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"Extreme" and "radical" = GOP code for Woman of Color who won't learn her place. cnn.com

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[President Joe Biden's Interior Secretary nominee Deb Haaland is expected to face a contentious confirmation hearing Tuesday in front of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee.](#)

IllumiNative

Throughout its history, the Department of the Interior has been a destructive force used against Native communities in an attempt to eradicate, assimilate, and forcibly remove Native people from our land. In its 171 year history, the DOI has been led by 53 different secretaries - all white men. Thanks to Kyle Bell for creating this short film and Martin Siesemeir for narrating.

If confirmed, Deb Haaland, a citizen of Laguna Pueblo, will be the first Native and woman of color to lead and oversee the Department and will be the first Native American woman to hold a Cabinet Position. Deb Haaland's unique voice is exactly what the U.S. The Department of the Interior needs to protect our future.

Your State representatives need to hear from you about this historic confirmation.

Contact your Senators and tell them to confirm [#DebForInterior](#) here: <https://actionnetwork.org/.../confirm-deb-haaland-as...>

[Haaland faces GOP critics at her Interior confirmation hearing.](#) "I imagine at the time, I was caring about the bears," she said. This hearing continues today.

Anyway, the D.C. bureau's Ariana Figueroa reports on yesterday's madcap antics from Wyoming's senior senator. [Barrasso interrupts, shouts at Haaland during 2nd day of confirmation hearing.](#) *Nevada Current*

Daniel Garber

“We were told that we would see America come and go. In a sense America is dying, from within, because they forgot the instructions of how to live on earth. It's the Hopi belief, it's our belief, that if you are not spiritually connected to the earth, and understand the spiritual reality of how to live on earth, it's likely that you will not make it.

Everything is spiritual, everything has a spirit, everything was brought here by the creator, the one creator. Some people call him God, some people call him Buddha, some people call him Allah, some people call him other names. We call him Tunkaschila... Grandfather.

We are here on earth only a few winters, then we go to the spirit world. The spirit world is more real than most of us believe.

The spirit world is everything. Over 95% of our body is water. In order to stay healthy you've got to drink good water. ... Water is sacred, air is sacred.

Our DNA is made out of the same DNA as the tree, the tree breaths what we exhale, we need what the tree exhales. So we have a common destiny with the tree.

We are all from the earth, and when earth, the water, the atmosphere is corrupted, then it will create its own reaction. The mother is reacting.

In the Hopi prophecy they say the storms and floods will become greater. To me it's not a negative thing to know that there will be great changes. It's not negative, it's evolution. When you look at it as evolution, it's time, nothing stays the same. You should learn how to plant something. That is the first connection.

You should treat all things as spirit, realize that we are one family. It's never something like the end. Its like life, there is no end to life.”-Floyd Red Crow Westerman



Join the Nevada Commission for Women on Tuesday, March 2, 2021, at 3 pm

What: Nevada Commission for Women Meeting

When: Tuesday, March 2, 2021, at 3:00 PM

Where: Virtual (Please see meeting agenda for information)

For meeting information, please visit the Nevada Commission for Women's website: <https://admin.nv.gov/Boards/Women/Meetings/2021/meetings/>

On July 7, 1898, the Hawaiian Islands were annexed by this joint resolution.

In the 1890s, the efforts of the Hawaiian people to preserve their national sovereignty and native heritage ran headlong into the unstoppable force of American expansionism. Throughout the 19th century, westerners – particularly Americans – came to dominate Hawaii's economy and politics. When Queen Liliuokalani assumed the throne in 1891 and tried to reassert the power of the throne and the will of Native Hawaiians, she was deposed by a small group of American businessmen, with the support of the American diplomats and the U.S. Navy.

Although even President Cleveland challenged the legitimacy of this takeover, it did stand. To a nation poised to take its place as a world power, the control of Hawaii, strategically located to serve as a mid-Pacific naval installation, seemed crucial. In 1898, with a naval base firmly established at Pearl Harbor, the United States officially annexed Hawaii.

(Information excerpted from Stacey Bredhoff, *American Originals* [Seattle: The University of Washington Press, 2001], p. 68.)

Fifty-fifth Congress of the United States of America; At the Second Session,

Begun and held at the City of Washington on Monday, the sixth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

Joint Resolution To provide for annexing the Hawaiian Islands to the United States.

for the written resolution: <https://www.ourdocuments.gov/doc.php?flash=false&doc=54&page=transcripthttps://www.ourdocuments.gov/doc.php?flash=false&doc=54>

(Letter of protest from Queen Liliuokalani of Hawaii to the House of Representatives)

The House of Representatives of the United States:

I, Liliuokalani of Hawaii, named heir apparent on the 10th day of April, 1877, and proclaimed Queen of the Hawaiian Islands on the 29th day of January, 1891, do hereby earnestly and respectfully protest against the assertion of ownership by the United States of America of the so-called Hawaiian Crown Islands amounting to about one million acres and which are my property, and I especially protest against such assertion of ownership as a taking of property without due process of law and without just or other compensation.

Therefore, supplementing my protest of June 17, 1897, I call upon the President and the National Legislature and the People of the United States to do justice in this matter and to restore to me this property, the enjoyment of which is being withheld from me by your Government under what must be a misapprehension of my right and title.

Done at Washington, District of Columbia, United States of America, this nineteenth day of December, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight. [Endorsement]

[Dee Numa](#)

Tom Stone and Pete Watson, Owens Valley Paiute Elders, Owens Valley, California, 1955.



[Nataanii Means](#)

Well shit. I made it to 30. This is gonna be a long one so bare with me. I sit and look back on my 20's, all the photos and memories people shared with me today. Thank you to everyone! I've accomplished more in my 20's than I ever thought I would've in my life. Went to college and learned so much about life off the rez, started rapping, since then I've been to Europe 7 times, 5 for tours in multiple countries. Scored a show on MTV, been on some vice shows, been able to be on the breakfast club and Sirius Satellite radio more than once. I've traveled the country, and met so many of you beautiful people. I've learned about who I am in the realm of being a protector, I've lost track of Sundance's I've been able to pray in, Ive been able to learn more about my way of life, I've earned a name given to me by my ancestors, earned feathers for my deeds....I've also learned about loss, loss of my dad, of my grandpa, of my niece and grandson, of close friends, loss of relationships and loss of love. Hard lessons i never thought I'd find my way out of. Times that have gotten so dark, I didn't think I could find my spirit. But I did. I've fought against addiction, demons that have plagued me since I was a teen. I learned who the fuck I am being all alone and by myself. I've also seen the beauty of family, the beauty in being in love and connecting in healthy friendships and family ties. I've seen the beauty in resistance and fighting for our Mother Earth on more than one frontline. But I'm thankful, I spent all day today being thankful and thinking back on all these things I have been blessed with and blessed to see. I love you all from the bottom of my heart, there's been times I didn't wanna go further, times I doubted myself as a man, and thought who the fuck needs me in this world. Like many of us think at times. But fuck that, I push thru and I know weakness is strength, you find out how strong you are when you're at your lowest, and you find out who you are when you're at your best. My name is Naa't'áaníí Nez Means, Sindé Xgá Xgá (sparkling tail in Omaha), Wakinyan Luzaha (Fast Thunder in Lakota) and this is who I am. I am ready to live. @itsdomdud



Spur Pourier

New song out now!! 🙏

This one is special. Hold the ones you love close. Especially during these hard times. Much love to you all and thanks for always supporting the music. 💙

RSN: Mort Rosenblum | Last Dance

at Oak Flat



Mort Rosenblum, Reader Supported News

Rosenblum writes: "Arizona - Big Copper's Last Stand is imminent at Oak Flat. Unlike Custer's, the Indians seem likely to lose. A parting shot by Donald Trump is about to destroy the San Carlos Apaches' equivalent of Mount Sinai, revered for millennia by earlier tribes."

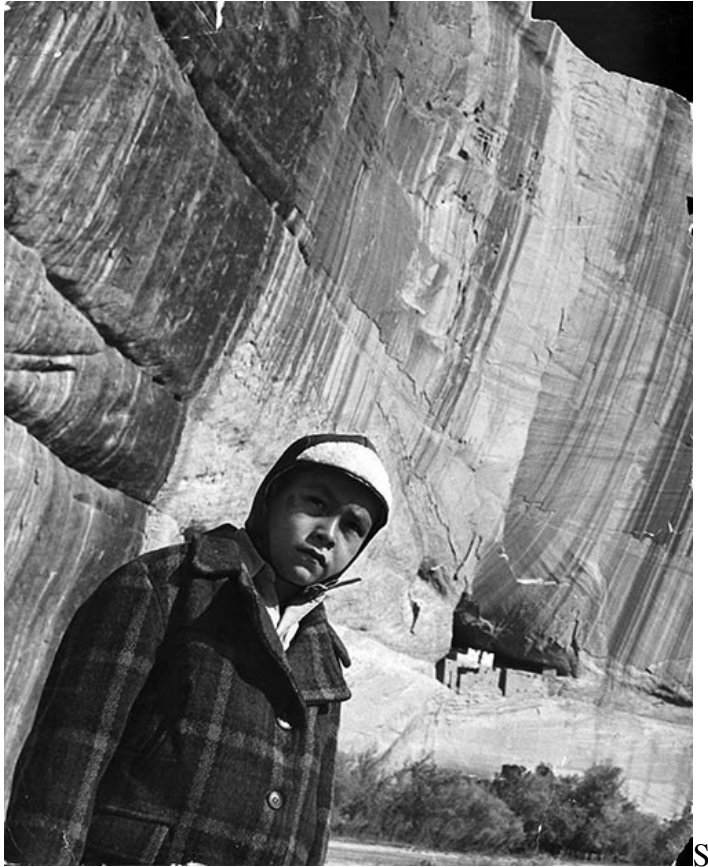
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Navajo' film re-released with bonus cuts



Francis Kee Teller, who portrayed the main character in “Navajo,” poses in Canyon de Chelly in the early 1950s. The movie was recently released on DVD with commentary by Teller and other bonus features.

“Navajo” was a low-budget (\$30,000) movie with an aging cameraman who had already basically retired, and a 7-year-old star who had never seen a movie, much less acted in one. Nonetheless, it went on to be nominated for two academy awards, and the star, young Francis Kee Teller, received a special Golden Globe for his performance.

According to Kit Parker, who was involved in the film’s preservation and re-release, it has not been available to the public since its release in 1952 except for “poor-quality bootleg versions.”

The new video version has some intriguing extras, including commentary by Teller, a photo essay on Canyon de Chelly by canyon resident Deborah Lem, and a narrative by canyon resident Genny Yazzie called “The Canyon Matters.”

There’s also a 1952 documentary titled “Our Navajo Neighbors” and a publicity tour with Teller at age 8.

“The special features are extraordinary,” Parker said, adding that any profits from the DVD sales will go to Navajo charities.

The plot synopsis states: “A Navajo boy endures hardship, hunger and the death of his family. He is taken away to attend a white-man boarding school and escapes but is pursued to ancient Navajo caves.”

The producers sought out cinematographer Virgil Miller, who had a reputation for keeping the cameras rolling in adverse conditions, and tracked him down to a camera shop where he was working as a repairman.

“At age 64, Miller took on the challenge of working in freezing cold, with only one camera, a tripod and four reflectors, and came away with an Academy Award nomination and a full spread in the prestigious American Cinematographer,” a press release for the movie reads.

“Despite a shoestring production budget, a threatened ban by the Indian Service, harsh weather and terrain and infighting between the co-producers, the picture went on to earn universal critical acclaim,” the release says.

Parker, a former film librarian, has “a passion of locating and restoring ‘orphan films,’ movies that have been out of sight for decades,” his website says. “It involved a great deal of sleuthing and patience as the original producers and copyright owners were long deceased and the negatives scattered throughout the world.” Information: “Navajo” is available for \$19.95 on amazon.com and other sales platforms. Type “Navajo DVD” into your search engine.

A poster for the Astro-Poetry Contest 2021. The background is a dark space with stars, a small Earth in the top left, and a bright yellow sun in the top right. At the bottom, an astronaut is sitting on the moon, writing in a notebook. A small flag with 'ASTRO POET' is planted nearby. The text is centered in a white box.

Astro-Poetry Contest 2021

Call for Poems Jan. 27, 2021
Deadline for Submissions April 16, 2021
Winners Announced April 22, 2021
Award ceremony April 24, 2021, 2:00pm
(entry to the award ceremony is free, does not include entry to the museum)

Rules

Submission must be sent in .pdf or .jpeg format only.
Submit by e-mail to poems@tahoestartours.com

1. Poems must be original and unpublished
2. Poems must be 20 lines or less.
3. All poetry forms accepted.
4. Include, name, address, phone number, e-mail, school, grade, teacher's name.
5. Poems must have an astronomy theme.
6. Only one entry per student.

Judging and Prize Pick-up:

1. Winning poems will be picked by a panel of judges.
2. Winners will be contacted April 20, 2021.
3. Award ceremony at The Discovery, 490 S Center St, Reno, NV, on April 24, 2021 at 2pm.
4. Winners may pick up their prizes at the award ceremony.
5. Judging divisions: K thru 2nd, 3rd thru 6th, and 7th thru 12th.

Prizes:

1st Place: Celestron Telescope
2nd Place: Binoculars
3rd Place: Tickets to the Cosmoarium at Northstar
Questions? Contact tony@tahoestartours.com





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WHAT IS NYCALC?

NYCALC is a federal and non-governmental collaborative that invites Native communities to work together to address conservation challenges in a changing environment. NYCALC provides training in leadership principles and conservation for the next generation of Native leaders and their communities. We also provide opportunities for federal agencies to interface and engage with Native students.

“NYCALC was an incredible place of growth, not only for me but for everyone involved.”

— DEVON PARFAIT, 2019 JUNIOR FACULTY

REGISTRATION CLOSES APRIL 12th, 2021

WHEN:

Join us virtually for this free 4-week program from July 5th through July 29th.
Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday

2pm-6pm ET.

Week 3 is offline for community engagement projects.

HOW:

Applications accepted on a first-come first-served basis for the first 100 students who pass the application process. Application is at <https://nycalc.org>

VISIT: [HTTPS://NYCALC.ORG](https://nycalc.org) FOR MORE INFORMATION

Scholarships with March 16-31 Deadlines

March 4, 2021

OCCACCF Scholarship	\$20,000	03/16/2021
Ohio Newspaper Association University Journalism Scholarships	\$1,250	03/31/2021
Oklahoma Cattlemen's Foundation Scholarship	Varies	03/18/2021
OMEGA: Opportunities for Multigenerational Engagement, Growth, and Action	\$2,000	03/31/2021
Operation Thank an Officer College Scholarship	\$1,000	03/01/2021
Order of Alhambra Scholarship	Varies	03/01/2021
Oregon Chafee Education and Training Grant	\$2,500	03/01/2021
Oregon Dove Scholarship	\$250	03/06/2021
Oregon PTA Teacher Education Scholarship	\$500	03/30/2021
Outer Banks Community Foundation	Varies	03/29/2021
Palumbo Family Foundation Scholarship	\$15,000	03/31/2021
PAMS Julie Sullivan Memorial Scholarship Award	Varies	03/19/2021
Partner Colorado Foundation Scholarships	\$1,000	03/31/2021
PATH-WAY Providing Access to Happiness Scholarship	\$1,000	03/30/2021
Paul S. Mills Scholarship	\$1,000	03/31/2021
PCMA Continuing Education Scholarship	\$3,500	03/23/2021
PCMA Foundation Scholars Program	\$3,500	03/23/2021
Pediatric Cancer Research Foundation (PCRF) Scholarship	\$5,000	03/30/2021
Pen Air Federal Credit Union Scholarship Program	\$10,000	03/31/2021
Pennsylvania Postsecondary Educational Gratuity Program	Varies	03/31/2021
PSR/Sacramento High School Scholarship Essay Contest	\$3,000	03/24/2021
Public Relations Professionals of Long Island Scholarship Program	\$2,000	03/27/2021
Rainbow Business & Professional Association Scholarship	Varies	03/19/2021
RARE Scholars Scholarship	\$5,000	03/30/2021
Religious Liberty Essay Scholarship Contest	\$2,000	03/26/2021
Richard L. Brooks Memorial Scholarship	\$2,500	03/31/2021
Richard L. Taylor Flight Training Scholarship	\$1,500	03/26/2021
Robert Toigo Foundation Fellowship	\$1,000	03/22/2021

t's a human need to be told stories. The more we're governed by idiots and have no control over our destinies, the more we need to tell stories to each other about who we are, why we are, where we come from, and what might be possible."

(Can't find the cite :~(sdc)

Sacramento Press Club Journalism Scholarships	\$8,000	03/31/2021
Selby Scholarship	\$7,000	03/25/2021
Sertoma Hard of Hearing or Deaf Scholarship	\$1,000	03/30/2021
SFM Foundation Scholarship	\$10,000	03/31/2021
Sheryl A. Horak Law Enforcement Explorer Memorial Scholarship	\$1,000	03/31/2021
Sofia Blanco Scholarship for Childhood Cancer Survivor	\$2,000	03/31/2021
SOPREMA Scholarship	\$5,000	03/27/2021
Star-Spangled Banner Flag House Essay Contest	\$1,812	03/26/2021
Sub Pop Loser Scholarship	\$7,000	03/19/2021
Sustainable Agriculture & Forestry Scholarship	Varies	03/30/2021
SWE Golden Gate High School Scholarship Program	Varies	03/20/2021
Team Type 1 Scholarships	\$5,000	03/31/2021
The Ability Center of Greater Toledo Scholarships	\$2,000	03/31/2021
The Alexander Foundation Scholarship	\$3,000	03/21/2021
The Annie Bach Americanism Video Essay Scholarship	\$1,000	03/31/2021
The ASUS, Inc. Scholarship Program	\$10,000	03/31/2021
The Mesothelioma Cancer Alliance Scholarship	\$4,000	03/31/2021
The National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences Scholarships	\$10,000	03/22/2021
The Pearl Mae Foundation Scholarship for Healthcare and First Responders	\$1,000	03/31/2021
The Ronald P. Wilmot Scholarship	\$2,000	03/31/2021
The Scottish Rite Scholarship Foundation of Washington	\$3,000	03/31/2021
The Weekly Fight Scholarship	Varies	03/31/2021
Tony V. Grey Legacy Scholarship	\$2,500	03/31/2021
Tukwila City of Opportunity Scholarship	\$5,000	03/31/2021

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<https://historynewsnetwork.org/article/179284>



As American as Child Separation

Laura Briggs's new book on child separation policies links the treatment of contemporary migrants to other historical cases including Native American boarding schools and the sale of enslaved children, showing that the assertion of control over children and families has been a core component of racial nationalism and even genocide.

Net neutrality law to take effect in California after judge deals blow to telecom industry

Decision could open the door for other states to pass open-Internet rules the Trump administration opposed by Tony Romm

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/technology/2021/02/23/net-neutrality-law-take-effect-california-after-judge-deals-blow-telecom-industry/>

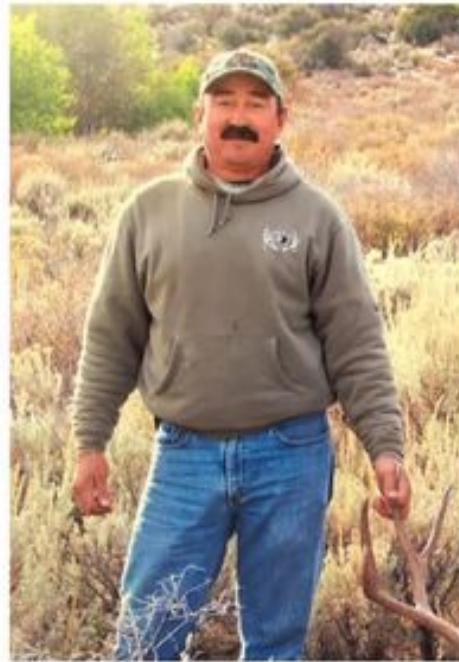
Calling all high school science teachers! Applications are now open for the Advancing Science Research Teaching program. This Regeneron-supported initiative provides recipients with one week of customized consulting to increase science research opportunities for their students.

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IN LOVING MEMORY



JASON DON MANNING

Saturday, February 27, 2021

10:00 AM

Irrigation Building

Owyhee, Nevada

Burial at Big Dick Cemetery

Please remember to follow social distance guidelines. Masks required. EOC will be taking temperatures.