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The [Biodiversity Heritage Library](#) (BHL), headquartered at the Smithsonian, works with libraries around the world specializing in natural history, botany, animal sciences, and related topics.

Together, this consortium is addressing a lack of accessibility to biodiversity literature by digitizing the materials in their collections and making them freely available online. The BHL portal provides open access to hundreds of thousands of volumes, comprising over 59 million pages, from the 15th-21st centuries

Why does it matter?
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How can I learn more?

- The [BHL search portal](#) lets you explore over 59 million of pages of key biodiversity literature at no cost. Dig in by year, subject, author, and more!
- You can also discover fabulous natural history images from [BHL's collection on Flickr](#). Over 250,000 images have been curated by book, subject, and contributor. These images have been viewed nearly 1 billion times! There's no telling what you might find while scrolling.
- The [BHL blog](#) is a great way to learn about how scientists, artists, and educators use the library — and to see highlights from amazing natural history collections from around the world.

How can I help?

The Biodiversity Heritage Library is always looking for volunteers to help enhance the data in its collections! Right now, BHL needs help [tagging the treasure trove of images uploaded to Flickr](#). You can also play a role in making written materials accessible to researchers by [becoming a transcription volunteer](#)

Judge Gives Biden Administration 2nd Chance to Offer Dakota Access Pipeline Opinion

Dave Kolpack, Associated Press

Kolpack writes: "A federal judge faced with a motion on whether the Dakota Access oil pipeline north of the Standing Rock Indian Reservation should be shut down during an environmental review is giving the Biden administration another chance to weigh in on the issue."

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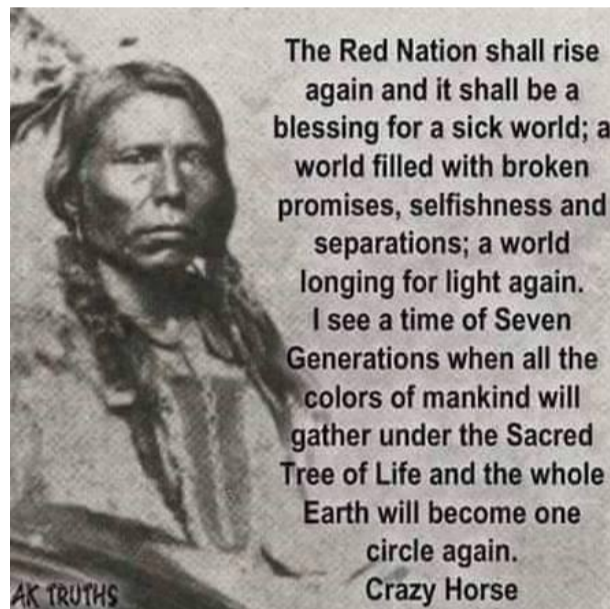
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The Red Nation shall rise again and it shall be a blessing for a sick world; a world filled with broken promises, selfishness and separations; a world longing for light again. I see a time of Seven Generations when all the colors of mankind will gather under the Sacred Tree of Life and the whole Earth will become one circle again.
Crazy Horse

INVITATION!!!!

All Oklahoma Native American Tribes are invited to attend the first ever **International Indian Relay Horse Racing and Festival** to be held in Ok. This Event May 27th thru May 31st is bringing this Extreme Sport of Indian Relay, Teams from All Nations from The US and Canada to Osage County Fairgrounds Pawhuska Ok. this is a great opportunity for Ok. Tribes to get back to their Horse culture, come out visit with the Top Teams and Trainers. Lets get our Oklahoma Tribes involved and compete. Open to the public to come and enjoy the races daily and visit all of the Native American Vendors, displaying their Art, Crafts, and Food, join the festivities. To reserve box seats, tickets, camping spots or vendor space, contact Sue at 405.245.0730. To enter a Tribal Team contact 918.338.9440



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The **summer** programs will be socially and academically specific for grade levels. Students can expect a 5.5 hour **school** day during the four weeks of **summer** ...

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All **courses** offered by The Extended Studies Office are only available to students ... the **summer** are eligible to participate in the **Summer** graduation ceremony.

Oral history interview (2 of 3) with Ethel O'Neil and Mabel Wright Paulina, side B

Personal Name(s)

O'Neil, Ethel

Wright, Mabel Paulina

Wheat, Margaret M.

Margaret Wheat

University of Nevada, Reno

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Topical Subject(s)

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[Paiute women](#)

[Indians of North America -- Nevada](#)

[Indians of North America -- Great Basin](#)

[Cooking \(Pine nuts\)](#)

[Cooking \(Venison\)](#)

[Paiute Indians -- Food](#)

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Doomed a Sprawling City Near St. Louis 1,000 Years Ago?

New research shows little evidence that the civilization centered around Cahokia in the Mississippi valley caused its own demise by environmental mismanagement, indicating that perhaps "stories of great civilizations seemingly laid low by ecological hubris may say more about our current anxieties and assumptions than the archaeological record.

How the U.S. Postal Service Forever Changed the West

Cameron Blevins's new book documents the role of the postal service in enabling the westward expansion of the United States and the conquest of Native American peoples





Coloring the New England Forests

These coloring pages are just a selection of the scenes depicted in the *New England Forests* exhibition in the Zofnass Family Gallery at the Harvard Museum of Natural History. This exhibition explores the natural history and ecology of our regional forests, their responses to human activity, and their environmental significance. Visitors are invited to explore the ecology of woodland caribou, wolves, and other wildlife of New England; learn about lichen cities that cling to rocks; and discover the circle of life within and around a forest pond, from tiny aquatic insects to giant moose.

Scholarships (T-W_ with May 15-31 Deadlines

The Barbara C. Littlefield Vocal Scholarship	\$2,000	05/16/2021
The Charles B Staats Memorial Scholarship	\$2,200	05/25/2021
The Emily K. Rand Instrumental Scholarship	\$2,000	05/16/2021
The Graydon & Myrth Fox Scholarship	\$5,000	05/27/2021
The Higher Foundation Scholarship	\$1,000	05/16/2021
The Lawrence "Uncle Bo" Campos Scholarship Fund	\$1,000	05/29/2021
The Leon Bradley Scholarship	\$3,500	05/31/2021
The Lily Pabilona Emerging Entrepreneur Award	\$5,000	05/31/2021
The Louise Tumarkin Zazove Foundation Scholarship	Varies	05/26/2021
UNCF Parkview Health Corporate Scholars Internship Program	Varies	05/23/2021
United Contractors Scholarship Awards Program	Varies	05/07/2021
USGIF Scholarship Program	\$5,000	05/15/2021
Victor Agnoni Visual Arts Foundation - VAVAF LGBT Arts Scholarship	Varies	05/31/2021
VMDAEC Educational Foundation Scholarship	\$1,000	05/31/2021
VSA Emerging Young Artists Program	\$20,000	05/20/2021
William J. Schulz Memorial Essay Contest for College-Bound High School Seniors	\$3,500	05/31/2021
Winemaking Scholarship	Varies	05/31/2021
Women's Metropolitan Golf Association Foundation	Varies	05/23/2021

Earthly Mission

The San Francisco Garter Snake has been labeled the most beautiful snake in the U.S. It has been on the endangered list since 1967, and scientists estimate only 1,000 to 2,000 remain.



From UNR:

The Department of Anthropology's work on indigenous social justice also can't go unnoticed. Associate Professor Sarah Cowie and doctoral student Diane Teeman recently published "[Collaborative Archaeology at Stewart Indian School](#)." The book documents the archaeology and history of a local boarding school for American Indian children. Cowie and Teeman's research highlight the spirit of children in light of government attempts to integrate Native populations at the turn of the 20th century. The authors point out how governmentality enabled decisions on the management of historical populations and social wealth.

How to Decorate with Books

<https://www.hometalk.com/44400281/make-a-big-impact-on-a-budget-painted-book-wall>

From DelanceyPlace.com

Today's selection -- from *River of Darkness* by Buddy Levy. After it discovered the New World, Spain was torn between its pursuit of wealth and the morality of its treatment of Native Americans:

"[Soon came] the imposition, begun on November 20, 1542 of the so-called New Laws, signed by Charles I of Spain as the revised code of colonial government. These New Laws, spurred by the writings of Fray Bartolome de Las Casas, would have a direct impact on all *encomienda* holders in the New World, including Gonzalo Pizarro.

"Las Casas, who arrived in Hispaniola in 1502 and would come to be referred to as 'the Apostle of the Indians,' was a Spanish priest (the first, in fact, to be ordained in the New World) and writer who lived and traveled throughout the West Indies during its initial conquest. Witnessing the atrocities perpetrated on the indigenous people and believing that they could be converted by more peaceful and humanitarian means, he became an ardent defender of their rights and improved treatment. By 1542 he had been back to Spain a half-dozen times, reporting to the crown on the situation in the Indies, and because of his standing and reputation, he had garnered a great deal of respect from and influence on the king.

"The New Laws that Las Casas urged were drastic, even radical, and among those holding *encomiendas* (like Gonzalo Pizarro), the laws were as unpopular as they were initially unenforceable. The laws called for no further exploitation of native peoples, the release of slaves, and no 'branding of Indians under any pretext, as prisoners of war or otherwise.' The Indians -- on the islands as well as the mainland -- were declared subjects rather than vassals of the king, guaranteeing them the same

rights (on paper, anyway) as those held by their previous owners. And they went further: they outlawed the granting of any new *encomiendas* under any circumstances, and perhaps most important and progressive was the provision that settlers who could establish legal title to their *encomiendas* could retain them, but not transmit them by inheritance the title would revert to the crown upon the death of the original grantee, potentially leaving a landholder's family homeless, penniless, and without a workforce. The implications for colonists like Gonzalo Pizarro and many of his companions were profound. If carried out, the New Laws would completely eradicate the entire *encomienda* system and eliminate the Indian as a source of nearly free labor -- the very system on which much of the colonists' wealth relied.

"To attempt to enforce these New Laws, the king needed emissaries in Peru, and to spearhead this cause he settled on Viceroy Don Blasco Nunez Vela, a haughty, well-bred cavalier whose egocentric overzealousness would soon precipitate more years of bloody civil strife. He, along with four judges, sailed for Peru. Nunez Vela arrived in early March 1544, charged with enforcing the controversial New Laws to the letter.

"But by now, opposition among the Peruvian colonists had galvanized and become widespread, and it was Gonzalo Pizarro who came out of forced retirement at his mining properties near La Plata and assumed the mantle of leadership in the rebellion against these New Laws. He took the position, urged by some of his faithful men and other *encomenderos*, with proud defiance. He had, after all, more than a decade before won this land for Spain with his brothers on the fields of Cajamarca. He would not relinquish his spoils without a fight, and he would gather arms and men in their defense. He wrote to fellow military commanders who had agreed to take his side, reminding them '[Spain wishes] to enjoy what we sweated for, and with clean hands benefit from what we [have given] our blood to obtain. But now that they have revealed their intentions, I promise to show them ... that we are men who can defend their own.'

"Viceroy Vela, however, was equally headstrong, and no sooner had he arrived than he burst into bold, if rash, action. He immediately imprisoned Governor Vaca, whom he felt was not doing enough to quell resistance, placing him on a ship to await a formal *residencia*.

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[**Biden Administration Makes It Easier For Tribes To Reacquire Lands**](#)

[**Tuesday's actions "unwind the bureaucratic knot" that the Trump administration created in the process of placing lands into trust, one Interior official ...**](#)

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

['Trees are mighty and strong'](#)

[It's Spring! And after a long winter, folks are getting out and enjoying the weather. Arbor Day is April 30 this year. Henry Red Cloud, who is Oglala Lakota,](#)



[Benjamin Church's Entertaining History of King Philip's War \(1772\)](#)

The Boston Massacre was 249 years ago today. The British gunned down five people. This is taught in every classroom

By comparison, American soldiers murdered over 400 Shoshone men, women, and children during the Civil War at the Bear River Massacre. This is not taught at all



[Cassandra Henderson:](#)

In 1845, Captain Frémont was sent to survey the Great Basin and Alta California, a possession of Mexico. Upon arriving in California, Frémont and his men committed the **Sacramento River massacre and the Klamath Lake massacre after leaving it**

There is a marker in Sutter County, the inscription reads: In Commemoration of Major General John C. Fremont, U.S. Army and his expedition encamped in the Sutter Buttes in this vicinity May 30, 1848 to June 8, 1848

What does it mean to commemorate? to remind people of an important event or person from the past : to do something special in order to remember and honor an important event or person from the past.

Captain Fremont and his posse massacre a band of 200 unarmed Wintun Indians and the United States Army dedicates a memorial plaque in his honor?

[The Art Of The Rural ·](#)

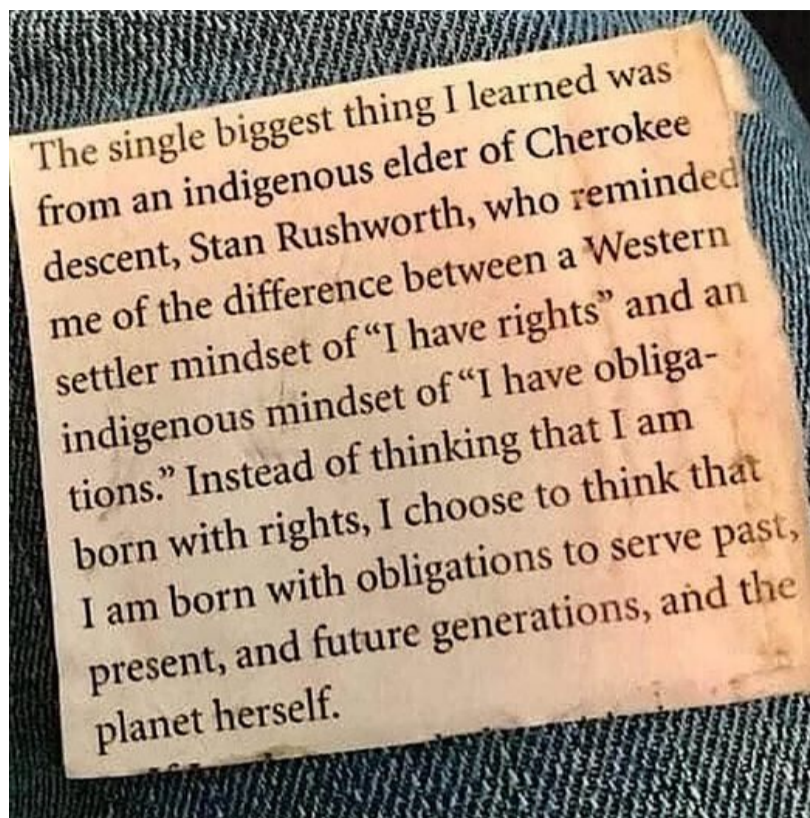
This year the

[Art & Rural Environments Field School + Archive](#)

is going remote, with a hybrid digital/place-based opportunity for students to engage in a process of creation, reflection, and exchange with an internationally recognized faculty of artists, writers, and culture-bearers while working on a project focused in their home communities.

An info session is offered this Thursday evening 4/26 at 7pm MST:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/.../art-rural-environments.....>



[Elveda Martinez](#)

I was just on a Tribal Energy "Planning for a Changing Climate" webinar, where one of the speakers was Nikki Cooley of the Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals (ITEP). I then saw that she wrote this on their April newsletter. Climate change is impacting tribes and native people everywhere, but no matter what "Water is Life" and water is important in our daily lives. Please don't waste water and continue to fight for clean water.

"Tó éí iiná. Mní Wičóni. Paatuwaqatsi. Water is Life.

There are many ways to say "Water is Life" and while reading this, I hope you can say it out loud in your own language. Living in the southwest and growing up on the Diné Bikéyah (Navajo land), I have been keenly aware of how precious water is. Growing up in a household that did not have running water and hauling water anywhere from 10-30 miles one way, makes you appreciate every drop.

Watering the crops and animals before you took your weekly outdoor bath was common enough to ensure you were always thinking about how long the rest of the water in the barrels would last. Have you ever taken two 4 gallon buckets outside in freezing weather so you can have water to wash your hands, dishes, drink and cook with? Or having to refill the buckets at least four times a day during the hot, dry summers? I'm sure some of you have. This is the reality of what not only my family goes through but countless families on the reservation where there is a serious lack of water infrastructure to provide basic needs for living: water. What separates my family from others is that we have the means and capacity. We are fortunate to say the least.

With climate change, we are all too familiar with how everything and everyone is heavily impacted. Of course, we know those who are financially well off feel the impact less if not at all. The same goes for those who live in developed areas where services such as emergency personnel and institutions, grocery stores, gas, etc., are readily available.

All the same, we are feeling the impending doom of water shortages but yet the world around us is set on building bigger and more. Where I live, bigger houses are being built and my children and I wonder, how many family members do they have? I ask myself, what about the elk, deer and other wildlife that are losing more and more of their environment that is increasingly being fragmented by development. It truly does make me worry for their future and I wonder what I could be doing more but feeling helpless at the same time. Especially when you read that the Colorado River reservoir faces record shortages...again. How can we feel hope when such depressing news faces us each day?

As an optimistic person by nature, I ask you to look to our relatives that are doing really good work. As my partner says to me when things get hard, just chip away at it. I put one foot in front of the other each day and look for hope. Let's all find hope in each of our days because we all have to keep going because our relatives need us to. Let's keep learning, educating and doing."

Nikki Cooley on behalf of The Climate Team



://citynaturechallenge.org

Jim Fagiolo

American Kestrel, the smallest member of the falcon family.....

Honoring Excellence, Electing New Members: New Members of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences

Historians are represented among the 2020 electees to the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

<https://historynewsnetwork.org/article/179995>

For the complete list of members elected in 2021, click [HERE](#).

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The Issues

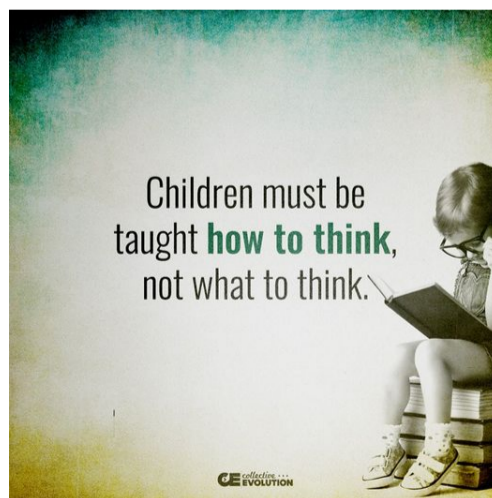
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Constitution requires that the president address Congress on the "state of the union," including a budget report and legislative proposals*. USAFacts analyzed decades of State of the Union addresses to find the most-covered issues; here are the numbers behind those popular topics.

This year's State of the Union is unique, both because of the new administration and because it is the first since the start of the coronavirus pandemic. The pandemic's full impact on the nation is not yet clear, both because it is ongoing and because not all 2020 data is available as of this publication. Some of its effects will be apparent in this report, and some will not. Still, these historical metrics provide perspective. Americans can use them to determine if the nation is on the right or wrong track for any given issue. Watch a [video from the USAFacts team](#) on how this 2021 edition came together.

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Association of Tribal Archives, Libraries, and Museums

NATIVE AMERICAN TEN COMMANDMENTS

1. THE EARTH IS OUR MOTHER, CARE FOR HER.
2. HONOR ALL YOUR RELATIONS.
3. OPEN YOUR HEART AND SOUL TO THE GREAT SPIRIT.
4. ALL LIFE IS SACRED, TREAT ALL BEINGS WITH RESPECT.
5. TAKE FROM THE EARTH WHAT IS NEEDED AND NOTHING MORE.
6. DO WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE FOR THE GOOD OF THE ALL.
7. GIVE CONSTANT THANKS TO THE GREAT SPIRIT FOR EACH NEW DAY.
8. SPEAK THE TRUTH: BUT ONLY OF THE GOOD IN OTHERS.
9. FOLLOW THE RHYTHMS OF NATURE: RISE AND RETIRE WITH THE SUN.
10. ENJOY LIFES JOURNEY BUT LEAVE NO TRACKS.