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Today's selection -- from *Fields of Blood* by Karen Armstrong. In the 1800s, the "nation-state" as we now know it was born. Prior to that time, city-states prevailed, or in larger territories, kings ruled over regional clusters whose people had diverse languages and cultures. The borders of these kingdoms shifted often and were poorly defined. With the change, the nation became "deified," and an imperative arose to create a uniformity in language and culture and to drive out diversity. It was technology that enabled the change:

"Industrialization ... gave birth to the nation-state. Agrarian empires had lacked the technology to impose a uniform culture; the borders and territorial reach of premodern kingdoms could be only loosely defined and the monarch's authority enforced in a series of overlapping loyal-ties. But during the nineteenth century, Europe was reconfigured into clearly defined states ruled by a central government. Industrialized society required standardized literacy, a shared language, and a unified control of human resources. Even if they spoke a different language from the ruler, subjects now belonged to an integrated 'nation,' an 'imaginary community' of people who were encouraged to feel a deep connection with persons they knew nothing about.

Portrait of "The Ratification of the Treaty of Münster", one of the treaties leading to the Peace of Westphalia, where the concept of the "nation state" was born.

"Religiously organized agrarian societies had often persecuted 'her-etics'; in the secularized nation-state, it was 'minorities' who had either to assimilate or disappear. In 1807 Jefferson had instructed his secretary of war that the Native Americans were 'backward peoples' who must either be 'exterminated' or driven 'beyond our reach' to the other side of the Mississippi 'with the beasts of the forest.' In 1806 Napoleon made Jews full citizens of France, but two years later he issued the 'Infamous Decrees' ordering them to take French names, privatize their faith, and ensure that at least one in every three marriages per family was with a gentile. This forcible integration was regarded as progress. Surely, argued the British philosopher John Stuart Mill (1806-73), it was better for a Breton to accept French citizenship 'than to sulk on his own rocks, the half-savage remnant of past times, revolving in his own little mental orbit, without participation or interest in the general movement of the world.' But the English historian Lord Acton (1834-1902) deplored the notion of nationality, fearing that the 'fictitious' general will of the people that it promoted would crush 'all natural rights and all established liberties for the purpose of vindicating itself.' He could see that the desire to preserve the nation could become an absolute used to justify the most inhumane policies. Even worse,

By making the State and the nation commensurate with each other in theory, [nationality] reduces practically to a subject condition all other nationalities that may be within the boundary According, therefore, to the degree of humanity and civilization in that dominant body which claims all the rights of the community, the inferior races are exterminated or reduced to servitude, or put in a condition of dependence.

"His reservations about nationalism would prove to be all too well grounded. The new nation-state would labor under a fundamental contradiction: the *state* (the governmental apparatus) was supposed to be secular, but the *nation* ('the people') aroused quasi-religious emotions. In 1807-08, while Napoleon was conquering Prussia, the German philosopher Johann Gottlieb Fichte had delivered a series of lectures in Berlin, looking forward to the time when the forty-one separate German principalities would become a unified nation-state. The Fatherland, he claimed, was a manifestation of the divine, the repository of the spiritual essence of the Volk and therefore eternal. Germans must be ready to die for the nation, which alone gave human beings the immortality they craved because it had existed since the dawn of time and would continue after their deaths. Early modern philosophers, such as Hobbes, had called for a strong state to restrain the violence of Europe, which, they believed, had been solely inspired by

'religion.' Yet in France, the nation had been evoked to mobilize all citizens for war, and Fichte now encouraged Germans to fight French imperialism for the sake of the Fatherland. The *state* had been devised to contain violence, but the nation was now being used to release it.

"If we can define the sacred as something for which one is prepared to die, the nation had certainly become an embodiment of the divine, a supreme value. Hence national mythology would encourage cohesion, solidarity, and loyalty within the confines of the nation. But it had yet to develop the 'concern for everybody' that had been such an important ideal in many of the spiritual traditions associated with religion. The national mythos would not encourage citizens to extend their sympathy to the ends of the earth, to love the stranger in their midst, be loyal even to their enemies, to wish happiness for all beings, and to become aware of the world's pain. True, this universal empathy had rarely affected the violence of the warrior aristocracy, but it had at least offered an alternative and a continuing challenge. Now that religion was being privatized, there was no 'international' ethos to counter the growing structural and military violence to which weaker nations were increasingly subjected. Secular nationalism seemed to regard the foreigner as fair game for exploitation and mass slaughter, especially if he belonged to a different ethnic group."

**Fields of Blood: Religion and the History of Violence Author: Karen Armstrong
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Vanishing Languages, Reincarnated as Music

By CORINNA da FONSECA-WOLLHEIM

With a sense of racing against time, composers are conducting field research with the goal of preserving or celebrating lost tongues in their work.

[Chase Iron Eyes](#) and family accepting the [North Dakota Democratic-NPL Party](#) nomination for U.S. Congress! The first American Indian congressional candidate for North Dakota!

[Elveda Martinez](#):

Our Schurz delegation that attended the Mineral County Democratic Convention today. Marlene and [Nathan S Whistler](#) were selected to attend the state convention in Vegas. The county platform is supporting Native American rights and Walker Lake.





[Northwest Treaty Tribes](#) added 8 new photos to the album: **[Quileute Welcome the Whales Ceremony](#)** — at [Quileute Indian Reservation](#).

Each year, the Quileute Tribe welcomes the whales that are seen off shore as they migrate north to Alaska for the summer. As whales rolled in the surf, Quileute Tribal School students sang and offered a salmon to the whales. The celebration was started by the school and students prepare to sing the songs and dance as part of their cultural education.



“We’ve seen this huge shift in the overall tone and civility of the school culture,” says Portland's Marysville School principal, after implementing a mindfulness program.

What Changes When a School Embraces Mindfulness?

Taking the time to practice mindfulness, every day, several times a day, has made a big difference at a school trying to overcome trauma. ww2.kqed.org



A new Miss Indian ASU is crowned!
Congratulations Jennifer Jones, a mechanical engineering major. Left to right: Lexi, 1st runner-up to Miss Indian Arizona, [Taylor Susan](#), Miss Indian Arizona, Jennifer and [Brooke Dalgai](#), the outgoing Miss Indian ASU.

Native American Story of Mono Lake Paiute Indians

Story of Mono Lake Paiute Indian people called the Kutzadika'a Indians. Named after the Kutzavi or Brine Fly Larva. California Indians who also lived in Yose... www.youtube.com

http://www.oregonlive.com/dining/index.ssf/2016/03/oregon_legislators_make_new_pr.html

Oregon legislators make new promise to Columbia River tribes -- action on houses this year Senator Jeff Merkley (right) and Congressman Earl Blumenauer (left) visited the longhouse at Celilo Village and listened to members of the four Columbia River tribes speak on March 29, 2016. The meeting was attended by about 30 people and lasted around 45 minutes. Dave Killen / staff

By [Molly Harbarger](#) | [The Oregonian/OregonLive](#)

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Sen. Jeff Merkley leaned over the armrest of the white SUV he drove east on Interstate 84, recounting the story of how the Columbia Gorge was formed.

Fifteen thousand years ago, cataclysmic floods broke the banks of the river, washing them downstream. Every year since, salmon make their way upstream to spawn. For at least 10,000 years, four tribes lived off them.

Merkley and Rep. Earl Blumenauer were on their way to Lone Pine, where about 40 members of the Yakama, Warm Springs, Umatilla and Nez Perce tribes live without ready access to electricity, despite being in the shadow of The Dalles dam.

Earlier this month, The [Oregonian/Oregonlive detailed](#) how the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers still haven't fulfilled promises to provide housing for tribal members more than 80 years after flooding their traditional villages to create three Columbia River dams. Many sites are unsafe, unclean and lack facilities for year-round living. Yet the tribes try to fish and live there, as they have for thousands of years.

Four tribes that had fishing villages wiped out in the last century are left waiting for the federal government to keep a promise of better housing.

"We were both thinking about the power of the mighty salmon that were able to attack and defeat the falls," Blumenauer said. "We've got to be like these salmon at Celilo and not give up until these promises are fulfilled."

The Oregon legislators are the first to tell the tribes they plan to find money to fulfill the promises the federal government made when the dams were built.

"I was unaware of the dimension of the villages until the story that has been shared this last year. What better time than now to tackle this," Merkley said.

The occasion was significant for the tribes, with one chief saying a sitting U.S. senator hasn't visited the fishing sites since the 1980s.

About 30 tribal chiefs, officials and members greeted the legislators at Lone Pine, and even more gathered at Celilo Village -- the one place 15 houses were provided for displaced tribal families. They shared stories about Celilo Falls, the fishing communities their relatives belonged to and how deeply they felt the loss of their ancient fishing grounds.

"[A] [A] There's a lot more significance to what's been done here than the infrastructure -- [A] [A] just having a house over your head," said JoDe Goudy, chairman of the Yakama Nation, saying that salmon are part of the four tribes' [A] [A] origins. "Those things go hand-in-hand with who we are as people."error occurred.

[Try watching this video on www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com)

Merkley and Blumenauer pledged to push for a number of measures to improve the living conditions of the tribes along the river. In the short term, those include more money for operations and maintenance at the 31 sites. Money set aside by the Corps to help pay for

maintenance of the encampments will likely be depleted nearly 30 years ahead of schedule, according to the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission, which manages the sites for the federal government.

Blumenauer said he also plans to insert language in the 2016 Water Resources Development Act, which prioritizes funding for the Army Corps, to start building the houses the tribal fishing families were promised but never received. While many federal agencies are underfunded, he said, the money is there. Perhaps even a small fraction of the money made from the dams' hydroelectric power could be put toward tribal housing.

"It's not like it's beyond our capacity," he said.

Both told the tribes this will be a long haul, though.

"I think both of us will be deeply engaged, not just this year, but for years to come," Merkley said.

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Oregon, California, federal agencies will seek removal of Klamath ...

Jonathan Cooper, Associated Press

Oregon, California, the federal government and others have agreed to go forward with a plan to remove four hydroelectric dams in the Pacific Northwest without approval from a reluctant Congress, a spokesman for dam owner PacifiCorp said Monday.

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[California, Oregon Governors to Make 'Major Announcement' on Klamath](#)

### **North Coast Journal (blog)**

Kate Brown and a host of officials will gather near the river's mouth Wednesday to make a "major announcement about *water* supply reliability, environmental ...

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### **The Six Indigenous Women at the Heart of Fracking Resistance in Argentina**

Nancy Piñeiro Moreno and translated by Laura Beratti, **teleSUR**: Six Mapuche women have taken the risk of putting their bodies on the line to stop drilling rigs from endangering their community. The story of these women is a solid example of their contribution, and the importance of Indigenous resistance for social movements worldwide. [Read the Article](#)

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<http://ecowatch.com/2016/03/31/nanticoke-solar-farm/>

**Six Nations participation in solar energy effort.**

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### **How Montanans Stopped the Largest New Coal Mine in North America**

**Nick Engelfried, Waging Nonviolence:** The defeat of the Otter Creek mine is one example of a larger, encouraging trend. Climate activists and land defenders are



learning to take on the world's biggest energy companies, fight huge fossil fuel projects and win. [Read the Article](#)

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## 5 Ways to Celebrate Dark Sky Week!

1. Get together with friends and family and go outside at night. A lot of us don't take the opportunity to experience the nighttime environment. Go out side, look up and look around. Lots of interesting stuff is happening during the night hours. Go explore! Better yet, [visit one of our International Dark Sky Places](#)!



In conjunction with  
National Poetry Month and  
Global Astronomy Month

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# Astro Poetry CONTEST

**Rules:**  
Submissions should be sent in .pdf or .jpg format by e-mail to: poems@tahoestartours.com by midnight 04/15/16.

1. Poems must be 20 lines or less.
2. Poems must be original and unpublished.
3. All poetry forms accepted.
4. Include name, address, phone number, e-mail address, school, grade, and teacher's name.
5. Poems must have an astronomy theme.
6. Only one entry per student.
7. Submit poems in .pdf or .jpg format to poems@tahoestartours.com.
8. Only one submission per contestant.

**Judging and Prize Pick Up:**

1. Winning poems will be picked by a panel of judges.
2. Winners will be contacted on April 21st by e-mail.
3. Winning poems will be read at The Discovery on April 23rd.
4. Winners may pick up their prizes after the readings.

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**Division 1**  
Grades Kindergarten through 2

**Division 2**  
Grades 3 through 6

**Division 3**  
Grades 7 through 12

**Entry Deadline**  
**April 11, 2016**

All poems must have an astronomy theme to be considered.

**Prizes (Each Division)**

**First Place**  
Celestron Telescope

**Second Place**  
Binoculars

**Third Place**  
2 Tickets to Tahoe Star Tours at Northstar

**Winning Poem Reading:**  
Sat., April 23, 2016  
2 - 3 PM  
The Discovery

Submit questions to:  
tony@tahoestartours.com

  

2. Help spread the word about light pollution and the importance of dark skies. This week is a great excuse to talk with friends, family, neighbors, your homeowner's association or government representatives about why protecting our night environment is so crucial. We have [Dark Sky Week resources](#) to help start the conversation.

3. Become a citizen scientist and collect data about the night sky in your neighborhood for [Globe at Night](#). It's fun, easy and you'll be helping scientists across



the globe better understand the threat of light pollution to our planet. The April campaign has already started, so [check it out now](#).

4. [Get this one-of-a-kind Dark Sky Week 2016 t-shirt](#). You'll be helping to support the International Dark-Sky Association in its work protecting night skies and promoting the cause, all at the same time. It's a great conversation starter. Available in women's, tank and hoodie styles, too.

5. Stopping [light pollution](#) isn't just about seeing the stars. There are other important things at stake, too. Use this week to take the time to learn more about artificial light at night's effect on [human health](#), [the environment](#), [energy waste](#), [crime and safety](#) and our [heritage of night skies](#).

<http://darksky.org/5-ways-to-celebrate-dark-sky-week/>

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### **[Lots of Americans can't afford diapers, but the White House has a fascinating solution.](#)**

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### **[A Jewel in Syria Where 'Ruins Have Been Ruined' by ISIS](#) By BRYAN DENTON**

A Times photographer traveled to Palmyra, Syria, to see what remained of its archaeological treasures after almost a year of Islamic State control.

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### **[Helena Norberg-Hodge: For Personal and Planetary Well-Being. Localize the Economy](#)**

**C.J. Polychroniou, Truthout:** Environmentalist Helena Norberg-Hodge explains how localizing the economy would solve a range of social and environmental problems, increase human well-being and reduce inequality, while addressing climate change and other ecological crises. [Read the Interview](#)

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### **["Sing Our Rivers Red" March Casts New Light on Violence Against North American Indigenous Women](#) [Read the Article at Rewire](#)**

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### **[Protecting the Seas to Save the Land](#)**

**Bennett Collins and Alison Watson, IC Magazine:** For Indigenous communities in southern Louisiana, such as the Isle de Jean Charles Band of Biloxi-Chitimacha-Choctaw and the United Houma Nation, no issue is more important than ending the devastation caused by oil and gas drilling. [Read the Article](#)

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### **[The Seas Will Save Us: How an Army of Ocean Farmers are Starting an Economic Revolution — ...](#)**

I'm a fisherman who dropped out of high school in 1986 at the age of 14. Over my lifetime, I've spent many nights in jail... [medium.com](#) By Bren Smith

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*"This isn't just about glaciers and polar bears, it's about the health of our families and kids."*  
—Gina McCarthy, administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, on a White House report that predicted [thousands more Americans could die each year by the end of the](#)

*century because of climate change. The report says deadly heatwaves, waterborne diseases, and natural disasters will all become more likely and severe. (Bloomberg)*

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## **Pyramid Lake Human Resources Department JOB ANNOUNCEMENT**

POSTING DATE: March 10, 2016

CLOSING DATE: Open Until Filled

### **SOCIAL SERVICES DIRECTOR**

Social Services Department, Nixon, Nevada

Supervise, coordinate and administer the Social Services program, including General Assistance, Indian Child Welfare, and Child Care services. Provide complex casework, referrals, and preventative and rehabilitative services for Indian residents on or near the Pyramid Lake Paiute Reservation.

\$38,084.80-\$40,019.20 per annum; Full-time, 40 hours per week, Exempt, Class Code 520, Grade 20, Step 1-3 DOE

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## **SBA Nevada | News to Use**

### **Spring Forward**

We often hear ‘spring forward’ to remind us it’s time to change the clocks for daylight savings.

‘Spring forward’ can also apply to your business, and it’s a great time to plan the path ahead. Whether you’re realizing the dream of starting your own business or feeling the urge to move your established business to the next level, ‘spring forward’ is your reminder to plan that next step.

For start-ups, that means working on your business plan to prepare the ground for a successful start. For current business owners, pull out that business plan and update it for today’s business climate. Don’t have one? It’s not too late, and it need not be complicated.

This month’s issue is full of tips to help you make the leap forward – whether you’re just beginning or a seasoned business owner. And your SBA team is ready to connect you with the resources you need.

*Bob Holguin, District Director*

*And your Nevada SBA Team - Dan, Tina, Roy, Sabrina, Tom, Bob P., Barry, Steve and Judith*

## **6 Low Cost Ways to Test your Business Idea**

So you’ve got a great idea for a new product or service and you think it’ll be a sure-fire hit.

Not so fast. To find out if your idea has traction, you need to test it. So before you put pen to paper and write your business plan, get out there and assess the validity of your product. > [Find out how](#)

## **Build a Business Plan Tool**

Business planning can seem a daunting task, but it doesn't have to be that way. To help you steer your business, this new "Build a Business Plan" tool guides you to build your plan in small chunks. > [Your Business plan](#)

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**APRIL 9<sup>th</sup>, 2016**  
10 A.M. - 10 P.M.

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**OPEN GOURD DANCING:**  
11:00 a.m.

**GRAND ENTRY:**  
12:00 p.m.  
6:00 p.m.

**NORTHERN DRUM:**  
North Bear  
Wind River Reservation, WY

**SOUTHERN DRUM:**  
Southern Express  
Sacramento, CA

**COLOR GUARD:**  
Rea Cichoki  
American Indian Veterans Association

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