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**Update for November 20, 2017 Nevada Indian Commission Board Meeting
Submitted by: Sari Nichols, Secretary, Nevada's Indian Territory and
Chris Ann Gibbons, Treasurer, Nevada's Indian Territory**

- At the October 18, 2017 Indian Territory Meeting, Sari Nichols was elected as the new Secretary for the Territory. Chris Ann Gibbons will remain the Treasurer for the Territory.
 - The Territory has applied for the following FY 18, 2nd Cycle Nevada Commission on Tourism (NCOT) Marketing Grants: Indian Territory Website Maintenance \$4,800; Indian Territory Promotional Items \$4,500; Stewart Father's Day Powwow \$2,500; Nevada Tribal Tourism Conference \$7,200.
 - Territory members attended the 19th Annual American Indian Tourism Conference (AITC) in Green Bay, Wisconsin September 11-14, 2017. This year's Conference was hosted by the Oneida Nation of Wisconsin and at the AITC attendees learned about tourism assessment and development, new technologies and strategies for marketing, protecting intellectual and cultural property and how to work with state and federal agencies. Bobbi Rahder from the Nevada Indian Commission's Stewart Indian School Cultural Center presented alongside a representative from the Carlisle Indian School at a session entitled "The Indian Board School Experience – Hidden but not Forgotten" about their prospective projects. Also, optional mobile workshops at this year's conference included tours of the Lambeau Field Stadium and the Oneida, Stockbridge Munsee and Menominee reservations. Lastly, the Stewart Father's Day Powwow was awarded the Best Cultural Heritage Experience for 2017-2018 by the American Indian Alaska Native Tourism Association during an evening reception.
 - The Territory is working on the following projects:
 - A. Indian Territory website enhancements
 - B. Revision of Territory Flickr page
 - C. Plan a 1-day photo event at the Stewart Indian School
 - D. Develop an exhibit relocation and expansion at the Reno-Tahoe International Airport
 - E. Professional development for native artists
 - The 10th Annual Nevada Tribal Tourism Conference is scheduled for April 23-25, 2018 in Lake Tahoe. At the last Territory meeting, members discussed possible conference themes, venues, speakers and topics.
 - The next Indian Territory meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 15, 2017 from 10am-12pm at the Nevada Indian Commission.
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