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**First Nations peoples along British Columbia's Central Coast led research to help preserve the area's white-furred Spirit bears.**

[nytimes.com](https://www.nytimes.com/2021/01/27/science/genetics/red-hair-bears.html) [Hair From Ghostly Bears Reveals New Genetic Secrets And now for something completely fabulous. Spirit bears are not albinos but born with the same genetic quirk that causes red hair in humans.](#)

*“We make clear that the concerns of communities most affected by pollution and health disparities must be centered in our policymaking and ensure that environmental justice is our future. And we make clear to the polluters that are poisoning the air and waterways in environmental justice communities that enough is enough. House Democrats know that the clean, sustainable future we are fighting for cannot exist without a democracy that truly provides equity and justice for all.”* – Rep. Donald McEachin (D-VA), delivering the [weekly address](#) for the House Democrats, whose climate action plan states that the pollution burdens for poor and minority communities should be at the center of federal climate and environmental policy.

## **Opinion | Saving the Arctic: the wisdom of the Inuit and the future of the North Pole**

Time is running out to protect the top of the world.

Read in The Hill: <https://apple.news/AmXQL2c1HRhCc-777Mlj38Q>

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## **Al Gore: This Pandemic Is Driving Us Towards a More Sustainable World**

*Lauren Goode and Adam Rogers, WIRED*

Excerpt: "As vice president, he looked for big policy answers to hard global problems. Now he says all our crises are speeding us toward real solutions." **READ MORE**

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## **Rights Settlements**

[The House Natural Resources Committee advanced a bill that would permanently authorize a fund for implementing water rights settlements that Congress has approved with Tribal nations.](#)

Congress established the Reclamation Water Settlements Fund in 2009 but its first allocation — of \$120 million to water supply projects on the Navajo Nation and Blackfeet Reservation — was made earlier this year. The fund’s authorization expires in 2034.

## **Water Infrastructure Bill**

Sen. Kamala Harris (D-CA) introduced the [Water for Tomorrow Act](#), a bill that incorporates elements of previous legislation she has sponsored on water affordability, infrastructure investment, and drought response that total about \$3 billion in funding authorizations.

The bill authorizes \$150 million a year for five years for water supply projects. All projects must be vetted by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to show that they provide a net ecosystem benefit.

The bill also authorizes \$100 million for drinking water projects for small communities (less than 60,000) people with higher than average poverty.

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## **William G. ‘Wheezer’ Dell**

Wheezer was the first Nevada native (and the first Eskimo) to play major league baseball. He played briefly for the St. Louis Cardinals and the Brooklyn Robins — later the Dodgers — and pitched an inning in the 1916 World Series against the Red Sox. [Read more](#)

## **For Native American Activists, Washington Name Change Was ‘a Long Time Coming’**

By Kevin Draper and Gillian R. Brassil

The Washington N.F.L. team has long been a target of protests but now that its owner has budged, activists are pushing for other teams to follow suit.

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## **Redskins to Drop Name, Yielding to Pressure From Sponsors and Activists**

By Ken Belson and Kevin Draper

**The N.F.L. team in Washington announced the move on Monday and will continue its search for a new name and logo**

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### **from NARF**

WASHINGTON, DC | Today, the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara Nation (MHA Nation) took steps to prevent the illegal taking of the Nation’s property rights to minerals beneath the Missouri River on its Fort Berthold Reservation in western North Dakota. The National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) holds firm its position in support of the MHA Nation’s land and mineral rights, and has advocated for government-to-government consultation between the MHA Nation and the Department of the Interior’s Office of the Solicitor to confirm the longstanding Executive and Congressional actions declaring that the Missouri River bed within the Fort Berthold Reservation is owned by the MHA Nation.

“The MHA Nation’s rights to the Missouri River bed minerals have been reaffirmed through a history of longstanding, well-settled, and still applicable legal precedents, and there should be no question as to the validity of the Nation’s claims,” says NCAI President Fawn Sharp. “We cannot reiterate strongly enough that consultation with tribal nations and upholding treaty obligations is not optional. It is mandatory.”

For these reasons, NCAI urges the Department of the Interior to immediately withdraw Solicitor’s Opinion M-37056 as an unwarranted threat to longstanding tribal trust assets. The fiduciary obligation of the United States is to protect and preserve tribal trust assets in order to ensure tribal nations have the resources needed to provide permanent homelands for present and future generations of their citizens. Instead, M-Opinion 37056 does the opposite, and completely reverses course on the Department of the Interior’s longstanding legal position with little or no rationale for doing so. NCAI stands with the MHA Nation in its fight to preserve its trust assets.

To view NCAI’s resolution on this issue, please click [here](#)

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[Aztec Palace and House Built by Hernán Cortés Unearthed in Mexico City](#)

[Wild Bison to Roam Britain for First Time in Thousands of Years](#)

[Five Scientific Achievements That Happened During Coronavirus Lockdown](#)

*Lax recalls what Albert Einstein once said about the legacy of the atomic bomb. “When he was asked what weapons will be used in World War III, he said, ‘Well I don’t know, but I can tell you what weapons will be used in World War IV.’” Lax pauses to let Einstein’s answer sink in. “‘Stones.’”*



"Bird Of The Day" - The Brahminy Starling

### **Washington river dam demolished to open miles of salmon habitat**

Fox 13 Seattle, July 14, 2020

BELLINGHAM, Wash. - On Monday, crews demolished a river dam in Northwest Washington to clear the way for salmon to reach critical habitat. It's an explosion years in the making. The blast near Bellingham will make the Middle Fork Nooksack River free flowing for the first time in more than five decades.

### **Judge denies a Nevada motorcycle race through sage grouse-protected land**

The Associated Press, July 14, 2020

Reno, Nev. A federal judge has upheld the U.S. Forest Service's authority to keep a 250-mile motorcycle race out of sage grouse habitat in Nevada's high desert, rejecting a lawsuit by off-road vehicle enthusiasts who argued the agency illegally short-circuited the environmental review process.

*"An investment in knowledge pays the best interest" – Benjamin Franklin*

*"Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself." – John Dewey*





wildrivers.lostcoastoutpost.com

### **Yuroks Use COVID-19 Federal Relief Dollars to Break Ground on Emergency Operations Center**

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**Friday "think piece"**

**<https://readersupportednews.org/opinion2/277-75/64014-the-invention-of-the-police>**

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**Art Spot Reno's Artist Registry** is a guide to search for artists of all types in Northern Nevada. We hope this helps you find artists to show in your place of business, purchase that piece you've been looking for, or hire someone for your party or event.

If you're an artist and your name is missing and you'd like to join the directory, please send us your name, genre, email, website (or alternate link to your creative work) to

[artspotreno@gmail.com](mailto:artspotreno@gmail.com).

<https://artspotreno.org/artist-registry/>

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**Call for Entries: #IDADocAwards**

**Two weeks until the regular deadline!**

Have you started the submission process yet? The **36th IDA Documentary Awards**, the world's most prestigious awards dedicated to nonfiction storytelling, is still open to entries until the new regular deadline of **July 28** - make sure to submit your original documentary feature, short, series or podcast! Visit our website to look through each award category and find the one that best suits your work now.

<https://www.documentary.org/awards/enter>

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**Report for America places talented emerging journalists in local newsrooms to report on under-covered issues and communities.**

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## **Think It's Hot Now? Here Are the Hottest Temperatures Ever Recorded in All 50 States**

By The Weather Channel, 7/7/20

July and August typically have some of the hottest temperatures in many areas of the U.S., and it's also when a majority of states have recorded their all-time record highs. The map below shows the hottest temperature on record for each state, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). Every state, including Alaska and Hawaii, has recorded a high temperature of at least 100 degrees, according to NOAA, with many states well above 115 degrees.

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### **Statue of Liberty sports face mask on Las Vegas Strip**

To promote the fight against COVID-19, MGM Resorts has put an oversized mask on the Statue of Liberty on the Las Vegas Strip.

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### **Create your own "Summer School" with the Hearst from Home**

There are endless opportunities for learning when you explore the **Hearst from Home**! Create your own "summer school" by choosing from hundreds of online resources like virtual exhibits, recorded lectures, digitized collections, teaching kits, and more.

Start your exploration today by clicking one of the links below and share your experience using the hashtags #MuseumFromHome and #HearstFromHome

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db=CBAP\\_Uncovering\\_Pacific\\_Pasts&website&id=1137](https://heurstplus.sydney.edu.au/h5-alpha/db=CBAP_Uncovering_Pacific_Pasts&website&id=1137)

<https://hearstmuseum.berkeley.edu/archive-recorded-lectures/>  
<https://hearstmuseum.berkeley.edu/teaching-kits/>

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General Anthony Wayne signs Treaty of Greenville, Ohio with chiefs of Wyandotte, Delaware, Miami, Shawnee, Chippewa, Ottawa, Sac and Fox, and Potawatami Indians, first treaty in which Indian title to lands overtly recognized on this day in 1795.

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*For weekend reading:*

**[PDF] The States and Their Indian Citizens.**

<https://files.eric.ed.gov/fulltext/ED087583.pdf>

**This is a 345 page study by Charles J. Rhoads, John R. Nichols, Gilbert Dar-. 1972**  
**Mark Twain: Territorial Enterprise, between April 16-18, 1863**

**HORRIBLE AFFAIR** For a day or two a rumor has been floating around, that five Indians had been smothered to death in a tunnel back of Gold Hill, but no one seemed to regard it in any other light than as a sensation hoax gotten up for the edification of strangers sojourning within our gates. However, we asked a Gold Hill man about it yesterday, and he said there was no shadow of a jest in it—that it was a dark and terrible reality. He gave us the following story as being the version generally accepted in Gold Hill:—That town was electrified on Sunday morning with the intelligence that a noted desperado had just murdered two Virginia policemen, and had fled in the general direction of Gold Hill. Shortly afterward, some one arrived with the exciting news that a man had been seen to run and hide in a tunnel a mile or a mile and a half west of Gold Hill. Of course it was Campbell—who else would do such a thing, on that particular morning, of all others? So a party of citizens repaired to this spot, but each felt a natural delicacy about approaching an armed and desperate man in the dark, and especially in such confined quarters; wherefore they stopped up the mouth of the tunnel, calculating to hold on to their prisoner until some one could be found whose duty would oblige him to undertake the disagreeable task of bringing forth the captive. The next day a strong posse went up, rolled away the stones from the mouth of the sepulchre, went in and found five dead Indians!—three men, one squaw and one child, who had gone in there to sleep, perhaps, and been smothered by the foul atmosphere after the tunnel had been closed up. We still hope the story may prove a fabrication, notwithstanding the positive assurances we have received that it is entirely true. The intention of the citizens was good, but the result was most unfortunate. To shut up a murderer in a tunnel was well enough, but to leave him there all night was calculated to impair his chances for a fair trial—the principle was good, but the application was unnecessarily "hefty." We have given the above story for truth—we shall continue to regard it as such until it is disproven.

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**July 29 Webinar - Innovation as a Tool for Recovery**

On July 29, 2020 at 10 am PDT, Meeting of the Minds will host a free, live webinar featuring Clarinda Barnett-Harrison of Ford Mobility, Kathryn Mullins of Spin, and John Abernethy of Ford Motor Company

[https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/1042226380695058447?  
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<http://files.usgwarchives.net/nv/mineral/cemeteries/schurzcem.txt>

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## **Ancient Voices, Storied Places: Themes in Contemporary Indian History**

**[PDF]** <https://repository.arizona.edu/bitstream/handle/10150/277393/>

Edited by María Nieves Zedeño, Alex K. Carroll, and Richard W. Stoffle  
Bureau of Applied Research in Anthropology The University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona With a  
Preface by Vivienne-Caron Jake, Kaibab Paiute Tribe Fredonia, Arizona February 2006

### **Dedication**

To the many elders who have walked with us and helped to tell the stories that needed to be told, we dedicate this book to you. In particular, we would like to honor the memory of: Clifford Jake, Bertha Moose, Vernon Miller, Teddy Shaw, Willis Mayo, Warren Mayo, Hank Patterson, Yetta Jake, Charlie Smith, Dan and Chrissy Bullets, Eunice Surveyor, Emma Bobb, Kenneth Anderson, and Don Cloquet. Thank you for sharing your love and knowledge.

### **Eagle Poem**

To pray you open your whole self  
To sky, to earth, to sun, to moon  
To one whole voice that is you.  
And know there is more  
That you can't see, can't hear  
Can't know except in moments  
Steadily growing, and in languages  
That aren't always sound but other Circles of motion.  
Like eagle that Sunday morning  
Over Salt River.  
Circles in blue sky In wind, swept our hearts clean  
With sacred wings.  
We see you, see ourselves and know  
That we must take the utmost care And kindness in all things.  
Breathe in, knowing we are made of  
All this, and breathe, knowing  
We are truly blessed because we  
Were born, and die soon, within a  
True circle of motion,  
Like eagle rounding out the morning  
Inside us.  
We pray that it will be done  
In beauty.  
In beauty.

*Joy Harjo, 2002*



## Hawai'i's Post-COVID Recovery Plan Puts Women First

MEGAN WILDHOOD & RUTH TERRY

It may be too soon to reopen, but it's not too early to plan for a recovery. The novel coronavirus pandemic continues to spike in many U.S. states, especially those that lifted lockdown restrictions early, but as of July 6, Hawai'i had only 72 cases per 100,000 people, the lowest in the nation.

Instead of resting on those laurels, Hawai'i also has developed the most comprehensive post-pandemic recovery plan, one that includes feminism as a core principle.

**Read the full story**



*The prison would be built near Southern California's Salton Sea.*

*Paxphongtrinh/Adobe*

**A Native American tribe wants to build the largest prison in California on its reservation near the Salton Sea.** The \$2 billion proposal from the Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians would likely be the first of its kind in the country. They just need to [convince](#) the governor. [Desert Sun](#)

## **Indigenous groups paying the price for Russia's massive Arctic fuel spill**

Norilsk Nickel's multibillion-dollar fine is unlikely to survive a challenge in Russian courts but Vladimir Putin's government is eager to be seen as proactive.

Read in CBC News: [https://apple.news/Awn0tMoGjT4KzH\\_RRRHiKbQ](https://apple.news/Awn0tMoGjT4KzH_RRRHiKbQ)

## DID YOU KNOW THESE THINGS HAD NAMES?

1. The space between your eyebrows is called a glabella.
2. The way it smells after the rain is called petrichor.
3. The plastic or metallic coating at the end of your shoelaces is called an aglet.
4. The rumbling of stomach is actually called a wamble.
5. The cry of a new born baby is called a vagitus.
6. The prongs on a fork are called tines.
7. The sheen or light that you see when you close your eyes and press your hands on them is called phosphenes.
8. The tiny plastic table placed in the middle of a pizza box is called a box tent.
9. The day after tomorrow is called overmorrow.
10. Your tiny toe or finger is called minimus.
11. The wired cage that holds the cork in a bottle of champagne is called an agraffe.
12. The 'na na na' and 'la la la', which don't really have any meaning in the lyrics of any song, are called vocables.
13. When you combine an exclamation mark with a question mark (like this ?!), it is referred to as an interrobang.
14. The space between your nostrils is called columella nasi.
15. The armhole in clothes, where the sleeves are sewn, is called armhole.
16. The condition of finding it difficult to get out of the bed in the morning is called dysania.
17. Illegible hand-writing is called griffonage.
18. The dot over an "i" or a "j" is called tittle.
19. That utterly sick feeling you get after eating or drinking too much is called crapulence.
20. The metallic device used to measure your feet at the shoe store is called Bannock device.

HOW MANY OF THE ABOVE DID YOU ALREADY KNOW?



**Gary Dean Bowen**, age 71 passed away Tuesday , July 14, 2020 at his home after an extended illness.

Gary was born on September 23, 1948 in Kokomo, Indiana but moved to Nevada as a young boy and graduated from Carson High School in Carson City, Nevada and Haskell Jr. College in Lawrence Kansas. He was a member of the Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe in Fallon, Nevada.

Gary was honorably discharged from the US Air Force where he received training as a Certified Physician Assistant and was also trained by the Public Health Service. Gary practiced at the PHS hospitals in Owyhee, Nevada, Rocky Boy, Montana, and at the Reno Sparks Indian Colony in Reno, Nevada before moving to California to study Dermatology.

Gary was a Physician Assistant Dermatologist in Yuma, Arizona for the past 25 years prior to his retirement in 2016

He is survived by his wife Magdalena Bowen, sister Kathy Bowen, his daughter's Leslie Bowen and Monica Cook as well as his grandchildren, nephew's, nieces, numerous cousins and his beloved German Shepard, Penny. He had many friends and was very well known in Nevada, Yuma, Arizona and Puerto Penasco, Mexico.

His favorite past time was being at the beach enjoying margaritas.

He was predeceased in death by his father, Harold Eugène Bowen, his mother Alberta Graham Bowen Duncan, his daughter, Cheri D. Bowen, and his brother Sherman E. Bowen.

The family wishes to thank all of those who expressed their condolences and prayers.

A special thank you to our cousin Darlene Graham who provided Gary with a Shoshone prayer and song to help him in his journey.