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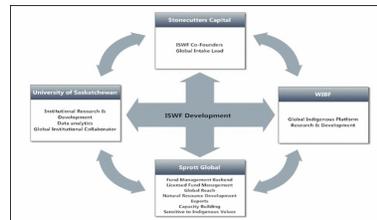
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By Wanda Hunchak,

Indigenous peoples had

vibrant economies based not on wealth as we have come to understand it today, but values that respected our communities and our resources, sometimes known as "natural capital"; the land, water, trees, etc. Our values persist and these values have been identified in recent studies as critical to successfully transitioning generational wealth, a concept and option that Indigenous people are becoming aware of and now planning for.

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First Nations finalize merger with Saskatoon fabricator

(News Talk 650)

A Saskatoon steel fabricator and two Saskatchewan First Nations have joined forces.

Today the Peter Ballantyne (PBCN) Cree Nation, the English River First Nation and JNE Welding finalized merger after more than a year of negotiations.

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Membertou arena, shopping complex construction moves ahead

(CBC News)

The Cape Breton First Nations community of Membertou is expanding its business opportunities with two major projects, one to open this summer and the other in 2018.

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First Native American-run Starbucks opens in New Mexico

(Native Edge)

The newest Starbucks in Albuquerque, N.M. is the first stand-alone Starbucks licensed to a Native American-owned company in the country.



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Skwachàys Lodge: country's first urban aboriginal hotel opens for business (with video)

(The Vancouver Sun)



Guests at Skwachàys Lodge can choose to stay in one of 18 rooms each of which is uniquely designed by team of aboriginal artists and interior designers. Suites all have names such as The Tlingit Hat Suite, Sea Kingdom Suite and the Northern Lights Suite and feature original carvings, paintings, fabric, and furniture.

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Florida, Seminole tribe reach sweeping gambling deal; Gov. Scott says it's worth \$3 billion

(Aboriginal Business Magazine)



The Seminole tribe have reached a sweeping new gambling deal that will bring billions to the state while allowing an expansion of gambling in South Florida.

Scott announced Monday that he had signed the new agreement. He says it would generate \$3 billion for the state over a seven-year period starting in 2017. It must be ratified by the Florida Legislature. Lawmakers start their annual session in January.

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Kahkewistahaw First Nation announces Community Improvement Fee (EFN)

(Eagle Feather News)

Consumers on the Kahkewistahaw First Nation will now be contributing to the improvement of the community with every purchase they make thanks to the implementation of the Kahkewistahaw Community Improvement Fee (KCIF).



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World Indigenous Business Forum to have youth component (EFN)

The World Indigenous Business Forum slated for Saskatoon in the third week of August will have a strong youth component to it. One would think a forum of this sort would not be the best or most interesting event for young people, but the organizers and a couple of lucky youth from Saskatoon say otherwise.

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First Nations Economic Development Readiness Questionnaire

(Ontario Ministry of Economic Development and Innovation)

The First Nations Economic Development Readiness Questionnaire is a series of questions that can be used by a First Nations community to help determine its capacity for economic development. The Questionnaire was developed after many First Nations communities asked for help in developing a tool for assessing a community's strengths, weaknesses and economic growth opportunities, and for determining its readiness to capitalize on these opportunities

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February 2, 2016

18th Annual Toronto Gala

Toronto, ONT

www.ccab.com

February 8, 2016

Career Expo

Saskatoon, SK

www.thefutureisyours.ca

April 19-21, 2016

4th Annual National Conference - Canadian Aboriginal Human Resource Management

Association (CAHRMA)

Saskatoon, SK

<http://www.cahrma.ca/resources/save-the-date/>

June 1 & 2, 2016

Creating Intersections for Growth

Swift Current, SK

www.seda.ca

August 23 - 25, 2016

World Indigenous Business Forum

Saskatoon, SK

www.wibf.ca

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