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Golden-crowned Kinglet
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Boat-Billed Heron



<u>Tuolumne Band Of Me-Wuk Indians Awarded \$3.6 Million For Water</u> Infrastructure

My Motherlode, 4/12/22 - The Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians announced that the Tribe has been awarded close to \$3.6 million in funding to install a water tank as well as improve and replace water infrastructure on the Tuolumne Rancheria. The money draws from two phases of the California Department of Water Resources(DWR) Urban and Multi benefit Drought Relief Grant program. The grant applications were completed by the Tribe through the Tuolumne-Stanislaus Integrated Regional Water Management Authority.

Mark Trahant

Interview today on NPR's All Things Considered about my economic story in @indiancountry & the impact of tribal spending. (One error on my part. Unemployment rate is 28 percent. I

misspoke) npr.org

Native American economy leads rural communities

NPR's Ailsa Chang speaks with Mark Trahant, about his reporting in Indian Country Today on the "stealth" economy of tribes and tribally owned businesses.



DoD/VA & Gov Health IT Summit

Integrating A Unified, Interoperable EHR System for Military & Government

4 - 5 May, 2022 - National Harbor, MD, United States

The Spring 2022 **DoD/VA & Government HIT Summit** is designed as a non-partisan, educational & training "Town-Hall-style" Summit that offers a full-spectrum view towards the DoD, VA, and Federal's efforts to provide Veterans/Active-Duty high-quality outcomes & healthcare solutions, through a single, unified, & interoperable health IT approach. This Summit will examine current initiatives across the VA to improve customer service delivered to the Veteran, from fielding innovative commercial technologies, to refining governance & management structures to continually improve the quality of care.

Topics to be Covered at the 2022 Summit:

- Leading VA's initiatives toward refining EHR governance & management structures to establish additional rigor/oversight
- Modernizing the VA's EHR system using innovative commercial solutions that will improve the delivery of quality health care to Veterans
- Deploying interoperable, affordable, & high-quality health services to Military Health System (MHS) beneficiaries
- Creating enterprise standards across the Military Health System (MHS) to transform healthcare delivery & business operations
- Delivering excellent customer service to Veterans through the utilization of new technologies to improve services
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- Ensuring effective acquisition leadership across the DHA by providing timely, measurable improvements to medical readiness capabilities
- Navigating acquisition & procurement at the speed of innovation across the VA
- Providing virtual health capabilities that improve health outcomes & support military readiness

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OFFICIAL REPORT ON THE GOLD MINES by Col Richard Barnes Mason http://www.sfmuseum.org/hist6/masonrpt.html

Contains many references to Indians gold mining.

Not going with the flow: salmon 'sue' US city over harm to population

The lawsuit brought on behalf of the salmon says that river damming infringes on the fish's 'inherent right to exist'

Read in The Guardian: https://apple.news/ANbXu_qASSPuNw9f7qd0o_g

Oyster shells reveal striking details about ancient climate change

The remarkable new study sheds light on oysters, ancient peoples, and climate change. Read in Inverse: https://apple.news/AlhuV7XuYQui1g8376oS cw

MPR News: Judge affirms that 61,000-acre Mille Lacs Reservation still exists. What does that mean?

Check out this article from MPR News: https://www.mprnews.org/story/2022/03/10/judge-affirms-that-61000acre-mille-lacs-reservation-still-exists-what-does-that-mean

With composting, Californians can take climate change into their own hands For Teresa Leong and others, composting has become a pathway to growing food,

environmentalism and seeing the world in a new way.

Read in Los Angeles Times: https://apple.news/AR1Y424hhTXyHf rNF-4QvQ

Climate-driven water woes spark Colorado rush to conserve 'liquid gold' In a rooftop greenhouse near downtown Denver, cash crops are thriving on hydroponic life support. Arugula. Chard. Escarole. Cabbage.

Read in Reuters: https://apple.news/AntL0VCL8Ta2vbw4x4RNMUw

Minnesotans pushed to restore Tribal Nations' ability to prosecute sex crimes

https://www.startribune.com/minnesotans-pushed-to-restore-tribal-nations-ability-to-prosecute-sex-crimes/600157617/

Plans For A New Native American Museum And Mural In Angels Camp

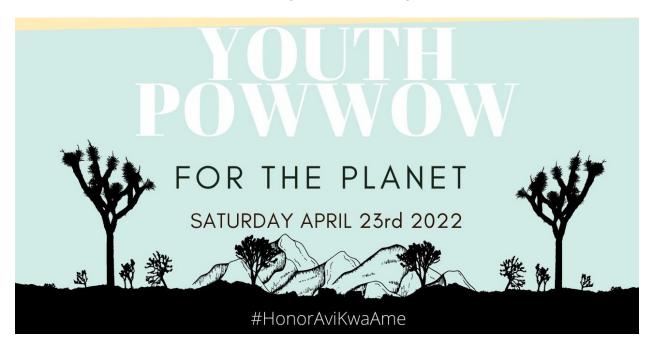
Reminder:

Halito.

I am working with our local community on organizing this powwow and I have the distinct pleasure to let you know that our youth have decided to support and raise awareness of Fort Mojave Tribes' efforts to protect Avi Kwa Ame! We would like to extend invitation to Nevada Tribal leaders & their communities; along with the Nevada Indian Commission. We are open to including the Tribes in any capacity they choose. We have a host hotel agreement underway with the newly renovated Palace Station to dedicate a block rate for rooms.

I would greatly appreciate your assistance in distributing this invitation that includes details on the event below and attached.

Yakoke! Ittanowa. (Thank you! We walk together.). Tammi Tiger



Dear Community Partner,

A grassroots group of the urban Indigenous community are organizing a youth-led *Pow Wow for the Planet* during Earth Week to advocate for the protection of sacred sites, climate action and a more sustainable world. We will amplify the initiative to designate <u>Avi Kwa Ame</u> as a national monument! To learn more and sign the petition, please visit <a href="https://https://https://htmps/

The event will be held on Saturday, April 23, 2022 at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) campus. It will feature traditional powwow dancing & vendors, interwoven with the voices of Indigenous youth to raise awareness of their environmental concerns and collective futures.

Event sponsors and donations are needed! Your contribution will help to offset the cost of event expenses including the honorarium, food and lodging for the drums, arena director,

emcee, dancers and speakers. Costs are estimated to be \$8,000. We have 3 methods to contribute funds, each benefitting the goal of uplifting our youth.

Paypal
 Fundraiser for donations less than \$500.

Excess funds will be split evenly between both organizations. Save the transaction for your receipt.

Indigenous
 Educators Empowerment

Excess funds will benefit IEE Programming. You will receive an automated receipt with the transaction.

UNLV
 Native American Alumni Club

Excess funds will go directly to the <u>UNLV Native American Alumni Club</u> Scholarship Fund for Native American students attending UNLV. You may submit the donation online at the <u>UNLV Alumni Engagement link</u> -- select "View all giving opportunities" >> then the Native American Alumni Club >> note: Powwow / Scholarship. You will receive an automated receipt with your transaction.

Comprising less than 5% of the world's population, Indigenous people protect 80% of global biodiversity, including the vast public lands of Nevada. Please join us in supporting this event and local Indigenous organizations committed to engaging youth in environmental conservation education and advocacy!

On behalf of our powwow committee, we thank you for your support!

UNLV Land acknowledgement: The University of Nevada, Las Vegas is situated on the traditional homelands of the Nuwuvi, Southern Paiute People. We offer gratitude for the land itself, for those who have stewarded it for generations, and for the opportunity to study, learn, work, and be in community with this land. We encourage everyone in this space to engage in continued learning about the Indigenous peoples who work and live on this land since time immemorial, including the Las Vegas Paiute Tribe and the Moapa Band of Paiutes, and about the historical and present realities of colonialism. As one of the most diverse universities in the United States, UNLV believes it is important to recognize and appreciate the use of Southern Paiute land as part of its mission to be a welcoming and inclusive place for working and learning.

These are also the salmon that return annually as a food source for indigenous peoples.

https://bigthink.com/life/what-are-dangers-eating-seafood/

Enbridge crews punctured three aquifers during Line 3 oil pipeline construction, DNR says

The punctures led to nearly 300 million gallons of groundwater flowing out to the surface, with the most serious breach occurring near the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Reservation in St. Louis County.

https://www.startribune.com/enbridge-crews-punctured-three-aquifers-during-line-3-oil-pipeline-construction-dnr-says/600158140/

California Historical Society's North Baker Research Library

The California Historical Society maintains three primary online collections: the Online Catalog containing basic descriptive records for manuscripts and photographic collections; books and pamphlets; periodicals, posters, broadsides, maps, and newspapers; and other materials; the Digital Library, containing digitized primary sources such as photographs, maps, and ephemera; and the Online Archive of California, containing detailed guides to manuscript and photography collections; digital images; digitized oral histories.

California Historical Society: Online Catalog

CHS's most comprehensive catalog, containing basic descriptive records for manuscript and photography collections; books and pamphlets; periodicals, posters, broadsides, maps, and newspapers; and other materials.

Record types: Catalog records

California Historical Society Digital Library

An online archive of digitized primary sources from the CHS Collection.

Record types: Digital images

Online Archive of California

An online archive of collection guides and digitized primary sources contributed by libraries and other cultural heritage institutions throughout the state, maintained by the University of California.

Record types: Finding aids, or detailed collection guides to manuscript and photography collections; digital images; digitized oral histories

Other Resources:

CHS collections can also be found in other online collections, including:

Calisphere

An online collection of digitized primary sources contributed by libraries and other cultural heritage institutions throughout the state, maintained by the University of California. CHS images and texts documenting the 1906 Earthquake and Fire, the Chinese in California, and

Peoples Temple can be accessed here. For CHS items, click on "Browse by institution" and then "California Historical Society."

Record types: Digital images; digital texts

California Historical Society Collection at the University of Southern California

An online archive of digitized images from CHS's Title Insurance and Trust (TICOR) and Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce photograph collections, maintained by the University of Southern California.

Record types: Digital images of the Los Angeles area (1860-1960)

Bridgeman Art Library

An online collection of digitized art works contributed by museums, libraries, and other cultural heritage institutions throughout the world. For CHS items, enter "California Historical Society" in the search box.

Record types: Digitized art works

Internet Archive

An online archive of digitized and born-digital primary sources, including texts, audio, moving images, and web pages.

Record types: Digitized oral histories; digitized moving images

Protect Indigenous people's rights or Paris climate goals will fail, says report

Rainforests looked after by communities absorb twice as much carbon as other lands, analysis shows

Read in The Guardian: https://apple.news/A4qibIswmTKSRrv_S4F9QCw

EPA Releases Equity Action Plan Alongside Federal Partners to Advance Environmental Justice and Civil Rights

Today, the Environmental Protection Agency published its *Equity Action Plan* to fulfill President Biden's Executive Order (EO) 13985 directing EPA, along with other federal agencies, to assess whether underserved communities and their members face systemic barriers in accessing benefits and opportunities through the federal government. This *Equity Action Plan* is a critical part of EPA's efforts to break through those barriers and advance equity and justice across our efforts to ensure clean water, air, and land for all communities.

"This Equity Action Plan is a strong example of how EPA works with our federal partners to deliver on the commitments set forth by the Biden-Harris Administration," **said EPA Administrator Michael S. Regan**. "EPA is working to live up to its promise to protect human health and the environment made to all people in our country more than 50 years ago. We can only do this by acknowledging the adverse effects of policies and regulations that have historically kept too many communities out of the room and leading the way in breaking down the barriers that have stood for far too long."

The Equity Action Plan aligns with the Agency's <u>Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-2026 EPA Strategic Plan</u>, announced March 28, 2022. EPA's final *Strategic Plan* includes, for the first time, an unprecedented strategic goal to advance environmental justice and civil rights.

The Equity Action Plan outlines six priority actions:

- Develop a comprehensive framework for considering cumulative impacts in relevant EPA decisions and operationalize that framework in EPA's programs and activities.
- Build the capacity of underserved communities to provide their experience to EPA and implement community-led projects.
- Develop EPA's internal capacity to engage underserved communities and implement clear and accountable processes to act based on communities' input.
- Strengthen EPA's external civil rights compliance program and ensure that civil rights compliance is an agency-wide responsibility.
- Integrate participatory (community) science into EPA's research and program implementation.
- Make EPA's procurement and contracting more equitable.

These priority actions form a critical foundation on which to build meaningful engagement with underserved communities; achieve more equitable and just outcomes, including pollution reductions in communities with environmental justice concerns; and deliver other tangible benefits to underserved communities.

Read the EPA <u>Equity Action Plan</u> <u>Visit EJI</u>

As the United States shifts focus to more clean energy sources, coal mining jobs continue their downward spiral.

In March and April 2020 alone, over 6,000 coal mining jobs were lost, and dozens of mines closed. The industry has suffered more job losses and mine closures than any other time in history.

From 2012 to 2020 over half the coal mining jobs in the U.S. disappeared.

From stagesoffreedom.org

America's history of racial inequality continues to undermine fair treatment, equal justice, and opportunity for many Americans. The Equal Justice Initiative believes we must acknowledge the truth about our history before we can heal: truth and reconciliation are sequential.

As a nation, we have not yet acknowledged our history of racial injustice, including the genocide of Native people, the legacy of slavery and racial terror, and the legally-supported abuse of racial minorities.

When we engage truthfully with our history, we are better equipped to address contemporary issues ranging from mass incarceration, immigration, and human rights to how we think and talk about cultural moments and icons.

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Please join us for a virtual listening session for Nevada's Tribal Nations.

Through this meeting we hope to receive candid input and feedback from members and supporters of Nevada's tribal communities that will inform NSHE's ongoing strategic planning effort. Details for this event are below:

Who: NSHE representatives and members and supporters of Nevada's Tribal Nations.

What: A listening session to inform NSHE's strategic planning process.

When: Wednesday, April 20, 2022, from 1:30 to 3:30 PM

Where: Virtual via a Zoom Conference Meeting, information to be provided.

Please email cchang@nshe.nevada.edu to request information to join this discussion.



The Next Generation of Food and Agriculture Leaders

Native Youth in Food and Agriculture Leadership Summit. July 19 – 26, 2022

Open to Native American, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian youth ages 18 - 23. Summit participants will develop skills and learn alongside industry experts! Attendees will have an opportunity to dive deeper into a particular area of food and agricultural production or policy:

Submit Application Here for 2022 Summit

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Indigenous Food and Agriculture Policy Leadership Program. July 24 – 26 Open to Native American, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian youth, ages 16 – 18.

Participants will learn about agricultural policy, including policy issues unique to Indian Country, as well as participate in a model student congress designed to mirror a real House or Senate agriculture committee.

Summit and the Indigenous Food and Agriculture Policy Leadership Program are held on the beautiful campus of the University of Arkansas.

submit Application for Policy leadership Program here