



## Black Lives Matter Join with Idle No More

Official Statement from #OccupyINAC Winnipeg

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INAC Office,  
Winnipeg, Anishinaabe Territory

Written by consensus from the collective

In the spirit of peace, love and solidarity with our relatives at #OccupyINAC Toronto, we have been peacefully gathering since yesterday morning at the Manitoba regional office of Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada, a department which derives its mandate from the racist colonial legislation called, The Indian Act.

We acknowledge the recent states of emergency declared in our communities in response to crises of suicide, including Attawapiskat Ininew Territory and Pimicikamak Ininew Territory, and have

resolved to take action in support of our suffering relatives.

These crises are not new and do not exist in isolation. Suicide has long plagued our communities due to centuries of colonization and its effects: crushing poverty, substandard housing, imprisonment, child apprehension, and lack of access to health care, nutrition and clean water. The resulting destruction of identity, lack of self worth and cognitive imperialism are the roots of suicide in our people.

This issue is inseparable from the epidemic of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women; the legacy of residential schools; the 11,000 and counting children in care in Manitoba; and the theft, pollution, and exploitation of the land, water, and air. The violence



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perpetrated against nature reflects the violence perpetrated against our women, our men, and our youth..

These conditions have existed in our territories for centuries and the so-called government of Canada administers and

benefits from it. These are acts of war, oppression, and treason against our ancient treaties. Immediate response is called for.

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## Studies Reveal that Adverse Childhood Experiences Fuel Illnesses in Adults

Special to the Indian Voices  
by Paul V. Simms, SD Black Health Associates

SAN DIEGO, CA – For the past thirty years, African American health advocates in San Diego have been working to address the health status gap which African Americans face. For nearly every major chronic disease, Blacks suffer the highest mortality levels, the highest hospitalization rates and the most frequent visits to the emergency room of any ethnic group in the United States. We share this concern with our American Indian brothers who are fighting the same battle with Anthony Pico Viejas Chairman.

In this arena of health disparities, however, African Americans are not alone. Let us look, for example, at Comparative Mortality Rates Associated with Diabetes.

Previous medical studies indicate that African Americans were determined to present 34.5 deaths per



Dr. Vincent Felitti

Photo: Lamont McClary

100,000 population, while Hispanic Americans presented 27.2 deaths per

100,000 population. Whites were found with the lowest death rate of 15.1 per 100,000 population. A condition exists where the death rate for diabetes among Blacks is more than twice as high as for whites.

The rate of deaths for African Americans for Asthma was more than twice as high the death rate for Whites and four times higher than Hispanic American and five times higher than Asian/Pacific Islander rates.

### HIV/AIDS

Data by ethnic group shows an the increasing gap in HIV prevalence and suggests that there is a significant difference in the rate of exposure between African Americans and nearly every other ethnic group. That gap is continuing to widen as the years pass, with no intervention or targeted efforts to ameliorate this condition in any way.

Groups such as the San Diego Black Health Associates (SDBHA) have engaged in consumer education, conducted workshops, held screening sessions, provided guidance for healthier choices and promoted health through

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# Health Care at Turtle Island

by Allan Henderson, Junior Adviser for Northern Turtle Island United Tribal Nation

In the Fall of 2015 as I left Onondaga Nation from the office of the senior adviser of United Tribal Nation (U.T.N.), I passed through sovereign lands driving west on I-90. I learned that they are bringing in some serious cash on the tall bridges, I thought, I am going to capitalize on this plus interest.

Once I got to Michigan I was dumb-founded on how much I paid in gas \$40.00 total one way, on a single tank of gas.

After which, I met a friend from Oneidas and have been talking with her

the last 4 years or more. She explained to me that the banks are getting a bit scared of nation people.

"Why?" I asked.

She replied, "they are getting lotsa shoon (meaning cash in Ojibwa) soon banks will have to close. They can't handle the amount that nations are bringing in."

After that interview, I got to Wisconsin, which is Lac De Flambeau Ojibwe country. I spent two months with a friend named Bob, who is a Veteran with strong connections with our culture and ceremonies as we stay very traditional. This person has medical issues and has to have a catheter in his

body.

One day we were out walking, and we noticed there some sort of infection around his catheter which was inflamed red and looked very sore. In response, his wife and I immediately took him to the emergency room to get checked out. We got a rude awakening as when we arrived we had to wait 6 hours before he could be seen.

So when Bob came out with a mind boggling health issue once the EMT saw him it was diagnosed that he had a serious infection. This is why it took so long in the emergency room.

Another delay was that the hospital staff required an approval from his insurance company for his surgery.

So the doctor informed us, "Bob you have to come back another

day, but we will give you medication to help you with your pain and suffering."

In conclusion the only option for him was to go home and die.

"Wow" Bob said, "I am stunned to hear this outcome."

He then had to wait 5 months to get any notification from his insurance company, for the approval which was denied.

Frustratingly, that day at the hospital, he went home and was forced to live in his own sewage from his dialysis.

We feel and know that the hospital was hoping that he would just pass away so they would not have to deal with him.

Please tell me where is the human rights element in the business entitled health care here?

Saskatchewan will be next.

## Protesters Demand Action

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We are asserting our authority and sovereignty in this land and in recognition of the ancient treaties, we call upon the so-called Government of Canada, the so-called Chiefs and Councils, and all the representatives of the Queen, to honour the obligations of the following ancient treaties: the Wampum Belt, the Peacepipe, and the Canes of Authority. We command the Crown to honour the oath and sacred responsibilities derived from these ancient treaties. We will continue to work with our traditional communities and value our sacred responsibilities, therefore we command the Crown and agents of the Crown to not interfere with our sacred laws, way of life, and ancient tribal governance systems. Our ancestors speak through our voices for the children and those yet to come.

The youth of Attawapiskat and Pimicikamak, and across our territories have commanded:

Youth centres; Parenting centres; Traditional teachings; ceremonies;

knowledge of their chants, their songs and their skills for surviving on the land; better education; an end to the plague of drugs and alcohol; recycling systems; dry land; sports activities; shelters; recreation facilities; libraries; cinemas; mental health response and treatment; to represent themselves on Youth Councils; and to meet with Justin Trudeau.

Furthermore, we command:

1) The abolition of the Indian Act, the reserve system and the numbered Treaties, which are systematic violations of the sovereignty of our people — the sovereignty we have always retained and always lived, but which has never been honoured by the colonial state, from the beginning of their invasion under the lie of terra nullius.

2) An end to the denial of adequate healthcare, housing and education in our communities, and undenied access to our own unpolluted traditional foods and clean water.

3) For the so-called Chiefs and Councils and everyone in our communities to restore the culture and spirituality we have lost: to allow and

encourage our traditions, ceremonies, teachings, songs, languages, and ways of knowing.

4) For the people of the colonial state to respect these lands and water, starting with the discontinuation of the destruction and pollution caused by the colonial corporations which exploit and deplete the resources of Mother Earth that we all need to survive.

5) An end to the Two-Spirit discrimination causing much of the suicidal crisis our youth are facing, which exists in our communities as a result of colonial ideology and cognitive imperialism, in addition to the damage of

everything previously mentioned.

We will continue to assert our sovereign right to occupy this space until the Crown, so-called Government of Canada, and so-called Chief and Council, acknowledge this statement and the commands within.

For all the support we have received we say, Chi Miigwetch. We extend our Chi Miigwetch to the Creator, Gichi-Manitou, and all our relations, Ndinawe Maginaw.

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# Native Americans in Philanthropy

Native Americans in Philanthropy (NAP) is looking forward to our 11th Philanthropy Institute May 25-27 in San Diego. This year's theme is Raising

Impact With Native Voices. Our annual Institute bring together Native and non-Native professionals from tribal communities, foundations, and nonprofits committed to engaging, learning and sharing resources, and best practices grounded in the Native tradition of reciprocity. The conference creates a space to support the pipeline of Native philanthropy leaders and provide philanthropic expertise; create issue-driven partnerships and deepen existing relationships within networks; educate mainstream philanthropy on funding inequities and how they can be a part of community-based solutions; and inform foundation staff about pressing Native issues and ways to advocate for Native-led solutions.

With the arrival of our new CEO, Sarah Eagle Heart, this year's conference is unique from previous endeavors, focusing entirely on the intersections of philanthropy from an issue driven framework for impact investing. Our goal is to present insightful discussions

focused on Impact, Advocacy, Civic Engagement and Economic Development. Funders, tribal philanthropy and tribal leaders are invited to hear about the work of Native community partners, as well as identifying opportunities for Native funder partners to leverage resources and assets to build collective

partnerships.

As a membership-based organization, NAP promotes reciprocity and investment in, with and for Native peoples to build healthy and sustainable communities for all. NAP is committed to leveraging issues across identity and a movement towards healing. We are inviting everyone to 'Join the Circle', to listen, to learn, and to raise an impact with Native Voices. Visit our website for more information on Native Americans in Philanthropy and The Philanthropy Institute. <http://nativephilanthropy.org>.



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## San Diego American Indian Pow Wow Honors Dr. Cooper

*Dr. Gwendalle Cooper, has been selected to be the honoree at the Spring Pow Wow in Balboa Park in May*



**Dr Cooper (Cherokee) is a very active Professor Emerita, San Diego State University.**

Dr. Cooper has been actively involved in numerous academic and cultural groups. She boasts a long list of accomplishments in her active and productive career.

She was one of the first professors to form an American Indian focus group at at

SDSU. Passionate about education she served as Southern Vice-President of the California Indian Education Association.

Additionally she was Faculty Advisor for the Native American Student Alliance at SDSU. Reaching out to the community she served as Crisis Counselor for the Sycuan Inter-tribal Vocational Rehabilitation Program,

Dr. Cooper was adjunct professor and Elder for the Indigenous Mind Ph.D. program at the California Institute for Integral Studies (CIIS) in San Francisco;. Dr. Gwendalle Cooper has acquired many friends and and is counselor to many.

## ACE

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prevention. It has also promoted lifestyle behavior changes through counseling the importance of our "Fifteen Health Commandments" and reflecting good counsel to our communities about the importance of making the right choices.

Dr. Vincent Felitti was Medical Director of the Department of Preventive Medicine at Kaiser Permanente in San Diego for more than 16 years. During his tenure he conducted innovative studies.

Speaking at a program on Innovations in Patient Empowerment sponsored by Claremont Graduate University, Dr. Felitti described research conducted in a mail survey with 17,000 middle class patients, all of whom were Kaiser beneficiaries. African Americans represented 10% of the participants in the study. He asked the patients several questions about traumatic events which may have happened to them as children. Incredibly, over 70% of people receiving the survey responded, and these patients gave permission to connect the responses they gave to the survey to their medical records. The questions asked the consumer s inquired about whether they had been abused as a child.

This abuse could have been physical, psychological, emotional or sexual. The survey also inquired whether any adult

person in their household was a problem drinker, whether they ever used drugs, whether they were mentally ill or whether a person in the household attempted suicide. Finally, the survey asked whether a member of the household had gone to prison.

Surprisingly, nearly 50% remembered at least one Adverse Childhood Experience (ACE). The research team included representatives from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and together, they coined the term the "Ace Score".

Several physicians at the conference sitting near the author of this story grumbled at Dr. Felitti's assertions about the abuse as a child. One felt that he would not inquire about such acts of abuse by parents or anyone so many years ago, because he would not want to "stir up" a can of worms with such an inquiry. Another physician expressed dismay that within his practice, there were only a certain number of minutes to see each patient. Asking questions about adverse childhood experiences would consume more time than he felt was available. A third physician was opposed to the inquiry by primary care physicians, many of whom had little training in psychiatry.

Dr. Jeffrey Brenner is the Founder of the Camden Coalition of Healthcare Providers and Medical Director of the Urban Institute at Cooper University

Healthcare. Two years ago, Dr. Brenner wrote a "blog" (January 29, 2014) that stated:

"For nearly 15 years, we've had the secret to delivering better care at lower cost in America. The information has sat hidden away in the medical literature, and barely mentioned among physicians. It's a remarkable story of bias. The neglect of this information by the medical community tells you a lot about our failings as a profession and the poor training we receive. It is also a powerful commentary on the values of our society and the biases built into our society's view of health and healthcare"

Incredibly, the ACE score predicted healthcare utilization, healthcare spending, obesity, substance abuse, smoking, alcoholism, and prevalence of poorly controlled chronic diseases better than anything the health care industry has ever found. Dr. Brenner noted:

"The terrible things that sometimes happen to children can cause a lifetime of health impacts. This is true for even for middle class patients. However, poverty magnifies the potential to have higher ACE score and possibly exacerbates any trauma that have occurred"

Consumer advocates are impressed with the findings of Dr. Felitti. He has agreed to guide community explorations into a conversation about ACE and abuse, neglect, parenting and changing

our environments for African Americans (and others). Funding may now be available to finance a mental health, soft-skills development, Rites of Passage and career training program that will partner with returning inmates. This partnership will address their family values, social values and their role in the community as a provider. SDBHA is interested in improving the future of our children and the mindfulness of ACE may be an answer.

Wrapping our arms around a re-entry program called OASIS may be one solution.

Remember, there are only a few who are coming to help those who struggle and don't get ahead. Those who come should have stood post – and adopted the role of protection and promotion for all of us.

The advocate was once asked why the drum was so important in carrying the message of self-sufficiency and freedom to bush people? Could smoke signals carry similar messages? Yes, said the believer. Wireless communication comes in all forms – and not every power source is driven by electricity. Messages were encrypted and encoded to be interpreted by those who could "read sign".

We have one life. We have our health! Never give up!



# PARADE REST

*San Diego Communities strive for cultural equity*

As Mayor Kevin Faulkner so eloquently pointed out in the State of the City address ... San Diego is a city of communities. Ever since the original San Diego inhabitants, the Kumeyaay, were forced by an invading conquering people to yield their land and disperse the bayfront, a growing citizenry has woven a cultural tapestry within the city's boundaries that ultimately formed the city of communities that we know today.

Gifted with a community soul that Donna Frye called the Aloha Spirit, at its core has traditionally been supportive of the collective will of the people.

Our city of communities have historically worked together symbiotically to create a unified image of San Diego.

In the recent past culturally sensitive citizens with an eagerness to welcome a growing population of varied ethnicities to San Diego inspired an action to change the names of various Christmas community events and parades. The aim is to be more inclusive and embrace of

our marginalized newly transplanted community members. By changing the names of various community events, the goal was to relax any brewing toxic separatist cultural climate.

As is typical for Americas Finest City, the people rallied around the idea and communities complied, although not without opposition. Christmas on the Prado became December Nights and eventually Christmas was overshadowed by Holiday and faith-neutral parade event names throughout the city.

The one recalcitrant hold out has been the San Diego community of La Jolla whose insistence to hold on to the La Jolla Christmas Parade name has created an outcry by those who feel that this community that has a history of discrimination and racial prejudice, a makeover is required. The players in the cultural dust up reads like a social Who's Who of La Jolla society and includes: Jack McGrory, William J. Kellogg, Cindy Greatrex, Audrey Geisel, Darlene Marcos Shiley, District 1 Candidate, Ray Ellis, Ann Kerr Bache, and Sherri Lightner, District 1 Council Member

Finding the thread to connect the dots to analyze and resolve this cultural quagmire may require the indigenous intelligence and spiritual guidance of the Kumeyaay Nation.

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## Walking in Two Worlds with the Jacobs Center

**Was Felix's Bar-B-Q a take down by economic imperialism or benign neglect by raw capitalism or tacit apartheid?**

Just over a month ago the 4th District was dealt a heartbreaking and destabilizing blow. Just when a much loved business was beginning to show signs of fulfilling its commitment to the mission of the Jacobs Center of providing an elegant dining experience while meeting the needs of a community, and at the same time forwarding the purported mission of the Jacobs Center of assisting and encouraging inspired but under-funded minority businesses to get a leg up establishing sustainable and viable enterprises, the hammer fell on Felix Bar-B-Q With Soul.

From the outside looking in Felix's Bar-B-Q with Soul seemed to be achieving all of the above objectives. The marriage between Jacobs and Felix seemed flawless. Not only



did the Bar-B-Q restaurant come from an established and successful operating business model but it also provided a positive reflection of a supportive community with many loyal and dedicated customers. It was the gathering place for hungry parishioners who gathered after church for Sunday Brunch. During the week informal business meetings took place with local entrepreneurs enjoying a comfortable

setting while securing their success in the American Dream. Networking and building relationships within the business community was palpable. Most importantly Felix Bar-B-Q With Soul employed about 20 people who joyfully kept a pleasant and friendly vibe. Owner Felix Berry combined his business and cultural relationships. He says “

*"And what did we start with?  
Nothing more than opportunity."  
Joe Jacobs*

I brought a culture of hospitality and humanity that met the needs of the community.” Felix simply provided what the community was looking for. He added however, “It took me a while to realize that the Jacobs Center was only interested in the bottom-line and didn't take into consideration the impact on the community.”

However, on the other side of the project, lurked the Jacob Center corporate veil that suddenly went poof and Felix's was gone. Loyal customers lined up with hearty appetites looking for Bar-B-Q tips but were instead greeted by locked doors with no explanation.

So what happened? Berry said, “I may have been a bit naive when I first started negotiations. Early on I thought that we were working on a month to month agreement. Along the way agreements gradually changed.” When asked what could the community have done to be more supportive Mr. Barry responded, “The community needs to learn to ask tough questions.”

The official statement from the Jacobs Center is that it is a contractual matter.

Community reaction is as varied as the Fourth District's demographics. Activists in the area expressed dismay and frustration. Clovis Honore stated “Although I am not an expert in economic nor business development, I am concerned that the

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We are issuing this open invitation and call out to all Anishinaabeg, Metis and supporters to come to the shores of Lake Huron to meet and discuss and hold ceremony together for the waters of the Great Lakes and for future generations

Miigwetch,

The Onaman Collective

On behalf of the Organizing Committee of the Great Lakes Gathering 2016

## Great Lakes Gathering 2016

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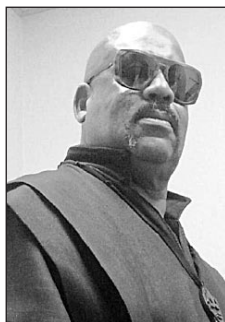
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## Black Path Commentary: Critical Analysis on Culture, Community, & Struggle Respecting the Integrity of the Environment: An African & Indigenous Peoples Position On Earth Day



by Min. Tukufu Kalonji

Earth Day is an environmental commemoration evolving in the 1970's from an interest in gathering national support for environmental issues. Varied

activities occur, festive and educational that address issues of restoration and sustainability of the planet. Naturally, this becomes a key issue of the Green and Blue Movements. One of the most common practices of celebration is to plant new trees for Earth Day. Of course, other environmental practices like community clean ups etc reflect the spirit and traditions of earth day as well. As Earth Day 2016 is around the corner, we are given an essential juncture in history's current unfolding to reflect upon the issue of our respecting the integrity of the environment. That is to say, society in its diversity engages in doing all that it can in every way we can

to maintain and restore the planet to its most beneficial capacity so that we (Humanity) and the earth as a whole can flourish at its best. It is imperative that we take time to focus on critical environmental issues such as devastating storms and flooding, increasingly catastrophic climate concerns, and for the much more preventable atrocity; the continued onslaught of toxic contagion of land, water, and air.

Furthermore, there is the wreaking of havoc on the world's rain forests, and in the midst of this blatant disrespect for the planet upon which we live; there continues the racialized neglect of the health and well-being of marginalized peoples while the established order remains insensitive to human suffering and the problematic conditions and future of the world. Moreover, this often happens under the auspice of corporate greed and alleged scientific inquiry or advances.

Unquestionably, a ethical and equitable position of and on the environment has to start with us as a segment of society, reevaluating our

relationship with the world, our position in it, our responsibility towards it, and all of the related rewards and/or consequences of whatever actions we engage in, change, and/or do not change. We are compelled to raise questions regarding the establishment savagery and egotism in its destroying of the Earth. For what reasons does the oppressor practice ecocide? It is no secret that the ruling race and class wreak havoc on this planet for profit. Thus, it appears to be an episode of "the white man wiling out."

Yet Black people, indigenous peoples, other people of color, and other conscious, progressive, and concerned citizens must ask themselves in a real serious mindset what other rationale, if there is another one, is behind knowingly obliterating the basis of life on the planet. Subsequently these reputed gains are sought at the expense people of color, the poor; especially the indigenous people of the western hemisphere. Finally, I do not know the earth's natural capacity to withstand the continued poisoning; but let us hope, pray, and most of all struggle to discover that there is a longevity factor for the earth that will outlast this ecocidal maniac in our midst.

During April, let us examine the native indigeness peoples of this land's position of humanity and its relationship to the planet. A passage

titled Honor the Sacred from the wisdom of an unknown from Native American elder reads:

Honor the Earth, our Mother.  
Honor the Elders.  
Honor all with whom  
we share the Earth:  
Four-legged, two-legged, winged ones,  
Swimmers, crawlers, plant and rock,  
and... people.  
Walk in balance and beauty.

Furthermore, Chief Big Thunder (Bedagi) of the Wabanaki Algonquin asserts that:

The Great Spirit is in all things,  
he is in the air we breathe.  
The Great Spirit is our Father, but the  
Earth is our Mother. She nourishes us,  
That which we put into the ground  
she returns to us

Consequently, African and Indian culture shares similarities in its conception and practice of its cultural tenets. I submit the following as an example of the African position relating to and respecting the environment. The is an ethical teaching from the Odu Ifa' our sacred text from our tradition and culture of Yoruba. Odu 10.5 reads  
Osa, the brightly shining one,

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## Letter to the Community from Makeda Dread

*Multi-Cultural Earth Day  
Celebration dedicated to food  
security and seed sovereignty.*

I know many of you wonder what food security and seed sovereignty mean. Food security means access to all people at all times to enough food for an active, healthy life. Many people in our country and around the world live in food deserts. A food desert is an urban or rural area without ready access to fresh, healthy affordable food. Instead most of these neighborhoods and communities are loaded with fast food restaurants and convenience stores. This is why it's very important to grow your own food or

start a community garden.

With the help of our gardener, Lisa Russell, WorldBeat Center's Children's Peace Garden has installed several wicking beds that not only grow food but also save water. Wicking beds are unique way to grow vegetables. They are self-contained raised beds with built in reservoirs that supply water from the bottom. Wicking beds are water efficient because watering from the bottom up prevents evaporation of surface water (which occurs when you water from the top).

Let's talk about seed diversity and seed sovereignty. Seed sovereignty is the right for everyone to save their own

seeds, as opposed to having to purchase seeds. We all should stand together and promote the use of diverse seed types. Not only does it enhance food security but also it promotes the preservation of traditional cultural practices and values.

Seed security comes from seed sovereignty and the right to use and exchange seeds freely within a community.

After going to the National Heirloom Exposition last year my consciousness changed when I saw and heard the dynamic speakers speak on food security. Dr. Vandana Shiva, the keynote speaker was one of the most powerful speakers I've seen.

We left so inspired that we connected

with other leaders including some of San Diego and helped co-found the San Diego Seed Stewards which on March 20th produced the San Diego Heirloom Seed Swap! WorldBeat Center and Centro Cultural de la Raza were proud to co-host the event. The San Diego Seed Stewards are now spearheading the movement. Wherever you are seed swaps are a rewarding way to build community and share information about gardening.

Oh, there's one last thing, WorldBeat Center will soon be starting its first seed bank. If you would like to get involved write us at [info@worldbeatcenter.org](mailto:info@worldbeatcenter.org) or start a chat on our website.

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## The Treaty of 1866 150th Sesquicentennial Commemorative Celebration!

Plans are underway for the 1866 Treaty commemorative event as this year marks the 150th Sesquicentennial anniversary of the Emancipated Freedmen of the Five Civilized Tribes as outlined in the ratified Treaty of 1866. This historic 150th Sesquicentennial commemorative event will commence on Friday, June 24, 2016, at 6:00 PM at the historic Skirvin Hotel in downtown Oklahoma City, with a mix and mingle, presenters, and an elegant plated dinner will be served at 6:45 PM. Living history interpreter, Mr. Wallace C. Moore is the keynote speaker for this event, his presentation is titled "The Life and Times of Cow Tom," the presentation depicts the account of the signing of the Treaty of 1866, and the role a free man of color called Cow Tom played in the conclusion of the Treaty. Mr. Moore was born and raised in Seminole County, Oklahoma. After twenty-seven years of service with the United States Army, he retired with the rank of Sergeant Major. He is a historian,



Mr. Wallace C. Moore

with a special interest in the history made by African-Americans during the Indian War time period.

Mr. Moore's presentation style is a mixture of lecture, conference, and demonstrations. He always dresses in Period correct attire to match the subject being talked about. Wallace has performed for audiences across the United States. He spent one week at Epcot Center at Disney World at the Oklahoma Experience telling the stories of the Buffalo Soldiers. Freedmen or Black Indians were emancipated after the Civil War by a treaty signed in 1866 between the United States and the various Tribal Nations. The Treaties of 1866 guaranteed that the Freedmen and their descendants would have rights as native citizens, including rights to land and national funds (The language of the 5 tribes treaties vary per nation, google INDIAN AFFAIRS: LAWS AND TREATIES for the full language). While the emancipation of the Freedmen/Black Indians is worthy of a grand celebration and has been celebrated throughout the Creek nation, and other tribal nations for many years; as captured in the attached flyer and the interview by Creek Freedmen Aaron Grayson. The

emancipation celebration included a parade, crowning of a queen, games, and good food. Sadly in the 21st century, those same treaties that were once celebrated and held in such high regard are no longer being honored by the 5 tribes. The treaties were implemented to guarantee equal protection and inclusion for all tribal

citizens whether it be full blood, mixed blood, or freedmen. These reconstruction era treaties would become the basis of social, political, and legal controversy, framing debates about tribal belonging and citizenship well into the 21 century. Treaty signers of the 1866 Creek treaty such as Cow Mikko "Cow Tom", Harry Island and others are to be honored and commemorated for the role that they played in securing equal protection for the Freedmen. In as much, on June 24, 2016, the Muscogee Creek Indian Freedmen Band will celebrate the contributions made by

Freedmen as many served in political office, as interpreters, treaty signers and negotiated on the behalf of the entire Creek Nation.

Tickets for this grand affair are \$50.00 per person and \$90.00 for couples. Official members/supporter will receive a 5% discount. Dress attire: Semi-formal or formal dress with a black tie option. Visit the MCIFB's website at [www.1866creekfreedmen.com](http://www.1866creekfreedmen.com) often as plans are unveiled for another exciting

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## Hamilton: "Captain of the One Percent"

The musical "Hamilton" won the Pulitzer Prize drama award on Monday. CBS News reports that Treasury Secretary Jack Lew may be announcing this week that the Treasury Department "may end up adding a female face to the \$20 bill, not the \$10 bill." The \$20 bill features President Andrew Jackson while the \$10 bill features Alexander Hamilton — the first Treasury Secretary.

GERALD HORNE, GHorne at uh.edu Horne is Moores Chair of History and African American Studies at the University of Houston. His books include The Counter-Revolution of 1776: Slave Resistance and the Origins of the United States of America. He recently appeared on The Real News segment "Black Voters and the New York Primary," and discusses the musical "Hamilton" near the 20 minute mark.

He said today: "The U.S., as an artificially constructed former settler state, has a problem of unity — not least of all with its African American population. Many nations have to construct a mythology to achieve unity.

"The U.S. myth of the Founding Fathers has revolved around Washington and Jefferson, but both have been scrutinized. Alexander Hamilton is now in effect being put forward, but he was the captain of the one percent — he

represented the interests of big finance at the beginning of the United States. He personified the grievances that continue, and that the Sanders campaign and — to a degree the Trump campaign — have objected to.

"So, if you have a multiracial, hip hop cast in this musical, you pretend we're achieving national unity. The actual historical record is so very different. Britain was moving toward abolition, so in 1776, the slave owners rebelled. That's in large part the origin of the United States.

"In terms of Alexander Hamilton the man, he migrated to the mainland from the Caribbean as the enslaved Africans became more rebellious. The elite whites could no longer control the situation though the region had been considered the crown jewel of the British empire in this hemisphere. His coming to what became the U.S. was actually an example of what we'd call white flight.

"Much of our political climate is continuously obscured because we still haven't come to terms with the racist and economic realities of the United States from its origin. That allows for many poor whites to align politically with white elites rather than with black folks."

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# The Enforcers

Did you ever wonder how the United States ended up in a war in Iraq that seems endless and has caused countless deaths and a never ending stream of refugees? Well, it's because we are so often trippingly led astray by the piping sirens of the mainstream news media with their hidden agendas. To counter this imbalance that heavily favors the oligarchs Janine Jackson and her husband Jim Naureckas provide the beeswax for their reader's ears. Spending hours upon hours trying to balance the scales of misinformation/propaganda Janine and Jim work as the core couple of the media watch group Fair (Fairness and Accuracy in Reporting) which also produces the radio show Counterspin and the hard copy newsletter Extra!. Aided and abetted by publisher Deborah Thomas and contributing analyst Adam Johnson this expert team ferrets out the distortions and outright lies of the often shamelessly skewed corporate media.

As fixers just what do these media detectives do? They might be compared to forensic language experts. They scrutinize hundreds of articles with a variety of viewpoints published in the mainstream press. To do what they do they need to have knowledge of

etymology, semantics, psychology and, above all, they need patience. For example of what they watch for, a subtle change of one or two words by an

editor in a headline can significantly alter the impact of the text. Janine, Deborah, Adam and Jim operate like ombudsmen servicing the reading public by analyzing potential bias in the writing of reporters and the editing of editors.

Never the most popular of the four estates many would argue that the trustworthiness of legacy news institutions is at an all time low. Maybe, if you had been fondled by a priest as a young lad or lass, you might hold the clergy in less esteem. Recently, acclaimed pollster Nate Silver gleefully predicted



Jim Naureckas & Janine Jackson (Janine's cousin) has compiled a website of their family's genealogy of mixed-race Indians, the Moors and Nanticokes in Delaware. [lynncjackson.com](http://lynncjackson.com)

Hillary Clinton was 99% sure of winning the Michigan primary. If he'd been working for the mob Nate would be minus a couple of kneecaps for a monumental error like that but, because he's a corporate favorite and pandering

dandy, he's already out of the penalty box, after a feeble apology, and quoted all over again as if he's some sort of media maestro. In the immediate run up to the

same primary The Washington Post ran sixteen articles mentioning Bernie Sanders. Fourteen of them were negative and two were somewhat neutral. Connecting the dots it's easy to see right wing libertarian Jeff Bezo's invisible hand pulling the strings of his recently purchased toy. If the public didn't have Fair keeping a watchful eye on such purposeful manipulation this skullduggery would almost surely sneak beneath our overloaded radar.

So, if we are to move progressively forward as a human collective, then we,

**So, if we are to move progressively forward as a human collective, then we, the people, need to take back control of the airwaves as established by the FCC open airways law of 1934.**

the people, need to take back control of the airwaves as established by the FCC open airways law of 1934. But, much like the rollback in the financial arena of the regulatory Glass-Steagall Act, the 1996 Telecommunications Act has transformed the news business. Both, by the way, were signed into law by slick Willy Clinton and we now have fewer and fewer independent media outlets. The Telecommunications Act claimed to foster competition. Instead, it allowed for cross ownership of stations so, according to Wikipedia, it continued the historic industry consolidation reducing the number of major media companies from around 50 in 1983 to 10 in 1996 and 6 in 2005. An FCC study found that the Act had led to a drastic decline in the number of radio station owners, even as the actual number of commercial stations in the United States has increased. This decline in owners and increase in stations has had the effect of radio homogenization, where programming has become similar across formats. Recently, in an unusually candid statement of monumental hubris, with a

wink and a nod, a snicker and a high five, CEO of CBS Leslie Moonves celebrated screwing the public pooch by proclaiming, "It may not be good for America, but it's damn good for CBS,"

So, there you have it folks, the current state of media affairs may not be good for our nation but it's sure a windfall for CBS and other media conglomerates. Sadly, I can only shake my head and mutter, "There ought be a law!" There was a law but it's been hijacked to favor the corporate media. Meanwhile, war crimes are being committed left, front and center to which these same propagandists turn a blind eye. The aforementioned FCC Law of 1934 clearly states that the airways should serve "the best interests of the public". If that were the case would we the people be mired in perpetual war? FAIR is doing their bit as a wonderful public service keeping us informed.

Citizens, Winter Soldiers, and persons in and of the streets, what are you doing?

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## Get to Work or Go To Jail

### UCLA Labor Center

A recent UCLA Labor Center report, *Get to Work or Go To Jail: Workplace Rights Under Threat*, goes further by exploring the ways in which the criminal justice system can also lock workers on probation, parole, facing court-ordered debt, or child support debt into bad jobs. Because these workers face the threat of incarceration for unemployment, the report finds that they cannot afford to refuse a job, quit a job, or to challenge their employers.

When many people consider work and the criminal justice system, they commonly consider how difficult it is for people coming out of jail to find work.

Among other findings, the report concludes:

Nearly 5 million Americans and 400,000 Californians are under probation or parole

Many of these workers may be stripped of standard labor protections such as minimum wage and workers compensation

On any given day, about 9,000 nationwide are in prison or jail for violating the probation or parole requirement to hold a job.

Every year in Los Angeles, 50,000-100,000 people must perform unpaid, court-order community service. Some debtors perform many hundreds of hours of unpaid labor, the equivalent to several months of full-time work.

African Americans or Latinos account for 2/3 of those incarcerated for violating parole or probation conditions related to work or debt.

The majority of fathers who were incarcerated for failing to pay child support worked during the previous year, in fact 95% of fathers reported having been employed prior to incarceration. Of these fathers, 85% of these fathers lived in or near poverty.

This report was written in collaboration with the UCLA Institute for Research on Labor and Employment and a A New Way of Life Reentry Project.

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# HERMAN BACA CHICANO RIGHTS ACTIVIST SHARES KNOWLEDGE WITH GROSSMONT STUDENTS

*The Chicano Studies class at Grossmont College provided students and guests with a momentous step back in history focused on the Chicano/Mexicano history, the Chicano Movement and the historical impact that it had on the cultural development of this important community.*

*Chicano Studies, Professor, Monica Hernandez provided her students with an authentic historical perspective of the era by inviting Herman Baca, Chicano Rights Activist, to spend an afternoon with the class discussing the Chicano struggle from his front line perspective. The presentation started with a very informative and educational DVD on the Chicano Movement and ended with a lively interactive discussion dealing with hot button issue such as immigration reform with Baca and the students.*



## LA MIGRA-THE GESTAPO BORDER PATROL?

If the so-called U.S. immigration issue is a historical labor issue as Chicano/Mexicanos activists, historians, scholars & academicians claim, what then has been the historical role of the U.S. Border Patrol (BP)? To answer that question one has to study the U.S.'s historical addiction to free and cheap labor. That started when white supremacists created the Afro-American slave labor system in Jamestown, West Virginia in 1619. A town named after King James I of England who organized the slave trade in America, and translated the King James Bible? Today, those white supremacists are represented by Republican party presidential candidate, Donald Trump, and his Know-Nothing let's make America great again supporters. The Know-Nothing political party in the 1850's campaigned on a strong anti-immigrant and anti-Roman Catholic political platform. Much like today's xenophobic Republican Party. Ironically the immigrants native-born Protestant Americans felt were a threat to their economic and political security were Germans and Irish, the forefathers of pin head Bill O'Riley, and ignorant Shawn Hannity.

The question is how did white supremacists keep Afro-American slaves laborers in a right less status? Simple, the slave labor system organized "slave patrols" of white men, the fore runners of today's U.S. police and the BP. Their job (as today) was policing, monitoring, enforcing discipline to prevent runaways & stop slaves' resistances/uprisings. However, their main job was to maintain the white supremacist social, economic, and political system in the antebellum southern states. Following

Afro-American slave laborers were; Chinese, Irish, Filipinos, Okies, Central Americans and after the end of the 1848 U.S./Mexico War (to the present) millions of "legal" & so-called "illegal" Mexican undocumented workers. For the conquered persons of Mexican ancestry the "slave patrol" became the Texas Rangers; the private army of Texas cattle barons and agri-business interests.

The history of the Texas Rangers' was to insure that persons of Mexican ancestry whether US citizens, documented, or undocumented didn't get "uppity," & start to demand the same rights, wages or working conditions as whites. However the ranger's real job, like the Afro-Americans "slave patrols," was to insure the white supremacist social, economic and political system was never threatened. In 1924 the U.S. Congress created the BP. The only national police force (over 20,000 agents), that the U.S. created basically for Mexicans. Like the Rangers the BP's primary job has been to



serve as a private army for the secondary labor sector of the U.S. economy; agri-business, hotel/motels, restaurants, construction, tourist, home care, etc. With the changing demographics (making whites a minority) the white supremacist system has disgracefully hired (starting salary up to \$49,000), "Malinches" persons of Mexican ancestry (majority BP agents) to do their dirty work against their own people. The BP's historical record is; the chief violators of human, civil, & constitutional rights, largest smugglers of



Mexican workers, labor union strike breakers and the most racist white supremacist agency in the US government. Proof, BP paid government union members endorsed Republican Donald

Trump, along with Nazizona, Sheriff Joe Arpaio & KKK David Duke?

So what is the historical political position of the Chicano Movement concerning the BP? To Chicanos leaders such as Bert Corona, Rodolfo "Corky" Gonzalez, Cesar Chavez, Abe Tapia, etc. the BP is; "The Gestapo of the Mexican people." The agency's documented sordid history against all persons of Mexican ancestry is; terrorizing, breaking up families, deportations, indiscriminate raids, incarcerating children, breaking into churches, beatings, shootings, killings, rapes, etc. What the KKK represents to Afro-Americans, the Gestapo to Jewish people, & Custer to Native Americans, the BP represents to all persons of Mexican ancestry.

Chicanos after 100's of billions of taxpayers' dollars squandered understand, unlike naïve white Americans that the job of the BP's is not to control or secure the U.S./Mexico border. Consider; 1) In its 90 years history the BP has never stopped one Mexican from ever crossing the US/Mexico border to find work unless they maimed, shot or killed that person! 2) In 1986 the U.S. Government estimated 3 million undocumented persons were in the US, in 2016 13 million? To Chicanos the political reasons for creating the BP was to control Mexican labor, and keep Chicanos/Latinos in a second class citizen status. Finally, the movement's historical position remains; until the BP is abolished that the U.S./Mexico War will never be over, and 55 million Chicanos/Latinos in the U.S. will never be free!

**To Be Continued**





# Attawapiskat Solidarity – Have a Heart Day

Joined by Black Lives Matter vigils in solidarity with the community of Attawapiskat continued today. Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) offices in Toronto, Winnipeg, and Ottawa saw rallies in support of Attawapiskat First Nation. A presence of about 30 people, burning sage and sweet grass have been occupying the Toronto INAC office since 10am Wednesday morning. The Attawapiskat community declared a state of emergency Saturday after reports of eleven suicide attempts in one day.

Attawapiskat is a community of just over 1,500 in the James Bay region of Ontario. Community members live in 300 houses, as well as tents, trailers, and sheds. The community sits fifty miles from a DeBeers diamond mine, constructed in 2005 for nearly one billion dollars.

In November 2007 a United Nations Special Rapporteur spoke of the overcrowding and inadequate housing facing Aboriginal peoples in Canada and publicly called on the government to change course. In December 2007 the Stephen Harper led government responded by cancelling plans for a new school in Attawapiskat. One of several Minister of Indian Affairs broken promises to build a school.

The original J.R. Nagokee School at Attawapiskat had been built in 1976. Three years later a 30,000 gallon diesel spill contaminated the site. The site continued to be used for years with the children coming home from school at the end of the day smelling like diesel fuel. Finally in 2000 the building was condemned due to health problems related to the 1979 diesel spill.

2007 was also the year the Assembly of First Nations and The First Nations Caring Society took the historic step of holding Canada responsible before the Canadian



Human Rights Commission for its treatment of First Nations children. Longstanding inequalities in First Nations child welfare and their tragic consequences are well documented. These organizations filed a human rights complaint alleging that Canada fails to provide equitable child welfare service to First Nations children on reserves.

Have a Heart Day is a youth-led reconciliation campaign that began as an effort to bring people together and to draw attention to the issue. Annual rallies have been occurring at Parliament Hill in Ottawa and across Canada during the month of February. On February 10th 2016 over 600 children joined together at Parliament. On the cold day drummer Theland K warmed up the crowd with songs. Children read their letters, the poem "I Lost My Talk" by Rita Joe, and spoke of Shannen's Dream.

Shannen Koostachin of Attawapiskat First Nation lead a movement for "safe and comfy" schools and quality culturally based education for First Nations children called the Attawapiskat School Campaign. She knew first hand the challenges of learning on a reserve school that was underfunded. The

only elementary school for the 400 children in Attawapiskat ---closed for diesel fuel contamination.

Portable trailers were set up on the contaminated site as a "temporary school" until a new one could be built.

But after spending nine years in the portables there was still no sign of a new school. The children of Attawapiskat launched the Attawapiskat School Campaign to reach out

to non-Aboriginal children across Canada and ask them to write the federal government and demand a new school for Attawapiskat. Thousands of children kept writing even after the many broken promises.

In 2008 Minister of Indian Affairs Chuck Strahl wrote back to say the federal government could not fund a new school. In response the school cancelled their graduation trip to Niagara Falls and used the money to send three youth, including Shannen, to meet with Minister Strahl and demand a new school.

Minister Strahl said the government could not afford a new school. Shannen did not believe him and made a presentation on the steps of Parliament saying she "will never give up" until every First Nations child has a proper school. In 2009 the old school was demolished and toxic debris dumped one kilometer away from Attawapiskat homes. Minister Strahl promised a new school would be built. Shannen's remarkable leadership led to her being nominated for the International Children's Peace Prize awarded



by the Nobel Laureates.

In May of 2010 at the age of 15 Shannen died tragically in a car accident while attending school away from home. Five months' later, Shannen's Dream was launched by children from Attawapiskat to continue to push for a school. In 2011 hundreds of children gathered on Parliament Hill to honor Shannen's Dream, and have continued to come back each year since.

In 2014 Shannen's dream of a new school became reality as students began class at Kattawapiskak School — the traditional Cree word

for the community meaning 'people of the parting of the rocks'. A reality that other First Nations children are still waiting for in other communities across Canada.

In 2016 the Have a Heart Day rally came only weeks after the final decision by the Canadian Human Right Commission. The case, which took nearly a decade to complete, after repeated government stalling efforts, resulted in what First Nations Caring Society director Cindy Blackstock called "complete victory". The Human Rights Tribunal ruled that the government is racially discriminating against 163,000 First Nations children through systematic underfunding. A ruling largely ignored by the media.

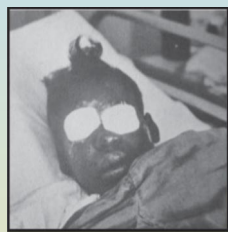
Through campaigns such as Have a Heart Day and Shannen's Dream a movement to honor youth and expand their possibilities has been created. Reconciliation is everyone's children across Canada receiving a quality education that makes them proud of who they are.

## Sarah Collins Rudolph Honored in San Diego, Saturday, April 30th, 2016

SAN DIEGO, CA—Bishop George D. McKinney, and The St. Stephen's Church of God In Christ will host a community event honoring Sarah Collins Rudolph. At 6:00 p.m. sharp there will be a Civil Rights Play and a Gospel musical titled Honoring our Legacy, located at 5825 Imperial Ave. San Diego, California 92114, phone 619-262-2671 x 0.

The public is invited and admission is free.

Sarah Collins Rudolph is the lone survivor of the five little girls who were in the basement bathroom of the 16th Street Baptist Church in Birmingham, Alabama readying for Sunday School on September 15, 1963. That morning a deadly bomb was detonated by a splinter KKK group murdering four little girls, Cynthia Wesley, Denise McNair, Carole Robertson, and Sarah's big sister Addie Mae Collins.



To the left is a photo of Sarah in the hospital after the bombing. Sarah was only 12 years old when her right eye was ripped away as a result of the bombing. Shards of glass permanently disfigured her face and body, taking away her dreams of birthing children. The many years of PTSD she suffered from regarding this despicable act of hatred also ended her aspirations of becoming a nurse.

In 1990 Sarah made preparations to relocate her big sister

Addie Mae Collin's remains to a mausoleum at Elmwood Cemetery, but none were found in the marked plot. Her body has never been located. For years the family and the community believed Sarah's big sister, Addie's remains were in the marked plot.

Sarah Collins, along with over 20 other people

that were injured during the bombing have had to live with this tragedy. Sarah is a living legend that is currently cleaning homes to pay the ongoing medical bills that still remain as a result of the bombing. Over the years Sarah struggled to come to terms with the hatred she encountered that terrible day. Through a

lifelong journey of prayer, faith, and the eventual forgiveness of her attackers she has found peace, joy and the knowledge and truth that love wins!

Sarah Collins and her family are to be commended for their transition from being victims of a horrific act to being advocates for peace.

Sarah continues to travel across the country and world to give her testimony and truth of how love, forgiveness, and faith in the face of impossible odds yield not only personal healing, but communal reconciliation.





# Youngevity – The Path to Health and Wellness



by Judith Meeks

Health and Wealth this is not a slogan it is a reality. I want to start with these spiritual principles: You must “Ask Seek and Knock” Ask and it shall be given unto you,

Seek and you shall find, Knock and the door shall be open unto you!

## What are your dreams...What are your plans..... you must have a plan

To manifest your highest potential it is essential to have optimum health because with poor health you will not have the energy, or mind to acquire any wealth, be spiritually in tune with the Most High God.

## Protect Valuable Assets

Save or eliminate paying taxes, Get a financial education

This became my Brand as I sought out

on a journey to discover who I am and my purpose I researched my family black Indian history and biblical history . I studied Tulsa Oklahoma Black Wall Street and the wealth that was created. The group economic model became a model for me. I am involved in a leadership role as Southwest Regional Director of an organization called Black Wall Street USA /Global.

## Do you have ...

Time/ Freedom, Good Health, and Plenty of Money All at The Same Time?

If not you can do something to change this outcome.

There are many paths but some paths lead us to death and destruction, poverty lack, disenfranchisement, lack of opportunities, procrastination,

## Liberate Yourself ... Start with Forgiveness

Forgive yourself and those who have had you in bondage or racial grudges. Make an intelligent decision plan to change your destiny for your highest good!

I did, I forgave my parents and elder family members who did not teach me

any thing about finances and thank my mother for raising us with the holistic foundation. A book called Back to Eden this got me in the space I am sharing with you today.

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## Integrity of the Environment

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Babalawo of the world interpreted the teachings of Ifa' for the earth, They said the earth should stop making sacrifices for wealth, and

Instead, make sacrifices that would protect the earth from its enemies,

In this way we will live  
And so we plead, that for as long as we live on earth,  
That the earth shall not be destroyed

Make note there is nothing ever so slightly suggesting that African and Native American Indians subdue, conquer, or otherwise reign over the earth in barbaric destructive manner. Conversely, we are guide by our cultural and spiritual wisdom to live in harmony with the earth as the primary custodians, caretakers and beneficiaries of the abundance of goodness from environment that sustains us. Inherent in these African and Indian passages of wisdom is not only quintessential examples of how we should relate to the planet, but also an implicit practical teaching on the ethical advance of a social justice movement to rescue , restore and reconstruct the planet for human benefit in a ethical and equitable manner. At the heart of environmental protection is of necessity a requirement for social justice in our collective thought and action.

To honor all with whom we share the earth; to walk in balance and beauty for that that which we put into the ground she, (mother earth) returns to us, And with our plea that for as long as we live on earth, that the earth shall not be destroyed comes a commitment for us to work, study, sacrifice and struggle on behalf of earths protection.

In the final analysis, let us stand steadfast in an enduring solidarity to live an environmentally conscious and ethical lifestyle. Let us be equally unwavering in our commitment to support and participate when and where we can to confront the corporate oppressors and political mechanisms that contribute the destruction of the planet.

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# A People Recovering their Traditions

by Gwendalle Cooper

Chinese seems to be a subject of interests to more and more people these days. One might proudly display one's language skills by speaking “Hello” in Chinese, which is Ni Hao. But for me, I am delighted to have discovered two magical words: Shen Yun. Simply put, Shen means “divine” and Yun means “beauty from within”. Shen Yun is the name of a New York based classical Chinese dance and music company, which was established in 2006 with the mission to revive the five thousand years of traditional Chinese culture. According to the emcees of the show, Shen Yun means “beauty of divine beings dancing.”

There are many Shen Yun fans, who are not Chinese, including myself. I have watched Shen Yun every year since its beginning in 2006. Each year is a different show as one show cannot cover 5000 years in one presentation.

The Shen Yun 2016 Tour just concluded 8 sold-out shows in Escondido (in Jan.) and San Diego (in March), and is now touring the greater LA area until end of the month, before moving on to other parts of the country. If you missed seeing the show in San Diego, you can Google it for the location and times there. I was happy to secure my ticket to a show in Escondido. I went with high expectations from the 2-hour long show, and came back elated and inspired. A typical Shen Yun show consists of approximately 20 programs, and is 2 hours long with a 15 minute intermission. “Every time the curtain rises, it is a surprise,” said a 92-

year-old gentleman, who drove for 2 hours from Palm Springs to watch Shen Yun. Indeed, with the help of an animated backdrop, live

dancing, live orchestra accompaniment, and exquisite costumes(hand made for each performer), the audience is in awe, and some in tears, in front of the beauty and the spirituality of this ancient culture.

You have to see it to believe it. People who have seen the show usually have this to say to those who have not. “It's true. When I sat in the theater, submerged in the brilliant colors, mesmerizing music, elegant dancing, and majestic images on the backdrop, I felt as if I had been transported through time and space. When the curtain opens, I can find myself on the vast Mongolian grassland, or atop the Tibetan plateau admiring the snow-capped Himalayas, or in the Qing Dynasty court watching the dance of the princesses, or on the Tang Dynasty battleground with the thundering drums, or in the heavenly realm dancing in the clouds among heavenly maidens”.

It is a unique theater experience, as well as very educational and



informational. For example, I learned that in the traditional Chinese character set, the character for medicine and that for music are almost the same. In ancient China, people recognized the healing power of music. And through Shen Yun, the wisdom of ancient China is alive and touching the audience in a profound manner.

The unique Shen Yun orchestra travels with the dance troupe, and the synchronization of the orchestra and the dancers is flawless. The orchestra, a combination of western classical instruments and ancient Chinese instruments, plays original works of Shen Yun composers. “I would pay double the price just to listen to the music,” an audience member at New York Lincoln Center was quoted saying.

Shen Yun is a feast for all our senses and I heartily recommend that you let Shen Yun take you on a journey of discovery when it returns with an all new program in Escondido, January, 2017.

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## Walking in Two Worlds

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Jacobs Family Foundation and the Jacobs Center for Neighborhood Innovation may have under-estimated the degree of effort that would be necessary to bring about the kind of change that Joe Jacobs envisioned for southeastern San Diego. As such, I am not convinced that they have, or are prepared to invest, the resources (i.e. money) necessary to reach that goal in the time expected. They may, in fact, leave us in worse condition than they found us, with our hopes crushed by another good Samaritan who didn't come through. On the flip side Rev. Floyd Brown, Jr. of Good News Baptist Church was adamantly against the closure, "There is no excuse for the restaurant not to stay open. There needs to be some arrangement for it to stay. The people should have a say about it. We should not be dominated by the profit motive. Mississippi Brown says, "Keep Felix's open!"

No matter how things roll out around this issue Felix says that he is committed to the community and one way or another he will find another location. "I am devoted to the people in this community and look

at the door. Tickets get you access to live jazz performances. All net proceeds will go to Water For People.

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Calls and Bookings are coming in for the band. We will post dates as soon as they are confirmed. Blessings are coming in from all 4 directions. We are very Humbled and grateful.  
<https://lnkd.in/bkcYdN8> (Oh Great Warrior) This will be the summer debut for new vocalist "Val Sedo" and we know he will do an amazing job. Summer schedule starts in June. All band members are either Department of Defense or Aerospace ..band based out of Edwards AFB.

forward to serving them again."

Shirley Murphy President of Council of American Indian Organizations is passionate about Nation Building and had already started utilizing Felix' as a base to pursue this important work. She is preparing a statement regarding her position on this matter. Another position was stated by community organizer Robert Robinson, "Getting closed down is what is expected when you don't pay the bills."

No matter how you look at it the "failure" of Felix's Bar-B-Q With Soul can be viewed as nothing less than a clarion call to those of us totally committed to economic power and progress to remain free from organizations who insist on owning 51% of the power. That leaves them with the powerful hammer to claim "business as usual" when they move in to close you down.

For those who are committed to working in unity let's always remember Lilla Watson Indigenous Australian activist's statement:

"If you have come here to help me, you are wasting your time.

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## Cool Kids Corner

Pinky (Zirin), call me 619-534-2435 or email me [Coolkidscorner@gmail.com](mailto:Coolkidscorner@gmail.com)

## My Trip to San Francisco

I went to San Francisco to visit my cousins Christina and Emily.

Christina has two turtles and a dog. We spent a lot of time talking and laughing ... we laugh a lot.

We played Spanish Bingo and I won.

I never changed my card and I won every time.

Emily likes food. She loves tacos. We ate a lot of them. We made shadow puppets in the car. I enjoyed spending time with my Grandma Virginia.

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# Abilities not disABILITIES

## The Sycuan Inter-Tribal Vocational Rehabilitation Program (SITVR)

by Mark Espino, Director

The Sycuan Inter-Tribal Vocational Rehabilitation Program provides culturally oriented vocational rehabilitation services to the consortia of Kumeyaay tribes and other enrolled Native Americans with disabilities living on or near the 12 Kumeyaay reservations in San Diego County. The SITVR program is designed to assist adults and transition-aged youth with disabilities prepare for, engage in, or retain gainful employment including self-employment. SITVR has assisted hundreds of Native Americans with disabilities access vocational rehabilitation (VR) services to obtain meaningful employment.

SITVR has been a major source of employment-related training and job placement services for Native Americans with disabilities in the San Diego area. By offering a broad range of VR services, SITVR is able to work each eligible applicant to develop an individualized plan for employment to meet each person's unique needs. Marc Espino, SITVR Program Director, explains that each tribal member regardless of disability or physical limitations has a desire to contribute to their family and community. He states Creator has gifted each person with a set of skills, abilities, strengths, interests, and knowledge and it is the goal of SITVR is to recognize and honor these attributes in order to obtain employment. SITVR acknowledges the need to integrate culture into the VR process. Cultural and traditional practices such as participation in traditional ceremonies, traditional healing, attending Wellbriety meetings to address substance abuse and enhance recovery supports are integrated into a

consumer's individualized plan for employment.

Historically, individuals with disabilities were naturally integrated in the community. In many tribal languages there is no word for disability. Western ideals have influenced society's views where today emphasis is placed on performance, monetary gain, and individualism. The struggles of equality tribal members with disabilities face in the work place are evidenced by high rates of unemployment, poverty, and continual health disparities. Employment opportunities are limited in the outlying areas of San Diego County. Mr. Espino explains "it is no coincidence we see higher rates of substance abuse and mental health issues in areas where jobs are scarce." Economic development and workforce development programs are essential in order to help tribal governments and tribal members develop employment opportunities and succeed in the work place.

SITVR is following the national trend in vocational rehabilitation which is now focused on working with transition-aged youth with disabilities. SITVR aims to identify those students with disabilities early on to assist with job readiness and preparation with the goal having the student obtain employment, enter into a vocational training or higher education institution during or after high school graduation. SITVR also provides support to the parents or guardians providing support and advocacy to the family by attending the individualized education plan meetings. This is the first time SITVR staff are working in high schools and SITVR is seeing a substantial rise in the number of youth diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder, attention deficit disorder, and other cognitive or learning disabilities.

## Toddlers Are Being Given Toxic, Mind-Altering Drugs

These drugs are dangerous enough for adults—so why are we giving them to two-year-olds (and even younger) children? Who exactly has the mental problem here?

A story published in The New York Times documents the rising trend of conventional doctors prescribing antipsychotic and psychotropic drugs to

children two years old and younger. The report estimates that, in 2014 alone, 20,000 prescriptions were written to give young children drugs like risperidone, which is typically used to treat schizophrenia and bipolar disorder in adults. An additional 83,000 prescriptions were written for Prozac

Courtesy Pulse of Natural Health:

Cameron W. is a junior in high school and is a transition-aged student participating in the SITVR program. This semester he has been attending driving school working towards obtaining his driver's license, learning sign language, and aspires to become a teacher's assistant working in elementary special education. His mother, Amanda, states the services offered by SITVR have been life-changing for Cameron and the family. SITVR attends Cameron's IEP Meetings as his advocate and has assisted in directing the school and student towards employment goals early on, i.e. making sure he is placed in classes where he can participate as an intern on and off campus for the job he desires. According to Cameron's parents, "it is difficult to know what direction your special needs child requires during the transition period. We have little knowledge of where he should be placed, either diploma bound, transition bound, college bound, etc. Having assistance from SITVR is

invaluable due to their experience and education in the field." The VR services Cameron receives are helping him develop the skills to become independent and self-sufficient.

The SITVR staff is composed of the Program Director, Mr. Espino, 2 Vocational Rehabilitation Counselors, Sarah Hernandez and Diana Gomez, and Administrative Assistant Sandy Knight. SITVR services are currently being offered at satellite offices located at Indian Health Council Santa Ysabel and Rincon. SITVR is developing plans to offer services on the Kumeyaay reservations in the far East County of San Diego. Please contact SITVR at (619) 722-6235 to inquire into the program or to obtain an application. You can visit [www.sitvr.com](http://www.sitvr.com) for more information or visit the office at 5475 Sycuan Road, El Cajon CA 92108.

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establishing a stronger working partnership between our governments. Every one of us deserves the chance to succeed, get ahead and provide the life we have envisioned for our families.

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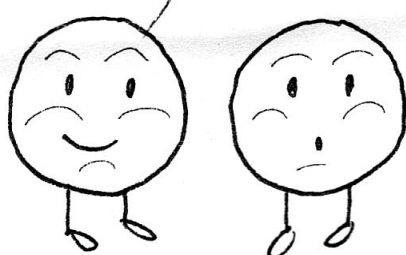
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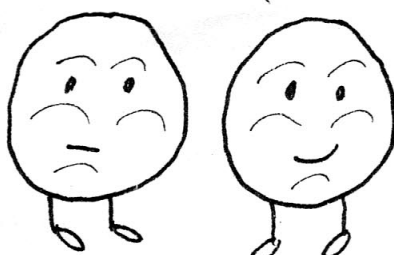


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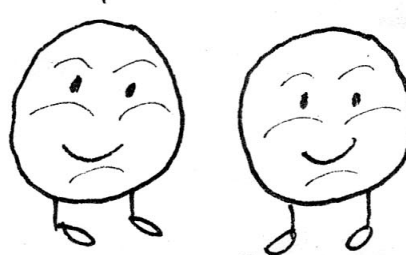


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