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July 12 in 1562 in an irreplaceable loss to history and as part of an inquisition, fanatical Catholic priest and torturer Diego de Landa burned the books of the Maya, reducing our understanding of Mayan culture and the history of our hemisphere. Dennis M

Dump advocate defeated By [Dennis Myers dennism@newsreview.com](mailto:dennism@newsreview.com) 7.12.18
Nye County, a thorn in the side of state leaders opposing the proposed nuclear waste dump at Yucca Mountain, has voted to unseat a county commissioner who has been a leading supporter of the dump.

Commissioner Dan Schinhofen lost the Republican primary to Debra Strickland, who will take office in January. In a four-person race with fewer than 1,200 votes cast in the small county, Strickland won by a plurality, not a majority—36.5 percent to Schinhofen’s 31.7 percent—still enough to elect her outright under a peculiar Nevada law.

Strickland, a real estate broker and long time county resident, told the Pahrump Valley Times she will be seeking more science—and more recent science—on the Yucca project before she decides whether to support it. “The science is 10 years old on Yucca Mountain, and I would like to see some more recent science,” she said. The Obama administration deemphasized the dump project in 2009 and eventually shut it down by cutting off funding for it. Republicans and the nuclear industry are trying to revive it.

Nye and Lincoln counties have had a reputation for trying to lure businesses or projects to Nevada that most jurisdictions would reject (“Nye County comes calling,” RN&R, Jan. 15, 2004). Schinhofen is one in a series of Nye officials who were enthusiastic about the dump while the state was trying to fight it off, causing mixed messages to the feds.

Schinhofen claims Strickland was backed by brothel owner Dennis Hof and credited that with her victory.

Under a section of state law, races in which only members of one political party run can be decided in the primary, with the general election electorate excluded from the decision. Until this law, the two top candidates would advance to the general election. The new law was enacted to accommodate Dean Rhodes, an Elko County Republican senator who wearied of facing general elections when no Democrat was running. The first winner under the new law was Dawn Gibbons in Washoe County in 1998, who was elected to the Nevada Assembly in a three-person Republican primary. Gibbons and her leading opponent in that race—Patty Caferrata—tried to have the law repealed but failed.



Mt.
Hoffman

(Joel
Kuechle)

Musings from Tony Katenay

The Boy With The Owl Spirit #1

They laughed at me at camping. My little tent was surrounded by tiny dead animals. Only a few but enough for my family to label me the weird one. I don't why the came and died. Everyone laughed but my gramma.

She chased everyone away and sat with me that morning. Asking me questions like, what do I do when I see our relatives who have passed on. I told her I didn't know what she was talking about but she already knew. She knew I talked with them.

"They don't bother me at all gramma. They mostly tell me stories and help me speak our language" I said matter of factly.

I added, "But I don't understand why the little animals ended up by my tent."

She thinks they found me cuz of my spirit helper the owl.

"Shouldn't the owl have eaten them?" I asked with tears drying.

"Oh no" she chuckled, "the owl brings the message of an end. The end doesn't always mean death. But the owl also helps those who do die to get to where there suppose to go after they're gone"

Little did I know that when I got older those same family members would be asking when the next eagle that dies if I would let them know so that they could use the feathers.

The Boy with the Owl Spirit #2

1979. What a year. Our family left overseas during my freshman year to Okinawa, Japan. Dad was in the Air Force to be stationed at Kadena Air Base. Mom, Dad, my older brother, younger sister and myself packed up for an adventure of a lifetime.

I say that cuz I was 14. I think at that age I can still see the world with magic in my eyes. Maybe not believing in Santa or the Easter Bunny anymore but mysteries hold my attention. To see life from another culture, another language is a mystery I really want to explore and here is my chance. But the unseen mysteries are there too as I am to find out.

Arriving at the island our bodies take punishment as we transition to this new world. The sights, sounds, the different smell of the foods are a shock. We just came off the rez. Dusty dry heat is what we know not this humid wet heat.

The people are a mix of old and new. I really can't tell the difference of how they dress if it is old or new. That's where I get in trouble right away. In the States anyone can see if a person is dressed from the 20's easily. Not here.

Here's an example. Our family explore the island, affectionately known as The Rock, by walking the towns and streets. Making eye contact is normal for Americans but Okinawans? Eye contact is very reserved. So here we are doing our American thing of people watching and I notice the ones with weird eyes.

The ones that no one else notices except for me. The weird eye people notice me noticing them. Then they stare. As if wondering if I can see them. Well duh, what did I expect to happen when they start to follow us.

By the time I figure it out it's too late. They're ghosts.

The Rock has a very interesting history. Including some of the bloodiest battles of World War II. And I think I just opened the door to those involved with that very past. Those with a story to tell. But do I freak my family out by saying that a pack of ghosts are following us around?

At that age I can fully see the ghosts. It's when I got older that they turned into orbs. But anyways, let me tell you about one particular ghost I did come in contact with.

Boy with the Owl Spirit #3

So you're probably wondering how I lost that pack of ghosts. Let me take you on a detour from the main story.

Before our family was stationed in Okinawa I went to Northeast Nevada for a spiritual camp kind of thing. The Shoshone People up there host a gathering (just before the Sundance, I think) for young people to listen to speakers talking about Native Medicine.

There's sweat, one on one counseling and activities we participate to show that spirituality can also be about people working with people. The gatherings are held in the boonies.

Corbin Harney was one such speaker. Somewhere, somehow I was told to go to the gathering to talk with him. I don't remember who told me but back then I was respecting my elders so I did what I was told. I say that because I didn't want to go. However, I'm glad I did.

A meeting was set up after an afternoon of swimming. Heading back to the tent to change my cousins were talking an awful long time changing themselves. Two girls talking about boys. Sheesh, and here I am waiting, throwing rocks at the tent in my passive/aggressive way of telling them to hurry up.

Finally, they leave. Me all mad 'n' stuff when Corbin knocks at the tent.

"Hello", I answer

"Tony, it's Corbin", I hear just outside. Feeling a little embarrassed I open the flap.

"Hi", I smile.

"Hi, hope you're ok. We missed you at the meeting."

"I'm so sorry. I got held up here longer than I thought", I sheepishly say.

"It's ok. I think The Grammas told me what is going on", he goes on to tell me about a dream I had. Explaining it in great detail. I'm amazed at how he even knew about the dream. He called it my Life's Dream. A kind of shortened map of how my life is going to turn out. (That's another story in itself I'll tell one day).

All this time I don't make eye contact with the ghosts that walk with him. I take it for granted they are his spirit helpers and don't want to be rude. But he asks if I can see them.

"Do you see who's with me?"

"Ummmmm, yes", I answer in a small voice, "There's also a hummingbird following you around too".

He laughs.

"I can't see them but I know they're there", he adds "First things first. I want to show you how to defend yourself should any unwanted spirits want to attach themselves to you. We spend the rest of the afternoon in Spiritual Defense 101.

Giving me a medicine bag he tells me what's inside and how it works. He also explains how to make the medicine for myself. I'm quick to point out, "I'm not sure this one is working"

"Why do you say that?"

"Because they're still ghosts here", as I point to one standing looking at us. "He just minding his own business tho".

He gets the idea for us to try different concoctions of medicines and see what will work. He chuckles when I say I better ask the ghost if it's ok with him. Probably because he knows the ghost personally.

With the help of our spectral friend we end up with two types that will work. One that will cleanse the area of ghosts and one that will attract them. I like the attracting one because it can also serve as a trap of sorts.

The second one is what I used in Okinawa. Simply place it wherever and the ghosts are eerily attracted to it. They will just stand there and stare at it. Meanwhile, I just walk away. Pretty nifty, eh? It also had the added benefit of not burning it for the smoke in order to use it.

I almost forgot about that summer with Corbin. I saw him two more times before he passed away. After we came back from Japan I went to see him about taking this "gift" away.

The other time was when I was working with the BIA, Western Nevada Agency as an Equipment Time Recorder. They'd send me to wildland fires to work at base camp in the Time Unit to pay for the equipment being used in the fire.

One such fire took me out to Shoshone land. Almost to where I met Corbin as a matter of fact. Sitting there in the mess tent at fire camp on lunch break who do I see come walking up. Yep, ole Corbin himself.

Awesome. Only I don't see his helpers but his funny little hummingbird was there. I say hi to both of them and we start talking again.

Oh, did I mention he passed away in 2007? And that this fire was in 2008?
To be continued ... Again

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Scholarships with August 15-31 deadlines

American Fire Sprinkler Association Second Chance Scholarship	\$1,000	08/31/2018
ARTBA's Student Transportation Video Contest	\$500	08/29/2018
Ben Gordon Supply Chain and Logistics Scholarship	\$1,000	08/31/2018
Buch Family Academic Scholarship	Varies	08/31/2018
CHASA Scholarship for Childhood Stroke Survivors	\$3,000	08/31/2018
Christ the Teacher Institute Catholic Scholar's Program	\$5,000	08/25/2018
Diverse Minds Writing Challenge	\$5,000	08/24/2018
Joyce Komperda Athlete Support Fund	Varies	08/31/2018
Kappa Phi Epsilon Admiral Scholarship	\$500	08/24/2018
Kelsey's Law Scholarship	\$2,000	08/31/2018
Scott Delgadillo College Scholarship	Varies	08/31/2018
Striving for Greatness Accounting & Finance Scholarship	\$2,500	08/31/2018
The Zale Parry Scholarship	\$6,500	08/31/2018
TopProducts Single Mothers Scholarship	\$1,000	08/31/2018
WHS' NEXTGen Border Security Contest	\$2,500	08/30/2018

NCAI PTG Webinar: Tribal Workforce Development: A Decision-Framing Toolkit

NCAI's [Partnership for Tribal Governance](#) (PTG) will host the second in a series of three webinars focused on tribal workforce development on **Thursday, July 19 from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. EDT** The webinar titled, "**Tribal Workforce Development: A Decision- Framing Toolkit**," will provide a detailed overview of NCAI's new toolkit and the different ways that tribal leaders and workforce development practitioners can use it to inform and drive strategic action towards the crafting of effective, self-governed workforce development approaches. **To view the toolkit, click [here](#).**

The webinar will feature a panel of leading tribal workforce development practitioners offering their perspectives on the key strategic consideration covered in the toolkit and how their nations/ organizations are engaging those considerations:

- **Ryan Howard**, Executive Director, Owens Valley Career Development Center
- **Kay Seven**, Director, Adult Education, Nez Perce Tribe
- **Darrell Waldron**, Executive Director, Rhode Island Indian Council, Inc.
- **Margaret Zientek**, Assistant Director, Workforce & Social Services, Citizen Potawatomi Nation

To register for the webinar, please click [here](#).

Coming on July 26:

- **WEBINAR: The 2017 Indian Employment, Training and Related Services Consolidation Act: A Guide to Implementation. To register click, [here](#).**

In Other News: OIE Professional Development Grant Pre-Application Webinar

The U.S. Department of Education and Office of Indian Education (OIE) is offering a Professional Development (PD) Grant Pre-Application webinar on **July 17, 2018 at 3:30 p.m.**

EDT. This 90-minute webinar focuses on building attendees' knowledge about why and how to apply for the PD 2018 grant, highlighting federal grant resources, addressing applicant concerns, and increasing applicants' ability to submit a substantive grant application. The purpose of the PD Grant is to increase the number of qualified Native Individuals in professions that serve Natives and to provide training to qualified Native individuals to become teachers and administrators.

Registration for the webinar is now open and will remain open until 3:00 p.m. EDT on the day of the webinar. **For more information and to register, click [here](#).**

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Plan ahead calendar:

Aug. 13-16 8th Annual 2018 Tribal Lands & Environment Forum (TLEF) Spokane, WA

Aug. 21-23 HUD Region IX Part 58 Environmental Review Training Los Angeles, CA
HUD's Region IX Office of Environment and Energy's free, 3-day training to help HUD grantees; federal, state, and local government staff; "Responsible Entities;" and consultants undertaking HUD environmental reviews gain a better understanding of federal environmental requirements and procedures. This training is designed for those who actually prepare environmental reviews pursuant to 24 CFR Part 58. **Registration:** [HYPERLINK "http://www.hud.gov/emarc/index.cfm?fuseaction=emar.registerEvent&eventId=3368&update=N" N](http://www.hud.gov/emarc/index.cfm?fuseaction=emar.registerEvent&eventId=3368&update=N)

Aug. 22 4th Annual Tribal Economic Outlook Conference Flagstaff, AZ
For details about the [4th Annual Tribal Economic Outlook Conference](https://nau.edu/economic-policy-institute/4th-annual-tribal-economic-outlook-conference/) visit <https://nau.edu/economic-policy-institute/4th-annual-tribal-economic-outlook-conference/>.

Aug. 20 \$50 million for Tribal Opioid Response Grants (SAMHSA FY2018)
The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) (FY 2018) Tribal Opioid Response grants (Short Title: TOR). The program aims to address the opioid crisis in tribal communities by increasing access to culturally appropriate and evidence-based treatment, including medication-assisted treatment (MAT) using one of the three FDA-approved medications for the treatment of opioid use disorder (OUD). The intent is to reduce unmet treatment need and opioid overdose related deaths through the provision of prevention, treatment and/or recovery activities for OUD. For more info., visit [HYPERLINK "https://www.samhsa.gov/grants/grant-announcements/ti-18-016"](https://www.samhsa.gov/grants/grant-announcements/ti-18-016) <https://www.samhsa.gov/grants/grant-announcements/ti-18-016>

Sept. 30 Land Buy Back Program For Tribal Nations (DOI)
Program allows interested individual owners to sell their land for immediate transfer to the recognized tribe that exercises jurisdiction. Effort will strengthen tribal sovereignty and put decision-making in the hands of the tribal government, freeing up resources that have been locked-up as land interests that have fractionated over time. Program will fund indirect costs

equal to no more than 15% of the modified total direct costs. \$1.9 billion is available for this 10-year program, which ends in Nov. 2022. Eligibility: Tribes with jurisdiction over locations with purchasable fractional land interests. More at: <http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=297700>

Open - Indian Land Tenure Foundation - Land Recovery Efforts

The Foundation provides funding to Indian nations to support various aspects of land recovery with a focus on reacquiring alienated federal lands. Returning lands to Indian ownership and control is important to ensure that Indian people have access to the financial and natural resources within their own reservations. The Foundation supports a variety of initiatives to assist tribes in the development of plans to reacquire reservation lands. More info. at: "<http://report.mynewsletterbuilder.com/t.js?s=590414901baa5d8f04014919&u=38131728&v=3&key=54a3&skey=6754449305&url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.iltf.org%2Fgrants%2Fspecial-initiatives%2FLand-recovery-efforts>" <https://www.iltf.org/grants/special-initiatives/land-recovery-efforts>

Open - National Endowment for the Arts “Our Town” Grant Program

Program supports creative placemaking projects that help to transform communities into lively, beautiful, and resilient places – achieving these community goals through strategies that incorporate arts, culture, and/or design. This funding supports local efforts to enhance quality of life & opportunity for existing residents, increase creative activity, & create or preserve a distinct sense of place. Eligible lead applicants are: • Nonprofit tax-exempt 501(c)(3) U.S. organizations with **3-year history of programming**; and • Local govt counties, parishes, cities, towns, villages, or federally recognized tribal governments. Local arts agencies or other departments, agencies, or entities within an eligible local government may submit the application on behalf of that local government. More at: <https://www.arts.gov/grants-organizations/our-town/introduction>

Open = [Justice Department Announces Funding Opportunities for Tribal Communities](https://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/justice-department-announces-funding-opportunities-tribal-communities)

TLEF features special trainings, field trips, and breakout sessions focused on our conference theme: A National Conversation on Tribal Land and Water Resources. Topics include solid/hazardous waste management, brownfields, UST/LUSTs, Superfund sites, and emergency response. Tribal water program topics – water quality, drinking water, and habitat restoration (including wetlands, streams & fisheries) will also be included with breakout sessions, trainings & field trips. More at HYPERLINK "<http://www7.nau.edu/itep/main/Conferences/Index>" <http://www7.nau.edu/itep/main/Conferences/Index>

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NEVADA OPPORTUNITY FUND PROVIDES SMALL BUSINESSES WITH FUNDING

The Nevada Opportunity Fund was created during the last legislative session to help provide small business owners access to funding.

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Specials Scheduled

Times are subject to change and more to be added.

Friday 5PM- Junior Girls Fancy Sponsored by Laurel and Jayme Campbell

Saturday 10AM- Women's Ho Chunk Applique Sponsored by Deb White

Saturday 11AM- Teen Girls Jingle Sponsored by Phil St. John

Saturday 5PM- Women's Jingle Honoring Tiffany Paskemin Sponsored by Anne Starr

Sunday 10 AM- Men's Northern Traditional Honoring Terry Fiddle Sponsored by Anne Starr

Sunday after categories- Tiny Tot Special Sponsored by Clayton Crawford and Patricia Bugg for son Axel

Saturday and Sunday after Grand Entry- Men's and Women's Fancy Sponsored by Tribal Council

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And because it is Friday:

– Imagine this: hordes upon hordes of zombies lazing through the streets every day, living in perfect harmony with the rest of civilization. A scary prospect right? Yet, [phone zombies roam the streets daily, faces stuck to their screens “living in the moments” through the lenses of their cameras and phones](#) – now which one really sounds scary? (Verge)

– [Richard Ratay's new book “Don't Make Me Pull Over!: An Informal History of the Family Road Trip” shows the changing trends of family trips through the decades.](#) Weaving in American history with his personal experiences, Ratay paints a portrait of the good old days with classic sunny drives along the oceanside to the current day and age, where kids want to stay home and can see everything from the comfort of their mobile devices. (Atlantic)

– Remember those middle/high school growth spurts? Your body starts doing weird things, pimples pop up and hair starts growing everywhere? Well, humans aren't the only ones that go through periods of growth spurts – [new findings show that dinosaurs probably went through periods of rapid growth as well.](#) Rather than slowly and gradually going from egg to giant, new fossil discoveries show that many of the largest creatures who roamed the Earth most likely went through “growth seasons” where they got real big, real fast. (NYT)