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May 25 at 11:01 PM South Korea is sending aid to the Navajo Nation. They sent 5,000 pounds of supplies, including PPE.

Navajo Nation Stymied By CARES Act Restrictions

About \$8 billion had been set aside for the tribes. But the money comes with restrictions. It can only be used to cover expenses that are "incurred due to the public health emergency." Read in NPR: <u>https://apple.news/AEMgBMOFtQDib62Sc_wViQA</u>

Honor the Work of Brazil's Villas-Bôas Brothers by Protecting the Amazon's Indigenous

by John Hemming

The Villas-Bôas brothers worked with Brazil's indigenous people to balance the preservation of their Amazonian lands with inclusion in modernizing society. The policies of Jair Bolsonaro are a dire threat to their work, the survival of indigenous peoples, and the planet.

Coronavirus is an 'SOS signal for the human enterprise'

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The Trump Administration Is Reversing 100 Environmental Rules

https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2020/climate/trump-environment-rollbacks.html

Citing economic emergency, Trump tells agencies to waive regulations

New executive orders affect transportation, environment, financial institutions, health agencies and more

Read in The Washington Post: <u>https://apple.news/AyRM6Zg3vTTut0J6hQkrlfwEDA CARES</u> <u>ACT RECOVERY ASSISTANCE</u>

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act,

<u>signed into law</u> by President Donald J. Trump on March 27, 2020, provides the Economic Development Administration (EDA) with \$1.5 billion for economic development assistance programs to help communities prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus.

EDA CARES Act Recovery Assistance, which is being administered under the authority of the bureau's flexible <u>Economic Adjustment Assistance</u> (EAA) (PDF) program, provides a wide-range of financial assistance to communities and regions as they respond to and recover from the impacts of the pandemic.

On May 7, 2020, Secretary Wilbur Ross made EDA's CARES Act Recovery Assistance funding available with the announcement that EDA had published an Addendum to its FY 2020 Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Notice of Funding Opportunity. EDA intends to deploy its CARES Act funding as quickly, effectively, and efficiently as possible, and in a manner that meets communities needs. EDA's main coronavirus resource page links to recorded webinars, FAQs, and other information: <u>https://www.eda.gov/coronavirus/</u> Link to the CARES Act Addendum to EDA's regular Notice of Funding Opportunity on <u>grants.gov</u>: <u>https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=321695</u>



Researchers Document the First Use of Maize in Mesoamerica Blue-Eyed Humans Have a Single, Common Ancestor



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Court Strikes Down Trump Administration's Sage-Grouse Directive

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How Oral History Projects Are Being Stymied by COVID-19



It was on this day in 1935 that the most successful self-help organization of the 20th century was founded: <u>Alcoholics Anonymous</u>. It's 85 years old today. It began in Akron, Ohio, started by a stockbroker named Bill Wilson and a surgeon named Bob Smith. Bill Wilson had gone to Akron on a business trip in May of 1935. He had been trying to give up drinking for years, and he'd always found that the best way to keep from drinking was to spend time with other men who were trying to keep from drinking. But on his business trip to Akron, he was alone, and he felt tempted to go to the local bar.

Instead, he went to a church group meeting, looking for someone else who was struggling with the drink. It was there that he met the surgeon Bob Smith. The two men became friends and promised to help keep each other sober.

Wilson decided to write a book about his ideas to help spread the message, called *Alcoholics Anonymous* (1939). The group began to get coverage in local newspapers. Then in 1941, a journalist for *The Saturday Evening Post* heard about the organization and wrote an article about it. Suddenly, requests for literature and membership soared. By the end of the year, there were more than 6,000 members.

<u>Elveda Martinez</u> and <u>3 others</u> shared a <u>post</u>.



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Neon Nativez posted a video to playlist Neon Nativez Music.

I have no words to describe my new project. Just watch. This is my perspective as an Indigenous person living in America today.

YouTube: <u>https://youtu.be/IYJtBYZ6-zQ</u>

Las Vegas 1905





Bees in Australia get drunk on fermented flowers when it's too hot, and are not allowed back into the hive until they...



Monarch butterflies in Pismo Beach. Sandy/Chuck Harris/CC BY-NC 2.0

Long read: Here are 9,000 beautifully written words on the crusade to save the monarch butterfly, one of America's most iconic species. Among the memorable bits:

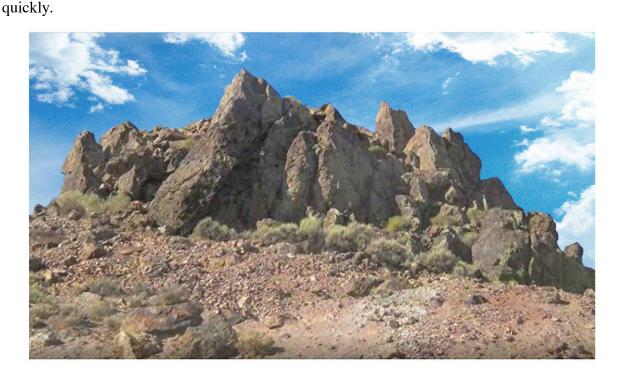
The monarch is an extraordinary athlete, migrating 6,000 miles a year on wings thinner than tissue paper.

Experts worry that efforts to hand-rear the butterfly may be doing more harm than good, introducing weak genes into a struggling population.

Asked about her work with monarchs on the Central Coast, a conservationist said, "I feel like I'm recording the end of something, and in twenty years people won't even know that there used to be monarchs here." Atavist Magazine

For Indigenous Protesters, Defending the Environment Can Be Fatal *Rachel Ramirez, Grist* Ramirez writes: "Environmental activists - particularly indigenous activists and activists of color - have for years faced high rates of criminalization, physical violence, and even murder for their efforts to protect the planet."

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Nevada Gold mine listed for \$1.95M

A piece of Nevada's Wild West history is for sale. The Black Butte Mine is a flashback from the state's 1870s gold fever days.

Federal court upholds Enbridge's Great Lakes spill plans

A federal court has sided with pipeline company Enbridge in a dispute over plans to deal with a potential oil spill in Michigan's Straits of Mackinac

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NEVADA COMMISSION FOR WOMEN BROWN BAG LUNCH SERIES **FEATURING** TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED AVAILABLE LEGAL SERVICES IMPACTING WOMEN AND CHILDREN AND HOW SERVICE DELIVERY HAS CHANGED AS A RESULT OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC. CHRISTINE MILLER, ESQ. Director of Community Initiatives & Outreach WHEN JUNE 11, 2020, 12:00 - 12:45 P.M. Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada WHERE JOIN ZOOM MEETING IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, PLEASE HTTPS://USO2WEB.ZOOM.US/J/85121680513 SUBMIT YOUR QUESTIONS TO M.WALT@ADMIN.NV.GOV MEETING ID: 851 2168 0513

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What will it take to save the ocean from unrelenting human

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One of the world's most famous marine ecologists dials back his doomsday predictions and tries optimism

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The Bookstall

by Linda Pastan

Just looking at them I grow greedy, as if they were freshly baked loaves waiting on their shelves to be broken open—that one and that—and I make my choice in a mood of exalted luck, browsing among them like a cow in sweetest pasture.

For life is continuous as long as they wait to be read—these inked paths opening into the future, page after page, every book its own receding horizon. And I hold them, one in each hand, a curious ballast weighting me here to the earth.

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During this gift of extra time, I try to read one book a week. This week's I'd like to recommend to all: **The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek by Kim Michele Richardson.** An easy read, it a story about the Pack Horse Librarians of Kentucky.

"...a hauntingly atmospheric love letter to the first mobile library in Kentucky and the fierce, brave Pack Horse librarians who wove their way from shack to shack dispensing literacy, hope, and —just as importantly — a compassionate human connection. Richardson's rendering of stark poverty against the ferocity of the human spirit is irresistible. Add to this the history of the unique and oppressed blue-skinned people of Kentucky, and you've to an unputdownable work that holds real cultural significance."

-Sara Gruen, # NYT bestselling author of Water for Elephants

And from the author:

...I was raised in an orphanage. Later, as a foster child in 1970, I remember going to my first library one lonely summer and checking out a book. The librarian sized me up and then quietly said, "Only one? You look smarter than a one-book read, and I bet we can find you more than just *one*." She reached under her counter, shape open a bolded brown-paper sack, handed it to me, and then marched me over to shelves filled with glorious books. I was shocked that I could

get more than one book, much less a bag full of precious books, and I was moved by her compassion, kindness, and wisdom. Librarians are lifelines for so many, giving us powerful resources to help us become empowered.



<u>"Observant One" Photo by Lakshitha</u> <u>Karunarathna</u>

Another chapter in the Hampton story:



By Victor Trammell Photo

credits: Hampton University A new Change.org petition is calling for the resignation of one of the nation's longest-tenured HBCU presidents. A group of Hampton University's alumni and its current students is calling for President Dr. William Harvey to resign for his position, which he has served in for over 40 years. [...]

It's the birthday of the biologist **E.O. Wilson**, (books by this author) born Edward Osborne Wilson in Birmingham, Alabama (1929).

He studied biology at the University of Tennessee and Harvard, and then spent years traveling and studying ants. He started teaching at Harvard, and he published *The Theory of Island Biogeography* (1967), which was very influential in the fields of ecology and conservation biology.

In 1975, he wrote *Sociobiology*. The basic concept of sociobiology is that there is a biological foundation for behavior, in everything from ants to humans. The book was extremely controversial; some people were concerned that it justified racism and sexism. Wilson was attacked for it. So he wrote a rebuttal, *On Human Nature* (1978), explaining how the concepts of sociobiology could help lead us to a more fair and just society, not the opposite. It was a best-seller and won the Pulitzer Prize.

Wilson has continued to publish books, include *Biophilia* (1984), *The Ants* (1990), all about ants; an autobiography, *Naturalist* (1995); and a study of humans' ability to work together called *Genesis: The Deep Origin of Societies* (2019).

Wilson said, "Destroying rainforest for economic gain is like burning a Renaissance painting to cook a meal."

RIP Terrell Dylan O'Neil

