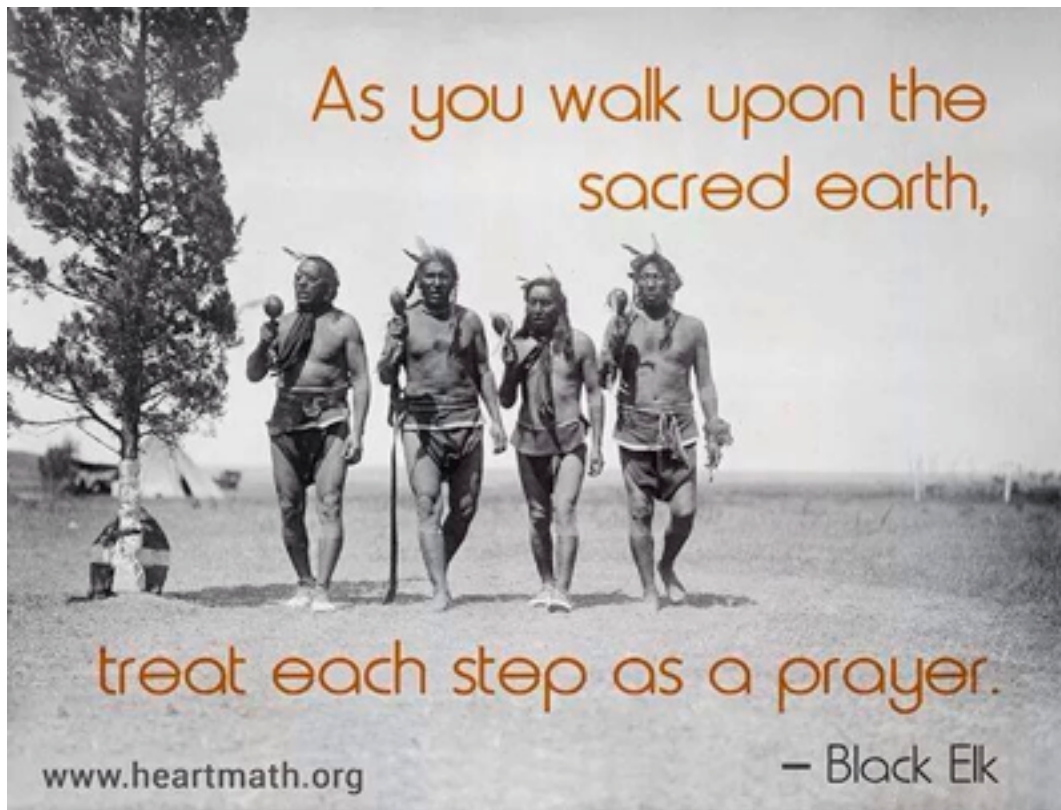
Stand, my friends, Joe Medicine Crow is walking past... To see the things that those walnut stained eyes have seen... To hear the things those leathery ears have heard... To feel the things that the still beating heart has felt... Stand my friend, Joe Medicine is walking past. Stand, my friend, history is walking past.

[Norm Cavanaugh](#) shared [Native American Indian's video](#). [\(Click on NAI video\)](#)

I hope you will take the time to view this clip, it makes one realize the importance of living on Mother Earth with all of the living beings and to appreciate Life as we know it, enjoy:)

[Native American Indian](#) [October 29 at 12:39pm](#) ·

This video is dedicated to all North American tribes people. It is my interpretation of Native American quotes, proverbs, and prayer.



RIP JR Mandell (no further info at “press time”)