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Harvey Wasserman / Reader Supported News

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The real Founders of American society were not the 55 rich white male interlopers who staged a coup d'état in 1787-9 ... and whose misogynist progeny have always wanted to ban abortion.

Our true Original Founders were the Indigenous matriarchs who ran most of America for thousands of years before the first whites set foot here.

For tens of centuries they controlled their pregnancies by herbal means. The idea that any government (tribal or otherwise) could rule a woman's uterus would evoke disbelief and contempt from men and women alike.

In fact most North American tribes were run by women. The chieftains were commonly male. But they were chosen and could be removed at will by the matriarchs, who ran the homes and gardens, raised the children and made the major decisions about the future of the tribe.

As one Indigenous matriarch has explained, the men were allowed to be chiefs because "it makes them feel important and it gives them something to do."

There were indeed tribes where men dominated. For many white "Christian" historians, the idea that females ran any society remains impossible to comprehend.

The US Congress denied our First Peoples the right to vote until 1924. In a 1980s hearing on banning peyote, Chief Justice William Rehnquist was heard to say that the First Amendment "does not apply to Native Americans."

No Indigenous Justice now sits on a Supreme Court hell-bent to colonize the female uterus.

Trump's MAGA cult wallows in fear of feminism. A score of iabuse charges against him remain unresolved. A ban on abortion would force his rape victims to victim to bear his spawn.

From 800 broken treaties to eco-suicidal impositions and more, the Trump/Bannon/Putin/Tucker White Supremacists aim to obliterate our Original Indigenous rights.

But the First US Constitutionalsists—-including George Washington, John Adams and Ben Franklin—-gratefully acknowledged their debt to the Indigenous. That legacy was memorialized in a 1987 Congressional Resolution approved while Nancy Reagan sat as our ruling matriarch.

The true cradle of American democracy was the Hodenosaunee nation, spread across what's now upstate New York.

Called "Iroquois" by the French, these People of the Longhouse pioneered the world's most advanced democracy, linking the Mohawk, Oneida, Onondaga, Cayuga and Seneca. Their Confederation, said Franklin, ran "better than the British Parliament."

Their 113 Codicils—-predecessor to the Bill of Rights—-guaranteed individual rights and freedoms. A woman's right to choose was everywhere assumed for thousands of years before the whites came.

Those rights permeate our culture. A woman's power to control her own body is enshrined in our Indigenous Originalism. The Court of the People must finally embrace its righteous power.

Harvey Wasserman's *People's Spiral of US History* is available via solartopia@gmail.com and at on-line publishers. He convenes the Green Grassroots Emergency Election Protection zoom Mondays at 5pm ET via www.electionprotection2024.org.

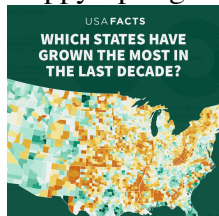
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- **A molar that's estimated to be between 164,000 and 131,000 years old was excavated** from a cave wall in northeastern Laos. The tooth, which belonged to a four-to six-year-old girl, is [one of the few physical remains known of Denisovans](#), a sister lineage to Neanderthals.
  - Evidence of the Denisovans has only been found in the Himalayas and Siberia, with sparse bone fossils and dental fragments to study. Laotian humidity prevented any DNA from being preserved, but the shape of it – short and heavily wrinkled – and enamel characteristics placed it as Denisovans. Ancient proteins allowed them to identify it as belonging to a girl.
  - “This is the first time that a Denisovan has been found in a warm region,” said paleoanthropologist Fabrice Demeter of the University of Copenhagen's Lundbeck Foundation GeoGenetics Centre, lead author of the study published on Tuesday in the journal Nature Communications. Comparing that with the Himalayas and Siberia and it's clear the Denisovans were incredibly adaptable to different climates. (NBC)
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### "The Legend of the Pussy Willow".

According to an old Polish legend, many springs ago a mother cat was crying at the bank of the river in which her kittens were drowning. The willow at the river's edge longed to help her, so they swept their long, graceful branches into the waters to rescue the tiny kittens who had fallen into the river while chasing butterflies. The kittens gripped on tightly to their branches and were safely brought to shore. Each springtime since, goes the legend, the willow branches sprout tiny fur-like buds at their tips where the tiny kittens once clung.

Happy Springtime!  [#pussywillow](#) [#cats](#) [#summer](#) [#spring](#) [#Poland](#)



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[US population by year, age, race, and ethnicity](#)

[The ages, races, and population density of the United States tell a story. Understand the shifts in demographic trends with these charts visualizing decades of population data.](#)

[TIME](#) .

Last week, the U.S. Department of the Interior released a more than 100-page report on the federal Indigenous boarding schools designed to assimilate Native Americans in the late 19th and the early 20th centuries. TIME spoke with Brenda Child, historian and author of "Boarding School Seasons: American Indian Families, 1900-1940" to learn more.



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[The History of Native American Boarding Schools Is Even More Complicated than a New Report Reveals](#)

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NCAI Midyear Conference

Learn More About Each Session

This year's agenda will provide attendees with an opportunity to collaborate with key figures throughout Congress, the Administration, and federal agencies.

[View the Full Agenda](#)

Resolutions are Now Open

NCAI's advocacy is guided by the resolutions process. Using the online submission portal, the deadline to submit resolutions for the 2022 Mid Year Conference & Marketplace is May 24, 2022.

[Submit a Resolution](#)



2022 NCAI Mid Year Conference & Marketplace Youth Agenda Now Available

The NCAI Youth Commission has arranged an agenda specifically tailored to the next generation of leaders across Indian Country. With a schedule packed full of engaging sessions, the youth commission invites all interested to learn more about the unique challenges facing Native youth, including mental health and Indigenous healing, environmental sustainability, civic engagement, and much more. Additionally, NCAI's new youth initiative, "[Movement as Medicine](#)" will feature a culturally-centered obstacle course of guided activities led by experts from several health, sports, and wellness organizations.

[View the Agenda](#)

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Become a Member of NCAI

NCAI is a membership-driven organization that strives to have members who are representative of the many nations, villages, communities, and individuals that make up Indian Country.

[Become a Member](#)

Join the NCAI Marketplace

With an average of 800 attendees, the NCAI Marketplace offers exhibitors a premiere opportunity to interact with tribal leaders, national Native organizations, and other key figures across Indian Country.



Congratulations to Jack Malotte for his installation at the Fernley Mural Project.

Bertrand Russell · "All who are not lunatics are agreed about certain things. That it is better to be alive than dead, better to be adequately fed than starved, better to be free than a slave. Many people desire those things only for themselves and their friends; they are quite content that their enemies should suffer. These people can only be refuted by science: Humankind has become so much one family that we cannot ensure our own prosperity except by ensuring that of everyone else. If you wish to be happy yourself, you must resign yourself to seeing others also happy."

— [Bertrand Russell](#), The Science to Save Us from Science, The New York Times Magazine (19 March 1950)

The American Mule Museum Presents **The Mule in America**

An Exhibition at the Laws Railroad Museum & Historical Site
in Bishop, California

Curated and Produced by Gold Creek Films
Exhibit Design by Dimensional Images



Grand Opening Celebration
Wednesday, May 25th 5:00 to 7:00 PM

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony Promptly at 5:00
Followed by Music and Refreshments
In the 20 Mule Team Barn at the
Laws Railroad Museum & Historical Site in Bishop, California

Live Auction
Friday, May 27 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM
Coso Energy Stage at the
Tri-County Fairgrounds in Bishop, CA

Silent Auction
Wednesday, May 25 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM
Thursday, May 26 through Saturday, May 28
10:00 AM to 4:00 PM
Sunday, May 29 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM
20 Mule Team Barn at the
Laws Railroad Museum & Historical Site in Bishop, CA



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[Archaeological sites once thought lost under Lake Powell reappear as water drops](#)
[When Lake Powell on the Colorado River first began to fill in the 1960s, it flooded](#)
[archaeological sites and places with cultural and spiritual significance to Indigenous peoples.](#)
[Now some of those sites have reemerged as drought shrinks the reservoir. KNAU's Melissa](#)
[Sevigny reports, the future of...](#)

CALIFORNIA 100 LAUNCHES CAMPUS FUTURES FELLOWS PROGRAM - APPLY BY MAY 31!

We are excited to launch our new [California 100 Campus Futures Fellows](#) Program and are looking for passionate young leaders and organizers across college campuses to join our statewide coalition. Write a Youth Manifesto for the future of California, lead a Youth Summit in Spring 2023, and help spark a movement.

We are looking for undergraduate leaders and organizers across college campuses with interests in student advocacy and government, media, design, policy, innovation, and other creative disciplines. Help us spread the word and learn more at the link in bio. [Learn more & apply](#) before May 31.

[Apply to Join the Campus Fellows →](#)

Texas Librarians Face Harassment as they Navigate Book Bans

While some librarians in the state have been fired for refusing to comply with bans, many others have or are contemplating quitting over political interference with their work and social media harassment.



Report Shows Church-State Collusion on US Native Residential Schools

The Interior Department report, quoting a 1969 Senate investigation, acknowledges that "federal policy toward the Indian was based on the desire to dispossess him of his land. Education policy was a function of our land policy."

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Chaperones needed for northern Nevada 4-H summer camp

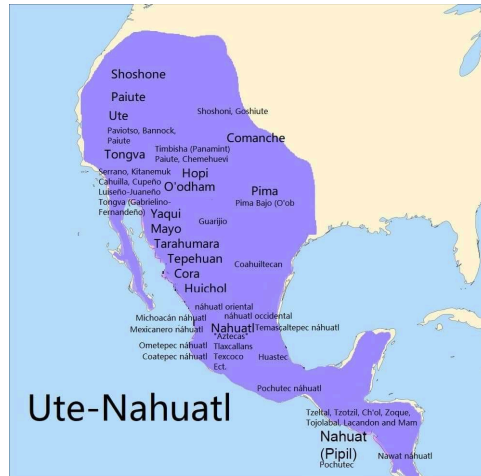
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Owyhee High School senior awarded \$10,000 scholarship

[OWYHEE -- Owyhee Combined School proudly announces that junior Tziavi Melendez was awarded a \\$10,000 scholarship to attend the University of Arizona to continue her studies and research in traditional. E.](#) (Headline/story discrepancy not mine! sdc)



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The Uto-Aztecan language is one of the largest linguistic families in the Americas in terms of number of speakers, number of languages, and geographic extension.[2] The northernmost Uto-Aztecan language is Shoshoni, which is spoken as far north as Salmon, Idaho, while the southernmost is the Nawat(Nahuatl) Costa Rica. Ethnologue gives the total number of languages in the family as 61, and the total number of speakers as



1,900,412.[3] Speakers of Nahuatl languages account for almost four-fifths of these.

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Cheyenne Arapaho

Deborah Turner, daughter of Carl Roberts, returned a Cheyenne Warbonnet of the Northern Plains to the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes. The bonnet, over a century old, was originally in possession of Roberts who had it for over 40 years. Roberts told his daughter to return it back to the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes. Gordon Yellowman, director of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes Culture Program retrieved the warbonnet. Yellowman said an official receiving ceremony will be held in the future and the program will plan to put the bonnet on display at a location for people to see it.



Atwai Pearl Wak Wak Sammaripa

Headstone Blessing
Sunrise
June 23rd 2022
Schurz Cemetary
Giveaway to follow
Schurz, Nevada

Golden Age Women
Special 65+
to be held at
Susanville Pow-Wow
June 25, 2022
3 Places
Consolation Prizes



Nie-Aye-glu

August 8, 1941

June 12, 2021