

udall center update

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Players Tee Off for NNI and Roger Willie Endowment



Participants pause to pose at 2003's tournament.

The third annual Native Nations Institute/Roger Willie Golf Tournament will take place at Starr Pass Golf Resort on April 30 and May 1, 2004. Last year more than 80 participants hit the course at Starr Pass to raise money for the NNI/Roger Willie Endowment Fund. The Fund allows NNI to address the challenges of nation-building through leadership and management programs, research and policy analysis, collaborative relationships, endowed chairs and directorships, and a policy fellows program.

For sponsorship information or to register for the fundraising tournament, contact Ina Holm at 520.884.4393 or <iholm@u.arizona.edu>. Actor Roger Willie is currently a graduate student in the UA's American Indian Studies department and is a member of the Navajo Nation.

San Pedro Binational Watershed Alliance

On January 23, 2004, the newly evolving San Pedro Binational Watershed Alliance met in Naco, Arizona. Facilitated by the Udall Center, the meeting brought together the Cananea Municipal Water Commission, the Instituto del Medio Ambiente y el Desarrollo Sustentable (IMADES), and the Comisión de Agua Potable y Alcantarillado del Estado de Sonora (COAPAES) in Mexico, and the Upper San Pedro Partnership and Water Wise in the U.S. to develop a watershed-based conservation plan for the Upper San Pedro Basin.

The purpose of the Alliance is to establish a holistic, ecosystem-based approach to natural resources conservation and environmental planning. By providing a broad context for coordinated watershed



The Alliance reflects the successful cooperation of individuals with a wide variety of backgrounds and interests.

conservation efforts as well as a valuable conservation-planning tool, the Alliance hopes to empower local organizations to direct their limited resources more efficiently into the most urgently needed projects and solutions. For more information about the San Pedro Binational Watershed Alliance, contact Anne Browning-Aiken at 520.884.4393 or <browning@u.arizona.edu>. Information about past and future Alliance meetings is available at <udallcenter.arizona.edu/sanpedro/dialogues/>.

Youth Entrepreneur Camp Planned for July

The Native Nations Institute's Native American Youth Entrepreneur Camp (NAYEC) will be held on the University of Arizona campus on July 11-16, 2004.

NAYEC is intended to teach high school juniors, seniors, and recent graduates the basics of economics, computer skills, and business plan preparation through activities that lead to personal and professional development. Students will also have the opportunity to meet and seek advice from Native American business professionals through classroom visits and field trips to nearby native-owned businesses. At the culminating event of the camp, the Youth Marketplace, students will get a taste of what it's like to run their own businesses using what they learned in the classroom.

NNI is currently seeking interested sponsors and students for this year's youth entrepreneur camp. For more information, contact Rose Chischillie at 520.884.4393 or <rchischi@u.arizona.edu>. NAYEC was created to foster skills that will encourage private-sector development on reservations.



Manley Begay (second from right) poses with Australian tribal elders.

NNI Strengthens International Ties

At the invitation of the government of the Northern Territory and Reconciliation Australia, Native Nations Institute Director Manley Begay and Udall Center Director Stephen Cornell spent nearly three weeks in Australia during October and November 2003. Reconciliation Australia is a quasi-governmental organization that works closely with indigenous groups across the country on economic, political, and social welfare issues. Joined by Git'ksan leader Neil Sterritt from British Columbia, Begay and Cornell visited several

indigenous communities in various parts of the Northern Territory to discuss governance and development challenges with community leaders and government officials.

The trip culminated in a major conference on "Building Effective Indigenous Governance," held at Jabiru in Kakadu National Park. Begay and Cornell were featured presenters at the conference, where they discussed the steps that indigenous nations in the United States are taking to assert self-governing powers and create sustainable economies. Conference presentations by Begay and Cornell can be found at <www.nt.gov.au/cdsca/indigenous_conference/web/html/papers.html>.

Udall center staff update

Joining the Udall Center from the UA's graduate program in medical anthropology, **Matt Iles-Shih** is a program assistant working on the Center's NOAA-funded Binational Dialogue on Water and Climate in the San Pedro River Basin. Iles-Shih is a native of Tucson and graduate of the UA. He worked in the San Pedro during his undergraduate years, studying ecological physiology and environmental geography, and is excited about returning to the area.

presentations

Location: Bisbee, Arizona

Event: Meeting of the Southeast Arizona Citizens' Forum of the United States Section of the International Boundary and Water Commission (USIBWC)

Date: February 4, 2004

Details: Udall Center Senior Researcher Anne Browning-Aiken spoke on "Creating an Informal Binational Water Basin Alliance." Based on her work with the San Pedro Binational Watershed Alliance, Browning-Aiken's presentation described how stakeholders, including municipal, state, and federal agencies, elected officials, nongovernmental organizations, water companies, ranchers, rural land owners, and the Cananea copper mine are working together to develop a water conservation plan for the Upper San Pedro Basin.

Location: Cairo, Egypt

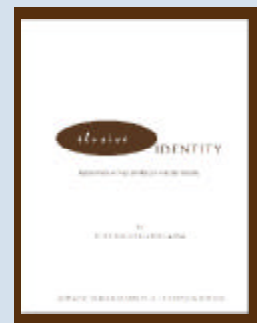
Event: Third Conference of the International Water History Association

Date: December 11-14, 2003

Details: From his sabbatical post in Paris, France, Udall Center Deputy Director Robert Varady traveled to Cairo to present a paper entitled, "Global Water Initiatives: Some preliminary observations on their evolution and significance." Prior to the conference, Varady was elected secretary of the three-year-old association, which is based at Norway's University of Bergen. The next meeting of IWHA will be at UNESCO headquarters in Paris in the fall of 2005. More information about the association is available at <www.iwha.net>.

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RECENTLY RELEASED



Elusive Identity: Lessons from an NGO on Mexico's Northern Border

by Emily M. Brott and Anne Browning-Aiken

Presents the results of a survey of members of the Asociación Regional Ambiental Sonora-Arizona (Sonora-Arizona Regional Environmental Association, or ARASA), a young Mexican environmental grassroots group that has faced substantial threats to its survival and efficacy. The research assesses strategies for strengthening the group and offers potentially useful suggestions for other organizations facing similar issues.

2004 27pp. ISBN 1-931143-24-2 \$5.00

"Moving Borders from the Periphery to the Center: River Basins, Political Boundaries, and Water Management Policy"

(from *Science and Water Resource Issues: Challenges and Opportunities*, edited by R. Lawford, D. Fort, H. Hartmann, and S. Eden. American Geophysical Union Water Resources Monograph 16. Washington, DC: American Geophysical Union, 2003)

by Robert G. Varady and Barbara J. Morehouse

Negotiating science and policy water interests across borders, particularly international ones, is a significant challenge for scientists and policymakers. The authors discuss the background and key institutional forms of these crucial crossborder collaborations, describe complicating factors, and examine current trends.

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The Joint Occasional Papers in Native Affairs (JOPNA)

The Native Nations Institute and the Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development have joined forces to distribute research on Native American policy and economic development. The four JOPNA papers below are presently available, and several additional papers are planned for 2004.

Alaska Native Self-Government and Service Delivery: What Works?

by Stephen Cornell and Joseph P. Kalt

Reviews examples of Native self-governance initiatives underway in Alaska, and examines the applicability to Alaska of research on indigenous self-governance in the lower forty-eight states and Canada.

2003 33pp. JOPNA No. 2003-01
ISBN 0-9743946-0-2

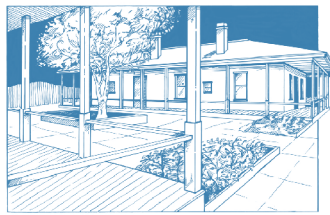
Reloading the Dice: Improving the Chances for Economic Development on American Indian Reservations

by Stephen Cornell and Joseph P. Kalt

(from *What Can Tribes Do?* by Cornell and Kalt, 1992)

Reviews the obstacles that Indian nations face as they pursue their development goals, and suggests ways that newly empowered tribal governments can improve their tribes' chances of achieving self-determined development success.

2003 59pp. JOPNA No. 2003-02
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Sovereignty and Nation-Building: The Development Challenge in Indian Country Today

by Stephen Cornell and Joseph P. Kalt

(from *American Indian Culture and Research Journal* 22 [1998]: 3, 187-214)

The authors review two different approaches to reservation economic development: the "jobs and income" approach and the "nation building" approach.

2003 28pp. JOPNA No. 2003-03
ISBN 0-9743946-2-9

Social and Economic Consequences of Indian Gaming in Oklahoma

by Kenneth W. Grant II, Katherine A. Spilde, and Jonathan B. Taylor

This study of Class II gaming operations in Oklahoma finds that tribal governments are successfully translating revenues and employment opportunities from gaming into positive social investment, offering a striking example of gaming operations accomplishing their principal intent.

2003 32pp. JOPNA No. 2003-04
ISBN 0-9743946-3-7

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