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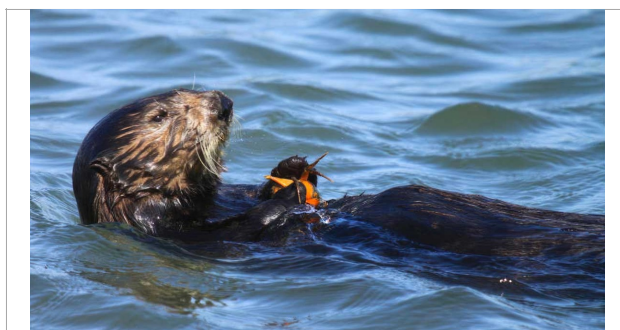
Honoring our ancestors by uniting Indigenous people of the southwest around our ancestral ties to water. We are organizing a prayer run for the healing of the lands and return of sacred waters along the Colorado River.



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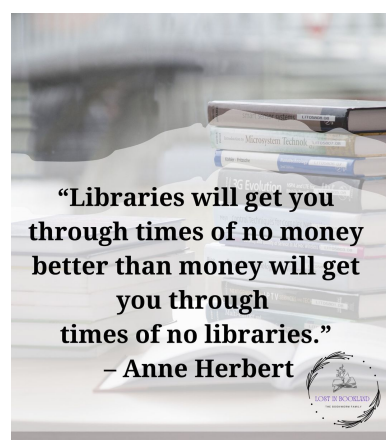
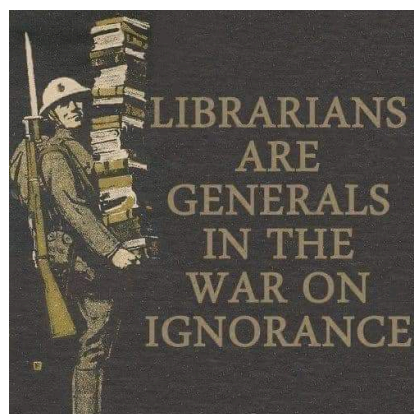
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Efforts to repopulate otters along the Pacific Coast, which are loved by tourists for their entertaining antics but once hunted to near extinction for their fur, are being met with pushback from the commercial fishing industry. [Dive in.](#)

Dolphins, humans benefit from fishing collaboration

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University of Arizona Water Resources Research Center	Video Presentation Now Online - WRRRC Special Event: Kamilaroi (Indigenous) Knowledge and Methodologies to

[World Economic Forum](#)

Through pulses of light, **scientists have discovered what could be the world's first highway network** in the forests of Mexico and Guatemala.

What else can we learn from ancient civilisations? Read more: <http://ow.ly/NtHV50MGLX7>

NCET Biz Tips: The "Lead is Dead" Revolution is Here to Stay

NCET helps you explore business and technology

There are big hurdles on the path to clean energy.

The looming challenge of evolving from fossil fuels to renewable energy faces the laws of physics, chemistry, and environmental and geopolitical hurdles.

There is no one-size-fits-all solution to addressing climate change or displacing petroleum with electrification. It was estimated in 2020 that our world depended on fossil fuels for 84% of its energy needs. Getting to the Holy Grail of net-zero emissions is a heavy lift.

There is one company based in Reno with cutting-edge technology that will enable the widespread conversion to green, renewable energy. That company is Dragonfly Energy, which will produce batteries in the not-too-distant future that solve today's lead-acid problem. Dragonfly's next-generation solid-state batteries will address tomorrow's energy storage needs.

Dragonfly Energy was founded more than 10 years ago by Dr. Denis Phares. Dr. Phares always had a passion for both the environment and battery technology. He saw a unique opportunity to make a true impact on our planet by creating a company that could solve grid storage issues and the intermittency of renewable energy.

The Dragonfly Energy solution was based on the future of battery technology and a non-flammable solid-state battery. Rather than focusing on cell chemistry, Dragonfly set out to develop cleaner and less wasteful processes to create lithium-ion batteries.

Today, Dragonfly Energy is a leader in lithium-ion deep-cycle batteries. Unlike a traditional car battery, deep cycle batteries provide a long, steady stream of power when you need it and where you need it. Deep-cycle batteries make renewable energy accessible and affordable.

Under developmental lab testing now, Dragonfly's revolutionary, non-toxic deep cycle lithium batteries will eventually displace lead acid batteries in vehicles, vessels, and material handling. Think RV industry, off-grid and marine applications, work trucks, off-grid and backup power for markets including Oil & Gas, Data Centers, Telecom, forklifts, golf carts, and industrial solar system applications. The list goes on.

Why did Dragonfly Energy select Reno as its key location? The answer lies within **Nevada since our state is home to the largest lithium deposits in this country. Nevada is quickly becoming known as the lithium capital of the U.S.** There's a reason that a company like Tesla picked Nevada for its battery 'Gigafactory.'

With Dragonfly Energy's long-term vision of being vertically integrated (taking lithium mined right here in NV and putting it into battery cells Dragonfly manufactures), Reno was the perfect spot for Dragonfly. The number two reason is Reno is a central distribution hub capable of delivering products to all western cities within 24 hours.

What many don't know is that Dragonfly has over 180 employees. The skill sets range from gifted battery scientists in R&D working on the future of batteries to an experienced engineering team developing automation for new projects. Coupled with a creative marketing team that has built a powerful brand recognition and reputation behind its Battle Born Battery and Dragonfly OEM battery lines, Dragonfly boasts one of the best technical and customer support staff in the industry.

Success stories, anyone? Dragonfly has them. Here are just two. The company went public and commenced trading on Nasdaq in October 2022. In December 2022, the company was granted a new U.S. patent making way for solid-state battery production.

The latter success is a big deal since all solid-state batteries (ASSBs) are produced with solid electrolytes instead of liquid electrolytes. Liquid electrolyte is mainly responsible for the battery fires we read about. ASSBs are lighter, smaller, completely non-flammable, and if mass-produced, potentially cheaper.

Challenges? No company is immune. For Dragonfly to integrate vertically in Nevada, they need support. That support must come from the state to ensure Dragonfly can bring in all the resources and infrastructure needed to truly make Nevada the lithium capital of the U.S. A lithium processing facility is the most significant missing piece in that pipeline today.

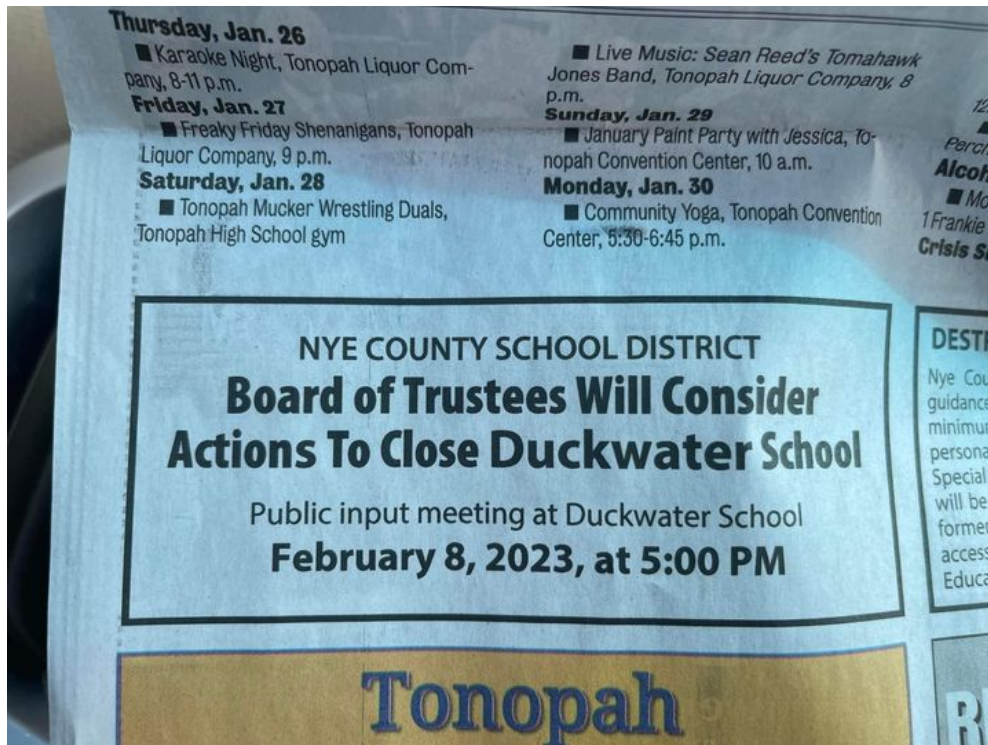
Overcoming those challenges is no easy task. Dragonfly continues to work on its side of the battery pipeline as they move towards growing its pack assembly business to a cell manufacturing business. In addition, the company continues to develop relationships and work with organizations to raise awareness of the needs of the growing battery industry here in Nevada.

What questions do people often ask about Dragonfly Energy? The most asked question is, "What's the difference between you and Battle Born Batteries?" Dragonfly Energy is the parent company and manufactures the popular Battle Born Batteries line.

Dragonfly Energy is spearheading conventional and solid-state lithium-ion battery research and development worldwide. Their products are already used for powering and charging devices and appliances, low-density mobility, and high-grade energy storage. Their batteries are ideally suited for applications where stability, longevity, and safety are a priority.

Dragonfly Energy believes they have found a way to reduce the cost of green energy storage, making it more widely accessible to all. While this is one step in the right direction, they imagine a future where Dragonfly's smart storage solutions will allow less reliance on the power grid and ample access to backup power for distributing energy.

Energy storage has the potential to change the way we live. So power up and sign up early for **Dragonfly Energy's presentation on Wednesday, Feb. 8, from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. and networking from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. More information at [NCET.org](https://www.ncet.org).**



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[Laurel Weaver](#)

(4 years ago)

This year, the Duckwater School's elementary portion received five stars from the Nevada School Performance Framework, the state's highest rating for public schools. It is the first school in Nye County to receive the five-star ranking, which is based on factors including students' standardized test scores. Oct 21, 2019

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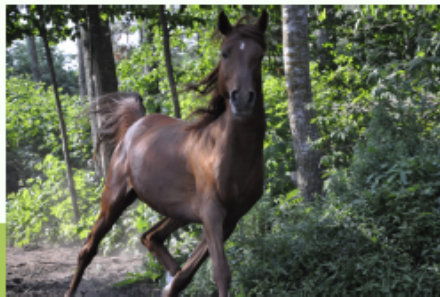
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*Artwork in order from left to right, top to bottom: Beadwork by Norma Robertson; Artwork by Joe Yazzie;
Handmade Fine Jewelry by Vince Romero; Portrait by Nora Lloyd; and Artwork by Annabelle Broeffle.*

More information on these artists can be found at:
<https://chicagoaic.com/native-artists-in-the-chicagoland-area/>

Falls could return to tribal hands

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Bucky Harjo

What is sacred, will always be sacred, we must always protect what is sacred. Lithium is a lie, lies are not sacred, green is a lie, that too is not sacred, money is green, that is the biggest lie. Electric vehicles is a lie, without water, animals and birds, insects, trees and plant life, that is life, that is sacred to this world, to this universe,

Mining for lithium only destroys the world and the life, the water and air, how is that green?

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National Environmental Justice Community Engagement Call: February 21, 2023

EPA invites Environmental Justice (EJ) advocates to participate in the next [National Environmental Justice Community Engagement Call](#) taking place on **February 21, 2023 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. (Eastern Time)**. These calls are free and open to the public.

Registration Link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/epa-natl-environmental-justice-community-engagement-call-feb-21-2023-registration-526119556757>

Agenda:

- EPA Office Environmental Justice External Civil Rights (OEJECR) Leadership Updates
- External Civil Rights Presentation (ECR)
- Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) Updates

The purpose of these calls is to inform the community and other stakeholders about EPA's EJ work and enhance opportunities to maintain an open dialogue with EJ advocates.

Please email farrell.ericka@epa.gov by February 16, 2023 to request reasonable accommodation for a disability or interpreter services in a language other than English, so that you can participate in the call and/or to request a translation of any of the event documents into a language other than English.

For more information about the National Environmental Justice Community Engagement Calls, please email farrell.ericka@epa.gov

Recordings and meeting materials for all calls are posted here: <https://www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/national-environmental-justice-community-engagement-calls>.



Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

Move over Paul Bunyan, George Bonga is a REAL Minnesota legend!

Born near Duluth in 1802, Bonga was the first recorded African American birth in Minnesota, according to the Minnesota Historical Society. The son of an African American fur trader father and an Ojibwe mother, Bonga attended school in Montreal. When he later returned to the Great Lakes area to become a fur trader with the American Fur Company, he spoke fluent English, French and Ojibwe. While working for the company, he was hired as a guide and translator to help Lewis Cass in negotiations with the Ojibwe — his signature is on treaties made in 1820 and 1867. Bonga wrote letters on behalf of the Ojibwe to the state government about white men who treated Ojibwe trappers unfairly.

In 1842, the American Fur Company folded but Bonga continued to work as a trader. He opened a lodge on Leech Lake with his wife, where he welcomed travelers. The MNHS reports that Bonga enjoyed telling stories of early Minnesota and singing. Bonga died at Leech Lake in 1874.

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Minnesota Historical Society

WTF fun fact #9992

The summit of Mt. Everest is made of marine limestone which means the highest point on earth was once at the bottom of the sea.



JEFF FOXWORTHY... ON NEVADANS *(It is Friday!)*

If someone in a Home Depot store offers you assistance and they don't work there, you live in Nevada.

If you've worn shorts and a parka at the same time, you live in Nevada

If you've had a lengthy telephone conversation with someone who dialed the wrong number, you live in Nevada.

If 'vacation' means going anywhere south of Elko for the weekend, you live in Nevada.

If you measure distance in hours, you live in Nevada.

If you know several people who have hit a deer more than once, you live in Nevada.

If you have switched from 'heat' to 'A/C' and back again in the same day, you live in Nevada.

If you install security lights on your house and garage but leave both unlocked, you live in Nevada.

If you can drive 75 mph through 2 feet of snow during a raging blizzard without flinching, you live in Nevada.

If you design your kid's Halloween costume to fit over a snowsuit, you live in Nevada.

If the speed limit on the highway is 75 mph -- you're going 80, and everyone is still passing you, you live in Nevada.

If driving is better in the winter because the potholes are filled with snow, you live in Nevada.

If you know all 4 seasons: almost winter, winter, still winter, and road construction, you live in Nevada.

If you find 10 degrees 'a little chilly' you live in Nevada.

If you actually understand these jokes and forward them to all your friends, you live in Nevada.



David Attenborough Fans

Russian photographer Andrey Pavlov takes the most mind-blowing macro photographs of ants that you will ever see.

More details/photos <http://bit.ly/3jjvp39>

There was a different kind of shadow cast over a Groundhog Day event in Canada, where beloved groundhog "Fred la marmotte" was found dead hours before he was supposed to forecast the weather. To the eager crowd the event organizer declared, "I announce to you the death of Fred." And we thought 6 more weeks was the worst possible outcome...



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This is Punxsutawney Phil's ex-wife, Phyllis, who now lives in Florida and said that Phil is a compulsive liar.

When Scientists Tagged a Curious Seal, He Led Them to Signs of a Potential Climate Disaster
Chris Mooney / The Washington Post



A southern elephant seal takes a peek as it swims in the icy waters of Antarctica. (photo: Sam Eves/Shutterstock)

update about the services for Chairman Steele. Please see below.

It is with deep sadness that our Steele family announces the postponement of the funeral for our beloved Rupert Steele tentatively planned for this weekend. This is due to the red tape of Nevada law in receiving a transportation permit.

Although we attempted to honor our traditional customs of putting our beloved away to rest in a timely manner, this is out of our hands, and we will continue to seek approval.

We are aware that many of you have taken time off, made hotel reservations, etc. so we wanted to inform you of our decision to allow ample time for you to alter your plans.

We are working diligently through this process and hope to receive approval soon. We will let you know when a future date is set.

Thank you for your continued support and willingness to pay your last respects to Chairman Steele and thank you for your understanding.

If anything comes up, I will do my best to keep you all updated.