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Good time
visiting, playing
cards and
handgame. The
original photo
said Paiute
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there was
probably some
Washoes mixed
up in there.
Carson City NV
at the V&T
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**President Obama to Hold Seventh White House Tribal Nations Conference Nov. 4/5
by [Levi Rickert](#) / [Currents](#) / 18 Oct 2015**

This will be the seventh consecutive White House Tribal Nations Conference

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Gathers complete and accurate ethnohistorical data to assist educational efforts below the graduate level, as well as acquaint scholars of various disciplines with archival resources.

Provides the research tools and finding aids to the written record that began with the arrival of the Spanish explorers in the 1530s. Includes copies of the diaries of explorers, and reports of missionaries and soldiers, from the first written accounts of contact with indigenous peoples in the sixteenth century to the Mexican declaration of independence from Spain in 1821. Locales include Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, California, and northern Mexico; all of what was northern New Spain.

DRSW Master Bibliography and Indexes are a computerized guide to several collections of Spanish colonial documents. The guide, compiled and analyzed from microfilm copies of documents, indexes, persons, places, ethnic groups, and keywords which are cross-referenced to a precise document and the location of the original. Although the database is not on-line and does not include transcriptions or translations of the documents, it is a finding aid or research tool to allow the investigator to know which documents and/or archives may have pertinent documents. Most of these documents are on microfilm collections held in major research libraries.

See: Thomas C. Barnes, Thomas H. Naylor, and Charles W. Polzer, *Northern New Spain: A Research Guide* (Tucson: University of Arizona Press, c1981).

Archival collections covered by the database include:

- Provincias Internas, Archivo General de la Nacion, Mexico City, Mexico
- Spanish Archives of New Mexico, Series II, Santa Fe, Mexico
- Bexar Archives (to 1790), University of Texas, Austin, Texas
- Archivo de Parral, Parral, Chihuahua

Microfilm: 1,800 reels Slides: 3,000 items

Musical Instrument Museum [4725 East Mayo Boulevard Phoenix, AZ 85050](#)
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MIM offers a shared experience of the history of musical instruments throughout the world. The space is bright and open, providing guests with a warm and comfortable environment. Exhibits are organized by themes. The Orientation Gallery introduces guests to the astonishing variety of instruments, the ways music has been shaped by interaction and exchange, and the dazzling artistry of handcrafted instruments from around the world. On the second floor, instruments are organized by geography, across these ten major regions of the world:

- Africa
- Middle East
- Central Asia
- South Asia
- East Asia
- Southeast Asia
- Oceania
- Latin America
- United States / Canada
- Europe

The collection includes instruments from around two hundred countries and territories in the world. Some larger countries such as India, China, Russia, the United States, Congo, and others have multiple displays with subsections for different types of ethnic, folk, and tribal music. The instruments have both historic and artistic merit and many are more than fifty years old. MIM's goal is to acquire instruments that have been used for folk and tribal occasions wherever possible.

Canyon de Chelly National Monument [Chinle](#), AZ 86503

Tel: 928-674-5500 Fax: 928-674-5507 Website: <http://www.nps.gov/cach/>

A National Historic Landmark. Navajo and Anasazi artifacts. Includes a library.

Red Cloud/July 4 1903: My sun is set. My day is done. Darkness is stealing over me. Before I lie down to rise no more, I will speak to my people.

Hear me, my friends, for it is not the time for me to tell you a lie. The Great Spirit made us, the Indians, and gave us this land we live in. He gave us the buffalo, the antelope, and the deer for food and clothing. We moved our hunting grounds from the Minnesota to the Platte and from the Mississippi to the great mountains. No one put bounds on us. We were free as the winds, and like the eagle, heard no man's commands.

I was born a Lakota and I shall die a Lakota. Before the white man came to our country, the Lakotas were a free people. They made their own laws and governed themselves as it seemed good to them. The priests and ministers tell us that we lived wickedly when we lived before the white man came among us. Whose fault was this? We lived right as we were taught it was right. Shall we be punished for this? I am not sure that what these people tell me is true.

As a child I was taught the Taku Wakan [Supernatural Powers] were powerful and could do strange things. This was taught me by the wise men and the shamans. They taught me that I could gain their favor by being kind to my people and brave before my enemies; by telling the truth and living straight; by fighting for my people and their hunting grounds.

When the Lakotas believed these things they were happy and they died satisfied. What more than this can that which the white man offers us give?

Taku Shanskan is familiar with my spirit and when I die I will go with him. Then I will be with my forefathers. If this is not in the heaven of the white man I shall be satisfied. Wi is my father. The Wakan Tanka of the white man has overcome him. But I shall remain true to him.

Shadows are long and dark before me. I shall soon lie down to rise no more. While my spirit is with my body the smoke of my breath shall be towards the Sun for he knows all things and knows that I am still true to him.

Here is an email sent to Clarence Page of the Chicago Tribune after an article he published concerning a **name change for the Washington Redskins**.

Dear Mr. Page...

I always love your articles. and I generally agree with them. I would suggest, as in an email I received, they change the name to the "Foreskins" to better represent their community, paying tribute to the dick heads in Congress.

Here are some other politically correctness to consider: I agree with our Native American population. I am highly insulted by the racially charged name of the Washington Redskins. One might argue that to name a professional football team after Native Americans would exalt them as fine warriors, but nay, nay. We must be careful not to offend, and in the spirit of political correctness and courtesy, we must move forward. Let's ditch the Kansas City Chiefs, the Atlanta Braves and the Cleveland Indians. If your shorts are in a wad because of the reference the name Redskins makes to skin color, then we need to get rid of the Cleveland Browns.

The Carolina Panthers obviously were named to keep the memory of militant Blacks from the 60's alive. Gone. It's offensive to us white folk.

The New York Yankees offend the Southern population. Do you see a team named for the Confederacy? No! There is no room for any reference to that tragic war that cost this country so many young men's lives.

I am also offended by the blatant references to the Catholic religion among our sports team names. Totally inappropriate to have the New Orleans Saints, the Los Angeles Angels or the San Diego Padres.

Then there are the team names that glorify criminals who raped and pillaged. We are talking about the horrible Oakland Raiders, the Minnesota Vikings, the Tampa Bay Buccaneers and the Pittsburgh Pirates!

Now, let us address those teams that clearly send the wrong message to our children. The San Diego Chargers promote irresponsible fighting or even spending habits. Wrong message to our children.

The New York Giants and the San Francisco Giants promote obesity, a growing childhood epidemic. Wrong message to our children.

The Cincinnati Reds promote downers/barbiturates . Wrong message to our children.

The Milwaukee Brewers---well that goes without saying . . . Wrong message to our children.

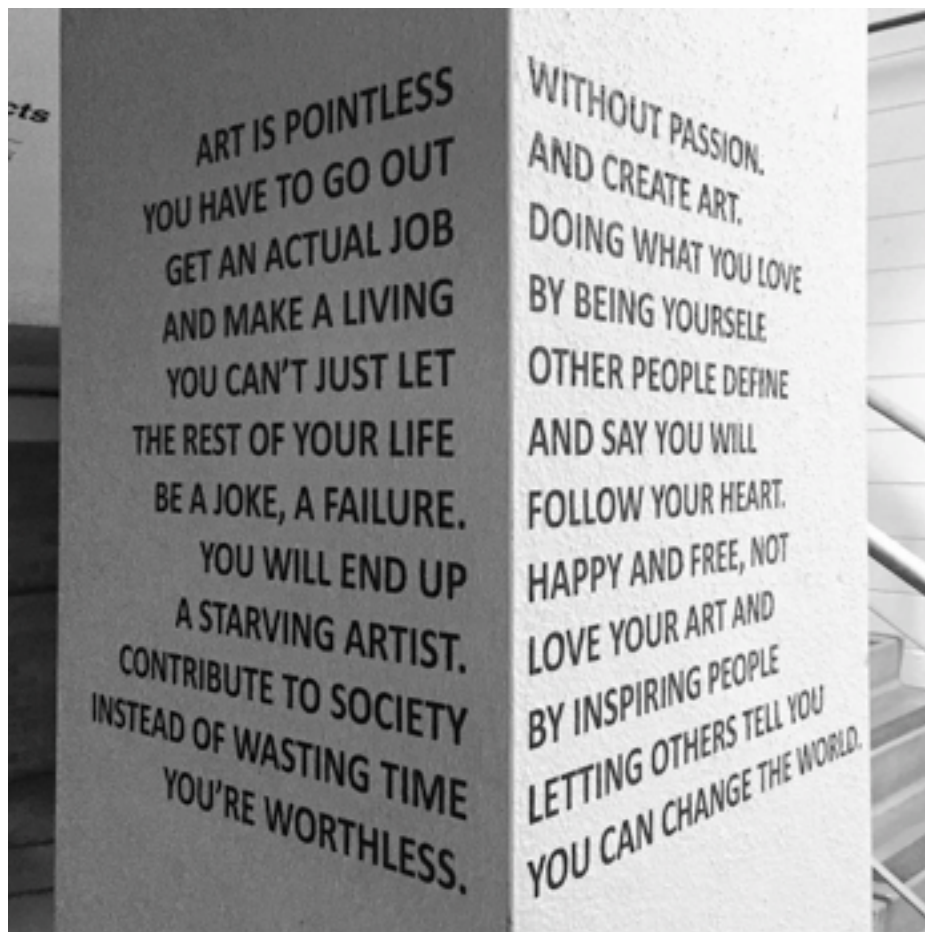
So, there you go. We need to support any legislation that comes out to rectify this travesty, because the government will likely become involved with this issue, as they should. Just the kind of thing the do-nothing congress loves . . .

As a die hard Oregon State fan, my wife and I, with all of this in mind, it might also make some sense to change the name of the Oregon State women's athletic teams to something other than "the Beavers."

“As you go forth, when you encounter folks who still hold the old prejudices because they've only been around folks like themselves, when you meet folks who think they know all the answers because they've never heard any other viewpoints, it's up to you to help them see things differently.”

Watch First Lady Michelle Obama give graduation talk: <http://bit.ly/11BZ2S4>

Alice Pipe, daughter of Pike and Annie Piper, was a 15 year-old Paiute girl living in Big Pine, CA, in 1924. She, along with other Indian students in Big Pine, wanted to attend Big Pine High School, but was denied because state law prohibited Native Americans' attendance if an Indian School was nearby. Piper sued the school district claiming the state law establishing separate schools for Indian children was unconstitutional



The State Supreme Court ruled in her favor. Due to this historic action, the Big Pine School District and Alice Piper are memorialized as major players in the constitutional battle over the rights of Native Americans to attend public schools and has been used as a precedent in other cases such as *Brown vs Board of Education. Piper v Big Pine (1924) 193 CAL 664* ***** [California Arts Council](#) at

University of Texas at Austin, by Jasmine Kay Uy

A visual demonstration of why you should consider things from more than one angle

Watch now: Wyoming Chronicle | Miss Indian America / Sheridan WYO Rodeo |
PBS Video Miss Indian America and The Sheridan WYO Rodeo
video.pbs.org/By [PBS](#)

The tragedy of what we stand to lose if we don't stop **uranium mining in the Grand Canyon** hit home on my last trip.

Exhausted from our hike down the South Rim. Kids asleep, exhausted from the trek. Me alone under the sky ablaze with stars.

And all I could think of was: What if this profoundly beautiful place--or any of the last few remaining wild places that exist--were no longer protected?

The clock is ticking on a temporary ban on new mines in a portion of Grand Canyon's watershed, and mining companies are challenging the ban in court. That's why we need to make the mining ban permanent and protect lands within Grand Canyon's watershed with a new national monument.

We need your help now to prevent future mining and protect lands surrounding this precious natural wonder:

Roads. Radioactive dust. And toxic waste that would be impossible to clean from the aquifers that help feed Grand Canyon's seeps and springs.

This is our big chance to FOREVER protect Grand Canyon's watershed: secure a national monument designation for 1.7 million acres that surround the Grand Canyon Park. We need the Greater Grand Canyon Heritage National Monument.

Mountain lions, mule deer, northern goshawks, critically-endangered California Condors and rare Kaibab squirrels depend on the Grand Canyon watershed and need your help.

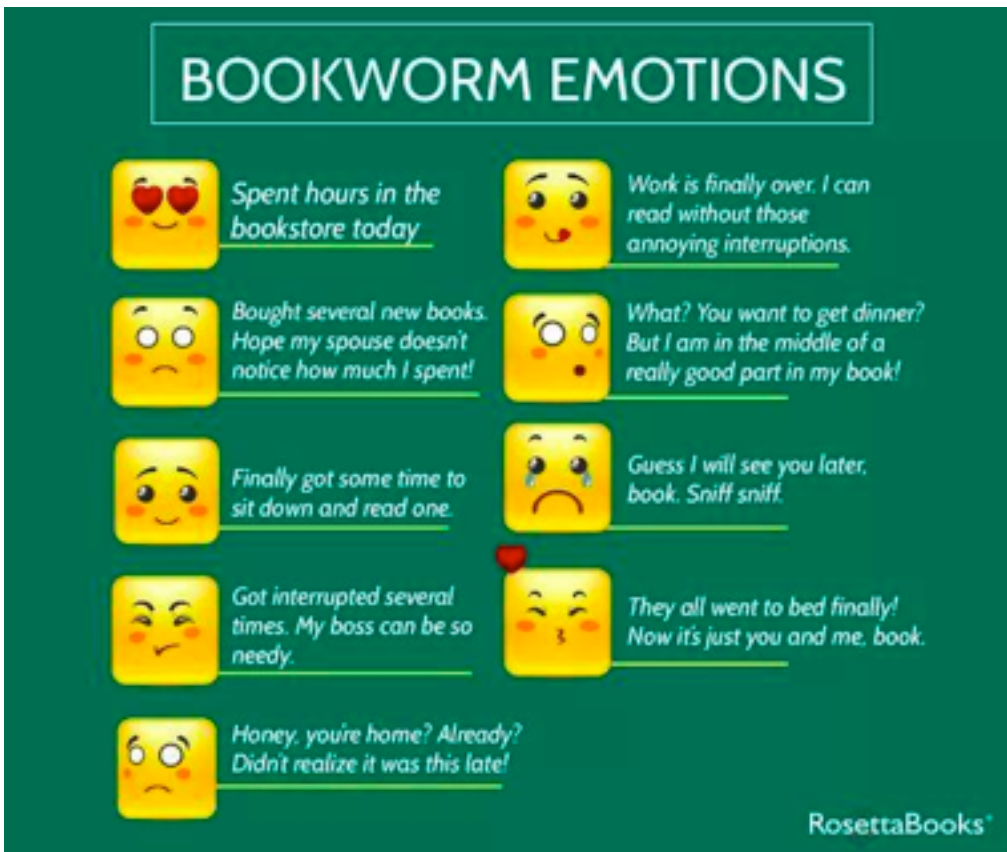
- Activate 2.4 million Sierra Club members and supporters to write, call and pressure Congress to do the right thing;
- Engage lovers of the outdoors on social media to spread the word about what's at stake;
- Meet with editorial boards in swing states where we know Members of Congress are sensitive to news coverage;
- Deploy lawyers from our Environmental Law Program to do everything possible to stop the current mining.

Today there are NO permanent protections to prevent toxic, radioactive uranium mining in much of Grand Canyon's watershed.

What you do today could determine whether or not this sacred, majestic place is still here for your children and grandchildren.

On behalf of these future generations, thank you for your help.

With gratitude, Michael Brune Executive Director



APNewsBreak: EPA mine spill could have been prevented

BILLINGS, Mont. (AP) - Government investigators squarely blame the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for a 3 million gallon wastewater spill from a Colorado gold mine, saying a cleanup crew rushed its work and failed to consider the complex engineering involved, triggering the very blowout it hoped to avoid. The Interior Department probe concludes that the spill that fouled rivers in three states would have been avoided had the EPA team checked on water levels before digging into the min...

http://hosted.ap.org/dynamic/stories/U/US_MINE_WASTE_SPILL_INVESTIGATION?SITE=NVL

The Sage Grouse Saga Heats Up

Nevada Attorney General Adam Laxalt does not represent Nevada in his decision yesterday to join a coalition in a lawsuit against the federal government over land-use plans for sage-grouse conservation, said Nevada Governor Brian Sandoval.

“By pursuing litigation now, the Attorney General is acting in his personal capacity and does not represent the State of Nevada, the Governor, or any state agencies,” said Sandoval’s spokesperson Mari St. Martin. “If the Greater Sage-grouse had been listed as an endangered species, the consequences of that listing would have been permanent and inflexible. It would have given exclusive control of the management of the bird as well as the habitat to the federal government.”

It's getting hot. [Read more.](#)

Save the Date 39th California Conference on American Indian Education

CCAIE Redding, CA March 17-19, 2016

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[Joseph Galata](#)

I love researching history

Last night while researching for a business project I'm creating

I discovered something totally fascinating to me

I'll put it in a question - see if you can guess ..

What do the following people have in common?

Harriet Tubman the great Civil War hero who led slaves into freedom

Joseph Pulitzer who created journalism's coveted Pulitzer Prize

Galileo the famed scientist

John Milton one of history's most revered novelists

Claude Monet the acclaimed painter

Homer the Greek philosopher

Did you guess what they had in common?

The answer is

These historical people who made such great contributions to humanity were sightless.... Blind ...

How is it school history books don't include this fact?

55 percent of American kids who are blind drop out of high school

Maybe if they knew of these great figures in history they might get inspired to stay in school!

I sure do find history Fascinating.

HUD's Southwest Office of Native American Programs is pleased to share the following

Information about the **Tribal HUD-VASH Demonstration Program:** Federal Register

Notice (*attached*) and at <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-10-21/html/2015-26748.htm>

or <https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2015/10/21/2015-26748/implementation-of-the-tribal-hud-va-supportive-housing-program>

HUD Letter to Tribal Leaders (*attached* - dated October 22, 2015).

Implementation of the Tribal HUD-VA Supportive Housing Program - A Notice by the Housing and Urban Development Department on 10/21/2015:

Policies and Procedures for Tribal HUD-VA Supportive Housing Program Published: -

Published in today's Federal Register, a notice that will provide rental assistance and supportive services to Native American veterans who are Homeless or At Risk of Homelessness living on or near a reservation or other Indian areas. This Notice sets forth the policies and procedures for the administration of a supportive housing and rental demonstration program called the Tribal HUD-VA Supportive Housing program (Tribal HUD-VASH). The program will provide rental assistance and supportive services to Native American veterans who are Homeless or At Risk of Homelessness living on or near a reservation or other Indian areas. HUD is making available \$4 million in grant funding to Indian tribes and tribally designated housing entities (TDHEs) to fund this rental assistance and associated administrative fees. Indian tribes and TDHEs participating in this program must partner with the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to provide healthcare assistance to eligible Native American veterans.

Tribes/TDHEs selected in each ONAP region will be invited to apply for Tribal HUD-VASH soon.

Five Lessons for Indian Country From the Canadian Elections

<http://newamericamedia.org/2015/10/five-lessons-for-indian-country-from-the-canadian-elections.php>

VIDEO: Digitizing Natural History Museums worldwide are spending millions to digitize their collections. The Berlin Museum of Natural History is undertaking one of the more ambitious efforts, using digital technology to create 3D images of so-called type specimens.

Alaska Governor Calls for Increased Oil Drilling - to Offset Costs of Climate Change

[Read the Article at Jonathan Turley's Blog](#)

Bill strips Bureau of Indian Affairs of federal recognition powers

A top Republican asserts that Congress -- and only Congress -- can recognize tribal governments. indianz.com

BUSH PROPOSES MOVING INTERIOR DEPARTMENT TO A WESTERN STATE

Republican presidential hopeful Jeb Bush unveiled his plan for western lands management Wednesday, calling for moving the Department of Interior out of Washington, D.C., and giving more control to states to determine appropriate land uses and management.

<http://erj.reviewjournal.com/ct/uz3688753Biz26785291>

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