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### **Julia Ratti**



It was very special to learn about Quecholli Fortunate Eagle and his work teaching the Paiute language at Reed High School at the Indian Achievement Awards. Congratulations to an impressive young man.

### **Teacher - 15 Minutes - Opinions - November 23, 2017**

A 2017 high school grad is now a Paiute language teacher.

newsreview.com (Ed note: Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe)

<https://www.newsreview.com/reno/teacher/content?oid=25390509>

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### **Colin Kaepernick joins Native Americans for UnThanksgiving Day protest on Alcatraz**

He was very well-received, but not by fans of Donald Trump who labelled him a 'traitor'

[Colin Kaepernick](#), the [American football star](#) whose “[kneeling protest](#)” sparked a national debate, has travelled to Alcatraz Island to join Native Americans protesting the “genocide” they say is represented by Thanksgiving Day.

The 30-year-old made a surprise visit to the site of the former Alcatraz Federal Penitentiary [to join indigenous people](#) who occupied the island off the coast of San Francisco between 1969 and 1971. Since then, there has been an annual sunrise gathering to highlight the deadly, destructive impact on indigenous people of the arrival in America of European colonisers more than 400 years ago.

The former San Francisco 49ers quarterback was seen on video receiving two eagle feathers from a Native American elder before delivering a brief speech at the UnThanksgiving Day event.

"I'm very humbled to share this space with all of you," he said.

"Our fight is the same fight. We're all fighting for our justice, for our freedom. And realising that we're in this fight together makes us all the more powerful."

The sports star has been at the centre of a furore since refusing last year to stand for the playing of the national anthem in order to protest the treatment of people of colour. His move followed the high-profile deaths in custody of a number of black suspects at the hands of police forces across the country.

While his actions have received widespread support, President Donald Trump attacked the move and used the phrase "son of a b\*\*\*h" when talking about those involved.

Colin Kaepernick donates custom-made suits to parolees looking for jobs  
Morning Star Gali, one of the event's organisers and a member of Pit River tribe, told *The Independent* they had no advance notice the sports start was even among the 4,500 people present on Thursday morning.

"I was the MC and it was still dark and we couldn't see anything. Then one of my co-workers told me he was there," she said. "I just said 'we had a relative among us called Colin Kaepernick and I trust that as good relatives we're not going to crowd him too much and give him some space'."

She said the NFL star was set to leave but that one of the indigenous elders, Fred Short, wished to present him with two ceremonial feathers. After he had received them, the footballer picked up the microphone and delivered his address.

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## **Oil/Fracking Updates**

### **Five Things to Watch in the New Keystone Fight**

*Devin Henry, The Hill*

Henry writes: "Nebraska's approval of the Keystone XL pipeline was a key step in supporters' years-long fight to build the controversial project."

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### **FOCUS: Emily Johnston | I Shut Down an Oil Pipeline - Because Climate Change Is a Ticking Bomb**

*Emily Johnston, Guardian UK*

Johnston writes: "Normal methods of political action and protest are simply not working. If we don't reduce emissions boldly and fast, that's genocide."

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### **How the US Government Hid Fracking's Risks to Drinking Water**

*Neela Banerjee, InsideClimate News*

Banerjee writes: "The fracking provision, widely known as the Halliburton loophole, after the oilfield services company once run by Bush's vice president, Dick Cheney, is among a host of exemptions to federal pollution rules that Congress and successive administrations have given oil and gas companies over the last 40 years."

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## Keystone Pipeline Permit Could Be Revoked After Last Week's 210,000-Gallon Spill

<https://www.ecowatch.com/keystone-spill-permit-2511599875.html>

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*"Our recovery effort up until now would immediately collapse to zero if the water is released." – Yuichi Manome, a Japanese farmer, in reference to the radioactive water that has been sitting at Fukushima No. 1 since a 2011 tsunami caused a partial meltdown at the plant. Treatment has removed all radioactive elements except tritium, which is safe in small quantities but could be devastating if another natural disaster spilled the millions of tons of stored water at once. Experts recommend a gradual release of the water into the Pacific Ocean, but fisherman fear the release would devastate their industry. [The Japan Times](#)*

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**Summer Programs** (916) 488-6441 Explore. Build. Grow

### [Sierra Service Project Invitation Video](#)

#### [Sierra Service Project Play](#)

#### [MySSP Login](#)

SSP's Group Registration Portal

First-come, first-served registration opens October 9th, 2017 at 10 AM Pacific Time! If you are your group's liaison, click the button to login to your MySSP account.

Each summer **1,700** youth and adults from over **150** churches participate in our Summer Programs. For the summer of 2018, we have [five site locations](#) throughout Washington, Oregon, California and Arizona. We offer week-long sessions beginning **July 1, 2018**. Last summer, teenagers completed over **100 projects on homes and community centers**. Outside of work projects, youth share in worship and explore the culture of the communities where they are serving. Two of the sites are located in Native American communities, two in rural communities, and one in an urban community.

Our mission is to enable youth to:

#### **Build faith and strengthen communities through service to others.**

Common to all SSP programs is service to the elderly, poor and marginalized. Our service is offered without strings attached and is done with an attitude of respect and humility.

**Download and review the [2018 Summer Information Packet](#).**

#### **Who Participates - Church Youth Groups**

Each summer, volunteers from United Methodist, Episcopal, Presbyterian, Lutheran, United Church of Christ, Catholic, and other denominations are a part of SSP's mission work. While our program has its roots in the United Methodist church, we are open to anyone who wants to attend.

Groups are encouraged to invite youth who are not already part of the church to participate in SSP with your youth group. This is a great way to grow your local youth ministry program and do outreach in the community.

Groups of any size can attend (within the maximum size set for that session). Some churches send multiple groups to different SSP sessions due to their schedule limitations.

### **High School Program**

Youth entering 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade in the fall of 2018, as well as 2018 high school graduates, are welcome to participate in our High School program.

### **Middle School Program**

This program is open to youth entering the 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grades in the Fall of 2018.

### **Combined Middle and High School Program**

This program is designed for incoming 6<sup>th</sup> graders in fall 2018 through 2018 high school graduates. Mature youth will be given opportunities to lead and mentor younger youth throughout the week. Groups that comprise of only middle or high school youth are also welcome to attend Combined sessions, with the understanding that there will be youth of many ages present, as well as a mixed level of SSP experience.

### **Individual Program**

Most youth who participate in SSP are part of a youth group, but we want the SSP experience to be accessible to all youth! High schoolers who are not part of a youth group can also participate in SSP, by signing up as an Individual youth.

This program works especially well for:

- Youth unconnected with a church or youth group
- Youth whose churches do not have youth groups
- Youth who are unable to attend with their group due to scheduling conflicts
- Youth who want to attend more SSP than once during the summer

Individuals can attend any **High School** or **Combined** sessions.

### **Intergenerational Program**

**Anyone age 12 and up may attend the Intergenerational session. Adult groups, college groups, staff alumni, families, youth groups, and groups with a mix in ages are all welcome to participate. Youth volunteers entering 9<sup>th</sup> grade or higher may sign up as individuals if they wish, as can individual adults. Anyone 18 years or older attending this program must undergo a national criminal background screening before June 1<sup>st</sup>.**

We ask that anyone attending this program keep an open mind – it will not be a traditional SSP week! There will be volunteers of all ages present, as well as a mixed level of SSP experience.

### **2018 Program & Fee Schedule**

This year we are offering four different types of programs, with varying costs and session lengths. **Middle School** and **High School** only groups can also attend **Combined** sessions. Please call us if you have any questions about our program schedule!

## Register Your Group

The registration process is first-come, first-served and takes place on our [MySSP](#) portal, which is our online registration system. MySSP allows you to submit your registration, make payments, and later in the process, update your group's information regarding roster information, t-shirt sizes and dietary needs. Please call or email [Veronica Russell](#), SSP's Director of Volunteers and Outreach, if you have any questions.

Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. Groups and individuals may register where [space is available](#) beginning **October 9th at 10 AM Pacific Time**.

Download and review the [2018 Summer Information Packet](#).



[Ed Harry](#) shared [Victoria Jackson's photo](#).

Taken by [Victoria Jackson](#) at the WSiRA rodeo in Wadsworth, Nevada, 2017  
Better book this lady to photograph your upcoming rodeos and events!

[Windows Of History At Haas-Lilienthal House \[Video\]](#) BY NATHAN FALSTREAU I

"It's an art project within an existing building with a museum," Wood told Hoodline over the phone. "I'm excited about the bridge between and animating a building with its history, how it relates to preserving history, and by telling a story. We're talking about a space in the past and the present," he said.

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## [Former rural Kansas missile silo now accepting reservations](#)

A Cold War-era missile silo in rural northeast Kansas that housed a nuclear warhead 65 years ago and was later converted into an underground mansion is now finding a new lease on life as an Airbnb ...

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## **Water Shorts**

### **Desert Development**

In a reversal of opinion, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service decided that filling in 51 acres of wetlands for a 28,000-unit housing development in southern Arizona [will not unduly harm endangered and threatened species](#), *High County News* reports.

The Army Corps of Engineers is ultimately responsible for granting a permit to build over the wetlands. But it is supposed to consult with FWS, which, in the past and as recently as October 2016, objected to the development, called the Villages at Vigneto.

### **Regulatory Reform Hearing**

Of interest to regulations watchers, the House Oversight Committee [will hold a hearing on November 29](#) to get updates on the regulatory reform task forces. Representatives from the EPA, Interior Department, and Energy Department will testify.

The task forces were a result of a [presidential order](#) to review agency regulations for rules to eliminate.

EPA kept its task force actions behind a veil. An interim report that was due in May was not released to the public. Circle of Blue filed a Freedom of Information Act request for a copy of the report, but the EPA is still processing the request. An EPA official who oversees FOIA requests told Circle of Blue that the agency “has been swamped” with submissions and is working through a significant backlog.

### **WOTUS Hearing**

A House Natural Resources subcommittee [will hold a hearing on November 29](#) on the state role in administering the Clean Water Act. The three witnesses — an Arizona lands commissioner, an Arizona rancher, and a lawyer who generally finds himself opposite the EPA in court cases — will likely argue against government rules.

### **Dam Permitting Hearing**

Another House Natural Resources subcommittee [will meet on November 30](#) to discuss a bill to limit the time spent on environmental reviews for dams, canals, and water pipelines overseen by the Bureau of Reclamation and Bureau of Indian Affairs. [The bill](#) was introduced earlier this month by two Washington state Republicans.

### **Supreme Court Arguments Scheduled for Two Water Cases**

The justices will hear arguments [on January 8](#) in two interstate river disputes: [Texas v. New Mexico and Colorado](#) over groundwater pumping and the Rio Grande, and [Florida v. Georgia](#) over water use in the Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint system.

Texas claims that New Mexico, by allowing groundwater pumping downstream of a key storage reservoir, is capturing water that should flow to Texas.

Florida claims that Georgia is using more water than is reasonable and is causing ecological harm to the Apalachicola Bay. A special master assigned by the court concluded that this was not the case, but the justices must be convinced as well.



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## **2018 Clare Mahannah Scholarship Application**      [Download Application](#)

### **Clare Mahannah Memorial \$1,000 Scholarship**

Clare Mahannah, a pioneer in rural Nevada water resource issues and longtime member of the Nevada Water Resources Association, passed away on February 7, 2007, after a long battle with colon cancer. Clare left behind him a legacy in rural Nevada water resources issues. In honor of Clare's memory, the NWRA is honored to assist with the Clare Mahannah Scholarship, which is funded by sponsors who wish to honor Clare's legacy and recognize intelligent individuals pursuing a career in rural Nevada water resources. The scholarship assists the serious student with degree completion. The scholarship will be awarded to a student attending a Nevada university or community college. Qualified students must be pursuing a degree in the field of water resources.

### **2018 NWRA Scholarship Application**

[Download Application](#)

#### **NWRA Annual \$1,000 Scholarships**

Every year the Nevada Water Resources Association provides two \$1,000 scholarships to assist the serious student with degree completion. Scholarships are awarded to students attending a Nevada university or community college. One scholarship is awarded to an undergraduate and one is awarded to a graduate student. Qualified students must be pursuing a degree in the field of water resources.

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### **Students: Apply to ReNUWIt's Summer Water Research Program (Feb 10)**

Re-Inventing the Nation's Urban Water Infrastructure (ReNUWIt) is now accepting applications for its Summer 2018 Research Experience for Undergraduates Program. Participants will conduct mentored research in ReNUWIt faculty lab groups at Colorado School of Mines, New Mexico State University, Stanford University, and the University of California at Berkeley. ReNUWIt is funded by the National Science Foundation's Engineering Research Center.

The deadline to apply for this program is February 10, 2018. To apply for the ReNUWIt Program, please visit <http://renuwit.org/education/reu-program/learn-more-apply/>.

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### **2018 NWRA Annual Conference February 27 - March 1, 2018**

[Annual Conference Week & Activities Page](#)

[Student Poster Competition](#)

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**The Oregon Concrete & Aggregate Producers Association (OCAPA) educational fund** sponsors scholarships for deserving students pursuing a career related to the construction materials industry. Areas of study may include, but are not limited to: construction materials, engineering, geology, architecture, land use planning, biology, environmental law and fish & wildlife studies.

Application submissions will be accepted again in early 2018.  
OCAPA Scholarship Application for 2018: *pending update*

One of the most visible ways in which the Oregon Concrete & Aggregate Producers Association promotes the future well-being of the construction materials industry is through scholarships.

The OCAPA scholarship program offers scholarships to university students who intend to pursue a career in the construction materials industry. Scholarships will be awarded to junior, senior, or graduate students enrolled at an Oregon university or college encompassing disciplines related to the construction materials industry.

Areas of study may include, but are not limited to, construction materials, engineering, geology, architecture, land use planning, biology, environmental law and fish & wildlife studies.

The program represents a tangible demonstration of OCAPA's commitment to higher education which we regard as an investment in the future of our state and the construction materials industry. In the future we look forward to expanding the extent and reach of this exciting and worthwhile program.

To apply for an OCAPA Scholarship, download and complete an application packet. The application must include these three items:

- The completed application;
- On a separate sheet of paper, a 300 to 500-word statement of his/her career plan and how it relates to the construction materials industry.
- A letter of recommendation from a professor, employer or other relevant acquaintance is suggested, but not required.

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<https://www.unr.edu/mackay/student-services/mackay-scholarships/external-scholarships>

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### **Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program (BFRDP)**

Beginning farmer education for adult and young audiences in the United States can generally be traced back to the advent of the 1862 and 1890 Morrill Land Grant Acts. But for the first time, the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (Pub .L. No. 110-234, Section 7410) appropriated \$75 million for FY 2009 to FY 2012 to develop and offer education, training, outreach and mentoring programs to enhance the sustainability of the next generation of farmers. The Agriculture Act of 2014 provided an additional \$20 million per year for 2014 through 2018. The reasons for the renewed interest in beginning farmer and rancher programs are as follows: the rising average age of U.S. farmers; the 8% projected decrease in the number of farmers and ranchers between 2008 and 2018; and the growing recognition that new programs are needed to address the needs of the next generation of beginning farmers and ranchers.

[Apply for Grant \(link is external\)](#)View RFA

**Eligibility Details    Who Is Eligible to Apply:**

1862 Land-Grant Institutions, 1890 Land-Grant Institutions, 1994 Land-Grant Institutions,



Hispanic-Serving Institutions, Other or Additional Information (See below), Private Institutions of Higher Ed

**More Information on Eligibility:**

The recipient must be a collaborative, state, **tribal**, local, or regionally-based network or partnership of public or private entities, which may include: state cooperative extension service; community-based and nongovernmental organization; college or university (including institutions awarding associate degrees); or any other appropriate partner. Others may be eligible to apply. Please refer to Part III of the current BFRDP Request for Applications for complete eligibility requirements.

**Important Dates**    **Posted: November 24, 2017**    **Closing Date: Thursday, February 8, 2018**

**Additional Information**    **Desiree Rucker**

Contact for Electronic Access Problems: [electronic@nifa.usda.gov](mailto:electronic@nifa.usda.gov) (link sends e-mail)

Funding Opportunity Number: USDA-NIFA-BFR-006411; CFDA number: 10.311

Abstracts of Funded Projects: [Read the Abstracts \(link is external\)](#)

Previous fiscal year(s) RFA: [FY 17 BFRDP RFA](#) (254.55 KB)

Estimated Total Program Funding: \$17,700,000

Percent of Applications Funded: 37%

Cost Sharing or Matching Requirement:

At least equal to 25 percent (25%) of the federal funds awarded.

Range of Awards: \$300,000 - \$600,000

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**Reuters Foundation's Reporting Rural Poverty and Agricultural Development Workshop!**

**Deadline: 31 December 2017**

The Thomson Reuters Foundation is inviting journalists from around the world for its one-week Reporting Rural [Poverty](#) and Agricultural Development workshop in Rome.

In order to ensure the daily issues faced by rural poor people and their communities are acknowledged, it is important that their stories are heard and their voices are amplified. With [funding](#) from the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), the specialized [UN](#) agency, they will bring together journalists from around the world in Rome to attend IFAD's .

IFAD works with those most affected by poverty, food security, [gender](#) inequality, [environment](#) and climate change.

**Benefits**

- Being at the conference will allow journalist's access to high profile delegates, leading experts in the issues, including IFAD and UN technical experts, as well as a number of small holder farmers who will be invited.

- Thomson Reuters Foundation, through IFAD funding and support, offers full bursaries for journalists from developing world countries working for established [media](#) organisations.
- Bursaries would include air travel expenses (economy class), accommodation, local transfers and meals.

### **Eligibility Criteria**

- Journalists from around the world in Rome to attend IFAD's.
- Applicants must be full-time journalists or regular contributors to a media organisation.
- Applicants must be able to demonstrate a commitment to a career in journalism in their country, and should have at least two years' professional experience and have a good level in spoken and written English.
- Journalists who cover finance are particularly encouraged to apply.
- The Foundation is also like to see professional evidence of applicant's interest in the field of rural peoples' issues and development.

### **How to Apply**

Interested applicants can apply via given website.

For more information, visit <http://www.trust.org/media-development/opportunities/?sfid=a05D000000ldY8FIAU&sfProgId=a15D0000018F4CWIA0&areaOfFocus=Climate%20Change,%20Environment%20&%20Resilience>

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## **Impact Fund Grants Program: Advancing Human Rights, Environmental Justice and Poverty Law**

**Deadline:** 9 January 2018

Applications are open for the Impact Fund [grants](#) program for the Spring 2018, awarding grants to legal services [nonprofits](#), private attorneys, and/or small law firms who seek to advance justice in the areas of civil and [human rights](#), environmental justice, and/or [poverty](#) law.

### **Funding Sectors**

- **Social Justice:** Provides grants and legal support to assist in human and civil rights cases.
- **Environmental Justice:** Provides grants to support impact litigation for environmental justice, with a focus on marginalized communities.
- **Economic Justice:** Provides financial and other forms of support to cases fighting for economic justice.

### **Eligibility Criteria**

- The Impact Fund makes grants to lawyers, law firms, and nonprofit [organizations](#) involved in impact litigation.
- Most of the grants are for one particular case, but occasionally a series of cases bound by a common strategy.
- Awards are for civil rights, human rights, anti-poverty and environmental justice cases that will affect a marginalized group.
- Most of the grants are for class actions, but also funded multi-plaintiff and environmental justice cases that aim to significantly affect a larger system.

- Impact Fund grants may be used for out-of-pocket litigation expenses such as expert fees and discovery costs, but not for attorney's fees, staff, or other overhead.

### **How to Apply**

Applicants can apply online via given website.

**Eligible Country:** [United States](#)

For more information, please visit [Impact Fund](#).

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[Bob Tregilus](#) [View west from the Diana mine entrance. \(Berlin, NV, 10/16/2017.\)](#)

