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HUD Awards More Than \$90 Million for Affordable Housing in Tribal Communities

24 Tribes receive funds that will support the construction of approximately 350 new housing units. https://www.hud.gov/press/press_releases_media_advisories/HUD_No_21_058

Indian Housing Block Grant – American Rescue Plan Implementation Notice

On March 11, 2021, the President signed the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP) (Public Law 117-2), which provided additional funding to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. ARP included \$450 million for the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) program, which will be referred to as IHBG-ARP. Funds were allocated based on FY 2021 IHBG formula allocations before repayments and grant adjustments.

Today, HUD published the [IHBG-ARP Implementation Notice](#), which provides instructions on how to apply for IHBG-ARP funding. The program requirements for IHBG-ARP are the same as those for the IHBG-CARES program. If you would like a refresher, you can find the training slides and materials posted [here](#).

For those unfamiliar with the IHBG-CARES program, or for those interested in an overview of IHBG-ARP, ONAP will host a training session to review the Implementation Notice, Waivers, completion of the Abbreviated Indian Housing Plan (IHP) form, and eligible activities on April 27, 2021, from 1:00 – 4:00 pm EDT. Call in details are below and will also be posted on CodeTalk.

Step 1: Dial into the training session (you may join it 10 minutes prior).

Dial-in: 888-251-2949 or 215-861-0694

Access Code: 8113393#

Step 2: Join the training session on your computer.

Entry Link: <https://ems8.intellor.com/login/838324>

ONAP is working to allocate this funding as quickly as possible, so that you can continue to focus on the safety of your families and community.

Thank you for your continued partnership and collaboration in serving Indian Country

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The California Natural Resources Agency is announcing nine virtual regional workshops as part of an ongoing effort to advance Governor Gavin Newsom's goals to protect 30% of the State's land and coastal waters by 2030 and enlist California's vast network of natural and working lands in the fight against climate change.

America Does Have an "Original Sin": A Response to James Goodman

by Joshua Ward Jeffery

"Original Sin" is a fit metaphor for longstanding inequities in American society, but it's important to understand that the original sin is settler colonialism and the seizure of indigenous land, which American civic religion has been all too willing to accommodate.

Our Greatest Libraries are Melting Away

by David Farrier

Ice core samples from the Greenland shelf are a physical archive of the long sweep of human history, and demonstrate the connections of humanity's past and future.

“Transparency is all about letting in and embracing new ideas, new technology and new approaches. No individual, entity or agency, no matter how smart, how old, or how experienced, can afford to stop learning.” -- [Gina McCarthy](#)



The dreamy Artists Drive is the most popular scenic drive in Death Valley. Terence Mendoza

You're organizing a dinner party. Which three California figures, dead or alive, do you invite, and why?

How would you get the conversation started?
First, I'd invite the secretary of the California Natural Resources Agency, Wade Crowfoot. He is a terrific guy who knows so much about the potential for California to lead in the healing of our planet through the protection and stewardship of our forests. And because he is in a position to bring that potential into a reality, I have two incredible historic Californians to help him to shape that environmental legacy for our state. Dr. Aurelia Reinhardt, a president of Mills College in the early 1900s, was elected as a founding board member of East Bay Regional Parks District and was a lifelong member of Save the Redwoods League who brought her advocacy for marginalized community members in her hometown of Oakland to bear in her vision for redwood conservation. Then I would invite **Ah-da-dil-law, a.k.a. George Burt**, a Mattole/Sinkyone man, believed to have been born in 1846 in what is now known as Humboldt Redwoods State Park, where he lived from the 1890s to the 1920s in the decades before it became a park. He was long recognized for his extensive knowledge of Sinkyone geography and customs and spoke an Athabascan language. These uniquely Californian individuals could offer a perspective about what our redwood forest once was, and how with care and respect for nature, we can help to heal it, and in turn, heal ourselves.

Extract from "5 questions with ..." a weekly feature by Finn Cohen, who edits the California Sun. This was an April 12 interview with ... **Sam Hodder**, the president and CEO of Save the Redwoods League, a nonprofit based in San Francisco dedicated to preserving California's redwood forests.

Conversations are sometimes edited for brevity. Someone you'd like to see interviewed? Let him know: finn@californiasun.co.

[World Heritage Day: visit historic sites from home](#)



[Carl Begay](#)

Some of you grew up in an alcoholic family, so you were not told the secrets of the Warrior. Some of you grew up in foster care, so you were not told of your assignment. Some of you grew up on the streets, and no one there had the knowledge to tell you. Some of you grew up knowing physical abuse, and violence. You are carrying around with you unbelievable hurt. Some of you grew up being very verbally abused, so now you think you are worth nothing. Some of you were adopted-out to white people, so you dont know who you are. Some of you were bounced around from relative to relative. Now you think you dont belong anywhere. Some of you have tried to take your own life because of feelings of hopelessness. Some of you think it is good to be sent to prison. You think this makes you a man or a woman. Some of you think you are not worthy of receiving a good education -but you are! Some of you were raised by good, caring people, but still did not learn how to find purpose in life. And some of you made poor choices and kept making poor choices because you had no one there to guide you. When the Creator created the Universe, it was with a purpose. When he created the Mother Earth, he created it with a purpose. When he created creation, every part of creation was created with a purpose. All of these purposes are guided by a set of principles, laws and values. These principles, laws and values are hidden inside of every human being. How you find them, is to look inside yourself. Your blueprint of why you were born, what you are to become, and the character you need to develop to express your purpose is written inside of you. Inside of every human being is the innate knowledge of its own wellbeing. The bee has a purpose... The flower has a purpose.... The salmon has a purpose... The plants each have a specific purpose.... The wind has a purpose... The rain has a purpose... The Clan has a purpose... The Ceremonies have a purpose... The Song has a purpose... Patience has a purpose... Being respectful has a purpose... Being a giving person has a purpose... Purpose has a purpose... YOU have a purpose too. YOU HAVE A PURPOSE!!!! YOUR BIRTH WAS NOT AN ACCIDENT!!!!

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Meet Kutoven Stevens, the One-Person Cross-Country Team in Nevada

He maintained a 4.0 GPA, worked four shifts weekly at a grocery store, and won every meet he raced in this year. By Andrew Dawson Apr 9, 2021

Courtesy of Misty Stevens

This winter, the Yerington High School (Nevada) cross-country team had five meets. At each event, the team posted up near the start line with just a single backpack, and when the race went off, a cheering section of just one mom and dad waited until the team came across the line.

You've figured out the catch—the Yerington cross-country team consisted of only one runner: Kutoven (pronounced COO-tuh-ven) Stevens. And Stevens is fast—so fast, in fact, that he won each of those five meets that he competed in, including a win at the 2021 [NIAA Northern 2A/1A Region Championships](#) on Saturday, April 3. He covered the 5K distance in 18:04, beating the second-place runner by 37 seconds.

https://www.runnersworld.com/runners-stories/a36066354/kutoven-stevens-cross-country-yerington-nevada/?fbclid=IwAR2EKahnTKrbzVpsfjrNo_NfSPNA_6RMbkbTdjw2myYzlASwiwzcU-fiqGQ



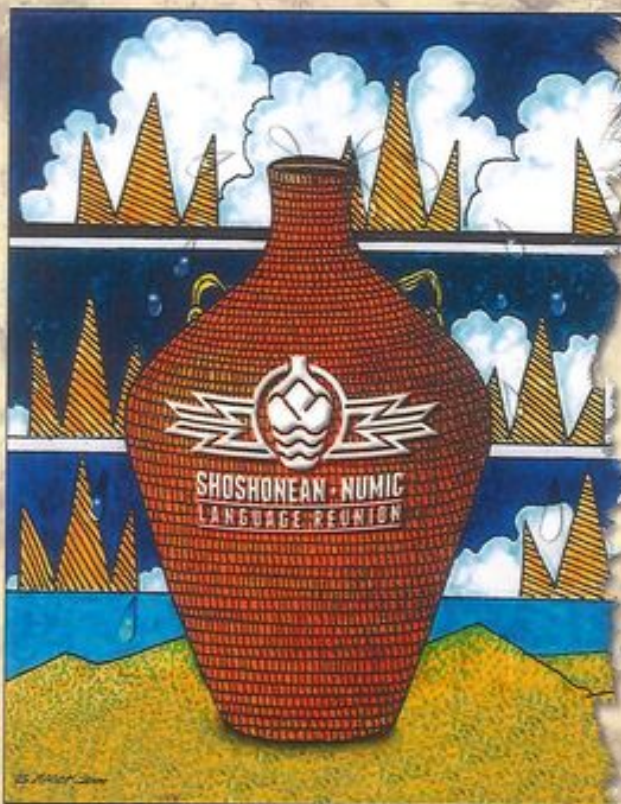
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The Sierra Nevada Ally <https://sierranevadaally.org>
You'll find great coverage of Native American issues.

The Sierra Nevada Ally is a 501(c)3 nonprofit corporation based in Reno, NV.
Board of Directors includes Amber Torres (WRPT Chair)

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First Nations and conservationists are warning that Pacific herring populations are "collapsing" off Canada's western coast, and are appealing for a moratorium on commercial fishing until the critical species can rebuild. A recent report by Pacific Wild concludes that the Pacific herring fishery is unsustainable and warns that if the government continues to allow fishing at the current level, "herring along Canada's west coast will teeter on the edge of complete collapse". The small, oily fish are a key food source for various species along the coast including Chinook salmon, which are in turn the main food source for endangered southern resident killer whales. First Nations said in a statement that for the third year in a row, community members will need to purchase herring roe from other nations instead of harvesting it themselves, out of concern for dwindling herring numbers.

Read more in "The Guardian"

CosmosUp Mount Everest is covered in waste, including 26,500 lbs of human excrement. The Nepalese government now requires climbers to pack 8kg of waste when descending the mountain

A Week-Long Celebration of Earth Day

Join the Harvard Museum of Natural History in celebrating Earth Day with engaging sustainability-themed virtual events and activities for all ages. Join the conversation as Harvard students and experts weigh in on our most pressing environmental challenges, on cutting-edge research, and on promising paths to a more sustainable future. Introduce young minds to environmental science with our live museum animals and HMSC Story Time. Find out how to reconnect with nature and record the biodiversity in your local area. Or, simply indulge in our staff recommendations for environmental books, documentaries, and online resources.

<https://hmsc.harvard.edu/event/week-long-celebration-earth-day>

ACTION ALERT: Phone Bank for Mine Tax Reform!

Every Thursday from 2pm to 5pm

We wanted to invite you to join phone banking efforts to support mine tax reform, which **will be held every Thursday from 2 to 5pm** by Progressive Leadership Alliance of Nevada (PLAN).

As we near the end of the legislative session, it's important to make sure legislators hear from Nevadans about prioritizing people over profit and supporting reforming mine taxes. As a part of this effort, PLAN set up weekly phone banks every Thursday to call fellow Nevadans and ensure our voices are heard.

No phone banking experience is necessary, and they will provide a training at the start of the event!

Register Here for the zoom link to the event: <https://www.mobilize.us/planevada/event/382643/>

If you haven't already, you can use this link to share your opinion on AJR1** as a great way to support! bit.ly/opinionshare

Thank you so much for your dedication and time in these efforts!

If you have any questions, feel free to email Ian at ibigley@planevada.org

Nevada poets: apply by April 23 for Nevada poet laureate position

CARSON CITY, Nevada — The Nevada Arts Council is accepting applications for the role of poet laureate, whose mission is to propagate the art of poetry and encourage literacy, through April 23. The agency will submit applications of qualified individuals to the Governor's office for final review and appointment. The Nevada poet laureate will serve a two-year term, from May 2021 to May 2023, and receive a \$5,000 Artists Project Grant each year.

"Poetry enhances and provides context to our humanity, and the Nevada poet laureate will help expand the art form throughout the state," Nevada Arts Council Executive Director Tony Manfredi said. "We encourage Nevada poets to apply."

Applicants will have to commit to a public outreach project and have a strong body of work, among other requirements. The application process also includes submitting three letters of recommendation, responding to narrative questions and providing supporting documentation. For the full guidelines, which include a link to the online application form, click [here](#). Questions may be emailed to Stephen Reid, Nevada Arts Council artist services specialist, at sreid@nevadaculture.org.

newyorker.com

How New York Was Named

For centuries, settlers pushed Natives off the land. But they continued to use indigenous language to name, describe, and anoint the world around them.

Today's selection from DelanceyPlace -- from *The Language of Butterflies* by Wendy Williams. Darwin never expected to see that the changes brought by evolution would be observable during his life, but as the controversy surrounding his *Origin of Species* raged around him, the changes in butterflies came to his rescue:

"In a review of *Origin*, the devoutly religious entomologist Thomas Vernon Wollaston claimed that all species were immutable and created by God. The existence of butterflies, he wrote, proved Darwin wrong: 'We cannot conceive that such marvelous perfection of painting as, for instance, the tints of certain butterflies (which are blended together with such nicety and consummate skill, in accordance with the laws of colouring, as to surpass an artist's touch) could have been brought about through mere correlation with a change in some other part of the organism....'

"This would not turn out well for Wollaston.

"Far from being immutable, butterflies were about to become a prime example of evolutionary theory. Darwin was deeply disturbed by Wollaston's hostility. They had discussed the issues collegially several times, and he took his colleague's butterfly-based attacks personally. Darwin was a quiet nonbeliever, more than willing to respect others' religious beliefs. Although *Origins* was far more revolutionary than *Das Kapital*, Darwin, unlike Marx, was not by nature a revolutionary.

"He just enjoyed thinking things through to their logical conclusion.

"As the controversy raged, younger scientists like the volatile Thomas Henry Huxley, a pugnacious man who described himself as Darwin's 'bulldog,' spoke up for Darwin, but Darwin himself took refuge ... [and] the controversy ... strengthened to gale force.

"Then Henry Walter Bates and his butterflies came to the rescue.

"In March 1861, Bates wrote to Darwin that he had found evidence that some butterfly species change their wing colors to mimic the wing colors of other butterflies. This, Bates suggested, helped them avoid being eaten. 'I have an immense number of facts on this subject,' Bates wrote in closing. 'Some of these resemblances are perfectly staggering, -- to me they are a source of constant wonder & thrilling delight.'

"*Facts!* Darwin's eyes likely lit up. Just what he needed. Had he been part of the Victorian butterfly-collecting crowd, he might have seen the truth about butterflies. Since he hadn't been interested, Bates had to point out the facts for him. Bates had found in the Western Hemisphere a group of butterflies that, in Darwin's words, wore 'deceptive dress.' Bates himself called this group 'counterfeits.'

"Essentially, these butterflies were scam artists. They pretended to be what they were not. During his eleven years in South America, Bates had kept in-depth records of everything he saw, including the Lepidoptera. He noticed that he often saw large numbers of particular types of butterflies flying together. He also noticed that there seemed to be another species that looked similar flying along with the larger group. The second, less common species was, oddly, colored quite like the majority species.

"The majority species turned out to be unpalatable. A predator who took a bite would either regurgitate the meal or actually die. The minority species observed by Bates, however, was highly palatable. Yet predators avoided the minority species just as though it were, like the majority species, inedible. In other words, the minority species was faking it. It was surviving by blending in with the badass majority species."

Title: *The Language of Butterflies: How Thieves, Hoarders, Scientists, and Other Obsessives Unlocked the Secrets of the World's Favorite Insect*

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