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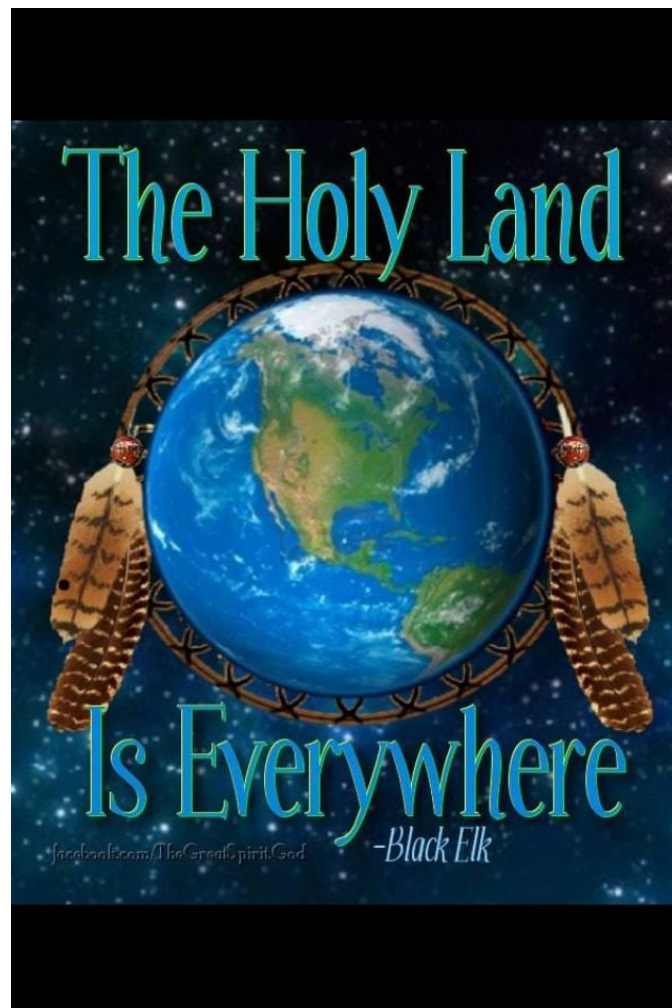
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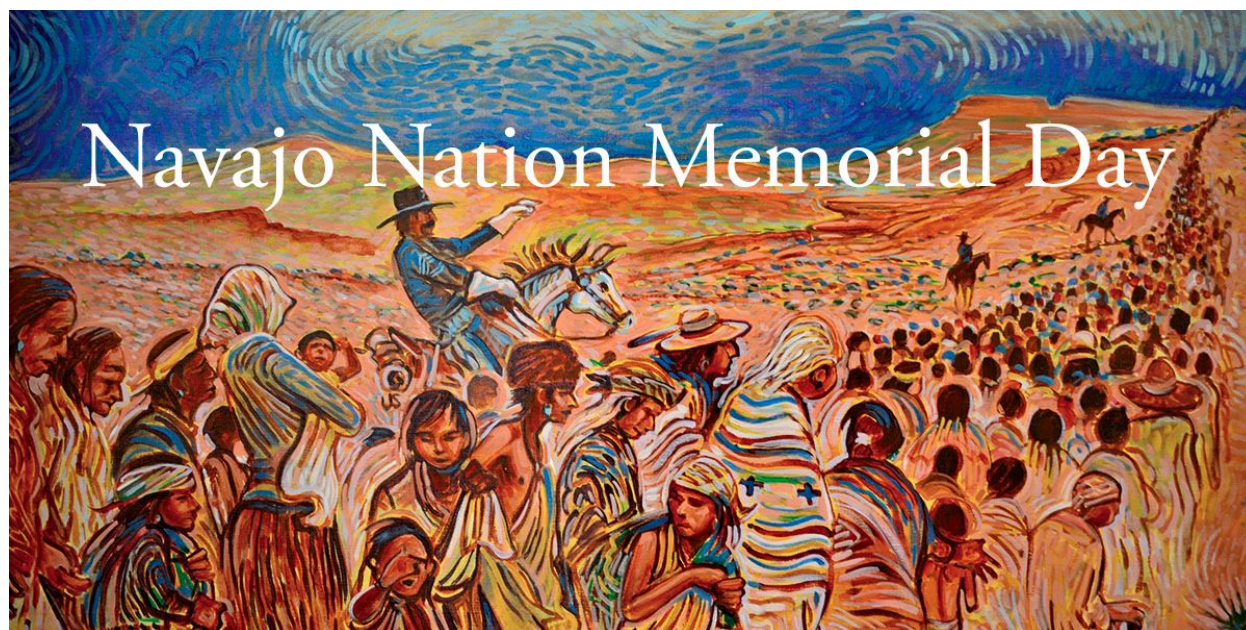
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[Southern Navajo Nation News ·](#)

Today is Navajo Nation Memorial Day, a day when we as Diné people honor and remember our Diné ancestors who fought, suffered and died during the 'time of great suffering' (1864-1868) at the hands of the United States government. It's estimated that between 2,000-4,000 Diné died between the years of 1864-1868, while another 10,000-11,000 Diné were held prisoners of war at Hweeldí, Fort Sumner, New Mexico Territory.

Navajo Nation Memorial Day was created in observance of the signing of the Treaty of 1868 between the Navajo people and the federal government. 153 years later, we remain strong and resilient thanks to the strength of those who endured the Long Walk and returned to our land between the Four Sacred Mountains, rebuilt our homes, revitalized our livestock and agriculture, and continued our way of life. Always remember that we are here today because of our Diné ancestors who suffered, endured, fought and died for us.

Tommorow, June 1, 2021 is Navajo Nation Treaty Day, the day we celebrate our Diné ancestors return home with the signing of the Treaty of 1868 or Naaltsoos Sání. [#TreatyWeek](#)

[#NaaltsoosSání](#) [#Treatyof1868](#) [#NeverForget](#) [#TahdiiKóóHoniidló](#)

[Marla McDade Williams](#)

Yay! Assembly Bill 262, the Native tuition bill sponsored by Assemblywoman Natha Anderson passed the Nevada State Senate a little bit ago with a unanimous vote. Thank you so much for taking this issue on. I have high hopes it will make a difference for Native students. Thank you to everyone who supported this meaningful bill. It's effective July 1, 2021!

[Elveda Martinez ·](#)

We did it. Native students have no reason not to go to school in Nevada. Thanks to our awesome team that kept at it, especially Marla McDade Williams . Thanks to Natha Anderson who was the main Assemblywoman pushing this bill; she's a teacher from Sparks. This makes my day.

Congratulations!

Stacey Montooth ·

Thanks to amazing teamwork, Nevada Legislature Assembly bill 262, sponsored by Natha Anderson, which calls for a tuition waiver / admission fee exemption for ALL Indigenous students from ALL our 27 Tribal Nations, Band, and Colonies at ALL Nevada colleges and universities, today unanimously passed the Senate. This potential law is on its way to Governor Sisolak's desk.

Because I work for the State of Nevada, I have to be very careful about my FB posts relating to my job. However, today's news is so HUGE, I'm busting!

Education is our silver bullet.

I'm so honored to head the Nevada Indian Commission. I lead the agency charged with improving the quality of life for the 70,000+ Native Americans in our state while just two generations ago, the federal government attempted to forcefully "remove everything Native" during my grandma's boarding school experience at the exact campus where I work everyday. I often say, my mere existence is proof of the federal government's failure. The work I do exactly contradicts our government's goal 80 years ago to "kill the Indian, save the man."

In light of the not so shocking recent news of the mass grave "discovered" at the residential school in Kamloops, Canada, I'll work even harder to fulfill the mission of the Nevada Indian Commission, and when laws like a tuition waiver are signed, the admiration I have for our ancestors will strengthen and my dreams for our youth will grow.



Jeff Gibbs added a new photo to the album: Haida Gwaii 2017.

"I am now 73 years old. I was at Indian residential school from age 11-15. I had to work in the infirmary, where there were many sick and hungry children. I'd steal food like peanut butter and bread to feed them. A lot of kids died there. I had to handle the dead children — wrapping them to be buried. Once I got caught speaking my native language. I wasn't aware my language was different. My punishment was having four fingernails pulled out. At residential school we all received numbers. I was known as #702. But my name is Sphenia. It's an Ojibwa name that means 'on my way'. For many years now I've worked as an advocate for abused children. I started a school for indigenous kids in Vancouver called Spirit Rising Cultural Survival School."

Here's another related story → <http://www.jeffreygibbs.org/.../hero-story-3-dr-ruby-dunstan>
[#HaidaGwaii](#) [#TrueStory](#) [#HumanRights](#) [#CulturalSurvival](#)



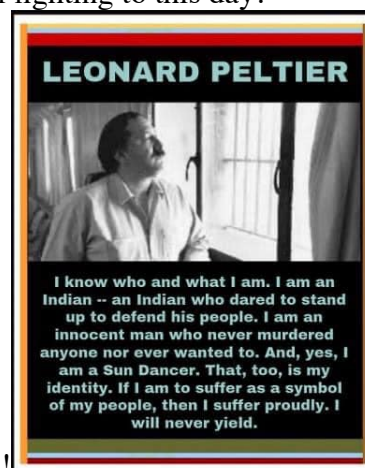
[Native Vines. Poster based in Canada](#)

[Neenie Beenie](#) ·

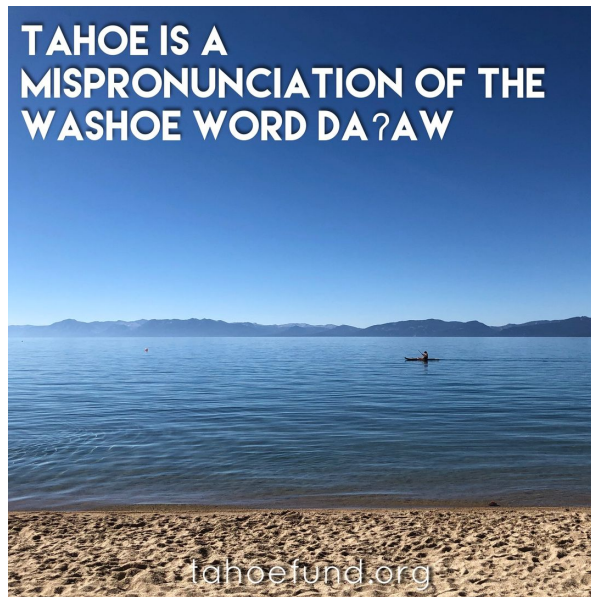
“An eagle decided to land at one of the two college football games played today. That eagle managed to find probably one of the only Natives sitting in the stands at the game.”

[Leonard Peltier Freedom Ride 2021](#)

On this memorial day we pay tribute to all of the Native Warriors who have fought this Indian war for over the last 500 years, with Leonard Peltier still fighting to this day!



May there be peace and healing for our First Nations!!!!



Tahoe Fund Lake Tahoe Fun Fact: The word Tahoe is a mispronunciation of the Washoe word Da?aw, which they used to refer to the Lake. The term Da?aw ?aga? translates to "edge of the lake," as the tribe enjoyed the warmer months on the shores of Tahoe. The Washoe tribe are the true Tahoe locals having inhabited Lake Tahoe for over 2,000 years!

The Kendyl Ruth Williams Depoal Memorial Fund awarded \$5,000 to Kate Smith Elementary School to purchase an Inchy Bookworm vending machine and plenty of books at different reading levels to fill it. Students who are recognized each month for their positive behavior are rewarded with a machine token. The vending machine tokens are a win-win for students and teachers. Using the vending machine is an exciting moment in the school day for both students and teachers. Students love choosing a book a brand-new book to add to their home bookshelf.

Caregiver Support Initiative co-hosts Effective Communication Strategies Class with Alzheimer's Association

Learning to communicate with a person who has dementia involves new skills and techniques. An online class in collaboration with the Alzheimer's Association offers verbal and behavioral communication and strategies to help you connect and communicate with individuals with dementia. Caregivers are encouraged to participate in this free online class,

Effective Communication Strategies, Friday, June 4, from 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

The class is offered virtually. **Register online** or call 800-272-3900.

If you have any questions, please contact Luiza Benisano, Community Engagement Associate at **lbenisano@nevadafund.org** or call the Community Foundation at 775-333-5499

Know Your Rights: Understanding and Navigating the Indian Child Welfare Process

Learn from American Indian advocates and professionals about your rights under the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) -- how child protection reports are screened and investigated, and much more!

Date: Thursday, June 10, 2021

Time: 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Location: Facebook Live and Zoom

Facebook Live: <https://www.facebook.com/MUID.Group/>

Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/92766635950?pwd=SUorZlk1dC9vNlg2d1BxL1NQemk2Zz09>

To participate by telephone, call +1-651-372-8299 and enter the Zoom Meeting ID 927 6663 5950 and Passcode 482384.

Have questions you want answered at the event or technical issues? Email sadie.hart@adycenter.org or message the MUID Group Facebook page.

Drawings will be awarded throughout the event. Must be present to win. Additional drawings are available for those who RSVP in advance to sadie.hart@adycenter.org and join!

Hosted by the MUID Family Preservation Subcommittee.



Minneapolis American Indian Center



Elena Stinga Sir David Attenborough supporters group ·
A special orchid It grows in the rainforests of Colombia Ecuador and Panama.



GrantStation

National Opportunities

Support for Resources to Help People Affected by Addiction, Mental Health Issues, or Cancer

The Alkermes Inspiration Grants program supports nonprofit organizations throughout the United States that address the comprehensive needs of people affected by addiction, mental health issues, or cancer.

Programs Aiding Service Members Funded

The Infinite Hero Foundation is dedicated to combating the most difficult front-line issues—mental and physical—facing returning military heroes and their families.

Grants Promote Economic Mobility for Immigrants and Refugees

The WES Mariam Assefa Fund is committed to building an inclusive economy that works for immigrants and refugees.

RFP Encourages New Approaches to Opioid Challenges

The Foundation for Opioid Response Efforts (FORE) is a private, national, grantmaking foundation focused on addressing the opioid crisis.

Regional Opportunities

Competition to Advance Economic Progress for Black and Latina Women in Selected Cities

The *AdvancingCities* Challenge, an initiative of JPMorgan Chase, is an annual competition that sources innovation to drive systemic change in U.S. cities.

Grants for Broadband Internet Projects in Company Communities

The Spectrum Digital Education Grant Program supports nonprofit organizations that educate community members on the benefits of broadband and how to use it to improve their lives.

Funds for Programs Benefiting the Environment and Wildlife in Wisconsin

The James E. Dutton Foundation works towards protecting the outdoors, so it can provide a healthy home for wildlife and be a place where humans can learn, experience nature, and enrich their lives.

Efforts to Improve the Lives of Families in Company Communities Supported

The Big Lots Foundation supports nonprofit organizations that improve the lives of families and children in the communities the company serves throughout the United States, with the exception of Alaska, Hawaii, and South Dakota.

Federal Opportunities

Funds Available to Assist Homeless Youth and Young Parents

The Transitional Living Program seeks to implement, enhance, and support effective strategies

for successful transition to sustainable living for runaway and homeless youth and pregnant or parenting youth and their dependent children.

[Program Seeks to Lower Energy Costs](#)

The Assistance to High Energy Cost Communities program seeks to lower energy costs for families and individuals in areas with extremely high per-household energy costs.

[The Lewis Prize for Music: Accelerator Awards](#)

The mission of the Lewis Prize for Music is to partner with leaders who create positive change by investing in young people through music. The Lewis Prize for Music's Accelerator Awards are open to nonprofit Creative Youth Development music organizations seeking to influence youth-serving systems so all young people have access to learning, creating, and performing experiences that reflect their culture and identity. [Learn more](#) about the Award guidelines and application process. [\\$15 Million in American Rescue Plan Act Grants Now Available for Museum and Library Services](#)

June 28 is the deadline for institutions submitting pandemic response funding applications



Native American scholars have been calling out the **ethnic fraud of Andrea Smith**, a UC Riverside professor who has falsely claimed to be Cherokee, for 13 years. Yet she is still getting work as a Cherokee scholar, author, and activist. **The N.Y. Times Magazine published a jaw-dropping account of white academics outed for pretending to be scholars of color**, and how Smith simply forged ahead with the lie.

Then, at the end of June is the second **Mid-Atlantic Climate Change Education Conference**, designed to connect classroom and informal teachers with the latest science around climate change, along with best practice approaches to teaching it. [Learn more on our website](#), then move on to the conference site to register.

Check out new episodes of **#15SecondScience** on our YouTube channel, debuting on Fridays. [Click here to see the latest episode](#)

weareteachers.com

[12 Insect Activities for Grades K-6](#)

[Butterflies and bees and ladybugs—oh my!](#)



Elveda Martinez Dang. Check out the water bottles.

Ed note: perhaps return to the traditional water jugs with modern design.

PS. Water bottles packed with dirt (or other ground plastics) make strong building material.

<https://www.onlyinyourstate.com/nevada/nevada-ghost-town-bottle-house-capital-world/>

MUST READ: Lithium Gold: Inside the race to power electric vehicles

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Circular Economy and Sustainable Strategies

Explore the fundamentals of sustainability with Cambridge Judge Business School, online.



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NATIVE AMERICAN DOCUMENTARY FILM COURSE

Head Instructor: Sean O'Brien
Assistant Instructors:
Antonio Torres (Kootenai)
Marty Lopez (Apsáalooke)

This course teaches the basics of documentary filmmaking in a creative, collaborative environment to Native students interested in producing a Native-oriented media project.
Requires no prior production experience. We welcome students from all disciplines.

Learn the fundamentals of pre-production, production, and post-production. Our hope is that you will be able to document your own contemporary world.

*Must apply for Admissions to UM (application fee waived):
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▶▶▶ <https://bit.ly/2SdSYwy>



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Does America Really Need Another Oil Pipeline?

Native American communities living alongside the route of the Line 3 pipeline project in northern Minnesota are asking all activists to join them in solidarity this June.

“[Treaty People Gathering](#)” from June 5 through 8 to demand an end to the project.

<https://www.laprogressive.com/another-oil-pipeline/>

Deidra Beads Don't Mix



I've been dreaming about this day forever. My wish was to receive my diploma in the Elk Tooth dress I made.

Hardin has always been good to me. I mean no disrespect.

Today as I entered HHS as a Student for the very last time.. I was told I couldn't use only my Elk Tooth during the Graduation Ceremony. If I was, I had to use the ugly black gown over it. I was devastated, and disagreed. I told the staff who tried not to let me use it, it was my RIGHT by law and MHSA rules. But still, they pushed to have me use my gown "they provided". (Which I paid for). After that, I was threatened that I was not going to be able to walk if I used my dress and not my gown. This broke my heart. I started to cry and my mom, and the vice principal stood up for me. But the others refused.

I just decided "ok whatever" and put the gown over my dress. Walked into the gymnasium with my head held high, tears still in my eyes..

I was scheduled to give a speech.

They called my name, I stood up and took my gown off in front of the whole town of Hardin, the Staff, and my Classmates.. and spoke into the mic.

This was the first time I ever disobeyed the teachers. But I stood up for myself, as a young native woman. For my younger sisters. For the next generations. Taking my gown off was MY decision. I wasn't doing anything too rebellious.

This is a message. They cannot "cover up" who we are. This is our right.

I hope this encourages young sisters to do the same. Stand your ground.