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Sunrise Winter on Slide Mountain.

Image by Neil Lockhart.

“We Are Water Protectors,” written by Carole Lindstrom, was conceived in response to the planned construction of the Dakota pipeline through Standing Rock Sioux territory. Illustrator Michaela Goade, a member of the Tlingit and Haida tribes in Southeast Alaska, was sent a copy of the manuscript through her agent in 2018 and responded immediately to its political message and message of water as a universal force.



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[Alaskan becomes first Native American to win Caldecott Medal for children’s book illustration](#)
[Illustrator Michaela Goade, a member of the Tlingit and Haida tribes in Southeast Alaska, was honored for her work on “We Are Water Protectors” by Carole Lindstrom.](#)

'Hey Reb' Mascot Officially Retired, But UNLV Will Keep Nickname

The University of Nevada, Las Vegas’ mascot, “Hey Reb!,” has been retired, and there are no plans yet to introduce a new one, according to [KARNV](#).

In [a statement](#) Tuesday, UNLV president Keith Whitfield said despite the change, the nickname, “Rebels,” is here to stay. He added that UNLV will join other universities who don’t have mascots. UNLV also didn’t have one in the mid-1970s. The statue of the mascot was removed last summer amid conversations on campus calling for racial justice.

The, “Hey Reb!” mascot has drawn criticism from different groups, for evoking imagery of the Confederacy. In 2019, UNLV’s Native American Association said the mascot represented violence toward Native Americans.

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Mine OK'd In Trump's Last Days May Boost Biden Energy Plan

By The Associated Press

The Trump administration granted final approval for a proposed Nevada lithium mine in its last days, adding it to a list of energy and mining projects fast-tracked before President Joe Biden took office.

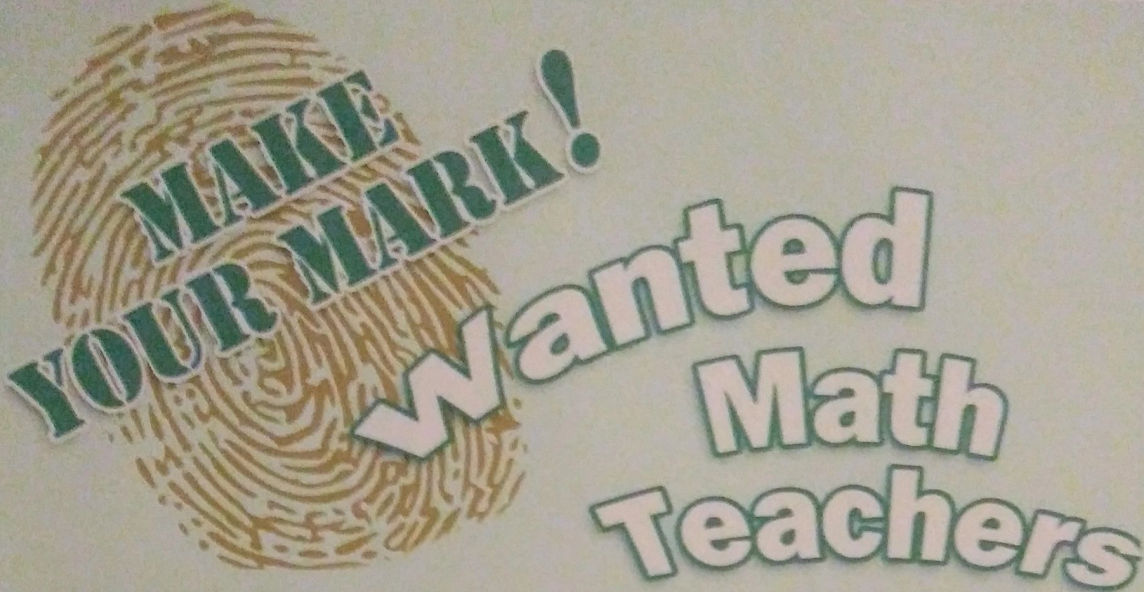
The Democrat has already revoked permits for projects like the Keystone XL pipeline, but like the outgoing administration, he supports lithium mining. The mineral is a key component in rechargeable batteries, and boosting domestic production could lower the price tag on his climate plan, which includes rebates for electric vehicles. But while technologists see lithium as a replacement for carbon-based fuels, conservationists worry about mining's impact on the surrounding environment.

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'It's time to act': Biden moves to address racial inequity

President Biden directed the Justice Department not to renew federal contracts with private prisons. He also issued a memorandum to the Department of Housing and Urban Development e

said will "redress historical racism in federal housing policies."

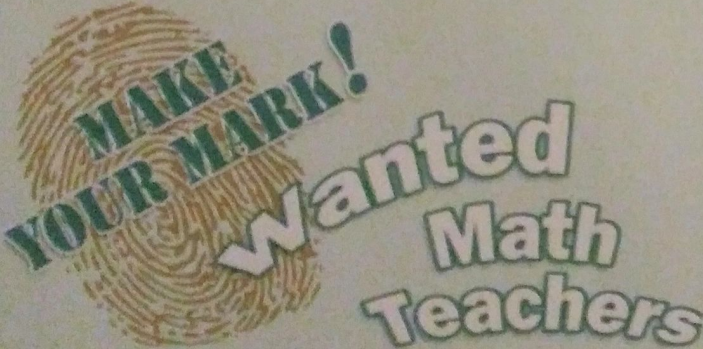


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Wanted Math Teachers

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NVWIT *Pipeline Comprehensive Course* (PCC) consist of 190 hours of interactive content including Math, delivered in small group classes, 20 hours a week over a six-week period. Pipeline Students receive out-of-class assignments, individual coaching, mentoring, and test taking skills. They also receive valuable OSHA, First Aid, CPR, AED and Forklift Operator training during four required Saturday Academies. Additionally, all students participate in site visits, attend presentations by trade representatives and receive hands-on learning opportunities.

We need Math Teachers for our new *Pipeline Comprehensive Course*. If you are a Math Teacher and looking for an opportunity to be part of something great ... **MAKE YOUR MARK** and join us.



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“The idea is to provide students with job skills, and at the same time help students, staff and local residents who are in need. And the store has one more purpose: teaching the youngsters the value of giving back to their community.”

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[Student-run free grocery store helps feed town's hungry](#)

[Traditional school stores might offer snacks and knickknacks, school gear and notebooks — but the one at Linda Tutt High School in Sanger, Texas, has a very different inventory and clientele](#)

President Ulysses S. Grant to Nostradamus:

"If we are to have another contest in the near future of our national existence, I predict that the dividing line will not be Mason and Dixon's, but between patriotism and intelligence on the one side — and superstition, ambition, and ignorance on the other."

(Source: Jeremiah Chaplin, ed., "Words of our hero, Ulysses S. Grant." (Boston, MA: D. Lothrop and Company, ca. 1885), 30-31. From a speech at the Annual Reunion of the Army of Tennessee, at Des Moines, Iowa, September 29, 1875. <<https://bit.ly/38IQU5w>>.)

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[Native Pulse Short Feature: Carrie Dann](#)

[Carrie Dann of the Western Shoshone Defense Project shares her views about being a good ancestor, mining and the importance of maintaining traditional ways. ...](#)

Bald Eagles Show Up In Record Numbers

By [Stephanie Serrano](#)

A record-breaking number of bald eagles was spotted in a recent annual count at Lake Tahoe.

According to the Tahoe Institute for Natural Science, 42 bald eagles were spotted in its annual survey. That's nearly double the previous record of 27 bald eagles in 2017. Roughly 200 volunteers participated in the event, which is twice the amount from last year and contributed to the high count this year.

The bald eagles were seen in the middle parts of both the east and west shores, which spotters say are not common areas to find them.

Biden Prepares to Ban Oil-Drilling on Federal Land

Reuters

Excerpt: "President Joe Biden plans to announce on Wednesday preparatory steps toward a ban on new oil and gas drilling on federal land."

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<https://trailrunner.com/trail-news/sheldon-subith-bringing-more-native-americans-to-trail-running/>

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NVWIT Pipeline Program

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- High School Diploma or equivalent.
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NVWIT is Creating a Pipeline for Women Considering a career the Trades

Did You Know?

Women are seriously underrepresented in Apprenticeship Programs, and in high-growth, high-wage occupations. While women make up nearly half of the United States labor force, they comprise less than 10% of registered Apprenticeship Program participants. Pre-apprenticeship programs are designed to prepare individuals to enter and succeed in an Apprenticeship Program.

NVWIT is Helping!

The first step in the process of preparation for jobs in a "Trades", is the skill and aptitude test required for the Apprenticeship Program. Apprenticeship is a proven "earn and-learn" training model that offers workers a pathway to the middle class and helps companies recruit, develop, and retain a highly skilled workforce. Pre-apprenticeship is designed to prepare individuals to enter and succeed in an Apprenticeship Program. **NVWIT Pipeline Program** trains women to pass the rigorous apprenticeship exams, interviews, and join the ranks of those in successful trade careers.

To learn more about NVWIT, please visit our website at: www.NevadaWIT.org or contact us at: 702.801.6591
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EPA Environmental Justice and Systemic Racism Speaker Series: Features the Mapping Inequality Project

EPA is launching the Environmental Justice (EJ) and Systemic Racism Speaker Series. The first session will highlight [The Mapping Inequality Project](#), a unique collaboration on redlining and current environmental challenges that provides publicly-accessible digitized versions of redlining maps for about 200 cities. This project has generated trailblazing work in the area of EJ and systemic racism. Two of its founders will discuss the genesis, philosophy, methodology, and impact of this game-changing project.

Speakers:

- **Dr. Robert Nelson, Director, Digital Scholarship Laboratory, University of Richmond**
- **Dr. LaDale Winling, Associate Professor of History, Virginia Tech**
- Moderated by Charles Lee, Senior Policy Advisor for Environmental Justice, EPA

Date and Time: March 4, 2021, 12:00 – 1:00 pm EST

Register Here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-mapping-inequality-project-tickets-136940963107>

The Environmental Justice and Systemic Racism Speaker Series will illustrate how addressing systemic racism is highly relevant to EPA's mission. This series explores how understanding and addressing systemic racism and the roots of disproportionate environmental and public health impacts is key to integrating EJ in the policies and programs of EPA and other environmental agencies to achieve environmental protection for all people.

The first five sessions will focus on redlining and current environmental challenges. Future topics will include: Title VI and civil rights program, EJ research and analysis, rural inequities, and others. Suggestions are welcomed. Registration information for each session forthcoming.

For more information, please visit the [session registration page](#) or contact Charles Lee (lee.charles@epa.gov) or Sabrina Johnson (johnson.sabrina@epa.gov).

Why is Charles Curtis's Legacy So Complicated?

by Kiara M. Vigil

VP Charles Curtis advocated for policies toward Native American nations that today



seem steeped in paternalist and assimilationist values, but in the context of the 1920s his legacy should be seen as part of debate among Native leaders about the tension between preservation and incorporation of modern American society.

First Native American Astronaut John Herrington is honored

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First Native American astronaut in space. A 13-day Space Shuttle mission to the International Space Station, a trip including three spacewalks for Herrington totaling nearly 20 hours.

Fifteen years after that life-changing journey, Herrington decided to write a children's book, *Mission to Space*, rather than an autobiography, in hopes of showing children — especially Native American kids (he's an enrolled member of the Chickasaw Nation) — that dreams can come true, no matter where you start in life.



"I played astronaut as a kid. I used to sit in a cardboard box and dream I was going to the moon," Herrington recalls. That dream is what kids connect to, he says, and why he wrote a book full of colorful images of him on the shuttle, in space and training for the journey, as well as of Chickasaws celebrating the feat.

"This is not a stereotypical Plains Indian on horseback with a war bonnet," he says. "This is a Native person who's proud of where he comes from, who's gone through a collegiate career and professional career, but still honors where he came from."

A children's book is a natural step for the astronaut, who has spent much of the past decade working on children's and tribal issues. In 2008, he rode a bike cross-country, visiting reservations and NASA Explorer schools, and telling his story of self-motivation and supportive mentors pushing him to places he could never have imagined as a kid.

On the ride, he fell in love with a woman from Lewiston, Idaho, and he moved there in 2009. His passion for working with kids drove him to get a Ph.D. in education at the University of Idaho in 2014, and he's currently working with Rosetta Stone to preserve the Chickasaw language. In fact, the last two pages of *Mission to Space* — which he'll sign and discuss at Auntie's on Saturday — are dedicated to translations of Chickasaw terms for English words like "astronaut," "gravity" and "spacewalk."



Herrington's excitement about his space travels comes through in the book, and even more so in conversation. Asked how he describes walking in space to us Earth-bound folks, he describes how "your mind will play tricks on you in space."

"It will flip you upside down instantaneously in your brain, because gravity is not telling you which way is down anymore," Herrington says. "Your body doesn't have that sensation of being pulled down. So if you're looking at something, your mind will say, 'That's right-side up.' But you know full well you're upside down. The first time it happens, you go, 'Whaaaaa?' It's weird."

Herrington's space career was cut short when Columbia, the Space Shuttle mission after his trip, exploded and killed seven of his friends — including Spokane's Michael Anderson — a year later in 2003, putting the program on hold. Then he was diagnosed with osteoporosis, putting him at risk of breaking his back on the trip. A short dalliance with commercial space travel took him out of NASA, and its failure ultimately led to that cross-country bike trip. But the memory of space remains as fresh now as when he exited the shuttle for his first spacewalk.

"There are times during a spacewalk when you kind of stop and go, 'Wow, you are here. Hey, there are the Bahamas, right beneath me,'" Herrington says. "And then you go, 'Well, that was cool' and you get back to work because you're not there to sightsee."

His memories of his space travels are hair-raising and enthralling, and they may still make it into an autobiography for adults. Just not yet.

"My story is not really done, and I don't want it to be just a 'space book,' because then you end up on the 'space' shelf," Herrington says. "I want it to be a story about this journey that includes this segment of my life that changed my life, but also the things that came before and after, that made me who I am. And hopefully it's a story that resonates, not just on the 'space' shelf."

[Source](#)



Puerto Rico Declares State of Emergency Over Rise in Femicides

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Excerpt: "Puerto Rico's Governor Pedro Pierluis Monday declared a national state of emergency due to the increase in gender-based violence and femicide."

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Leah Brady, Te-Moak Tribal citizen, basket weaver, and NKC Board of Directors Secretary/Treasurer, will be participating in the National Association of Tribal Historic Preservation Officers (NATHPO), 2021 Virtual Conference on Wednesday, January 27 and on Thursday, January 28. Her presentation is on basket weaving. Don't miss out. Here's the link to register AND, its free!

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[BlackRock Chief Pushes a Big New Climate Goal for the Corporate World](#)

[A Montana Family Speaks Out About Police Violence Against Indigenous People](#)

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This is the second story in the Mountain West News Bureau series "Elevated Risk," a project powered by America Amplified, a public radio initiative. Cole Stump was a Montanan, through and through. The 29-year-old citizen of the Chippewa-Cree Tribe was raised on the Rocky Boy's Indian Reservation in the north-central part of the state and had family ties to the Fort Peck Reservation in the northeast corner. He was a loving father of five and a skilled ranch hand.

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[After the Capitol Was Stormed, Teachers Try Explaining History in Real Time](#)

The eruption of political violence at the US Capitol has challenged teachers of history and civics at all grade levels and pushed teachers of other subjects to respond to their students' experience of confusion, anger, or sadness.

[Historian Discusses The Politics That Shape U.S. History In Schools](#)

Hasan Kwame Jeffries: "Nobody's placing that blame on children. No child in school today is even responsible for the mess that we have right now. But they are responsible for the problems of tomorrow and of the future."

[Cal strips building name for namesake's treatment of Native Americans](#)



UC Berkeley removed the name of Kroeber Hall from a building after concerns about its namesake's treatment of Native Americans