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Battle Horse Singers at the Keep it in the Ground Rally. — with [Clancey Harry](#), [Sam Harry](#), [Rolen Cypher](#), [Brady Harry](#), [Summer Dressler](#) and [Tyrell Furst](#) at [Downtown on the River](#).



### **Autumn Harry:**

· We held strong today at the KeepItInTheGround rally as we protested BLM's decision to auction off fracking leases in Central Nevada. I'm thankful to have had the opportunity to speak, it was an honor to stand and march with each and every one of you. Let's continue the fight to stop extractive industries from invading our state!

## Supreme Court upholds use of tribal convictions in federal system

A unanimous decision from the nation's highest court ensures that Native women in all states can be protected by a federal law that was written to address high rates... indianz.com

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### **Offer Due Date: July 12, 2016 – USDA Agricultural Marketing Service Soliciting Wild Rice (Traditionally-Harvested) Products for Commodity Procurement**

The Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) purchases a variety of 100% domestically produced and processed commodity food products. These purchases support American agriculture by providing an outlet for surplus products and encouraging consumption of domestically-produced foods. The specifications and requirements for this solicitation are available [online](#) .

Additional information is available on the Commodity Procurement website: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/selling-food> .

### **Application Deadline: June 17, 2016 – Community Connect Grants**

This [Community Connect Grant](#) program helps fund broadband deployment into rural communities where it is not yet economically viable for private sector providers to deliver service. This broadband service is intended to foster economic growth and deliver enhanced educational, health care, and public safety services on a community-oriented connectivity basis. RUS will give priority to rural areas that have the greatest need for broadband services, based on program criteria

Please contact the Loan Origination and Approval Division by calling (202) 720-0800; or contact the [General Field Representative](#) (GFR) that serves your area before attempting to fill out any forms or applications.

### **Application Deadline: June 20, 2016 – Rural Cooperative Development Program**

The primary objective of the [Rural Cooperative Development Program](#) is to improve the economic condition of rural areas by assisting individuals and businesses in the startup, expansion or operational improvement of rural cooperatives and other mutually-owned businesses through Cooperative Development Centers. Examples of work that the Centers can do are:

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· **Call for Abstracts Deadline: July 15, 2016 – Tribal Colleges and Universities Program (TCUP) / 1994 Research Symposium (National Science Foundation)**

The National Science Foundation has announced the Tribal Colleges and Universities Program (TCUP) / 1994 Research Symposium, planned for August 15-16. The symposium is part of the National Science Foundation's on-going efforts to determine impacts and offer the best support for future growth in STEM learning and learning environments, broadening participation, and workforce development. Questions should be directed to Becky Bates, by e-mail at [rbates@nsf.gov](mailto:rbates@nsf.gov) . Attached is the full letter soliciting applications.

· **Application Deadline: June 17, 2016 – Tribal ecoAmbassadors Grant Program (Environmental Protection Agency)**

The purpose of EPA's [Tribal ecoAmbassadors Program](#) is to support environmental projects at Tribal Colleges and Universities (TCUs) and partner the TCU participants of these projects with EPA scientists to study the environmental problems most important to the participating TCUs' tribal communities. The focus of these projects may include, but are not limited to climate change, environmental health, traditional ecological knowledge, environmental sustainability, ecological adaptation, bio-diversity, and/or pollution. TCU applicants apply to this program for funding to support these student operated environmental projects.

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**Tribal Supportive Housing Webinar Series**

June is National Homeownership Month. Join us in June as USDA Rural Development hosts a series of webinars as a platform to encourage innovation, and replication of, permanent supportive housing for Native American families and children. Additional information is available in the attached flyer.

- **WEBINAR I: June 3, 2016 (ARCHIVED)**

Webinar Recording: <http://cc.readytalk.com/play?id=csxv30>  
MP3 Recording (Audio Only): <https://www.hightail.com/download/cUJYZXQwdGpUWUNHR3NUQw>

- **WEBINAR II: June 15, 2016, 1:00-2:30 pm Eastern Time**

Promising Practice in Permanent Supportive Housing: Principles in Action Link to webinar with audio: <https://cc.readytalk.com/r/xj8h6wpb66q7&eom>

- **WEBINAR III: June 21, 2016, 1:00-2:30 pm Eastern Time**

Federal Financial Resources to Build Tribal Supportive Housing  
Link to webinar with audio: <https://cc.readytalk.com/r/dkwr5fzh61zc&eom>

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**Check this out:** <http://choose.betterplaceforests.com/welcome-better-place-forests/>

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**Mindsets matter: How your thought patterns shape your business** Entrepreneur

In 1954, before Sir Roger Bannister became the first man in recorded history to run a mile in under four minutes, most people thought it was impossible. Bannister's record was short lived. Just 46 days later, rival John Landy beat his time. Many attribute Landy's success to the newfound belief that it could actually be done. In other words, what we feel we can influence impacts what we actually do influence. While this concept is often applied to individual goals — encouraging people to visualize their success — what's given less attention is how it plays out on a larger scale; how unchallenged mindsets shape entire organizations, industries and cultures. **READ MORE**

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**Warren Buffett thinks every entrepreneur needs to do this** CNBC

If you're an aspiring entrepreneur or small business owner, Warren Buffett wants you to do something tomorrow morning. "Tomorrow morning, when you look in the mirror after you've gotten up, just write — put it in lipstick or whatever you want on the mirror — just put 'delight my customer,'" Buffett said at Goldman Sachs' 10,000 Small Businesses panel event at LaGuardia Community College. The phrase is not "satisfy my customer," Buffett clarified. **READ MORE**

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**Shoring up river flooding concerns** | RecordCourier.com

Over about 200 miles extending from its headwaters at Ebbetts and Monitor passes in the Sierra to the Stillwater National Refuge, the Carson River has provided a lifeline to recordcourier.com  
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[A RARE WHITE BISON WAS BORN INTO A HERD BELONGING TO THE SIOUX VALLEY DAKOTA NATION \(PHOTOS\) –... nativehistoryonline.net](#)

[\\$13,500 to Kill Sacred White Buffalo in Texas—Can This Be True?](#)

[A hunting lodge in Texas charges \\$13,500 for the experience of hunting and killing a white buffalo, perhaps the most sacred animal in the world according to Native Americans.](#)

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PLEASE SHARE THIS EVENT WILL BE HELD IN RENO, NV.

From Raquel Arthur President of AIM Northern Nevada...

**Peltier rally June 26 sunday 12 pm ,downtown reno** 1st n virginia-the plaza -the old ice skating ring ,than march.

Who will joins us in this march? All drummers and singers encouraged to attend please.... Please pass the word. I know this is late notice, but let's get as many people as we can out there...

FREE LEONARD PELTIER!!!!

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**What Onondaga Faithkeeper Oren Lyons said at Muhammad Ali's funeral**

LOUISVILLE, KY -- Onondaga Nation Faithkeeper Oren Lyons says he was deeply honored to be chosen to be among the speakers at Muhammad Ali's funeral...

cnycentral.com|By Sinclair Broadcast Group

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**From the US Department of Veteran Affairs:**

VA is seeking formal tribal consultation with tribes seeking input from tribal leaders on the top 3 to 5 priorities that tribes have for serving Veterans in Indian Country. Once identified (the priorities) will be used to assist with collaborative development of an Indian Country Veterans Affairs policy agenda. VA plans to hold two tribal consultation sessions in 2016.

The first later this month in collaboration with NCAI on Wednesday, June 29, 2016 at 5:15 p.m. in Spokane, WA. The second will be scheduled later this year and notification will be given to tribes. Written consultation is open through October 7, 2016. For more info., contact Mrs. Terry R. Bentley, Tribal Government Relations Specialist, U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs, 541-440-1271 | Email: [terry.bentley@va.gov](mailto:terry.bentley@va.gov). Website: <http://www.va.gov>

[TRIBALGOVERNMENT/](#)

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### **Some Scholarship Magic - Courtesy of NBA Legend Earvin by [Susan Dutca](#)**

South Carolina State University will be able to offer considerably more financial aid to future business majors thanks to the \$2.5 million Earvin "Magic" Johnson Endowed Scholarship Fund. The funds are established to help business students at the historically black college.

Johnson decided to embark on the educational endeavor a year ago, when he visited the Orangeburg campus. Since then, he's "worked to develop meaningful ways to contribute to its success". According to Johnson, the scholarship fund will "continue the legacy of our nations historically black colleges and universities". Scholarship details will be released this weekend during a fundraising event in Washington.

You may feel out of touch with famous Hollywood actors, professional athletes, or singers and songwriters, but there are scholarships funded by such people who are interested in giving back to future generations of scholars and stars. Here's a list of other scholarships funded by well-known celebrities:

#### **[Rihanna's Clara Lionel Foundation Scholarship](#)**

**Deadline:** August 10      **Maximum Award:** \$200,000

#### **[BMI John Lennon Scholarship](#)**

**Deadline:** December 1      **Maximum Award:** \$10,000

#### **[BSU Letterman Telecommunications Scholarship](#)**

**Deadline:** April 4      **Maximum Award:** \$10,000

#### **[Earl Woods Scholarship Program](#)**

**Deadline:** Varies      **Maximum Award:** Varies

#### **[Jimi Hendrix Scholarship Fund](#)**

**Deadline:** Varies      **Maximum Award:** \$5,000

#### **[Aerosmith Scholarship](#)**

**Deadline:** Varies      **Maximum Award:** Varies

### **Janet Jackson/Rhythm National Scholarship**

**Deadline:** Varies

**Maximum Award:** \$5,000

And remember, there's no need to rely on expensive student loan options to pay for your college education. For more information on finding free scholarship money for college, conduct a [Scholarships.com](http://Scholarships.com) [free college scholarship search](http://Scholarships.com) today, then apply and win! It's that easy!



### **Federal Court Backs FCC's Treatment of Internet as Utility** **June 14, 2016 - Greg Stotelmyer , Public News Service (NV)**

[Play Audio in Browser Window](#)

A win in federal court for consumers, say advocates of net neutrality. (Greg Stotelmyer) WHITESBURG, Ky. – A federal court has upheld the Federal Communication Commission's decision to treat the Internet like a utility – a victory for consumers say advocates of net neutrality.

The 2-to-1 ruling came Tuesday from the U.S. Court of Appeals for Washington, D.C.

Marty Newell, a member of the Rural Broadband Policy Group, says the court ruling is "part of the march" to treating broadband the same way we treat telephone service.

"It's not optional," he stresses. "It's not a luxury. There was a time when Internet access might have been considered a luxury, but it's not now. That time has passed.

"It's a necessity in the same way that we looked at the telephone once upon a time."

The cable and telecom industries and their allies argue that the FCC's rule is overreaching and would stifle investment and customer choice.

But Newell and other advocates say web users need more protections from providers.

Newell says the ruling is especially important in rural areas of the country that are underserved by broadband.

Take Kentucky for example, where Newell says around one out of every four households does not have access to broadband services.

"We don't have as much choice," he points out. "The competition is not nearly as great.

"It is critical that this communications tool that it is absolutely essential to do business in the 21st century, that it be an open system."

The Rural Broadband Policy Group says of the 19 million Americans who don't have broadband, more than 14 million live in rural parts of the country.

Noting a lot of money is at stake, Newell says he knows the legal challenges will continue, something the industry giants have promised.

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## **Pulp Friction**

Oregon's 93,000-acre Elliott State Forest, half of which has never been logged, contains habitat for northern spotted owls, marbled murrelets, wild Pacific salmon, and a host of other native species. Yet the state has put the entire forest up for sale to raise money for public schools.

How did Washington and Oregon end up relying on forests to fund schools, and does it really make sense to force a choice between educating our children and selling the public lands that are their birthright? [Read more.](#)

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# SILVER STATE GOURD SOCIETY



Princess Contest..... Friday

Gourd Dance... Saturday 1 p.m.

Dinner Break.....5-7 p.m.  
(Dinner will be provided)

Gourd Dance..... 7-10 p.m.

Breakfast ..... Sunday 10 a.m.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual All Gourd Dance Celebration

August 20, 2016

Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Gym  
34 Reservation Road, Reno, Nevada

All Singers and Dancers,  
Royalty and Public Welcome

**Drug and Alcohol Free Event**

Art and Craft Vendors  
and for more information:

Thomas Phillips  
(775) 351-5256  
Email: [t\\_phillips03@yahoo.com](mailto:t_phillips03@yahoo.com)  
or  
Monty Williams  
Cell: (775) 741-0716  
Email: [snac.m.williams@gmail.com](mailto:snac.m.williams@gmail.com)

### Head Staff

Master of Ceremony..... Tom Phillips, Sr.  
Arena Director..... Carlisle Phillips  
Head Singer ..... Cornel Pewewardy  
Head Man..... Anthony Asetamy  
Head Woman ..... Chantel Pewewardy  
Cedar Man..... Gary Kodaseet  
Water Boys..... Ty and Talon Phillips

Silver State Gourd Society is taking applications for a Princess  
Contact McKenna Asetamy at [silverstateprincess@gmail.com](mailto:silverstateprincess@gmail.com)

Committee not responsible for short-funded travelers, lost items, thefts or injuries

## **Former Catawba Indian Chief Gilbert Blue, who 'saved' tribe, dies following illness**

Legendary tribal leader was driving force behind Catawba getting recognition from United States government and South Carolina

A US Navy veteran, he is being remembered for his forceful leadership, vision and commitment to improving tribe's quality of life

Blue had been diagnosed with mesothelioma, according to his family

### **CATAWBA INDIAN RESERVATION**

Gilbert Blue, the legendary former Catawba Indian Chief who was the driving force behind the tribe getting recognition by the United States government and South Carolina, died Saturday. He was 82.



Tribal spokesperson Elizabeth Harris confirmed Blue's passing late Saturday. Harris said that Blue had been diagnosed with mesothelioma, according to his family, who was with him when he died at the reservation.

The Catawbas, with a reservation in York County, are the native inhabitants of the Piedmont region of the Carolinas and have been in the area for millennia. Yet when Blue took over in 1973, the tribe was in disarray. Through Blue's forceful leadership and strength in dealing with both state and federal governments, the tribe gained recognition status in 1993 with its landmark land settlement.

Blue is recognized throughout South Carolina and America after decades of struggle. The tribe is South Carolina's only federally-recognized Native American group.

Blue was a U.S. Navy veteran whose patriotism for America, and his people, was renowned throughout South Carolina.

"Gilbert Blue was a Catawba statesman, a legend," said Dr. Wenonah Haire, executive director of the Catawba Cultural Center. "He, for so long, was simply Chief Blue."

Blue was chief from 1973 through 2007, when he decided to retire from office. He was the negotiator and tribal leader who fought to get the land grant settlement and other concessions for tribal members.

Blue and former U.S. Rep. John Spratt spent more than a decade working out the settlement after the Catawbas filed lawsuits claiming that hundreds of thousands of acres in York County and North Carolina were tribal lands. The tribe settled for \$50 million in 1993 and has its 144,000-acre reservation in eastern York County that remains a cultural, social and political jewel.

“Today the Catawba Nation mourns the loss of former Chief Gilbert Blue,” said current Catawba Chief Bill Harris in a written statement. “The tribe will forever owe a debt of gratitude to Chief Gilbert Blue for his leadership in paving the way to our 1993 Federal Rerecognition and the changes that created for the tribe. Gilbert will always be known for his friendly smile and love of music. You could still find him playing his guitar and singing at tribal events, even after he left office. His loss will be felt throughout the tribe, but his contributions will never be forgotten.”

Blue, more than any modern Catawba, brought the tribe into the modern era with his leadership, grace, and knowledge, said those who knew him. He also was an accomplished bluegrass singer and musician whose folksy wit, humor, and charm were legendary as far as Washington, D.C. Blue met several presidents, but one of the most notable encounters was a comfortable meeting with former President Bill Clinton while he was holding his annual Thanksgiving feast and program at Oakdale Elementary School in Rock Hill, near the reservation.



Spratt, the former congressman, was saddened by the death of Blue, who he had known for 40 years.

“In the Bicentennial of 1976, I was invited to smoke a peace pipe with Gilbert Blue, Chief of the Catawba Tribe,” Spratt said. “I will never forget how it tasted or the impression Gilbert Blue made on me on that hot summer day. Gilbert Blue was a Native American and a natural leader. At a time when many Catawba were struggling to survive, he led his tribe to federal recognition and what amounted to victory in the federal courts. Native American law can be arcane, but I never took part in negotiations where I doubted Gilbert Blue’s grasp of all that was going on. He was not just knowledgeable but keenly intelligent, a good speaker and a great story teller. Gilbert Blue was one of those rare leaders who made a real difference. What he accomplished will live long after him, and those of us who knew him and were fortunate enough to call him a friend will never forget him and all that we still owe Native Americans.”

Read more here: <http://www.heraldonline.com/news/local/article83257257.html#storylink=cpy>

[Obituary for Gilbert Billy Blue at Whitesell Funeral Home](#)

Gilbert Blu ROCK HILL Gilbert Billy Larson Blue, 82, of 1480 Hopewell Road, died Saturday, June 11, 2016, at the Wayne T. Patrick Hospice House. Funeral services will be 300 PM Wednesday, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, Catawba Ward. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.... whitesellfuneralhome.net

*To my friends at Catawba - the memories of your hospitality still resonate. Hoping the holes in your heart heal with due time. sdc*