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The "**Rainbow Mountains**" at Zhangye Danxia Landform Geological Park in Gansu Province, China, are a stunning display of nature's artistry. These mountains boast an incredible range of colors, created by layers of minerals and sandstone deposited over 24 million years and shaped by tectonic movements. The vibrant stripes are the result of iron and other minerals interacting with environmental elements over millennia. This site, particularly breathtaking after a rain shower on a sunny day, attracts visitors from around the globe, all eager to marvel at these natural kaleidoscopic formations.

## [Klamath River Renewal Corporation](#)

This week, **crews broke ground on the removal of the J.C. Boyle Dam**. Located in Oregon, J.C. Boyle was completed in 1958, and is an earth fill diversion dam. Standing only 68 feet tall, J.C. Boyle is significantly smaller than Iron Gate and Copco No. 1 and will likely be fully removed by sometime this summer.

Crews will first work on taking apart the earthen portion of the dam, which cover the rivers historic path. Once that portion is fully removed, the river's flows will be restored to the channel and crews will be disassembling the concrete spillway.

Photos courtesy of [Swiftwater Films](#)



## **The U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) to Hold Listening Sessions on Draft Environmental Justice Strategic Plan**

The Justice Department is hosting two virtual public listening sessions to gather input to inform the development of the Department's Environmental Justice Strategic Plan. [Executive Order 14096](#), "Revitalizing Our Nation's Commitment to Environmental Justice for All," directs the Justice Department to develop an Environmental Justice Strategic Plan capturing its vision, goals, priority actions, and metrics to address and advance environmental justice.

DOJ's draft Environmental Justice Strategic Plan includes goals to prioritize cases, meaningfully engage with impacted communities, increase education and collaboration, and assess and evaluate environmental justice in the Justice Department's climate adaptation efforts. See related [OEJ website information](#) and additional information below.

## **VIRTUAL LISTENING SESSIONS (Please register by May 23, 2024.)**

### **Date: May 29, 2024**

Time: 06:00-07:30 PM Eastern Time

To register and receive a link to join: <https://www.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJlfsu2trjMvHa9l2LeJWSL9NguDCu8qDCg#/registration>

### **Date: May 30, 2024**

Time: 06:00-07:30 PM Eastern Time

To register and receive a link to join: <https://www.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJltdOyrqzIsG8i2cfl4GuJXwLkF-EiLQDw#/registration>

For more information about the virtual listening sessions on DOJ's draft Environmental Justice Strategic Plan, see the Virtual Listening Sessions Flyer. The flyer is available in both [English](#) and [Spanish](#) at: <https://www.justice.gov/oej/draft-environmental-justice-strategic-plan-information>.

Listening sessions will start with an overview of the draft Environmental Justice Strategic Plan goals and objectives followed by an opportunity for the public to provide feedback. Each virtual listening session will cover the same material. To request special accommodations for the listening sessions, please indicate when registering.

We would appreciate your comments on the following questions:

- **What additional goals and objectives should the Department consider in its Plan?**
- **How can the Department improve its outreach and engagement efforts with communities about environmental justice?**
- **What information and resources should the Department provide to communities to clarify its environmental justice efforts?**
- **What topics and considerations should the Department include for staff training on environmental justice?**
- **What organizations in your area should the Department add to its environmental justice listserv?**

Written comments may be sent until **11:59 PM Eastern Time on July 8, 2024**, in one of the following ways:

- by email to [OEJ@usdoj.gov](mailto:OEJ@usdoj.gov),
- by [Survey](#) (available in English and Spanish) at <https://www.justice.gov/oej/draft-environmental-justice-strategic-plan-information>, or
- by hard copy to Office of Environmental Justice, U.S. DOJ, Environment and Natural Resources Division, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044-7611.

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**OLLI announces open enrollment for educational opportunities for adults over 50: The Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at the University of Nevada, Reno, is excited to begin open enrollment for educational programs for adults over 50. These programs offer a range of activities from lectures to outdoor adventures, aiming to enrich the lives of its members. ([unr.edu](http://unr.edu))**



## Indigenous Vibes

**R.** Carlos Nakai is a Native American musician of Navajo-Ute descent, renowned for his mastery of the Native American flute and his contributions to the genres of folk and New Age music. Born in 1946 in Flagstaff, Arizona, Nakai has embarked on a creative and influential journey throughout his musical career.



Nakai's musical journey began when he learned to play the Native American flute from his grandfather at a young age. He later pursued studies at Northern Arizona University and the University of Massachusetts, where he developed his musical skills and conducted research on the culture and music of Native Americans.

Nakai has recorded numerous solo albums and collaborated with other artists on various music projects. His albums often blend traditional Native American music with New Age elements, creating a unique and inspiring sound.

Beyond his music career, Nakai is also an educator and cultural researcher. He has authored many books and articles on Native American culture, history, and music, contributing to the preservation and transmission of the cultural heritage of his community.

R. Carlos Nakai's life and career are a testament to the diversity and strength of Native American culture in the arts and education. He has illuminated the values and traditions of the Navajo-Ute people and contributed to honoring and preserving the cultural heritage of his community.



**Quentin Steele** had his families there helping him celebrate his graduation. His Steele, Quasula, Juan and Walema families and friends there.

He wore his grandpa, Rupert Steele's picture on his stole. Congratulations Quentin we are so proud of you.

Auntie Wanda George-Quasula

**Imagine a plant that thrives not in sunlight, but in the shifting sands of the desert.**

Meet the Sand Food (*Pholisma sonorae*), a rare gem of the Sonoran Deserts.

This unique plant, rather than reaching for the sky, extends its fleshy stem up to two meters below the surface. Only a small, rounded part of it peeks out of the sand dunes, often mistaken for a mushroom.

But don't be fooled, this is no fungus. It's a partially parasitic plant that latches onto the roots of desert shrubs like buckwheat and ragweed, siphoning off nutrients.

Despite its parasitic nature, the Sand Food doesn't steal water from its host. Instead, it absorbs water directly from the air through tiny pores in its scaly leaves.

Interestingly, there's some evidence that during droughts, the Sand Food might even share some of this absorbed water with its host, creating a more symbiotic relationship.

When it blooms, it produces beautiful pink to purple flowers, a stark contrast to its usual grayish, whitish, or brown color.

Sadly, the Sand Food is under threat due to human activities. But there's hope. A campaign led by the Fort Yuma Quechan Indian Tribe aims to protect it by establishing a national monument. This could safeguard the Sand Food and other rare plants for future generations to admire.

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### Geographical Features    THE ZEBRA ROCK SC

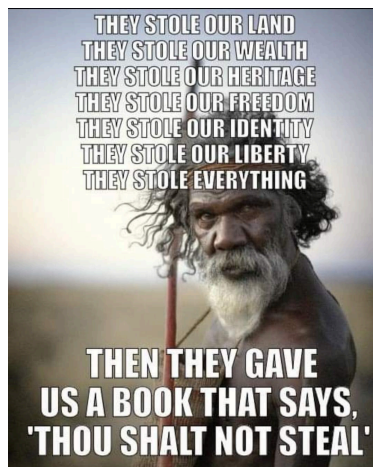
This spectacular appearance is a bent, subtly layered shale known as zebra shale because of its alternating black/white coloration.

It is located in the location of Cape Borda - a rocky outskirts of Harvey's Return province of Kangaroo Island, South Australia.

A 400-metre section of this coastline has been designated a “geological monument” by the Geological Society of Australia.

This rock was formed by the deformation of Cambrian marine sediment, originally horizontal, through the stress caused by a continental collision over 500 million years ago.

Schyst is a low-middle grade metamorphic rock originated by regional metamorphism of pelitic rocks. A shale has medium to large grains, flat or laminated, which give it a layered appearance known as foliation. It is defined by having flat and elongated minerals (like mica or talcum) for more than 50%, often finely intertwined with quartz and fe





## Dee Numa

Home of the Ancient Wizards Beach Man was found in 1978 at Wizards Beach on Pyramid Lake, about 100 miles (160 km) to the northwest from Spirit Cave. Radiocarbon dating has established that he lived more than 9,200 years ago.



## First Nations Development Institute

First Nations is excited to announce that **Delores Churchill, a 2021 Luce Indigenous Knowledge Fellow, has written a new book scheduled for release this October.** The 95-year-old Haida Native reflects on her life's journey as a basket weaver in "From a Square to a Circle: Haida Basketry — Delores Churchill's Memories of Learning to Weave."

Part memoir and part how-to guide, the book shares stories of her life and culture, and her passion as a dedicated teacher to pass on Haida basket weaving to the next generation. As she says in her Luce profile, "My students are keeping this art alive so it will continue long after I am gone. It belongs to all of us."

Watch a short video of how Churchill started Haida weaving: <https://bit.ly/3QPZogE>



**Yolanda Manning (2018)**

Sharing this super cool Handgame picture taken at a Pinenut Festival in Schurz, NV. My mother, Fayora Boney Dodge Sallee is seated at the far left, with Warm Springs, Oregon relatives - Ada Sooksoit, Adeline Miller, Wilson Wewa, Maggie Wewa, & my uncle Hugo Kelly. Have to give a big thanks to a dear friend and relative Heidi Barlese for sharing this picture.



**Portland State University**

When Warm Springs tribal elder Linda Meanus '16 was a young girl, a friend of her grandmother's wrote a book about her called "Linda's Indian Home." The book called attention to the Columbia River tribes and their ways of living before the 1957 construction of The Dalles Dam destroyed their center of fishing and trading.

More than six decades later, Meanus, who is 73, has published her own book, "My Name is LaMoosh," chronicling her childhood in the fishing village near Celilo Falls. The words in the book are her own — but it was a collaborative storytelling effort with fellow alum Lily Hart '18 and Katy Barber, a PSU history professor, that helped bring it to life. "My Name is LaMoosh" was a finalist for the Oregon Book Awards' Eloise Jarvis McGraw Award for Children's Literature. Learn more in the linktree in bio and story.



Find your Pack! **Attend Nevada Field Day & Ag Expo, May 31 from 2 - 6 p.m.** Whether you want to learn about admissions and financial aid, meet with our Student Center advisors, or explore our academic programs, we'll be there to answer any questions you may have about joining our Wolf Pack Family. <https://bit.ly/44nfBiU>



## The Travel Bible

The longest road in the world to walk, is from Cape Town (South Africa) to Magadan (Russia). No need for planes or boats, there are bridges. It's a 22,387 Kilometers and it takes 4,492 hours to travel. It would be 187 days walking nonstop, or 561 days walking 8 hours a day. Along the route, you pass through 17 countries, six time zones and all seasons of the year. Historic Revelation: 6-Million-Year-Old Woolly Mammoth Fossil Revealed on Michigan Farmer's Land.

### **The world's longest walk**



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### **Historic Revelation: 6-Million-Year-Old Woolly Mammoth Fossil Revealed on Michigan Farmer's Land.**

<https://www.history.com/news/michigan-farmer-digs-up-woolly-mammoth-bones-in-field>

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### San Francisco Chronicle

Dr. Rigoberta Menchú Tum, an Indigenous activist who was awarded the 1992 Nobel Peace Prize, will serve as the grand marshal for the grand parade taking place on Sunday, May 26.



[sfchronicle.com](http://sfchronicle.com)

[S.F.'s Carnival to honor Indigenous communities, with Nobel-winning grand marshal](#)

While he wasn't speaking about Native dances, UNR Professor Nate Hodges commented about dancing arts on being awarded the with the F. Donald Tibbitts Distinguished Teacher Award; it applies :

*“I think there is a very strange narrative being written by the media about how upper education is unnecessary, and that there is no value in the liberal arts, especially dance,” Hodges said. “But, my class teaches students how to be comfortable in their own skin, to understand and be able to articulate their personal boundaries, and to be able to think about their choices in how they present themselves in front of people. These are skills they can use in job interviews, work presentations, and meetings. The liberal arts teach the skills that connect us to humanity and not just provide information.”*

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Strong advisory board supports new Supply Chain and Transportation Management program in College of Business

### **Industry leaders set clear direction to serve fast-growing economic sector in Nevada**

<https://www.unr.edu/nevada-today/news/2024/supply-chain-executive-advisory-board>

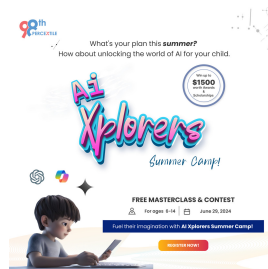
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The moon will appear full for about three days!



[kolotv.com](http://kolotv.com)

### **May's full 'flower moon' hitting the sky this week**

**The final full moon of the spring is called the “flower moon,” a nod to the flowers that bloom in May.**



FORM ON FACEBOOK

### **Register Now & Win Big: AI Explorers Contest for Young Minds!**

Inspire, innovate, and make a difference with the AI Explorers Contest. Whether your child is passionate about technology or simply curious to learn more, this contest offers a unique opportunity to explore the exciting world of AI and win scholarships.

**Scholarships (No-Y) with June 30 Deadlines**

<a href="#"><u>NoDraft Video Essay Contest</u></a>	\$1,000	June 30, 2024
<a href="#"><u>Noreen Ackerman '80 Scholarship</u></a>	\$1,379	June 30, 2024
<a href="#"><u>NYS Memorial Scholarship</u></a>	\$24,880	June 30, 2024
<a href="#"><u>Panacea Financial Foundation Medical Student Scholarship</u></a>	\$5,000	June 30, 2024
<a href="#"><u>Power Life Sciences Scholarship</u></a>	\$2,000	June 30, 2024
<a href="#"><u>Prince Kuhio Hawaiian Civic Club Scholarships</u></a>	Varies	June 30, 2024
<a href="#"><u>Regions Riding Forward Scholarship Contest</u></a>	\$8,000	June 30, 2024
<a href="#"><u>REquipment Jennifer Baker Memorial Scholarship</u></a>	\$1,000	June 30, 2024
<a href="#"><u>Rizing Tide Crest Scholarship</u></a>	\$42,000	June 30, 2024
<a href="#"><u>SCMA Scholarship</u></a>	\$2,500	June 30, 2024
<a href="#"><u>South Carolina Tuition Grants Program</u></a>	Varies	June 30, 2024
<a href="#"><u>Spark For the Future Scholarship</u></a>	\$1,000	June 30, 2024
<a href="#"><u>STEM To Flowers Scholarship</u></a>	\$500	June 30, 2024
<a href="#"><u>SW Neighborhood Assembly's Education &amp; Scholarship Task Force</u></a>	\$1,500	June 30, 2024
<a href="#"><u>The Home Depot Foundation Path to Pro Scholarship</u></a>	\$2,000	June 30, 2024
<a href="#"><u>The Jeremy D Stovall Perseverance Scholarship</u></a>	\$1,000	June 30, 2024
<a href="#"><u>The Woman's Century Club Scholarship</u></a>	\$2,500	June 30, 2024
<a href="#"><u>Transformer Association Scholarship Program</u></a>	\$2,500	June 30, 2024
<a href="#"><u>University of Cincinnati Balanced Man Scholarship</u></a>	\$3,000	June 30, 2024
<a href="#"><u>Women in Public Finance Scholarship</u></a>	\$5,000	June 30, 2024
<a href="#"><u>the following have conflicting due dates</u></a>		
<a href="#"><u>Women of the Vine &amp; Spirits Foundation Student Educational Scholarship</u></a>	\$5,000	June 30, 2024
<a href="#"><u>Youngstown Press Club Scholarship</u></a>	\$2,000	June 30, 2024
<a href="#"><u>YPE SF Bay Area Scholarship</u></a>	\$2,500	June 30, 2024