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Indigenous Hip Hop artists from the United States and Canada are getting their very own awards show in 2020. Hosted by Mike, Bone. [Read more](#) newsmaven.io

Reppin' Indian Country worldwide: Taboo, Black Eyed Peas

He's been all over the world singing and performing with the Black Eyed Peas. Taboo, as one of the multi-Grammy winning artists of the world-famous group, proudly wears his large beaded medallion on stage for all the world to see.

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## **Court sides with N.D. in voter ID lawsuit**

### **Indian rights groups say tribes will fight street-address requirement.**

*By JAMES MACPHERSON Associated Press*

Associated Press Members of the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa sued the state in 2016 over the voter ID requirements.

A federal appeals court says North Dakota's voter identification requirements are constitutional, rejecting an argument by a group of American Indians who said they are a form of voter suppression.

A three-judge panel of the Eighth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals sided with the state Wednesday, overturning a lower-court ruling.

North Dakota's law requires voters to show ID with a residential street address, which American Indians have argued is not always evident on reservations. They also say many tribal members aren't aware of their address, don't have a provable one because they're homeless or stay with friends or relatives, or can't afford to get an updated ID with an address.

Members of the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa sued the state in 2016 over the ID requirements.

U.S. District Judge Daniel Hovland sided with the tribes later that year, agreeing to expand the proof of identity they could use and ordering elimination of the requirement that those documents include residential street addresses. He also criticized the state for its 2013 repeal of provisions that let people without valid IDs vote if someone vouched for them or if they signed an affidavit swearing they were a qualified voter.

But an appellate panel later overturned Hovland, and the U.S. Supreme Court last year sided with the state and allowed North Dakota to continue requiring street addresses, as opposed to other addresses such as P.O. boxes.

State officials say not requiring street addresses could lead to voter fraud.

The appeals court opinion said the plaintiffs have not presented evidence that the residential street requirement “imposes a substantial burden on most North Dakota voters.”

But the lawsuit filed by the Native American Rights Fund, the Campaign Legal Center and two law firms argues the system is “incomplete, contradictory and prone to error on reservations.”

“Obviously, we’re disappointed but not surprised” by the appeals court opinion, said Native American Rights Fund attorney Jacqueline De Leon. “We are evaluating our options and are dedicated to keep fighting.”

North Dakota Secretary of State Al Jaeger said he is pleased with the court’s decision but said the opinion may have left open the possibility arguments could continue.

In a dissent, Judge Jane Kelly agreed with the lower court and said the law “will have a particularly devastating effect on eligible Native American voters, thousands of whom will effectively lose the right to vote.”

She said Hovland’s conclusion “that the law likely runs afoul of the Equal Protection Clause was eminently reasonable and not an abuse of discretion.”



Community Colleagues, attached is the current/final draft of the Native American Veterans Association (NAVA) Annual Powwow flyer. **Please take a moment to print copies and share with local Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW), local American Legions, your campus Veterans Affairs Office, share with your Tribal News Papers, and local libraries.** The “First Nation Women Warriors,” will be present. For more information, please contact Jenni McCown, (888) 412-5997, [navavets@gmail.com](mailto:navavets@gmail.com)

November 9th – 10th, 2019. • **Native American Veterans Association (NAVA) Annual Veterans Appreciation and Heritage Powwow.** Drums: Hale & Company, and Blue Star (US Army & Navy). *This family orientated event is free and opened to the public. ALL military personnel active & retired, and veterans are welcome.* **LOCATION:** South Gate Park, 4855 Tweedy Blvd., South Gate CA 90280. **CONTACT:** (888) 412-5997, Jenni McCown, (323) 620-0840, [navavets@gmail.com](mailto:navavets@gmail.com) Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/NativeAmericanVeteransAssociation/>



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## [When Trump Calls People "Filth," He's Laying Groundwork for Genocide](#)

NICHOLAS POWERS, TRUTHOUT

Mass killing does not happen instantly. It needs the sort of ideological groundwork that Trump is laying down with the cooperation of the Republican Party and right-wing media. From his rhetoric of "filth" about immigrants to his dehumanization of non-white people, Trump is reviving the ideology of genocide upon which this country was founded. [Read the Article →](#)



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[Project 562](#)  
[November 28, 2016](#) ·  
**Day Twenty-Eight: Ralph Burns, Pyramid Lake Paiute**

"Now we have a chance to know our language, our culture but nobody is coming forward trying to learn. We are cutting our own throat. They will come to us. Probably in my great-great-grandchildren's time. They will come here and say 'Prove to me you're Native' and my great-great-grandchild will say 'I don't

know the language, I don't know the culture'. Then they say 'Well, you're not Native anymore. Why should you have this reservation?' and they will come and take it. That's what I see coming to us. I don't know if we will realize that in time. Time is getting short."

After serving in the 1st Cavalry Division during the Vietnam War, Pyramid Lake Paiute elder Ralph Burns returned home to devote his life to the revival of the Numu (Northern Paiute) language by developing a curriculum and teaching tribal students, local high school students, and community members.



Day Twenty-Seven: [Eileen Quintana](#)



"Working with children and elders inspires me daily to be a better person. Children teach us to be inquisitive, always learning, living life fully. Elders teach us about humility, gratitude, they are the wisdom keepers of our traditional ways."

Eileen works is the Nebo Title VI Indian Education Coordinator in Utah, and volunteers/ sits on the Board of Director... [See More](#)

## 1 Dead, 5 Injured in Second Enbridge Pipeline Explosion This Year

<https://www.ecowatch.com/kentucky-pipeline-explosion-2639622771.html>

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### Brad Scribner

No matter the size of a business, alliances are crucial to success. The project manager for Made in Nevada talks about why creating connections is crucial for small business.

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From UNR: [New student opening ceremony is Friday, Aug. 23](#)  
[First day of fall instruction is Monday, Aug. 26](#)

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*“Too many of us take great pains with what we ingest through our mouths, and far less with what we partake of through our ears and eyes.” – Brandon Sanderson*

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*In 1934, so much of the IRA (Indian Reorganization Act Plan) was based on making Nevada Reservations one big cattle operation (different reservations for winter range, for summer range and outlet/sales in Fallon.....). sdc*

## Now This is Some Real Beef

[The end is nigh for the beef industry!](#) Alternate meats have begun entering the markets where beef and other meat products once reigned supreme, and though there are just “alternate” sources of the umami flavor and high protein for now, it won’t be that way for much longer. Beyond Meat was one of the first Silicon Valley startups to begin implementing their new world order with their “Beast Burger” in 2014. Though critics and passerby gawked and looked at the unsightly meat substitute with dread, the company soon began picking up momentum and was joined by Impossible Foods, a further advanced startup in the same field. Together, they have begun creating new substitutes to meat which leave small environmental footprints.

Beef is one of the most wasteful foods on this planet – as the cows they come from are not optimized to make meat. Thirty-six thousand calories of feed, four-hundred gallons of water, and fifteen hundred square feet of land are required to produce just a thousand calories of beef, and that’s not mentioning the ten kilograms of greenhouse-gas emissions produced. Using eighty-seven percent less water, ninety-six percent less land, and producing eighty-nine percent fewer greenhouse gasses is the Impossible Burger – as well as Beyond Meat’s products. Many chains have begun turning to substitute meat products, with industry giant Burger King – which currently sits as the second largest fast-food chain in the world, testing an Impossible Whopper in April which had such an impact and gleeful response that all seven-thousand two hundred locations will begin serving them. The year 2019 may stand in history as an inflection point in the meat industry’s history. Additional read: [Homo gluttonous: Humans have evolved with little resistance to abundant, easy food. Will we gorge ourselves and our planet to death?](#) (Aeon)

## Liquid Gold Or Liquid Fool's Gold?

- The US bottled water industry is valued at \$18.5 billion, and [the fastest growing sector within that industry is “premium” bottled water](#). That’s the extra-fancy stuff, touted for “health benefits” like alkalinity. Marketers insist the more obscure and exotic the origin — or elaborate the preparation — the healthier, higher quality and delicious the water is.
- Last year, judges at the 28th International Berkeley Springs Water Tasting competition deemed the best bottled water in the world to be an Australian brand “infused with the sound frequencies of love, the moon, and light spectrums of the rainbow.” That water sells for the bargain price of \$2.30 a liter. Judges also recognized water ‘freshly squeezed from melting Norwegian icebergs’ that sells for \$90 a bottle.
- Apparently lost on this crowd is the fact that water scarcity is an accelerating global crisis, predicted to affect two-thirds of the world’s population by 2025. Or the fact that experts are predicting by 2050 the ocean will be filled with more plastic pollution — like discarded water bottles — than fish. (Guardian)

NATIVE HEALTH hosted Indigenous Wellness programs in NATIVE HEALTH's Community Garden at Agave Farms. Over 60 pounds of butternut squash were harvested.



realfarmacy.com

[Why Growing Food is The Single Most Impactful Thing You Can Do in a Corrupt Political System](#)

**The Garden for Wildlife Photo Contest is back** and we want to see photos of you and your wildlife garden! We are looking for photos of YOU, birds, butterflies, bees and other backyard wildlife for a chance to win cash and garden themed prizes — including a \$1000 Grand Prize!

Photographs may be submitted in one of the following five categories:

- People in the wildlife garden
- Close-up native plants and their wildlife visitors
- Wildlife observed where people live, work, play, learn, and worship
- Certified wildlife habitat landscapes
- Young habitat photographers *\*new for 2019!*

Contest ends October 11th, get started now!

[Submit my photos](#)

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In Minneapolis, **Al Gore weighs in on Line 3 — and whether Minnesota can make a difference on climate change** | MinnPost

<https://www.minnpost.com/environment/2019/08/in-minneapolis-al-gore-weighs-in-on-line-3-and-whether-minnesota-can-make-a-difference-on-climate-change/>

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**Far from being 'woo woo,' research shows that forest bathing is calming and stress-reducing**

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**ARTHUR LAZARUS 1926-2019**

**Sioux Nation's attorney in landmark Black Hills case**

**By HARRISON SMITH Washington Post**

**Arthur Lazarus Jr., above in 1981, was among the pre-eminent practitioners of American Indian law.**



Arthur Lazarus Jr., a Washington lawyer who represented American Indian tribes for more than four decades, notably securing a landmark \$106 million award for the Sioux Nation as part of its long fight for the Black Hills of South Dakota, has died. He was 92.

He had kidney and heart ailments, said his son Edward Lazarus, and died July 27 at a hospital in Washington, D.C. Edward Lazarus is a lawyer and

author who chronicled the Sioux case in a critically acclaimed book, “Black Hills White Justice” (1991).

The practice of Indian law scarcely existed when Arthur Lazarus began his career in 1950. But with tutelage from Felix Cohen, an architect of the field, Lazarus became one of its pre-eminent practitioners, known for working with tribes including the Blackfeet in Montana, the Miccosukee in Florida, the Nez Perce in Idaho, the Oglala Sioux in South Dakota, the San Carlos Apache in Arizona and the Seneca in New York.



“He was one of those people who was a friend to the tribes when they really needed friends,” said Kevin Gover, director of the Smithsonian’s National Museum of the American Indian. A member of the Pawnee tribe, Gover said that Lazarus hired him in 1983 at the Washington office of Fried Frank, at a time when “there weren’t that many Indian lawyers in existence, and were none at the big firms in Washington.”

With a laconic, restrained demeanor in and out of the courtroom, Lazarus traveled to tribal council meetings across the country, offering legal advice on budgets, land claims and dealings with the federal government. In Washington, he lobbied on behalf of Indian legislation and helped draft the 1971 Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, which awarded \$962 million and 44 million acres — roughly 10% of the state — to Alaska Natives.

“There was nobody better at Indian law than Arthur,” said Reid Peyton Chambers, a founding partner at Sonosky, Chambers, Sachse, Endreson & Perry, where Lazarus was designated “of counsel” in the mid-1990s.

Lazarus spent much of his career working on the historic Sioux Nation case. Passed from judge to judge and eventually lawyer to lawyer for nearly 60 years, the case resulted in a 1980 Supreme Court ruling that upheld the largest Indian land compensation award in U.S. history, set a standard for later claims and divided the approximately 100,000 Sioux. Younger leaders insisted that the land was never for sale, calling the process a sham, and the Sioux Nation went on to reject the money, which continues to accrue interest in Treasury Department accounts.

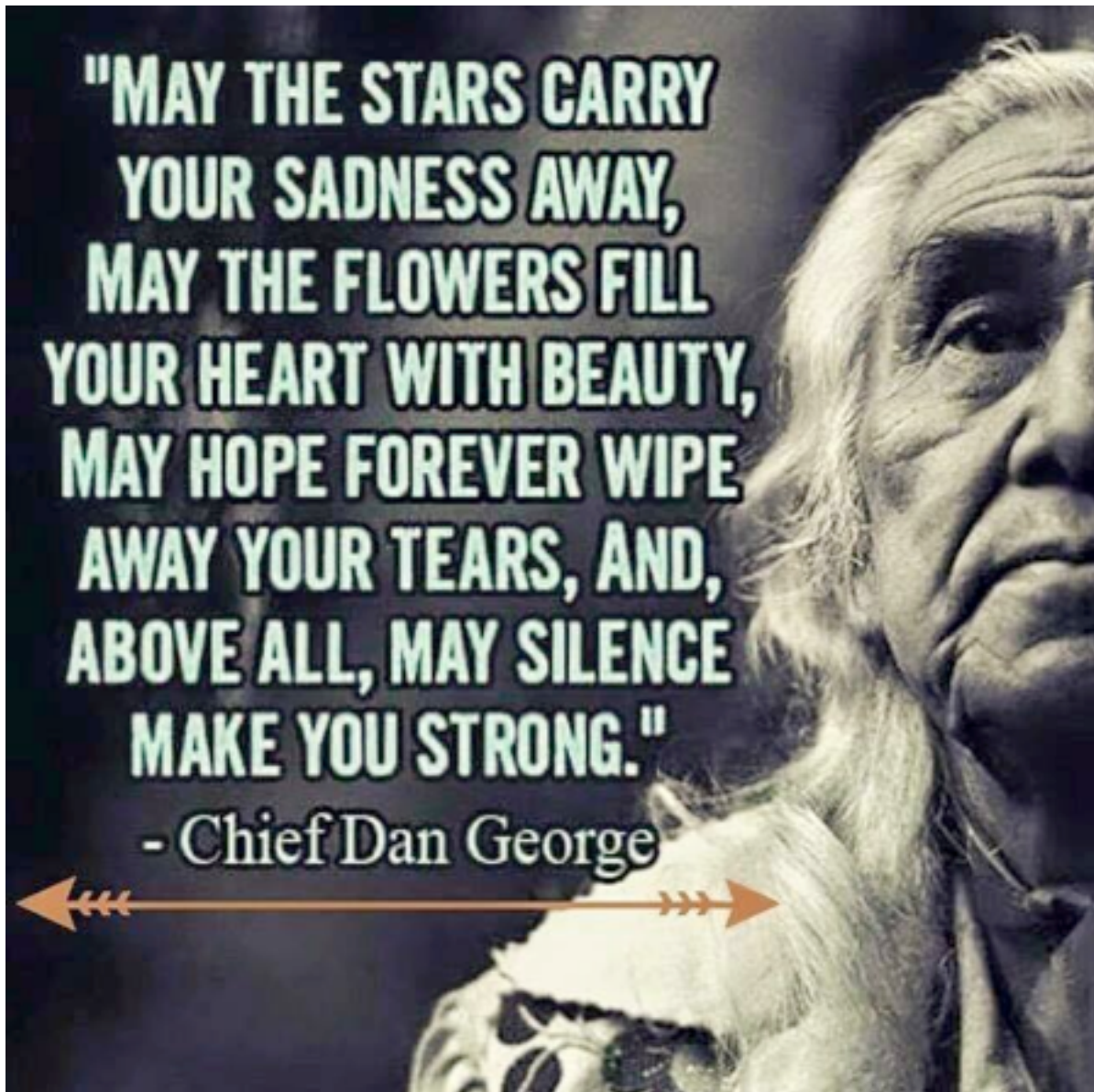
Known in the Lakota language as Paha Sapa, the Black Hills encompass roughly 7 million acres of western South Dakota and northeastern Wyoming. An 1868 treaty set it aside “for the absolute and undisturbed use and occupancy of the Sioux,” who consider it sacred.

But over the next nine years, George Armstrong Custer led an expedition into the Hills, a gold rush began and Congress reneged on the treaty, reclaiming land that is now known largely for Mount Rushmore. “A more ripe and rank case of dishonorable dealings will never, in all probability, be found in our history,” the U.S. Court of Claims later concluded.

In 1923, after Congress passed a law enabling tribes to file compensation claims, Washington lawyer Ralph Case began a legal campaign on behalf of the Sioux. But the case was bogged down by delays and, after 20 years, thrown out for technical reasons. The Indian Claims Commission created a new avenue for obtaining compensation.

Sioux leaders enlisted Lazarus and two other Indian-law specialists to replace Case in 1956. More delays followed and Lazarus was twice forced to turn to Congress, which passed legislation removing some of the legal roadblocks.

Finally, in 1979, the Court of Claims awarded the Sioux \$17.5 million, plus 5 % interest, for the illegal seizure of the Black Hills. When the government appealed, objecting to the interest payment, Lazarus argued the case before the Supreme Court, which upheld the payment in an 8-1 ruling.



**RIP Bob Hunter**

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