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**Family Discussion** 

# FREE EVENT: Indigenous & Latine Communities: Disinfo, Elections, and Online Narrative

Are you a campaign manager, a digital organizer, a campaign strategist, or someone that engages Indigenous or Latine audiences online on climate, pollution, and other intersectional issues? If so, we would like to invite you to the first ever virtual gathering of U.S. based Indigenous and Latine leaders & allies that work online on climate, pollution, and other intersectional social justice issues. Resource Media, who works with GreenLatinos on digital campaigns and content production, along with advocate leaders in this space, will discuss the latest on research, data, and digital engagement best practices that can help power up the work that your organization does on the ground. As we face this critical election year, the power of our collective voices will be more important than ever to sustain us and power up our work.

WHAT: La Madre Tierra Virtual Convening

WHEN: Tuesday, July 23, 2024. 9am - 2pm PDT / 11am CDT - 4pm CDT / 12pm EDT - 5pm EDT

**WHY:** La Madre Tierra online hub will present the latest communications research on what resonates with Indigenous and Latine communities, share skills on the use of online data and narrative practices to power up campaigning strategy, and connect us with one another, as we prepare to face together a critical year in the national political landscape.

The LMT virtual convening will bring together leaders driving campaigns on climate, environmental justice, and social justice issues to surface collective solutions to the most pressing problems that our communities are facing - from disinformation to challenges in public narratives, to resources not fully reaching important organizing work on the ground, and more.

To register, visit: https://bit.ly/4e9PvnW

For more information about La Madre Tierra online hub, visit: www.LaMadreTierra.org

### <u>Secretary Speaker Series - Restoring the Klamath River - What We are Learning from</u> <u>America's Largest Dam Removal Project</u>

Removal of four outdated hydroelectric dams has begun the revival of the Klamath River and its once prodigious salmon runs. Decades of Indigenous activism, negotiations, and meticulous planning led to this ambitious restoration, which brings ecosystems back to life and confronts century-old historic injustices. What are we learning as dams are removed? How do we expect nature to respond in coming months and years? And how can this effort catalyze broader environmental and cultural reconciliation across California and the United States? Join us for a candid conversation with key leaders driving this remarkable transformation.

Register to attend: <a href="https://bit.ly/SSSKlamathRiver">https://bit.ly/SSSKlamathRiver</a>

When: July 15, 2024 | 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.

#### **David Attenborough Fans**

A 10,000-year-old skeleton - the oldest known Briton - was found inside a cave in Cheddar, England, and was nicknamed "Cheddar Man". His DNA was tested and it was concluded that a living relative was teaching history about half a mile away, tracing back nearly 300 generations. What is more, they seem to share facial features too!

Full story: <a href="https://bit.ly/4cTqvQH">https://bit.ly/4cTqvQH</a>



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https://www.msn.com/en-us/lifestyle/lifestyle-buzz/experts-stunned-by-discovery-in-rainforest-15-years-after-reintroduction-of-beavers-they-may-have-created-the-right-habitat/ar-BB1pxYjJ?

ocid=socialshare&pc=HCTS&cvid=a4dbe3442efa42fe86489f5c5ff855e4&ei=15

Reader comment: As humanoids stupidity continues to kill everything off!!

### Salmon need passage of Assembly bill

Frankie Joe Myers, the vice chair of the Yurok Tribe and a resident of Weitchpec, writes, "Salmon are a cornerstone of our culture and the importance of salmon to our people cannot be overstated. Salmon are intertwined with our cultural identity and religion — what it means to be Yurok. Our ceremonies celebrate the annual migrations of salmon, and the harvest and preservation of salmon is central to community activities that have persisted for generations. In late January, Gov. Gavin Newsom released a strategic plan aimed at helping restore California's dwindling salmon population. The Salmon Strategy for a Hotter, Dryer Future, lays out a plan for ensuring that California salmon and the communities who rely on them have a future in our changed climate. The Yurok Tribe applauded the Newsom administration and stood with the governor when this plan was released, and we now urge Governor Newsom to

set in motion his plan by signing AB1272. ... " Read more from the Eureka Times-Standard

Big Cypress National Preserve has been home for the Miccosukee people for centuries. They have stewarded its lands and waters and still live in traditional villages there. Today, there are fifteen active traditional villages in Big Cypress, sacred cultural sites, and multiple ceremonial grounds, scattered throughout the Preserve. Beyond living in Big Cypress, Miccosukee citizens further retain rights to use and occupancy throughout the entirety of the Preserve, explicitly protected in the Preserve's 1974-enabling federal legislation.

Even though the administration has heard our voices, they are still planning to use the *Wilderness Act* to designate the preserve as "wilderness" after the November election. The intention is to increase protections for the freshwaters and fish. But the impact will strip the Miccosukee Tribe of their legal and inherent right to live in and be caretakers of Big Cypress.

This designation completely ignores the critical stewardship of Big Cypress they've provided for hundreds of years.

Secretary Haaland and the Biden administration have reaffirmed the federal government's trust responsibility to Tribes through Sec. Order 34-02 and DOI Departmental Order 227.

Call on Congress to hold the agencies accountable to find ways to best protect Big Cypress and the Everglades from degradation and protect the sovereign rights of the Miccosukee Tribe.

esulted in the forced removal of Tribal Nations who lived there, disrupting cultural continuity and causing direct harm to the ecosystems which they had been stewarding.

The creation of Everglades National Park, for example, resulted in the forced removal of Miccosukee and Seminole traditional villages and the taking of their 99,200-acre reservation. It is not the presence, or lack, of human habitation that defines the health of a landscape, but rather, it is the relationship of human beings with that land that determines the land's fate.

Deleting Tribal Nations with the stroke of a pen from their lands is a surefire recipe for the same kinds of ecosystem collapse that Yellowstone National Park has endured.

The Tribe's South Florida congressional representatives have introduced a one-sentence bill (HR 8206 in the House, S 4267 in the Senate), which reads in its entirety, "Big Cypress National Preserve may not be designated as wilderness or as a component of the National Wilderness Preservation System." Now is the moment to call on our members of Congress to take action to advance this legislation and protect Tribal rights within the Preserve.

We can make a difference in this fight. Please take a moment to sign and send a direct message urging your members of Congress to honor Tribal sovereignty and protect Tribal access to the Big Cypress National Preserve now.

Hawwih (*thank you*) for standing with the Miccosukee Tribe today. Judith LeBlanc (Caddo), Executive Director

### **Computer History Museum**

Join us this summer and experience the history of technology, unfiltered, at the Computer History Museum.

computerhistory.org Explore Technological Wonders!

Wednesday-Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mountain View, CA

### **Constructor Group**

Join us for our upcoming webinar as we **explore the revolutionary potential of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and its impact on the future of higher education**. Institutions of higher learning are capitalizing on AI's promise to boost operational efficiency and academic performance as the technology continues transforming many other industries.



#### constructor.tech

The campus of tomorrow: AI's impact on higher education efficiency and operations

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Intelligence (AI) and its impact on the future of higher education.

### **Norwich University Online**

Museums give people a rare and thrilling glimpse into the past. Combining public history and public administration into one focused program, **Norwich University's online Master of Arts in Museum Administration program** prepares you for middle- and upper-level leadership roles within historical museums, societies, and similar open institutions. With your Norwich degree, you will gain the training to lead and make history accessible to a wide audience. Learn more > https://bit.ly/3KVuRuC

For a powwow moment: https://www.facebook.com/1068192444/videos/pcb.10229475589888658/1000265748167704

Our ancestors fought hard so we would still have an identity. We have unique languages, songs, ceremonies, and cultures. Someone fought hard so they would still be here for people they would never meet.

Now it's your turn, pick it up, no matter how long it takes

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# CHEMAWA School



"Providing opportunities for every student to achieve success."

### **QUICK FACTS**

- . Located In Salem, OR
- Oldest continually operating off reservation boarding school
- ❖ Established in 1880
- Tuition and Board Free-Transportation provided
- Support services (medical, dental and behavioral health) provided adjacent to our campus
- Bureau of Indian Education Operated
- Home to 300-400 students each year
- Accredited through AdvancEd
- · Oregon diploma granted

### **❖ OUR STUDENTS**

- ❖ Grades 9-12
- · From 20 different states
- From more than 65 tribes



COLLEGE BOUND??
OVER \$165,000 WAS
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IN SCHOLARSHIPS IN 2021

## Where Do Chemawa Students Come From?



### **Academic Programs**

- College readiness programming
- Honors Courses
- Credit Recovery
- Enrichment Classes
- Vocational opportunities
- Dual Credit with Western Oregon University
- SAT/ACT Prep Classes
- State of the art technology in every classroom
- 20:1 Teacher/Student Ratio
- Robotics/AISES
- Automotive Program
- Native Studies Program
- Agricultural Program w/school farm including goats, cows and chickens

### **Extra-Curricular Activities**

- Full Year Round Sports Program
- Tutoring afterschool/ evening/weekend
- Cultural Arts
- Traditional Cooking
- Social, academic and cultural clubs
- Intermural activities
- Full recreation department
- Dorm activities
- State of the art fitness room

For More Information, call 503-399-5721 x1345 www.chemawa.bie.edu

Public school isn't for everyone. There are 4 off reservation Native schools who are accepting applications for the upcoming school year: Chemawa (Oregon), Flandreau (South Dakota), Sherman (California), and Riverside (Oklahoma).



**Pitsskustuya (aka Seven Shirts, aka Joe Moses),** the son of Spengecksteetsa and the nephew of Kwiltalahun (aka Chief Moses), on the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation in north-central Washington - Sinkiuse - 1903



Comanche Faces of the Past



This project intends to bridge inter-tribal communities across so-called borders and restore traditional cultural, artistic, and collaborative lifeways. We will be using funds to support runners from Oklahoma to reach Mexico and reconnect with Native communities by ensuring food, lodging, and transportation are covered as they embark on their journeys.

Learn More: <a href="https://pdjrun.com/home">https://pdjrun.com/home</a>



Peace and Dignity Journey running through Center of Country with Prayers



UCLA American Indian Studies Center - Bruin Highlight: Past,

**Present & Future** 

This July 2024 we are highlighting Native Bruin Patricia Bengochia (also known as Petey) from the Bishop Paiute Tribal nation, a graduate of 1976.

Patricia Bengochia, is one of the first group of Native students that was recruited to UCLA. Pat majored in History with a focus on American Indians, including Indian Law. Following her graduation in 1976, she began her career within her tribe's Education sector before transitioning to the Gaming Commission, where she has served for the past 25 years.

Patricia, also known as Petey, has dedicated herself to preserving the Nüümu (Paiute) language by working with students and encouraging her grandchildren to embrace their heritage.

Additionally, she actively participates in the elders committee and Tribal Historical Preservation office. Petey has two children, Lavina and Everett Bengochia, and four beloved grandchildren.

"The best memories I have of being an American Indian on the UCLA Campus is meeting so many other tribal members from across Indian Country and identifying with each other, we had so much fun taking part in so many events. The best was making long lasting friends' and I still have contact with them today, we are very proud to have been the first students at UCLA."

#UCLA #UCLAAISC #NativeBruins



The California Indian Law Association ("CILA") is looking for an independent contractor to serve as the Program Coordinator for CILA. This position requires outstanding organization and proof-reading skills and expertise using Google Mail, Dropbox, Canva, Microsoft Word and Excel to create documents and communication as directed by the CILA Board of Directors ("Board"). Law students are encouraged to apply. Experience working for or with Tribes or Tribal communities is a plus.

- This is a part-time, hourly independent contract position generally requiring 5-10 hours per week, but may require up to 25 hours per week during peak times for the organization;
- This is a remote position, but please note all CILA programming takes place in California;
- Rate of pay is \$20-\$27 per hour, depending on experience;
- Ability to make at least a year-long commitment;
- Travel may be required. Travel fees will be covered by CILA.

Please send your resume and a cover letter outlining your relevant skills that explains why you are the best candidate for this position. Candidates selected for a virtual interview with the Board may be asked to submit a writing sample.

Send your application materials to: info@calindianlaw.org

The City of Reno and Washoe County ask for your feedback on the <u>Truckee River Vision</u>

Plan to improve the 18-mile stretch of the Truckee River Corridor between the Nevada state line and Sparks. On July 8,2024, the City began a final round of public outreach that lasts through July 28. <u>Check out this new landing page with a survey and other project resources</u>.

We also invite you to a community engagement open house this Thursday, July 11, 2024 to learn more about the draft plan for the Truckee.

### **Community Open House Details:**

When: Thursday, July 11, 2024 4:30-7:30pm Where: Reno City Hall, 1. E. 1 Street

### Open House Schedule:

- 4:30-5:30- Open House
- 5:30-6:30- Presentation from Dig Studio, the project's consultant
- 6:30-7:30- Q&A

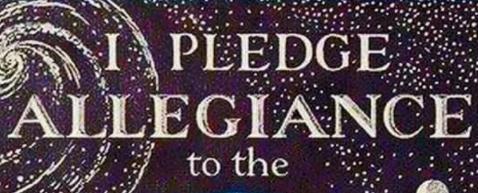
The presentation and Q&A will also be available <u>virtually</u>.

The purpose of the Truckee River Vision Plan is to deliver a blueprint to transform the Truckee River. From more restaurants, vendors and shops to more trails, river access and shade, we want to hear from you. The official campaign is called, 'Speak Up-ee for the Truckee.'

In addition to this larger planning process, Dig, the project's consultant, helped the City to identify immediate projects that could be funded through America Rescue Act Funding. These projects which were passed by City council include: new animal resistant trash cans and pet waste receptacles, paint refresh on railings, light poles, and bridges a long the river downtown, infrastructure improvements to West Street plaza with a River Ranger station and event programming for two summer seasons, design for a cantilever path behind the Automobile Museum, and design and physical improvements like lighting along Riverside Drive.

City staff will bring a draft plan to council later this summer for review and approval.

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