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## ***Community News and Opportunities for Action,***

*reporting on events and issues of peace, justice, and sustainability affecting us and future generations in Alaska, broadcasting on **Sundays, 8am & 6pm** on KWRK-LP 90.9 FM Radio in Fairbanks, Alaska.*

**WEEK of MARCH 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

*Be ready for opportunities to participate!*

Day, Date	Time	Event Description, Contact information	Where?
<b>All Month</b>		<b>Women's History Month:</b> The 2018 Theme is " <a href="#">Nevertheless, She Persisted: Honoring Women Who Fight All Forms of Discrimination Against Women.</a> " Follow this link for information and ways to <b><u>CELEBRATE WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH</u></b>	
		<b><u><i>This Week Opportunities for Action</i></u></b>	
		(Some) Issues of Peace, Justice, and Sustainability to be brought up	
		<b>This week in the Alaska Legislature:</b>	
<b>--Monday</b>		--HB 319 RENEW MARIJUANA LIC:BACKGROUND CHECKS -- HB 355 FIRE;FOREST LAND; CRIMES;FIRE PREVENTION -- BUDGETS -- HB 277 BROADBAND INTERNET: NEUTRALITY/REGULAT -- Public Testimony --	<i>Contact your Legislative Infor- mation Office (<b>LIO</b>) to have them send <b>Public Opinion Messages</b> for you. In Fbks: <b>452-4448</b></i> ----- <a href="http://www.360north.org/">www.360north.org/</a> <i>dedicated to Alaska programming, information about Alaska &amp; content of interest to Alaskans</i> <b><u>Watch Live ·</u></b> <b><u>Gavel Alaska</u></b> <b>· <u>Schedule · Alaska</u></b> <b><u>Supreme Court</u></b> <i>During the legislative session, live Gavel Alaska typically airs 8am -7pm weekdays. Recorded coverage airs overnight from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. Coverage may be extended after hours &amp; weekends as needed.</i> <a href="http://www.360north.org/watch/">www.360north.org/watch/</a> ----- <b>Gavel Alaska on TV</b> <b>8am-7pm Mon - Fri</b> <i>throughout the legislative session on KUAC 9.2.</i> -----
<b>--Tues</b>		-- <b><u>HJR 33</u></b> DEVELOP ARCTIC INFRASTRUCTURE & DEFENSE “Urging the Alaska delegation in Congress to pursue establishment of an Arctic naval station; supporting the increase in defensive capabilities in the Arctic region; and encouraging the development of critical Arctic infrastructure.” -- Public Testimony <Time Limit May Be Set> -- -- HB 351 JUVENILES: JUSTICE,FACILITES,TREATMENT -- Testimony <Invitation Only> -- += HB 290 CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION: MEMBERSHIP += HB 268 OPIOID PRESCRIPTION INFORMATION -- HB 360 STATE INTERNET PROCUREMENT += HB 310 MARRIAGE AND MINIMUM AGE FOR MARRIAGE -- Public Testimony --	
<b>--Wed</b>		-- Office of Children's Services, Juvenile Justice -Testimony <Invitation Only>- -- HB 219 CRIM HIST CHECK: ST EMPLOYEES/CONTRACTORS -- Public Testimony -- -- SB 124 ABORTION PROCEDURES; CHILD SURRENDER (also Friday) -- Confirmation Hearings: Commissioners, Boards -- SJR 13 URGING CO-MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR SEA OTTERS -- Public Testimony --	
<b>--Thurs</b>		-- SB 158 OIL/HAZARDOUS SUB.:CLEANUP/REIMBURSEMENT -- HB 351 JUVENILES: JUSTICE,FACILITES,TREATMENT -- Public Testimony -- -- HB 71 NO ST. EMPLOYEE PAY INCREASE FOR 2 YRS += HB 184 DISCRIMINATION: GENDER ID.;SEXUAL ORIENT. -- SB 186 VOTER REGISTRATION & PFD APP REGISTRATION -- Public Testimony --	
<b>--Fri</b>		-- Pioneer Homes, Seniors & Disabilities Service--Testimony <Invitation Only> -- HB 27 HIGH-RISK CHEMICALS FOR CHILD EXPOSURE-- Testimony -- -- HB 264 SHOPPING BAG FEES & RECYCLING-- Public Testimony <b><u>See more of the legislative schedule and bill links here.</u></b>	

<b>Day &amp; Date</b> to be determined by events	on short notice	<p><b>“Nobody is Above the Law Rapid Response - Fairbanks</b> - This is an event planned as a rapid-response protest in the event that Donald Trump fires Special Counsel Robert Mueller or acts in other ways to seriously threaten the Trump-Russia investigation. Please note that the listed date is a placeholder and will be updated to be within 24 hours of the firing, should it occur. RSVP to let the event host know that they can count on you to attend the event. Once you sign up, make sure to invite friends to join you at the event! In the event that Trump directs the firing of Mueller, we will hold a rally at the corner of Airport...<a href="#">see more</a> [and] <a href="#">RSVP to attend this event</a>. <i>Note: If you choose to attend an event, you agree to engage in nonviolent, peaceful action, to act lawfully, and to strive to de-escalate any potential confrontations with those who may disagree with our values.</i>” from links at <a href="http://paceebene.org">paceebene.org</a> .</p>	Corner of Airport Way and Cowles (next to Noel Wien library)
<b>Tuesday</b> March 6	3-4pm	Fbks Climate Action Coalition (FCAC) Renewable Energy Working Group mtg.	CCHRC
<b>Wednesday</b> March 7	11:30 am Alaska time	<p><b>Women Waging Peace Outstanding webinar</b> featuring two of the United States' most effective peace leaders: I'll be speaking with Christine Ahn, founder and international coordinator of Women Cross DMZ, and Medea Benjamin, co-founder of CODEPINK. We're marking International Women's Day one day early to hear about the indispensable role of women in achieving peace in Korea and around the world. You won't want to miss it!</p> <p><a href="#">Click here</a> or on the image above to register for the webinar. It's free to attend and open to all. See you online! Sarah Witmer, Director of Development, Nuclear Age Peace Foundation</p>	<b>webinar</b>
	6:30 pm	<b>FCAC Policy &amp; Politics mtg.</b> Contact <a href="mailto:monak81@gmail.com">monak81@gmail.com</a> .	Laborers Local 942, 2740 Davis Rd.
<b>Thursday</b> March 8	5:30- 7:30pm	<p><b>International Women's Day:</b> “Join us on International Women's Day for an evening of sharing food and digging deep into the roots of feminism and some of the surrounding current dialogues happening nationally and locally. There is so much talk about feminism, from the Women’s March, the <a href="#">#MeToo</a> movement and <a href="#">#TimesUp</a>, and in our current dialogue about women’s rights and gender justice, it is important for us to recognize that there is a long and global history of women's resistance. We recognize that immigrant rights are women’s rights, racial justice is a feminist issue, workers’ rights are women’s rights, trans liberation is key to women’s liberation, and climate justice is a feminist issue. Join us in a presentation and a dialogue on the many forms of feminism. Fairbanks local groups Native Movement Alaska, Fairbanks Climate Action Coalition, Planned Parenthood, Hrri Scouts in partnership with the national Grassroots Global Justice Alliance.</p> <p>5:30-6pm Potluck and networking (food throughout the event) 6-6:30pm Grassroots Global Justice presentation 6:30-7pm Local panel discussion 7-7:30pm Group dialogue</p> <p>Childcare will be provided!”</p>	<p>Unitarian Universalist Church, 4448 Pikes Landing Rd, Fbks</p> <p><a href="https://www.facebook.com/events/344788406018152/">https://www.facebook.com/events/344788406018152/</a></p>
	7 pm	<p><b>Public Hearing at Fairbanks North Star Borough (FNSB) Assembly Regular Mtg - - ORDINANCE NO. 2018-08. Amending FNSBC Title 5 Regarding Elections.</b> - new: “Service is to begin on the first Monday following certification of the election...” and language dealing with near-ties. Ordinances To Be Introduced &amp; Advanced To Public Hearing: NO. 2018-10 - <b>Amending ...Rules For Public Testimony.</b>, replacing the requirement to state one’s address with “if they live inside or outside the borough,” due to discomfort of some over giving their address over broadcast radio.</p>	<p>Borough Assembly Chambers, 907 Terminal Street *****</p> <p>Agenda &amp; more information: <a href="http://www.co.fairbanks.ak.us/assembly/Pages/Assembly-Meeting-Documents.aspx">www.co.fairbanks.ak.us/assembly/Pages/Assembly-Meeting-Documents.aspx</a></p>
<b>Friday</b> March 9	until 3/9	<b>ACTION ALERT:</b> Trump Administration announces " <a href="#">National Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Program</a> ." Public commenting period.	Comments can be <a href="#">submitted online here</a> .
<b>Saturday</b> March 10	10am- 4pm	<b>Multicultural Workshop</b> “Join ... Rev. Jonipher Kupon-Kwong in exploring culture defined broadly by increasing both our intercultural competency and cultural humility. Lunch will be provided. All are welcome! It is a presentation UU minister geared towards congregations	Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Fairbanks

		but the information can be used by many different groups seeking to be more inclusive. Please Register ahead of time via <a href="mailto:admin@uuff.org">admin@uuff.org</a> or call 907-451-8838.”	
		<b><u>After This Week</u></b>	
Tues, 3/13		Monthly IWW Fairbanks Mtg; City Diversity Council Mtg	
Wed, 3/14		“ <b>March 14th: National School Walkout</b> , hosted by the Women's March Youth. Students, educators and individuals across the nation will walk out for 17 minutes of protest. You can find an event near you or plan your own <a href="#">here</a> .	<i>Concert Across America Team <a href="mailto:remembersept24@gmail.com">remembersept24@gmail.com</a> 2/10</i>
		<i>from Veterans For Peace:</i> “The Coalition Against U.S. Foreign Military Bases has issued a <b>call for emergency vigils in Support of Okinawa Anti-Bases Activists</b> with their upcoming court dates on March 14th.” <i><a href="#">Read more about the Okinawa anti-bases activists, Hiroji Yamashiro, and his co-defendants, Hiroshi Inaba and Atsuhiko Soeda.</a> <a href="#">Sign the petition in support</a>”</i>	
Wed, 3/21	7pm	“ <b>March 21: Northern Voices Speaker Series: Fairbanks Climate Action Coalition.</b> 7pm, Noel Wien Public Library. Get to know the Fairbanks Climate Action Coalition, a local organization which "mobilizes Fairbanks & Interior Alaska communities toward action to mitigate and adapt to climate change." Learn from the different working groups, and find out how to get involved in a way that best fits your skills and interests.”	Noel Wien Library
Thurs, 3/22		World Water Day	
Sat, 3/24	10am	“ <b>Decolonize Your Mind: Untangle History - Building Liberation</b> Save the date for a Native Movement/FCAC training focused on decolonization, details to follow!! In the mean time, this is how we define decolonization: the conscious -- intelligent, calculated, & active – unlearning & resistance to the forces of colonization that perpetuate the subjugation and exploitation of minds, bodies, & lands. And it is engaged for the ultimate purpose of overturning the colonial structure & realizing Indigenous liberation. Training with Native Movement <a href="http://www.nativemovement.org/">http://www.nativemovement.org/</a> ”	
		“ <b>Protect Kids Not Guns ... MARCH FOR OUR LIVES:</b> On March 24, the kids and families of March For Our Lives will take to the streets of Washington DC to demand that their lives and safety become a priority and that we end gun violence and mass shootings in our schools today. March with us in Washington DC or march in your own community. On March 24, the collective voices of the March For Our Lives movement will be heard.”	from <a href="http://www.marchforourlives.com/">www.marchforourlives.com/</a> You can learn more about the march or work to plan a local coinciding event <a href="#">here</a> .
Fri, 4/20		“National Day of Action Against Gun Violence in Schools, hosted by the National Education Association. You can learn more about the event and sign up <a href="#">here</a> .”	
Open through Sept. 2018	Mon- Sat 9am - 5pm through May 31	<b>Decolonizing Alaska</b> is a multimedia visual art exhibit featuring contemporary artists exploring and responding to Alaska’s history of colonization. A collaboration of more than 30 diverse Alaska artists, both Native and non-Native, the exhibit introduces new ideas around Alaska culture. Artists move beyond stereotypical ideas to inspire conversation around self-definition and express ideas about identity separate from those that permeate popular culture. <a href="#">Learn more about the exhibit</a>	University of Alaska Museum of the North Special Exhibits Gallery 1962 Yukon Dr. Fbks Admission \$0, \$5, \$8, or \$14
April 30th and May 1st		<i>from Fairbanks Housing &amp; Homeless Coalition <a href="mailto:fairbankshomeless@gmail.com">fairbankshomeless@gmail.com</a></i> “A 2-day training on Individual Placement & Support (IPS), the evidence-based supported employment model. Trainer: Sandy Reese from The IPS Employment Center <a href="http://ipsworks.org">ipsworks.org</a> .”	Anchorage

### Good News category:

*In the interest of networking: [www.AlaskaGrassroots.net](http://www.AlaskaGrassroots.net) - Alaska Grassroots Alliance is a community organization dedicated to strengthening the leadership of Alaskans to win public policies that improve our lives. We are here to inspire, motivate and bring our autonomous groups under one collective source for better communications for our sanity! Also [www.facebook.com/AlaskaGrassrootsAlliance/](https://www.facebook.com/AlaskaGrassrootsAlliance/).*

## Ongoing Campaigns, Recent Past Events, and/or Issues not specific to Alaska

### Peace

from *Veterans For Peace* 3/1: **“Tell Congress: Stop Fueling War in Yemen.** Yemen is facing a massive humanitarian catastrophe...American aid is crucial to the Saudi war effort; removing our assistance would limit Saudi attacks - maybe even push them to the negotiating table.

**Email your lawmakers now & tell them to support the War Powers Resolution to end US support for the Saudi-led war in Yemen.**

See this great [Fact Sheet from Indivisible](#).

P.S. From *About Face: Veterans Against the War*: "Veterans are sharing videos statements telling congress **#YemenCantWait**"- please share and use to the hashtag to raise awareness and build public pressure."

-- bipartisan ad-hoc hearing on the **Authorization for Use of Military Force (AUMF)** on 2-27-18. VFP Executive Director Michael McPhearson [testified at the hearing](#). From the Caucus: **"The 2001 AUMF opened the door for any president to wage endless war without further Congressional debate or authorization,** and it has been used to authorize military actions far outside the scope of what Congress envisioned when it originally passed. In 2016, the Congressional Research Service issued a report showing that, since its enactment, **this authorization has been cited as the statutory authority for military or related actions at least 37 times in 14 countries.** ...the overly broad and outdated AUMF represents a critical deterioration of Congressional oversight. While our brave servicemen and women are deployed around the world in combat zones, Congress is missing in action when it comes to its Constitutional duty. It is past time for Congress to do its job." [Let our Congressional Delegation know your convictions on this.](#)

Check out this article ["The Vital Congressional Hearing on the Endless War That Probably Nobody Watched"](#) & from [Human Rights First @humanrights1st](#) **"#VoteOnWar.** Waging forever wars with no exit strategy is dangerous for our troops & bad for our nation— [@RepBarbaraLee](#) ”

-- “The **Veterans For Peace tour of Viet Nam**, hosted for the seventh consecutive year by members of Hoa Binh Chapter 160 of VFP in Viet Nam, kicks off March 4th when the delegation of 39 veterans [including North Star VFP & APC member Alan Batten], spouses, friends arrives in Ha Noi... over the 2-1/2 weeks of the tour the group will travel through all of Viet Nam, visiting tourist and

### Justice

“... more companies...ended discount programs with the National Rifle Association, as U.S. corporations take a closer look at investments, co-branding deals and other ties to the gun industry after the latest school massacre. Petitions are circulating online targeting companies that offer discounts to NRA members on its website. **#BoycottNRA** has trended on Twitter...” Read the article at [newsminer.com](#) 2-25-18, and, “Why won’t proliferators act against our deadly gun culture?”

Also from [newsminer.com](#) 2-25-18:

**“To the editor:** Voice of the Arctic Iñupiat (VOICE) is disappointed by the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ruling Feb. 12 to approve **threatened-species status for the bearded seal** – a decision that will significantly impact Iñupiat subsistence rights and food security. The Iñupiat have a high regard for sound sciences that protect our resources, but we believe sound science was not used by the 9th Circuit and therefore strongly disagree with its ruling...

Our goal at VOICE has been to work to protect our subsistence rights, our environment, our cultural & the economic sustainability of our communities. Our members have a long history of working to manage seal resources through the Ice Seal Committee that monitors seal populations in our region...

We urge the federal government to mandate that Alaska Native peoples not be disproportionately impacted by this ruling by guaranteeing that our right to harvest bearded seals will be protected and our harvest limits maintained.

**Sayers Tuzrolyuk Sr., POINT HOPE”**

also from *Fairbanks Daily News-Miner*:

---2/26: “UAF opens...**all-gender bathroom**”

---2/27: “An ordinance creating **marijuana regulations** in the city of Fbks was postponed until May 7 at Monday’s city council mtg...” & ---“U.S. Sen. Dan Sullivan said **violence in video games and movies** should be discussed as part of a larger debate on gun violence and suggested Monday that states should decide whether school teachers should be armed...”

---2/28: “**Fbks educators say ‘no’ to guns**... Assemblyman Roberts proposed the idea...”

---3/1: “The House Judiciary Committee on Wednesday discussed a **bill** that would allow state law enforcement to **temporarily take guns** from people deemed to be a danger to themselves or to others...House Bill 75...”

---3/2: “**Fred Meyer**...announced Thursday they **no longer will sell firearms or ammunition to people younger than 21** and

### Sustainability

*Northern Alaska Environmental Center:*

**“Speaking up for Alaska's fish & food.**

In his contribution to the powerful Salmon Life series, ["Here on the Rocks,"](#) Western Alaska-based writer Seth Kantner recounts his life of fishing in the Kobuk River: what he's learned, what's changed, what change lurks... One of those impending changes... is the proposed Ambler Road... Kantner's final lines leave us with a thought-provoking call to action: ‘We—none of us—have even begun the real work of doing right for these beautiful creatures, and for ourselves.’

That real work takes many different forms, but one current effort is HB199, the legislative version of the ballot measure [to create] clear rules on how to build around salmon habitat... the Alaska Center is asking young Alaskans to [sign on to this letter](#) to show their support as well - please share with young friends and family!

A bit of good fish-related news: [HB 272](#), a bill introduced by Rep. Andy Josephson to create a Tangle Lakes State Game Refuge passed the House Fisheries Committee! Thanks to those who contacted your representative to show your support - keep it up!

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from *Interior Gas Utility board member*

*Patrice Lee* : “ We need to use the money set aside in House Bill 105 for the project in the most economic way that meets our community’s goals. We need to use common sense to help as many people as possible lower their energy costs and breathe clean air... Your IGU Board is committed to obtaining affordable gas, avoiding more debt, bringing gas to commercial and residential customers quickly and doing so reliably. At this time, AIDEA has tied our hands and is not permitting IGU to explore other opportunities. The IGU Board presently has before it opportunities that should be heard, deserve to be vetted and could be approved if the IGU Board determines it is the better deal.” Read the entire Community Perspective at [newsminer.com](#) 2/28/18. Contacts: [patricelee](#), or [info@interiorgas.com](#)

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from *Climate and Arctic Policy Office of the Governor, State of Alaska*

**Governor’s Climate Change Webpage - [climatechange.gov.alaska.gov.](#)**

**& [Institute of the North;](#) Leadership Team; Agency Highlights**



cultural attractions, old battle sites, activities and **projects that reduce the impact of war legacies including Agent Orange and residual UXO** [unexploded ordnance]... VFP delegations have donated some \$100,000 to such projects. This year participants will contribute at least \$1,000 each, and at the end of the tour the group will vote on how the money will be distributed. **Additional donations are much appreciated...** You may send your tax-deductible check to VFP Chapter 69 c/o Denny Riley, 5519 Plumas, Richmond, CA 94804. Be sure to put Vietnam Tour in the memo line. Chapter 69 will wire the collected funds to Chapter 160. At the end of the trip we will inform you of how the money was distributed.

-- "Earlier this month, **Facebook** began introducing **changes that will make it harder for you to see Veterans For Peace** and all the great anti-war news we share! On the bright side, it's easy to get us back: -Go to [our Facebook page](#)

- Make sure to like us...
- Click the "Follow" button and choose "See First" from the dropdown menu.

P.S. Make sure to take this action with every page you want to continue seeing news for!

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from <http://noforeignbases.org/>: "CALL TO ACTION! Please sign in Support of Okinawa Anti-Bases Activists. Their court date is March 14 and we need to show our support for them urgently! (scroll down to the petition on the right sidebar.)"

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"2018 is the **60th anniversary of the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament.**" Find out more at <http://cnduk.org/>.

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from saveourskiesvt.org: "The lifetime cost of the F-35 is over 1.4 TRILLION dollars – and rising. The price per plane has doubled since 2001. read more.... **March 6th Burlington (Vermont) Ballot Item #6: Town Mtg Resolution to Cancel Basing of F-35 at the Airport.**" See numerous related links and Supporting Facts at [saveourskiesvt.org/burlington-f-35-ballot-item/](http://saveourskiesvt.org/burlington-f-35-ballot-item/).

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from info@airwars.org on 2/23/18: "... **Overall, Aug 2014 - Jan 2018 between 17,166 and 25,483 civilian non-combatant fatalities had been locally alleged from 2,458 separate reported Coalition incidents, in both Iraq and Syria.** Of these, Airwars presently estimates

will terminate a program allowing Alaskans to special order assault-style rifles..."

---3/3: "... **Key Campaign... 31st annual rally,** [was] held statewide to bring attention to **people with disabilities & to encourage policymakers to fund programs** that offer them support. The coalition aims to improve home- and community-based services for disabled people by reducing waiting lists..."

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Endangering unions?

from [www.blackagendareport.com](http://www.blackagendareport.com): "Back in 1857 the US Supreme Court, in response to the lawsuit of one Dred Scott, a slave suing for his freedom, ruled that nobody of African descent had any legal right under the US Constitution that any white man was bound to respect. It was a bright line that was only resolved, insofar as it was, by the Civil War. In the next few weeks the **US Supreme Court is expected to hand down what amounts to a 21st century Dred Scott decision.** The case is [National Labor Relations Board vs Murphy Oil USA](#). The universally expected ruling of the court will be that no workers on any job possess any legal right whatsoever to collude or combine against their employers for any purpose, period exclamation point. There are details and fine points..., but that's the gist of it." If you didn't already hear the report on KWRK-LP, [you can hear it here](#).

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from [<glenn@peacecorpsconnect.org>](mailto:glenn@peacecorpsconnect.org) via mr: "March 1st, nearly 200 supporters of the **Peace Corps** are holding dozens of meetings with congressional leaders, as we kick off our 14th **National Days of Action.** [Please] back up our advocates!

- Review, personalize and send messages to your lawmakers supporting strong [Peace Corps funding](#) and important Peace Corps [health/safety legislation](#).
- Or, use our automated [phone calling](#) system to send your message... Together, we can ensure the future of the Peace Corps!"

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from [info@popularresistance.org](mailto:info@popularresistance.org): "failure to treat the Internet as a common carrier violates legal principles going back before the founding of the United States. The ideas that the mail was a common carrier or that public transit treated everyone equally are the root concepts for net neutrality. We need to continue to build power to ensure Internet access is seen as a human right and a tool of free speech with equal access for all.... **Repeal the FCC Anti-Net Neutrality Order In Congress... put elected officials on record** for their

January 8, the DHSS Section of Epidemiology released the "Assessment of the Potential Health Impacts of Climate Change in Alaska", which outlines how the health of Alaskans could be affected by climate change. The report highlights physical and mental health challenges that Alaskans are currently experiencing, ...those ... expected in the future due to warming temperatures & changing weather patterns related to climate change, ... specific adaptation strategies, ... support for community mental health programs & developing community response plans for wildfires: [www.epi.alaska.gov/bulletins/docs/r2018\\_01.pdf](http://www.epi.alaska.gov/bulletins/docs/r2018_01.pdf). & DEC updated Alaska Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory Report: <http://dec.alaska.gov/air/anpms/projects-reports/greenhouse-gas-inventory>. If you would like to be added to the distribution list, please notify Danielle Meeker at [Danielle.meeker@alaska.gov](mailto:Danielle.meeker@alaska.gov). Input may be submitted through the public comment form at <https://institutenorth.org/engage/project-portfolio/public-input/> or mailed to the Institute of the North at 715 L Street, Suite 300, Anchorage, Alaska 99501."

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**Help end slavery! Urge the U.S. Senate to Bring SOAR to the Floor.** Ask your U.S. Senator to support the Stop, Observe, Ask, and Respond (SOAR) to Health and Wellness Act of 2018. [Take Action Here](#)

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**20,000 WV Teachers on strike**  
Read about it at [The New Republic](#). and, from [info@dsausa.org](mailto:info@dsausa.org): "**Now the West Virginia teachers need your support.**  
Three things you can do right now:  
--[C]all into radio shows...  
'Why isn't there more media coverage?'...  
-- **Post on social media...** □ Use hashtags #55Strong #Solidarity #WVTeachersStrike □ On Facebook? Add the yellow [I Support WV Teachers filter to your profile pic](#). □ Here are a few links:

- [The West Virginia Teacher's Strike Takes Aim at Coal and Gas](#)
- [Students Organize Rally, March, for Teachers, Employees](#)
- [West Virginia Teachers Are Now Out on Strike. The Labor Movement Should Follow Their Lead](#)
- -- [Donate to support the strikers.](#)

Let's make sure West Virginia workers know we have their backs!  
Maria Svart, DSA National Director  
PS: The West Virginia strike is inspiring teachers across the country to stand up for better conditions in schools. Are you a K-12

that a minimum of 6,136 to 9,315 civilians are likely to have died in Coalition actions. The Coalition itself has so far conceded at least 841 deaths from 211 events...”

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from [paceebene.org](http://paceebene.org): “Since December 14, 2012, when 20 children and six adults were shot and killed at the Sandy Hook Elementary School in Connecticut, the vast majority of Americans have been calling for gun control..., at least 1,813 more people in the US have been killed and 6,434 wounded in no less than 1,601 mass shootings to date. Continue reading [here](#).

positions so they can be held accountable.... Net neutrality proponents have been organizing for a Resolution of Disapproval. There are already enough co-sponsors to ensure a vote in the Senate, but we are one vote away from victory. There are several possible, e.g.... **Sen. Lisa Murkowski (AK)**, ...who might join in opposing the FCC rule.... A majority of House members are needed...

“And there is **activity at the community level**. A new map from Community Networks shows that more communities than ever are building their own broadband networks to end big telecom’s monopoly...

“We need to build an Internet for the 21st Century... create a public broadband system that serves people, not corporate profits. Join Protect Our Internet - take action today at Battle for the Net.”

teacher? [Sign up for the National DSA Teacher Network here.](#)”

## Spotlight

**Become a member of US Peace Memorial Foundation** at <http://uspeacememorial.org/>

“Most monuments in our nation's capital commemorate war. While soldiers are told that it is honorable to fight and die for their country, peace activists are often labeled “un-American,” “antimilitary,” and “unpatriotic.” This mentality has resulted in a country that recognizes contributions to war and the sacrifices of the military, but does not honor those who make valiant efforts to maintain global peace.” We (Alaska Peace Center and a political group) have brought 4 Peace Prize Recipients to Fairbanks.

*Songs that increase our understanding of issues of peace, justice, and sustainability  
played with today’s newscast:*

*--Joe Hill, sung by Paul Robeson*

*-- Ballad for Americans, with soloist Paul Robeson*

*-- Movin’ It On, by Odetta (Gordon), from her “Odetta Sings” album*

*-- Odetta singing Give A Damn, by Bob Dorough & Stuart Scharf*

*--Cochise & Peace Pilgrim quotes*

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*This summary of issues and information on how, when, and where to take action on those issues, has been brought to you by the Alaska Peace Center, working for peace, justice, and sustainability  
- individually, in our community, and globally - with a commitment to nonviolent conflict resolution.*

***If you would like to support these activities***

*you can send a check to Alaska Peace Center, 3535 College Road Suite 203, Fairbanks, AK 99709;  
or you can make a donation via PayPal at our website, [www.alaskapeace.org](http://www.alaskapeace.org),*

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also see our Facebook page.

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*May Peace be with you! Have a good week!*