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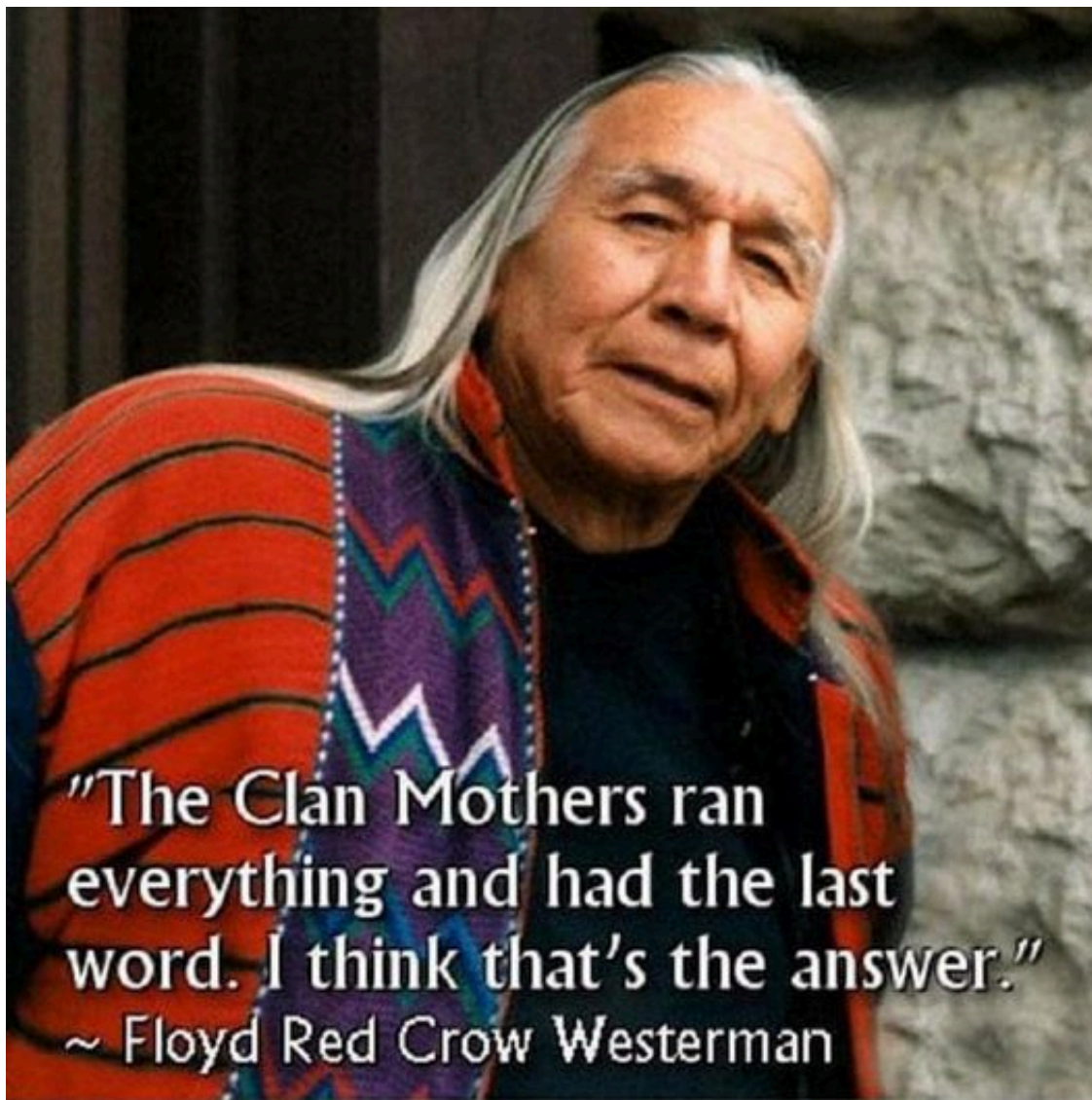
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Native American History

We were told we would see America come and go. In a sense, America dies from the inside out, because they have forgotten the instructions to live on Mother Earth. This is the Hopi creed, it is our creed, that if you are not spiritually connected to the Earth, and you don't understand the spiritual reality of life on Earth, chances are you are not going to make it. Everything is spiritual, everything has one Spirit.

We are here on Earth only a few winters, then we go to the spirit world. The spirit world is more real than most of us realize.

The spirit world is everything. Most of our body is water. To stay healthy you need to drink pure water. Water is sacred, air is sacred. Our DNA is made from the same DNA as the tree, the tree breathes what we breathe out, we need what the tree expires. So we have a common fate with the tree. We are all of the Earth, and when the Earth and its water and atmosphere are corrupted, then the Earth will create her reaction. The Mother reacts.

In the Hopi prophecy it says that storms and floods will get bigger.

For me it is not negative to know that there will be big changes. It's not negative, it's evolution. When you look at it as an Evolution, you know it's time, nothing stays the same. You should learn to plant something. This is the first connection. You should look at all things as Spirit, realize that we are family. It never ends. Everything is life and there is no end to life.



- Floyd " Red Crow " Westerman, musician, actor and activist native of South Dakota.

It's Official: Harriet Tubman Monument Replaces Christopher Columbus Statue In New Jersey

<https://www.theroot.com/its-official-harriet-tubman-monument-replaces-christop-1850220715>



[This is Picnic Cave. An old native rock shelter near the much bigger Hidden Cave in Churchill County, Nevada.](#) Bob Tregilus

How a California tribe became one of the Coachella Valley’s most powerful forces

Mike McPhate November 3, 2022

Search for “Agua Caliente tribal reservation” in [Google Maps](#), and you’ll see a bizarre checkerboard design draped across Southern California’s Coachella Valley, pictured below.

[\(Google Maps\)](#)

It’s not an error. The borders of the Agua Caliente reservation emerged as a byproduct of America’s westward expansion in the 19th century and the technological innovation that facilitated it: the railroad. No longer would the settlement of Indian lands proceed slowly, the secretary of the interior, Jacob Dolson Cox, [wrote in 1869](#), the year the transcontinental railroad was completed. “The very center of the desert has been pierced,” he said.

In many cases, the piercing of Native American territories was accomplished through land grants to the railroad companies. Rather than hand out ribbons of land along [proposed routes](#), the federal government created grids of square parcels, giving away every other block while keeping the rest for itself with the hope that train service would raise the value of the land.

When the Southern Pacific Railroad arrived to the dusty Coachella Valley in the 1870s, the U.S. used part of its checkerboard share — nearly 50 square miles — to establish a reservation for the Agua Caliente, a tiny impoverished tribe whose ancestors had walked the valley since “[time immemorial](#).” At the time, the remote land was deemed largely worthless. That was before the invention of Palm Springs.

As the desert became a fashionable resort destination in the early 1900s, restaurants and hotels popped up everywhere. A century later, [roughly half](#) of the glittering playground of Hollywood’s elite now sits atop land held by the Agua Caliente, whose members collect monthly lease payments from thousands of homeowners and businesses. The Agua Caliente, which also operates three major casinos, is today one of the Coachella Valley’s most powerful political forces and one of the country’s richest tribes.

In press reports, tribal members have sometimes bristled at questions about their wealth. But the late elder Vyola Ortner said she was proud of what the tribe achieved. “From my perspective,” she wrote in her [2011 memoir](#), “we did greater honor to our ancestors by prospering in the society that was forced upon us than by giving up or being taken in by self-righteous indignation.”

DNA Buried in Sediment Helps Scientists Picture Past Ecosystems

Examining the evidence offers a way to look back at now damaged environments

<https://www.smithsonianmag.com/science-nature/dna-buried-in-sediment-helps-scientists-picture-lost-ecosystems-180981769/>

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Charles Pierce | Drilling for Alaskan Oil May Be Good Politics, but It Still Ends Badly for Everyone
Charles Pierce, Esquire

Pierce writes: "It is axiomatic here at the shebeen that the ocean doesn't give a damn who wins the political debate over whether the climate crisis exists or what steps should be taken to mitigate it."

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Alaska oil project approved as protection sought for other areas

The Interior Department on Monday approved the operation of a massive oil and gas facility on Alaska's North Slope, a ConocoPhillips project called Willow supported by the state's congressional delegation but opposed by environmental groups. [Read more...](#)

PNut: While this news certainly won't come as a surprise, [the Biden administration approved the massive Willow oil project](#) in Alaska on Monday. The news is likely to devastate environmental activists and local tribal communities alike. The decision allows ConocoPhillips to develop three drilling sites at its proposed Willow project on federal land in the National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska.

It's smaller than requested, but the company says it's still plenty of space for their decidedly not-green project to move forward. The project will include up to 199 oil and gas wells on three separate sites, two wells to inject wastewater, pipelines, a new gravel mine, and roads and other infrastructure. Willow is expected to eventually produce up to 180,000 barrels a day of oil and around 280 million tons a year of greenhouse gases over its expected 30-year lifetime.

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**EPA Moves to Limit Toxic 'Forever Chemicals' in Drinking Water**

*Associated Press*

Excerpt: "The Environmental Protection Agency on Tuesday proposed limiting the amount of harmful 'forever chemicals' in drinking water to the lowest level that tests can detect, a long-awaited protection the agency said will save thousands of lives and prevent serious illnesses, including cancer."

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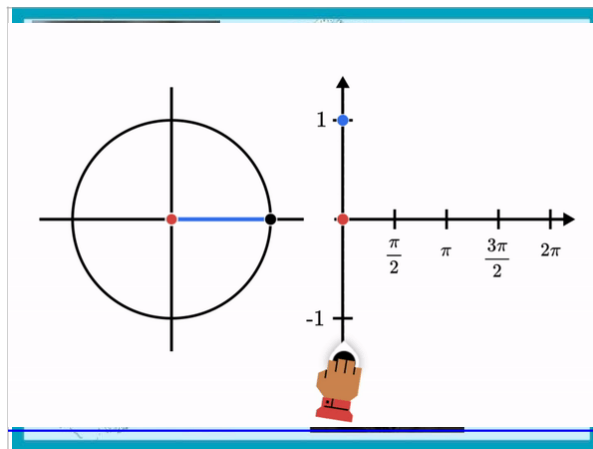
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Republicans greet call for expanded EPA staffing with skepticism

The White House proposal to further expand the EPA's numbers after years of staffing levels decline was greeted with immediate pushback from congressional Republicans, who said it would grow a regulatory state that "kills" American industry. [Read more...](#)

Scientists find a way to suck up carbon pollution, turn it into baking soda and store it in the oceans (CNN)


knowledge-time.com

[200,000-Year-Old History Challenging Antediluvian Structure Was Discovered in Oklahoma](#)
[A group of Oklahoma construction workers made an intriguing observation back in 1969. The manual laborers saw what looks to be a massive antediluvian construction when they were clearly able to date back to 200,000 years ago. It was first made public in the Oklahoman, a daily newspaper, where it was...](#)



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THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2023
12:00-1:15 P.M.


FLUTES OF FIRE, SECOND EDITION

PRESENTER: LEANNE HINTON



Advisory member of the board of AICLS and one of its founders; professor emerita of Linguistics at U.C. Berkeley, Prof. Hinton specializes in language revitalization, and consults with indigenous groups around the world on language maintenance and reclamation. In her latest publication, "Flutes of Fire," she showcases Native activism for language survival throughout California.

Event is free but registration required
Scan for the link to register or at
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[This is an online event through Zoom](#)
[March 23, 2023, 12-1:15 p.m.](#)

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"Since its original publication in 1994, Flutes of Fire has become one of the classic books about California's many Native languages. It is written to be approachable, entertaining, and informative—useful for people doing language revitalization work in their own communities, for linguists, and for a general readership interested in California's rich cultural heritage. With significant updates by the author, this is the first new edition of Flutes of Fire in over 25 years...."



Flutes of Fire: An Introduction to Native California Languages, Revised and Updated by Leanne Hinton

Paperback, 6 x 9, 304 pages. ISBN: 9781597145664. An essential book on California's Indigenous languages, updated for the first time in over 25 years. Before outsiders arrived, about one hundred distinct Indigenous languages were spoken in California, and many of them are in use today.

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FOIA 101: Tips and Tricks to Make You a Transparency Master

Whether it's your first request or your first request *today,* it never hurts to go over the basics. MuckRock's compiled a lot of FOIA advice over the years, and with this project, it's all in one place.

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As O'bama once said, "everyone's Irish on March 17".

It's that time of year again! Join Natives in California on **Wednesday, March 22, 2023 from 5:30 - 7:30 pm** for our fourth Native Power Building Summit.

Special guests include Assemblymember James Ramos, and Del Norte County Supervisor Susan Masten. All participants will receive a \$25 GrubHub credit for dinner and will have the opportunity to win some special prizes during our raffle giveaway.

A graphic with a dark red background and yellow geometric patterns at the top and bottom. The text "Guest Speakers" is written in a large, bold, yellow font. Below the text are two circular portraits. The left portrait shows a woman with dark hair, identified as Susan Masten. The right portrait shows a man in a suit and glasses, identified as James C. Ramos. Below each portrait is their name and title in white text.

Guest Speakers

**Del Norte County Supervisor
Susan Masten**

**CA Assemblymember D-40
James C. Ramos**

[RSVP HERE](#)

We'll have the opportunity to deepen relationships through our collective visioning on issues impacting American Indian/Alaska Native communities in California.

Join us to hear more about how you can get involved with our work, gain a deeper understanding of our organizing strategies, upcoming campaigns, and our integrated voter engagement strategy and how it relates to upcoming elections in 2024.

For any questions or additional information, contact Joey Williams at jwilliams@canativevote.org

Honoring Our Matriarchs, Women and Femmes

March 2023 Newsletter



For the month of March, we take special pause to honor Women, Femmes, and our ancestral Matriarchs for Women's History Month and International Women's Day. While colonization and colonial patriarchy have violently harmed, dishonored and virtually erased the contributions of all Women and Femmes throughout history, we know and our Ancestors have always known the power, strength and necessity of Women as leaders and culture-bearers among our Indigenous societies.

In our March newsletter, we pay homage to the Women and Femmes of our past and present, and also the foundational leaders of American Indian Movement with the 50th Anniversary of the Occupation of Wounded Knee. We lift up new stories, updates from the ecosystem, and we continue to bear witness to the movement medicine of today that presents itself in the grassroots efforts to combat the MMIR Epidemic, through the necessary protection of our Indigenous youth with disabilities, and local and national efforts to stop Atlanta's Cop City. We share all of this, and much more.

Thank you for being in community with us.

[View the Web Version of the Newsletter Here](#)

[UNR Study finds high stress levels in agriculture producers, identifies paths to coping](#)

Farmers and ranchers are facing health issues related to stress at higher levels than seen in the general population, according to a study led by the University of Nevada, Reno.

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Reading Room Assistant (Library Technician)

The Library of Congress is accepting applications for Reading Room Assistant (Library Technician), GS-05, until April 3, 2023.

This position is located in the Researcher and Reference Services Division, General and International Collections Directorate, Researcher and Collections Services.

The Library of Congress Researcher and Reference Services Division provides reference service for researchers using the Library's General Collections and the Division's custodial collections of microformat and computer file materials. The Division provides service to Members of Congress and their staff, librarians, scholars, government agencies, academic institutions, the press, publishers, and nonprofit organizations, and the general public. [Click here for more information.](#)

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Call for Artists!

The Pyramid Lake Museum is looking for 2 artists to paint Native American Themed Murals on 2 of the power boxes.

The chosen artists will receive \$500 in compensation, and will have to provide their own paint and sealant.

For more information, please call the Pyramid Lake Museum at 775-574-1088. Provide art samples and mural projects for review. The call for Artists ends on 04/07/2023



This project is supported in part by the Nevada Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts



Arctic ice has seen an “irreversible” thinning since 2007, study says

New research suggests the decline was a fundamental change unlikely to be reversed this century — perhaps proof the planet has passed an alarming climactic tipping point.

Read in The Washington Post: https://apple.news/Aq9o7xwF_TJiHDtj7vppJRg

The Nevada State Transportation Board has approved a two-year project that would widen and enhance the lanes along two and a half miles of Pyramid Highway. Starting this spring, drivers may encounter delays of up to 30 minutes in addition to temporary lane and intersection closures. Some of the changes include expanding the current four lanes of the highway between Queen Way to Los Altos Parkway to six lanes. (KRNV)

Emerald Bay Freezes Over for the First Time in 30 Years

<https://www.activenorcal.com/emerald-bay-freezes-over-for-the-first-time-in-30-years/> (w/pics)