

From the Devils Lake Water Improvement District
The YSI EXO2 Multiparameter Sonde has greatly enhanced our ability to monitor the health of Devils Lake. The Sonde supports seven sensors including an anti-fouling wiper for long-term deployments. DLWID currently operates six sensors that measure the following: dissolved oxygen, depth, turbidity, total algae (Phycocyanin), nitrates, temperature, conductivity, and pH. Weekly E. coli tests are now accompanied by data logging of 9 locations around the lake. The Sonde internally stores the data as the locations are logged. The data is then used to compile record of the lake's health. This information will prove beneficial as the record develops and patterns can be determined- especially those resulting in Harmful Algal Blooms (Cyanobacteria) in the late summer.



The Sonde immediately proved useful, as we were able to confirm that the impacted nutrients on the bottom of the lake have produced a eutrophic dead zone- an area with 0% dissolved oxygen. This eutrophic zone will be addressed by the aeration-oxidation technology that is currently being tested at a few locations around the lake.



Photo by Diane Rodriguez

The Siletz Tribal Charitable Contribution Fund awarded a \$2,700 grant to the Devils Lake Water Improvement District in May for a SI Exo 2 handheld unit and case for the district's water quality sampling program. In the photo above, district intern Whitney Rich and lake manager Josh Brainerd demonstrate how the equipment is used out on Devils Lake. The equipment gathers and stores multiple pieces of data all in one unit.

Rumble: The Indians Who Rocked the World

The documentary *Rumble: The Indians Who Rocked the World* opened in a multitude of U.S. cities in late August. The movie includes the band Redbone, for which Siletz Tribal member Peter DePoe was the drummer in the late 1960s and early 1970s.

Rumble received the world cinema documentary special jury award for masterful storytelling at the Sundance Film Festival. For more information about the movie and screenings at a city near you, visit rumblethemovie.com.

Changes in how we mail Siletz News

The Siletz Tribe now mails one copy of *Siletz News* to each physical address instead of one copy to each Tribal member age 18 and older.

If you find that you need more than one copy in your household, please email your name and address to pias@ctsi.nsn.us and you will start receiving a second copy.

Thank you!

NAJA selects Giago as NAJA-Medill Milestone Achievement Award recipient

NORMAN, Okla. – The Native American Journalists Association (NAJA) has selected Tim Giago as the recipient of the 2017 NAJA-Medill Milestone Achievement Award.

Giago was nominated by the NAJA-Medill selection committee for his lifetime of service to journalism and many years of dedication to NAJA as a founder of the organization. He is a lifetime member and the first president of the original Native American Press Association.

Dr. Patty Loew will present the award on behalf of the Medill School of Journalism at the NAJA Membership Luncheon and Business Meeting on Sept. 8 in Anaheim, Calif. Giago will be the keynote speaker for the event.

Loew cited Giago's leadership as one of the reasons she joined the organization as a member.

"Initially, he founded the Native American Press Association but broadened that to include Native broadcast reporters—and the more inclusive Native American Journalists Association was born. So, I suppose you could say that he predicted media convergence 30 years before it actually happened," said Loew. "Since the founding of NAJA, Tim's fearlessness has only increased. He has never wavered from his reporting on Native sov-

ereignty, treaty rights and environmental destruction, and serves as a model for all of us in Native media."

Giago was the founder of the weekly *Lakota Times* in 1981. The paper was re-named *Indian Country Today* in 1992. He served as editor and publisher for 18 years, building it into the largest independent Indian newspaper in America before selling the paper in 1998.

He started the *Lakota Journal* in 2000 and served as its editor and publisher until his retirement in July 2004.

He worked with journalism Professor Bill Dulaney of Penn State to raise the money to hold the first meeting of Indian journalists at Penn State and was elected as the first president of the association when it was formally assembled at the Choctaw Nation in 1984.

NAJA celebrated its 30th anniversary in 2014.

Giago was inducted into the South Dakota Hall of Fame in 1994. He also became the first American Indian to be inducted into the South Dakota Newspaper Hall of Fame on Nov. 10, 2007.

Giago is currently the publisher of *Native Sun News*, the largest weekly newspaper in South Dakota.

A \$5,000 cash prize is provided as part of the award, which is presented in



Courtesy photo

Tim Giago

partnership with the Medill School of Journalism, Media, Integrated Marketing Communications at Northwestern University located in Evanston, Ill.

All NAJA award events are produced in coordination with the Excellence in

Journalism (EU17) conference in Anaheim, Calif., set for Sept. 7-10.

Luncheon tickets are free for NAJA members attending EU17 and \$50 for non-members. They can be reserved or purchased online at <https://www.spj.org/c-register.asp>.