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2024 Weekly Total @ MBFF (4/7-4/13)

Cui-ui - 264

Tahoe Sucker -6



Pilot LCT - 132

**[Roy Hicks holding a Cui ui at Marble Bluff. \(Credit USFWS\)](#)**

*(No it is not*

*a narwhal....just the camera angle)*

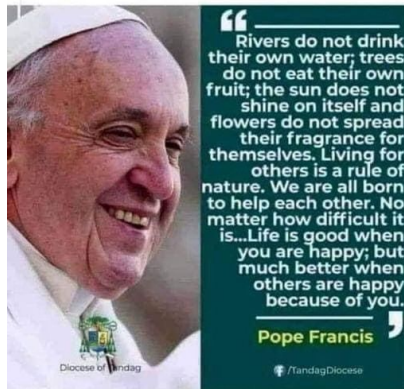
From Star Tribune:

**Running Aces sues tribal casinos, claiming card games aren't authorized by state**

The horse-racing track's lawsuit comes as the Minnesota Legislature considers legalized sports betting in partnership with tribes.

<https://www.startribune.com/running-aces-files-racketeering-suit-against-tribal-casinos-claiming-card-games-arent-authorized/600359278/>

I absolutely LOVE this quote from Pope Francis!



## Join us in Phoenix next week! April 23rd Regional Roadshow!

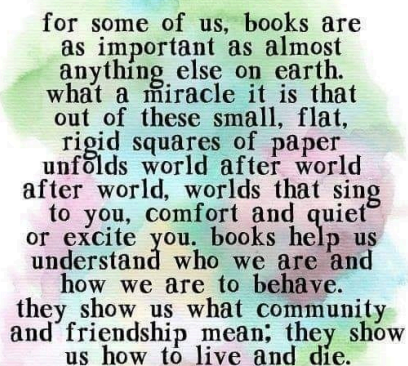
Join EPA on April 23, 2024 for the in-person Regional Roadshow event in Phoenix, Arizona ! This event provides opportunities for community leaders and potential grant applicants of Phoenix, Arizona to:

- Learn more about historic funding opportunities and technical assistance made available through President Biden’s Investing in America agenda and the Inflation Reduction Act.
- Meet with peers in Phoenix, Arizona to develop new or deeper community-based partnerships and cultivate ideas for appropriate funding opportunities.
- Brainstorm how to confront the climate crisis and advance environmental justice in your community.

The Regional Roadshow is a part of EPA’s [Community, Equity & Resiliency initiative](#), a groundbreaking effort to help communities across the nation navigate EPA’s Inflation Reduction Act investments and other new funding opportunities made possible by President Biden’s *Investing in America* agenda. Through this new initiative, EPA’s Office of Air and Radiation (OAR) and Office of Environmental Justice and External Civil Rights (OEJECR) will facilitate community-driven partnerships and provide a space for communities to learn, connect and cultivate ideas on how to access the historic resources, especially in low-income and disadvantaged communities.

Please register in advance as space is limited. Be sure to secure your spot today! <https://www.epa.gov/community-equity-resiliency/regional-roadshows>

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Patch and T-Mobile are partnering to [celebrate local Star Students](#) who make life better with contributions big and small. Do you know an outstanding student you'd like the rest of Reno to know about, too? [Nominate them using our simple form](#), and we'll take care of the rest!



for some of us, books are
as important as almost
anything else on earth.
what a miracle it is that
out of these small, flat,
rigid squares of paper
unfolds world after world
after world, worlds that sing
to you, comfort and quiet
or excite you. books help us
understand who we are and
how we are to behave.
they show us what community
and friendship mean; they show
us how to live and die.

anne lamott, bird by bird

*From the **Native Voters Alliance Nevada***

Did you catch the latest buzz? There's a whirlwind in the world of Social Security, and it's time for us to jump into action.

On a recent episode of CNBC's Squawk Box, twice impeached former President with 91 felony charges, Donald Trump said, "So first of all, there is a lot you can do in terms of entitlements, in terms of cutting." In other words, Trump's going to cut Social Security.

Quick Briefing:

- The House Republican Study Committee (RSC) has unveiled a controversial plan for Social Security in the 2025 budget.
- Their vision? Push the retirement age to 69 and slice benefits by 13% for future beneficiaries.
- That's not all. They're eyeing changes to the Social Security Disability Insurance program!

These proposals would disproportionately impact low-income and minority seniors who rely heavily on Social Security for income.

[Sign the petition and send a message - NO CUTS TO SOCIAL SECURITY!](#)

When in the White House, Trump proposed cutting the program in every annual budget proposal he released. *If reelected, he might get his wish!*

Biden's administration opposes benefit cuts and aims to strengthen Social Security by ensuring high-income individuals pay their fair share. Congress and the president should reject the RSC's proposed changes.

Saving and expanding Social Security is not only in our best interest as individuals, it is in the interest of our economy, and oh yeah, HUMANITY.

[Social Security is the foundation of financial security for millions of Americans. Sign your name to support it!](#)

Thanks for your support.
Native Voters Alliance Nevada

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**Second State of the Union Address (1846) by James K. Polk**

*The majority of the speech dealt with the history of Mexico and the US relations, giving a broad view of the world at that time. Depending on one's personal view, "The existing war with Mexico was neither desired nor provoked by the United States. On the contrary, all honorable means were resorted to to avert it.", the tome contains amazing statements and for some, controverted truths.*

*“Manifest destiny” would play out big time during Polk’s administration and would have more than substantial impact on Indian country.....so much happened that was not in his State of the Union but the impacts of which we are still dealing with today.*

*Again, reading the whole speech is a valuable exercise, but here are a few extracts:*

“The beneficial effects of the graduation principle have been realized by some of the States owning the lands within their limits in which it has been adopted. They have been demonstrated also by the United States acting as the trustee of the Chickasaw tribe of Indians in the sale of their lands lying within the States of Mississippi and Alabama. The Chickasaw lands, which would not command in the market the minimum price established by the laws of the United States for the sale of their lands, were, in pursuance of the treaty of 1834 with that tribe, subsequently offered for sale at graduated and reduced rates for limited periods. The result was that large quantities of these lands were purchased which would otherwise have remained unsold. The lands were disposed of at their real value, and many persons of limited means were enabled to purchase small tracts, upon which they have settled with their families. That similar results would be produced by the adoption of the graduation policy by the United States in all the States in which they are the owners of large bodies of lands which have been long in the market can not be doubted. It can not be a sound policy to withhold large quantities of the public lands from the use and occupation of our citizens by fixing upon them prices which experience has shown they will not command. On the contrary, it is a wise policy to afford facilities to our citizens to become the owners at low and moderate rates of freeholds of their own instead of being the tenants and dependents of others. If it be apprehended that these lands if reduced in price would be secured in large quantities by speculators or capitalists, the sales may be restricted in limited quantities to actual settlers or persons purchasing for purposes of cultivation.

‘In my last annual message I submitted for the consideration of Congress the present system of managing the mineral lands of the United States, and recommended that they should be brought into market and sold upon such terms and under such restrictions as Congress might prescribe. By the act of the 11th of July last "the reserved lead mines and contiguous lands in the States of Illinois and Arkansas and Territories of Wisconsin and Iowa" were authorized to be sold. The act is confined in its operation to "lead mines and contiguous lands." A large portion of the public lands, containing copper and other ores, is represented to be very valuable, and I recommend that provision be made authorizing the sale of these lands upon such terms and conditions as from their supposed value may in the judgment of Congress be deemed advisable, having due regard to the interests of such of our citizens as may be located upon them.

‘It will be important during your present session to establish a Territorial government and to extend the jurisdiction and laws of the United States over the Territory of Oregon. Our laws regulating trade and intercourse with the Indian tribes east of the Rocky Mountains should be extended to the Pacific Ocean; and for the purpose of executing them and preserving friendly relations with the Indian tribes within our limits, an additional number of Indian agencies will be required, and should be authorized by law. The establishment of custom-houses and of post-offices and post-roads and provision for the transportation of the mail on such routes as the public convenience will suggest require legislative authority. It will be proper also to establish a surveyor-general's office in that Territory and to make the necessary provision for surveying the

public lands and bringing them into market. As our citizens who now reside in that distant region have been subjected to many hardships, privations, and sacrifices in their emigration, and by their improvements have enhanced the value of the public lands in the neighborhood of their settlements, it is recommended that liberal grants be made to them of such portions of these lands as they may occupy, and that similar grants or rights of preemption be made to all who may emigrate thither within a limited period, prescribed by law.”

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[https://en.wikisource.org/wiki/James K. Polk%27s Second State of the Union Address](https://en.wikisource.org/wiki/James_K._Polk%27s_Second_State_of_the_Union_Address)

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**~New Mine Plan Would Condemn Rare Nevada Wildflower to Extinction**

<https://biologicaldiversity.org/w/news/press-releases/new-mine-plan-would-condemn-rare-nevada-wildflower-to-extinction-2024-04-16/>

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The Graduations are starting!



[Phaline Thacker Conklin](#) is in [Owyhee, NV](#).

This beautiful gal will be graduating very soon with her Masters Degree in Public Health Administration epidemiology emphasis. May 10th is the day. Her degree will come from the College of Science of North Dakota State University. Pretty sure she will finish with a 3.8 GPA. GO Bisons!

If anyone would like an announcement please inbox me your address. Family please share as well. This momma and dad are pretty pleased with our baby we call [Hattie Faith D'Anne Conklin](#)



Heidi Barlese

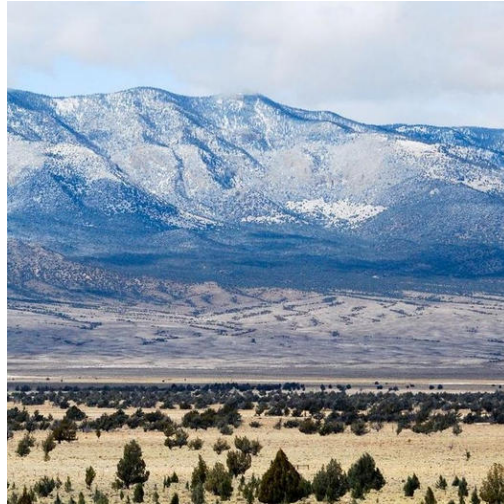
Growing up, I had a Grandmother who taught me a lot. She taught me how to count to 10 before I went to kindergarten. She taught me all the words for everything around me, the animals, the seasons, body parts, etc. She'd tell me to get up, go to sleep, where's my shoes. I continued learning until she passed In 1994. I'm not fluent, but I know a lot because I listened. When I became a Head Start teacher, I taught the kids all I knew because I knew they would remember, because I did. I translated songs into the language with the help of my Mom and Dad. People would say, "that's too hard, the kids won't learn. It," but if I kept singing the song every day, they would catch on.

So, if you have kids or grandkids and you're a fluent speaker, talk to them in the language every day...they will learn. It may not seem like they are, but they're listening...they're always listening. They'll begin to catch on and will start understanding. But, you have to speak every day...simple things like, let's go...wash your face (ayes). Time to eat, where are you going?

Now is the time. ❤️🙏

[Great Basin Water Network](#)

For the first time in modern history, three tribes have an opportunity to preserve and commemorate a religious gathering area that became a serial massacre site during EuroAmerican colonization. **Bahsahwahbee National Monument will memorialize 25,000 acres of land for Indigenous communities** in Nevada's Great Basin to share their stories with all Americans and commemorate the nationally significant...



swampcedars.org

[SIGN THE PETITION TODAY](#)

[Bahsahwahbee \(Swamp Cedars\) National Monument - Take Action](#)

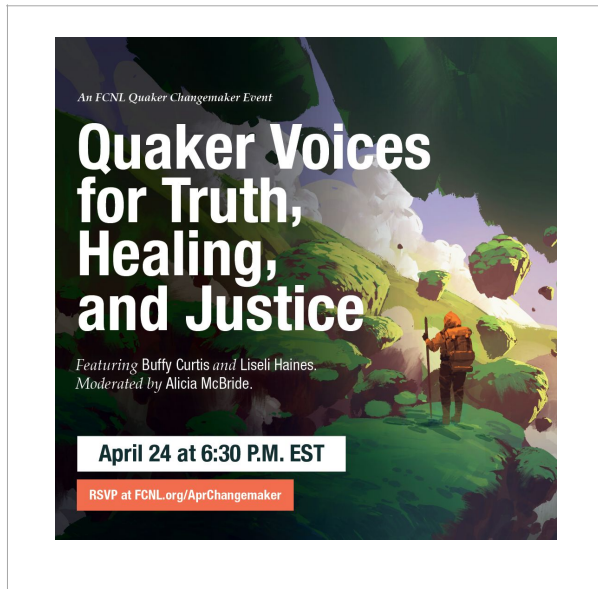
[Washoe County Library](#)

[Recognize that familiar face peeking out behind the shelves at the Sparks Library? It's Dolly! Dolly Parton's Imagination Library has arrived in Washoe County, and we're celebrating with a life-sized cardboard cutout of our favorite country music icon. Stop by to take a selfie and visit \[UWNNS.org/DPIL\]\(http://UWNNS.org/DPIL\) to get your child enrolled in the program.](#)



Our April Quaker Changemaker event will feature a conversation about the trauma inflicted by Indian Boarding Schools and how it has affected Native communities over generations. We are grappling with the legacy of Quakers who supported the system by operating 30 schools and we are working to make amends.

[Join us virtually on Wednesday, April 24 at 6:30 p.m. ET!](#)



During the March 2024's Spring Lobby Weekend, more than 300 young people lobbied for the creation of the Truth and Healing Commission on Indian Boarding School Policies Act (S.1723/H.R. 7227).

At this Quaker Changemakers event, we will talk with Quaker activists Buffy Curtis and Liseli Haines on the Truth and Healing Commission, and how non-indigenous Quakers approach truth and healing with Native American advocates. How has faith led Quakers to act on this issue? What have we experienced and learned along the way? How can we avoid the mistakes of the past in our current advocacy?

[Register
Now](#)

We need F/friends like you to spread the word about these events, so please pass this around in your networks. I'm looking forward to seeing you there!

In peace, Micha MacColi Nicholson, Quaker Engagement

Scholarships (A-D) with May 31 Deadlines

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| "We The Future" Contest | \$5,000 | May 31, 2024 |
| AAIA Scholarships | Varies | May 31, 2024 |
| Aaron & Co. Millwork Scholarship | \$500 | May 31, 2024 |
| AAUW Jeanne Gruenwald Scholarship | \$1,500 | May 31, 2024 |
| Achieve Atlanta Scholarship | \$20,000 | May 31, 2024 |
| Actuary of Tomorrow - Stuart A. Robertson Memorial Scholarship | \$10,000 | May 31, 2024 |
| AFCEA ROTC Scholarships | \$3,000 | May 31, 2024 |
| AIAS Foundation Scholarship | \$2,500 | May 31, 2024 |
| AISES A.T. Anderson Memorial Scholarship | \$2,000 | May 31, 2024 |
| AISES Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) Foundation Scholarship | \$10,000 | May 31, 2024 |
| AMA Houston Penny Todd Scholarship | \$5,000 | May 31, 2024 |
| American Indian College Fund Full Circle Scholarship | Varies | May 31, 2024 |
| American Warrior Association Scholarships | \$15,000 | May 31, 2024 |
| Aspen Ross Legacy Foundation | \$2,000 | May 31, 2024 |
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| Bay Area Minority Law Student Scholarship | \$10,000 | May 31, 2024 |
| Bayar Fellowship | \$2,000 | May 31, 2024 |
| Betty Stevens-Frecknall Scholarship | Varies | May 31, 2024 |
| Bishop John Bryson Chane Scholarship for Social Justice | \$1,000 | May 31, 2024 |
| BRAAF Paul F. Brown Scholarship | \$3,000 | May 31, 2024 |
| Brian Terry Scholarship | Varies | May 31, 2024 |
| Bryan Petersen Memorial Scholarship | \$1,000 | May 31, 2024 |
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| Canyon Institute Arizona Resident Scholarship | \$3,000 | May 31, 2024 |
| Catherine G. Jurgemeyer Memorial Scholarship | \$10,000 | May 31, 2024 |
| CEFS Economic Opportunity Corporation CSBG Scholarship | \$1,100 | May 31, 2024 |
| Chiropractic Scholarship Program | \$2,000 | May 31, 2024 |
| David Malcolm Scholarship | \$2,500 | May 31, 2024 |
| DeuceMan Strong Memorial Scholarship Foundation | \$1,000 | May 31, 2024 |
| Diane Albertson Memorial Scholarship | \$1,000 | May 31, 2024 |
| Dr. Tak Hattori Memorial Scholarship | \$1,000 | May 31, 2024 |