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Mary and Carrie Dann's engraving were unveiled at the UNR Honor Court 6/17/22. Markie Leshelle (l) is the Numa waiapa who nominated Carrie and Mary. Thank you Markie, for honoring these two mighty and powerful women. Mary Gibson (r)

[Toni Burton · Congratulations](#)

to Chairman Amber Torres for being selected to sit on Secretary Haaland's first ever Tribal Advisory Committee!! Your hard work and expertise in tribal issues and concerns is being seen not only across Nevada but on a national level. I'm excited to see what comes of this great opportunity!



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[Secretary Haaland Announces Members of the First-Ever Secretary's Tribal Advisory Committee](#)
Secretary Deb Haaland announced the launch of the first-ever Secretary's Tribal Advisory Committee (STAC).

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<https://www.mlive.com/news/muskegon/2022/06/without-casino-what-will-tribe-do-with-233-acres-development-or-selling-are-on-the-table.html>

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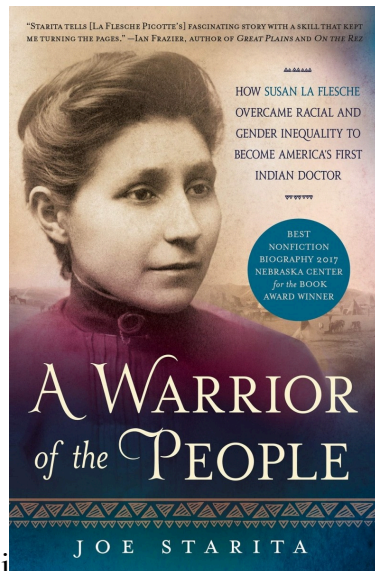
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[A Mighty Girl](#)



Today's **A Mighty Girl Community Pick** is in honor of Susan La Flesche's 157th birthday: "A Warrior of the People: How Susan La Flesche Overcame Racial and Gender Inequality to Become America's First Indian Doctor" by Joe Starita. When 26-year-old Susan La Flesche Picotte earned her medical degree in 1889, she became the first Native American doctor in the United States -- a feat she accomplished 35 years before Native Americans were even granted citizenship in their own country. After graduating from the Woman's Medical College of Pennsylvania, one of the few medical schools in the world that accepted women at the time, she returned to the Nebraska prairies to become the primary doctor for her tribe, the Omaha. She served over 1,200 patients scattered across 1,350 square miles of rural countryside with few roads and little infrastructure. The young woman who spoke their language and knew their customs was often people's last hope against diseases like tuberculosis, measles, smallpox, and influenza that ravaged the community. And, to accomplish this, she had to overcome entrenched patriarchal beliefs about women's role in society both within her tribe and the country at large. The life story of this remarkable 19th-century feminist and change agent has finally been given its due in this powerful biography. Although La Flesche is a little-known figure today, during her lifetime, she was widely respected, especially by women who admired her trailblazing accomplishments at a time when many people considered women unfit to be doctors. Among them was scientist Marie Curie, who sent her radium from Paris in an unsuccessful attempt to cure La Flesche of the bone cancer. While written for adult readers, this inspiring biography is accessible to older teen readers as well. A labor of love by renowned journalist and author, Joe Starita, he is donating all royalties from the book to a college scholarship fund for Native American high school graduates.

"A Warrior of the People" is available at <https://www.amightygirl.com/a-warrior-of-the-people>
There is also a new children's biography about this trailblazing doctor "Susan La Flesche Picotte, Pioneering Doctor" for ages 7 to 10 at <https://www.amightygirl.com/susan-la-flesche-picotte>
For books for children and teens about Native American and Aboriginal girls and women -- whose stories are very underrepresented in children's literature -- visit our blog post, "A Celebration of Native American and Indigenous Mighty Girls" at <https://www.amightygirl.com/blog?p=10365>

And, if your Mighty Girl wants to imagine herself as a doctor or nurse saving the day, we've showcased our top picks of children's books about pioneering female medical professionals, toys, science kits, and clothing in our blog post, "Medical Heroes" at <https://www.amightygirl.com/blog?p=29667>

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**At this Oakland high school, restorative justice goes far beyond discipline**  
[edsource.org](https://www.edsource.org) - *Carolyn Jones • 1d*

Five years ago, Fremont High in East Oakland had some of the highest discipline rates and lowest attendance in the city. Fights and conflicts were ... [Read more on edsource.org](https://www.edsource.org)



*Enlarge to read the outstanding fact about John Thomas, Cayuga Chief*

**[Geoff Ellis](#)**

Saturday 6/18/22

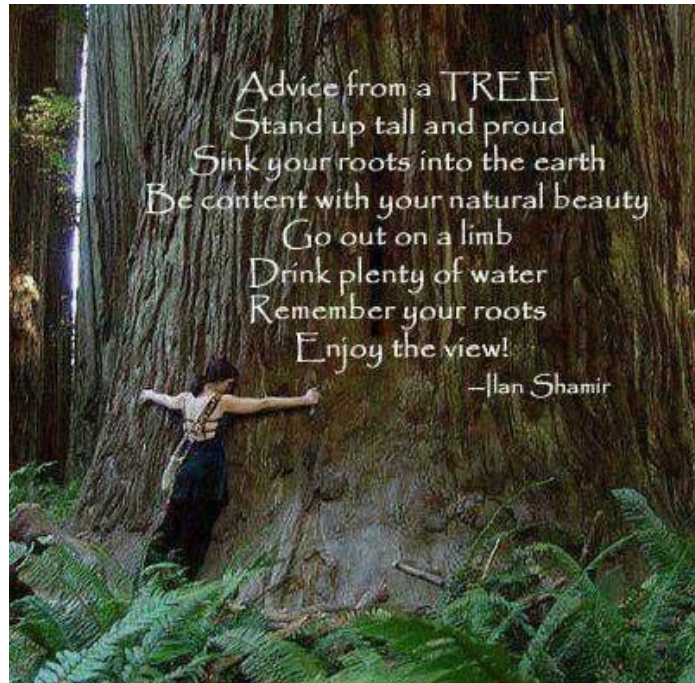
**With sadness, Stewart BIA employee Robert James, passed away this morning.**

Mr James was the electrician from the early 60s to late 70s.

You'll be greatly missed by all, Robert. I'll never forget the hunting trips you allowed my brother and I to participate with when we were kids. Thank you.

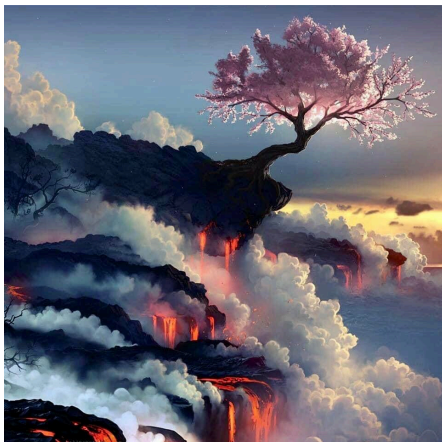
RIP Robert

*It is not a secret I like trees. Today is a holiday. So to celebrate trees and ensure you don't miss any news, here's an Ode to Trees. Enjoy. sdc*



"Spiders Web" tree (also known as Strangler Fig), Nanning, Guangxi, China

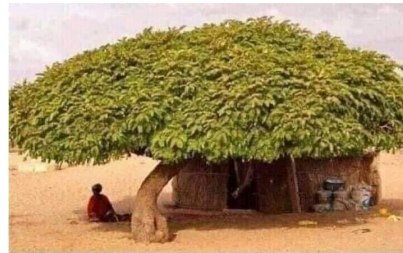
The thinking tree Puglia Italy



Living on the edge



## When Van Gogh Spoke for the Trees



**Height v. width** (*story of my life!*)

### [Wildlife.net](http://Wildlife.net)

Planting a Tree can make a big difference for others, providing natural shelter.

Trees also provide shelter and food for a variety of birds and small animals, such as squirrels and beavers. Enhancing growth diversity, trees create an environment that allows the growth of plants that otherwise would not be there. Flowers, fruits, leaves, buds and woody parts of trees are used by many different species and can be used by humans as part of a sustainable society.





## The Beautiful Planet

### LARGEST TREE IN THE WORLD

Location : Giant Forest of Sequoia National Park in Tulare County, California, USA.

The General Sherman Tree is the world's largest tree, measured by volume. It stands 275 feet (83 m) tall, and is over 36 feet (11 m) in diameter at the base. Sequoia trunks remain wide high up. Sixty feet above the base, the Sherman Tree is 17.5 feet (5.3 m) in diameter.

It is estimated to be around 2,300 to 2,700 years old.



Guacari Tree is probably the biggest tree today that spans 135 ft in diameter.

The tree can be found in San Marcos Sucre, Columbia.



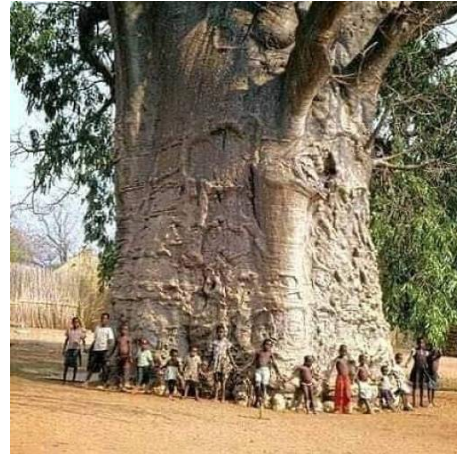


Giant Groundsels, prehistoric plants found on top of Mt Kilimanjaro. Join group: [Mystery unsolved](#)

(l) "Fossil Trees As Tall As Modern-Day Redwoods Have Been Found In Northern Thailand. This Petrified Trunk Measures 72.2 Meters In Length, Suggesting That The Original Tree Would Have Been Over 100 Meters Tall. Its Approximate Age Is 800,000 Years"



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(r) "1500 Year Old Tree, Located In South Africa. The Oldest Living Thing On Earth"



Ancient olive tree with protective hands growth in Acquarica di Lecce, Puglia, Italy.  
Photo: Debora D'Aloisio





(l) 800 Year Old Oak Tree.

It is called Majesty, or the Fredville Oak, and is located in Fredville Park, Nonington, Kent.



(r) Upside-down fig tree in Bacoli, Italy. "No one is quite sure how the tree ended up there or how it survived, but year after year it continues to grow downwards and bear figs."

Credit: Crescendo104



(l)"Japanese have been producing wood without cutting trees for 700 years.



In the 14th century, the extraordinary Daisugi technique was born in Japan. In fact, the Daisugi plan that these trees are planted for future generations and are not cut down but cut as if they were giant bonsai; by applying this technique, the wood that can be obtained from it is straight and knotless, practically perfect for building.

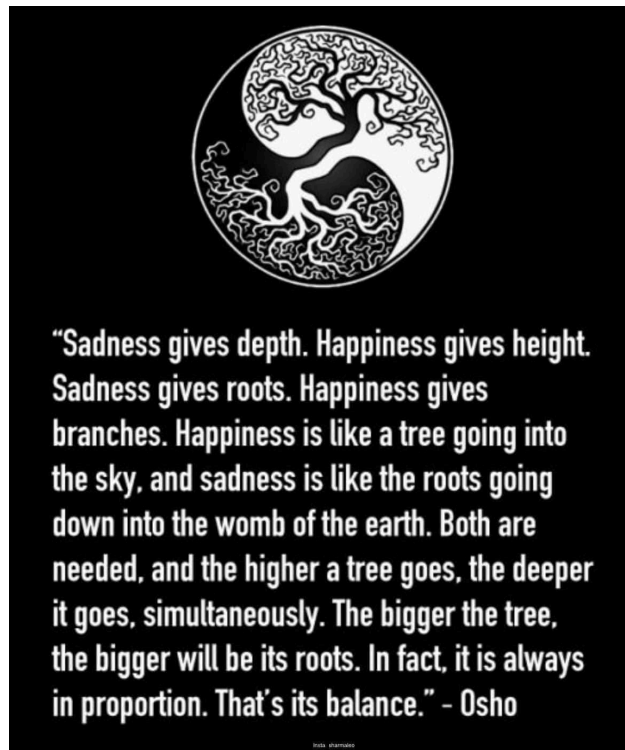
An artful cutting that allows the tree to grow and germinate while using its wood without ever cutting it down. Exceptional technique"

(r) 1,000yrs old juniper in Morning Calm Arboretum, Korea



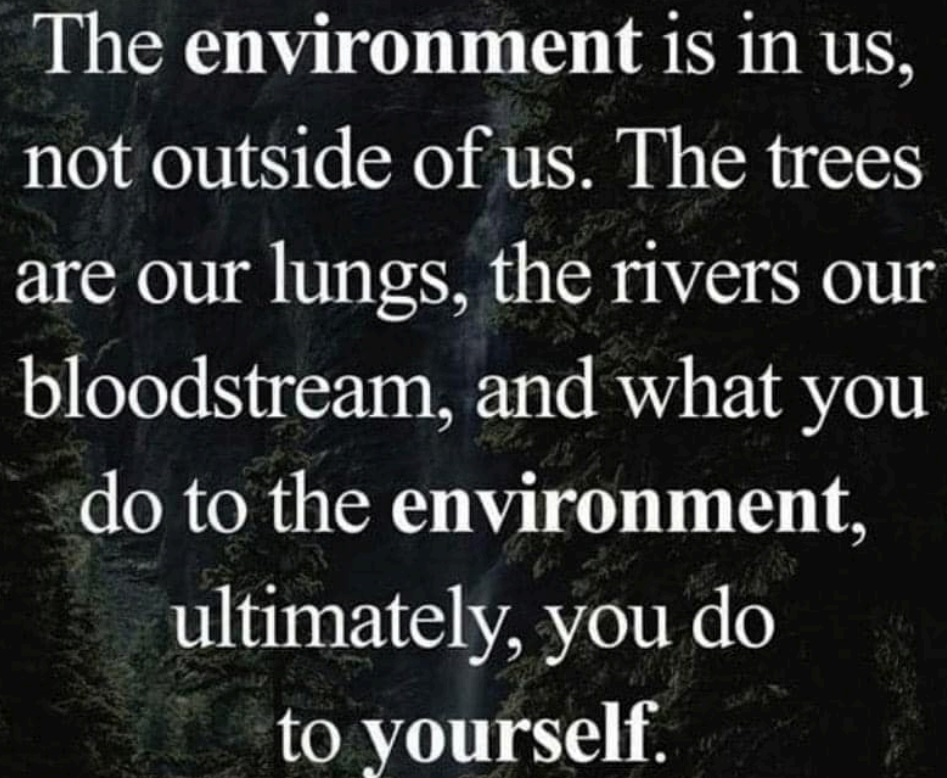
Sumba dancing trees.

Photo: Daniil Korzhonov



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[The Ancient Forests That Have Defied Urbanization](#)  
[In cities around the United States, old-growth forests have survived against the odds. But preserving them is not as simple as roping them off from the public.](#)



The **environment** is in us,  
not outside of us. The trees  
are our lungs, the rivers our  
bloodstream, and what you  
do to the **environment**,  
ultimately, you do  
to **yourself**.

Ian Somerhalder