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**Native Designers Featured in Vogue Magazine**

By [Corinne Oestreich](#) June 1st, 2018 Blog



In a time when designers offer appropriate Native culture, Vogue Magazine chooses to instead Highlight Native Designers and showcase their adaptation of traditional wear with modern style. Check out the link below to read the entire Vogue article.

Be sure to share, let's use every opportunity to lift each other up in our successes as Native peoples.

<https://www.vogue.com/article/indigenous-fashion-designers-cultural-appropriation-activism>

[Read More](#)

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**LAS VEGAS OFFICIALS VOTE AGAINST REVIVING YUCCA MOUNTAIN**

For the Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority Tuesday, it was Yucca Mountain deja vu.

<http://erj.reviewjournal.com/ct/uz3688753Biz37303704>

**NEVADA WANTS RECUSAL FROM NRC MEMBER ON YUCCA MOUNTAIN DECISIONS**

**WASHINGTON** -- The state of Nevada is asking a regulatory commissioner to recuse himself from any federal decision on Yucca Mountain, citing his past advocacy and public comments critical of local opposition to the controversial project.

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**Resources**

**Native American Senior Association** - Phoenix - Area Agency on Aging, Region One, Phoenix, 1366 E. Thomas Road, 3rd Floor, Phoenix. Activities include art classes, Matter of Balance classes, American Indian Cultural Awareness Seminar, and much more. For information contact Jolie at (602) 241-6170.

**Lend a Hand Program** - The Lend a Hand loan program pays off high-cost car title loans up to \$3,000 for Maricopa County residents. The program is a partnership between the Arizona Community Foundation, MariSol Federal Credit Union, and Take Charge America. The goal of the program is to rescue residents struggling to pay off car title loans and help put them on a path to healthy credit and financial success. For more information, click [here](#).

**Home in Five Advantage** -The Home in Five Advantage program helps low and moderate income homebuyers by offering a competitive loan interest rate with a non-repayable grant for down payment and closing costs. Additional assistance is also available to qualified U.S. Military personnel, veterans, teachers, first responders, and individuals with an annual income up to \$31,450. For more information, click [here](#).

**WE R NATIVE** - Health text messaging service for American Indian and Alaska Native teens and young adults. Text NATIVE to 24587 for weekly health tips, contests, and life advice. Sponsored by the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board.

**Sesame Street Workshop, Little Children, Big Challenges: Incarceration.** For information click [here](#).

**Affordable Housing Locator** - For housing locations all over the United States. Click [here for more information](#).

**Food Insecurity Assessment Tool and Resource List** - Easy to use tool from I.H.S. to find out if patients/ clients have access to enough nutritious food. To view the document click [here](#).

**My Native Plate** - Two page nutrition education tool, designed as a placemat. Easy to understand and shows balanced meals with reasonable portion sizes. For information click [here](#).

**Healthy Native Youth** - Raising Healthy Native Youth Through Culturally Relevant Health Education. For information check the [website](#).

**Future Inspired Native American Leaders Mentoring Program** is a partnership between Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Arizona and Phoenix Indian Center. Native American High School youth are matched with adult volunteers and have additional opportunities to participate in cultural and college/career readiness activities together! They are enrolling for both Mentors

(18+ years old) and mentees (high school students). Contact Tribal Partnership Coordinator Bobbi Rose Nez at (602) 769-7463 or [email her for more information.](#)

**Tips for Staying Active at Any Size** - The National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases has tips for increasing activity at any size. For information [click here.](#)

**Use of Technology with Young Children** - Departments of Health and Human Services and Education released a joint policy brief on the use of technology with young children to help families and early educators use technology to promote active, engaged, meaningful, and socially interactive learning. The American Academy of Pediatrics suggest for children younger than 18 months to avoid use of screen media other than video-chatting. Parents of children 18-24 months of age who want to introduce digital media should choose high quality programming, and watch it with their children to help them understand what they're seeing. For children ages 2-5 years, one hour of technology use is appropriate per day, inclusive of time spent at home and in early learning settings and across devices. Another great resource for families is [Common Sense Media.](#)

**Native American Children's Literature Recommended Reading List** - For information click [here.](#) For additional information on the [American Indians in Children's Literature website](#) [click here.](#)

**City of Phoenix Open Doors Homeownership Program** - Assists first time home buyers with the purchase of an affordable home in the City of Phoenix. Based on need, the program provides up to \$15,000 to assist with down payment and closing costs. Must complete 8 hours of homebuying education from US HUD certified housing counseling agency. For information click [here.](#)

**USDA Nutrition and Wellness Tips for Young Children** - Caregiver topics, handouts, and more. To download the documents click [here.](#)

**Double Up Food Bucks** - Double Up Food Bucks Arizona is a nutrition-based, federally funded program that helps people bring home more healthy fruits and vegetables, while also supporting Arizona farmers. The program doubles the value of SNAP (formerly food stamps) benefits used at farmers markets. Use your SNAP Quest Card at participating farmers markets and every dollar you spend is matched with an extra dollar to spend on more Arizona-grown fruits and vegetables, up to an additional \$20 in free fruits and vegetables per market visit. Double Up Food Bucks Arizona is currently available at 14 farmers markets, four farm stands and 34 Fresh Express Mobile Market sites across the state. Visit [www.doubleupfoodbucksarizona.org](http://www.doubleupfoodbucksarizona.org) to find participating farmers markets including hours and locations or ask about Double Up Food Bucks at the information booth the next time you shop with your SNAP Quest Card at your favorite farmers market. Program of Pinnacle Prevention.

**Social Determinants of Health Screening Tool** - CMS developed a 10-item screening tool to identify patient needs in 5 different domains. Clinicians and staff can use short tool across spectrum of ages, backgrounds, etc. and is streamlined enough to be incorporated into busy clinical workflows. For more information click [here.](#)

**Arizona Choctaw Clan Meetings** - For more information [email Georganne](#) or check the Facebook group Arizona Choctaw Clan.

**United Food Bank's Help Yourself Food Box Program** - Through the help yourself program, clients can purchase a box of food for \$20 which includes a variety of fresh meats, produce & dry goods (a value of about \$40). For an extra \$13, you can get extra meat selections. Clients can also select from additional bonus items like bread, pastries, dairy products and deli products depending on availability. The earlier, the better the selection. Cash or Food Stamps accepted No restrictions or qualifications. 358 E. Javelina Drive, Mesa, AZ 85210, (480) 926-4897. Fridays from 8:00 am-noon, excluding holidays. Open to the public.

**Labor's Community Service Agency - SHIFT Program.** Offers vehicles at a very low price to working poor families that have identified transportation as a major barrier to their long-term financial independence. Financial coaching and workforce development services through LCSA. For more information click [here.](#)

**Direct Home Loans for Native Americans Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA)** - The NADL program makes home loans available to eligible Native American Veterans who wish to purchase, construct, or improve a home on Federal Trust land or to reduce the interest rate. For information click [here.](#)

**Indian Children's Program -** Indian Health Service has a newly updated Indian Children's Program website. This I.H.S. Division of Behavioral Health Indian Children's Program provides education, training, and consultation on issues affecting AI/AN youth via I.H.S.'s Telebehavioral Health Center of Excellence. These services are available to all I.H.S. Tribal and Urban (I/T/U) providers. For more information click [here.](#)

**Your Healthiest Self: Wellness Toolkits** - National Institutes of Health. For more information click [here.](#)

**Addressing the Social Determinants of Health in Primary Care** - EveryOne Project is an initiative from the American

NATIVE HEALTH  
**ANNUAL MEETING**  
**Tuesday, June 19, 2018**  
4041 North Central Avenue, Building C - 2nd Floor Conference Room

**5:00 p.m. Light Dinner | 6:00 p.m. Annual Meeting**

Meet NATIVE HEALTH staff and the new members of the NATIVE HEALTH Board of Directors. Enjoy a light dinner and get your copy of the 2017 Annual Report.

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Academy of Family Physicians. For more information click [here](#).

**Indigenous Knowledge to Prevent Risk for Youth Suicide and Alcohol Abuse.** Center for Alaska Native Health Research. For more information click [here](#).

**Clinical Guidelines for Treating Pregnant and Parenting Women with Opioid Use Disorder and their Infants.** SAMHSA. For more information click [here](#).

**Sex Trafficking in Indian Country: Victim/Survivor Resource Book.** Published by Urban Indian Health Institute. To view the document click [here](#).

**"Patchwork Health Care for Reservation Inmates Raises Concern"** - article spotlights Tuba City Regional Health Care Corporation and San Carlos Apache Health Care Corporation. For more information click [here](#).

**Strong Families, Stronger Arizona: You make your family strong coloring book.** Department of Child Safety's Office of Prevention. Pages are filled with wildlife in the Arizona desert that are used and protective factors are added that help strengthen families. For more information click [here](#).

**Wisdom Warriors** - Native American/Alaska Native program designed to utilize the tools learned in a 6 week class called Chronic Disease Self Management Program and includes traditional foods, cultural activities, and healthy traditions. For more information contact [Becky](#).

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## **Walmart Offers Dollar a Day College Education June 1, 2018 3:38 PM by Susan Dutca**

Walmart, the largest private sector employer in the United States, is touting its subsidized online college tuition for its employees as it looks to attract and retain talent in a tight market. It may sound too good to be true that Walmart plans to offer employees a college education for \$1 a day...what's the catch?

The retail giant, which employs over 1.5 million employees throughout the United States, is hoping to "increase [our] associate base" and increase retention, according to Drew Holler, Vice President of Associate Experience. "A lot of employers that have done this have seen an uptick in their application flow." With Walmart's college tuition plan, both full-time and part-time employees who have been with the company for at least 90 days will have an opportunity to attend college for \$1 a day and receive access to discounted college tuition, books, and a coach who can instruct them on the appropriate program while guiding them through the application program. The Walmart college tuition program is limited to online degree programs offered by three schools - University of Florida, Brandman University, and Bellevue University - and students must be pursuing a bachelor's or associate degree in either business or supply chain management. Walmart "declined to disclose the cost of the program," according to The Wall Street Journal.

While the [Walmart college tuition plan](#) is aimed to give employees "a chance at upward mobility off the retail point," the move is, according to some critics, "likely to be disproportionately appealing to people who are on the more ambitious end of the distribution." This program is not

the first of its kind to be offered by a large employer - or even by Walmart itself. In fact, Walmart offered a college tuition perk back in 2010 through a deal with the American Publication Inc. to "provide discounted classes at the for-profit American Public University." Other large corporations such as [Starbucks](#), McDonald's, Chick-fil-A, have historically offered college tuition programs as a means of recruiting and retaining employees. College tuition programs also pay off for large employers who receive favorable tax treatment; the IRS enables employers to give employees "several thousand dollars' worth of tuition benefits tax-free."

"Investing in the personal and professional success of our associates is vital to Walmart's future success," said Greg Forman, CEO of Walmart U.S. "We know training and learning opportunities empower associates to deliver for customers while growing and advancing in their careers." In addition to the Walmart college tuition program, Walmart offers two college scholarship programs for its employees: the [Walmart Dependent Scholarship](#) and the [Walmart Associate Scholarship](#). To see if your employer offers scholarships, browse our [scholarships by employer](#).

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### **Adopt-A-Crop 2018 - Native Seed Search**



This year we are celebrating the Southwest's very special bean, the tepary. This resilient, drought-tolerant bean has been stewarded by the tribes of the Greater Southwest for centuries and is still a vital part of traditional diets. Five teparies will be regenerated this year in partnership with farmers in AZ & NM. Please choose one (or more!) seeds to adopt - your donation supports the 2018 growing season and

ensures that we can continue to make these and other seeds available to gardeners and farmers.

If you donate \$100 or more, we will send you a packet of seeds from the harvest.

#### ***Hopi White Tepary:***

Coming from Hotevilla at almost 5,600 ft., this is the highest elevation North American tepary in the collection. Perhaps the slightly cooler temperatures to which this tepary is adapted are what make it larger and plumper than most teparies. Traditionally dry-farmed on the Hopi mesas. This bean will be grown in Moenkopi, Hopi by Jeremy King, Traditional Farmer and Cultural Consultant for Moenkopi Developers Corporation.



#### ***Little Tucson Brown:***

An early-maturing tepary that comes from Ali Chukson (Little Tucson) east of Sells on the Tohono O'odham Nation. The seeds are a deep burnt orange color, and more round than many of the low desert tepary beans. Janna Anderson, Organic Farmer and Owner of Pinnacle Farms, will be growing this in Phoenix, AZ this season.

#### ***Pima Beige and Brown:***

This colorful accession comes from Santan on the Gila River Indian Reservation. There is one cup of seed remaining in the seed bank, designated as "seed for regeneration". We'll be growing 1/4 of this seed at the NS/S Conservation Center in Tucson, AZ this season.



***Paiute Mixed:***

*This diverse mixture is the northernmost collection of tepary beans at NS/S. It comes from the Shivwits Paiute Reservation in far southwestern Utah, though the man who shared them said they came through his grandfather's family, who were Mojave. These seeds will be grown in Santa Clara Pueblo, NM this season.*

***Colonia Morelos Speckled:***

Collected by NS/S co-founder Barney Burns in 1988 in Colonia Morelos, Sonora, a farming village at the confluence of two rivers. This beautiful speckled bean was selected out of a batch of mostly white teparies grown by two farmers there. It is one of the few that displays both white and lilac-colored flowers. This crop will be grown by Clayton Harvey and Emily Maheux of Ndee Bikiyaa (The Peoples Farm) in Canyon Day, AZ.

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**Great Basin Federal Credit Union Hosts Five-Part Seminar Series [ThisIsReno](#) Entrepreneur and Marketer Ira M. Gostin, MBA**

Great Basin Federal Credit Union will host a five-week seminar series in collaboration with 120 West Strategic Communications to help small business owners start, build, and grow their businesses. The series is presented at no charge and begins June 27.

[Let's Talk – Small Business Success](#) features Ira M. Gostin, MBA who is an entrepreneur and president of 120 West Strategic Communications, a regional marketing and public relations firm based in Reno.

Jennifer Denoo. Image: Matt Messerli.

“We are very passionate about small business education at Great Basin Federal Credit Union,” said Jennifer Denoo, president and CEO of Great Basin. “The partnership with Ira Gostin and 120 West in providing this seminar series solidifies our commitment to our membership and community in providing education and resources to empower entrepreneurs towards success in their businesses.”

Each session will have a different theme, complete with handouts, worksheets, and usable strategies. The five-week series will culminate in a comprehensive business plan workshop on Oct. 24, 2018. The rest of the sessions will have different topics as follows:

- June 27, 2018: Move the Needle – Grow Your Business

- July 25, 2018: Strategy Charts the Path
- Aug. 29, 2018: Say What? What's Your Message?
- Sept. 26, 2018: SmartMarketing (usable marketing strategies)
- Oct. 24, 2018: Business Plan Workshop

Individuals who attend all five sessions of the series will be entered into a drawing to receive a prize package of business tools from 120 West Strategic Communications and Microsoft.

Ira Gostin

Gostin is an entrepreneur, marketer and communications strategist, specializing in creating business growth with measurable results. He has helped launch several successful start-ups and currently combines his marketing passions and entrepreneurial spirit into creating growth for clients.

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[120 West Strategic Communications Celebrates Second Anniversary](#)

“I am excited to be part of this seminar series with Great Basin,” Gostin said. “I love helping entrepreneurs grow their businesses. My goal for this is to guide attendees on building a business plan that will help them achieve the results they want.”

The seminars will be held monthly from June 2018 until October 2018. Each seminar will have a different theme, including business growth, strategy, messaging, marketing and finishing with a business plan workshop. At each seminar, attendees will be provided with relevant handouts and worksheets.

Workshops will be held at the Great Basin branch located at 9770 South Virginia Street in Reno from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The series is presented free of charge. To register or for more information, interested attendees can visit [www.greatbasin.org/events/small-business-series](http://www.greatbasin.org/events/small-business-series).

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**Today's selection -- from *A Brief History of France* by Cecil Jenkins.**

The Enlightenment stemmed from the continued increase in publishing, the 17th and 18th century breakthroughs in science, and the increasing death and debt brought by war:

"In the France of the Enlightenment [in the mid 1700s] there was ... a whole new intellectual climate, fostered by greater literacy, an increase in the publication of books and newspapers, and of course the exchange of ideas through such famous literary salons as those of Madame du Deffand or the passionate Julie de Lespinasse. The serious discussion of ideas had also moved from the old university orthodoxies to a score of new *académies*, or provincial societies set up on the model of the Academie Francaise -- it was for a competition of the Academie de Dijon that Rousseau wrote his famous essay on the origin of inequality among men. '*Discours sur l'origine et les fondements de l'inégalité parmi les hommes*'. Libraries were also being set up by rich individuals, while booksellers were renting out books by the day. And it was in this situation that an intelligentsia was arising, writers of often humble origin who were no longer dependent on noble protectors but could actually live by their work -- Diderot was the son of a cutler, while both Rousseau and Beaumarchais were watchmakers' sons. As such they were the voices of the new educated community which was excluded from political representation and which would ultimately provide a more profound challenge to the monarchy than the privileged parlement.



### Discourse on Inequality

"Much of this activity was stimulated by the political tensions within the society, such as the religious intolerance dramatized by the execution of Jean Calas, a Protestant merchant of Toulouse in 1762. Wrongly accused of killing his own son who, it was said, wanted to convert to Catholicism, he was condemned in a farcical trial and broken on the wheel while proclaiming his innocence. In protest, Voltaire opened up a famous debate on tolerance and had Calas rehabilitated posthumously. Another stimulus was the increasing awareness of the outside world and of the challengingly different customs of non-European peoples -- the cultural relativism exemplified by Montesquieu's satirical portrait of French society in his *Lettres persanes* (*Persian Letters*, 1721), **as in Bougainville's *Voyage autour du monde* (*A Voyage Around the World*, 1771), which nourished the idea of the 'noble savage'.**

"However, the catalyst for much of this intellectual ferment was doubtless the sense of a new scientific outlook, influenced by the empiricism of the English philosopher John Locke and by the inductive method and mechanics of Isaac Newton, offering the prospect of a new conceptual model of the world. In the monumental twenty--eight volume *Encyclopédie* (1751-72), intended as a 'collection of human knowledge', Diderot and his fellow *philosophes* sought to bring together all these strands into a coherent structure -- in effect a fusion of Cartesian rationalism and English empiricism in the service of a new view of the world and society."

**A Brief History of France, Revised and Updated**

**Author: Cecil Jenkins**

Publisher: Little, Brown Group

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### Federal Water Tap

#### Army Corps Hearing

The Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works [holds a hearing](#) on June 13 to discuss the Army Corps' practice of allowing local agencies to contract for "surplus water" from federal reservoirs.

#### Rescission Decision

The House [passed a bill](#) to authorize pulling back some \$3 billion in unspent federal funds. President Trump asked for the authority on May 8.

Water-related rescissions are: \$107 million from Hurricane Sandy relief, \$50 million from USDA's flood prevention work, \$37 million from rural water and sewer grants, and \$10 million for water quality research

#### Glen Canyon Dam Advisory Committee

The Interior Department is [looking to fill open seats](#) on a panel that advises the agency on operating Glen Canyon, one of the country's largest dams and reservoirs.

Representatives of environmental groups, recreational groups, federal power purchase contractors, and others are encouraged to apply.

Nominations are due July 16. They can be sent via email to Brent Rhees, regional director of the Bureau of Reclamation, [brhees@usbr.gov](mailto:brhees@usbr.gov).

## Heat Risk Map

To kick off summer, the National Weather Service [rolled out a map](#) that shows the seven-day heat risk. The map is color-coded from no increased risk (green) to very high risk for all people (magenta).

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## [‘This Ruling Gives Us Hope’: Supreme Court Sides With Tribe in Salmon Case](#)

By JOHN ELIGON

It’s an important victory for Native American communities, but other threats are chipping away at the salmon habitat on which the Swinomish have long depended.

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## [Free Power From Freeways? China Is Testing Roads Paved With Solar Panels](#)

By KEITH BRADSHER

Western countries have been looking into putting solar panels on roads for years. The Chinese have done it, installing panels on a downhill section of a mountain road.

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## [Congress Must Work With, Not Against, Native Communities in Crafting Farm Bill](#)

*Aaron Payment, The Hill*

Payment writes: "From dairy farmers to foresters to everyone depending on nutrition assistance, Americans will be significantly impacted by the 2018 Farm Bill." [READ MORE](#)

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## [Key 'step forward' in cutting cost of removing CO2 from air - BBC News](#)

<https://www.bbc.com/news/science-environment-44396781>

A Canadian firm says new technology has dramatically *cut the cost of removing* carbon from the air.

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## **Serious Records Management Problems:**

JONATHAN TURLEY <[comment-reply@wordpress.com](mailto:comment-reply@wordpress.com)>

**Subject: [\[New post\] Humpy Dumpty Duty: Trump Regularly Rips Up Documents, Requiring Staff To Tape Them Back Together To Comply With Federal Law](#)**

There is an interesting new story about a bizarre practice by [President Donald Trump who reportedly rips up material](#) given to him despite the duty to preserve the documents under the Presidential Records Act. Two staffers have recounted how they were required to spend considerable time taping the documents back together to stay in compliance with the PRA.

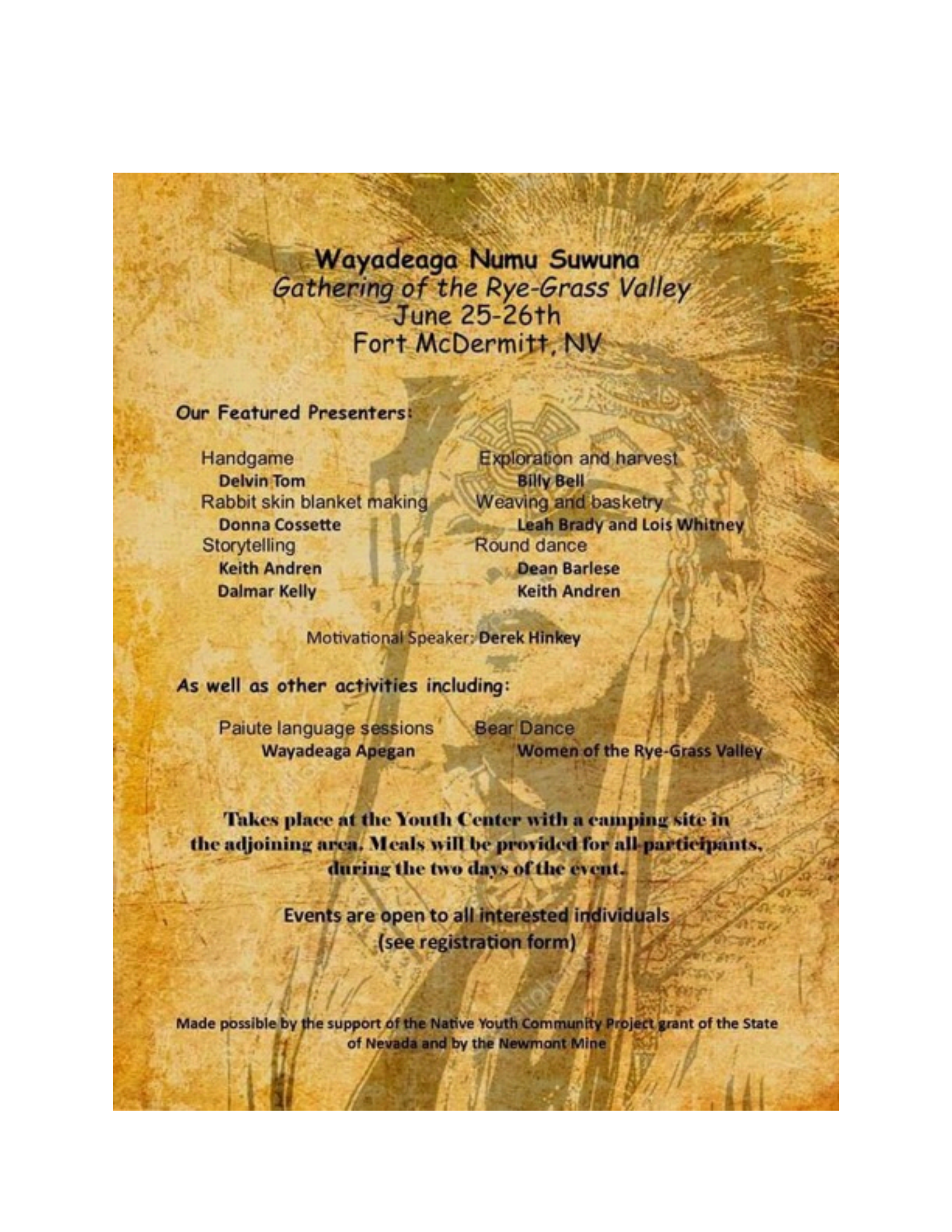
They reportedly complained about the duty for people making \$60,000 a year. They were suddenly fired. This Humpy Dumpty duty raises some serious questions of federal violations.

[Read more of this post](#)

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**“The purpose of life is not to be happy. It is to be useful, to be honorable, to be compassionate, to have it make some difference that you have lived and lived well.”**

**– Ralph Emerson**



**Wayadeaga Numu Suwuna**  
*Gathering of the Rye-Grass Valley*  
June 25-26th  
Fort McDermitt, NV

**Our Featured Presenters:**

Handgame

**Delvin Tom**

Rabbit skin blanket making

**Donna Cossette**

Storytelling

**Keith Andren**

**Dalmar Kelly**

Exploration and harvest

**Billy Bell**

Weaving and basketry

**Leah Brady and Lois Whitney**

Round dance

**Dean Barlese**

**Keith Andren**

Motivational Speaker: **Derek Hinkey**

**As well as other activities including:**

Paiute language sessions

**Wayadeaga Apegan**

Bear Dance

**Women of the Rye-Grass Valley**

**Takes place at the Youth Center with a camping site in the adjoining area. Meals will be provided for all participants, during the two days of the event.**

**Events are open to all interested individuals  
(see registration form)**

Made possible by the support of the Native Youth Community Project grant of the State of Nevada and by the Newmont Mine

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