

The

June 15, 2020 God Bless the Class of 2020

# American Indian Reporter



AMERICAN INDIAN TRIBAL NEWS \* ERNIE C. SALGADO JR., CEO, PUBLISHER/EDITOR

It appear that I continue to "offend" many of my own people, but please understand that it has never been my desire to pursue approval from anyone, my only goal is to protect my freedom and remain a free man. *Ernie C. Salgado, Jr*

MINNEAPOLIS:

## American Indian Movement (AIM) Steps Up

Source: Indian Country Today—May 31 2020 By Eddie Chuculate, Creek/Cherokee, is a writer in Minneapolis.

The American Indian Movement often is associated with events of the past, like the 1970s occupations of Wounded Knee and Alcatraz Island. But the recent unrest here has shown the group remains a powerful force, with members guarding Native housing and more than a dozen Native-owned businesses and organizations against looting and riots.

**"AIM has stepped in to ensure the Native community, its members and organizations are being protected,"** said Minneapolis American Indian Center Director Mary LaGarde, White Earth Ojibwe. **"They've organized and brought the community together."**

George Floyd's death in police custody last weekend happened blocks from the home of AIM's last surviving co-founder, Clyde Bellecourt.

Just the day before, the 84-year-old Bellecourt named two new leaders to the group, which has 14 chapters and six support groups, including one in St. Paul.

Bellecourt, who has been battling prostate cancer, said on Native Roots Radio last Sunday that he's stepping down from day-to-day duties to deal with health issues.

He named Frank Paro, Grand Portage Chippewa, board chairman and president; and Lisa Bellanger, Leech Lake, executive director.

**"I'm not going anywhere or retiring,"** said Bellecourt, White Earth Chippewa. **"I'll always be there to support the community and do the work the creator wants us to do. I ask the movement to support these two young people who've been around from Day One."**

Bellecourt said he and others started AIM on Minneapolis' Franklin Avenue in 1968 to protest police violence.

**"From there, we went all the way to Washington, D.C., to take over the BIA (Bureau of Indian Affairs) and ended up at the United Nations to get their involvement in Indigenous issues,"** he said during the radio announcement.

AIM members took part in the 1969-71 occupation of Alcatraz Island, the site of the former prison in San Francisco Bay.

The group also grabbed headlines in 1973 when it took over



Joe Rodriguez, left, and Frank Paro (Photo by John A. Anderson)

Wounded Knee, on the Pine Ridge Reservation, in a protest against both the U.S. and tribal governments.

The armed takeover led to a 71-day standoff with federal agents; member Leonard Peltier remains in a Florida federal penitentiary serving two life sentences in two agents' deaths. Still, the events raised awareness of broken treaties, unfair treatment and miserable conditions on reservations and in cities.



Leonard Peltier

**"What AIM did in this country is awaken Indian people — Indian tribes and urban Indian people who had been so beaten down,"** Elaine Salinas, former director of the now-defunct Heart of the Earth Survival School, told the Minneapolis Star Tribune in 2019.

**"AIM said, 'We are proud people, we are a resilient people, and we have to challenge institutions that marginalized us and destroyed our lives.' It was a very powerful message,"** she said.

The group continues that mission to this day.

During the violence here, its members have stood guard over the city's Native corridor, which includes tribal offices, the Indian center, the Native American Community Clinic and Little Earth of United Tribes housing, considered the nation's first complex dedicated to urban Natives.

Floyd, who is black, died at the intersection of 38th Street and

patrols, they were given an exemption to an 8 p.m. curfew by Gov. Tim Walz.

Banks, galleries and the boarded-up Indian center were patrolled. No damage to any of the buildings was reported.

Even before the rioting, AIM maintained a community presence as it still fights to bring awareness to local and national issues across the country.

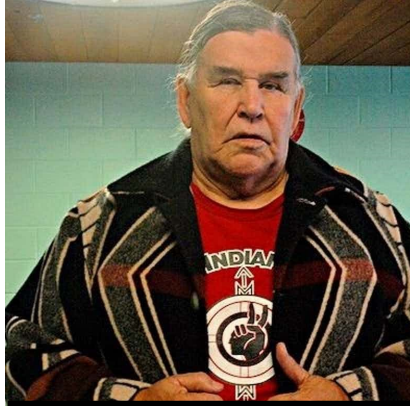
**"AIM is the very expression of community,"** said American Indian OIC chief executive Joe Hobot, Standing Rock Sioux. **"They're all nations of Indigenous people coming together to support one another, to advocate and give our community voice and create alliances with other communities of color."**



Dennis Banks (Ojibwe, April 12, 1937 - Oct. 29, 2017) AIM Co-founder 1968

Also on Friday, AIM members who were guarding the Leech Lake tribal urban headquarters prevented four white teenagers from Wisconsin from making off with boxes of liquor and groceries from a nearby looted liquor store, turning over the merchandise to the owners Saturday.

Residents who saw the pilfering in progress notified the AIM



84-year old Clyde Bellecourt, is AIM's last surviving co-founder.

members, who stepped in and detained the teens, filming the incident and posting it on Facebook.

**"We don't need chapter leaders out there taking selfies and trying to make a name for themselves on social media, looking at the camera and saying, 'Look at me,' Frank Paro 68, told the radio station. 'It's not about you or me. It's about the people.'"** He Added.

Since 4,100 National Guardsmen moved in and strictly enforced the Minneapolis' curfew, AIM and other community patrols have been told to stand down at night, but work continues during the day.

A donation center at Pow Wow Grounds on Franklin Avenue has filled with groceries and other items for Twin Cities Natives who have been affected by rioting or the coronavirus pandemic.

On Saturday (May 30, 2020), AIM took 15 bags of donated food and supplies to Elders Lodge in St. Paul, an independent living facility for senior tribal members.

They planned to distribute more to elders Sunday night before the curfew, when highways will shut down until Monday morning.

**"A lot of the elders out there can't get access to groceries because of the curfew, no transportation, or their grocery store is destroyed,"** said Lisa Bellanger, 58.



# CALIE.org

"Making A Difference"

California Indian Education, Inc.  
Soboba Indian Reservation, So. California  
Mail: P.O. Box 366, San Jacinto CA 92581  
Phone 951.217.7205 \* Email: CALIE.org  
Non-Profit 501(c)(3) \* Tribal Organization

**CALIE.org Is The Number One American Indian Web Site In The World!**



## “A Journey To Freedom” November 20, 1969 - June 11, 1971 Marked the End of the Historical Alcatraz Occupation 49-Years Past

The island's lone guard, who had been warned of the impending occupation, sent out a message on his radio. "Mayday! Mayday!" he called. "The Indians have landed!"

By *Ernie C. Salgado, Jr.*

The 1969 Photo above shows Denis Turner (Rincon Indian Reservation Left) and Richard Oakes (St. Regis Mohawk Reservation) at the San Francisco dock waiting for the boat to take them to Alcatraz.

The occupiers proclaimed their purpose as *"To better the lives of all Indian people" by making "known to the world that we have a right to use our land for our own benefit" through reclaiming Alcatraz "in the name of all American Indians by right of discovery."*

Conflicts over leadership and the influx of non-indigenous people diminished the important stance of the original occupants.

On June 11, 1971 the government removed the remaining 15 occupants from the island.

**Richard Oakes:**

**May 22, 1942-September 20, 1972:**

Soon after Alcatraz, Oakes was shot and killed in Sonoma, California, by Michael Morgan, a YMCA camp manager. Morgan had a reputation for being a white supremacist, and being tough and abusive with the Native American. Soon after Alcatraz, Oakes was shot and killed in Sonoma, California, by Michael Morgan, a YMCA camp manager. Morgan had a reputation for being a white supremacist, and being abusive of tribal children. Oakes

reportedly violently confronted him, and Morgan alleges he was in fear for his life, and responded by drawing a handgun and fatally shooting Oakes. Oakes was unarmed when he was shot.

Morgan was charged with voluntary manslaughter, but was acquitted by a jury that agreed with Morgan that the killing was an act of self-defense. Oakes supporters contend the shooting was an act of murder, and that Morgan received support from a racially motivated jury and district attorney. Oakes was 30 years old. an children.

Oakes reportedly violently confronted him, and Morgan alleges he was in fear for his life, and responded by drawing a handgun and fatally shooting Oakes.

Oakes was unarmed when he was shot. Morgan was charged with voluntary manslaughter, but was acquitted by an all white jury that agreed with Morgan that the killing was an act of self-defense.

Oakes supporters contend the shooting was an act of murder, and that Morgan received support from a racially motivated jury and district attorney. Oakes was only 30 years old.

After leaving Alcatraz Turner returning home to the Rincon Indian Reservation in north San Diego County and resumed his studies, earned a BA degree in Economics at the University California San Diego.

For the past 40-plus years he has served as the Executive Director for the Southern California Tribal Chairmen's Association, Inc., (SCTCA).

While Oakes and his followers did not succeed in obtaining the island, they did affect U.S. policy and the treatment of Indians. As a result of the occupation, the official U.S. government policy of termination of Indian tribes was ended and replaced by a policy of Indian self-determination.

In 1975 President Nixon introduced the Indian Self-Determination and Education Act, Public Law 93-628.

This single legislation forever changed the political relationship between the U.S. Government and the American Indian Tribes.

And although it has been 45-years since P.L. 93-638 became law Indian Tribe still face the discrimination of the Government bureaucrats. And the lack of understanding or the outright refusal to honor Tribal Rights by the administration of the various Government agencies.

In way of example is the resent conflict between the Department of Interior and the Department of Treasury regarding the eligibility of the Alaskan Natives Corporations to receive CARES Act funding.

Although the law is very clear as defined in P.L. 93-638 the funding was held up for almost 2-months and only 60% was released while the case winds its way through the courts.

Regardless, of all these' barrier's the American Indian Tribes have made great progress over the past 50-years.

However, we must never lose our focus of "Self Determination and Education" as they serve as the foundation for the advancement of our people.

The dependency on the Government must be minimized and we must keep control of our future.

Photographed by David Corby



### Charlie Two Doggs Corner "One Day At A Time"

By *Ernie C. Salgado Jr.* From Shayne's Journal

It was on June 10, 1935 that the most successful self-help organization of the 20th century was founded: **Alcoholics Anonymous.**

It's 85 years old today. It began in Akron, Ohio, started by a stockbroker named Bill Wilson and a surgeon named Bob Smith.

Bill Wilson had gone to Akron on a business trip in May of 1935. He had been trying to give up drinking for years, and he'd always found that the best way to keep from drinking was to spend time with other men who were trying to keep from drinking.

But on his business trip to Akron, he was alone, and he felt tempted to go to the local bar. Instead, he went to a church group meeting, looking for someone else who was struggling with the drink. It was

there that he met the surgeon Bob Smith. The two men became friends and promised to help keep each other sober.

Wilson decided to write a book about his ideas to help spread the message, called Alcoholics Anonymous (1939).

The group began to get coverage in local newspapers. Then in 1941, a journalist for The Saturday Evening Post heard about the organization and wrote an article about it. Suddenly, requests for literature and membership soared. By the end of the year, there were more than 6,000 members.

Today millions attend AA meeting everyday throughout the world.

AA is the most successful program on the world today.

The CDC just confirmed a .26% death rate for COVID-19. That's TWO TENTHS of a percent, not two percent.

For that, we have:

- \* Added nearly 6 trillion to national debt.
- \* Laid-off or furloughed 50 million workers.
- \* Placed 60 million on food stamps.
- \* Gone from 5% to 13% unemployment.
- \* Crippled the petroleum industry.
- \* Ruined the tourism industry.
- \* Bankrupted the service industry.
- \* Caused an impending meat and protein crisis.
- \* Threatened, fined, and arrested church leaders.
- \* Exacerbated mental health problems.
- \* Shut down schools and colleges.
- \* Given unbridled power to unelected officials.
- \* Increased suicides higher than COVID deaths.
- \* increased domestic violence and child abuse.
- \* Delayed surgeries and treatments for profound illnesses.
- \* Infringed upon countless important civil liberties

## Minneapolis Riot Fire Destroys Native Youth Nonprofit Center

Source: Indian Country Today



A third night of rioting in protest of George Floyd's death claimed the home of a Native American nonprofit that provides media arts training to hundreds of youths a year, as a fire early Friday ripped through Migizi Communications.

If the building, a half-block from the Minneapolis Police Department's 3rd Precinct, is deemed a total loss, damage could near \$2 million, said Migizi Executive Director Kelly Drummer, Oglala Sioux. Drummer described what's left as *"just a shell."*

Supporters quickly rallied around the youth organization after the blaze, raising more than \$100,000 in donations by Friday night.

Migizi provides training in media arts such as radio, film and social media. It is the home of First Person Productions and also provides training for "green" jobs, such as solar energy.

Around 400 youth a year receive job training at Migizi, which employs eight people, Drummer said.

Drummer, 46, said Migizi – "eagle" in Ojibwe – was the only minority-owned building on the block as other enterprises are leasing.

The 3rd Precinct in south Minneapolis has been the epicenter of rioters since protests began Tuesday. At first, it was defended by officers in riot gear, firing smoke grenades and rubber bullets, but staff abandoned the building late Thursday as rioters persisted and set the building ablaze.

## The Psychology of Turkeys

This section is dedicated to the insane actions, decisions and policies made by our would be leaders.

My View *By Eric C. Salgado Jr.*

### Rep. Waters: Violent Better Than Prayer



I'm not making this up!

Appearing on MSNBC, Rep. Maxine Waters (D) argued that Americans should be "thankful" for protests against George Floyd's death — despite some of them devolving into violence and looting — saying that the demonstrators are attempting to achieve social change where "begging and praying" church ministers have failed.

Rep. Maxine Waters thinks the men and women of faith who spend their time praying to God for racial healing are failures.

She thinks the rioters have a better way of doing things.

"People should be thankful because these young people are doing what

legislation has not been able to accomplish, the ministers begging and praying have not been able to achieve, and it goes on, and on, and on," said Waters. Take a minute to soak that in.

According to Waters, the violent rioters are a better option than praying and changing the law.

You might think that Waters would at least admit the country should be concerned about the violence and danger of the riots and protests. But you would be wrong.

"While there are many who are concerned about the protests, I don't think people need to be concerned about the protests," Waters said.

### May George Floyd Rest in Peace!

*By Eric C. Salgado Jr.*

Yes, the murder of George Floyd was evil and unacceptable on so many levels, but two wrongs do not make a right.

The Socialist-Democrats Support The Constitutional Rights of People to Protests, Riot and Loot, But not their rights to Work, attend Church Services, Take Their Kids to the Park, Run Their Small Businesses, Attend Large Events, Exercise Free Speech and force them to Home Confinement Isolate Practice Social Distancing.

Yet, not a peep about the multitudes of protester, rioters and looters walking hand in hand with the Socialist-Democratic elected officials across American. This too is wrong in so many way its beyond any justification.

In Los Angeles the mayor took a knee with the "peaceful protestors" while he sends 18-police offices to break up a birthday party in a private home for a one-year old and threatens small business owners with arrest and fines if they dare open their stores. Maybe his logic is that he don't want them to get hurt while the

"peaceful protectors" loot and burn down their stores.

In North Carolina the Governor forced the GOP to relocate their Presidential Convention because of his concerns with the Covid-19 health issues while he marched with demonstrators.

And in New York the mayor orders the release of over 600 "peaceful demonstrators" arrested by police. And these policies are duplicated throughout the Nation in ever Socialist-Democratic controlled state.

The mainstream media continues to feed the flames of disorder and promotes Antifa as some kind of legitimate group while they are nothing more than the political thugs of the Socialist-Democrats on the same order as Hitlers "Brown Shirts."

And maybe 20-years from now, like after World War Two, people might ask, "How did it happen?" But, them again maybe not since America is the last free Country in the world!

### Disgusting': Professor explains how to destroy Washington Monument

'You want to create a rocking motion back and forth'

Source: WND - May 31, 2020



A Professor Sarah Parcak, a Guggenheim fellow at the University of Alabama at Birmingham and a Guggenheim fellow has taken to Twitter to provide instructions, perhaps with the anarchists and other rioters in mind, on how to remove an obelisk that "might be masquerading as a racist monument," a clear reference to the Washington Monument.

"BUT OF COURSE THIS IS ALL ENTIRELY HYPOTHETICAL," said Parcak. "ALSO PLEASE DO NOT PULL DOWN WASHINGTON MONUMENT."

"We have seen a lot of disgusting, repugnant tweets and threads on Twitter, especially with the riots going on across the country," said Twitter news aggregator Twitchy.

"But this thread from a professor

named Sarah Parcak giving very specific details on how to destroy the Washington Monument is a hum-dinger of horrible."

She opens with a "PSA" for anyone contemplating such action.

She explains her background: "I'm an Egyptologist. I have worked in Egypt for 20 years and know a lot about ancient Egyptian architecture. Especially how they raised obelisks," and she explains the "key" is getting gravity to work.

"Imagine thinking this is something smart to post on Twitter," Twitchy said.

But Twitter user Mike Iscovitz asked, "What is the difference between what you're doing and someone listing advice on how to build a pipe bomb?"

### New York Congressman Caught on Hot Mic

Contributed by Franklin Motte, Moreno Valley CA

U.S. Representative Eliot Engel (D., N.Y.) was caught on hot mic admitting that he only wanted to speak at a George Floyd rally because of his upcoming primary

The rally was led by Bronx Borough president Ruben Diaz Jr. Engel, whose district covers parts of the Bronx, has not returned from Washington, D.C., for months during the coronavirus pandemic.

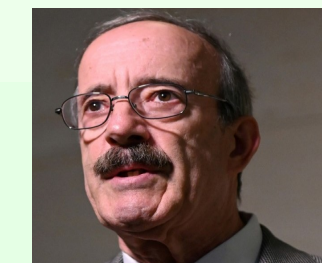
When Engel asked Diaz to be allowed to address the crowd, Diaz answered "there's just too many folks here who were scheduled to speak."

"If I didn't have a primary I wouldn't care," Engel

said. Diaz, shaking his head, responded "Don't do this to me. We're not going to do this."

Engel has served in his district since 2013, but faces a heated primary contest this election season. Progressive groups have united around a single candidate, Jumaal Bowman, who is backed by Justice Democrats and the New York Working Families Party. Another primary challenger, Androm Ghebreghiorgis, dropped out of the race to endorse Bowman.

Engel's request to speak at the rally comes after massive demonstrations against the death of George Floyd,



Rep. Eliot Engel (D-NY) Wash. D.C., Oct. 17, 2019. (Erin Scott/Reuters)

an African American man killed during his arrest by white police officers. Demonstrations have spiraled out of control in major cities, with New York seeing widespread looting including in Engel's district. At the same time, areas of the Bronx have also seen some of the highest coronavirus death rates in the city.

### The War on Freedom in America

*by Eric C. Salgado, Jr.*

The Socialist-Democratic Mayors of the Cities of Los Angeles, New York and Minneapolis and many others are proposing cutting the budgets of their respective police departments and using the funds for social programs in black communities.

This is their "Smoke Screen" solution to misconduct of a few criminal minded police.

However, the reduction of law enforcement will be devastating to the poor communities.

Justice for the murders of George Floyd will be forthcoming as the four police

officers involved have been charged in a court of law. And yes, it should have never happened.

Yet, the main stream media has placed the blame on President Trump, who took immediate action by sending in the FBI and the department of Justice.

However, it refused to report that the Chief of Police in Minneapolis is Black, the Governor, Mayor and Attorney General are Socialist-Democrats that failed to take any action other than the Chief of Police firing the four officers when he at a minimum turned it over to the de-

partments internal affairs or filed a complaint with the District Attorney.

Anyone that has viewed the video can see that a hideous crime was committed yet, none of these public servants did squat!

And to make matter worse the Governor allowed the "Peaceful Protesters" to burn and loot over 250 businesses in one night.

And if you haven't figured it out yet that the "Peaceful Demonstrations" are not about George Floyd, it's about the taking over the County by the Socialist-Democrats.

### ACLU Sues Los Angeles City, L.A. and San Bernardino Counties Over Curfew Orders

On June 3, 2020 the ACLU of Southern California filed an emergency lawsuit on behalf of Black Lives Matter Los Angeles, journalists, protesters and others impacted by curfews imposed throughout the region after protests against police brutality in the wake of George Floyd's death at the hands of Minneapolis police.

The ACLU alleged that the curfews violated the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution and that the restrictions on movement violated the Constitution's protection of freedom of movement.

"These unconstitutional curfews have suppressed a huge amount of important political protest activity and disrupted the lives of over 10 million people," Ahilan Arulanandham, senior counsel of the ACLU SoCal, said. "The curfews must end now."

Defendants named in the lawsuit include Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti, LAPD Chief Michel Moore, Sheriff Alex Villanueva and San Bernardino police Chief Eric McBride.

And let's not forget our beloved "Ice Cream Queen" posing in front of her twin \$25,000 freezers in her multi-million dollar mansion. All this while millions of Americans lost their jobs and struggle to feed their families. Not good my friends!





## More Socialist-Democratic Hypocrisy & Double Standards



Photo above shows Governor Gretchen Whitmer (Left) and Detroit Mayor Mike Duggan to the right of unidentified man in red shirt marching with others on June 4, 2020.

According to Breitbart, Whitmer urged Michiganders who are taking the streets in protest of George Floyd's death to "wear a mask" and "stay six feet away from others" during their demonstra-

tions in an interview Thursday morning.

By that afternoon, however, the governor was seen on video "standing shoulder-to-shoulder" with hundreds of fellow protesters.

Breitbart reported, in yet another blatant display of the kind of hypocrisy Trump has regularly criticized her for.

## AG Barr: Evidence Shows Antifa, Others Groups Guilty of 'Instigating' Violence during Protests

Source: Conservative Institute  
Contributed by Franklin Motte, Moreno Valley CA

As protests have erupted into violence and destruction in cities across the U.S. for more than a week, Attorney General William Barr made it clear on Thursday that he knows who the real culprits are — and an investigation is underway.

"We have evidence that Antifa and other similar extremist groups, as well as actors of a variety of different political persuasions, have been involved in instigating and participating in the violent activity," he said during a press conference, according to Breitbart.

"Set out to sow discord" Also present at the briefing was FBI Director Christopher Wray, who echoed Barr's message about the role extremist agitators have played in the ongoing demonstrations against police brutality and racial injustice.

According to Breitbart, Wray said such criminals have "set out to sow discord and upheaval, rather than join in the righteous pursuit of equality and justice."

Bolstered by the strength of the nation's intelligence community, Wray added that Americans should expect to see action in response to the widespread chaos reported on the streets of multiple cities.

"We've directed our 200 joint terrorism task forces around the country to assist law enforcement with apprehending and charging violent agitators who are hijacking peaceful protests on a national level," he said, according to Breitbart.

In an earlier address, Barr similarly called out Antifa by name, adding that it was time to "stop watching the violence" and stand up to it with decisive action.

"The violence instigated and carried out by Antifa and other similar groups in connection with the rioting is domestic terrorism and will be treated accordingly," he said on Sunday, according to a transcript provided by the Justice Department.

## Judge Jeanine Pirro: Defunding Police Would Lead to Tragedy in America - "Anarchy and Chaos"

Pirro announced her full support for legitimate protesters who are remaining peaceful as they air their grievances, but had nothing good to say about the "criminal" looters taking advantage of the situation, not to mention the "agitators" attempting to spark another "civil war" in this country.

"These agitators, whether they're from within this country or outside of this country, whether they're foreign, whether they're domestic, the whole point is to create chaos and anarchy," she said, and went on to suggest that the coronavirus-related lockdowns had created a sort of "petri dish" in which people's

frustrations were growing out of control.

"The end goal of defunding police departments is to create anarchy and chaos," Pirro said. She noted that the police were the one thing standing in between "anarchy and a peaceful society, between barbarism and a civil society."

"If you want anarchy, get rid of the police departments," the former judge and prosecutor added. "I'll tell you what, for someone who spent 30 years in the trenches fighting against evil in this country. We have a civil war every day in terms of crime, in terms of shooting, stabbing, drug deals, domestic violence, child abuse, bank robberies."

Without the police around to maintain order and justice, she argued that America would no longer be the same country we know and love. "Take down the flags, change the name of the country, and call it a day," Pirro said. "This is shameful."

The Cato Institute found in a survey that while a majority of Americans across racial lines supported various reform measures on policing, very few support abolishing or downsizing police departments.

In fact, approximately 90 percent of Americans of all races opposed the idea of reducing the number of police officers in their communities.

## "Protests not about Black Live" Draw Backlash For Fox's Tucker Carlson

Tucker Carlson says protests are *our cities enforcing Democratic 'definitely not about black lives,' Party orthodoxy.* prompting backlash.

Carlson, who referred to the protests as the "Black Lives Matter Riots," expressed disbelief at the idea of dismantling entire police departments, telling viewers, "All of this probably strikes you as wild-eyed craziness, flat-earth stuff."

"Defund the police is a move toward authoritarian social control cloaked in the language of identity politics," said Carlson, noting that if activists are successful it would likely result in a "woke militia policing

Editors Note: If Black Lives really mattered the black on black murders would be the priority.

Over the Memorial Day weekend 39 black people were shot in Chicago of which 10 died and 19 were murdered over the weekend of June 5-7. And this is just one city.

Again, George Floyd didn't deserve to be murdered regardless of his criminal history.

And justice will be done in a court of law.

[Box5@AmericanIndianReporter.com](mailto:Box5@AmericanIndianReporter.com)

Please Send Us Your Email Address For Your Monthly American Indian Reporter

# A Randomized Trial of Convalescent Plasma for COVID-19 "Potentially Hopeful Signals"

Arturo Casadevall, MD, PhD; Michael J. Joyner, MD; Liise-Anne Pirofski, MD Author Affiliations Article Information

"This study is noteworthy in that it used a randomized trial design and well-characterized plasma units with a high titer of antibody to SARS-CoV-2."

"However, the authors report that because the COVID-19 outbreak in China was being contained while the trial was ongoing and new cases were unavailable for enrollment."

"Convalescent plasma use in the study by Li et al<sup>8</sup> was associated with some clinical improvement in severely ill patients, but not in critically ill patients.

Greater efficacy in less ill individuals is expected because antibody therapies generally work best when administered earlier in disease."

"As reported in case series from Wuhan,<sup>4</sup> plasma-treated patients had large reductions in their serum viral loads and most were virus negative 3 days after infusion." This observation establishes that convalescent plasma has antiviral activity, which is important because it indicates that antibody administration mediates a clear biological effect.

"The precedent of antiviral drug use against HIV and hepatitis C shows that reductions in viral load translate into clinical improvement, and earlier therapy is more effective than later therapy when organ damage is already present."

"Hence, the antiviral effect of COVID-19 convalescent plasma suggests that its use earlier in the course of disease could have potentially important therapeutic activity, especially in less severely ill individuals."

"Significant concerns have been raised about the use of convalescent plasma in COVID-19. These include transfusion-related lung injury and transfusion-related circulatory overload."

*TRALI concerns are unfounded with all NuPlasma products and all FDA authorized convalescent plasma, as HLA testing is required. TACO concerns are not associated with 20-ml*

*small volume injections, or the slow infusion of an individual 200-ml treatment unit.*

"The study by Li et al<sup>8</sup> reported only 2 adverse events among the 52 individuals who received convalescent plasma, each of whom responded to corticosteroid administration."

"In addition, there have been theoretical concerns that the administration of antibodies might aggravate disease through antibody-mediated enhancement of proinflammatory effects."

"Overall, the paucity of adverse effects is reassuring and reduces concerns about adverse effects from antibody."

# The American Indian Reporter

## Federal Court Judge Rules For Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe

Contributed by Robert Xavier Betancourt Junior

On June 4, 2020 the United States District Court for the District of Columbia rendered a decision in favor of the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe in the case of *Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe v. Bernhardt*. In its opinion, Judge Paul L. Friedman ruled:

The Court will grant the Mashpee Tribe's motion for summary judgment and deny the federal defendants' and defendant-intervenors' motions for summary judgment.

Furthermore, because the Secretary of the Interior's September 7, 2018 Record of Decision is arbitrary, capricious, an abuse of discretion, and contrary to law, the Court remands the matter to the Secretary of the Interior for a thorough reconsideration and re-evaluation of the evidence before him consistent with this Opinion, the 2014 M-Opinion, M-37209 - its standard and the evidence permitted therein - and the Department's prior decisions applying the M-Opinion's two-part test.

For the first time since the termination era, the Department of the Interior (DOI) attempted to disestablish a Tribal reservation, ordering the homelands of the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe to be taken out of trust.

The order from DOI Secretary David Bernhardt came on March 27, 2020, as the Tribal Nation worked to respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency, during active litigation on the status of the land, and following the rescission of the 2014 *Carcieri* M-Opinion and the issuance of a new 4-part test to qualify under the first definition of "Indian" in the Indian Reorganization Act (IRA).

On March 30, 2020, the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe asked the Court to issue an emergency restraining order to prevent DOI from taking immediate action to disestablish its reservation.

The DC District Court righted what would have been a terrible and historic injustice by finding that the Department of the Interior broke the law in attempt-

ing to take our land out of trust," said Mashpee Wampanoag Tribal Chairman, Cedric Cromwell. **"We will continue to work with the Department of the Interior - and fight them if necessary - to ensure our land remains in trust."**

The Court ruled DOI's 2018 decision that the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe did not prove it was **"under federal jurisdiction"** in 1934, and therefore did not meet the first definition of "Indian" under the IRA—making the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe ineligible to acquire land in trust—was arbitrary and capricious.

It remanded the decision to DOI with clear direction to issue a decision consistent with the 2014 M-Opinion's standard and the evidence permitted therein, as well as DOI's prior decisions applying the 2014 M-Opinion test.

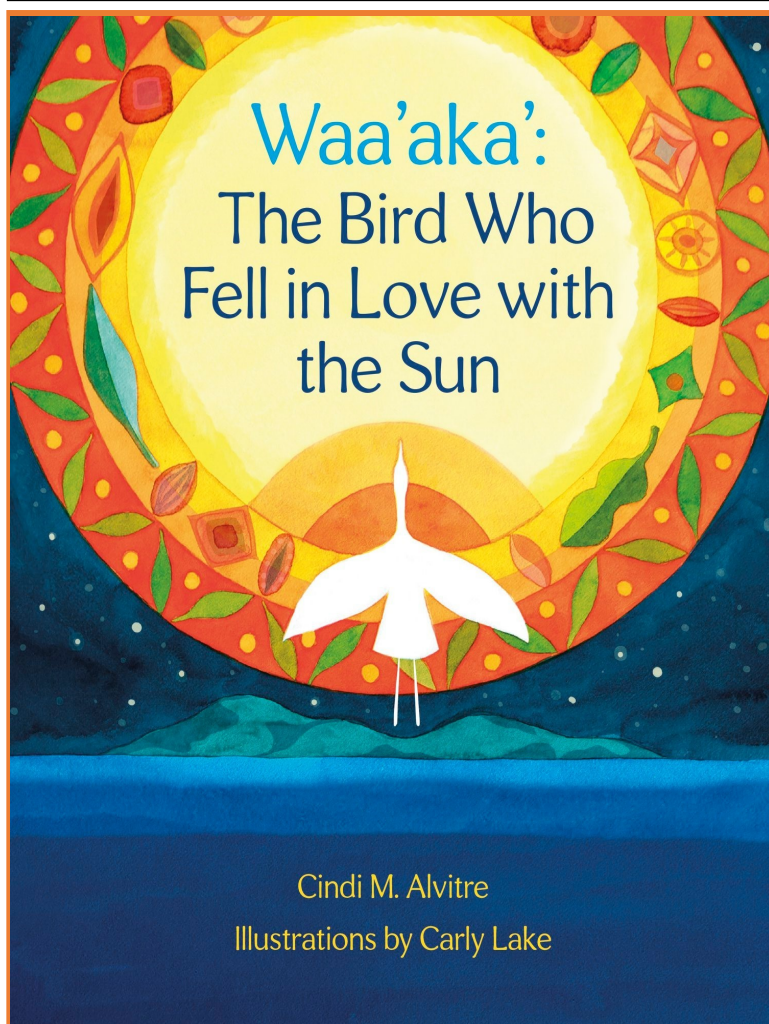
The Court further directed DOI to properly address each piece of evidence, give a reasoned analysis as to

whether it is probative, explain any departure from past DOI precedent, and view all probative evidence in concert rather than in isolation.

And importantly, the Court's decision also mandates that DOI maintain the land in trust pending DOI's new determination and prevents DOI from applying its new 4-part test in this case.

### About the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe:

*The Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe, also known as the People of the First Light, has inhabited present day Massachusetts for more than 12,000 years. After an arduous process lasting more than three decades, the Mashpee Wampanoag were re-acknowledged as a federally recognized tribe in 2007. In 2015, the federal government declared 150 acres of land in Mashpee and 170 acres of land in Taunton as the Tribe's initial reservation, on which the Tribe can exercise its full tribal sovereignty rights. The Mashpee tribe currently has approximately 2,700 enrolled citizens*



The California State University Long Beach Native Alumni would like to congratulate American Indian Student Faculty Member, **Cindi M. Alvitre (Tongva)** on the recent publication of her children's book **"Waa'aka: The Bird Who Fell in Love with the Sun."** and illustrated by Carly Lake.

**"Waa'aka' was born when the earth was soft and the waters were new. It was the beginning of time."** So begins Cindi Alvitre's vivid and multifaceted telling of a traditional Tongva creation story from Southern California. Waa'aka' follows the title character, a beautiful bird who falls in love with Tamet, the sun, and tries to follow him up to the sky. Accompanied by richly colorful illustrations from Carly Lake, the book touches deftly on themes like the unintended consequences of greed and the importance of working together. A rendition of one of California's oldest tales, Waa'aka' is a beautiful children's book in the classic style.

falls in love with Tamet, the sun, and tries to follow him up to the sky. Accompanied by richly colorful illustrations from Carly Lake, the book touches deftly on themes like the unintended consequences of greed and the importance of working together. A rendition of one of California's oldest tales, Waa'aka' is a beautiful children's book in the classic style.

**"Waa'aka': The Bird Who Fell in Love with the Sun"** is available for pre-order see as follows: <https://aerbook.com/maker/productcard->



Tamet shone the brightest of them all, and he was kind and caring to everyone. He and 'Waa'aka' became friends.

## Political Insanity In America

Contributed by Danny Edwards Ball - Hemet CA  
Author unknown

Scare people with a virus. Place them in quarantine. Count the number of dead every second of every day in every news headline.

Close all businesses. 40,000,000 out of jobs. Peak unemployment. Remove entertainment: parks, gyms, bars, restaurants, sports. No dating. No touching. Mask people. Dehumanize them. Close temples and churches. Create a vacuum. Let depression and anxiety and desperation set in.

Then... ignite hatred and civil war. Civil unrest. Empty the prisons because of the virus and fill the streets with criminals. Send in Antifa to vandalize property as if they are freedom fighters. Undermine the law.

Loot. Attack law enforcement, but tell government to order a stand-down.

We are all being baited by adversarial governments who want to destroy America - China, Iran, Russia. Have the Far Left abuse the racial wars to fuel the fires. And, in an election year, have Democrats blame all of it on the President.

Can't take America in a war, destroy it from within.

We are being conditioned, manipulated, and programmed by multiple agendas as never before.....time to **DO OUR OWN RESEARCH and MAKE UP OUR OWN MINDS** rather than eating everything being spoon-fed to us!

## "Woke" A Definition For Us Old Folks!

By Ernie C. Salgado Jr.

I, like many other folks my age, upwards of 65 haven't kept up with the new slang, as we called in the day. One is the word "Woke."

The word "Woke" is just another term for being a member of the Socialist/Democrat party. That's it, that is all it means.

Their ideology says that they are right and everyone else is wrong, therefore the only way to be "Woke" is to be one of them. So they took this notion of being awakened to the truth and

twisted it into **"being Woke"**, which to them simply means being a member of their collective and acting out the ideology that possess the collective.

For the record I will never ever be a "Woke." I remember when they were called "Communist."

But then again I'm not a "Woke" so what do I know.

Again, a lot of American people are getting "Woke Up" to this un-American insanity.

## Game On: Judicial Watch Challenges D.C. Mayor

Source: WND A Free Press For A Free People \* June 11, 2020  
Contributed By Franklin Motte, Moreno Valley CA

During the "Peaceful Protest" in Washington D.C., Mayor Muriel Bowser granted permission to have **"Black Lives Matter"** painted on 16th Street NW. Later she allowed the politically charged **"Defund the Police"** to also be painted nearby.

Now Judicial Watch, a government watchdog organization is explaining those decisions made the streets a public forum, and it wants to join the expressive activity by painting its own slogan, **"Because No One is Above the Law!"** on a street.

**"Mayor Bowser made a decision to turn D.C. streets into a forum for public expression. Judicial Watch seeks equal access to use this new forum to educate Americans by painting our organization's motto and motivation, 'Because No One is Above the Law!' on a Capitol Hill street,"** said Judicial Watch President Tom Fitton.

**"This rule of law message is timely, as it a reminder that a rule of law applies to - and protects - all Americans. If we are unlawfully denied access and face viewpoint dis-**



**crimination, we are prepared to go to court to vindicate our First Amendment rights."**

In its letter to Bowser and others in the District of Columbia, the organization said, **"We note with interest Mayor Bowser's recent decision approving the painting of 'Black Lives Matter' on 16th Street NW and the approval of and/or acquiescence in the painting of 'Defund the Police' alongside the first message. Both messages are expressive activity."**

The letter explains the Judicial Watch motto is **"particularly relevant today because it applies 'equally to law enforcement and public officials as well as to protesters, looters, and rioters."** And since the Washington streets now are **"being used as public fora for expressive activity, we would like to have**

**our motto painted on a street, preferably Independence Avenue SW, between 2nd and 4th Streets SW, which is near our offices."**

It plans to use letter that is the same in size and coloring as the **"Black Lives Matter."**

**Judicial Watch, Inc. would pay the cost of the painting, but we would likely need the assistance of the D.C. Government to aid in traffic diversion and parking restrictions while the painting is completed. Of course, the painting could be completed when traffic is typically light, as was done with the 'Black Lives Matter' message."**

The organization asks for a response within three days, since **"the timeliness of our message is important."**

# The American Indian Reporter



## COVID-19 Emergency Help!

Are you recently unemployed OR laid-off due to the CORONAVIRUS crisis?

Are you are an enrolled member or a descendent of an American Indian Tribe and living off the Reservation?

Does your family need emergency supportive services (*food, rental assistance, utilities, etc.*)?

**YOU AUTOMATICALLY QUALIFY FOR SERVICES, IF you are on CalWORKS, Tribal TANF or with a County/State TANF or any other public assistance program.**

**For more information please contact:**

### SCAIR

**San Diego Resource Center**

**239 East Main Street**

**El Cajon CA 92020**

**619-328-0676**

Serving San Diego County.

### SCAIR

**Ventura Resource Center**

**877 South Victoria Ave. Suite 110**

**Ventura CA 93003**

**805-765-6243**

Serving Ventura, Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, Santa Cruz, Monterey, San Benito and Sonoma Counties.

**SCAIR Native NetWORKS Program is a "Work Readiness Training Program."**

## Information Call 1-888-217-2247

**Orange County:**  
Fountain Valley Office

Physical Address:  
10175 Slater Ave., Suite 150  
Fountain Valley, CA 92708

Mailing:  
P.O. Box 20199  
Fountain Valley, CA 92728

**For More Information  
Please Call:**  
Phone 1-657-229-2820  
Toll Free 1-866-728-2230  
www.sctca.net

**NOW SERVING  
ORANGE COUNTY**  
*Beginning May 1, 2019*

**You can receive:**

- Cash Assistance**
- Educational Development**
- Career Development**
- Child Care Stipend**
- Transportation Assistance**
- K-12 Clothing Allowance**

### American Indian Reporter

#### PROFESSIONAL TEAM MEMBERS

**Ernie C. Salgado Jr.**, CEO Publisher/Editor  
Phone 951) 217-7205  
Tribal Member, Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians

**Shayne Del Cohen**, Publisher of "Shayne's Journal"  
A Nevada based daily Internet blogger publication.  
Email: [shayne@sprintmail.com](mailto:shayne@sprintmail.com)

**Andrea Marquez**, Editorial Advisor "My View-Your View" & Contributor Tribal Member, Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians

**Gary Ballard**, Photographer, National On-Line Distribution, Web Master AmericanIndianReporter.org and CALIE.org

**Ashley Salgado**, Social Media Distribution  
Tribal Member, Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians

**Amanda Marquez**, Mail Distribution  
Tribal Member, Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians

**Gus Galvan**, Proofreader, Galvan Maintenance Service

**William E. Pommering**, Proofreader, PAF & Associates

**WWW.AmericanIndianReporter**  
Email: [Box5@AmericanIndianReporter.com](mailto:Box5@AmericanIndianReporter.com)  
*Email us and we will send you the Bi-Monthly publication of the American Indoan Reporter*

# CALIE.org

**"Making A Difference"**

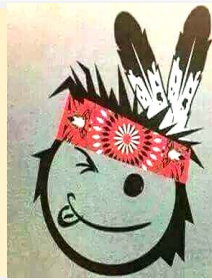
**California Indian Education, Inc.**  
Soboba Indian Reservation, So. California  
Mail: P.O. Box 366, San Jacinto CA 92581  
Phone 951.217.7205 \* Email: CALIE.org  
Non-Profit 501(c)(3) \* Tribal Organization

**CALIE.org Is The Number One American Indian Web Site In The World!**



## Funny Bone & More

### "Laughter is the Best Medicine"



**"America is just like an insane asylum. There is not a soul in it will admit they are crazy." - Will Rogers, 28 April 1935**

Shayne's Journal # 4677 May 13, 2020

### Some Words of wisdom !!!

Contributed by Richard Rubio - Riverside CA

When one door closes and another door opens, you are probably in prison.

To me, "drink responsibly" means don't spill it.

When I say, "The other day," I could be referring to any time between yesterday and 15 years ago

Interviewer: "So, tell me about yourself."

Me: "I'd rather not. I kinda want this job."

Cop: "Please step out of the car" Me: "I'm too drunk. You get in. Remember, if you lose a sock in the dryer, it comes back as a Tupperware lid that doesn't fit any of your containers.

If you're sitting in public and a stranger takes the seat next to you, just stare straight ahead and say

"Did you bring the money?"

had my patience tested.. I'm negative.

When you ask me what I am doing today, and I say "nothing," it does not mean I am free. It means I am doing nothing.

Age 70 might be the new 50, but 9:00 is the new midnight

I finally got eight hours of sleep. It took me three days, but whatever.

I hate when a couple argues in public, and I missed the beginning and don't know whose side I'm on.

When someone asks what I did over the weekend, I squint and ask, "Why, what did you hear?"

I don't remember much from last night, but the fact that I needed sunglasses to open the fridge this morning - tells me it was awesome.

I don't mean to interrupt people. I just randomly remember things and get really excited.

When I ask for directions, please don't use words like "east."

It's the start of a brand new day, and I'm off like a herd of turtles.

Don't bother walking a mile in my shoes. That would be boring. Spend 30 seconds in my head.

That'll freak you right out.

That moment when you walk into a spider web suddenly turns you into a karate master.

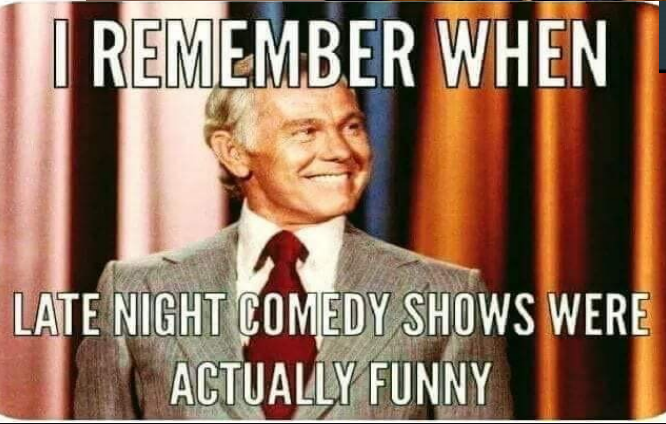
Sometimes, someone unexpected comes into your life outta nowhere, makes your heart race, and changes you forever. We call those people cops.

### Comments made in the year 1957

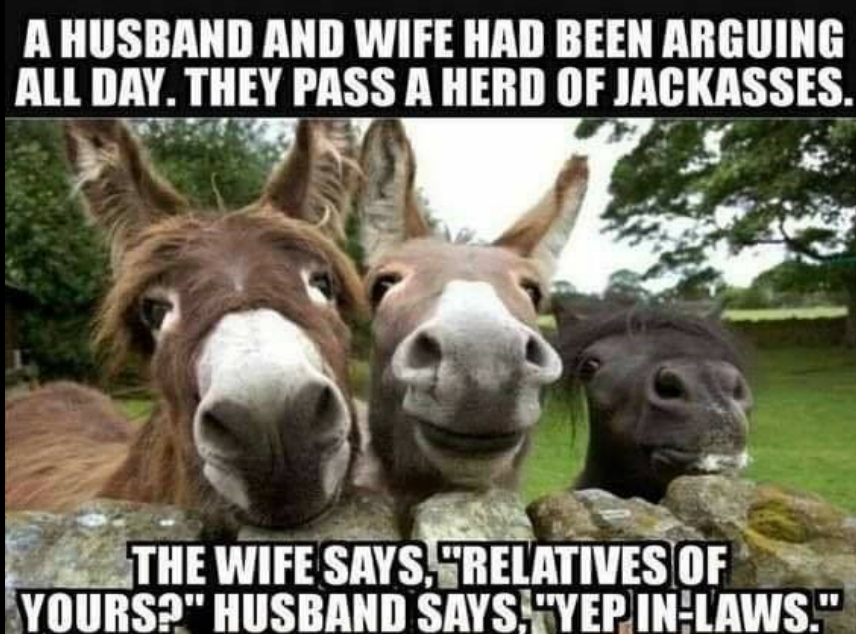
- "I'll tell you one thing, if things keep going the way they are, it's going to be impossible to buy a week's groceries for \$20."
- "Kids today are impossible. Those ducktail haircuts make it impossible to stay groomed. Next thing you know, boys will be wearing their hair as long as the girls."
- "If they think I'll pay 50 cents for a hair cut, forget it."
- "I read the other day where some scientist thinks it's possible to put a man on the moon by the end of the of the century. They even have some fellows they call astronauts preparing for it down in Texas."
- "Did you see where some baseball player just signed a contract for \$75,000 a year just to play ball? It wouldn't surprise me if someday they'll be making more than the president."
- "I never thought I'd see the day all our kitchen appliances would be electric. They are even making electric typewriters now."
- "It's too bad things are so tough nowadays. I see where a few married women are having to work to make ends meet."
- "It won't be long before young couples are going to have to hire someone to watch their kids so they can both work."
- "Marriage doesn't mean a thing any more; those Hollywood stars seem to be getting divorced at the drop of a hat."
- "I'm just afraid the Volkswagen car is going to open the door to a whole lot of foreign business."
- "Thank goodness I won't live to see the day when the Government takes half our income in taxes. I sometimes wonder if we are electing the best people to congress."
- "The drive-in restaurant is convenient in nice weather, but I seriously doubt they will ever catch on."
- "There is no sense going to Lincoln or Omaha anymore for a weekend. It costs nearly \$15 a night to stay in a hotel."
- "No one can afford to be sick any more; \$35 a day in the hospital is too rich for my blood."



Some kids are starting to notice they haven't seen their "UNCLE" since their DAD has been home.



When I was young I just Wanted to be older. What the Hell Was I Thinking!



The older I get, the meaner I get. I'm pretty sure it wont be long before I start biting people.



[Box5@AmericanIndianReporter.com](mailto:Box5@AmericanIndianReporter.com)



# CALIE.org

"Making A Difference"

CALIE.org Is The Number One American Indian Web Site In The World!

California Indian Education, Inc.  
Soboba Indian Reservation, So. California  
Mail: P.O. Box 366, San Jacinto CA 92581  
Phone 951.217.7205 \* Email: CALIE.org  
Non-Profit 501(c)(3) \* Tribal Organization