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'There is only one name worthy of North America's tallest mountain: Denali - the Great One.'
-Lisa Murkowski

I'm interested in Indigenous issues and events in general, with a particular interest in Native American poetry. With Lakota poet Kurt Schweigman, I co-edited *Red Indian Road West: Native American Poetry from California*: https://scarlettanager.com/red-indian-road-west/. My press, Scarlet Tanager Books, also published *A Light to Do Shellwork By*, poems by Chumash poet Georgiana Valoyce-Sanchez: https://scarlettanager.com/a-light-to-do-shellwork-by-poems-by-georgiana-valoyce-sanchez/.

At the bookfair at the upcoming AWP Conference in LA in March, I am moderating a reading by Native American poets from California. In addition, I am hosting a reception entitled Scarlet Tanager Books Celebrates Native American Poetry from California.

My own Indigenous ancestry is Wampanoag. Lucille Lang Day (Oakland)

Post-election misinformation highlights importance of Indigenous media and free press

Reports of wide-scale support of President-elect Trump among Indigenous voters are circulating throughout media, but it's not based in good-faith information gathering.

By Indigenous Journalists Association

In the wake of the election, an exit poll conducted by Edison Research showing that 65 percent of American Indians voted for Donald Trump has been circulated by various news organizations, including NBC. This poll is highly misleading and irresponsible—American Indians only represent 1 percent of the total voters surveyed, meaning that a few hundred self-identifying respondents are being used to represent the diverse interests of millions of Indigenous people across the country. None of the exit poll locations, for example, were on tribal land.

The poll, which has already led to widespread misinformation on social media and is being used by right-wing commentators to tout Trump's support among Indigenous voters, is another example of how ill-equipped many news outlets are to cover Indigenous communities.

For years, the Indigenous Journalists Association has called for ethical coverage of Indigenous communities, and mainstream media has often <u>missed the mark or failed</u>. This incident highlights the importance of media that is able to accurately and responsibly cover Indigenous stories. Nuanced, ethical coverage can only truly happen if Indigenous media is respected and freedom of press rights are protected. The election of Trump, who has repeatedly targeted and threatened journalists, will have many implications for journalism.

As an organization committed to freedom of press and accurate coverage of Indigenous people, IJA urges local, state, federal, and tribal governments to protect press freedom. We support and stand with journalists working to hold our leaders accountable. At the same time, journalism needs to hold itself to a higher standard. Inaccurate and harmful coverage of Indigenous communities is unacceptable.



PBS Reno seeks youth talent for writer's contest

PBS Reno is inviting local students in kindergarten through third grade to submit illustrated stories for its writer's contest. This year's theme is "Someday."

The PBS Reno Writers Contest encourages children throughout Northern and central Nevada and northeastern California to get creative by writing and illustrating their own original stories around the selected theme.

Through this process, children build their creative voices and develop critical reading and writing skills. The deadline to submit entries is March 7.

Each story must include five pages, five illustrations, and a specific word count for each grade. For downloadable materials, guidelines, writing prompts and more, go to pbsreno.org/education/writerscontest.

A team of educators and volunteers will go through an in-depth review process and select first, second, and third place winners from each grade.

The winning authors will be honored, including having their stories published into hardcover books and featured on PBS Reno on the air and on the station's website. Each student who submits a story will receive a certificate of participation.

In 2024, PBS Reno received 2,777 entries, thanks to 160 teachers who submitted entries from 54 different schools throughout eight Northern Nevada school districts: Washoe, Carson City, Douglas, Elko, Lyon, White Pine, Storey, and Humboldt.

PBS Reno also received 15 individual entries that were submitted online. Read the 2024 winning stories online at pbsreno.org/education/writerscontest/winners-2024.

- Entries sought for Nevada Day poster and essay contest
- Gov. Sandoval launches poster, essay contest
- PBS Reno named as semi-finalist for Service to America Award
- Fleet Reserve Association's patriotic essay contest open to students
- Young artists sought for Junior Duck Stamp design contest

Treasurer's office launches student loan forgiveness program for health care professionals — Nevada Treasurer Zach Conine's office implemented a state-funded loan forgiveness program last week to increase the number of health care professionals in the Silver State. The program passed during the 2023 legislative session, offering student loan repayment options ranging from \$15,000 to \$120,000 for health care providers working in underserved Nevada communities.

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WWII Teacher Workshops 2025

The National WWII Museum encourages K-12 educators to apply and attend our 2025
Teaching World War II Summer Teacher Workshops. Classroom teachers, building master
teachers, curriculum specialists, administrators and preservice teachers are welcome.
Applications close January 24, 2025.

TerraCycle US

Our **School Recycling Contest** is BACK and BETTER than ever. Tell your local schools they

can help the planet , win amazing prizes , and earn double TerraCycle points by recycling hard-to-recycle trash with us. Win, win! It's easy and completely FREE! Spread the word and help your school get signed up to win. Contest runs through April 30, 2025. terracycle.com

TerraCycle School Recycling Contest

Schools: Recycle to win prizes!

Photos: Take a peek inside UC Berkeley's newest student housing

Five months after opening, 360 graduate students and 200 undergrads are living at xučyun ruwway in Albany.

Extract: "The name xučyun ruwway (pronounced HOOCH-yoon ROO-why) is written in Chochenyo, a language of the Ohlone people, and was selected in consultation with tribal groups to honor their homeland. It's UC Berkeley's first building to have an Indigenous name.

"At the grand-opening ceremony Wednesday, the developer, architecture and construction teams were joined by UC Berkeley, Albany and local Indigenous leaders to celebrate the naming of the building, which is seen as a step toward repairing relationships between tribal groups and a university still working to repatriate thousands of Native American human remains. There were few students present as classes are not yet in session. (Unlike some of UC Berkeley's residence halls, residents of xučyun ruwway can continue living in their apartments over winter break.)"

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Includes:

FARM ACTION FUND RELEASES POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 119TH CONGRESS

This week, Farm Action Fund released a comprehensive handbook for the new Congress, <u>Ending the Monopoly Takeover of American Agriculture: Policy Recommendations for the 119th Congress</u>. This handbook is an active guide for lawmakers to tackle the harmful levels of corporate control over today's food and farm system to the benefit of every American farmer, family, and community.

UNR Special Collection

The latest exhibit and presentation of collection is that of Barbara Vucanovich.

Scope and Contents From the Sub-Series: Series 6,

Subseries 3 contains legislative briefs and digests and bills cosponsored by Vucanovich. The digests and briefs act as summaries of legislative activity for the time period they describing, usually a week. The individual bill files focus on an individual bill's activity, along with any sort of related correspondence, as well as potential changes to language within the bill. Often though, these files only contain basic information for record...

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Abbie, Ruth Person Found in 1 Collection or Record:

Stewart Indian School Oral History Project Records Collection Identifier: 2017-61 Abstract The Stewart Indian School operated from December 17, 1890-1980 in Carson City as a federal commitment to pursue Native American education in Nevada. Student curriculum included classes in reading, writing, and arithmetic but focused on vocational training in various trades, agriculture, and the service industry. In May 2015, the Nevada 150 Foundation awarded the Nevada Indian Commission a \$20,000 grant as part of the yearlong celebration of Nevada's founding and legacy project. Collection... Dates: 2016-2017

Found in: <u>University of Nevada, Reno. Special Collections Department</u> / <u>Stewart Indian School Oral History Project Records</u>

Historical Materials Content Warning Archival collections are historical materials and as such may include content reflecting various forms of oppression, trauma, or violence which reflect the perspectives and activities of those that created and participated in them. They are held by the archives as historical records of the time in which they were created or kept.

Abel, Corey, 1946-2010 Abel, Harold Abel, Mona

Series 10: Carson Indian Agency Acquisition Reports, 1935

- Max C. Fleischmann College of Agriculture, Agricultural Experiment Station Records (AC 0239)
- Series 10: Carson Indian Agency Acquisition Reports, 1935

Scope and Contents

Each report begins "The Carson Indian Agency respectfully submits the following land acquisition project for the relief and permanent rehabilitation of certain Paiute Indians within its jurisdiction." Places listed are: Pyramid Lake Indian Reservation, Truckee River Valley between Derby & Pyramid Lake Indian Reservation, McDermitt Indian Reservation, South Fork of the Humboldt River about twenty miles southeast of Elko, Carson Valley near Minden,...

Blossom, Amy - Ruby Gas Pipeline Project Interviews Collection Identifier: 2015-27
The Ruby Gas Pipeline Project includes approximately 680 miles of 42-inch natural gas transmission pipeline, traversing four states: Wyoming, Utah, Nevada, and Oregon. As part of public and tribal outreach associated with the Project, Far Western Anthropological Research Group, Inc. conducted interviews with Indigenous participants, intending to record their perspectives on doing archaeology and working with archaeologists, as well as to determine if being involved in the process affected...

Found in: University of Nevada,
Reno. Special Collections Department / Ruby Gas Pipeline Project Interviews

Dates: 2010-2014

A Pa Oha Warning Collection Identifier: 82-48

Dewey Sampson was a member of the Pyramid Lake Paiute tribe of Nevada. Pyramid Lake Paiute legend about catching a water baby (pa oha) at the lake, as told by Sampson to Peggy Lear Bowen in 1980. Also included is an autobiographical sketch of Sampson.

Dates: 1980

Found in: University of Nevada, Reno. Special Collections Department / A Pa Oha Warning

Brady, Harriett: Numa Speakers at McDermitt: Language Retention Video Project Collection Identifier: NC1349 Abstract

The Nimi Storytelling: Tools for Language Preservation grant was a documentary video project that was part of an ongoing effort to preserve the Numu language at Fort McDermitt Paiute-Shoshone Reservation in northern Nevada. The collection contains original video tapes made for the documentary between 1995 and 1996.

Dates: 1995-2013

Found in: <u>University of Nevada, Reno. Special Collections Department</u> / <u>Numa Speakers at McDermitt: Language Retention Video Project</u>

Burns, Ralph Stewart Indian School Oral History Project Records Collection Identifier: 2017-61

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Found in: <u>University of Nevada, Reno. Special Collections Department</u> / <u>Stewart Indian School Oral History Project Records</u>

Cavanaugh, Art Numa Speakers at McDermitt: Language Retention Video Project Collection Identifier: NC1349 The

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Mary Lee Dazey Papers Collection Identifier: NC1315

Mary Lee Dazey worked for Citizen Alert and Western Shoshone Defense Project in the 1990s as an activist and coordinator to stop: the nuclear waste repository at Yucca Mountain; Divine Strake; the use of the Nevada Test Site; and other Native American related topics, such as mining and land use on traditional Western Shoshone, Paiute, and Washoe lands. Collection contains material created and collected by Mary Lee Dazey during her time working with the Western Shoshone Defense Project as... Found in: University of Nevada, Reno. Special Collections Department / Mary Lee Dazey Papers

Dates: 1997-2012

Corbusier, Fanny Dunbar, 1838-1918 Dates Recollections of her life in the Army Existence: 1838-05-15 - 1918-02-08 Collection Identifier: 99-70

Fanny Dunbar Corbusier's recollections include her childhood in New Orleans; marriage to William Henry Corbusier in 1869; his medical practice in Ft. McDermitt, Nevada, from 1869-1872; Paiute Indians at Ft. McDermitt, including Sarah Winnemucca Hopkins; and their stay at other western Army posts in Arizona, New Mexico, Nebraska, and Wyoming. Material from 1918. **Dates:** 1918 **Found in: University of**

Nevada, Reno. Special Collections Department / Recollections of her life in the Army

Max C. Fleischmann College of Agriculture Records Collection Identifier: AC 0288 Scope and Contents

Records are arranged into three divisions, the College of Agriculture, the Cooperative Extension Service, and the Agricultural Experiment Station. Records include correspondence with the deans and directors of the divisions; correspondence with university presidents and county agents; information of the Newlands Project, and the Nevada Farm Bureau; project reports; information on personnel; budgets; experiment record books; letterpress books; photographs;

maps and graphs. Also included are personal correspondence files kept by Samuel B. Doten, Agricultural Experiment Director. The records primarily cover the 1930s-1950s, with little beyond 1957, with the exception of limited Cooperative Extension records for the mid-1960s.

Max C. Fleischmann College of Agriculture Cooperative Extension Service Records Collection Identifier: AC 0089

The Records of the Max C. Fleischmann College of Agriculture Cooperative Extension Service include a variety of reports created by Cooperative Extension. These reports may include Agricultural Extension Service publications, blueprints, correspondence, maps, 4-H Camp newsletters, newspaper clippings, and miscellaneous reports.

Dates: 1920-1952

Found in: University of Nevada, Reno. University Archives / Max C. Fleischmann College of Agriculture Cooperative Extension

Twenty miles from a match Collection Identifier: NC1113

Sarah E. Olds was a homesteader near Pyramid Lake, Nevada in 1908. Manuscript of Olds' reminiscences of young womanhood in Tuolumne County, California in the 1890s and homesteading and school teaching at Pyramid Lake, ca. 1908-1931.

Arrowhead water bottler seeks injunction after Forest Service denies pipeline permit Although BlueTriton currently isn't bottling water from Arrowhead Springs, it still operates a pipeline through the San Bernardino National Forest to deliver water to the Native American tribe that operates a nearby hotel. By Edvard Pettersson, Courthouse News Service

The bottler of Arrowhead Mountain Spring Water on Monday asked a federal judge to issue an injunction against the U.S. Forest Service after the agency refused to renew its permit for a pipeline that runs through the San Bernardino National Forest.

U.S. District Judge Jesus Bernal didn't make a ruling on BlueTritonBrands' request at the hearing in Riverside, California. The judge indicated he'll issue a decision in a few days.

The company, a former subsidiary of Nestlé and since last year part of Primo Brands, <u>claims</u> its rights to the water that percolates to the surface at Arrowhead Springs in Strawberry Canyon predate the creation of the San Bernardino National Forest in 1893. However, this past July the Forest Service ordered BlueTriton to dismantle the pipeline that it has used for decades to transport water from the springs.

"Under blackletter law, the federal government is required to provide us with reasonable access to our claim," George Sibley III, an attorney for BlueTriton told the judge. "What we see is an attempt by the Forest Service to regulate the water, and not the right-of-way."

The company currently isn't bottling water from Arrowhead Springs for the namesake brand after California's State Water Resources Control Board issued a <u>cease-and-desist</u> letter ordering BlueTriton to stop diverting water from many of the tunnels and boreholes it was using in the Strawberry Creek <u>watershed</u> because, the board said, BlueTriton didn't have any water rights that authorized these diversions and uses.

At the same time, the water board allowed the company to continue deliver water from Arrowhead Springs to the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians for the Arrowhead Springs Hotel the tribe owns and operates.

BlueTriton is fighting the 2023 state's water board decision in Fresno County Superior Court, but while its water rights are in limbo, it has plugged the disputed boreholes, Sibley told the judge.

In response to the California water board's halting BlueTriton's siphoning of much of the water from Arrowhead Springs, the U.S. Forest Service sought information from BlueTriton about what was happening to the water it was still pumping through its pipeline that runs through the national forest before it was willing to renew the permit to use that pipeline.

"Rather than provide the information, BlueTriton obscured," the Forest Service said in court filings. "The company sent letters arguing that it need not tell the Forest Service what it was doing with the water from Strawberry Creek, or that the Forest Service should ask the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians — to whom BlueTriton owes contractual water deliveries—rather than BlueTriton."

In essence, Tyler Alexander, a Justice Department attorney representing the Forest Service, told the judge they were concerned that the water is being wasted.

The Forest Service was particularly interested in what happened with increased deliveries to the San Manuel Band, now that BlueTriton is no longer bottling the water, without any apparent change at the Arrowhead Springs Hotel property, Alexander said.

"The Forest Service doesn't know what's going on there, and it's concerned that the water is being dumped offsite, outside the watershed," the attorney said.

Although the Forest Service doesn't regulate water use, Alexander argued, it has an obligation to consider the environmental impact of the pipeline before it issues a new permit, and since BlueTriton isn't bottling the water from Arrowhead Springs, the Forest Service needs to know what happens with the water.

Nestlé's, and later BlueTriton's, use of the water from Arrowhead Springs for commercial ends has long been an issue for environmentalists who argue that it has led to depletion of the forest's natural resources, in particular during the long periods of <u>drought</u> that have been plaguing Southern California in recent decades.

"The dry and diminished Strawberry Creek has led to impaired riparian fauna and flora and a creek that cannot support fish, like the native speckled dace, as fish need water to survive," Save Our Forest Association said in an amicus brief filed in opposition to BlueTriton's request for an injunction.

"[BlueTritonBrands] occupancy has dewatered Strawberry Creek and diverted natural springs, leaving Strawberry Creek with only intermittent pooling water and fractured habitats," the environmental advocacy group said.

U.S. EPA urges swift action on Bay-Delta Plan in support of Tribal and Bay-Delta communities

"On January 10, 2025, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) sent the <u>following letter</u> to the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) in regards to two petitions filed with the EPA by the Delta Tribal Environmental Coalition (DTEC) in December 2022. DTEC includes the Buena Vista Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians, Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians, Winnemem Wintu Tribe, Little Manila Rising and Restore the Delta. The first petition was a Title VI civil rights complaint accepted by the EPA for investigation, asserting discriminatory practices and disparate impacts against California Tribes and communities of color in the Delta region by the State Water Board. The second petition, which EPA did not officially take action on, pertained to Clean Water Act violations due to the State Water Board's failure to complete the Bay-Delta Plan as consistent with the law. ... "Read more from Restore the Delta.

17 Colorado environmental projects are in limbo after Trump halts spending from Bidenera law

"On Friday, in the last hours of the Biden administration, the Bureau of Reclamation announced it would spend \$388.3 million for environmental projects in Colorado and three other Colorado River Basin states. Now that funding is in limbo. The money was set to come from a Biden-era law, the Inflation Reduction Act. On Monday, President Donald Trump ordered federal agencies to halt spending money under the act. Lawmakers were still trying to understand whether the freeze applied to the entire Inflation Reduction Act or portions of it as of Wednesday afternoon. The new executive order focused on energy spending but also raised questions about funding for environmental projects in the Colorado River Basin, including \$40 million for western Colorado's effort to buy powerful water rights tied to Shoshone Power Plant on the Colorado River and 16 other projects in Colorado. ... "Read more from the Colorado Sun.

Federal Recognition of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina

Trump has signed a directive supporting full federal recognition of the Lumbee tribe, a group of about 55,000 Native Americans who mostly live in one North Carolina county.

Federal recognition of a Native tribe brings with it legal rights and government benefits such as health care and housing grants

Nevadaworks has announced 400 enrolled students in classes for entry level certification in the fields of manufacturing, logistics, healthcare, and technology through the GJNN grant. These candidates will be available through EmployNV for interviews and placement in June of 2025. In addition, Nevadaworks will also being rolling out a new IWT program and programs supporting internships and apprenticeship programs. Please go to **nevadaworks.com** or reach out to **Michelle Long** for more information.



Hickman Bridge in Capitol Reef National Park attracts day hikers. Photo Matt Johanson

Utah: Desert, sandstone, canyoneering and polygamy (sort of)

Hiking opportunities with spectacular views are in abundance in the Beehive State

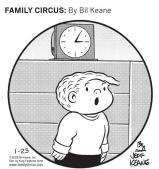
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We're excited to kick off the year with the new Electrify Nevada Accelerator Powered by gener8tor. This initiative supports early-stage startups developing innovative energy solutions, with a particular focus on advanced battery technology and sustainable energy systems. Applications are open until Feb 27th with the first cohort in Reno set to begin in March 2025. Founders developing solutions in sustainable energy and related fields are encouraged to apply. For more information or to submit an application, visit www.gener8tor.com/nevada.

Elevate Reno will now take place every other month as a lunchtime event at the Innevation Center. Our first event in 2025 will be on Monday, February 10th from 11:30am-1:00pm. Elevate Reno serves as a platform for startup founders to practice their pitches in a supportive, fun, and collaborative environment. This event is free and open to the public, with lunch and drinks provided. **Register here**.

Living in the digital age.....



"What time is it when the big hand's on a dot and the little hand's on a line?" Also a test for seniors in annual checkup!