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**Update for September 4, 2015 Nevada Indian Commission Board Meeting**  
**Submitted by: Chris Ann Gibbons, Secretary/Treasurer, Nevada's Indian Territory**

- On May 20, 2015 Michon R. Eben from the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony was elected as the new Indian Territory Vice-Chairperson.
- The 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Nevada Tribal Tourism Conference will be held in Ely, Nevada. Additional information including the conference dates and theme will be available soon.
- The Territory has received a Nevada Commission on Tourism grant in the amount of \$5,000.00 for members to attend the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual American Indian Tourism Conference (AITC). This year the Conference will be held September 13-17, 2015 at the Sky Ute Casino Resort in Ignacio, Colorado. The Conference is a great networking tool and includes mobile workshops that showcase tribal lands. Also, Scott Carey from Travel Nevada has been invited to speak at the AITC on how tribe can better connect with their state destination management organization.
- The Territory is currently working on updating its Flickr page and will add select photos from the Indian Territory photo project on the page.
- Territory members will be attending the Governor's Global Tourism Summit (formerly known as the Governor's Conference on Tourism). The Summit will be held November 16-17, 2015 at the Hilton Lake Las Vegas.
- The Territory is working with the Carson City Visitors Bureau to revise existing American Indian content on the Visit Carson City Website.
- The Territory is also working on a one page (front and back) profile sheet that will include colorful photos and information on Nevada's Indian Territory. The profile sheet will be shared both domestic and internationally at meetings and tradeshows.
- Grant requests for the FY16 2nd Cycle Nevada Division of Tourism Marketing Grant program is open and the Territory will be submitting applications by the September 25, 2015 deadline.
- TravelNevada, along with the Territory, has recently released two official self-guided itineraries that focus on tribal tourism. This is the Territory's first attempt to organize itineraries for travelers coming into the state and includes cultural information, drive times and suggested lodging for both Northern and Southern Nevada. See attached itineraries for additional information.