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*Lawrence Busch with Christine Wilson and Carla Miller.*

I feel very fortunate and honored that I was able to photograph this beautiful leucistic bald eagle for a second year in a row while visiting the Klamath Basin National Wildlife Refuge Complex in Tulelake, CA.

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Kenny Dyer-Redner is somewhere in the wilds of Nevada's Indian country, and he's spinning his wheels.

No, he's not taking a break from his studies at Arizona State University. Dyer-Redner is on a two-wheeled mission.

The American Indian StudiesThe American Indian Studies Program is an academic unit of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. student is speaking about indigenous history as part of his master's thesis and touring 15 Indian reservations in 34 days on a bike. He's hoping to inspire youth and other community members to make their own history.

“As American Indian people, we are taught to think about history from a Western point of view. Too often American Indians accept this,” said Dyer-Redner, who is about three-quarters finished with his 34-day bike ride, which will encompass approximately 1,000 miles in and around northern Nevada.

“Most people think that stories and storytelling are powerful. I argue that stories have the power to shape our thoughts, consciousness and even our actions. I urge people to begin a process of engaging in physical activity and intellectual reflection.”

Dyer-Redner’s thesis, “Vehicle of Resistance: A Bicycle Ride for the Land, Culture and Community,” uses a theoretical framework that explores four concepts: history/land, storytelling, the physical body and political action.

He’s putting to the test a theory he called “Active Indigenous Presence,” which argues that a presence of indigenous thought, voice and physical body disrupts and introduces the concept of decolonization and self-determination.

“At one time this country was all indigenous land, and right now we’re all separated on different reservations,” Dyer-Redner said. “We might be scattered, but there’s indigenous people everywhere and they’re very supportive. They are showing me that we are all one big community.”

Those kinds of life lessons are inspiring and the epitome of use-inspired research, said Bryan McKinley Jones Brayboy, director of the Center for Indian Education and ASU’s Special Advisor to the President on American Indian Affairs.

“Kenny’s thesis project is remarkable in that he is, quite literally, embodying his scholarship. I suspect he will learn a great deal about himself as he braves the elements and tells his story,” Brayboy said. “Young boys and girls in communities will see that Native peoples can be thoughtful and serious scholars, generous people and engaged community members.”

The 34-year-old master’s student is fully engaged at the moment; he rides his bike 50-70 miles a day and sleeps in a tent at night. He said it helps him to connect with the land and the people.

“I purposely chose a bike because it’s not as quick as a vehicle and it forces me to get to know the landscape more intimately,” said Dyer-Redner. “There’s no way I’d be able to do that driving by in a car really fast.”

Riding a bike at 4,000-feet elevation can have its drawbacks, said Dyer-Redner. He has endured rain, severe wind, snow, and on a couple of occasions, hail. But that’s nothing compared with the sacrifices he made before taking off for Nevada earlier this month. He quit his job as a stocker at the Amazon Fulfillment Center in west Phoenix and had to get the blessing of his wife and two kids, ages 15 and 2, to fulfill his thesis.

But Dyer-Redner is quickly acquiring a new support system while on the road, thanks to a social-media post by longtime pal Derek Hinkey, who announced Dyer-Redner’s academic sojourn.

News of his arrival has caught on with the locals, as well as an Elko, Nevada, TV station, who recently filed a [story](#).

“When I come to a reservation, people either have heard of me or know I’m coming,” said Dyer-Redner. “I’ve even had people pull me over on the side of the road and say, ‘Hey, you’re that guy!’ People feed me, have hosted me in their homes and are showing they care.”

In return, Dyer-Redner speaks to youth groups, high school and college students, community members and elders about his life on the Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Indian Reservation. He speaks honestly about some of the obstacles he faced in his youth — racism, loneliness and some self-destructive behavior when he turned 12. He said athletics Dyer-Redner played football and basketball and was recruited by several colleges. He was a champion boxer on the club level at the University of Nevada, Reno. gave him the discipline to turn his life around and that education is helping to shape his future.

“Everybody can relate to my story because growing up I was very shy and passive, your typical res kid,” Dyer-Redner said. “I was a good athlete, and that gave me the confidence I needed to overcome my shyness. But some of these kids are dealing with challenges I didn’t face.”

Some of those challenges include poverty, substance abuse, isolation, unemployment and lack of basic resources, including law enforcement.

“There are some reservations that don’t even have their own police departments or rely on Bureau of Indian Affairs — but they don’t really enforce the law that much,” Dyer-Redner said. “Many drugs are being sold out of houses in plain sight but nothing’s being done. When that happens, things get skewed.”

Dyer-Redner said it’s not all gloom and doom. He’s also witnessing the other side of humanity — selfless acts, good deeds and surprise friendships on the road. They include: Bird from Lovelock, Nevada, who teaches underserved youth traditional Paiute songs; Pete, an 82-year-old man who is walking across the United States and who stopped to share his story; and Deb, who heard about Dyer-Redner through Facebook and posed for a selfie at a Native American landmark at Pyramid Lake, 40 miles northeast of Reno.

Dyer-Redner is keeping a daily journal and recording his trip using a GoPro camera. His thesis will include these mediums as well as the many lessons he is learning along the way.

“I feel like I’ve definitely changed,” said Dyer-Redner, who wants to host a weeklong creative writing workshop for youth in the area in the future. “I feel more humble and possess a stronger sense of community. I feel like I’ve achieved great things as an individual, but it’s no longer about that.

“I’m part of a community, and now I have a responsibility to them.”

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## Calendar

Reminders:

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| <b>May 2-3</b>      | OSHA Training @ Pyramid Lake                                           |
| <b>May 4</b>        | First Aid/CPR Training Wadsworth Center                                |
| <b>May 7-8</b>      | Mother's Day PowWow Mariposa, CA                                       |
| <b>May 7th-12th</b> | Keep It In The Ground Action Camp                                      |
| <b>May 13-15</b>    | Tomano Craft Fair Reno                                                 |
| <b>May 25</b>       | Teaching Critical Thinking through Stories - UNR                       |
| <b>June</b>         | Shoshonean Language Reunion Ft. Hall                                   |
| <b>June 24-26</b>   | California Indian Basketweavers Gathering - Win River Resort - Redding |
| <b>June 24</b>      | Duckwater Youth Handgame Tournament                                    |
| <b>August 20</b>    | Ute Mountain Handgame Tournament                                       |

### **May 2-5 2016 Lead and Healthy Housing Conference (with HUD Program Manager's School) Albuquerque,**

Conference Combines Two Training, Educational & Networking Programs into a Single Event - The HUD Program Manager's School and the Lead and Healthy Housing Conference brings together a cross-section of environmental specialists, health & housing officials, facility managers, health advocates, and environmental companies & consultants. Conference features "how to" workshops dealing with childhood lead poisoning prevention, lead hazard control, and healthy & green housing, grant administration, education & outreach.

More at: <http://www.healthyhousingconferences.com/website/2016-national-conference>

### **May 4 EPA National Tribal Air Association Operations Program**

Eligible Entities: State, local, and tribal governments. \$1 MM in EPA funding for entities to provide air quality policy and regulatory analysis support for tribes. Applicants must state how they will make progress in addressing climate change and improving air quality. The program is designed to help educate tribes about climate change and air quality impacts on the human and environmental health of tribal communities. For more info., visit the funding opportunity announcement.

### **May 4 AmeriCorp Indian Tribes Grant Funding**

Grant funding that will place AmeriCorps members on the ground to help tackle the unique challenges facing Native American communities. The AmeriCorps funding opportunity for federally-recognized Indian Tribes is designed to target resources on a core set of challenges: disaster services, economic opportunity, education, environmental stewardship, healthy futures, and veterans & military families. Visit

[http://www.nationalservice.gov/build-your-capacity/grants/funding-opportunities/2016/fy2016-ameri-corps-](http://www.nationalservice.gov/build-your-capacity/grants/funding-opportunities/2016/fy2016-ameri-corps-indian-tribes-grants)

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### **May 4-5: Implementing OMB's New Uniform Guidance for the IHBG and ICDBG Programs** (2 CFR Part 200) | Phoenix, Arizona. Register [Click here](#).

**May 8-11 AMERIND Risk/ National American Indian Housing Council (NAIHC) Annual Convention** Honolulu, HI

This combined event offers extensive training options. register today to network with hundreds of Tribal leaders and housing professionals from across Indian Country. Download the convention flyer. Register today to participate as an exhibitor. Contact Minerva Diaz, [MDIAZ@AMERINDRisk.org](mailto:MDIAZ@AMERINDRisk.org) for sponsorship opportunities. Visit [AMERINDRisk.org](http://AMERINDRisk.org) or [NAIHC.net](http://NAIHC.net) for more information.

**May 9 EPA FY 2016 & FY 2017 Pollution Prevention Grant Program**

Eligible Entities: State and tribal governments. \$8 MM in EPA funding to reduce the environmental footprints of local and regional businesses. Applicants should implement projects that achieve significant and measureable reductions of greenhouse gas emissions and increased energy efficiency through technical assistance to businesses. Example activities include reducing fuel consumption, installing renewable energy, and increasing appliance energy efficiency. For more info., visit the request for proposals.

**May 9-11 Better Buildings Summit (Dept of Energy) Washington, DC**

DOE's annual event for partners & stakeholders to exchange ideas and best practices for improving energy efficiency of homes, buildings, manufacturing plants, & public facilities. Sessions incl. emerging technology innovation, creative organizational strategies, practical financing, strategic partnerships, data-driven decision-making, and future opportunities for scaling energy efficiency across your portfolio of buildings. Pre-conference project building tour and Partner Pavilion offer attendees an opportunity to engage informally with technology experts, network with peers, and more. For more, visit the Summit website.

**May 11 Federal Financial Report (SF-425) Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) Requirement Training (HUD/ONAP) Live Meeting Training**

HUD is conducting its third quarterly review of the quarterly federal financial report (SF-425) Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) requirement training. This training is geared toward Executive Director, Finance Directors, and TDHE staff that help prepare financial statements, financial reports, and specifically prepare the SF-425. Select Join the meeting to follow along with training material and PowerPoint slides. Join the meeting Conference number: 1-888-675-2535. Access code: 8239988

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**May 16 FY 2016 Resident Opportunity & Self-Sufficiency**

The FY 16 Resident Opportunity & Self Sufficiency (ROSS) NOFA : \$35 million available to eligible applicants to hire Service Coordinators to assess the needs of public and Indian housing residents and link them to supportive services that enable participants to increase earned income, reduce/ eliminate the need for welfare assistance, & make progress toward achieving economic independence and housing self-sufficiency. In the case of elderly or disabled

residents, the Service Coordinator links participants to supportive services that enable them to age and remain in-place, thereby avoiding more costly forms of care.

**May 17 – Concept Paper Due; June 17 – Full Application Due**

**DOE Cities-LEAP FOA for Data- Driven Decision Frameworks by Local and Tribal Governments**

– \$1.25 million DOE's Cities-LEAP funding is available to support the development and piloting of data-driven decision frameworks by local and tribal governments. These frameworks should advance model practices and processes that improve the ability of local and tribal governments to integrate, analyze, and understand varied datasets in order to pursue opportunities across all clean energy sectors. In order to develop these frameworks, local and tribal governments are strongly encouraged to partner with entities such as academic institutions, technology companies, utilities, regional planning bodies, and NGOs. While this FOA focuses on energy-related actions, other ancillary benefits may be necessary to stimulate

action and may even serve as the stronger motivating factor for communities. For more info., visit the funding opportunity announcement. .



May 23 FY 2016 Tribal Climate Resilience Program: Adaptation & Ocean/Coastal Planning, Travel Support, Youth Funding, and FY16 Application Kit to submit on or before 5/23/16 (pdf) \$6.5MM in funding for federally-recognized Tribes and Alaska Native communities (and organizations with 638-contracting authority) for tribal climate change adaptation, ocean and coastal management planning, and youth internships focused on climate adaptation. A new category, Capacity Building, has been establish this year to support tribes that have limited technical or staffing capacity to fund scoping efforts. All proposals must have tribal resolution(s) supporting their requests in order to receive funding. Submit proposals or

questions by e-mail to: [climate.funding@bia.gov](mailto:climate.funding@bia.gov) or by mail per the instructions. Link for more info: Capacity Building <http://bia.gov/WhoWeAre/BIA/climatechange/index.htm>



### **May 23-25 Tribal Financial Manager Certificate Program**

Tempe, AZ

This professional certificate program for tribal government financial management professionals provides an in-depth background in tribal government finance, Indian law, taxation, and economic development. Attendees can earn up to 20 CPE credits. To learn more, click here.

**May 24-26: NAHASDA Intermediate Workshop** (Phx, AZ): More at <http://newregistration.firstpic.org/onapIntermediate/index.php>

**May 24-26 NAHASDA Intermediate Workshop (HUD/ONAP) Phoenix, AZ** Additional information available at <http://newregistration.firstpic.org/onapIntermediate/index.php>

### **May 24-26 Building Native Communities: Financial Skills for Families Albuquerque**

First Nations Development Institute and The Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians this Train the Trainer Event. This three-day financial education certification training features in-depth instruction on using the BNC Financial Skills for Families curriculum, workbook, and related training materials. The workshop will serve as a forum for financial educators to share resources, ideas, and best practices for those looking to start financial education programs, teach classes, or brush up on their training skills. Featured topics include: financial fitness plans, credit reports, fraud awareness, experiential learning simulations, and much more. There is no cost to attend and space is limited so reserve your spot today by contacting First Nations Development Institute Programs Consultant, Shawn Spruce ([agoyopi@gmail.com](mailto:agoyopi@gmail.com) or 505-917-0709).

### **May 25 “Teaching Critical Thinking through Stories” UNR RSVP 682.6022**

People use stories to help explain the world because stories have plots and characters that make them memorable. Unfortunately, stories that are fanciful as well as intriguing impede critical thinking. We live in a world in which critical thinking is vitally important. Critical thinking is difficult especially when it requires us to overcome our natural reliance on stories for understanding how the world works.

Join Dr. Stephen Jenkins for an exploration of this fascinating topic with examples from his recent book, *Tools for Critical Thinking in Biology*.

### **May 31 RIDES TO WELLNESS DEMONSTRATION GRANTS**

\$5.3 million. The goal of the competitive R2W Demonstration Grants is to find and test promising, replicable public transportation healthcare access solutions that support the following goals: increased access to care, improved health outcomes and reduced healthcare costs. Eligible applicants include: States, Tribes, and Designated or Direct Recipients for funds under 49 U.S.C. 5307, 5310 or 5311. Eligible projects include mobility management; health and transportation provider partnerships; technology; and other actions that drive change. These R2W Demonstration Grants will develop replicable best practices. For more info., visit the Federal Register.

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### **[A Pipeline Defeated: How a Small Town Saved Itself](#)**

**William Rivers Pitt, Truthout:** Kinder Morgan wanted to build a natural gas pipeline to transport the fruits of fracking from Pennsylvania through New York and New England. The company's intentions were broken over the knee of some snow-country folks with keen eyes, sage wisdom and infinite patience. [Read the Article](#)

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### **[Agave Heritage Week](#)**

*Article by Melissa Kruse-Peebles, NS/S Education Coordinator, published April 8, 2016.*

During the spring, southern Arizona landscapes experience a change. Cholla and prickly pears are blooming, wildflowers are in full color, and the spiky, long leaved plants known as agave are beginning their bloom which happens only once in an agave's lifetime. During flowering, a tall inflorescence grows out of the center at an incredibly fast rate and then the plant begins to die. In Tucson, agaves will be celebrated as part of Agave Heritage Week from May 3-8.

[Continue Reading](#)

### **Collaboration with SeedBroadcast   Article published April 12, 2016.**

Native Seeds/SEARCH is proud to announce an exciting collaboration with SeedBroadcast based in New Mexico. SeedBroadcast is a collaborative project exploring bioregional agri-Culture and seed action. Together, we will embark on a creative project to share the stories of farmers affected by climate change through multimedia documentation. [Continue Reading](#)

### **Native American Seed Request**

Native Seeds/SEARCH is a non-profit organization focused on conserving and promoting the use of arid-adapted crops in the southwestern US and northwestern Mexico. One way we are doing this is through the Native American Seed Request, which makes these traditional arid-adapted crop seeds more widely available to Native Americans to plant and share. As seed security is at the heart of food security, we encourage recipients to save seeds from the plants they grow. Doing so ultimately increases the resilience of our food system, and sharing them with others ensures that these culturally relevant arid-adapted seeds will be accessible to future generations.

Native Seeds/SEARCH offers memberships and limited quantities of seeds to Native Americans living in the Greater Southwest region at no charge. The Greater Southwest region roughly spans the distance from Durango Colorado in the north to Durango Mexico in the south, from Las Vegas Nevada in the west to Las Vegas New Mexico in the east. Native Americans belonging to tribes outside of this region are eligible to receive discounted seeds and memberships.

### **How to Order Seeds**

There are several ways to place your order. Please, only one order form per household. Shipping charges are \$3.95 per request.

- Visit the NS/S Retail Shop in at 3061 N. Campbell Ave in Tucson, AZ.
- Call 520-622-0830 x113, or toll-free at 866-622-5561 x113, Monday-Friday from 10-5.
- [Download and mail this order form](#) to 3584 E. River Road, Tucson, AZ 85718.
- Email this [order form](#) or your request to [barmstrong@nativeseeds.org](mailto:barmstrong@nativeseeds.org).

Given that the goal of this program is to promote and conserve traditional arid-adapted crop seeds of the Greater Southwest, only seeds from the NS/S Seed Bank collection may be requested. Visit our website to help with your selections. All seeds in the NS/S Seed Bank Collection can be found [here](#).

American heirloom vegetable seeds (TS catalog numbers), wildflower seeds (WF catalog numbers), Seed Buckets and Special Collections are not included in this program.



**For Native Americans living in the Greater Southwest region or belonging to tribes within the Southwest Region**

You may request up to 10 free seed packets, no more than 3 packets per any one seed variety, in a calendar year (January through December). Up to 20 additional seed packets can be purchased at half price. Group exceptions may be considered so please contact us and we will do our best to meet your needs. Importantly, we encourage all recipients to save and share seeds.

**For Native Americans living outside of the Greater Southwest region**

You may request 10 seed packets at half-price, no more than 3 packets per any one seed variety, per in a calendar year (January through December). Additional packets may be purchased at regular price.

Native American identity for this program is self reported and no tribal identification card is required. This is part of an effort to be inclusive to the indigenous nations not federally recognized by the US government, as well as those residing in northwestern Mexico.

**Additional Ways of Obtaining Seed**

**Community Seed Grant Program**

Native American communities or organizations may also request seed donations through our [Community Seed Grant](#) program. This program is intended for larger, community garden projects. Please visit our [webpage](#) or email [smartinez@nativeseeds.org](mailto:smartinez@nativeseeds.org) for more information.

**Native American Bulk Seed Exchange Program**

Native American individuals who have larger farms and have the ability to save seeds can obtain larger quantities of seeds through the [Bulk Seed Exchange Program](#). Visit our [webpage](#) or email [info@nativeseeds.org](mailto:info@nativeseeds.org).

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**Anthony Peterman with  
Kinlicheinii Bitani in  
Kayenta, Arizona. [April  
23](#)**

**Kayenta Solar Project  
Ground breaking**

**ceremony.** When it's finished, it will be the largest Native owned solar project in the world!

[mintpressnews.com](#) By

[Mnar A. Muhawesh](#)

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**America Pretends There  
Are Only Two Genders,  
But Did You Know The  
Navajo Honor Four?**



(VIDEO) Did you know the United States was not always so hung up on gender identity?  
liberalamerica.org|By [Dylan Hock](#)

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### **Pit River Tribe Scores Court Victory in Battle for Medicine Lake**

Pit River Tribe and allies scored a landmark victory April 19, when Judge Mendez ruled the BLM illegally extended 26 geothermal leases to Calpine Corp  
indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com

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### **Discover Foundation**

Discover believes in being a good corporate citizen particularly in communities where our employees live and work. We are committed to supporting the many volunteer efforts of our employees and have an interest in supporting educational initiatives. Discover initiates the vast majority of its donations and sponsorships. However, if you believe your organization is a good fit with our mission statement above and fulfills our criteria below, please access our [online grant application tool](#).

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- 3 Organization must not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, creed, national origin, disability, handicap, age, sexual orientation and/or gender identity, martial status, veteran status or any other basis prohibited by law
- 4 Funds must not benefit:
  - 1 Organizations with specific religious affiliations
  - 2 Political candidates, causes, organizations or campaigns
  - 3 Endowments or capital campaigns
  - 4 Fundraising activities, such as galas, benefits, dinners and sporting events
  - 5 Goodwill advertising, souvenir journals or dinner programs
  - 6 Individual needs, including scholarships, sponsorships and other forms of financial aid
  - 7 Travel for individuals or groups
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- 5 Organization must allow Discover Financial Services to use its name and/or logo in communication materials; Discover Financial Services name/logo usage must first be approved by Community Affairs.

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## **FARADAY FUTURE PLANS 10 PAID INTERNSHIPS FOR NEVADA COLLEGE STUDENTS**

Nevada college students have a chance to work with Faraday Future this summer, well before the burgeoning electric car company opens a \$1 billion, 3-million-square-foot factory in North Las Vegas. <http://erj.reviewjournal.com/ct/uz3688753Biz28748666>

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**(On April 26) Today, in a show of bi-partisan support, Congress officially designated the noble bison as the official national mammal of the United States.**

Now we need your help to put thousands of wild bison on the landscape by securing safe, conflict-free habitat for them. [Please Adopt a Wildlife Acre and give wild bison room to roam.](#)



Throughout the West, wild bison and other species roaming their natural habitat on our open lands are being killed because of conflicts with cattle.

When you Adopt a Wildlife Acre, you help resolve these deadly wildlife conflicts peacefully, voluntarily and permanently. Backed by your donations, the National Wildlife Federation negotiates a fair market price for

ranchers to move their livestock to areas where there are no conflicts with wildlife. Ranchers win. Wildlife thrive and survive.

**It's friends of wildlife like you that help our open wild lands become the safe haven for wildlife they were meant to be.**

[Help give America's new national mammal room to roam safely—Adopt a Wildlife Acre today!](#)

Thank you for being a friend to wildlife, and for your generous support on behalf of cherished wildlife like the American bison.

Sincerely, Collin O'Mara, President & CEO, The National Wildlife Federation

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US Congress 'Does Something' For The Environment... Kinda

In an effort to save the bison as it nears extinction, Congress passed the [National Bison Legacy Act](#), making bison the "first national mammal" that will join symbolic rank with the bald eagle. The honor doesn't actually confer any new protections, but is meant to remind Americans of their storied past with the animal... like how bison-killing contests used to be an American past time. In fact, one guy from Kansas still holds the title for [shooting 120 bison in just 40 minutes](#). Sure, Congress didn't pass legislature that supports any real conservation efforts, but we're sure the bison think it's a nice gesture.

GOOD READ: [The Bison Roundup The Government Wants To Hide](#)