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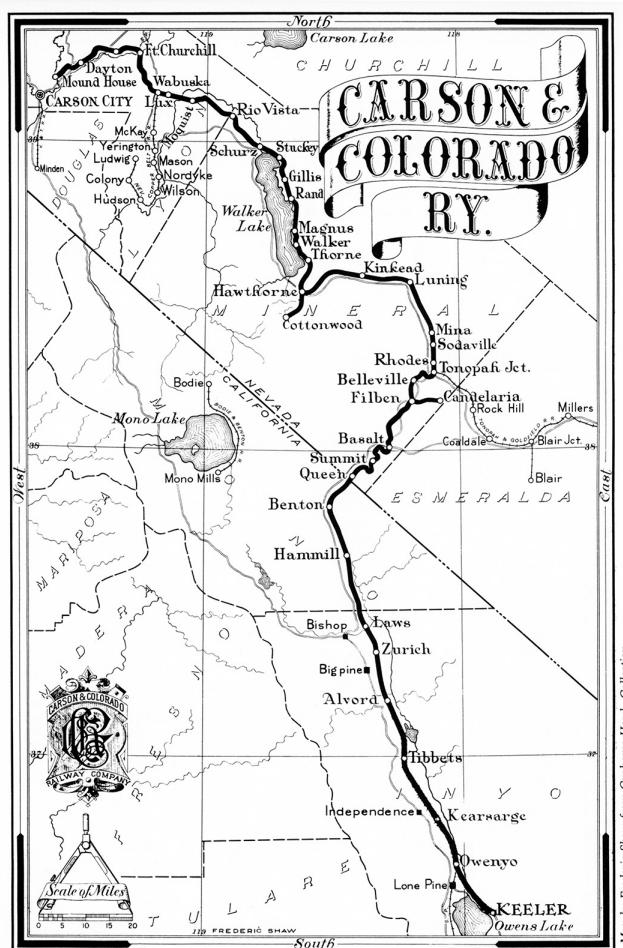


Turquoise over diamonds any day Photo by: Museum of Indian Arts & Culture

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<https://news.yahoo.com/charred-statues-evidence-easter-island-202133848.html>

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Map by Frederic Shaw from Grahame Hardy Collection.

Reader comment: We just finished watching a great OPB (Oregon Public Broadcast) TV show called Native Report. NPR = OPB Check it out on: Nativereport.org

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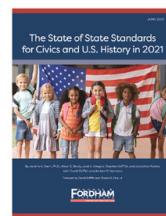
University College Cork is returning the remains of a mummified male, along with other artifacts.



“Molly of Denali.” The animated show, which highlights the adventures of a 10-year-old Athabascan girl, Molly Mabray, has been nominated for two Emmys. (PBS) Good Luck at the Emmys!

EVALUATING STATES’ CIVICS AND U.S. HISTORY STANDARDS

A bipartisan team of subject-matter experts evaluated the quality of K–12 civics and U.S. history standards in all 50 states and the District of Columbia (DC) based on their content, rigor, clarity, and usability.



Publication: *The State of State Standards for Civics and U.S. History in 2021*
By Jeremy A. Stern, Ph.D., Alison E. Brody, José A. Gregory, Stephen Griffith, and Jonathan Pulvers
with David Griffith and Amber M. Northern (June 2021)

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For-profit charter schools” are non-profit organizations that contract out some services to a for-profit organization—meaning the schools themselves are not for-profit. This study explores whether such contracting affects school quality.

FED FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TRIBAL COMMUNITIES

- **HUD Imminent Threat Grants** – Set aside of the Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) allocation for non-competitive, first come-first serve grants to eliminate or lessen problems which pose an imminent threat to public health or safety of Tribal residents. Application procedures and info. at <https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/PIH/documents/PG18SEP27PNPG1011F.pdf>.
- **USDA ReConnect Program.** Tribal Governments are eligible for this funding which will expand access to high-speed internet for millions of people in rural America nationwide, part of the Biden-Harris Administration’s commitment to investing in rural infrastructure and affordable high-speed internet for all.

- **California Housing & Community Development** [Regional Early Action Planning Grants of 2021 \(REAP 2.0\) \[r20.rs6.net\]](#). REAP 2.0 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for approximately \$30 million for Rural Counties, **Tribes, and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (Tribal Entities)**, to address infill development that facilitates housing supply, choice, and affordability; to reduce vehicle miles traveled; and to affirmatively further fair housing. To review the REAP 2.0 guidelines and NOFA click [here](#). More info. can be found [here](#). **Application Deadline: Dec. 31, 2022.**
- USDA Rural Development grant announcement for the **Distance Learning and Telemedicine (DLT)** program to help people in rural and tribal communities access remote education and health care resources. The DLT program helps fund real-time, interactive distance learning and telemedicine services in rural and tribal areas to increase access to education, training and health care resources that are otherwise limited or unavailable. USDA plans to make \$64 million available in fiscal year 2023. Of this amount, \$12 million is intended for projects that provide substance use disorder treatment services to people in rural areas. To learn more, read the full [DLT Stakeholder Announcement](#). **Application period: 12/1/22 – 1/30/23.**
- **FY22 Choice Neighborhoods Implementation Funding Announcement**
HUD's [FY22 Choice Neighborhoods Implementation Grant Notice of Funding Opportunity \(NOFO\)](#), announces the availability of an historically-high \$379 million in funding to communities across the country. HUD's press release is available [here](#). **The application deadline is January 11, 2023.** The **maximum grant award is \$50 million**, with PHAs, local governments, and/or tribal entities eligible to apply. For more info., direct questions to ChoiceNeighborhoods@hud.gov or visit www.hud.gov/cn. HUD will publish frequently asked questions and a webinar for prospective applicants [here](#).
- **Indian Housing Block Grant Competitive Program – Extension of the Application Deadline for the Notice of Funding Opportunity**
The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) published a Technical Correction to the FY 2022 Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) Competitive Grant Program. As a result, applicants now have until 11:59:59 EDT on **January 24, 2023**, to submit applications via grants.gov. [View Letter](#)

Affordable Connectivity Program Outreach Grants

- **Federal Communications Commission (FCC)**
- The FCC is providing funding for two outreach grants: the National Competitive Outreach Program (\$60 million) and the [Tribal Competitive Outreach Program \(\\$10 million\)](#). The ACP Outreach Grant Programs seek to expand innovative outreach efforts nationwide by strengthening partner networks and empowering them with the resources necessary to increase program awareness and enrollment – with a focus on reaching historically unserved and underserved populations. **The Notice of Funding Opportunity can be accessed [here](#)** along with FAQs and other materials.
- **Application Deadline: 1/9/2023**
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Tribal Transportation Program Safety Funds

U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT)

DOT's Office of Federal Lands Highway offers funding for tribal governments for the purposes of transportation projects related to safety, safety planning and safety/infrastructure. **Application Deadline: 1/15/2023**

- **[Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities Grants](#)**
U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) grants support pre-disaster mitigation activities to build capacity to help identify mitigation actions and implement projects that reduce risks posed by natural hazards. Funding is specifically set aside for **resilient infrastructure projects for Tribal communities**. **Application Deadline: 1/27/2023**
- **[Social and Economic Development Strategies Program-Tribes](#)**
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)
HHS Administration for Native Americans supports community-driven projects designed to grow local economies, strengthen Native American families, including the preservation of Native American cultures, and decrease the high rate of current challenges caused by the lack of community-based businesses, and social and economic infrastructure in Native American communities. **Application Deadline: 3/31/2023**
- **[FY 2023 AmeriCorps State and National Native Nations Planning Grants](#)**
AmeriCorps
AmeriCorps planning grants provide support to a grant recipient to develop an AmeriCorps program that will engage AmeriCorps members in implementing evidence-based interventions to solve community problems. **Application Deadline: 4/5/2023**
- **[Water and Waste Disposal Grants to Alleviate Health Risks on Tribal Lands and Colonias](#)**
U.S. Department of Agriculture
USDA Rural Development funds grants for water and waste disposal facilities and services on federally-recognized tribal lands, colonias and rural areas that face significant health risks due to a lack of access to adequate, affordable water or waste disposal. **Application Deadline: Ongoing**
- **[Community Facilities Direct Loan and Grant Program](#)**
U.S. Department of Agriculture
USDA Rural Development provides funding in the form of low-interest loans and grants to develop essential community facilities in eligible rural areas, including Federally Recognized Tribal Lands. [Guaranteed Loan Options](#) are also available. **Application Deadline: Ongoing**
- **[Emergency Community Water Assistance Grants](#)**
U.S. Department of Agriculture
USDA Rural Development funds grants for eligible communities to prepare for or recover from an emergency that threatens the availability of safe, reliable drinking water. **Application Deadline: Ongoing**
- **[DOE Announces \\$35 Million To Deploy Clean Energy on Tribal Lands and Power Unelectrified Tribal Buildings](#)** DOE's measures will increase energy security and resilience for Indian Tribes and Tribal members.
 - [Deploy clean energy technology on tribal lands \(DE-FOA-0002774\)](#)—Due Feb. 9, 2023.
 - [Power unelectrified tribal buildings \(DE-FOA-0002771\)](#)—applications due Feb. 23, 2023.

- **U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant:** \$550 Million investment in all 50 states, 768 federally recognized Tribal governments and villages, 6 U.S. territories, and 1,878 local governments— serving a total of more than 250 million Americans. To view the EECBG Program NOI, visit: [Financial Opportunities: Funding Opportunity Exchange](#). To learn more about the EECBG Program, visit DOE's webpage on the [Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program](#). Applications to open in Jan. 2023.
- **AmeriCorps Grants for Native Nations**
[FY 2023 AmeriCorps State and National Native Nation Grants](#), Application Deadline: **April 05, 2023**
- [FY 2023 AmeriCorps State and National Native Nations Planning Grants](#), Application Deadline: **April 5, 2023**
- [Water & Waste Disposal Grants to Alleviate Health Risks on Tribal Lands and Colonias in New Mexico](#) This program provides low-income communities, which face significant health risks, access to safe, reliable drinking water and waste disposal facilities and services.
- **US EPA Funding Announcements:**
 - **Tribal Waste Management** funding: <https://www.epa.gov/tribal-lands/tribal-waste-management-funding-resources-directory>
 - **Land Cleanup Projects on Tribal Lands:** <https://www.epa.gov/tribal-lands/land-cleanup-fundingAuthorities-available-tribal-governments-0>
 - **USDA ReConnect Program Round 4**
The USDA Rural Development Rural Utilities Service's (RUS) ReConnect Program offers loans, grants, and loan/grant combinations to facilitate high-speed internet in areas of rural America without sufficient access to broadband. **Up to \$350M Available.** Tribal Governments are eligible and potential awardees must meet a 100 Mbps symmetrical minimum service requirement in all proposed service areas. The maximum award amount is \$35M, and no match is required. The applications are evaluated in a competitive process. To learn about the ReConnect Program, visit <https://www.usda.gov/reconnect>.

GrantStation

National Opportunities

[U.S. Cities May Request up to \\$1 Million for Public Art Projects](#)

Bloomberg Philanthropies' Public Art Challenge supports innovative temporary public art projects that enhance the vibrancy of cities in the 50 United States and territories including Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and the Northern Marianas.

[Youth Volunteer Efforts Addressing Hunger Supported](#)

The Sodexo Stop Hunger Foundation Youth Grants provide support to youth changemakers throughout the United States to lead awareness, direct service, advocacy, and philanthropic projects that focus on ending childhood hunger in their communities.

Funding Promotes Pediatric Health Initiatives in the U.S. and Canada

The American Academy of Pediatrics' Community Access to Child Health (CATCH) program supports pediatricians in the U.S. and Canada to collaborate within their communities to advance the health of all children.

Teacher Professional Development Fellowships Available

Fund for Teachers strengthens instruction by investing in outstanding teachers' self-determined professional growth and development in order to support student success, enrich teachers' practice, and strengthen schools and communities.

Regional Opportunities

New Grant Program Boosts Washington State Cultural Organizations

The Community Accelerator Grant Program, a new grantmaking program offered by ArtsFund, will provide a total of \$10 million in unrestricted grants for cultural nonprofit organizations across Washington state.

Support Strengthens Women of Color Leadership in Southern States

The Ms. Foundation for Women's Ms. South strategy supports the leadership of women and girls of color and strengthens their ecosystem of leaders in 14 key states in the U.S. south.

Programs Benefiting Minnesota Children and Families Funded

The Sheltering Arms Foundation provides grants to nonprofit organizations in Minnesota that benefit children and families who have the least access to resources.

Grants Enhance Quality of Life in Vermont

The Richard E. and Deborah L. Tarrant Foundation's mission is to help meet basic needs, create opportunity, and improve the lives of people in Vermont.

Federal Opportunities

Program Advances Public STEM Efforts

The Advancing Informal STEM Learning Program seeks to fund research and practice, with a focus on investigating a range of informal STEM learning experiences and environments that make lifelong learning a reality.

Low-Income Housing for Seniors Supported

The Section 202 Supportive Housing for the Elderly Program supports the development and ongoing operation of supportive rental housing for very low-income persons, aged 62 years or older.

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#### **Peace Development Fund: Community Organizing Grants Program**

The Peace Development Fund was founded when a small group of donor activists came together with a common vision of funding social justice and peace through a public foundation. The Fund looks at peace as not just the absence of war or militarism, but as the presence of equitable relationships among people, nations, and the environment. This understanding of peace has allowed the Fund to bring a social, environmental, and economic justice perspective to its work. The Fund's Community Organizing Grants Program supports community-based organizations

working for social justice in the United States, Haiti, and Mexico. [Learn more](#) about the funding guidelines and application process.

### **Missouri Prairie Foundation: Prairie Garden Grants Program**

The mission of the Missouri Prairie Foundation is to protect and restore prairie and other native grassland communities through land acquisition, management, education, and research. The Foundation provides funding through the Prairie Garden Grants Program, which supports the establ Illinois, Iowa, and Kansas. [Learn more](#) about the funding guidelines and application process.

### **Keeling Curve Prize**

The Keeling Curve Prize, an initiative of the Global Warming Mitigation Project, seeks to locate and fund the best climate solutions the world has to offer. The Prize funds projects with a proven track record of taking greenhouse gases out of the atmosphere. [Learn more](#) about the Prize guidelines and application process.

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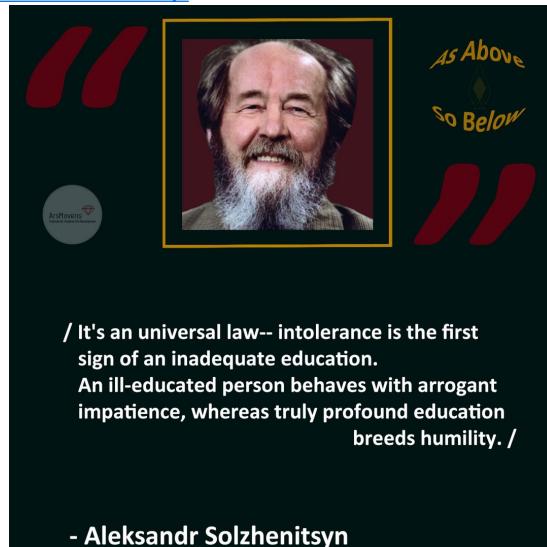
Thinking about starting your own business? You're far from alone. In fact, according to the [most recent data](#) from the U.S. Census Bureau, an average of 4 million businesses have started every year over the past half decade — and each year has seen more businesses created than the year before. If you're one of the millions considering turning your business dreams into a reality, you'll need a business plan. **December is National Write a Business Plan Month**, and SBA has resources to help you get off on the right foot. [Learn more](#)

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### **High school athletes get glimpse of big time at the NFL Indigenous Bowl**

For 80 high school students from across the country, the fifth annual Indigenous Bowl offered a chance to play in front of college scouts and coaches. This year's event drew more than 400 applicants.

<https://www.startribune.com/minnesota-ojibwe-football-players-play-in-nfl-indigenous-bowl/600234966/>



**Reminder: This week is the Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada's 2022 Convention**

We have many programs here including our Women and Infant Care (WIC), Administration of Aging (AoA), Justice Court, Headstart, Child Care Development Fund (CCDF), Family Violence Prevention Protection (FVPP), Environmental, Native Workforce Development, and now our NTIA Broadband Program.

During the conference I will moderate two short Mining Forum sessions on the afternoons of Tuesday the 13<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday the 14<sup>th</sup>. One the first day we will have four Nevada mining companies, Nevada Gold Mines, Nevada Copper, Lithium Nevada, and loneer US (Lithium), talk about their projects and resources available to Tribes. One the second day, federal and state regulatory agencies will give short presentations on their role in legal environmental oversight and regulations. These two short sessions are a prelude to a larger Mining Forum planned for summer of 2023. I am also conducting a session on Environmental Justice, which is also a prelude to a larger Environmental Justice Forum also planned for the summer of 2023.

You will also see on the agenda, a session on Pinion Juniper restoration. This is no small topic or presentation as the pine nuts are an essential element of our Native American way of life and ensuring that they are protected is of paramount importance to me and many of my tribal peers. These will be decades long projects requiring precise and scientific and spiritual study, planning, and implementation but it must be done, and at the forefront is the Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California and their Environmental Director, Rhianna Jones.

You can quote me on the above. Let me know if you have any questions about any of the presentations.

Clifford Banuelos, Tribal-State Environmental Liaison, Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada, Inc.

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**University of Minnesota Native group protests Supreme Court case involving Indian Child Welfare Act**

<https://www.startribune.com/university-of-minnesota-native-group-protests-supreme-court-case-involving-indian-child-welfare-act/600234613/>

**Red Lake Nation foresees steep population decline**

<https://www.startribune.com/red-lake-nation-foresees-steep-population-decline/600234583/>

**Beavers are moving into the warming Arctic. It could be a threat like ‘wildfire.’**

<https://news.yahoo.com/beavers-moving-warming-arctic-could-110011365.html>

**Canada: 4 Indigenous Women Slain by Alleged Serial Killer But Cops Won't Search for the Bodies**

*Anya Zoledzowski, VICE*

Zoledzowski writes: "Winnipeg police believe a serial killer murdered four Indigenous women in the Canadian city, but say they won't search for the remains of at least two of the women, believed to be at a landfill north of the city."

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*Northern Paiute Language Lessons*

**WALKING IN BALANCE**

*TogiTawi Newinna Kwitso'ainno*

|                                   |                                      |                                               |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| <i>Feel good about yourself</i>   | <b>Pisa esu nawai'da tesuhannina</b> | [pee-sha uh-soo na-wii-da tuh-soo-han-nee-na] |
| <i>Think of your good health</i>  | <b>Pisa e tuku waida suhannina</b>   | [pee-sha uh tu-ku-wii-da soo-han-nee-na]      |
| <i>Take good care of yourself</i> | <b>Pisa esu namabitsiana</b>         | [pee-sha uh-soo nah-mah-bee-tseeah-nah]       |
| <i>Drink plenty of water</i>      | <b>Iwa Paa hibi'yainna</b>           | [ee-wah paah hee-bee yiin-na]                 |
| <i>Eat healthy foods</i>          | <b>Pisau tekape tekana</b>           | [pee-shaoo tuh-ka-puh tuh-kah-nah]            |
| <i>Get plenty of rest</i>         | <b>Pisa soongapangana</b>            | [pee-sha soh-ngah-pah-ngah-nah]               |
| <i>Have good dreams</i>           | <b>Pisa nosi'yainna</b>              | [pee-sha noh-see-yiin-nah]                    |
| <i>Walk each day</i>              | <b>No'no tabino sogonewina</b>       | [noh-noh tah-bee-noh soh-goh-nuh-wee-nah]     |
| <i>Run each day</i>               | <b>No'no tabino tanowanina</b>       | [noh-noh tah-bee-noh tsh-noh-wah-nee-nah]     |
| <i>Have positive thoughts</i>     | <b>Pisa tesuhannina</b>              | [pee-sha tuh-soo-han-nee-nah]                 |
| <i>Treat each other well</i>      | <b>Pisa nanamategena</b>             | [pee-sha nah-nah-mah-tuh-gun-nah]             |
| <i>Take care of one another</i>   | <b>Pisa nanamabitsiana</b>           | [pee-sha nah-nah-mah-bee-tseeah-nah]          |
| <i>Give hugs</i>                  | <b>Nahidakwatina</b>                 | [nah-hee-dah-kwa-tee-nah]                     |
|                                   | <b>Nanahidana</b>                    | [nah-nah-hee-dah-nah]                         |
| <i>Comfort one another</i>        | <b>Nanamasutehaina</b>               | [nah-mah-soo-tuh-hai-nah]                     |
|                                   | <b>Nanataneweahna</b>                | [nah-nah-tah-nuh-wuah-nah]                    |
| <i>Live a good life</i>           | <b>Pisa Kwitso'aino</b>              | [pee-sha kwee-tsoh-ii-noh]                    |
| <i>Live a long life</i>           | <b>Mena'wida Kwitso'ai</b>           | [muh-nah-wee-dah kwee-tsoh-ii ]               |

Yolanda Manning

from

## **President Biden has announced his intention to designate a new national monument honoring a sacred site for Native Tribes in Southern Nevada: Avi Kwa Ame**

We're grateful for this action by the president, but we also need to have clear eyes about it: protecting this one sacred place is not enough.

That's why we're working hard inside and outside of Congress to build support for the ***Advancing Tribal Parity on Public Lands Act*** and the ***Tribal Cultural Areas Protection Act***. These two bills are critical to protecting sacred place across the country and we're fighting to ensure they become law.

In September, we delivered petition signatures supporting these landmark bills to the House Committee of Natural Resources as the Committee held hearings on the bills.

Now, we've upped the pressure by organizing a coalition of two dozen organizations and gathering more than 100,000 signatures specifically in support of passing both of these bills immediately.

And the timing couldn't be more important. As MAGA Republicans are set to take over the House in the new year, we know that protection of our sacred places will become even more urgent. Interior Secretary Haaland and the rest of the Biden administration will have to stand up to Republican attempts to overrule Tribal sovereignty and further put our lands at risk in the interests of big money donors in the fossil fuel industry who seek to use our lands for profit.

**The Advancing Tribal Parity on Public Lands Act and the Tribal Cultural Areas Protection Act would provide the critical additional protections needed to save our sacred places. That's why we cannot stop fighting to pass them before the end of the year. Please donate now to fund the fight to win.**

Thank you for everything you're doing to honor and continue the rich history of Native people and organizing for social change. Hawwih (*thank you* in Caddo),  
Judith Le Blanc (Caddo), Executive Director (with donation request)

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### **U.S. to announce fusion energy 'breakthrough'**

<https://www.startribune.com/u-s-to-announce-fusion-energy-breakthrough/600235065/>

**Reports: Livermore Lab scientists expected to announce long-awaited nuclear fusion breakthrough**

The US Department of Energy is expected to announce Tuesday that scientists have for the first time successfully produced a nuclear fusion reaction resulting in a net energy gain, according to the Financial Times and The Washington Post.

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Antoinette Cavanaugh is with Norm Cavanaugh and 10 others

It is a sad day for our family as we announce the passing of **Orlando D Dick**—better known as “Slow Man”—our brother, friend, uncle, nephew, cousin and all-around good guy. We will be sending notice as we make final arrangements for his service to take place next week. Thank you for your kind condolences.