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Meet Pando, not a forest but a single tree. Every trunk of the Quaking Aspen is genetically identical & connected by a single 80,000 year old root system, making it one of the largest and oldest living entities on Earth!

**Sundance Film Festival Seeks Indigenous filmmakers from California-Based Tribes!**

Are you looking to tell your story through film? Apply now for the Sundance Institute’s Graton Collab Artist Opportunity and be considered for curated courses from the Sundance Collab platform. Deadline: August 31, 2025.



[apply.sundance.org](https://apply.sundance.org)

**2024 Sundance Graton Collab Artists - Sundance Institute**

**Freethink**

A person can weed about one acre of crops a day. This smart robot can weed two per hour.

As it drives itself down rows of crops, its 12 cameras scan the ground. An onboard computer, powered by AI, identifies weeds, and the robot’s carbon dioxide lasers then zap and kill the plants.

source: <https://www.freethink.com/robots-ai/farming-robot>



[Lilyon Using Laser To Cut Tree Branches!](#) 0:03 / 0:19

**Future of Museums Summit**

**The Future of Museums Summit call for proposals is open May 15 – July 12, 2024**

**SUBMIT YOUR PROPOSAL** <https://summit.aam-us.org/call-for-proposals/>

**There’s a Better Way to Teach the California Gold Rush**

A new lesson plan centers Native American perspectives on the violence of Western expansion

<https://www.smithsonianmag.com/smithsonian-institution/theres-a-better-way-to-teach-the-california-gold-rush-180984544/?spMailingID=49866450&spUserID=OTYyNTc5MzkyMTQyS0&spJobID=2721827226&spReportId=MjcyMTgyNzIyNgS2>

Here's something your don't see every day.

[#PatchCalifornia](#)



### **[Historic Wagon Train Travels Over Sierra Nevada Mountains](#)**

**A group commemorating the Gold Rush era made a weeklong trek west over Highway 50 by wagon.**

<https://patch.com/california/fairoaks-carmichael/historic-wagon-train-travels-over-sierra-nevada-mountains>

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**[Edwin Ngwane](#)** ·

**CHINESE KINDERGARTEN empowering kids with business and life skills. 0:06 / 1:50**

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**The State Games of America, presented by National University**

An advertisement for the State Games of America 2024. The background is dark blue with yellow and white text. At the top left, it says "July 17-21, 2024". At the top right, it says "San Diego, California". In the center, there is a logo for the State Games of America, which is a stylized star with orange, green, and blue points. Below the logo, it says "STATE GAMES OF AMERICA 2024" and "San Diego OF AMERICA". At the bottom left, it says "PRESENTED BY NATIONAL UNIVERSITY". At the bottom right, there is a yellow button that says "LEARN MORE". At the bottom left, there is a white button that says "20+ Sports • July 17-21 San Diego, CA". On the left side, there is a vertical URL: "www.stategamesofamerica.com".

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

[This July in San Diego, compete in over twenty unique sports ranging from archery to track and field, swimming, pickleball, and more!](#)

[A state-wide sporting event for all ages!](#)

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**Janine Winnemucca is feeling blessed in Moapa Indian Reservation.**

We had a visitors from Zuni, NM; 83-year old, Uncle Virgil Benn made his annual visit to his birth home of Southern Nevada. He wanted to get a new tribal I.D. and place a hat order. When the hats on hand were all too big, [Nick](#) pulled out a small Stetson from storage.

Story goes: Nick's mom kept her dad's hat. When Nick's mom's (B.G. Benn), brother (Virgil Benn), swung by, we had him try on his dad's (Harry Benn) hat and it fit like a glove.

We set him up with tape recordings from historical Nuwu elders, significantly his mom (Irene Benn) talking about when the last time she ate big horn sheep, or the significance of Las Vegas' Tule Springs was/is to the righteous inhabitants prior to land ownership; Tule Benn, etc.

He loved to talk about the original T-Birds mens basketball team and how the name was adopted by Southern Utah University. What caught Bailey's ear was when Virgil told us he use to ride bareback all around The Red Hills & beyond including rodeos on the other side of the Muddy River.

Later the morning they were going to head back, another old timer swung by, Norm Tom, to shoot the sh\*t. It was cool to sit and listen to a couple grey haired gentleman sit around talk of Nuwu [ehype] stories with love & laughter.

It felt good to have elders back in our home. It brought unity, happiness and light. May we all have these gifts with our Numu (people).



**U.S. Senate committee hearing considers Washoe, Clark land bills:** A federal bill proposes selling 16,000 acres of public land in Washoe County for development and conservation, including one acre for the University of Nevada, Reno. The bill aims to increase affordable housing and support tribal communities. ([rgj.com](http://rgj.com))

**Nevada Indian Commission**

**Anna Happy**, daughter of Tia Happy and Jason Nash, granddaughter of Barbara Happy, and great granddaughter of Albert and Rita (Bill) Happy, just graduated from Pershing County High with the most scholarship awards of all her classmates.



Enrolled with the Lovelock Paiute Tribe, Anna sits as the President for Honor Society and excelled in the sports of volleyball, basketball and softball. She is going to Eastern Oregon University in La Grande, Oregon in the fall and will be studying elementary education.

All told, Anna earned seven scholarships, including:

- \*Coeur- Rochester Scholarship
- \*Darryl Denkins Scholarship
- \*EP/US Silica Scholarship
- \*Pershing County School District Board of Trustees Scholarship
- \*Tom Moura Memorial Scholarship Robert Z. Hawkins Scholarship
- \*Jack Montros Bobbitt Scholarship

Plus, she won the Nevada Millennium Scholarship, but has deferred it as she is starting her college education in Oregon. She is also the alternate recipient for the Pershing County High Alumni Association Scholarship.

**[For a much more comprehensive collection of all the new graduates, to to the Nevada Indian Commission Facebook Page.](#)**

## [PBS Teachers](#)

**Explore visual arts and expression for political/social activism and engage students in related hands-on activities.**



[pbslearningmedia.org](https://pbslearningmedia.org)

[Free Teaching Resources](#)  
[Lesson for Grades 6-12](#)

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## **U will offer Ph.D. in Native studies; Doctorate program will be the first in the Midwest.**

By LIZ NAVRATIL [liz.navratil@startribune.com](mailto:liz.navratil@startribune.com) 612-673-4994

The University of Minnesota will soon offer a doctoral degree in American Indian Studies, following up on one recommendation in a landmark report that called on U leaders to take steps to repair their relationship with tribes in the state.

Just six universities in the United States offer a Ph.D. in American Indian Studies, and the U's program will be the first in the Midwest.

Jean O'Brien, a professor who helped establish the program, said she hopes it "will just create the conditions whereby Indigenous Studies can really flourish."

"It's a moment of great excitement in a world that's pretty complicated right now," she said. It's been more than one year since the TRUTH Project released a 554-page document that aimed to reframe how Minnesotans view the university and called on U leaders to atone for nearly two centuries of abuses. It described the university as a "land grab" system that profited from treaties that stripped tribes of their land, reiterated concerns with some U-led research projects and recounted how the government ran a boarding school on the land where the university's Morris campus is now located.

Among other things, the report called on U leaders to create the doctorate program, return land to tribal nations, make reparations, hire more Indigenous staff, boost support for Indigenous students and set aside space on each campus for Indigenous people to gather, pray and learn.

The university has made progress on some of those recommendations but “we can’t rest on our laurels,” Karen Diver, senior adviser to the U president for Native American Affairs, told regents in a meeting Friday. She said the work will take years and added — with a laugh — that it probably won’t be done in her lifetime.

In the past year, the U hired two more Indigenous faculty members. Diver said it provided housing scholarships to 38 freshmen this past school year and is continuing talks with some of the tribes about how to further reduce the cost of attending college. Efforts to return the Cloquet Forestry Center land to the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa were delayed when the Legislature wrapped its session without a bonding bill that contained the language needed for the transfer.

“We’ve definitely this year looked for areas where we could take action and provide concrete steps that were of interest to the tribal leaders,” interim U President Jeff Ettinger said in an interview. “I’m pleased with the progress, but we fully recognize it’s just a start.”

An Garagiola, one of about 45 people on the team that produced the TRUTH Project report, said she’s seen progress in the past year but wants to see more. Garagiola said she wants more discussion about how the university continues to benefit from financial and land transactions that harmed tribes years ago.

She said she’s seen people do more thorough reviews of research projects but is waiting for U officials to officially sign off on a new policy outlining how researchers should interact with tribes. Ettinger said he expects that to happen in the next couple of months.

Garagiola is glad to see the new doctorate program but added, “At this point, we do not know how much funding the program will get.”

The university founded the first Department of American Indian Studies in the country in 1969, but its work has until now focused on primarily on students seeking bachelor’s and master’s degrees. About 75 students interested in American Indian Studies have earned doctorates, according to U data, but they did it by enrolling in other departments, such as history.

The new program is scheduled to launch in the fall of 2025. O’Brien said she hopes having a doctorate program dedicated specifically to American Indian Studies will allow the U to better tailor its courses to students’ interests and to ensure they’re getting instruction in critical topics, such as languages. Students with those types of degrees have gone on to teach, work for historical societies, curate for museums or run programs that help return remains and artifacts to tribes.

“As a Ph.D. student in American Studies, I wish that there would have been an American Indian Studies Ph.D. for me to go into instead of having to kind of piecemeal together a program for myself, which a lot of Native students do,” Garagiola said.

## Some PhD Programs on Native/Indigenous Studies

[https://www.allsides.com > news > 2024-06-14-1515 > business-university-minnesota-offer-first-american-indian-studies-phd-midwest](https://www.allsides.com/news/2024-06-14-1515/business-university-minnesota-offer-first-american-indian-studies-phd-midwest)

### **University of Minnesota to offer first American Indian studies PhD in ...**

From The Left. The University of Minnesota will soon offer a doctorate degree in American Indian Studies, following up on one recommendation in a landmark report that called on U leaders to take steps to repair their relationship with tribes in the state. Just six universities in the United States offer a PhD in American Indian Studies, and the ...

[https://ais.arizona.edu > phd-program](https://ais.arizona.edu/phd-program)

### **Ph.D. Program | SBS Arizona Quickstart - University of Arizona**

In the fall of 1997, The University of Arizona was the first educational institution in the U.S. to offer a Ph.D. in American Indian Studies. The Ph.D. in American Indian Studies is an interdisciplinary program designed to: prepare graduate students for academic careers; conduct advanced and applied scholarly research from a cross-cultural ...

[https://und.edu > programs > indigenous-health-phd > index.html](https://und.edu/programs/indigenous-health-phd/index.html)

### **Indigenous Health Ph.D. - University of North Dakota**

With its evidence-based approach to Indigenous health, the program prepares you to join the elite group of forward-thinking, culturally aware experts. We are setting new standards in the promoting Indigenous Health worldwide. Program type: Doctoral Degree. Format: Online. Est. time to complete: 3 years.

[https://nas.unm.edu > graduate > phd.html](https://nas.unm.edu/graduate/phd.html)

### **PhD in Native American Studies - University of New Mexico**

The Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Native American Studies degree covers the following areas: Critical Indigenous Thought, Sustainable Community Building, and Comparative Studies in Indigenous Government, Policy, Identity, and Sustainability. The doctoral graduates will become leaders in academia and/or policy researchers in tribal communities.

[https://indigeneity.georgetown.edu > resources > programs](https://indigeneity.georgetown.edu/resources/programs)

### **Indigenous Studies Programs - Indigenous Studies Working Group**

Here are some suggested programs for further reference, organized alphabetically. While they include international programs, they are strongest in resources for the First Nations of Canada and the United States. The links are especially useful for the scholars, research specializations, and activists named within them. University of Alaska Indigenous Studies, including PhD program Alaska ...

[https://catalog.uaf.edu > phd > indigenous-studies](https://catalog.uaf.edu/phd/indigenous-studies)

### **Indigenous Studies Ph.D. < University of Alaska Fairbanks**

Indigenous Education & Pedagogy. Total Credits. 48. The joint Ph.D. program in Indigenous Studies draws and builds upon long-standing academic and research capabilities at UAF to offer



an integrated course of advanced graduate study consisting of a common core curriculum that all students complete, coupled with six areas of concentration:

<https://graduate.as.virginia.edu> > [indigenous-studies](#)

### [Indigenous Studies | The Graduate School - University of Virginia](#)

Indigenous knowledge, practices, belief systems, and ways of being in the world move within and across humanistic, social scientific, and scientific divides. ... Students in this cohort will come from a variety of doctoral programs and collaborate with each other and with faculty mentors on a variety of possible overlapping themes, such as ...

<https://socialsciences.uoregon.edu> > [ethnic-studies](#) > [graduate-programs](#) > [phd](#)

### [PhD Degree Requirements Indigenous, Race, and Ethnic Studies | Social ...](#)

The PhD in Indigenous, race, and ethnic studies is designed to be a five-year program. Students spend the first two years completing core, substantive, and elective courses. The third year is focused on completing the qualifying exams, and the last two years are dedicated to the dissertation. The following is a brief description of the PhD ...

<https://www.ualberta.ca> > [native-studies](#) > [programs](#) > [graduate-programs](#) > [phd-indigenous-studies.html](#)

### [PhD in Indigenous Studies | Faculty of Native Studies](#)

The PhD in Indigenous Studies is a program of advanced study. As such, students are expected to have an established background in Indigenous studies when applying. This is best demonstrated by fulfilling the requirements for the MA in Native Studies. An equivalent background may also be demonstrated based on the successful completion of several ...

[ankn.uaf.edu](http://ankn.uaf.edu) > [CCS](#) > [IndigenousPhD](#)

### [PhD Program in Indigenous Studies - University of Alaska Fairbanks](#)

Mission: The mission of the Indigenous Studies PhD program is to draw and build upon the academic and research capabilities at UAF to offer an integrated course of advanced graduate study that addresses long-standing issues of concern to the state, the nation and the world. The program will consist of a common core curriculum that all students ...

Phone (907) 474-7464 • Fax (907) 474-1984. The joint **Ph.D. program** in **Indigenous Studies** is sponsored by the UAF Graduate School in collaboration with the College of Liberal Arts, School of Education, and College of Rural and Community Development. The **program** draws and builds upon long-standing academic and research capabilities at UAF to ...

[ankn.uaf.edu](http://ankn.uaf.edu) > [CCS](#) > [IndigenousPhD](#) > [mission.html](#)

**[Join Us for Good Medicine at Cal Shakes — Sat. July 27](#)**

The California Institute for Community, Art & Nature presents our

**5th Annual California Native Ways Festival**

*A free community event featuring traditional California Indian Arts & Culture*

**Saturday, June 22nd, 2024 • 10:30 AM - 5:00 PM**

**Ohlone Park • between Grant & Mc Gee Streets • Berkeley**

**10:30 AM - Official Welcome by local Ohlone Representatives**

**11:00 AM - 5:00 PM - Cultural Demonstrations & Artisan Vendors**

**1:00 PM - Special Book Event with Deborah Miranda,**

**author of *Bad Indians — A Tribal Memoir* (Heyday 2024)**

**2:00 PM - Special Panel Presentation on the Successful Campaign to Save the West Berkeley Ohlone Village and Shellmound Site and Next Steps**

**3:00 & 4:00 PM - Storytelling for All Ages**

**Interactive California Indian Games Throughout the Day**

Curated by one of California I CAN's resident cultural advisor, Northern Sierra Mewuk basketweaver Jennifer Bates, this year's festival will feature 19 California Indian culture bearers demonstrating traditional arts and crafts and another 15-20 artisan-vendors offering their unique and beautiful one-of-a-kind creations.

fox5sandiego.com

['Pretty spectacular': Preserved fruit from 18th century found at George Washington's home](#)

[“Finding what is essentially fresh fruit, 250 years later, is pretty spectacular. All the stars sort of have to align in the right manner for that to happen.”](#)

## Scholarships with July 31 Deadline

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| <a href="#"><u>"Pass the Torch" Teacher Scholarships</u></a>                                      | \$5,000  | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>AAUW Lew Williams Scholarship and Leila Sulkes Scholarship</u></a>                 | \$2,000  | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>Adam Charles Ports Foundation Scholarship</u></a>                                  | \$1,000  | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>AKC Humane Fund John D. Spurling Scholarship</u></a>                               | \$2,000  | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>Alaska Airmen Scholarships</u></a>                                                 | \$5,000  | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>Barbara Caras Memorial Scholarship for Film Studies</u></a>                        | \$2,000  | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>Beta Sigma Psi University of Nebraska Lincoln Scholarship</u></a>                  | \$1,000  | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>BRAF David and Jeannie Price Scholarship</u></a>                                   | \$3,000  | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>Cavalier Trail Riding Club Scholarship</u></a>                                     | \$500    | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>Emerson Discrete Automation Scholarship</u></a>                                    | \$5,000  | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>Emerson's ASCO Engineering Scholarship Program</u></a>                             | \$5,000  | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>Emily's Light CF Foundation Scholarship</u></a>                                    | \$3,000  | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>Fall Labroots Graduate Research Scholarship</u></a>                                | \$1,000  | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>Fall Labroots Undergraduate Back-To-School Scholarship</u></a>                     | \$1,000  | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>ForEverglades Scholarships</u></a>                                                 | \$30,000 | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>Hearts for Community Service</u></a>                                               | \$5,000  | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>HUSTLE Hearts Foundation Scholarship</u></a>                                       | \$1,000  | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>Joseph Sumner Smith Scholarship</u></a>                                            | \$1,000  | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>Kids' Chance of Michigan Scholarship Program</u></a>                               | \$7,500  | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>Louder Than Ever Scholarship</u></a>                                               | \$1,000  | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>Minecraft Scholarship</u></a>                                                      | \$2,000  | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>PHF Reagan Sloane Shanley Scholarship</u></a>                                      | \$10,000 | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>Secular Student Activist Scholarships</u></a>                                      | \$3,000  | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>Texas Tech University Transfer Scholarships</u></a>                                | \$9,000  | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>Thomas H. Macbride Leadership Scholarship</u></a>                                  | \$10,000 | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>US Cup Tae Kwon Do Scholarship</u></a>                                             | \$1,000  | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>Virginia Tuition Assistance Grant Program</u></a>                                  | Varies   | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>Walkin' Pets Veterinarian &amp; Rehab/Vet Tech Scholarships</u></a>                | \$1,000  | July 31, 2024 |
| <a href="#"><u>Women of the Vine &amp; Spirits Foundation Student Educational Scholarship</u></a> | \$5,000  | July 31, 2024 |

FUNERAL SERVICES

# Marvin Shaw

"Marfie"

July 24, 1937—June 17, 2024



**VIEWING & SERVICES:**

Date: June 25, 2024

Time: 10:00 am—Visitation

Time: 11:00 am—Services

Place: Walton's Funeral Home

2155 Kietzke Ln | Reno, NV

**BURIAL:** Wadsworth Cemetery  
Wadsworth, NV

**DINNER:** follow after burial  
Wadsworth Community Center

Food Donations will be welcomed and appreciated.