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ndnsports.com

Shout out and congratulations to the Owyhee Lady Braves, from the Duck Valley Indian Reservation who won the Division IV Nevada State Championship today.

[Girls basketball: Owyhee beats McDermitt for title](#)

Braves top Bulldogs, 61-54; avenge region loss. www.rgj.com

And loved the honor song at beginning of game.....

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Obama Appointed: At 17, Dahkota Kicking Bear Brown is the youngest White House Indian Education advisor ever!

indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com



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[Read the Article at The Nation](#)

So cool to see our leaders making a difference at such a young age on behalf of the people...

DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE FROM [THE UPNEXT BLOG](#) **IMLS News**

Real Promise Seen With Museums/Libraries and Community Revitalization Efforts

Last week we completed the last of five feedback sessions held to explore how museums and libraries are playing active roles in community revitalization. Wrapping up the project Wednesday morning before a packed crowd who had literally travelled from all across Pennsylvania to the Free Library of Philadelphia further solidified one thing: the true promise that resides in museum and library collaboration within communities. [Read More](#)

Statement from IMLS Director Dr. Kathryn K. Matthew on the Nomination of Dr. Carla Hayden To Be the Librarian of Congress

President Barack Obama announced his intention to nominate Dr. Carla Hayden to be Librarian of Congress. Since 2010, Dr. Hayden has served on the National Library and Museum Services Board, which advises the Institute of Museum and Library Services. [Read more](#)

New Research Grant Opportunity Available from IMLS

Announcing the STEM Expert Facilitation of Family Learning in Libraries and Museums

IMLS is inviting proposals for special grants for research on informal educational approaches that leverage Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) expertise within communities in the broadest sense. The STEM Expert Facilitation of Family Learning in Libraries and Museums, or STEMEX, initiative will provide grants up to \$1,000,000 for projects of up to two years. The deadline for applications is May 1, 2016. [Read more](#)

IMLS Is Moving

Effective March 23, our new address is 955 L'Enfant Plaza North, SW, Suite 4000, Washington, D.C. 20024-2135. Stay tuned [here](#) for more information.

Open eBooks Opens World of Digital Reading to Children

Open eBooks, a new initiative and e-reader app that will make thousands of popular, top-selling eBooks available to children in need for free, has launched. [Read more](#)

Evolving with Time, Museums from Community Anchors to Community Catalysts

Museums in America have been woven into the cultural DNA of our country -- inspiring, convening, mobilizing and revitalizing local, regional and national communities in many ways.

[Read more](#)

Opportunities from the Institute of Museum and Library Services," California Association of Museums Conference: Mark Feitl, Museum Program Specialist; Riverside, CA, March 2 - 4

"Branching Out: Libraries are Growing STEMS," Computers in Libraries: Michele Farrell, Senior Program Officer; Washington, DC, March 8 - 10

Art Libraries Society of North America + Visual Resources Association Third Joint Conference 2016: Madison Bolls, Program Specialist; Seattle, WA, March 8 - 12

National Council on Public History: Trevor Owens, Senior Program Officer; Baltimore, MD, March 16 - 19

They Pulled Out Our Leaves. Took Out
Our Branches. Cut Away Our Trunk. But
Could Not Touch Our Root. And Since
It's There. Our Strength Returns.

~ The Kogi Eldest Brother

(R) With Mrs. LaVatta - Viola Florence Welch and **George Philip LaVatta** after returning from Carlisle Indian School.



[Hank Adams](#)

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Seated, second from left side: George P. LaVatta (1894 - 1992). Was then (1944) Taholah Indian Agency Superintendent, Bureau of Indians

Affairs. Continued as

'perpetual' NCAI Sergeant-at-Arms at least two decades into retirement (1960's, 70's ....). A prominent visual fixture at NCAI Conventions and Portland Area NCAI meetings. — with BIA Supt. & NCAI Sergeant-at-Arms George P. Lavatta @ NCIA's 1944 founding.



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With Carlisle Indian School - Coach "Pop" Warner and Jim Thorpe - 1911 Carlisle Football Team.

[John Trudell on the Christian World View](#)

John Trudell - Sante Sioux - Native American 1973-1979 Chairman of American Indian Movement Address in San Francisco 2001 gracias TUC radio... [youtube.com](#)

[Terrorism Is American as Apple Pie](#)

Michael D. Yates, Monthly Review Press: As Henry A. Giroux makes clear in his essays, terrorism has been part of US policy and practice since this country's founding. This nation was built upon terrorism - particularly slavery, whose unspeakable degradations hardly ended with formal emancipation. [Read the Book Excerpt](#)

Convene for Green

Date: Thursday, March 3, 2016 **Time:** 8:00am to 5:00pm
Location: Planet Hollywood Resort & Casino, Celebrity Ballrooms
Address: 3667 S Las Vegas Blvd, Las Vegas, NV 89109

[REGISTER HERE](#)

[COMPLETE AGENDA HERE](#)

Convene for Green is a **high-level regional discussion around developing goals and ideas**, as well as promoting the important economic, social, and environmental successes of the Southern Nevada region and identifying key challenges for the coming year that can be tackled head-on via uniquely innovative partnerships and community engagement.

Now in its eighth year, this annual sustainability discussion convenes an impressive roster of prestigious leaders from the public, private, non-profit and academic sectors. Convene for Green strives to provide an inside look into the unique challenges our region faces in the multi-faceted sectors of sustainability while promoting our greatest success to both residents and visitors.

360° of Sustainability is about **celebrating and continuing to build a robust, thriving community** we can all be even prouder to live in. Sustainability is not just "green" and not just environmental but a vibrant community that supports itself without compromising the future. Sustainability is about people (a robust workforce and strong community), innovation (sparking and nurturing new and forward looking creative ideas and actions) values (families, faith, personal commitments), and the use and renewal of natural resources.

A sustainable community cannot focus on any one of these areas, or even a group of them alone; **it must focus on all of them**, how they interact and effect each other, for the good of all. It is with this in mind that Green Chips asks the attendees of Convene for Green 2016 to broaden their thinking, break down social norms, break down silos, break down their own ideas of "green" and "sustainability" and instead think about how we all, as Southern Nevadans, can work together, through the impact of our collective efforts, to build the community of the future.

To facilitate these conversations, **we will have panels that celebrate our strengths and identify our largest social opportunities** with panels covering: education, food insecurity, and homelessness.

[Questions? Contact Green Chips.](#)

Association of American University Women (AAUW)

Dissertation Fellowships

[Learn more](#)

Postdoctoral Research Leave Fellowships

[Learn more](#)

Summer/Short-Term Research Publication Grants

[Learn more](#)

Applications are open August 1–November 15

*If the application date falls on a weekend, the deadline is the next business day.
For questions or technical support, please e-mail aauw@applyists.com.*

American Dissertation Fellowships

Dissertation Fellowships offset a scholar's living expenses while she completes her dissertation. The fellowship must be used for the final year of writing the dissertation. Applicants must have completed all course work, passed all preliminary examinations, and received approval for their research proposals or plans by the preceding November. Students holding fellowships for writing a dissertation in the year prior to the AAUW fellowships year are not eligible. Open to applicants in all fields of study. Scholars engaged in science, technology, engineering, and math fields or researching gender issues are especially encouraged to apply.

American Postdoctoral Research Leave Fellowships

Postdoctoral Research Leave Fellowships are designed to assist scholars in obtaining tenure and other promotions by enabling them to spend a year pursuing independent research. The primary purpose of the fellowship is to increase the number of women in tenure-track faculty positions and to promote equality for women in higher education. Tenured professors are not eligible.

American Summer/Short-Term Research Publication Grants

Summer/Short-Term Research Publication Grants provide funds for women college and university faculty and independent researchers to prepare research for publication. Time must be available for eight consecutive weeks of final writing and editing in response to issues raised in critical reviews. These grants can be awarded to both tenure-track and part-time faculty, and new and established researchers. The grants are designed to assist the candidate in obtaining tenure and other promotions. Tenured professors are not eligible.

About the Program

The oldest and largest of AAUW's fellowships and grant programs, the American Fellowships program began in 1888, a time when women were discouraged from pursuing an education. Now one of the largest sources of funding for graduate education for women, AAUW has provided more than \$90 million to upwards of 11,000 fellows and grantees since awarding its [first fellowship to Ida Street](#), a pioneer in the field of early American Indian history.

Elegy for a website where Native voices mattered

AJAM reported on tribal communities and offered coverage on Indian Country that few could match

February 25, 2016 7:00AM ET by [Tristan Ahtone @tahtone](#)

Priestess Bearstops, right, then 18, with her mother, Reva Bearstops, in their home in Minneapolis, in a photo published Jan. 20, 2014. In a series on the dangers of gang life for young Native Americans, Priestess Bearstops was featured for her determination to graduate and go on to college.

Tomo for Al Jazeera America

In 2013, I received an email from a digital editor at Al Jazeera America. The organization had a goal: to become the go-to place for stories from Indian Country. The email asked for story pitches.

“We’re especially committed to showing good and bad, to go above the stereotypical ‘sad life on the rez’ that seems to get reported all the time,” the editor wrote. “No matter what the story, we want it to be full of portraits and voices, very much on-the-ground reporting.”

It was a curious request. Usually, indigenous people show up in media if they fall into what [Reporting in Indigenous Communities](#) calls the WD4 rule: If you’re an Indian who’s going to make the news, you have to be a warrior, be drumming, be dancing, be drunk or be dead.

“We’re interested in tech, environment, health, science, sports, culture,” the editor continued. “Frankly, if it’s a good story, we want it.”

As a reporter and member of the Kiowa Tribe of Oklahoma, I knew a lot about what I didn’t like seeing in the media: journalists parachuting into tribal communities for stories on victims and statistics, written in clichés and stereotypes. I also knew what I wasn’t seeing: the topics I discussed with my friends and family, the heroes, the history and the nuance and context required to make sense of what Native America is really about.

The request seemed genuine, so I sent a few pitches.

Within two years, my editors at Al Jazeera America and I were producing award-winning series and in-depth features from indigenous communities, and stories poured in from other reporters. Al Jazeera America even built its own [Indian Country](#) vertical with pieces on food, language, legal battles, uranium mining, sex and dating, drought, law and order, mascots, payday lending, sports, voting, financial mismanagement, pipeline fights, missing and murdered indigenous women, pollution and treaty rights, to name a few.

There was nothing like it at any other mainstream news outlet in the United States.

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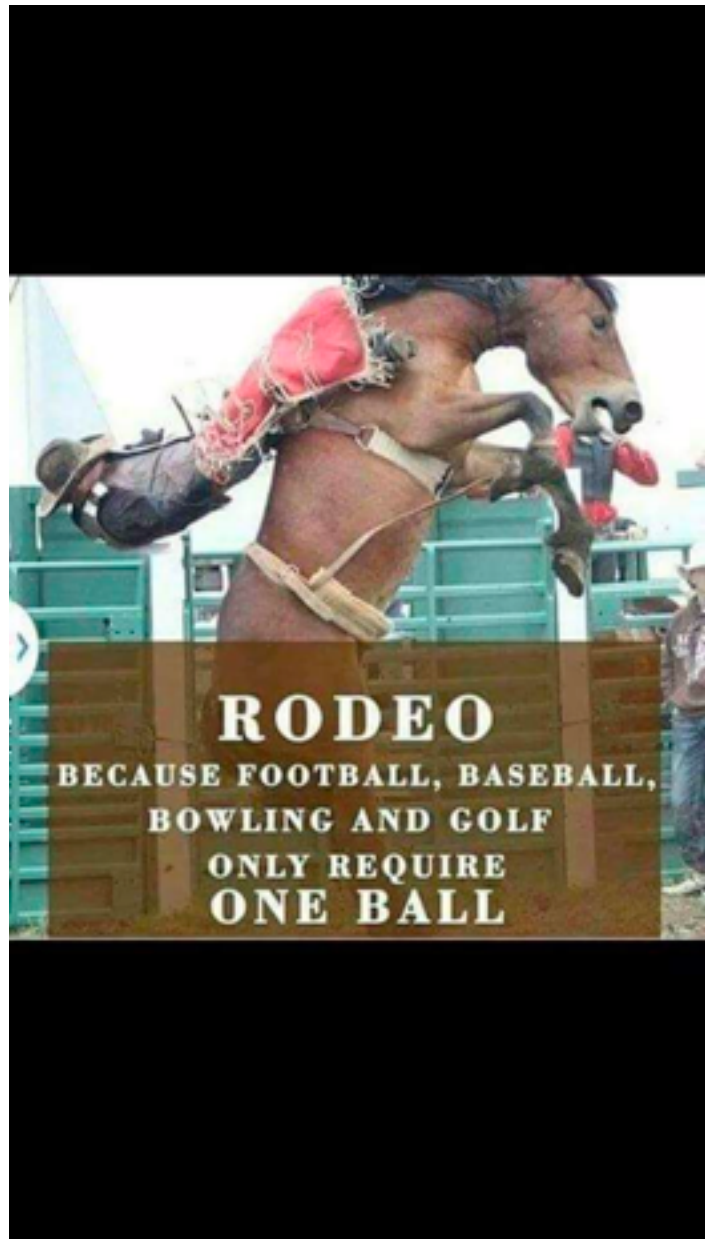
It's old news now that Al Jazeera America is closing, and there have been many odes, irreverent think pieces and analytical autopsies — all valid points. But there is something else to consider: Al Jazeera America made sure that Native voices mattered.

It's a small fact in the hurricane of information about Al Jazeera America's demise but a teachable one. For an industry dedicated to being a voice for the voiceless, it is an utter failure that news organizations refuse to invest time or money in reporting on the most underrepresented and misunderstood ethnic group in the country.

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Al Jazeera America did not become the go-to outlet for Indian Country news; that spot is still held by [Indian Country Today Media Network](#), an outfit owned and operated by the Oneida Indian Nation of New York. But Al Jazeera America invested real money in real reporters, and it found an incredible response from audiences — both Native and non-Native. It's the same model that [National Native News](#) has used to create groundbreaking, original content on public radio stations across the nation and the same idea that has kept indigenous outlets like [Osage News](#) and [The Navajo Times](#) relevant and vital in a sea of commentary and analysis.

Some reporters do what they do because they believe that telling unbiased, fact-based, in-depth stories helps create a better world. They believe that stories take hold of our imaginations and invite us to confront and interact with the world in new ways. They believe that stories can introduce us to ideas and struggles that lack easy answers or solutions. That storytelling can help audiences identify with people and cultures different from themselves. That when stories are



told, something powerful happens. In my mind, that was the kind of reporter Al Jazeera America was trying to nurture and the kind of work for which it wanted to be known. In a way, it's a very indigenous approach to storytelling. No wonder it failed.

Indian Country is a ballad, a taste, a song, a ceremony. It smells of wood stoves, booze, food and sweetgrass. It's a mix of stately farmhouses, apartment complexes, dilapidated trailers and cookie-cutter homes. It's quiet, starry and violent. Full of history, politics, tension and honor. Al Jazeera America was long-eyed enough to understand that Indian Country is important because it is America — her guilt, her hope and her root.

[Antoinette Cavanaugh](#) The **2016 Maintenance Training Cooperative Application Training Workshop for Western Shoshone** tribal members is a wrap! 14 young adults going after their Associates Degree of Applied Science in Millwright Technology, Welding, Diesel, and Electrical Systems Technology! Thank you Mindy Caskey for being my working partner to ensure our students got everything done. Now we wait to see if they get accepted!!



From SBA:

[Employers: Young Workers are Your Diamonds in the Rough](#)

Many young people recognize that their first job is an opportunity to begin their path to a successful career. Here at SBA we're doing more than just talking the talk about youth employment.

We partnered with Small Business Majority to launch [SmallBiz4Youth](#), a national campaign created to help small businesses re-engage young people in their communities who are currently not in school and not working.

[Blog | Understanding Gross Margin](#)

Ignoring your financial statement is like ignoring the health of your business. Startups and new business owners often overlook understanding gross margin.

[Blog | 10 Essentials of A Marketing Plan in 2016](#)

Clearly, technology has changed marketing a lot. We fast forward through ads on television and block them on our devices. We have amplified word of mouth in social media. We pour over analytics and metrics.

[Bob Tregilus](#) shared [Janis Knight's](#) post.

Here's a good blog post for those who might be interested in **western public land history** rather than getting their news from advertisement animated sock-jock pundits. What do you think?

[Janis Knight](#) [History lesson on public lands:](#)

[Ted Cruz, Clive Bundy, and Ownership of Public Land in the West](#)

There is a perception, widespread among folks of a particularly political bent, that the Federal Government came to own land in the west by taking that land from...[jerrysnyderlaw.com](#)

[Bob Tregilus](#) Well, Fred, there's pros and cons of grazing livestock on public lands. It's complicated. And of course the way homesteading, railroad right of way, mining rights, water rights, &c have been dealt with is super complicated. Bottom line for me is for public lands in the west remain "public." If they are given to the state, the state will not have the resources to manage them and they will have to sell off a lot of the land. But that's complicated too. Ranchers won't be able to afford to buy the land and pay taxes on it as much of it is not very productive-- that's why grazing fees are so cheap. I find the sagebrush rebellion to be a silly romantic throwback to a time that ended over a hundred years ago. Most cattle is raised on feed lots these days anyway.

[Leo Horishny](#) Adding to the complication, anyway you look at it we're subsidizing a group of white Americans who want to pretend they live in the 19th century but have 21st century conveniences and living standards.

[Paiute tribe breaks ground on cannabis business](#)

A Nevada tribe is diving into the state's growing medical cannabis industry. The Las Vegas Paiute Nation broke ground Monday for the construction of a new medical cannabis dispensary near Main Street and Washington Avenue. Paiute Tribal... [news3lv.com](#) | By Sinclair Broadcast Group



[Chiapas Communities Organize to Protect Sacred Lagoon From Tourist Highway](#)

Sandra Cuffe, Waging Nonviolence: Communities in Chiapas, Mexico, are organizing to protect the Suyul Lagoon and communal lands from a planned multi-lane highway between the city of San Cristóbal de las Casas and Palenque, where Mayan ruins are a popular tourist destination. Candelaria residents are taking action to protect the lagoon.

[Read the Article](#)



Hope you Leap Day was special.....as well as the rest of the year!