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news.un.org

Warren's Plan to Abolish Student Debt Came From Grassroots Pressure

ALEXIS GOLDSTEIN, TRUTHOUT

Elizabeth Warren's new public higher education proposal, which calls for the cancellation of student loan debt for 95 percent of Americans, taps into the movement that gained momentum during Occupy Wall Street. Supported by Bernie Sanders and other presidential candidates, the proposal is the result of tireless work by activists whose demands for loan abolition were mocked not long ago. [Read the Article →](#)

Without Impeachment, We're Lowering Standards for All Future Presidents

WILLIAM RIVERS PITT, TRUTHOUT

If impeachment proceedings are not undertaken against Donald Trump in the face of such overwhelming criminal evidence, a partisan attorney general and a partisan Republican majority in the Senate will have set the standard of conduct for all presidents to come so low as to be utterly unrecognizable and thoroughly unenforceable. [Read the Article →](#)

(Time for someone to compile a collection of "standards" of each president's conduct with tribes. sdc)

New Report Shows How World Bank Enables Corporate Land Grabs

ALNOOR LADHA, TRUTHOUT

A new report from the Oakland Institute shows how the World Bank -- which recently elected former Trump adviser, David Malpass, as president -- pushes countries to turn land into a "transferable asset." By offering preferential access to aid and foreign investment, the Bank pressures countries into removing barriers to privatization, such as laws protecting commons and seeds, to facilitate land grabs for big agribusiness.

[Read the Article →](#)

Being in Prison Should Not Take Away Your Right to Vote, Says Sanders

AMY GOODMAN AND JUAN GONZÁLEZ, DEMOCRACY NOW!

Sen. Bernie Sanders said at a town hall Monday that he believed in restoring voting rights for prisoners, sparking a national discussion about re-enfranchisement for the more than 2 million Americans behind bars. Prisoners are currently counted in the U.S. census in the counties where they are incarcerated, despite not being allowed to vote in most states. [Watch the Video and Read the Transcript →](#)

Right-Wing Border Militias Are the Troops of Trump's Authoritarian Regime

CHAUNCEY DEVEGA, SALON

Last week, the United Constitutional Patriots militia "detained" 300 asylum seekers in New Mexico. The militia is not an outlier -- it is one of many such right-wing paramilitary groups operating along the U.S.-Mexico border. These groups are prepared to escalate their political violence in order to protect Donald Trump if he is forced to step down from the presidency by Congress or is not re-elected in 2020. [Read the Article →](#)

Trump Reportedly Considered Detaining Kids at Guantánamo

JAKE JOHNSON, COMMON DREAMS

Earlier this year, the Trump administration reportedly considered detaining migrant children at Guantánamo Bay, the 17-year-old U.S. prison in Cuba. Human rights advocates have long called for the closure of Guantánamo, and called the Trump administration's proposal "beyond appalling." [Read the Article →](#) *(Who says history doesn't repeat itself? sdc)*

Right-Wing Legislator Offered to Help Enact Violence Against Constituents

DAVID ARMIK, PR WATCH

Washington State Rep. Matt Shea has been exposed for sending and receiving messages through the Signal app proposing acts of violence against and surveillance of left-wing activists. The revelation comes less than six months following the leak of Shea's outline for holy war, which advocated for the killing of all males if his radical agenda could not be achieved peacefully. [Read the Article →](#)

Why Federal Student Aid Should Be Restored for People in Prison

ANDREA CANTORA, THE CONVERSATION

Congress is thinking of lifting a longstanding ban on federal student aid for those serving time in prison. The Restoring Education And Learning Act of 2019 seeks to reinstate federal Pell Grant eligibility for incarcerated individuals, which would make about 463,000 people in prison eligible for the grants. Such an investment will yield benefits not only for individuals behind prison walls, but also for society as a whole. [Read the Article →](#)

Critics Say State "Hijacked" Isle de Jean Charles Tribe's Resettlement Plan

JULIE DERMAN, DESMOG BLOG

After helping the Louisiana Office of Community Development win a \$98 million grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Isle de Jean Charles Biloxi-Chitimacha-Choctaw Tribe no longer wants to be associated with the state's project, which included \$48 million earmarked to relocate the tribe, because the state's plan doesn't allow the tribe control over its own resettlement.

[Read the Article →](#)

Alexis Raeana - Lumbee Singer Auditions For American Idol

Listen to my interview with Lumbee singer Alexis Raeana. She auditioned for this season of American Idol and made it to Hollywood Week! Find out what happened in Hollywood.

Alexis is Lumbee from North Carolina. Listen to find out how she did in Hollywood and what's next for this amazing singer!

[Interview with Alexis Raeana!](#)
[Thanks, Paul G PowWows.com](#)



Harold Schnitzer Spirit of Unity Peace Leadership Award

Our Institute cares about students.

Our Educating for Peace program began in 2001 with the 10,000 student Dalai lama Youth Summit and we have been working in the schools since then. Each year the Spirit of Unity Award which originated with Harold Schnitzer, one of Oregon's foremost humanitarians, is given to Elementary, Middle & High School Peace, Human Rights, Conflict Resolution Clubs at Oregon schools and community colleges for the outstanding work of their students in initiating peace and service projects in their schools and their communities-to make our world both a safer and a better place for all. All students who apply to the Wholistic Peace Institute and are selected to receive this award are invited to attend a ceremony where they have an opportunity to present their peace project idea and to receive their school's prize and certificate from a Nobel Peace Laureate winner. However any student is welcome to attend this ceremony and meet a Nobel Peace Laureate. Over one hundred schools have received this prize and currently continue their activities to cultivate a culture of peace because of WPI's work with the Spirit of Unity program.

HERE Is HOW YOU APPLY -- (or click here for a printable [application form](#))

11th Annual HAROLD SCHNITZER SPIRIT OF UNITY AWARDS *Early Applications Are Being Accepted by June 30, 2019 for Schools Wishing to Host the World Peace Maker at Their School *****

PEACE LEADERSHIP CAN CHANGE A STUDENT'S LIFE SCHOOLS CAN APPLY FOR A \$500 AWARD!

Educating for Peace, the Wholistic Peace Institute is so fortunate to offer the Harold Schnitzer Spirit of Unity Awards for the 11th consecutive year through a grant provided by Arlene Schnitzer Foundation to our Student Peace Education & Leadership Program. Applications for Student peace clubs or projects that focus on peace; or Nobel Peace Laureates as leadership models; or conflict resolution or mediation to resolve conflict, or peacemaking skills; or that promoted or will promote human rights and civil rights; or will reduce bullying or gang violence in schools; or that will embrace diversity and promote tolerance will be accepted. Please provide the following in a 12-pt. double-spaced narrative format by June 30th 2019 for early consideration or the latest by September 10, 2019 to: educatingforpeace1@gmail.com

**Teachers, Administrators, Counselors
YOUR STUDENTS WILL THANK YOU FOR EMPOWERING THEM TOWARD
PEACE**

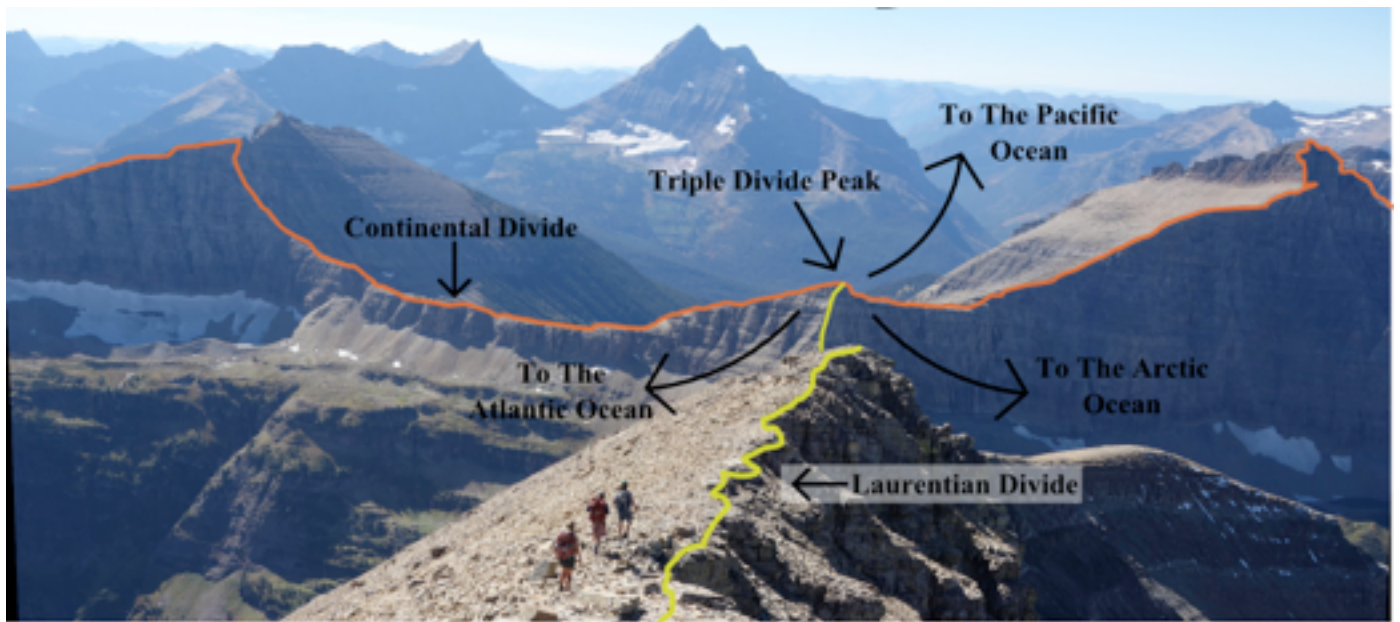
[2019-20 Application Form Here](#)

Apply by June 30th to be considered for the venue for one of the world's peacemakers for consideration for Academic Year 2019-20



FUN FACT FRIDAY!

Did you know...? Montana is the only state with a triple divide allowing water to flow into the Pacific, Atlantic, and Hudson Bay. This phenomenon occurs at Triple Divide Peak in Glacier National Park!



"Change happens by listening and then starting a dialogue with the people who are doing something you don't believe is right." —Jane Goodall

For Johnny Cash fans:

[Arkansas' racist Capitol Hills statues are being replaced by two incredible icons.](#)

[Hobby Lobby Forced To Return Illegally Smuggled Iraqi Artifacts](#) patheos.com

**National Environmental Justice Public Meeting with Teleconference Option
- REGISTRATION EXTENDED TO APRIL 26, 2019**

April 30 through May 02, 2019

**Hyatt Regency Bethesda
One Bethesda Metro Center (7400 Wisconsin Avenue Bethesda, MD 20814)**

[Register here today!](#)

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's National Environmental Justice Advisory Council (NEJAC) will convene a public meeting with a teleconference option beginning on Tuesday, April 30, 2019, starting at 6:00 pm., Eastern Time. The NEJAC meeting will continue May 1 - 2, 2019, from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time.

The meeting discussion will focus on several topics including, but not limited to, the following:

1. EPA program offices providing updates on their efforts to integrate environmental justice into their programs and
2. the discussion and deliberation of a charge to provide recommendations on the reuse and revitalization of Superfund and other contaminated sites.

Event Details:

● **Who Should Attend:** This meeting is open to the public. Members of the public are encouraged to provide comments relevant to the specific issues being considered by NEJAC.

● **Cost:** Free

● **Public Comment Period:** April 30, 2019, starting at 6:00 PM Eastern Time

● **Public Meeting:** May 1 - 2, 2019, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time

● **Registration Public Meeting:** Pre-registration is highly suggested. You can register here: <https://nejac-public-meeting-april-2019.eventbrite.com>

● **Registration Public**



Teleconference Option: Pre-registration is required to attend the meeting by teleconference. You can register here: <https://nejac-public-teleconference-meeting-april-2019.eventbrite.com>

- **Registration Closes:** April 26, 2019, at 11:59 p.m., Eastern Time
- **Location:** Hyatt Regency Bethesda, One Bethesda Metro Center, 7400 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD

For more information on the National Environmental Justice Advisory Council (NEJAC):

- To learn more about the NEJAC, visit <https://www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice>
- To learn about the Public Comment Guidelines, visit <https://www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/national-environmental-justice-advisory-council-guidelines-public-comment>
- For questions about this event, please contact [Karen L. Martin](#) or by phone 202-564-0203.

In the 2018 election, North Dakota passed laws explicitly disenfranchising its Native American residents just before a competitive Senate election.

Now, similar laws are being considered all over the country--and it's up to us to stop them.

The United States has an ugly history of systematic discrimination and disenfranchisement. And these attacks on Native American voting rights are part of a larger campaign of attacks on voting rights for minorities that includes voter purges in Georgia and Florida, among others.

Non-traditional addresses for many reservation residents create registration problems. Additionally, even when registered, high unemployment, extremely distant polling locations (sometimes hundreds of miles), newly minted voter ID laws, and limited resources create acute disadvantages to Native American voting.

[ADD YOUR NAME: Tell county and state election officials: Native Americans deserve equal access to voting.](#)

These burdens work in tandem with historical, social, and political conditions to produce a discriminatory result for Native Americans.

It is the right of the American Indigenous people to have equal access to the election process. We believe establishing satellite locations for in-person voter registration and in-person early voting locations must happen for the Native American votes to be cast and counted.

Thank you, Mike Phelan, Progress America <progress@progressamerica.us>

[Love it or hate it, Earth Day's just not what it used to be. What happened?](#)
KATE YODER

[New library in East Las Vegas offers resources](#)

Just fyi because its kinda cool:

'Walking Bus' helps Las Vegas school cut down on tardiness, absences

Detwiler Elementary School Assistant Principal Derek Stevens said he has seen a decrease in tardiness and absences in the past few months, since the Walking School Bus program was launched.

Ancient Pee Suggests Agricultural Revolution Whizzed By

A new study provides a wee bit of insight into the shift from hunting to herding.

[READ MORE](#)

Indigenous Peoples Go to Court to Save the Amazon From Oil Company Greed

[Independent Media Institute](#)

Apr. 11, 2019 07:31AM EST [Energy](#)

Indigenous Waorani elders, youth and leaders gathered in Puyo, Ecuador, on Feb. 27, to launch a lawsuit against the government's auctioning of their ancestral lands to the oil industry. *Mitch Anderson* / [Amazon Frontlines](#)

By Reynard Loki

<https://www.amazonfrontlines.org/>



Indigenous Waorani women assembled in Puyo, Ecuador, on March 13, for a hearing on the lawsuit, which was suspended by the judge. Sophie Pincetti / [Amazon Frontlines](#)

HAPPY TRAILS TO YOU -- THE END OF AN ERA

The young guns may not understand the meaning of this, but you will. The Roy Rogers Museum in Branson, MO has closed its doors forever. The contents of the museum were sold at a public auction. Roy Rogers told his son, if the museum ever operates at a loss, close it, and sell the contents. He complied. Note the follow-on article truly the end of an... [See More](#)

Nevada Magazine photo needs - July/August 2019 issue

Submission Deadline: Friday, May 17

*****Important: In order to be considered for publication, you must include your name, address, phone number, and information about the photo (where it was taken, how it was taken, etc.).*****

Fourth Ward School Museum - Built in 1876, the Fourth Ward School saw its last graduates in 1936. Today, this museum/community center celebrates Comstock history. Please send us your exterior and interior shots of this historic building.

National Atomic Testing Museum - This only-in-Nevada museum tells the story of America's atomic weapons testing program. This is a private business. Permission must be granted to photograph inside for commercial purposes.

Hawthorne - Send us your shots of this patriotic Nevada town.

Summer Events - Any images that capture the spirit of a popular July/August celebration in Nevada are desired.

Visions and Cover shots - Captivating images from your collection could be used in this department. Think seasonal and timely to the issue.



Contest begins May 20, 2019. Deadline to enter is Friday, July 19, 2019, 5 p.m.

[Learn More →](#)

Have you ever traversed the narrow slot canyons of Cathedral Gorge?
Gazed upon Lake Tahoe's most iconic bonsai tree? Hiked among the vibrant red sandstone in the Valley of Fire? Gazed across the seemingly infinite flatness of the Black Rock Desert?

Do you want an excuse to?

[Learn More →](#)

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****Please note that we strictly adhere to all FAA regulations regarding the usage of drone photography and video. When submitting drone images or video, please include proof of FAA-approved certification.****

Editor's Note: If you can, try and get people enjoying Nevada in your photos. Remember, people engaging in activities adds a nice touch.

E-mail images to:

Art Director Kippy Spilker at kspilker@nevadamagazine.com

Please put the subject and issue date (**JA19**) in the subject line, and provide your mailing address. We prefer you send an initial sampling of low-resolution images. A staff member will contact you if we need the high-res versions.

Mail CDs or slides to: Attn: Kippy Spilker, Nevada Magazine, 401 N. Carson St.
Carson City, NV 89701

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Hearing set for Senate bill to restart Yucca Mountain licensing

A Senate hearing will be held next week on a bill that would jump start licensing hearings on the Department of Energy's application to build a permanent nuclear repository at Yucca Mountain in Nevada.

Court limits landmark tribal groundwater case

By Jeremy P. Jacobs, E&E News, 4/24/19

A California court has sided with a Southern California water district in a high-stakes case with a Native American tribe over access to groundwater. The ruling follows a 2017 decision that found the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians had reserved water rights to groundwater under its lands. But federal Judge Jesus Bernal said the nearby Coachella Valley Water District and Desert Water Agency have not harmed the tribe with their groundwater pumping because the reservation has sufficient water for its needs. The tribe, Bernal wrote, has not shown it has suffered any sort of water shortage due to the district's management of the aquifer and thus does not have standing to bring its claims.

"An imbalance between rich and poor is the oldest and most fatal ailment of all republics."

"Adversity is the only balance to weigh friends."

"Silence at the proper season is wisdom, and better than any speech."

“Courage stands halfway between cowardice and rashness, one of which is a lack, the other an excess of courage. ”
– Plutarch



Edward Ely Jr.

1930 - 2019

Nixon - Edward Ely, Jr., 89, passed from this life into eternity on April 22, 2019. Ed was known as "Dad" to some, "Eli" by many and "Grandpa" or "Gramps" by many more. Ed is preceded in death by his son Wyatt Ely. While scouting ahead, he leaves behind his wife Dorothy Ely; sons and daughters Gloria Ely, Homer Ely, Sherry Ely-Mendes, Ed Ely III, and Linda Ely; grandchildren Duane Jr., Stephanie, Hope, Jesse, Fannie, Harley, Melissa, Tilo, Ruben, Sunny, Tony, Mary, and Hilana; as well as a multitude of great grandchildren.

Ed was born in Winnebago, Nebraska in 1930. He made his way out west in the mid 1950's where he attended Oakland City College and received his credentials as a Diesel Mechanic. There he met his lifelong companion Dorothy. They were married and moved to "Little Nixon" Nevada, where he worked as a diesel mechanic while raising cattle and kids on their small ranch. Regarded as a master mechanic throughout Nevada and steeped in his native culture, he took great pride in passing his skills on to his kids, grandkids, and any kid who wanted to learn. He not only taught how to turn a wrench but also the traditional methods of drumming, singing, and dancing.

Fluently speaking his native-tongue Winnebago and well learned in his tribal culture, "Dad" told stories of growing up traditionally and being raised by his grandma Mary Greywolf. He loved to beat the drum with precision and sang with a skill scarcely matched. "Grampa," an authentic Indian cowboy storyteller now walks the streets of gold with his savior Jesus, undoubtedly singing and telling stories. Viewing will take place at Walton's Ross, Burke & Knobel (2155 Kietzke Ln, Reno, Nev) Sunday from 1pm to 4pm. A private memorial will be held at a later date.

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