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**White Bison**

Mark Newman/GettyImages

- A rare "one-in-ten-billion" albino white bison was born in a Wyoming state park on Tuesday.
- White bison are considered sacred to some Native Americans, according to the Native American College Fund.
- Bear River Park Superintendent Tyfani Sager said that the calf is small but doing well, Cowboy State Daily reported.



**A '1 in 10 million' bison is born at Wyoming state park. See photo of the rare calf**

A photo posted by the park shows the unusual calf with its mother.

**Sacramento Bee**

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### **I Am Legacy**

*When you take your last breath and your heart beats no more. It will not matter anymore the problems you had in this life, your pain and your sadness will have no more meaning. What you have gained outside of yourself that you value will mean nothing to you, and what you have gained within you will mean everything as you now take your place in the Spirit world. The future to the Lakota ancestors was not about obtaining riches or power but it was to prepare ourselves in this short life to enter into the next world. For the truest reward you could give yourself is to achieve a closer relationship with Wakan Tanka within you and this you will truly take with you when you pass. For the closer you become to the divine source the better your spirit will experience in the next world, for what was most important and valued by the Ancestors was only what you could take with you from this short life and what you could not take had much less importance. Leaving your children with a more close and loving relationship with Wakan Tanka and Unci Maka is a much better gift than leaving them with money and physical possessions.*



### **Bob Tregilus**

While driving through Monitor Valley in central Nevada yesterday, far off in the distance, I noticed a large shape. Using my binoculars I couldn't figure out what it was. There was a road that went toward it but stopped about a half mile from what I could now see was a semi-tractor. Yup, a big rig tractor in the middle of the desert, no road, and a horse skull in a bird's nest in the driver seat.

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5:00p Open Gourd  
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**JULY 1ST (SATURDAY)**  
11:00a Gourd  
1:00p Grand Entry  
5:00p Dinner Break  
6:00p Gourd  
7:00p Grand Entry  
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A video from the playlist [Local Culture & News](#).0:49 / 1:28

[Kenneth Chan Photography](#) posted a video to playlist [Local Culture & News](#).

This is how high school graduation is celebrated on the San Carlos Apache Reservation! Turn up your speakers and check out this tradition of Native American song and dance, and click the Share button to

repost this video!      Congratulations to the Class of 2018!

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## California Assembly Passes First-in-the-Nation Bill Banning 5 Toxic Food Ingredients

Hi Nancy,

**California's State Assembly passed [Bill AB-418](#) to ban five toxic chemicals commonly found in U.S. candies and other processed foods.** The ingredients, linked to cancer and developmental issues in children – brominated vegetable oil, potassium bromate, propylparaben, red dye 3 and titanium dioxide – are already banned in the European Union.

Introduced by Democratic State Assemblymembers Jesse Gabriel and Buffy Wicks at the beginning of February, the legislation would prohibit the manufacture, sale, delivery and distribution of food products that contain any of the five harmful ingredients.

AB-418 passed on the Assembly Floor with a vote of 54 Ayes, 12 Noes, and 14 No Vote Received.

As reported by Common Dreams: "We don't love our children any less than they do in Europe, and it's not too much to ask food and beverage manufacturers to switch to the safer alternative ingredients that they already use in Europe and so many other nations around the globe," said Gabriel, who chairs the state Assembly Committee on Privacy and Consumer Protection.

The five chemicals banned under AB-418 are:

- Brominated vegetable oil, which is used in some sodas and other beverages and has been linked to neurological symptoms
- Potassium bromate, which is used in some flour and found in many packaged bread products, and has been found to cause cancer in lab animals' thyroids, kidneys, and other organs
- Propylparaben, an antifungal agent used in cosmetics as well as foods which has been found to have developmental and reproductive toxicity
- Red dye 3, a food coloring that's been linked to cancers in lab animals
- Titanium dioxide, which is used in some food products to make them appear bright white and has been linked to DNA damage and cancer

If AB-418 clears the California Senate and is signed by the governor, candies and processed foods such as Skittles, Peeps, and many others would be banned in the state unless they are reformulated.

Big Food is lobbying hard to prevent this important legislation from passing, fearing that other states will follow California's lead.

### **Help Pass AB-418 for a Safer Food System!**

Californians, step up and send an email to your state Senators. [TAKE ACTION HERE.](#)

If you're outside California but have family or friends in the state, please [share this blog](#) and ask them to take action. We all know the saying: "**As California goes, so goes the nation.**" A safe California food system means a safer food system for all!

Let's go, California! Let's do this for all Americans.  
It takes a village.

Thanks for taking action, The GMO/Toxin Free USA Team



[Tokala Wicouncage](#)

Conica Wanica --

No Flesh

Lakota 89 years of age living at

Pine Ridge Reservation and a well known associate of Chief Sitting Bull sang the following. He stated that Sitting Bull sang this soon after the Custer

Fight June 1876. This same song with words and melody was adopted by the Lakota as "parade song" and it is still in use to this day whatever occasion demands.

"Kola taku otehika

Friends things (troubles) most difficult

Imakuwa pe

pursue me

Hena kowakipe sni le waun

of these fearless of i live (survive)"

No Flesh sang the following song. Sitting Bull sang this while he was en route to Washington, D. C., on Tribal matters pertaining to the cession of Black Hills Country.

"Kola taku yakapelo

Friends what are you talking about?

Pahasapa kin mitawa yelo

The Black Hills belong to me

Epin na blihe miciye

Saying this I took fresh courage."

- 25 Songs made by Sitting Bull, compiled by Robert High Eagle 1928.



## [Native American Culture](#) ·

### Native Americans And Horses

The story of the relationship of Native peoples and horses is one of the great sagas of human contact with the animal world.

Native peoples have traditionally regarded the animals in our lives as fellow creatures with which a common destiny is shared.

When American Indians encountered horses — which some tribes call the Horse Nation — they found an ally, inspiring and useful in times of peace, and intrepid in times of war. Horses transformed Native life and became a central part of many tribal cultures.

By the 1800s, American Indian horsemanship was legendary, and the survival of many Native peoples, especially on the Great Plains, depended on horses.

Native peoples paid homage to horses by incorporating them into their cultural and spiritual lives, and by creating art that honored the bravery and grace of the horse.

The glory days of the horse culture were brilliant but brief, lasting just over a century. The bond between American Indians and the Horse Nation, however, has remained strong through the generations.

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### **“A Song for the Horse Nation” Gallops into Washington**

The Smithsonian’s National Museum of the American Indian in Washington, D.C., presents a major exhibition that explores one of the greatest sagas of human contact with the animal world — American Indians and horses.

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they found an ally, inspiring and useful in times of peace, and intrepid in times of war,” said Kevin Gover (Pawnee), director of the museum.

“The exhibition shows how these majestic creatures came to represent courage and freedom to many tribes across North America.”

The critically acclaimed exhibition, first shown at the museum’s George Gustav Heye Center in New York (Nov. 14, 2009-July 10, 2011), doubles its exhibition space at the flagship museum on the National Mall to 9,500 square feet and includes 15 major additional objects.

Among them is a 19th-century, 16-foot-tall, 38-foot-circumference Lakota tipi, in which 110 hand-painted horses, some with riders, all at a full gallop, cover the entire surface in rich reds, turquoise blues and golds as vivid and fresh as the day they were created.

These battle and horse-raiding scenes proclaim the heroic deeds of the warrior who once lived in the tipi.

The exhibition shows how Native horse traditions continue today like the Nimiipuu (Nez Perce) Young Horsemen’s Program, which seeks to preserve the Appaloosa horse breed made famous by their ancestors.

Horse traditions thrive on the Crow Indian Reservation—their annual fair in southeastern Montana typically includes more than 2,000 horses and features elaborate parades and “giveaways” in which members of the tribe give away horses to relatives and friends as a gesture of generosity and honor.

A similar gesture among the Lakota is the tribe’s annual trek on horseback called the Oomaka Tokatakiya (Future Generations Ride) in South Dakota, which evolved from an annual healing journey to honor those who died at Wounded Knee.

During the two-week, 300-mile journey, riders experience some of the hardships their ancestors endured as a physical, spiritual and intellectual remembrance.

“For some Native peoples, the horse still is an essential part of daily life,” said Emil Her Many Horses (Oglala Lakota), curator of the exhibition.

“For others, the horse will always remain an element of our identity and our history. The Horse Nation continues to inspire, and Native artists continue to celebrate the horse in our songs, our stories and our works of art.”



**More Reasons to Have Chickens**

**[Scientists have invented a wild way to remove plastic pollution from our oceans with egg whites: ‘99% efficiency’ \(msn.com\)](https://www.msn.com/en-us/health/other/scientists-have-invented-a-wild-way-to-remove-plastic-pollution-from-our-oceans-with-egg-whites-99-efficiency/ar-AA15ELMs?ocid=msedgdhp&pc=U531&cvid=e5a50e8b01bd416d9bc444bd5c77dad3&ei=15)**

<https://www.msn.com/en-us/health/other/scientists-have-invented-a-wild-way-to-remove-plastic-pollution-from-our-oceans-with-egg-whites-99-efficiency/ar-AA15ELMs?ocid=msedgdhp&pc=U531&cvid=e5a50e8b01bd416d9bc444bd5c77dad3&ei=15>



Bob Tregilus

One of the best Ancestral Puebloan pictographs I've ever seen. Really spectacular!

### [Live Symposium June 16: Rewriting America, Reconsidering the Federal Writer's Project](#)

Friday, June 16, 2023

9:00 am - 5:30 pm EDT

James Madison Building - Mumford Room (LM649) 101 Independence Avenue SE, DC

The American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress will host this free public symposium bringing together the contemporary perspectives of public scholars, documentary producers, and curators on the legacy of the Federal Writers' Project (1935-39). The event focuses attention on the ways in which the Library's extraordinary archival collection of FWP materials continues to inform and inspire public outreach and interdisciplinary scholarship in fields ranging from public and oral history to journalism to ethnic studies and folklore. The symposium is anchored by contributing authors to the recently published book *Rewriting America: New Essays on the Federal Writers' Project*.

It will feature a rich array of scholarship on topics including new readings of the narratives of formerly enslaved African Americans, the practice and production of oral history podcasts in response to the Covid-19 pandemic, and emergent research into the once-obscured work of Asian American and Mexican American writers in the FWP. Prominent historians Catherine Stewart, Jerrold Hirsch, and John Edgar Tidwell will participate in roundtable discussions alongside emerging scholars, LC curators, policy makers, and media producers. Renowned oral historian Alessandro Portelli will travel from Italy to deliver the keynote address.

Find a full description of the symposium, biographies of the speakers, and a link to registration, all at the link.

This program is made possible with the generous support of the American Folklore Society, the Oral History Association, and City University of New York.

[Click here for more information.](#)

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### [A remote Nevada tribe is seeking funding to replace its 50-year-old school](#)

[Maria Palma](#)

.A Native American tribe is seeking funding to replace its 50-year-old school in rural Northern Nevada.





GABRIELLE CIRELLI | COURTESY

Third year Berkeley Law student Gabrielle Cirelli helps her tribe, the Habematolel Pomo of Upper Lake in Northern California, as she aids in rewriting the tribe's constitution.

<https://dailycal.org/2023/05/24/berkeley-law-student-works-to-rewrite-her-tribes-constitution>

### [Washoe County students are learning Paiute language thanks to Native programming](#)

*On “holidays” I file clean files. Here’s one I missed in January (and now maybe those that haven’t received a response to their xmas cards will understand.....)*

### **A \$250,000 check will help Minnesota group buy back land taken from Native Americans**

The Indian Land Tenure Foundation recently returned 28,000 acres to Bois Forte Chippewa tribe  
<https://www.startribune.com/a-250000-check-will-help-minnesota-group-buy-back-land-taken-from-native-americans/600247158/>

### **There's Big Climate Money Out There for Small Towns. But Will They Get It?**

<https://www.rsn.org/001/theres-big-climate-money-out-there-for-small-towns-but-will-they-get-it.html>

**Reminder:** **The Art of Jean LaMarr** is at the Boise Art Museum through June 11, 2023.

**The Art of Ben Aleck** runs at the Nevada Museum of Art through October 29, 2023. Free admission for Tribal Communities.

## Hagen Sandoval



Winnemucca Lake is home to several petroglyphs long believed to be very old. In 2013, researchers dated the carvings to between 14,800 and 10,500 years ago. Either date would make them the oldest known petroglyphs found in North America. The carvings lie within the Pyramid Lake Indian Reservation.



<https://www.westernjournal.com > small-farmers-now-front-center-john-kerrys-plan-save-earth>

Remarks by Nevada State Senator Harris.

Senate Bill No. 477 is a budget implementation bill related to the reorganization of the Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs. The bill authorizes the Director to appoint an unclassified Deputy Director to oversee the Division of Tourism and eliminates certain ex officio, nonvoting members of the Commission on Tourism. Additionally, the bill revises the name of the Nevada Magazine publication; creates the Fund for Tourism and Cultural Affairs; eliminates the Fund for the Nevada Magazine; and makes other conforming changes. Senate Bill No. 477 becomes effective on July 1, 2023.

**32nd Annual Gathering 2023**  
California Indian Basketweavers' Association



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