

Journal #3653

from sdc

6.9.16

Constitutional History

SBA and AARP Renew "Summer of Encore Mentoring" for Over-50

Entrepreneurs

Obama Administration Names Final Round of Promise Zone Communities

National Groundwater Quality Map

Nominate Your Community Hero for an AARP Andrus Award

Frybread Ladies

Don't Believe in Sasquatch

Climate Change and Renewable Energy Officials from 20 countries need Dinner Hospitality

Scholarships

Are American Samoans American?

Canada's First Nations do not have the same drinking water protection

Veterans Town Hall



[Pud Ngataki to 1 MILLION INDIGENOUS FACEBOOK USERS...RED POWER!!!](#)

Photo from the world indigenous suicide prevention 2016

Constitutional History

In addition to European thinkers, another important source that contributed to the structure and content of the Constitution of the United States of America came from the Iroquois Confederacy (a group of six tribes of native Americans in the northeast part of North America). It is said that both Thomas Jefferson and Benjamin Franklin (two of the main writers of the U.S. Constitution) had read and studied the Iroquois Constitution

<http://www.unclefed.com/FunStuff/HistDocs/>

ABOUT THE IROQUOIS CONSTITUTION:

During the bi-centennial year of The Constitution of the United States, a number of books were written concerning the origin of that long-revered document. One of these, The Genius of the People, alleged that after the many weeks of debate a committee sat to combine the many

agreements into one formal document. The chairman of the committee was John Rutledge of South Carolina. He had served in an earlier time, along with Ben Franklin and others, at the Stamp Act Congress, held in Albany, New York. This Committee of Detail was having trouble deciding just how to formalize the many items of discussion into one document that would satisfy one and all. Rutledge proposed they model the new government they were forming into something along the lines of the Iroquois League of Nations, which had been functioning as a democratic government for hundreds of years, and which he had observed in Albany. While there were many desirable, as well as undesirable, models from ancient and modern histories in Europe and what we know now as the Middle East, only the Iroquois had a system that seemed to meet most of the demands espoused by the many parties to the debates. The Genius of the People alleged that the Iroquois had a Constitution which began: "We the people, to form a union. . ."

That one sentence was enough to light a fire under me, and cause me to do some deep research into ancient Iroquoian lore. I never did find that one sentence backed up in what writings there are concerning the ancient Iroquois. But I DID find sufficient data and evidence to convince me that the Iroquois most certainly did have a considerable influence on the drafting of our own Constitution, and we present-day Americans owe them a very large debt. At the time of the founding of the Iroquois League of Nations, no written language existed; we have only the early stories which were passed down from generation to generation, until such time as there was a written language, and interpreters available, to record that early history. One such document is listed below.

There are several other documents now available in various places which refer to the original founding of the Iroquois, and they seem to substantiate this document as probably truthful and accurate. This version was prepared by Arthur C. Parker, Archeologist of the State Museum in New York in 1915, and published by the University of the State of New York as Bulletin 184 on April 1, 1916. It is entitled: The Constitution of the Five Nations - or - The Iroquois Book of the Great Law. In it, you will find close parallels to our Executive, Legislative and Judiciary branches of government as originally described in our U. S. Constitution.

You will find it very difficult to keep in mind that it survives after some 500 or 600 years, and was originated by people that our ancestors mistakenly considered as "savages". Some sources place the origin of the Five Nation Confederacy as early as 1390 AD, but others insist it was prepared about 1450-1500 AD; in any case, it was well before any possible contamination by European invaders. Early explorers and colonists found the Iroquois well established, as they had been for many generations: with a democratic government; with a form of religion that acknowledged a Creator in heaven; with a strong sense of family which was based on, and controlled by, their women; and many other surprises you will soon discover.

It must also be pointed out that this document refers to to the "Five" Nations, while other references to the Confederacy speak of the "Six" nations. From the inception, there were the Five Nations discussed in this Constitution. In about 1715, the Tuscarora Nation, once part of the Iroquois peoples in a much earlier period of their history, moved up from North Carolina to avoid warfare with the invading white settlers, and were adopted into the Confederacy. At this point in time, the Iroquois controlled many parts of our now eastern states from their homelands in what is now New York state. The original Five Nations were:

Mohawk: People Possessors of the Flint Onondaga: People on the Hills Seneca: Great Hill

People Oneida: Granite People Cayuga: People at the Mucky Land

Tuscarora: Shirt Wearing People became the Sixth Nation.

The founder of the Confederacy of the Five Nations is generally acknowledged to be Dekanawida, born near the Bay of Quinte, in southeastern Ontario, Canada. During his travels, he associated himself with a Mohawk tribal lord in what is now New York, and named him Hahyonhwatha (Hiawatha) (He who has misplaced something, but knows where to find it). Hiawatha left his family and friends, and joined Dekanawida in his travels, becoming his chief spokesman. One legend has it that Dekanawida, while brilliant, had a speech impediment, and depended on Hiawatha to do his public speaking for him. Together, they traveled the length and breadth of the lands on the south shores of Lakes Erie and Ontario, as well as the river to the sea, now known as the St. Lawrence. These were the homelands of tribes with a common heritage, but who had been warring with one another for many years. Dekanawida united them into a League of Nations that we now call the Iroquois League. Centuries later, Longfellow "borrowed" the name of Hiawatha to be his hero in a fictional legend; there is no other connection between the two Hiawathas nor their stories.

Here is their original Constitution, as best it can be reconstructed from legend and spoken history. Read it and be amazed...keep in mind it is over 500 years old!

----- Prepared by Gerald Murphy (The Cleveland Free-Net - aa300)
Distributed by the Cybercasting Services Division of the National Public Telecomputing Network (NPTN).

Permission is hereby granted to download, reprint, and/or otherwise redistribute this file, provided appropriate point of origin credit is given to the preparer(s) and the National Public Telecomputing Network.

SBA AND AARP RENEW “SUMMER OF ENCORE MENTORING” FOR OVER-50 ENTREPRENEURS - Events Planned Nationwide

WASHINGTON – The [U.S. Small Business Administration](#) and [AARP](#) are renewing their “Summer of Encore Mentoring” educational events targeting entrepreneurs over the age of 50 who want to start or grow their small business. Building on the success of last year’s “Summer of Encore Mentoring,” the SBA and AARP will match encore entrepreneurs with successful business owners, community leaders and advisers for advice, counseling and training assistance during the months of June, July and August 2016.

“The face of entrepreneurship is changing in America and more of those faces today belong to entrepreneurs over the age of 50. Here at SBA, we are focused on building ladders of opportunity that are open, accessible and available to all entrepreneurs,” said SBA Administrator Maria Contreras-Sweet. “We are fortunate to have a great partner in AARP, which has been dedicated to helping those over 50 take control of their future.”

The “Summer of Encore Mentoring” will consist of nationwide events that pair encore entrepreneurs with experienced small business mentors. The events will also help connect encore entrepreneurs with mentors from the SBA’s resource partner network of [Small Business](#)

[Development Centers](#) (SBDs), [Women's Business Centers](#) (WBCs), and [SCORE](#) chapters who can help with every stage of a business' life cycle.

Local area events can be found at www.sba.gov/encore .

The “Summer of Encore Mentoring” is a collaboration between the SBA and AARP to promote entrepreneurship among individuals ages 50 and older. The joint partnership, which began in 2012, has educated and trained over 475,000 existing and promising encore entrepreneurs.

“AARP is delighted with our ongoing relationship with the Small Business Administration. This collaboration enables us to offer resources and education to help the 50-plus create businesses and jobs in their communities,” said Nancy LeaMond, Executive Vice President of AARP Community, State, and National Affairs.

Senior entrepreneurs are an enormous force in the economy and surveys have shown that over 60 percent of Americans plan to work during retirement. For many, small business ownership is a good option. More than half of all U.S. small business owners were age 50 and older in 2012, up from 46 percent in 2007, and business owners who receive long-term counseling see bigger sales, hire more workers and have more longevity.

The SBA and AARP have also dedicated online resources developed to help encore entrepreneurs start or grow a small business. To learn more about these encore entrepreneurship resources, visit www.sba.gov/encore or www.aarp.org/StartaBusiness .

Obama Administration Names Final Round of Promise Zone Communities

Nine new Promise Zones join 13 others to expand economic opportunity in distressed areas.

The Obama Administration today named the final nine Promise Zones across the country – high poverty areas in select urban, rural and tribal communities. Through the [Promise Zone Initiative](#), the Federal government will work strategically with local leaders to boost economic activity and job growth, improve educational opportunities, reduce crime and leverage private investment to improve the quality of life in these vulnerable areas.

1. [Atlanta, Georgia](#)
2. [Nashville, Tennessee](#)
3. [Evansville, Indiana](#)
4. [South Los Angeles, California](#)
5. [San Diego, California](#)
6. [Southwest Florida Regional Planning Commission](#)
7. [Spokane Tribe of Indians, Washington](#)
8. [Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians, Rolette County, North Dakota](#)
9. [Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico](#)

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Secretary Julián Castro traveled to Atlanta to make the announcement while U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Secretary Tom Vilsack announced the new Promise Zone in Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico on Friday. In addition, a host of other senior Administration officials made individual announcements in the other Promise Zones.

“Promise Zones bring the power of partnership to a whole new level as we seek to bring opportunity to neighborhoods long locked out of their area’s prosperity,” said HUD Secretary Castro. “As a former mayor from a city that includes a Promise Zone, I know just how powerful these collaborations are when it comes to building stronger, economically vital neighborhoods.”

“Rural and Tribal areas face unique challenges and we are ready to take on those challenges with creative solutions that strengthen communities,” said USDA Secretary Vilsack. “The Promise Zone initiative delivers proven results by encouraging collaboration between the federal government, community organizations, the private sector and state and local governments. Through these partnerships, we are supporting jobs and economic opportunities that enable rural areas to thrive.”

Background on Promise Zones:

Today’s newly designated Promise Zones join 13 others that President Obama designated in 2014 and 2015. These Promise Zones include targeted neighborhoods in the following communities:

- San Antonio, Texas
- Los Angeles, California
- Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
- Southeastern Kentucky Highlands
- the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma
- Camden, New Jersey
- Hartford, Connecticut
- Indianapolis, Indiana
- Minneapolis, Minnesota
- Sacramento, California
- St. Louis/St. Louis County, Missouri
- **Pine Ridge Indian Reservation of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, South Dakota**
- The South Carolina Low Country

Work is well underway in these communities and demonstrating results. For example:

- In Indianapolis, the IndyEast Promise Zone has already secured nearly \$10 million in federal grants across seven different agencies. This support has helped create 110 jobs, provide life-changing workforce training to hundreds of formerly incarcerated individuals, and develop a new energy efficient apartment building for low-income senior citizens.
- In North Minneapolis, USDA awarded Appetite for Change (a locally-led organization) a Community Food Project grant to help continue and expand programs that are changing the way food is produced, marketed, distributed and consumed in North Minneapolis. This project has served over 1,000 community members, with 24 youth employed and trained and 15 jobs created, aiding 53 community-owned food business start-ups.
- In San Antonio, the Promise Zone to Work Initiative was launched and has since provided free job training certifications in nursing, construction, manufacturing, information technology, and heavy equipment for 106 residents. This effort is contributing to an overall decline in the unemployment rate; over the last four years, unemployment in the Promise Zone declined from 15 percent to 11 percent.
- In Southeastern KY, a new educational framework and support from AmeriCorps VISTA members helped lift the graduation rate at Leslie County High School from 67 to 98 percent.
- Choctaw Nation: secured \$21 million in New Markets Tax Credits to build an environmentally sustainable steel manufacturing facility in the Promise Zone. The mill will support approximately 300 new jobs in the region.

Today's Promise Zone communities were selected from 82 applications from 38 states and Puerto Rico. Each urban, rural, and tribal Promise Zone applicant was asked to put together a clear description of how the Promise Zone designation would accelerate and strengthen the community's own efforts at comprehensive community revitalization. Each Promise Zone will be coordinated by a lead community based organization in partnership with the Obama Administration. HUD will be the federal lead for the 14 urban designees, while USDA will serve as the lead federal partner to the tribal and rural Promise Zones.

All Promise Zones will receive priority access to federal investments that further their strategic plans, federal staff on the ground to help them navigate federal resources, and five full-time AmeriCorps VISTA members to recruit and manage volunteers and strengthen the capacity of the Promise Zone initiatives.

Join the [mailing list](#) to receive announcements and to follow the progress of the Promise Zones.

National Groundwater Quality Map

The U.S. Geological Survey published [a map of trends in groundwater pollution over the last two decades](#). The assessment looks at 24 pesticides, nutrients, gasoline additives, and other chemicals. Concentrations of chloride, found in road salt, and nitrates, which come from farm runoff, landfills, soil, and sewage plants, are increasing nationwide. Arsenic levels are holding steady or falling.

The assessment does not trace the source of the contamination.

Nominate Your Community Hero for an AARP Andrus Award June 6, 2016 -

Suzanne Potter, Public News Service (NV)

[Play Audio in Browser Window](#)

Gini Cunningham of Winnemucca is the 2015 Andrus Award winner.

LAS VEGAS – If you know someone over 50 who really makes a difference in your community, now's the time to nominate him or her for AARP's most prestigious honor – the Andrus Award.

The award is named after Ethel Percy Andrus, who founded the organization in 1958.

Mary Liveratti, AARP state president for Nevada, says the organization casts a wide net when considering nominees.

"They do not have to be AARP members, they do not have to be AARP volunteers," she explains. "We try to encourage people that have not put nominations in before."

You can nominate an individual or a couple. The deadline to apply is July 1. You can get more information online at aarp.org/nv.

Last year's winner, Gini Cunningham of Winnemucca, was a caregiver for her mother and sister who both had dementia. She does extensive work with the Alzheimer's Association.

Liveratti says Cunningham also volunteers on a task force on Alzheimer's at the state capital.

"She would drive in from Winnemucca to Carson City to attend those meetings," Liveratti relates. "You know, she's just an example of the outstanding things that are being done out there

in our communities."

The winner will be announced in the fall and will be honored at two awards ceremonies, one in Las Vegas and another in Reno.

[Bucky Harjo](#)

Four Indun ladies making frybread together, get the surprise of their lives. Do they work together or do they turn on each other? Watch to find out. Don't forget to watch the bloopers! These ladies are crazy.

FUNNY!!!!!! WATCH AND SHARE!!!!!! THIS IS SPANKING NEW!!!!

Don't Believe in Sasquatch

Four Indun ladies making frybread together, get the surprise of their lives. Do they work together or do they turn on each other? Watch to find out. Don't fo... [youtube.com](#)

Upcoming Dinner Hosting Opportunity

Climate Change and Renewable Energy Officials from 20 countries (Dinner Hospitality)

Twenty one officials from various countries will visit Reno to learn about Climate Change and Renewable Energy Technologies from Jun 13-16. They hail from the following countries: Botswana, Croatia, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, the Holy See, India, Malawi, Malaysia, Mauritius, Mexico, Mongolia, the Netherlands, Pakistan, China, Poland, Russia, Rwanda, Slovakia, Tajikistan and Tunisia. We can break the group into several smaller groups and they can be hosted either on June 14 or 15th.

Contact Carina Black at cblack@unr.edu if you are interested in hosting!

\$2,000 Student-Athlete Scholarship

The \$2,000 CaptainU Student-Athlete Scholarship is open to all student-athletes (Freshmen – Seniors + Junior College) who plan to attend a 4 year college.

Requirements

- Students must be currently enrolled in high-school or junior college
- Students must be planning to attend a four year university
- Students must complete a free CaptainU Profile by filling out form to the right

Selection of Scholarship Recipients

One student will be selected each quarter. Your application will be judged on 1) profile completeness; 2) recruiting activity on CaptainU & 3) promotion of CaptainU. We will announce the winner on our Facebook fan page. One entry per person. The winner will be selected each quarter.

things the Top Applicants Will Do

Fill out your athlete profile as completely as possible. This improves your scholarship chances and will help you get discovered by college coaches looking for the next athletes to join their teams

Add 5 or more colleges to your college list

Add 2 upcoming events to your events tab - this can be a game, camp or tournament you are playing in

Like our page so you can receive scholarship updates

About CaptainU

CaptainU is the leading college sports recruiting platform that helps over 750,000 top student-athletes get to the next level. Our platform allows you to create a recruiting profile, connect with 16,000 college coaches, and make a college team. We also help connect students with recruiting video, scholarships and college admissions.

Apply Here in Minutes!

By clicking Apply, you are indicating that you have read and agree to the CaptainU [Terms of Use](#), [Privacy Policy](#), and the Terms and Conditions on this page.

Terms and conditions

- Unless noted otherwise, you must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident, Thirteen years of age or older as of the date of entry to be considered for CaptainU.com scholarship awards.
- You must provide your mailing address so that we can send you paperwork to complete if you are selected as a scholarship recipient.
- To be awarded a scholarship, a recipient must enroll at an accredited college or university located in the United States. Scholarships proceeds will be remitted to that school during the summer before the student attends. The summer before the recipient attends the college or university, they will need to complete a Payment Form that says which school they will be attending, and specifically where at the school to send the award payment. If this form is not completed, the award will not be disbursed, and the recipient may forfeit the award.
- By applying for a scholarship, applicant grants CaptainU.com permission to post their name on CaptainU.com or in other marketing communications in the event they are awarded the scholarship.
- Scholarship recipients will be required to submit a current photo and submit a publicity release granting CaptainU permission to use their photo on CaptainU.com and in other marketing communications.
- In order to ensure a fair and equitable selection process, CaptainU may retain the services of a third-party scholarship administrator to select and notify scholarship recipients, to verify recipient information, and to remit scholarship proceeds to an accredited university or college. CaptainU.com and/or its designated third-party scholarship-selection service have sole discretion of selecting scholarship recipients.

- Please note that intercollegiate athletic participation in college is not a precondition for this scholarship and athletic ability will not be a consideration in determining who the award goes to.
- The scholarship abides and does not interfere with NCAA eligibility requirements since the recipient's choice of institutions is not restricted by the donor of the aid; and there is no direct connection between the donor and the student-athlete's institution (NCAA Bylaw 15.2.6.3)
- CaptainU.com reserves the right to change the scholarship programs at any time, including available scholarships, deadlines, requirements, award amounts or other program details.
- Your information is safe with us. The CaptainU Privacy Policy applies to all CaptainU.com scholarships. See eligibility requirements for each scholarship for more details.

http://www.captainu.com/scholarship?tag=ppc_adw&campaign=display_campaign-student_athlete_scholarship_text&gclid=CPCilqT9l80CFQdbfgodlAYHWg

Scholarships for Overcoming Adversity by [Susan Dutca](#)

30 years after being abandoned as a newborn in a San Francisco State University dorm, Jillian Sobol graduated from the same college at which she drew her first breaths. In Tennessee, Kevuntez King sold newspapers for five straight years and earned enough money to pay off his college tuition so that his single mom didn't have to - even before starting at TSU. Janel Young, a Columbus teen mom, recently graduated from college debt-free after giving birth at 15 years old while in foster care. What do all of these students have in common? They all successfully overcame their individual adversities and pursued their higher education dreams. Whether you or a loved one have been affected by cancer; are a survivor of domestic abuse, or are a single parent, there are scholarships out there that will recognize your resilience, courage, and character. Here are some scholarships for students who have overcome their adversities in hopes of achieving their college dream:

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 free college scholarship search](#) today, then apply and win! It's that easy!

[Patsy Takemoto Mink Foundation](#)

Deadline: August 1 **Maximum Award:** \$5,000

[Hendrick Scholarship Foundation](#)

Deadline: March 18 **Maximum Award:** \$16,500

[Women's Independence Scholarship Program](#)

Deadline: Varies **Maximum Award:** \$2,000

[The Jackie Spellman Scholarship](#)

Deadline: April 15 **Maximum Award:** \$5,000

NLEAFCE General Scholarship

Deadline: July 1 **Maximum Award:** \$20,000

Boundless Opportunity Scholarship

Deadline: Varies **Maximum Award:** Varies

The Iris-Samuel Rothman Scholarship

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

AFTH Birth Parent Scholarship Fund

Deadline: Varies **Maximum Award:** Varies

Betsy Niles Scholarship

Deadline: April 10 **Maximum Award:** \$5,000

Missy's Miracle Scholarship

Deadline: April 10 **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 free college scholarship search](https://www.scholarships.com/free-college-scholarship-search) today, then apply and win! It's that



easy!

OPINION | OP-ED CONTRIBUTOR By CHRISTINA DUFFY PONSA

Are American Samoans American?

For more than a century, people there have been in citizenship limbo.

Canada's First Nations do not have the same drinking water protections as those who do not live on reservations, according to [a sharp report from Human Rights Watch](#). More than 100 native communities face boil-water advisories and many distrust their tap water. The researchers saw progress in Canada's approach to contamination problems, but the government is not spending enough on the infrastructure to deliver clean water, the report claims. *CBC*



VETERANS TOWN HALL

THURSDAY, JUNE 23, 1-3:30 p.m.

RENO-SPARKS TRIBAL HEALTH CENTER (1st floor conference room)

1715 Kuenzli Street, Reno, NV

Hosted
by the

VA Sierra Nevada Health Care System



- ◀ Native Veterans
- ◀ Veteran Service Organizations
- ◀ Community Partners
- ◀ Family members
- ◀ Public Servants
- ◀ Dignitaries

Explore information booths, 1-2:30 p.m.

Attend Town Hall to give quality feedback and specific suggestions on how the VA Sierra Nevada HCS can improve service to Native Veterans, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

Our goal is to increase communication between Native Veterans & their families with the VA Sierra Nevada HSC.

VA leadership will be present to answer your questions and address your concern about the health care services.



For more information, please contact:

Darin C. Farr
Public Affairs Officer
VA Sierra Nevada HCS
775-789-6628
darin.farr@va.gov

Stacey Montooth
Community Relations Officer
Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
775-329-2936, ext. 3268
smontooth@rsic.org