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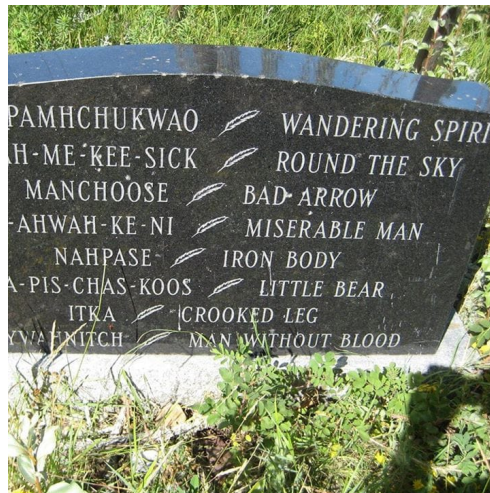
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*Elahe Afnani: "This isn't a*

*painting. It is the most detailed image of a human cell to date, obtained by radiography, nuclear magnetic resonance and cryoelectron microscopy."*



### **The Battleford Hangings~**

The day the hangings took place all the Indian students at the Battleford Industrial School (children) were taken out to witness the event. The reason for this was to remind them what would happen if one made trouble with the crown and to provide a lasting reminder of the white man's power and authority.

After the hangings the bodies were placed in a mass grave and buried. The grave remained hidden for years until recently some students, following old plans of the fort, located the grave site.

6 of those to be hanged were Indians of Big Bear's Band, who had taken part in the Frog Lake "Massacre". They are:

Kah - Paypamahchukways (Wandering Spirit) for the murder of T. T. Quinn, Indian Agent.

Pah Pah-Me-Kee-Sick (Walking the Sky) for the murder of Pere Fafard, OMT, RC Priest who had fathered the boy as a youth.

Manchoose ( Bad Arrow) for the murder of Charles Govin, Quinn's interpreter.

Kit-Ahwah-Ke-Ni (Miserable Man) for the murder of Govin.

Nahpase (Iron Body) for the murder of George Dill, Free Trader.

A-Pis-Chas-Koos (Little Bear) for the murder of Dill.

Itka (Crooked Leg) for the murder of Payne, Farm Instructor of the Stoney Reserve south of Battleford.

Waywahnitch (Man Without Blood) for the murder of Tremont, Rancher out of Battleford.

(What was hidden in history is that the Indian Agent tom quinn was raping and making the young girls prostitute themselves in exchange for rotted meat! Wandering Spirits ppl were starving and he went to ask for meat, Quinn refused him and told him to leave. Wandering Spirit knew all along what Quinn was doing to the girls. As a matter of fact he impregnated some of them!

Wandering Spirit killed the rapist indian agent tom quinn and not long after the Battleford hangings took place..

There are two sides to every story and this is the natives side of the story.

It is all apart of canadas violent colonial history you won't read about in any history book..)

This story and others serve to illustrate the repression of Indian culture and history.

Our ancestors were stripped of their lands, of their rights and Canadian history has written the First Nations facts as little more than a footnote.

These hangings are a shame for all Canadians, not only for how they were carried out, but also for the shameful events that led up to the rebellion.

Historians don't record or emphasize on the genocidal tactics of starvation and disease (smallpox/biological warfare) that plagued our people and almost wiped out our entire nation, a century ago.

As Nehiyaw people we must seek to restore our lost history and honour those who fought for their peoples rights and pride. The white society has national historic sites and museums glorifying their past and so it should be with us.

It's time we restored our past and culture to the honour and position deserving it.

These men were INDIGENOUS HERO'S who fought and died for our Existence!

We must honour them and the millions upon millions of men, women and children who suffered similar fates at the hands of our invaders..

[#NehiyawHistory](#) [#IndigenousResistance](#)  
[#FightingTerrorismSince1492](#)

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**Resources (thanks to Native Health):**

**Native American Programs and Enrollment Information at ASU, UA, and NAU** - For more information click [here.](#)

**Herald Native Women:** A Celebration of Women's History Month from Vision Maker Media. Free streaming of videos in March. For more information click [here.](#)

**Tribal College Dual Enrollment Program - Arizona Department of Education's Office of Indian Education** - Three Tribal Colleges, Dine College, Navajo Technical University, and Tohono O'odham Community College. For more information and application process please click [here.](#)

**Arizona Department of Economic Security's Office of Tribal Relations** - Link for any Tribal member in Arizona who is having [here.](#)

**AZ Tribal Health Listserv** - University of Arizona's Mel and Enid Zuckerman College of Public Health. [Email them to be added to the Listserv.](#)

**My Native Plate** - Two page nutrition education tool, designed as a placemat. Easy to understand and shows balanced meals with reasonable portion sizes. For more information click [here.](#)

**Native American Children's Literature Recommended Reading List** - Click [here to view the list.](#)

**Tribal Lifeline** - Customers living on Federally Recognized Tribal Lands **can receive up to \$34.25 off phone or internet. For AI/AN urban members they could still benefit \$9.24 subsidy per month.** For more information [click here.](#)

**Strong Hearts Native Helpline** - StrongHearts Native Helpline is a safe, anonymous and confidential domestic, dating and sexual violence helpline that offers culturally-appropriate support and advocacy for American Indians and Alaska Natives. If you or someone you love is experiencing domestic, dating or sexual violence or if you have questions about your behavior, help is available. For one-on-one advocacy, click on the Chat Now icon at <https://www.strongheartshelpline.org/> or call 1-844-7NATIVE (762-8483). Advocates are available daily from 5 a.m. to 18 p.m. PT.

**New Native Film podcasts** recorded in Phoenix, AZ; Available on Spotify, Apple Podcasts, and YouTube. For more information visit [www.nativefilmtalk.com](http://www.nativefilmtalk.com).

**Vision Maker Media - 6 videogames with Native American influences.** For more information click [here.](#)

**"Traditional Stories of Light" from ASU Art Museum.** Free downloadable coloring book representing traditional stories involving light from the Native American peoples of the Southwest. For more information or a downloadable copy click [here](#)

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### **Calendar Reminders:**

**April 15 Deadline** - 18th Annual NABI Basketball Invitational and 2nd Annual Educational Youth Summit. For more information or to register click [here.](#)

**April 17-18** - Arizona Indigenous Student Leadership Conference. Presented by Ms. and Mr. Indigenous Arizona State University. For more information click

**April 26-29** - Phoenix Indian Center's GONA - Youth Gathering of Native Americans. Held virtually. 3:00-5:00 p.m. For more information [click here.](#)

**May 25-27** - National Council of Urban Indian Health's Circle of Resilience: Empowering Indian Country in a Virtual World. For more information click [here.](#)

### **Plan Ahead Calendar**

**June 8-10 - 2021 Women are Sacred Conference.** "Carrying Our Medicine and Strengthening Our Vision to End the Violence". Virtual Conference. For more information click [here.](#)

**July 11-17** - 18th Annual Native American Basketball Invitational. For more information click [here.](#)



**July 13-14** - Prevent Child Abuse Arizona's Statewide Child Abuse Prevention Conference. Virtual. For more information please check their [website](#).

**July 29-August 1** - Association of American Indian Physicians 50th Annual Meeting and Health Conference Poster Competition. Virtual. For more information click [here](#).

**September 15-19** - 2020 National Native Media Conference. Phoenix. Co-hosted in partnership with Walter Cronkite School of Journalism and Mass Communications at Arizona State University.

**September 26-28** - National Johnson O'Malley Association Conference. Atlantic City, For more information or to register click [here](#)

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It's been one year since our Indian Country Today broadcast went on the air.

We started by "broadcasting" Zoom calls with reporters and experts across social media. Then on April 6, 2020, we produced a one-half hour broadcast for FNX: First Nations Experience. Then Arizona PBS picked us up on its World Channel.

Now every day we reach an audience in 17 states, across Alaska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, and in Chicago, Denver, New York, and we are now global, the daily broadcast is over the air in two countries (plus our web distribution everywhere). This is only the beginning. Our goal is a daily Indigenous newscast that reaches all of our people.

A year ago the program's first focus looked at how tribal communities were being impacted by the pandemic. It was produced remotely and in living rooms. Now see how far we have come. [Make sure to watch today's program](#) ... we take you behind the scenes to show you what it took to start this newscast.

Why does this matter? News has always been "about us." We get excited when there is a story, or even a clip of someone we know interviewed on a national news program. But what's missing is our voices. Our history. Our perspective. The stories now must be "by us" and "for us."

You can help, of course. Now as a new company, IndiJ Public Media, we need financial support from our audience. ([Here is how to become a member](#).) We are independent. And thank you for the contributions that come from members like you.

Thank you. Mark Trahant, Editor, Indian Country Today

PS. Sustaining memberships are especially helpful. [The Phoenix 100 is \\$5,000 a year](#), dollars that really help keep this broadcast growing.

### **[Lawsuits pile up over endangered species decisions made by Trump administration](#)**

ABC News, 4/4/21

The Biden administration is continuing to field lawsuits filed over Endangered Species Act decisions made by the Trump administration.

The Center for Biological Diversity sued the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Thursday over its

failure to provide protections under the Endangered Species Act for 10 species "it admitted needed them," according to the organization.

### **Western states brace for 'very active wildfire season' following warm, dry winter**

By NBC News, 4/2/21

The western half of the country is bracing for a hot, dry and potentially dangerous wildfire season that appears to be already underway in several states.

The National Weather Service issued red flag warnings on Friday for much of the Great Plains, including North Dakota, where a large wildfire Thursday threatened homes and forced people to evacuate.

### **Reclamation Releases Technical Reports and Interactive Web Tool Supporting the 2021 SECURE Water Act Report**

By USBR, 4/5/21

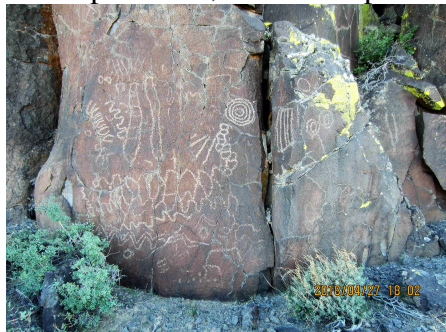
The Bureau of Reclamation today released final technical reports supporting the Water Reliability in the West - 2021 SECURE Water Act Report. Reclamation—s 2021 West-Wide Climate and Hydrology Assessment and seven individual basin reports provide detailed information on climate change impacts and adaptation strategies to increase water supply reliability in the West. A new 2021 SECURE Report Web Portal is also available to provide a user-friendly, web-based format for delivery of information in the reports.

### **Vaccine Rollout Highlights Tribal Health Programs' Strengths Despite Chronic Underfunding**

*Apr 01, 2021 08:28 am*

This is the first in a two-part series about the vaccine rollout in Indian Country. Part two looks at the challenges of vaccinating our region's urban Native population. Listen to an audio version of this story. On a Saturday morning, it's all hands on deck at Gallup Indian Medical Center.

Custodians are directing traffic. Dental and medical assistants are checking in patients. Inside a gymnasium, nurses, pharmacists and physical therapists are administering coronavirus vaccine doses to hundreds of eager patients. "Some of these people have been waiting in line for hours. I think the record today was 4 a.m.," says Dr. Jonathan Iralu, a top infectious disease specialist for the federal Indian Health Service and the incident commander for this event in Gallup, New Mexico. Unlike other segments of the U.S. healthcare system, Iralu says the IHS is very centralized. During the pandemic, that's been the agency's superpower. "We do primary care, we do hospital care, and we do public health.[Click here to read more](#)



[Eva La Rue](#)

### **Nevada History through Pictures, Collections and Personal Stories**

So, since I have physically shown these petroglyphs to the BLM last year and heard nothing since, I am going to start posting them here. These are very very close to Goldfield. First photo is from the La Rue Site #4

These are special and rare sites. They are special sites for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and for all people as part of the Heritage of this region. Whether through ignorance or malice — the result is irreparable damage to a unique site that connects us directly to the people of the



past."

[usatoday.com](https://www.usatoday.com)

['Irreplaceable' 1,000-year-old Native American rock carvings vandalized in Georgia's Chattahoochee National Forest](#)

[Over a hundred rock carvings, or petroglyphs, in the forest's Track Rock Gap were created by Creek and Cherokee people more than 1,000 years ago.](#)

## Meet Captain StarEagle: Space Force Swears In 1st Female Native American Intel Officer



*U.S. Space Force Capt Haida StarEagle becomes emotional as her father Chief Samuel Little Fox, shaman of the Matinecock Tribe and all 13 tribes on Long Island, pins on her new occupational badge during her induction to the United States Space Force at Joint Base Langley-Eustis, Virginia, March 12, 2021. (U.S. Air Force/Staff Sgt. Chandler Baker)*

<https://www.military.com/daily-news/2021/04/01/meet-captain-stareagle-space-force-swears-1st-female-native-american-intel-officer.html?fbclid=IwAR18vZ-gTD7aXV26R5w1RCjVd5mVsXZVA-Mp6hT0BqTpeUztm66O1eYae4Y>

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## Sen. Rosen Meets Tribal Leaders on Rescue Plan Relief April 8, 2021

[https://nevada-today.com/sen-rosen-meets-tribal-leaders-on-rescue-plan-relief/?utm\\_source=newsletter-478+&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=Daily+update+](https://nevada-today.com/sen-rosen-meets-tribal-leaders-on-rescue-plan-relief/?utm_source=newsletter-478+&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Daily+update+)

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***A North Dakota bill requiring curriculum to be taught on Native American history for K-12 students passed in the State house on Tuesday ... continue reading [Inyan HuYamni](#)***

## Wamakaskan

*Wamakaskan is often mistranslated as “animals.” The word means “living beings of the earth,” and it includes the ikce wicasa oyate, the Human Nation. Oyate, “nation,” doesn’t have political implications like English “nation.” It refers to beings that are alike: they have a spirit, a life, a mind, and a language, in the same way as the ikce wicasa. “Animal” is a poor translation because it distinguishes between humans and the rest of Creation. It creates a hierarchy, an assumption that contradicts the Lakota belief system. In Lakota, we are related to all Creation. We are all part of the wamakaskan oyate. Consequently we are all equally important. If anything, I, as a man, must practice humility toward the rest of Creation.* **Albert White Hat**

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## 'Drive, determination and desire': How Browning's Robert Doore became a high-ranking NFL executive

<https://www.montanaspports.com/more-sports/drive-determination-and-desire-brownings-robert-doore-became-high-ranking-nfl-executive?fbclid=IwAR0YKqDmEaknbSyNsGWhMbJcTT-Vo4U4OM4M8QIzWN2maZolYv7DFK0m3ys>

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## Investment is a lifeline for tribes devastated by COVID

By [Briana Bierschbach](#) Star Tribune

April 5, 2021 — 3:47pm

One year ago, as COVID-19 began to spread across Minnesota, Red Lake Tribal Chairman Darrell Seki Sr. decided to close off the borders of the northern reservation "to keep the virus away as long as possible."

Customers, and millions in revenue, dropped off in their stores and casinos. Yet, the virus still crept in, infecting one person on the reservation in May and eventually hundreds more. The northern tribe had to dip into reserves to provide basic services.

Now, a package of more than \$31 billion for the nation's tribes and urban Indigenous communities through the [Biden administration's American Rescue Plan](#) — the largest single infusion of aid for tribes in U.S. history — aims to help them recover from the devastating toll of the global health crisis. It's a critical lifeline for Indigenous Americans, who have been hospitalized with COVID-19 at nearly four times the rate of white Americans, and died at nearly twice the rate.

But the aid also promises transformative change for tribes as the pandemic recedes, with resources to close longstanding gaps in housing and mental health services, improve water infrastructure and bolster tribal schools and colleges. Native leaders in Minnesota say it's a powerful symbol of trust after centuries of broken promises from the federal government.

"It's super exciting, it is long overdue and I am cautiously optimistic that we are entering a new chapter in how tribes and the government work together," said Lt. Gov. Peggy Flanagan, a member of the White Earth Band of Ojibwe who [lost her brother to COVID-19](#). "Trying to repair the damage that's been done since 1492 is a tall order. Thirty-two billion dollars is a significant down payment, and there is more work to be done."



The pandemic laid bare longstanding economic and health inequities afflicting Minnesota's tribal communities, leaving them especially vulnerable to the virus. High rates of health conditions such as diabetes and a chronically underfunded health care system put them at higher risk of severe complications from COVID-19.

Quick action in Minnesota to close down tribal operations like casinos spared the state's tribes the level of devastation seen in the southwestern Navajo Nation, which has had more than 30,000 confirmed cases and more than 1,200 deaths.

But that lost revenue has been another setback for tribes accustomed to centuries of them, said Melanie Benjamin, chief executive of the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe in central Minnesota.

The tribe closed its businesses last March, before the state issued its stay-at-home order. Employees were furloughed after a month, even as leaders were finding ways to deliver meals and groceries to elders to keep them inside and safe from the virus.

"You look at all of the different issues on the reservation, we are behind in many, many areas. We are behind in infrastructure, education, health care, all of these things," Benjamin said. "The pandemic just made things so much worse."

Congress allocated \$8 billion to tribal governments last March as part of the \$2.2 trillion CARES Act, but that funding could only cover COVID-related expenses. The funds in the new stimulus package can be used to backfill revenue lost by shutting down businesses, including \$1 billion equally distributed among all tribal governments. Another \$19 billion will be distributed to tribes based on a formula being developed by the U.S. Treasury.

The federal package pumps an additional \$6 billion into tribal health care services, \$1.1 billion for Native classrooms and \$1.2 billion for housing, including \$13.1 million in block grants coming to Minnesota. It earmarks health care services for Indigenous residents who live off rural reservations in urban areas, where they have a harder time tapping into resources from the tribes. In Minnesota, nearly 40% of the Native American population lives in the seven-county metro area.

The plan includes \$19 million for domestic violence response and \$20 million to try and mitigate the loss of the oral language traditions that were held by elders, many of whom were lost to the virus.

"These elders are the libraries, dictionaries, the cultural connection for communities, the repository for culture and language," said Minnesota U.S. Sen. Tina Smith, who worked on the package as a member of the Senate's Committee on Indian Affairs. "As those elders have been lost in the pandemic, it's not just their family's loss, it's the whole communities' loss because of that connection to culture and language."

Things are starting to turn around day-to-day in the tribes' fight against the virus. Many tribes are vaccinating members at a higher rate than the state of Minnesota. That will only accelerate with the new stimulus funding, said Gary Frazer, executive director of the Minnesota Chippewa Tribe.

"That's such a huge deal to protect people," said Frazer, who had COVID-19. "I have a brother in-law who has been basically on his deathbed for 100 days."

The Red Lake reservation has since reopened its borders and has already vaccinated roughly half of its members, pacing well ahead of the state. Seki, the tribal chairman, said he's relieved that funding is coming soon, not just to build back from the toll of the last year but to steel

themselves with better infrastructure, broadband and health care systems for when something like this happens again.

"There is so much good to be said about the American Rescue Plan," Seki said. "But we have much work to do, and we must plan carefully and build for the future, because we are not likely to see such an investment again."

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### Scholarships (L-O) with May 1-15 Deadlines

<a href="#">Legal Opportunity Scholarship Fund</a>	\$5,000	05/01/2021
<a href="#">LexisNexis John R. Johnson Memorial Scholarship</a>	Varies	05/14/2021
<a href="#">Lisa Michelle Memorial Fund</a>	\$1,000	05/31/2021
<a href="#">Los Angeles Hispanic PR Association Scholarship</a>	\$2,000	05/10/2021
<a href="#">Marcia Quick Gard Theatre Arts Scholarship</a>	\$1,000	05/15/2021
<a href="#">Massachusetts Public Service Grant Program</a>	Varies	05/01/2021
<a href="#">Matthews and Swift Educational Trust Scholarships</a>	\$25,000	05/04/2021
<a href="#">Media Alliance of Houston Scholarship</a>	\$2,000	05/07/2021
<a href="#">Michigan Nurses Foundation Scholarships</a>	\$1,000	05/01/2021
<a href="#">Michigan Retailers Association Scholarships</a>	\$1,500	05/15/2021
<a href="#">Mike Rowe Work Ethic Scholarship</a>	Varies	05/01/2021
<a href="#">Milton Fisher Scholarship for Innovation and Creativity</a>	\$20,000	05/03/2021
<a href="#">Minnesota Association of Townships (MAT) Scholarship</a>	\$2,000	05/01/2021
<a href="#">Montana Life Members Scholarship</a>	\$1,000	05/01/2021
<a href="#">Montgomery County Scholarship</a>	Varies	05/03/2021
<a href="#">National Greenhouse Manufacturers Association (NGMA) Scholarship</a>	\$4,000	05/01/2021
<a href="#">NBCFAE National Scholarship</a>	\$1,500	05/15/2021
<a href="#">NCAIED American Indian Business Scholarship Program</a>	\$3,000	05/15/2021
<a href="#">NCTA/AWMF Scholarship</a>	\$5,000	05/01/2021
<a href="#">Next Young Leaders Program</a>	\$20,000	05/15/2021
<a href="#">NHSC Scholarship Program</a>	Varies	05/15/2021
<a href="#">NJABBP Scholarship</a>	Varies	05/01/2021
<a href="#">NJACD Memorial Conservation Scholarship</a>	\$1,000	05/01/2021
<a href="#">Nola Cook Scholarship</a>	\$750	05/01/2021
<a href="#">NOPHNRCSE Scholarship</a>	Varies	05/01/2021

<a href="#">OCA-UPS Gold Mountain Scholarship</a>	\$2,000	05/01/2021
<a href="#">Ohio News Media Foundation Minority Scholarship</a>	\$1,250	05/15/2021

## Tribal Employment Opportunities

as part of the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization,  
Naval Air Station Fallon, Nevada.

Far Western Anthropological Research Group, Inc., under contract with Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Southwest Division is preparing to complete archaeological reconnaissance survey, an ethnographic study, and 16 Traditional Cultural Property evaluations within the proposed Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization areas for Naval Air Station Fallon surrounding Fallon, Nevada.

Far Western is offering multiple positions under two job titles:

- Tribal Technicians
- Ethnographic Consultants

Fieldwork is scheduled to begin late Summer/early Fall,  
Far Western is beginning the hiring now.

We look forward to working with you and  
discussing these opportunities further.

**The primary contact for all tribal hiring is  
Ashley Parker, Tribal Hiring Coordinator  
(206) 459-1370  
[ashley@farwestern.com](mailto:ashley@farwestern.com)**

Far Western Anthropological Research Group, Inc.



### **Elveda Martinez**

We need Walker River Paiutes to apply for the Tribal Technician jobs; will require walking 8-10 miles a day. They will train you on how to be a Cultural Resource Monitor.