



JAMES C. RAMOS
Assemblymember, District 40



Assemblymember, Ramos Holds Historic Swearing-In Ceremony

Milestone reached as the first California Native American elected to the State Legislature

(San Bernardino, CA) – As the first California Native American elected to the state legislature, Assemblymember James C. Ramos (D-Highland) held his in-district swearing-in ceremony on February 9 at California State San Bernardino. The swearing-in was conducted by Speaker of the Assembly Anthony Rendon (D-Lakewood).

The program featured remarks by Speaker Rendon, Congressman Pete Aguilar (D-Redlands), Assemblymember Jose Medina (D-Riverside), Assemblymember Lorena Gonzalez (D-San Diego), Assemblymember Jim Frazier (D-Discovery Bay), President of California State San Bernardino Tomas D. Morales, and Secretary of San Manuel Band of Mission Indians Ken Ramirez.

As the first California Native American elected to the State Legislature, this historic swearing-in highlighted the culture of native peoples in California with performances of Big Horn Sheep Songs lead by Assembly-member Ramos and members of the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians, and Intertribal Bird Songs lead by Wayne Nelson.

The event was held at the Santos Manuel Student Union and holds special significance to Assemblymember Ramos, as it is named after his great-great-grandfather Santos Manuel, who established the San Manuel Reservation.



The program also included the following presentations from community members across the 40th Assembly District: Master of Ceremonies performed by Terrance Stone, CEO for Young Visionary Youth Leadership; opening song by Ecclesia Christian Fellowship Choir; invocation by Pastor Reginald Young, CEO and Crisis Chair for San Bernardino Pastors United; Pledge of Allegiance led by the Girl Scouts of San Gorgonio; The Star Spangled Banner Performed by Jack Musgrove Jr. of San Bernardino; closing performance by San Bernardino Pacesetters Drill Team & Drum Line.

"I am so proud and thankful for all who came out to join me and my family at the community swearing-in ceremony," said Assemblymember Ra-

mos. *"It is truly remarkable, when you consider the San Manuel people faced dwindling numbers following the atrocities of a 32-day battle in 1866, to bouncing back and experiencing poverty for generations, to now having a member of their tribe elected and sworn-in to the State Legislature. There is much more work to get done together as a community to move people forward. I am committed to working on the issues that are important to our district like jobs, education, homelessness, social bullying in schools, mental health, public safety, and resources for veterans. Together with my colleagues I will fight to make sure the State of California serves all people in the Inland Empire."*



The Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians opened its new 474,000 square foot casino on February 20 and 200 rooms hotel on Friday February 22, 2019.

The Soboba Indian Reservation Casino Resort is located approximately 35-miles east of the City of Riverside and adjacent to the Cities of Hemet and San Jacinto, California.

Tribal leaders are hopeful of attracting additional player from the surrounding areas that prefer a more friendly and personalized atmosphere than the mega impersonal casinos.

The casino features all the amenities offered by the giant casinos. Sorry, no Poker Room or Bingo.

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“Raising the Flag on Iwo Jima” February 23, 1945 -74-Years Past

Corporal, Ira Hamilton Hayes, and five other U.S. Marines were photographed on February 23, 1945 by Joe Rosenthal. *“Raising the Flag on Iwo Jima”*



The photograph became a famous iconic winning the Pulitzer Prize for Photography and came to be regarded in the United States as one of the most significant and recognizable photograph taken during WW II. It depicts six United States Marines raising the American flag atop of Mount Suribachi on the island of Iwo Jima.

Three of the six Marines depicted in the photograph, Sergeant, Michael Strank, Corporal, Harlon Block, and Private First Class, Franklin Sousley

were killed in action over the next few days. The three surviving flag-raisers were Corporals Rene Gagnon, Ira Hayes, and Harold Schultz.

Ira Hayes was born on January 12, 1923 at Sacaton on the Gila River Indian Reservation in south central Arizona.

Ira Hayes died on January 24, 1955 at the age of 32 almost ten-years after the famous flag raising on Mount Suribachi on the island of Iwo Jima.

STATEMENT AGAINST ANTI-SEMITISM:

Voting 424-0, the House on Wednesday adopted a Republican-sponsored motion to HR37 stating, in part, that “*anti-Semitism is a challenge to the basic principles of tolerance, pluralism and democracy and the shared values that bind Americans together,*” and that it is “*in the foreign policy interest of the United States to continue to emphasize the importance of combating anti-Semitism in our bilateral and multilateral relations*”

California Socialist Legislators Plan to Ban The Holy Bible

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James Ramos
California Assembly Member
40th Congressional District



Assemblyman, Ramos becomes the first Native American Sworn in to CA State Assembly:

Assemblyman James Ramos (D-Highland) was sworn in to the California State Assembly December 3, 2018 becoming the first California Native American elected to the state legislature.

Prior to running for elected office, Ramos served on the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors. As an Assembly member, Ramos plans to address homelessness, education and public safety issues for his district.

Ramos Appointed to Key Assembly Committees:

(Sacramento, CA) -- Assembly member James C. Ramos (D-Highland) was appointed today by Speaker Anthony Rendon to serve on the following committees:

- Budget
- Budget Subcommittee No. 1 on Health and Human Services
- Health
- Jobs, Economic Development, and the Economy
- Local Government
- Rules

“These committee assignments allow me to directly tackle critical issues facing the 40th Assembly District,” said Assembly member Ramos. *“I will work to expand job training and apprenticeship programs, create opportunities for small business owners to access capital, ensure city and county residents can effectively engage with their local government, and address the needs for our veterans, homeless youth and those in foster care.”*

Assemblymember James Ramos
Response to Governor Newsom
State of the State Address

(Rancho Cucamonga, CA) – February 12, 2019 Assemblymember James C. Ramos issues the following statement following Governor Gavin Newsom’s State of the State Address:

“Listening to Governor Newsom today gives me hope for the future of the Inland Empire,” said Assemblymember Ramos. *“I applaud Governor Newsom’s plan to tackle the homelessness crisis with funding devoted to housing and supportive services such as mental health and addiction. His request for more transparency in our school systems is promising as we move to prevent social bullying and aid homeless youth. Budgetary funding to incentivize housing construction will be a benefit to workers and families looking for affordable housing. I am encouraged by Governor Newsom’s dedication to boost apprenticeships and training to foster a skilled workforce for our evolving economy. Lastly, Governor Newsom’s plan to expand the California Earned Income Tax Credit to 1 million more Californians will put money back into the wallets of working people and stimulate the economy in the community. I look forward to what we can ac-*

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50TH ANNUAL NIEA Convention & Trade Show

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Presidential Candidate Launched Political Career As A Mistress

Contributed by Franklin Mott - Moreno Valley CA

Sen. Kamala Harris from California has recently announced her bid to run for president in 2020. However in doing so she's brought her past into the spotlight, a past that doesn't lend itself to her new ambitions.

The issue is that Harris once had a relationship with then-mayor of San Francisco, Willie Brown. Because having your boyfriend get you a job doesn't qualify you for the position.

While an old story, Brown recently reignited interest in it after he wrote to the San Francisco Chronicle, detailing his support for Harris.

"Yes, we dated. It was more than 20 years ago," wrote Brown, who claimed to have "been peppered with calls from the national media about my 'relationship' with Kamala Harris, particularly since it became obvious that she was going to run for president."

You see, Brown was Assembly speaker from 1980 to 1995. He was married at the time but stated that he had been "estranged from his wife" since roughly 1981. This is apparently what led to him courting Harris, when he was 60 and she just 29.

It appears that this turned out to be very fortunate for Harris, with Brown admitting, "Yes, I may have influenced her career by appointing her to two state commissions when I was Assembly speaker."

Harris of course, denies that this has any relevancy to her current candidacy and indicated that Brown was an "albatross hanging around my neck."

She has constantly tried to distance herself from Brown as she aspires to ever higher positions. In an ice cold remark she stated that, "His [Brown's] career is over; I will be alive and kicking for the next 40 years. I do not owe him a thing."

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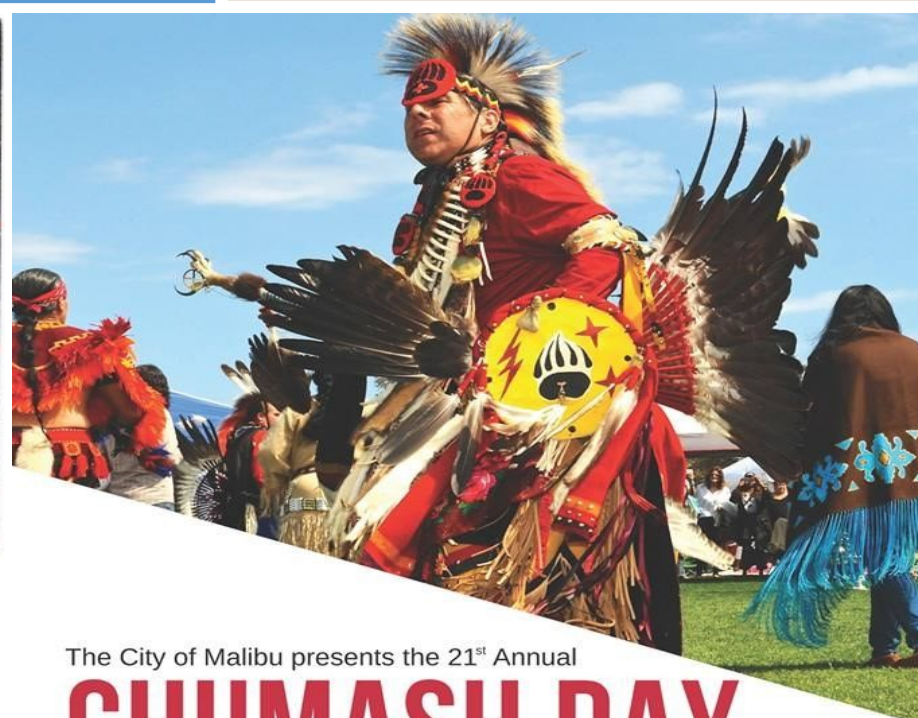
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Honoring the Passing of an American Indian Icon: Robert Lee Freeman

January 14, 1939 - February 9, 2019

February 9, 2019 Please join us in honoring and remembering our beloved relative, companion, teacher, and elder.

Robert Lee Freeman passed peacefully from this world Saturday, February 9, 2019 at Sulpizio Cardiovascular Center, La Jolla, California of complications after major surgery.

Robert was a prominent and successful artist in both the Indigenous and larger international art community and won many awards and distinctions in his colorful and long life.

He is being carried in love and spirit by his treasured wife of 58 years, Edwina, his sons, Robert Jr, Robert Florentino, daughter Tina; his beloved grandchildren: Austin, Ashley, Sam, Reese, Tony, Sarah, and two great grand-children Colton and Arianna.

Robert's commemorations appear in the Who's Who in CA; Who's Who in SD; Who's Who in America; International Who's Who; Encyclopedia of the American Indian; Indian of North America; Contemporary Personages (Italy); Man of Achievement; and Print world Contemporary Prints and Prices.

His murals are on the walls of the Los Angeles County Library at San Gabriel, CA, and at the Perris Indian Museum, Perris, CA.

In 1997 he created the life-size bronze sculpture Journey erected at Santa Fe Springs, CA. In 2006 he created "Coronne," the first historical life size



bronze sculpture in the state of California honoring a Native American woman. "Coronne" stands in San Juan Capistrano.

In 2008 Cal State University San Marcos installed Freeman's life-size bronze cougar "Tukwut" sculpture on the 3rd floor administration building courtyard. The same year Robert Freeman created a 14' concrete abstract sculpture at the entrance of the university.

In 2002 he was commissioned to design the California Indian Commemorative Seal by the State of California, which lies at entrance to Capitol Rotunda in Sacramento in perpetuity.

Freeman has received letters of appreciation from Governors of California, Pennsylvania, Indiana, New Mexico, and South Dakota.

He knew and/or was visited by Robert Kennedy, Governor William Scranton, Russell Means, Sheldon Wolfchild, Tracy Nelson, Vincent Price, Gale Gordon, Mayor Anthony Villarogosa, Mayor Thomas Bradley, and Governor Jerry Brown.

Robert Freeman was born on the Rincon Indian Reservation on January 14, 1939. He was Hunkpapa and Yanktonai, Sioux of South Dakota and Luiseno of the Rincon Reservation of California. His first 10 years of his life included living in Rincon, Reservation, Vallejo, California (Bay area), and summers on the Crow Creek Sioux Reservation, South Dakota. At the age of 11 his mother settled in Escondido, where he grew up and graduated from high school. He later taught art classes at Palomar College.

In 1967, Freeman decided to become a professional artist. Late in the 1970's he was on his way to a promising career with exhibitions throughout the United States including Alaska and Hawaii.

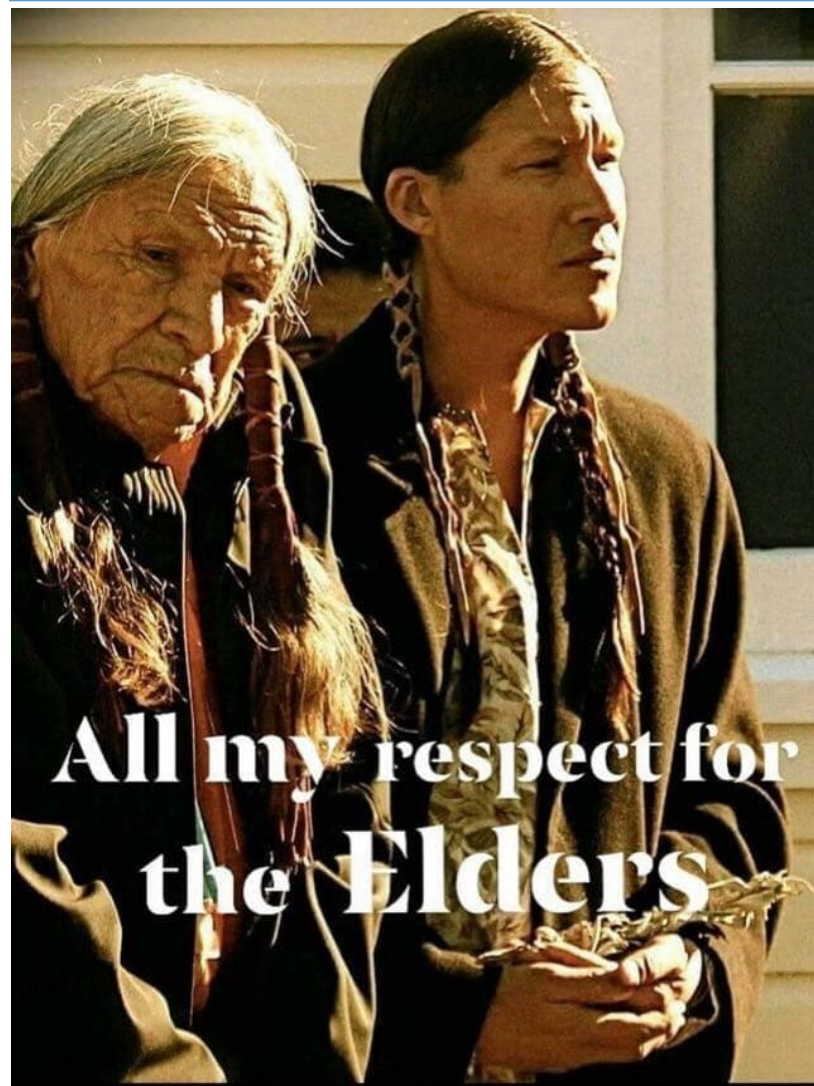
By 1980's and 90's Freeman had won over 200 art awards and had become a well-seasoned International artist with exhibits in Mexico, Canada, Germany, Japan, Senegal West Africa, and the Vatican in Rome.

Robert was called the father of Native American humor. He illustrated and wrote "For Indians Only" (1971), "War Whoops and All That Jazz," (1974) and "Rubber Arrows." (1989) For Indians Only was the first Joke/Cartoon book written, illustrated and published by a Native American artist. He also published 3 additional books of art: "Etchings," "Drawings," and "Surrealism."

Many cartoonists today have been knowingly or unknowingly influenced by Freeman. Russell Means was a close friend of Robert's and said, "**Robert is the most important Native American artist of our time.**"

Robert was such a wonderful, multi-faceted and talented human being. His humor, creativity, leadership, and talent will be greatly missed. And above all, his friendship and loving presence to his family will bring tears to our heart and eyes along with much laughter for the rest of our lives.

Rest in peace & may God bless you!



In Loving Memory

Robert J. Salgado Sr.

September 25, 1942 - March 6, 2016
Soboba Indian Reservation



During his 35-years tenure as Tribal Chairman for the Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians the tribe went from an improvised community to a multimillion dollar enterprise.

In the mid 70's he successfully challenged the Bureau of Indian Affairs for the release of tribal water development funds under the authority of P.L. 923-638 The Indian Self Determination and Education Act of 1976 for the construction of a tribal domestic water system.

He later was successful in settling the water law suit against the Bureau of Indian Affairs for negligence and the 67-year battle with EMWD.

He understood the importance of having a

secure and safe water source for the tribe for as long as the tribe exist.

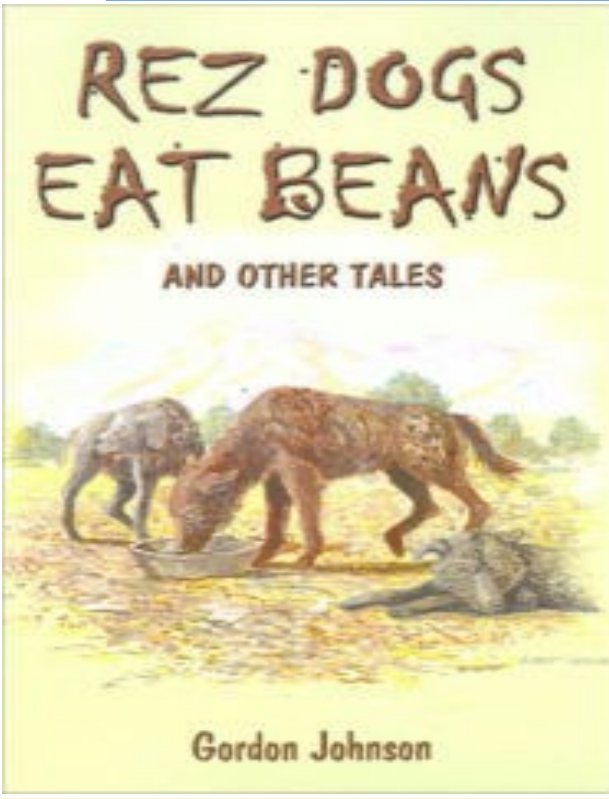
In the late 50's the Soboba Tribal Council gave away the right-of-way to Soboba Rd. and Castile Canyon Rd. to the County of Riverside. He was successful in getting the roads returned to the tribe.

He also met with four sitting United States Presidents during his service as Tribal Chairman.

The impact of his leadership will benefit the tribe and its members for decades to come.

Gordon Johnson is a tribal member of the Pala Band of Mission Indians. The Pala Indian Rez is located in north San Diego County, Southern California.

Johnson has published several books providing a great insight into the ongoing lives of Rez folks. His most recent books is "**Rez Doggs Eat Beans**" and "**Birdsongs Don't Lie**" which can be purchased on line at Amazon or Barnes and Noble,



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Iipay Nation of Santa Ysabel Open Marijuana Business

(Photo by Mark Rightmire, Orange County Register/SCNG)

About a year go, February 2018 the Iipay Nation of Santa Ysabel converted their closed casino building into a smoke and marijuana One-Stop-Shop off scenic Highway 79, in rural mountains in northern San Diego County, southern California. The tribe dubbed the facility the **Mountain Source Cannabis Store**.

The Mountain Source Cannabis Store overlooks Lake Henshaw. The tribes plans to use the rear section of the building for marijuana testing and to bake cannabis edibles.

The tribe is using greenhouses to grow the cannabis and plan to build additional marijuana greenhouses.

Dave Vialpando, (Photo Below) a former police officer, state narcotics supervisor and current Santa Ysabel Tribal Cannabis Regulatory Agency regulator said. ***“The tribe got into the cannabis business to stay economically alive.”*** ***“Not all tribes are rich from gaming,”*** He added.



However, while the Santa Ysabel tribe is developing its marijuana business venture that could very well pull the tribe out of poverty, a major obstacle remains: ***It’s still unclear if they’ll ever be able to legally sell their products off the reservation.***

While tribes are free to grow and sell cannabis on their sovereign land now that recreational marijuana is legal in California, there’s no path in state law for Native Americans to join the regulated market.

That means tribes are cut off from the much larger nascent industry that’s open to every sanctioned marijuana farmer except for the Tribal Governments.

Still another legal issue is that the growing and sales of marijuana is still illegal under federal laws.

Vialpando expressed his frustration with the political leadership in California as have other tribal leaders for its continued refusal to recognize Tribal Sovereignty, Treaty Rights the autonomy of Tribal Self-Governments.

“It’s a long pattern in this state,” Vialpando said. ***“There’s a history of marginalizing tribes. There’s a history of not wanting to engage with tribes.”*** So far, all proposed compromises offered by the tribes have failed.

California law requires local jurisdictions to approve cannabis businesses before the state will issue its approval.

To date, none of the three agencies that license cannabis businesses in California have issued permits for projects in Indian Country, though they said they’re reviewing applications.

In the final version of the state’s cannabis regulations, which took effect in January 2019, regulators



included a section that said tribes could participate in the licensed industry if they agree to ***“submit a written waiver of sovereign immunity”*** to the Bureau of Cannabis Control.

Which includes giving state regulators access to cannabis-oriented property and records on tribal lands. And it still called for approval from the tribe’s neighboring county or city.

However, cities and counties near tribal lands insist correctly that they have no authority over tribal land.

California tribal leaders aren’t willing to waive their nation’s hard-won rights to self governance.

Los Angeles attorney, Ariel Clark, a Native American said. ***“When tribes in California, who have used the cannabis plant as a form of medicine for thousands of years, were completely omitted from Prop. 64, it fell in line in large part with how tribes are treated in this state.”***



“For many tribes, who’ve already seen much of their sovereignty stripped away over the years,” Clark said the idea that they should waiving immunity is a ***“non-starter.”***

“A tribe can make a choice that will have reverberations in Indian Country across the United States,” Clark said. Besides, she added, ***“That’s not the only pathway.”***

Washington, Oregon and Nevada, for example, all passed bills that allow tribes to negotiate compacts with the state that allows the State to regulate cannabis operations in the reservation much like they oversee gaming.

Tribes typically agree to meet or exceed state safety standards and charge taxes equal to the state rate on outside sales, so they don’t have an unfair price advantage over non-tribal competitors.

But those tribes don’t have to waive their rights to self governance, and they get to keep the tax revenue they generate to reinvest in their communities.

“We should have solved this by now,” said Assemblyman Rob Bonta, D-Oakland, who authored beleaguered Assembly Bill 924. ***“Our tribes absolutely deserve a right to participate in the same legal cannabis market as other stakeholders.”***

Three times, Assemblyman, (D) Bonta has proposed a bill to create similar rules in California, and each time he’s run into objections from people on both sides of the political aisle. Barring a compromise, Bonta said he doesn’t plan to reintroduce the bill this legislative session.

So much for the liberal democrats controlled legislators supporting the California American Indian Tribes.

Supporters are counting on help from newly seated Gov. Gavin Newsom, who supported legalized marijuana as a tool for social justice.

And they’re hoping the fourth time might be the charm when it comes to a legislative fix, with a

Tribes saw opportunities for jobs and long-term revenue in 1987, when the Supreme Court ruled in favor of the Riverside County-based Cabazon and Morongo Indians, who sued for the right to continue high-stakes bingo and poker games on their reservations. That ruling gave birth to Indian gaming, which is now a \$7 billion annual industry in California.

Just over half of the state’s tribes operate casinos, but only 16 are full Vegas-style resorts. And 47 of the state’s 109 tribes have no casinos at all, with some reservations still struggling to provide running water and electricity.

His Santa Ysabel tribe has hustled for years to find a steady revenue stream that might sustain the community. A symbol of that struggle greets everyone who enters the reservation; one of the first things a visitor sees is a once important tribal hall and gym that, today, is caving in on itself.

Pinning their hopes on gaming, the tribe in 2007 broke ground on the Santa Ysabel Resort and Casino. That’s also when the recession hit, and leaders couldn’t get funding to add lodging. In February 2014, with the project \$50 million in debt, leaders made the difficult choice to shutter the casino.

Santa Ysabel found itself back among the ranks of the state’s rural tribes who have land, skills and ambition, but no clear way to put them to use in a way that might provide for the community.

With a growing number of states legalizing cannabis some tribes took notice a few years ago when federal regulators paved the way for marijuana projects in Indian Country.

The Cole Memo, issued by Deputy Attorney General James Cole in August 2013, stopped officials

from enforcing federal laws on cannabis businesses operating in states where marijuana was legal as long as those businesses were taking steps to keep their product from getting to kids and the black market.

In October 2014, Monty Wilkinson, director of the United States Attorneys, issued a memo that extended those protections to Native American nations.

However, the Cole decision has yet to be challenged in the courts as to its legality. The legal question is: Does the U.S. Attorney General have the authority to waive federal laws?

After the Wilkinson memo, a number of California tribes legalized medical cannabis on their reservations. Some also launched grow and retail operations. But for tribes that dived most aggressively into the cannabis business, the honeymoon was short lived.

In summer 2015, federal authorities raided cannabis operations on land owned by the Pit River and Alturas tribes in Modoc County, seizing more than 10,000 marijuana plants. That fall, Mendocino County Sheriff’s deputies raided a cannabis farm owned by the Pinoleville Pomo Nation.

Authorities argued that those tribes weren’t in line with the state’s medical marijuana laws of that time, which prohibited for-profit operations. With thousands of growers and retailers across the state ignoring that notoriously lax mandate, some tribes felt unfairly targeted.

That same year, Santa Ysabel also opened some of its 15,000 acres to outside cannabis growers. But the tribe proceeded cautiously, said Vialpando.

Three years later, with eight companies now growing cannabis on the reservation, Vialpando said they haven’t had a single call for police services.

Santa Ysabel leaders believed they were well positioned to expand if and when California launched its legal recreational cannabis market. Then voters passed Proposition 64.

The November 2016 measure to legalize cannabis didn’t include a single mention of how Native American tribes fit into the new marketplace.

“Honestly, I feel like they’ve got it more together than anybody else,” said Gem Montes with the Inland Empire chapter of the cannabis advocacy group NORML.

“Tribes are willing to work with the state,” he said. ***“But the message is, “You’re not welcome.”***



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SCAIR REFLECTS ON SUCCESSES IN 2018 AND EYES EXPANSION FOR 2019



SCAIR Staff and Contractors at SCAIR's Annual Community Open House in July.

Greetings! Welcome to the Southern California American Indian Resource Center (SCAIR), a 501(c)3, community-based organization, dedicated to serving American Indians (AI), Alaska Natives (AN) and Hawaiian Natives (HN) living within its diverse and unique service region.

Since 1997, SCAIR's mission and purpose has been the provision of innovative, effective and consistent career, educational, computer, cultural, mental health and supportive services for Native individuals and their families, both on and off the Reservation. These integrated one-stop-shop services, all housed under one roof, have been designed to support the employability, education, self-sufficiency and health and wellness of Participants, and have set SCAIR apart as a model training center.

Twenty-two years later, SCAIR's Board of Directors and Staff are honored to continue to provide the same level of quality wraparound services while maintaining the vision and values that SCAIR was founded on: providing support and training with compassion and respect, acting with honesty and integrity to build a trusted reputation, fostering a spirit of community and collaboration and honoring the traditions of the past while looking forward to the future.

2018 was a year of growth, opportunity and capacity building for SCAIR.

In late summer, SCAIR received designation from the Department of Labor, Division of Indian and Native American Programs, to expand its successful Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act (WIOA) Program services into the following six counties: San Benito, Santa Cruz, San Luis Obispo, Monterey, Santa Barbara and Ventura.

SCAIR's Native NetWORKS WIOA Program, established in 2014, aims to assist unemployed and underemployed Participants with securing and retaining gainful employment through SCAIRs

in-house career and educational training, computer classes, on-the-job training and job placement assistance, mental health counseling and supportive services.

This exciting expansion will establish a second training center, SCAIR — Ventura, which will serve as the home base for the newly designated service region, with services beginning in June of 2019.

With the approved expansion of SCAIR's Native NetWORKS WIOA Program, SCAIR has been provided with a potential opportunity by the Northern California Indian Development Council (NCIDC) to also expand its Community Service Block Grant (CSBG) sub-contract into many of the counties within its new service region in 2019. SCAIR's Howka Program, established in 2017, currently provides low-income Native households in San Diego and Imperial Counties, with emergency supportive services such as grocery vouchers, clothing, utility-assistance, holiday food boxes, transportation assistance and much more.

SCAIR's longstanding and successful Tribal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program, developed in 2007 through a contract with the Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association, set the framework for all one-stop services at SCAIR and continues to effectively assist Participants in becoming self-reliant, work ready and successful in their personal and professional pursuits.

Last year, SCAIR's Tribal TANF Program continued to deliver on program goals and objectives, while also providing the opportunity for larger trainings and gatherings such as SCAIR's Annual Springtime Gathering, Harvest Training and Wintertime Training. These series of trainings focus on a number of topics including: job readiness and seasonal employment, family safety, budgeting and fiscal management, positive mental health, life skills and parenting training, cultural sharing,

health and nutrition and personal empowerment and motivation.

In 2018, SCAIR received a one-time funding augmentation for its Sacred Pipe Tobacco Use Prevention Education (TUPE) Program from the California Department of Education (CDE). Since 2013, the TUPE Program has provided tobacco education, prevention and smoking cessation services—aimed at educating Native youth (ages 12-18)—on the differences between commercial tobacco-use and sacred ceremonial tobacco-use, with a strong emphasis on overall Native health and wellness.

The increase in funding has provided capacity for more youth to be serviced as well as staff development opportunities and the development of a number of community projects in 2019, including a youth-designed community mural project at the San Diego Unified Title VI Indian Education office, a planned summer writing workshop, as well as mental health training for individuals working with Native youth.

The TUPE Program acts as a partner grant to SCAIR's American Indian Education Centers (AIEC) Program which provides Native youth with academic tutorial, cultural education, technology access, and mental health counseling services, on-site at SCAIR, as well as at schools within San Diego Unified School District and at the Title VI Indian Education Office in San Diego. Since 2007, SCAIR has been designated by the CDE as one of twenty-one American Indian Education Centers in the state.

As we enter into 2019, SCAIRs Board of Directors and Staff are energized, grateful, hopeful and optimistic for the exciting changes coming to SCAIR in 2019 and remain dedicated to maintaining the foundation, character and legacy that SCAIR was founded on.

We are also reminded every year that the success of our programs are attributed to many sources, including the dedication and drive of SCAIR's staff, the determination and resilience of the Participants we serve, as well as the guidance and support provided to us by our collaborating agencies, community partners and funding agencies.

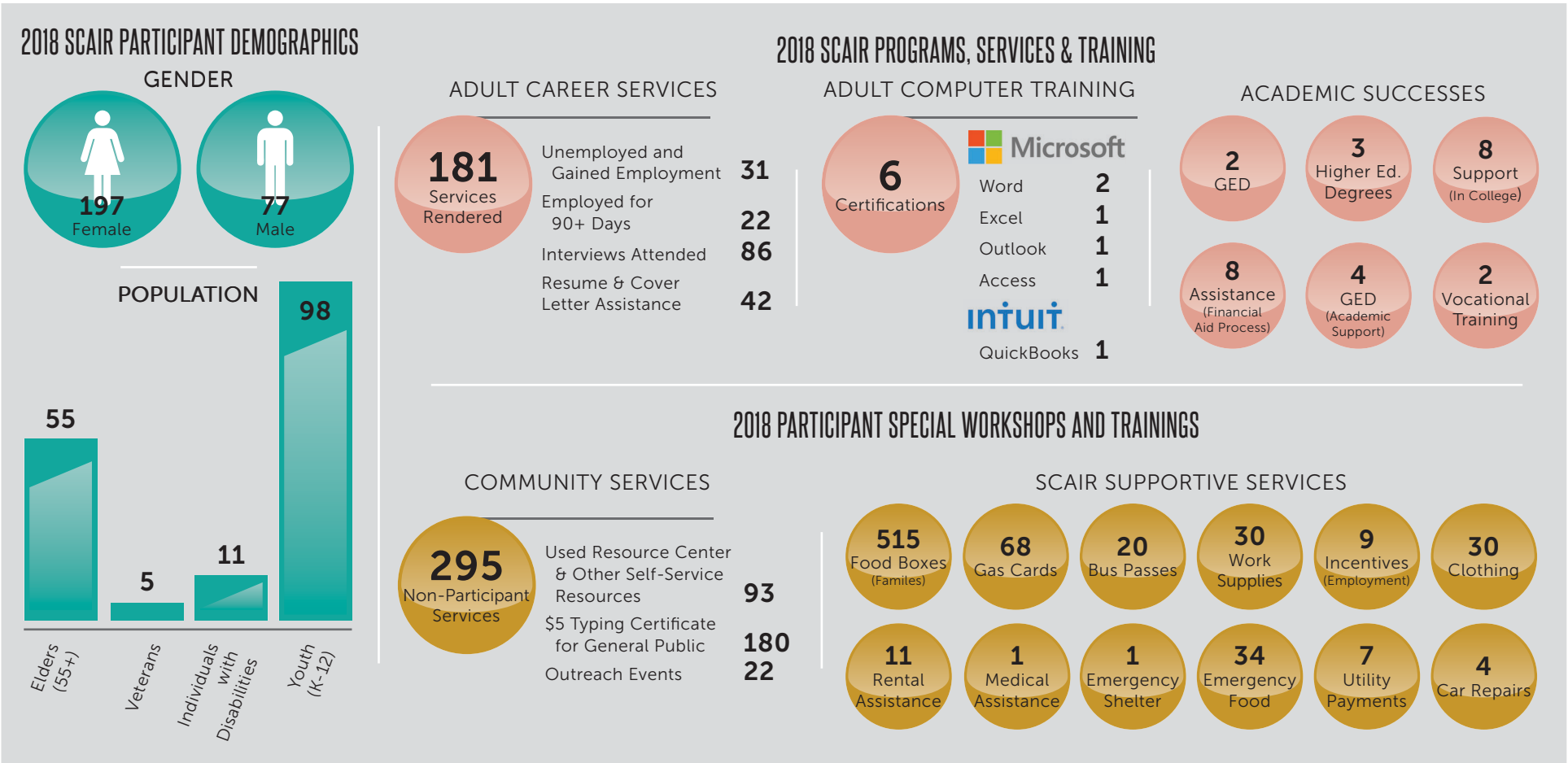
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SCAIR AIEC/TUPE Youth Participants at SCAIR's Annual Family Gathering in June.

The Southern California American Indian Resource Center, Inc (SCAIR,) is a Non-Profit 501 (c)(3) Community Based Tribal Organization established in 1997 under the authority of P.L. 93-638, the Indian Self Determination and Education Act of 1976 and founded by Mr. William H. Johnson, an American Indian of Comanche decent.

Mr. Johnson understood the dilemmas and challenges of American Indians living in urban areas. Upon his retirement as a lathing contractor he consulted with local community members and friends to establish SCAIR, in order to help meet the educational, cultural and community needs of all self-identified American Indians.





JAMES C. RAMOS
Assemblymember, District 40



PRESS RELEASE

Assemblymember Ramos Appointed to Select Committee on Native American Affairs

(Sacramento, CA) – As the first California Native American elected to the State Legislature, Assemblymember James C. Ramos (D-Highland) has been appointed Chair of the Select Committee on Native American Affairs by Speaker of the Assembly Anthony Rendon (D-Lakewood). Assemblymember Ramos's appointment marks the formation of this committee.

Assemblymember Ramos, who previously served as Chairman of the San Manuel Mission Band of Indians, sought to create the Select Committee to identify opportunities to strengthen ongoing working relationships with tribes throughout the state.

The scope of the Select Committee will focus on critical issues facing Native American communities – cultural preservation, domestic violence, youth suicide, opioid abuse, missing Native American women, mental health, and education attainment. The work plan to carry out this scope will consist of information hearings and roundtable meetings in the 40th Assembly district and other member districts, fact finding tours, committee white papers, and potential legislation.

"As Speaker of the Assembly, I am grateful for the background, experience, and dedication that Assemblymember Ramos brings to the Democratic Caucus," said Speaker Rendon. "I admire his dedication to the Inland Empire and his efforts to advance the discussion on Native American cultural preservation. I am proud to appoint Assemblymember Ramos to Chair the Select Committee on Native American Affairs."

"It is a great honor to represent the Inland Empire as the first California Native American elected to the State Legislature," said Assemblymember Ramos. "I never thought as a child, growing up in a trailer on the San Manuel Indian Reservation, that I would one day have the privilege to serve in the Assembly and to be the Chair of the Select Committee on Native American Affairs. I am thrilled to lead the Select Committee on issues affecting the Native American community and hope to be a voice for all native peoples in California."

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Native American Educators Attend Leadership Conference at the University of Redlands

By Karin Giron, Education Coordinator, SCTCA

In late November of 2018, the University of Redlands Office of Admissions and Native Student Programs hosted their inaugural Tribal Education Leadership Brunch. The day-long event opened with a Blessing and land acknowledgement; the University sits on the traditional lands of the Serrano and Cahuilla in Riverside County.

The conference began with an overview of the recruitment and retention programs offered by Redlands and the Native Student Programs. In addition, the Office of Admissions and the Office of Financial Aid facilitated presentations on their internal processes and the financial assistance available through the University.

The educators in attendance also worked together to brainstorm barriers and challenges facing Native American youth in K-12 grade and Native American college students.

The day ended with a tour of the beautiful campus.

According to Shawntelle Bivens, Admissions Counselor for Multicultural Recruitment, the University is comprised of 40% students of color and the numbers are growing. In addition, the Office of Admissions offers a holistic approach to the admissions application, with a 60-70% acceptance rate.

Redlands is dedicated to the academic success of their students. The “**Redlands Promise**” guarantees that students in the College of Arts & Sciences have the opportunity to graduate in four years. In fact, they have a 60%-70% four-year graduation rate as compared to the 20% four year graduation rate of the California State University (CSU) system.

The University offers several funding options in addition to the Federal and State funding such as provided through FAFSA.

One is the **San Manuel Band of Mission Indians** Excellence in Leadership Scholarship. The scholarship - awarded to Native American students - can be utilized for tuition as well as room and board. The scholarship is also available to transfer students.



The Leadership Brunch also included a work group, in which the educators present identified some of the barrier and challenges they have come across in working with Native youth.

The University of Redlands is hosting a couple of recruitment events in the upcoming months, including their annual Powwow on March 30 and the Dream the Impossible Native Youth Conference on April 13



California Assemblyman, James Ramos is pictured above with a future tribal leader. Ramos earned an MBA at the University of Redlands.

Barriers and challenges faced by Native American student in K-12 grade: • *First generation students* • *Not seeing importance of education – Why?* • *Lack knowledge about how to get to college and what to expect once in college* • *Lack of college information and resource* • *Limited resources for remote tribes – colleges do not visits their area* • *High School Counselors not advising appropriately or at all* • *Not taking Pre-requisites for college (A-G classes)* • *Lack test prep for SAT and ACT* • *Lack of direction* • *Lack of self-esteem/confidence* • *Lack of support system and encouragement* • *Lack of parent involvement because they are unfamiliar with advocacy* • *Family's limited financial resources* • *Culture shock* • *Fear of leaving home* • *Fear of change – “Can I do it?”* • *Family responsibilities* • *Teen pregnancy* • *Impact of Historical trauma on cultural identity* • *History of education as an assimilationist tool* • *Working with public schools that lack of understanding about tribal history and contemporary issues.*

For those Indian students at the collegiate level, the conference identified additional barriers and challenges, including the following: • *Being a first generation college student* • *Culture shock* • *Homesickness and family obligations* • *Coming from smaller home community to a large campus* • *Lack of support or understanding from college advisors* • *Knowing/meeting support programs on campus* • *Self-advocacy skills* • *Difficulty building relationships* • *Stress of being more independent – becoming an adult* • *Lack of financial aid* • *Supporting themselves – jobs, work study* • *Academic rigor/preparedness* • *Maintaining GPA* • *Academic schedules (quarter vs semester)* • *Time management* • *Follow through skills* • *Racism – from fellow students, teachers, advisors* • *Breaking stereotypes* • *Lack of outlets for cultural expression*

San Pasqual Tribal Chairman, Allan Lawson Retires

Allan Lawson has served the San Pasqual Band of Mission Indians for twenty-one years has retired as Tribal Chairman 22-years.



For over 40-years he has been involved in the leadership of the tribe having served on The tribal Council and on various committees.

Chairman, Lawson decided not to run for re-election in January, marking the first time since 1997 he was not on the ballot.

On January 13, the tribe elected Steve Cope as Chairman. Cope had served with Chairman, Lawson on the Tribal Council prior to being elected Chairman. The tribe also elected Justin Quis Quis as Vice Chairman, Tilda Green Sec-

retary/Treasurer, Joe Chavez and David Toler were elected to the Tribal Council. All were elected to serve two year terms.

During his years as Chairman, Lawson oversaw the development and expansion of the tribe’s gaming business named Valley View Casino and Resort.

He also served as the Vice-President on the California Nevada Indian Gaming Commission. He was a member of the **SAND-AG Board** of Directors and a board member of the Southern California Tribal Chairman’s

Association (SCTCA).

Chairman, Lawson presided over the Tribal Council and attended dozens of conferences, events and meetings in San Pasqual and throughout the region regarding Native American issues. In one of his last public ceremonies on the San Pasqual Indian Reservation in May 2018, Lawson accepted a medal and certificate in recognition of the service of Native Americans who fought in the Korean War more than six decades ago. After he accepted the award on behalf of the tribe.



Lawson invited several other tribal members attending the ceremony at the Tribal Hall to stand with him next to the South Korean delegation.



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Enrolled member of the San Pasqual Band of Mission Indians. Steve has over 27 yrs of Service with United Parcel Service in Communication and Management skills. Steve served as Chairman of Land & Housing for 4 years and also as a Gaming Commissioner for 3 years. He also had the opportunity to be the recording Secretary for the San Luis Rey Indian Water Authority for 2 years. Before being elected to the position of Councilman he was the T.E.R.O. Compliance officer for the tribes T.E.R.O. Program working to provide employment opportunities for tribal members and their children



JUSTIN QUIS QUIS, VICE CHAIRMAN: No photo or Bio available



TILDA GREEN, SECRETARY/TREASURER

Tilda Green is an enrolled Tribal member of the San Pasqual Band of Mission Indians. She is a resident of the San Pasqual Indian Reservation and has lived in the community for over 35 years. Ms. Green has been employed with the tribe for over 25 years. She has also served in various employment capacities such as; HUD Program, Executive Secretary, Tribal Bookkeeper, Education Director, Grants Manager, Fiscal Manager, and Tribal Administrator. Tilda has also served on many subcommittees of the tribe such as the; Enrollment Committee, Economic Development Committee, Election Committee, Cemetery Committee, as well as served on the Business Committee as Secretary/Treasurer from 1998 to 2002. Ms. Green was re-elected in January 2011.



DAVID L. TOLER, JR., TRIBAL COUNCILMAN

An enrolled Tribal Member, raised on San Pasqual Band Indian Reservation, has over 25 years experience in construction and community development fields. He serves as Treasurer on the Reservation Authority, Co-chairs SANDAG/Tribal Transportation Working Group. He sits as a board member on the Southern California Tribal Court, and Alternate on the San Luis River Indian Water Authority Board. He also serves on the Tribes Scholarship Committee and has a strong interest in the Region’s Native Culture.



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In the nearly 250 years that have passed since the signing of the first treaties between the United States government and American Indian tribes, the legal complexities in managing the various relationships between and among tribes, state and federal governments has only increased. Today, the tribal leaders of 567 federally recognized tribes manage the interests of 2 million tribal members across more than 56 million acres of land.* It is of utmost importance that tribal members particularly those who serve in management or leadership positions understand the nuances of Indian law and how it impacts their communities, their businesses, and their sovereignty.

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When I was in fifth or sixth grade (*a very long time ago*) the teacher took us to a janitor's closet that had been converted to a technology" room, a movie room in the day's lingo.

We were going to see a movie (*shown on a reel*) that had the latest: technicolor and time-lapse photography. This was the day of black and white TV, and maybe three channels depending on where one lived and/or if they had a TV.

The flowers budding, opening and blooming within a minute was amazing. So was the color.

But what was so memorable to me was an elk herd somewhere high on a snowy cliff in the wilderness. Two young bucks were vying for control of the herd. It was very dramatic.

They pawed the ground and snow flew. They snorted; their nostrils flared and blew "smoke," They grunted and butted heads. Soon they locked horns, twisting and contorting their bodies in what ultimately became a death dance. They went over the cliff.

Being a Disney movie, we did not see the splat but you knew it happened. An old buck walked away with the herd

Years later (*still young*), as the VISTA Volunteer Leader for Southern Arizona, I

was in Tucson when Martin Luther King was assassinated. (*April 4, 1968*)

In the following month, I watched the black and brown populations begin to fight one another, degrading the solidarity that heretofore had been built up with various community action programs.

Rights, resources and responsibilities, hard won over the prior years, began to disappear. Then I began to see that a white power structure was manipulating the vulnerable populations with petty controversies and manufactured "crises", enabling some regression of what had been accomplished.

I wondered how I had come to understand what was going on And there it was: that movie.

A little gem of experience and wisdom from the animal kingdom had vegetated in my head somewhere for all those years but surfaced when I really needed it to take what appeared to be a complicated situation into simple language. Divide and conquer.

From Phillip II of Macedon to Caesar of Rome to France's Napoleon down to cur-



rent days, the policy of divide and conquer/rule was a well known tactic/policy among the ruling elite, but maybe not amongst those it was practiced upon.

When one analyzes the history of colonial governments, it is rampant. That heritage often seeped (seeps) right down to the tribal community level.

The history of Indian agents and subsequently BIA superintendents is rife with it.

In some communities, particularly in the early "638" days, (*Public Law 93-638 The Indian Self-determination and Education Act of 1975*) the BIA and IHS rivalries jettisoned many a tribal council.

In today's world, there are even more individuals trying to co-opt the community.

Factionalism in many communities has its roots in an action that stems from an event generations ago, setting up a "Hatfield-McCoy" battlefield that no one really knows why it exists.

Meanwhile someone (fed agent, county commissioner, developer, etc) walks away with the prize just as did the old

buck. The tribal community is played again.

This is why knowing the political history of one's tribe is important. It is also important to know the same history of the surrounding players which, in today's world, often includes virtual players and forces that never have been to the Rez.

For three centuries, rivalries in Europe dramatically impacted American continents' tribal people without them knowing it.

So while "history" might seem a boring subject to some, it is a vital field of study for those aspiring to leadership roles. The ability to analyze the past, present and future in terms of "*divide and conquer*" is a skill to be developed in one's education.

Ideally this skill and knowledge is to be used by community leaders and their constituents as they navigate complex waters and not against one another

"When two brothers are busy fighting, an evil man can easily attack and rob their poor mother. Mankind should always stay united, standing shoulder to shoulder so evil can never cheat and divide them."

Suzy Kassem, *Rise Up and Salute the Sun: The Writings of Suzy Kassem*



Native actors and John Legend, shine in animated film: 'Crow: The Legend'

'Crow: The Legend' was directed, written and produced by Eric Darnell, the creator of such mega-blockbuster hits as Antz and the Madagascar movies and was executive-produced, and voiced by singer and songwriter John Legend. The other main characters include Oprah Winfrey, as The One who Creates Everything by Thinking; *Kiowa-Caddo as the Tribal Elder*; *Randy Edmonds as the Narrator*; Sarah Eagle Heart as Luna, Liza Koshy as the Owl; Diego Luna as the Moth; Tye Sheridan as the Turtle; and Constance Wu as the Skunk.

Constance Wu as Skunk, Liza Koshy as Owl and John Legend as Crow, courtesy Boabab Studios.

According to the studio release, 'Crow is based on the moving Native American story about the bird's cultural genesis and its place in Native American mythology.'

Sarah Eagle Heart who portrayed the part of Luna and is the CEO of Native Americans in Philanthropy consulted and experiences in the making of *Crow: The Legend*.



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March 9th, 2019. • 12pm to 3pm. *California Coastal Tribal Nations – UAII Community Tribal Gathering*. LOCATION: UAII, 1125 W. 6 St., Los Angeles CA 90017. <http://www.uaaii.org> RSVP REQUIRED: (213) 550-4093

March 9th & 10th, 2019 • *CSULB-Cal State Puvungna 49th Annual Powwow*. LOCATION: Upper Campus Central Quad, 1250 Bellflower Blvd., Long Beach CA 90840. CONTACT: (562) 985-8528.

March 13th – 15th, 2019. • *The Second Annual “All Roads Lead to Chaco Canyon” Conference*. <https://www.team-osa.com/all-roads-lead-to-chaco-canyon> LOCATION: Coushatta Casino Resort, 777 Coushatta Drive, Kinder LA 70648, <http://www.coushattacasinoresort.com/> CONTACT: Adam Creelle acrepelle@sulc.edu REGISTRATION: <https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=NuiCrV>

March 14th -16th, 2019. • *AISES Leadership Summit*. <http://summit.aises.org> LOCATION: Harrah’s Cherokee Casino Resort, 777 Casino Drive, Cherokee NC 28719. CONTACT: (505) 765-4052, info@aises.org REGISTRATION FEES: \$79 - \$199

March 17th –19th • **42nd Annual American Indian Education Conference at the Hilton Sacramento Arden Way Hotel, Sacramento CA., please contact Irma Amaro at 530-895-4212 ext. 110 or by e-mail at irma.4winds@gmail.com, or Rachel McBride at 530-8986241 or by e-mail at rmbcride@csuchico.edu**

Thursday, March 21st, 2019. • *American Indian Chamber of Commerce of California - Southern California Chapter Meeting*. <http://www.aicccal.org/> LOCATION: AICEF-PTAC, Huntington Beach CA. CONTACT: Monique (213) 448-2330, events@aicccal.org

March 22 -23, 2019. • AISES Region 1 Conference. University of Alaska-Fairbanks. <http://www.aises.org/> (505) 765-1052, info@aises.org

March 24th, 2019. • 10am to 4pm. *PANHE. Annual Native American Gathering & Celebration, Protection, and Preservation*. FREE Admission. LOCATION: San Mateo Campground, San Onofre State Beach, San Clemente CA. CONTACT: Rebecca Robles, rebrobles1@gmail.com. San Onofre Parks Foundation (949) 366-8599, sgogins@sanoparks.org. www.SanOparks.org

March 30, 2019. • AISES Region 4 Conference. University of Oklahoma, OK. <http://www.aises.org/> (505) 765-1052, info@aises.org

March 31st – April 3rd, 2019 • *37th Annual Protecting Our Children Conference*. <https://www.nicwa.org/agenda-workshops/> LOCATION: Albuquerque Convention Center, 401 Second St. Northwest, Albuquerque NM 87102. CONTACT: (503) 222-4044.

DEADLINE. April 1st, 2019. • *“INSPIRE.”* Residential college readiness program for American Indian high school students from tribal nations in Arizona. This no-cost, week long program date June 16 -21, 2019. LOCATION: Arizona State University. CONTACT: Danyel Chleboard, danyel.chleborad@asu.edu

April 5 -7, 2019. • AISES Region 2 Conference. Stanford University, CA. <http://www.aises.org/> (505) 765-1052, info@aises.org

April 8th – 13th, 2019. • *The 47th Annual Symposium on the American Indian, “Celebrating Indigenous Women.”* <https://offices.nsuok.edu/centerfortribalstudies/NSU-Symposium> LOCATION: Northeastern State University, University Center, 600 North Grand Ave., Tahlequah OK 74464-2301. CONTACT: (918) 444-4350, tribals-tudies@nsuok.edu Facebook, <https://www.facebook.com/NSUSymposium/>

April 12 & 13, 2019. • AISES Region 3 Conference. New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology. <http://www.aises.org/> (505) 765-1052, info@aises.org

April 13th, 2019. • 12pm to 3pm. *Apache Nation – UAII Community Tribal Gathering*. LOCATION: UAII, 1125 W. 6 St., Los Angeles CA 90017. <http://www.uaaii.org> RSVP Required: (213) 550-4093

April 24th, or 25th 2019. (date pending) • *American Indian Chamber of Commerce of California - Northern California Chapter Meeting*. Legislative Day, Sacramento <http://www.aicccal.org/> LOCATION: TBA CONTACT: Monique (213) 448-2330, events@aicccal.org

Thursday, May 23rd, 2019. • *American Indian Chamber of Commerce of California – Joint SoCal & San Diego Chapter Meeting*. <http://www.aicccal.org/> LOCATION: TBA CONTACT: Monique (213) 448-2330, events@aicccal.org

Thursday, June 13th, 2019. • *American Indian Chamber of Commerce of California Annual June Luncheon*. <http://www.aicccal.org/> LOCATION: Autry Museum, Griffith Park, Los Angeles CA CONTACT: Monique (213) 448-2330, events@aicccal.org

June 21st – 23rd, 2019. • *California Indian Basket Weavers Annual Gathering* <https://ciba.org/> LOCATION: Berry Creek Rancheria CONTACT: (530) 668-1332, ciba@ciba.org

July 4 – 8, 2019. • *The 2019 National UNITY Conference*. <https://unityinc.org/event/2019-national-unity-conference/> LOCATION: Orlando, FL. CONTACT: (480) 718-9793.

July 14th – 16th, 2019. • *American Indian Chamber of Commerce of California – EXPO ‘19*. <http://www.aicccal.org/> LOCATION: Agua Caliente Resort, Rancho Mirage CA. CONTACT: Monique (213) 448-2330, events@aicccal.org

Tuesday, July 16th, 2019. • *Jr. American Indian Chamber Youth EXPO’19*. <http://www.aicccal.org/> LOCATION: Agua Caliente Resort, Rancho Mirage, CA. CONTACT: Monique (213) 448-2330, events@aicccal.org

October 8 – 10, 2019. • *International Conference of Indigenous Archives, Libraries, and Museum* <http://www.atalm.org> LOCATION: Pechanga Casino & Resort, 4500 Pechanga Pkwy, Temecula CA 92592 <https://www.pechanga.com/> CONTACT: (405) 401-9657. <http://www.atalm.org/?fbclid=IwAR1aQ8LBzr7gDppNlnY0eTiedK351WaCz4xmTO-G07Ql8YyZlk7C6KxmQt8>

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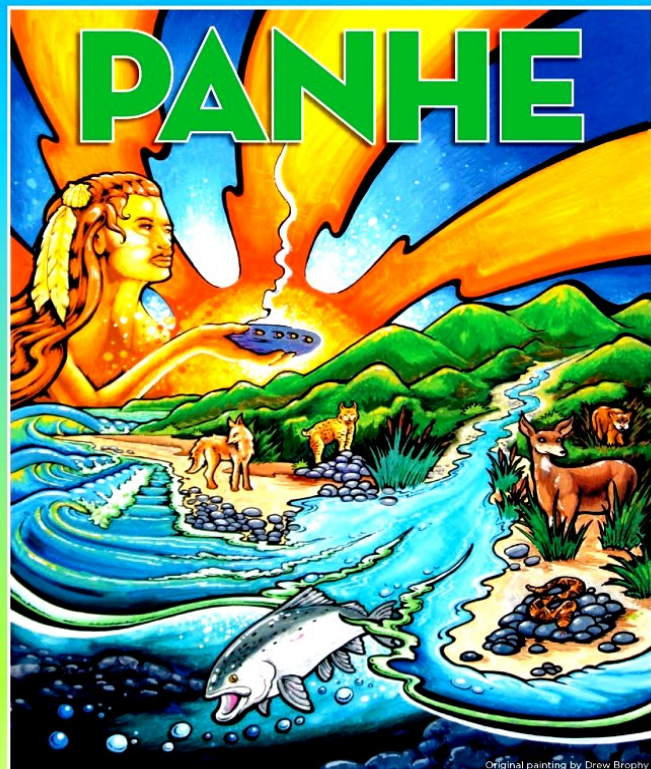
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Proposal Submission Deadline: May 3, 2019

California American Indian Women: Lives, Stories, and Community Contributions

A book edited by
Dr. Theresa Gregor (Kumeyaay/Yoeme)
California State University Long Beach

To be published by Great Oak Press
greatoakpress@pechanga-nsn.gov

Objective of the Book

This book focuses on California Indian Women: Lives, Stories, and Community Contributions (2020). The anthology will contribute to academic discourses by intervening and filling a major gap in the historical record that has nominally erased the presence, significance, and relevance of California American Indian women as cultural producers, cultural bearers, and cultural leaders. The cultural and social contributions of California Indian women, well-known for basket making and ethnobotany, remain highly invisible to mainstream society. The absence of their presence in the literary and historical record belies the impact of their life, work, and role in their communities. The anthology will present a critical examination from a statewide representation of California Indian women and their lived experiences.

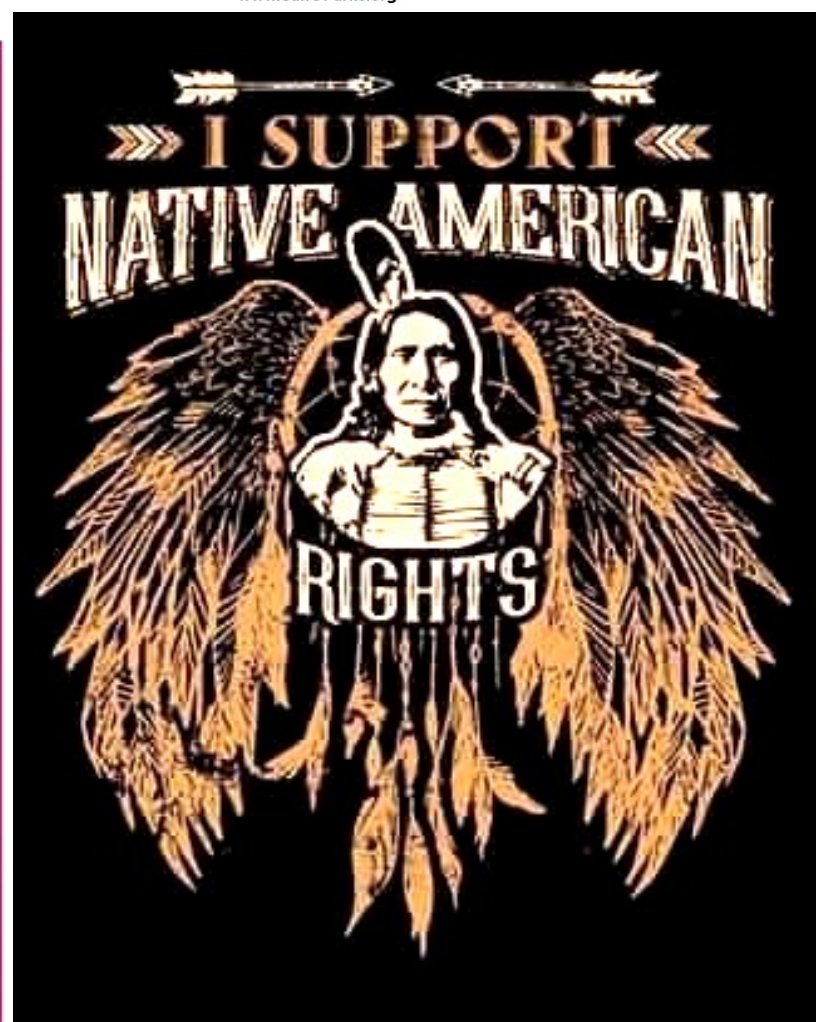
Recommended topics include, but are not limited to, the following:
Biographic, ethnographic, or critically creative narratives about the significance of California American Indian women, their life, work, and impact in their community, the state, and the nation.

Submission Procedure

Researchers and practitioners are invited to submit on or before May 3, 2019, a 2-3-page chapter proposal clearly explaining the focus and relevance of his or her proposed chapter. Authors of accepted proposals will be notified by June 30, 2019 about the status of their proposals and sent chapter guidelines. Full chapters are expected to be submitted by August 30, 2019. All submitted chapters will be reviewed on a double-blind review basis. Contributors may also be requested to serve as reviewers for this project.

Please email Theresa.Gregor@csulb.edu for a detailed project overview.

Inquiries and submissions can be forwarded electronically (Word document) or by mail to:
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Middle School Students

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WHY Think About College Now?

As a middle-school student, you probably have a lot on your mind: Will I get my school project finished on time? What's for dinner? What should I do this weekend? Will mom or dad notice that I went over my cellphone data usage limit (yikes!!!)?



But have you seriously thought about college?

Here are some reasons why you should start thinking about college now.

YOU SAY: It's too early to think about college!

WE SAY: The steps you take now (such as developing good study habits; reading to develop your verbal, writing, and critical thinking skills; and developing an interest in extracurricular/community-based activities) will help determine your college options later. Start planning now!

YOU SAY: No one in my family ever went to college.

WE SAY: Be the first! Set a good example for others to follow by learning new and interesting things, and talking to other students and faculty members about career goals and opportunities.

YOU SAY: I can't afford it!

WE SAY: We at the U.S. Department of Education, Federal Student Aid (and others), can help meet the cost! More than two-thirds of college students get some type of financial aid.

15-Year Old Aheyla 'Ekwii Hayes To Play on USA Lacrosse Team

By Keith Vasquez, San Pasquel Rez

Aheyla 'Ekwii Hayes, descendent of the San Pasqual and Pala Tribes, Parents are Lorraine Orosco and Cameron Hayes, Grandparents are Lee-Ann Magee-Hayes of Pala and Augustine "Shorty" Orosco of San Pasqual.



California team. She has also played for two other teams, Valley Center Lacrosse and Inter-Tribal Sport Lacrosse.

She was just selected to the American International Sports Teams, an Inter-National Team to represent USA during the summer of 2019.

Aheyla 'Ekwii Hayes is currently a 15 year old freshmen attending Valley Center High School. She is a tribal member of San Pasqual Band Of Mission Indians.

Aheyla plays Girls Lacrosse for the West Coast Starz for Southern California and has been recruited to play on the USA national lacrosse team.

The organization she has been selected to play for is American International Sports Teams and will be traveling to London to play in an international tournament representing the U.S.

Aheyla told AIR. *"I have a stick in my hand pretty much everyday of the week and I love to travel!"*

Aheyla is playing in national tournaments, for West Coast Starz a Southern

national and regional tournaments including: Sand Storm in Palm Springs, CA; Lacrosse Shootout in Del Mar, CA; The Surge in Richmond, VA; ADRLN Challenge in Del Mar, CA; Sin City Showdown in Las Vegas, NV; Capital Cup in Delaware; Tenacity Bonanza in Morgan Hill, CA.

Her goals are to continue to play nationally across the United States and with West Coast Starz, representing Southern California.

Also looking forward to representing the USA in London and Paris summer 2019. Aheyla's future goal is to *"Finish my high school season off strong and then attend a D1 Lacrosse school."*

Go Girl!!!



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Tribal TANF: Seeking To Assist And Support Native American Families

Tribal TANF (*Temporary Assistance for Needy Families*) is a grant-funded program that provides a variety of temporary benefits and services to low-income federally-recognized tribes, American Indian and Alaska Native families, with an emphasis on employment.

Tribal TANF temporarily provides families with monthly cash assistance to help take care of their basic living needs, while simultaneously working with the adults in the home to gain or maintain employment that will sustain their family long-term.

Each Tribal TANF family is assisted with developing a personalized educational training plan to assist them in succeeding in reaching their employment training goals. The plan identifies each step in reaching



the job-ready of each participant. The individual educational training plan identifies what each trainee needs to obtain and maintain employment and to advance within their employment field.

The plan also identifies any challenges the family may have that may prevent them from succeeding and develops goals and steps to overcome those

challenges. As for job readiness, an adult is job-ready if he or she has the work experience or training to enter into a job.

Tribal TANF participants may want to complete additional training or obtain a degree before entering into employment, however, the family's immediate needs are addressed first. Therefore, the primary objective is to supporting the families current employment needs first.

The SCTCA Tribal TANF staff and training centers work very close with each individual family to assist in every way possible to encourage the family in a direction of self-sufficiency. This accomplishment not only strengthens the family but also strengthens the community

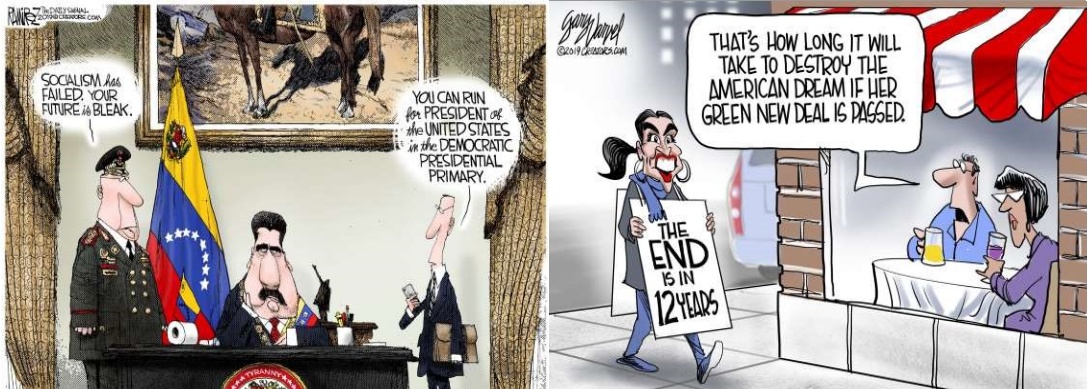


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- > **Poverty rate:** 25.4%
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- > **American Indian and Alaska Natives as pct. of U.S. population:** 0.8%
- > **American Indian and Alaska Natives as pct. of poor population:** 1.6%

Native Americans are still dealing with the effects of 400 years of persecution and discrimination. At the time of colonization, the U.S. government forced tribes onto remote reservations that often lacked natural resources or arable soil. Today, American Indians have the highest poverty rate of any major racial group in the United States, with one in four living below the poverty line. Those who live on reservations face obstacles such as food insecurity and associated health problems like diabetes.



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I am a liberal Democrat --

Here's why I am convinced that 'Medicare for all' is a bad idea

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In a recent interview, presidential candidate Sen. Kamala Harris, D-Calif., said she supports “Medicare for all.” It’s an idea that’s popular among Democrats and, according to the polls, among most Americans. But as Sen. Harris admitted, people wouldn’t be able to keep their current health care plans under “Medicare for all.”

Without a doubt there are people on the left who want a single-payer health care system that dismantles the private insurance industry.

But I do not believe this is what all Democrats want, and I certainly do not believe that the 70 percent of people who say they support “Medicare for all” want it to replace all private insurance options.

I think there’s a disconnect here.

DR. MARC SIEGEL: KAMALA HARRIS’ ‘MEDICARE-FOR-ALL’ PLAN PLAGUED WITH PROBLEMS, BAD FOR PATIENTS

Do Americans really want Medicare specifically – the current national health insurance program for people aged 65 and older – for

all? Or do they generally want a system – any system – under which the government, not the individual people, pays for health insurance?

Do Democrats really want “Medicare for all” which inherently would abolish private health care?

Or do they generally want every American to be covered by a system under which some are willing and able to pay for insurance, and others who aren’t have a plan provided to them that protects them from going bankrupt when they get sick?

“Medicare for all” is a nice catch phrase and a great line to toss around during political campaigns. But what would that system be like in reality? Well, let’s look at some of our neighbors.

Across the pond, the British National Health Service is one that Democrats often point to as a good model. Many Britons – my best friend and her family who live in London included – have private insurance in addition to the government-provided plan.

They use the National Health Service for yearly checkups, well

Saul Alinsky’s “No.1 of 8-Steps to Create a Socialist State”
1) **Healthcare:** Control healthcare and you control the people.

Over 200 million Americans have private insurance plans and I am one of them. Yes, all Americans need to be insured. But I believe we can and must make that happen without taking away the insurance options that millions of Americans currently rely on.

visits with the pediatrician, and annual screenings.

But for things more severe or chronic, they see doctors under their private insurance. Other countries like Canada see much of the same practice.

Why? Well, there are many reasons.

First, if you’re just having a regular checkup, you probably don’t care too much about the doctor/patient relationship, about bedside manner, or even about how many checkups that doctor has performed. But if you have something serious, like cancer or a chronic disease, having a choice about who you entrust your life to is important.

Second, wait times are a big problem. In Canada, the Fraser Institute found that patients wait for 20 weeks on average to receive the tests, procedures and treatments they need from a specialist.

And how about here in the United States? Remember the wait times at the government-run Veterans Affairs health care system, which resulted in nearly 100 deaths? And the problem still hasn’t been fixed.

The truth is, many of those same people who said they support “Medicare for all” would also say they want less government in their lives.

There are many on the left who don’t want the government making decisions about what they can or can’t do with their bodies. “Medicare for all” takes that choice away and puts the government in charge of making decisions about your health. Sadly, those decisions will often be based on money.

And speaking of money, we can’t overlook the cost. Sen. Bernie Sanders, I-Vt., an early and enthusiastic supporter of “Medicare for all,” admits on his website

that *the program would cost \$1.38 trillion a year. Who is going to pay for that and how?*

Lastly, many Americans see through the false promises being made about “Medicare for all,” like Sen. Harris’ when she said: *“You don’t have to go through the process of going through an insurance company, having them give you approval, going through paperwork, all of the delay that may require.”*

This is flat out wrong. My husband, a doctor, is part of a medical group with 24 surgeons. When he was first starting the practice, I would help in the office. And I can assure you, the process you go through with Medicare is no better than, and often worse than, what you go through with private insurance. You absolutely have to get prior authorization and approval for tests, MRIs, ultrasounds, surgeries, etc.



Pelosi Buried By Border Patrol Wives: ‘Stop Pretending That You Care’

Contributed by Franklin Mott - Moreno Valley

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi is being called out as the wives of numerous Border Patrol agents invite her to the border to witness the constant work being done by Customs and Border Protection agents.

One voice among many, Jill Demanski made herself known when she wrote a letter to Pelosi in an attempt to get the prominent Democrat to recognize the severity of the situation and the need for a physical barrier.

“We, the wives of the [Rio Grande Valley Border Patrol], would like to cordially invite you to come visit McAllen, Texas, as President Trump did. We would like to show you around! You don’t need to bring any security detail. Our husbands and significant others are actually very good at their jobs, thank goodness. [...] We’d also appreciate if you’d stop pretending that you care about federal workers. If you did, you would care for their safety, not just their paychecks. We can hold out a while longer if it means our husbands and communities are safe,” Demanski wrote.

Doubtful that a single letter would

be enough, Demanski redoubled her efforts with an interview on “Fox & Friends” where she was joined by Renea Perez, also the wife of a Border Patrol agent.

In the interview the two expressed their concerns for the safety of their loved ones. Perez shared how her husband has frequently encountered large groups of migrants while he was by himself. She explained that a solid wall would expose migrants before they cross and allow agents to converge before the migrants escaped into the United States

“I don’t think it’s fair that they’re asking one or two agents to handle groups of hundreds of people crossing over at one time,” Demanski added. *“We don’t think it shows that they are worried about our agents’ safety.”*

Demanski also attempted a different angle, pointing out that *“it is not President Trump that is necessarily asking for the wall. Border Patrol and our agents and experts here have been asking for it for years.”*

All good reasons to fund the wall, here’s hoping they can just get Pelosi to understand them.



“Our old people found a white man living in Riverside who was willing to take up our cause.

“His name was Mr. Tibbet... perhaps when his story is all known there will be a lot of good that can be said about him, too.

“He is dead now. He was our friend.”



President Adam Castillo
Mission Indian Federation
February 7, 1932

School Bans Pledge Of Allegiance Calling It Racist



The Pledge of Allegiance was dealt another blow when a California community college ceased its use before meetings.

The decision was made by Robert Miller, the Santa Barbara City College Board of Trustees president. The reason he gave for banning the act was that the Pledge of Allegiance was “steeped in expressions of nativism and white nationalism.”

“I assume full responsibility for the decision not to recite the Pledge of Allegiance,” Miller wrote in an email to former instructor Celeste Barber, an email that College Reform obtained. In the mail he admits

that the *“Pledge is an example of good writing,”* before adding that he *“decided to discontinue use of the Pledge of Allegiance for reasons related to its history and symbolism.”*

That’s where it all goes downhill. Miller claimed that, *“Expressions for support for the Pledge of Allegiance in 1890 sound eerily similar to the ugly racist, anti-immigrant expressions we hear today,”* alleging that today’s rhetoric is somehow inherently racist.

If attacking the American people wasn’t enough, Miller also took issue with religion as part of his reasoning for discontinuing the practice.

“I also object to the phrase ‘one nation under God.’ The First Amendment not only protects freedom of speech and religion, it also expressly prohibits laws that establish a religion,” Miller noted. *“I disagree with the 1955 act of Congress to add this phrase to the Pledge of Allegiance.”*

It turns out that the email’s recipient had the perfect answer to Miller’s disgusting claims, *“If my father’s generation of young men were willing to stake their lives on this republic, how could I not recite one single sentence professing allegiance to our country?”* Well said Celeste, well said.

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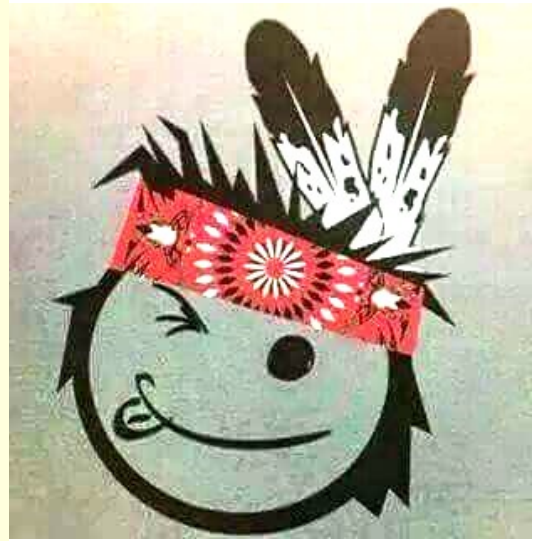
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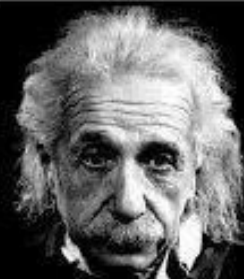
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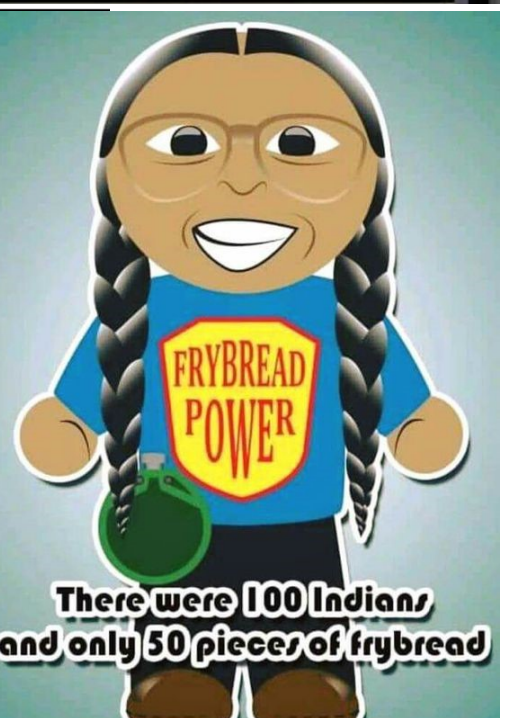
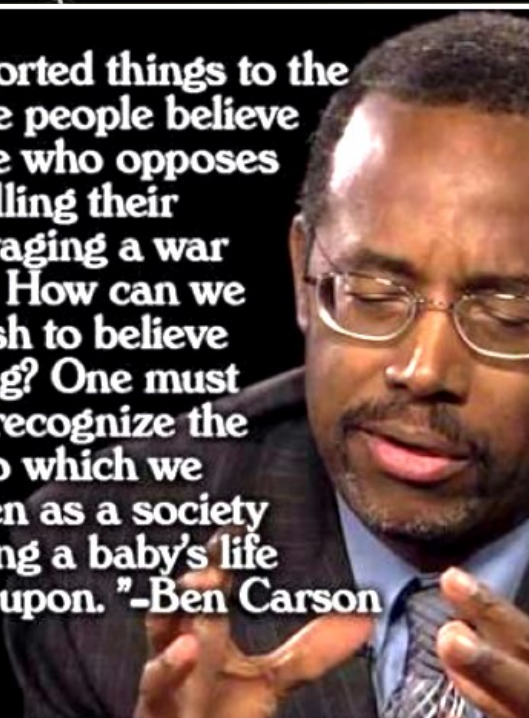
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There were 100 Indians and only 50 pieces of frybread

"Trump is a Faker!"

Ruth Bader Ginsburg

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Common sense is a flower that does not grow in everyone's garden!



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My View - Your View

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FAKE HISTORY

I remember from my early day is elementary school reciting the phrase, “*In 1492 Columbus Sailed the ocean blue.*” This was to serve as our memory trigger that Christopher Columbus discovered America which is still alleged to this day.

The myth that Christopher Columbus discovered America has been engrained in the Fake History of the United States and presented as fact.

The fact that he never set foot or even set eyes on the north or south American continent matter not he is still credited with “Discovering America.”

Nor does the fact that Chinese Monks sailed along the west coast documenting the sighting of the giant redwoods in 500AD some 900-years before Columbus stumbled onto the West Indies. Yet, no mention of this in our history books.

Another troublesome issue is that indigenous people were already occupying the north and south American continent for centuries prior to any European contact.

In fact several archeologist studies indicate Asian contact centuries before the great Columbus discovery.

I still don’t understand why so many American Indians buy into the myth and ever suggest that Christopher Columbus some how committed untold atrocities against our people. He was never here.

Maybe it makes good press with the liberal main stream media to protest.

Or maybe they are not aware of the fact that Columbus discovering American is as much a fable as Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs.

The truth is American Indians discovered American.

Term Limit & Stop Congressional Abuse

Members of Congress can retire at full pay after only one term.

Members of Congress have exempted themselves from many of the laws they have passed, under which ordinary citizens must live. For example, they are exempt from any fear of prosecution for sexual harassment. And as the latest example, they have exempted themselves from Healthcare Reform, in all of its aspects.

We must not tolerate an elite class of such people, elected as public servants and then putting themselves above the law. I truly don’t care if they are Democrat, Republican, Independent, or whatever. The self-serving must stop.

Governors of 35 states have filed suit against the Federal Government for imposing unlawful burdens upon their states. It only takes 38 (of the 50) States to convene a Constitutional Convention.

If each person that receives this will forward it on to 20 people, in three days most people in The United States of America will have the message.

Proposed 28th Amendment to the United States Constitution:

"Congress shall make no law that applies to the citizens of the United States that does not apply equally to the Senators and/or Representatives; and, Congress shall make no law that applies to the Senators and/or Representatives that does not apply equally to the Citizens of the United States ..."

This is an idea that should be passed around, regardless of political party. Congressional Reform Act of 2017

1. No Tenure/No Pension. A Congressman/woman collects a salary while in office and receives no pay when they’re out of office. And, no more perks go with them.

2. Congress (past, present, & future) participates in Social Security. All funds in the Congressional retirement fund move to the Social Security system immediately. All future funds flow into the Social Security system, and Congress participates with the American people. It may not be used for any other purpose.

3. Congress must purchase their own retirement plan, just as ALL Americans do.

4. Congress will no longer vote themselves a pay raise. Congressional pay will rise by the lower of CPI or 3%.

5. Congress loses their current health care system and participates in the same health care system as the American people.

6. Congress must equally abide by all laws they impose on the American people.

(i.e. **NO MORE INSIDER TRADING!!!**).

7. All contracts with past and present Congressmen/women are void. The American people did not make this contract with Congressmen/women. Congress made all these contracts by and for themselves. Serving in Congress is an honor and privilege NOT a career.

The Founding Fathers envisioned citizen legislators should serve their term(s), then go home and go back to work, not get all kinds of freebies.

Saul Alinsky’s “8-steps to Create a Socialist State”

I know it appear that I’m redundant with the continued posting of Saul Alinsky’s “8-steps to Create a Socialist State” that is the bedrock of the American Socialist Democratic Party. But, I believe it’s important for you to understanding want it means.

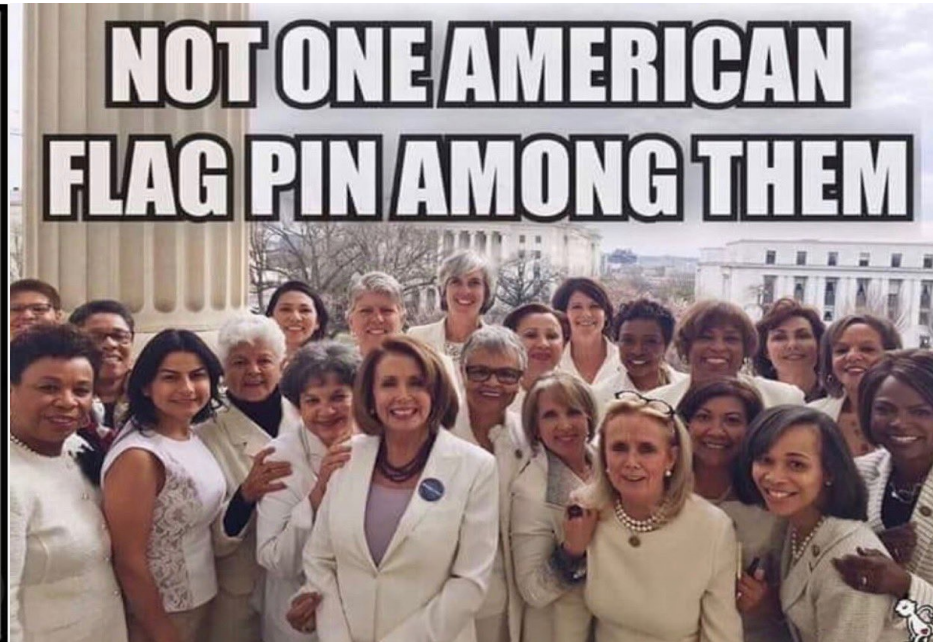
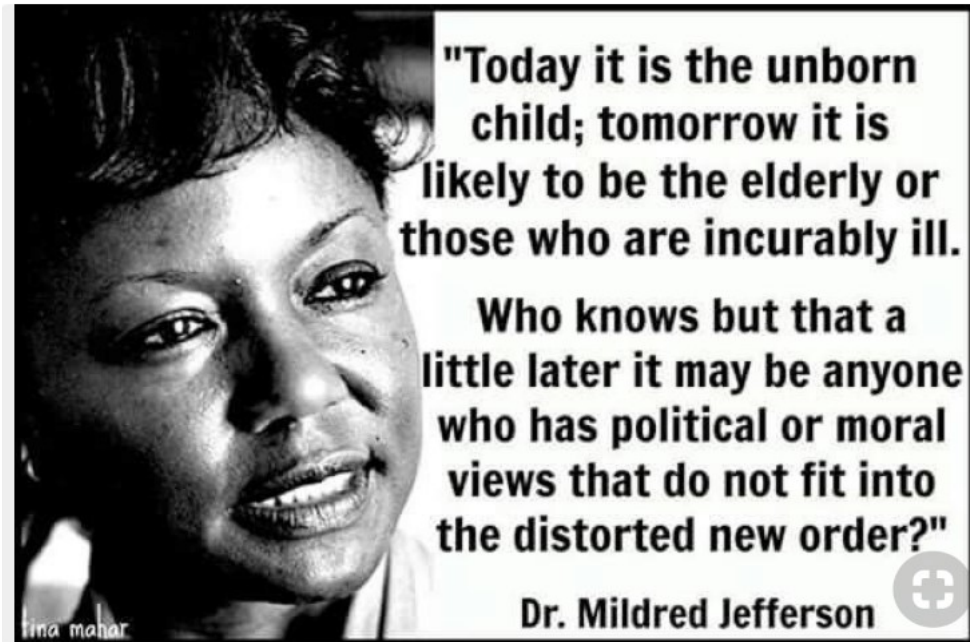
Who was Saul Alinsky? He was an American community organizer and writer. He is generally considered to be the founder of modern community organizing.

He is often noted for his book *Rules for Radicals (1971)* and his “8-steps to topple a nation and create a socialist state” which are as follows:

- 1) **Healthcare** — Control healthcare and you control the people.
- 2) **Poverty** — Increase the Poverty level as high as possible, poor people are easier to control and will not fight back if you are providing everything for them to live.
- 3) **Debt** — Increase the debt to an unsustainable level. That way you are able to increase taxes, and this will produce more poverty.
- 4) **Gun Control** — Remove the ability to defend themselves from the Government. That way you are able to create a police state.
- 5) **Welfare** — Take control of every aspect of their lives (Food, Housing, and Income).
- 6) **Education** — Take control of what people read and listen to — take control of what children learn in school.
- 7) **Religion** — Remove the belief in the God from the Government and schools.
- 8) **Class Warfare** — Divide the people into the wealthy and the poor. This will cause more discontent and it will be easier to take (Tax) the wealthy with the support of the poor.

These basic Socialist fundamentals reduced Venezuela from the number four economic ranked country in the world to 197th and bankruptcy in 10 years.

Is this what we want for America? A serious realty check is definitely in order.



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