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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 APRIL 29th, 2018

*Be ready for opportunities to participate!
Community News and Opportunities for Action,*

Day, Date	Time	Event Description, Contact information	Where?
month of	April	Sexual Assault Awareness Month uaf-ndac@alaska.edu or 474-6311	
		<p>(Some) Issues of Peace, Justice, and Sustainability to be brought up</p> <p>This week in the Alaska Legislature:</p> <p>-H. Res.7 -Safe School Environments & Safety Measures (No mention of guns)</p> <p>--Several bills are listed for consideration on Monday, but be aware that now almost any bill previously introduced in 2017-2018 or new wording can be introduced and acted on without prior notice or public input. CONTACT YOUR LEGISLATIVE INFORMATION OFFICE TO FIND OUT HOW TO KEEP ABREAST OF ISSUES THAT CONCERN YOU. See commentary on legislative process in the “Spotlight” article below.</p> <p>from ACLU Alaska: Contact the Alaska Senate Majority Today! Pass HB 127 (passed 38-1 by the House last year, but the AK Sen. Majority have refused to let it move out of the Senate State Affairs Committee for over a year) to pay back permanent fund dividends to Alaskans whose convictions were vacated, reversed or dismissed: Sen. Pete Kelly -907-465-3709; Sen. John Coghill 907-465-3719; Sen. Kevin Meyer 907-465-4945.”</p> <p>*****</p> <p><i>Schedules often change. Contact your Legislative Information Office (LIO), In Fbks 452-4448</i></p>	<p><i>Go to www.alaskapeace.org “Community News” for a link to Community organizations & contact info for local, state, and federal government representatives.</i></p> <p>*****</p> <p><i>See more of the legislative schedule and links to related info: 4/29-5/6/18</i></p> <p>*****</p> <p><i>Governor’s office (907) 465-3500 or gov.alaska.gov/contact/email-the-governor/</i></p>
Sunday April 29		<p>“Contact your legislators about HB 127 PFDs for exonerated & HB 130 ‘Hunting Preserve’ label for Creamer’s Field.” See “Spotlight” below.</p> <p>-----Shirley Lee, Misty, & Constance gave a morning update on the Sobering Center & on efforts such as HB 127 that could help the Fairbanks Four. ‘See Return PFDs To Exonerees on Facebook and Change.org listing all 20 state Senators to send a letter to all of them’.</p>	
Monday April 30	10-11:30 am	“FREE WORKSHOP - Which Vegetable Varieties Grow Well in Fbks? ...update on the vegetable variety trials at the UAF Georganes Botanical Garden and demonstrate the Grow&Tell mobile app... a way to conduct home variety trials as a citizen scientist....You’ll have the opportunity to take home some of the same varieties used in the variety trials, test them at home and then enter information at the end of the summer into the app. Preregistration required: This workshop is free, but please contact Extension at 474-1530 or jariley@alaska.edu to preregister. Space is limited	Rm 158, Univ Park Bldg, 1000 University Ave. Parking: There is a fee to park during the day. Pay at the kiosk at the west entrance. Fee is 75 cents/hr payable by cash or card.”
	12-1 pm	from su.c@akaction.org : “Join us at Alaska Community Action on Toxics on our call for the Children’s Environmental Health Summit Task Force and learn what you can do to address the environmental challenges Alaskan communities face! This talk will focus on what new parents can do to minimize chemical	Teleconference Instructions: 1) 1-800-201-6394 2) Code:730629

		exposures to their children and how lead pollution in remote Alaska impacts health. We have invited national environmental health experts, health practitioners, environmental leaders, Alaska Native and other Indigenous leaders to come together to address the link between health and the environment, especially those that affect our children. You can find more event details for the call on our facebook page here .”	3) Once connected press *4 to unmute and mute the line
		“April 30th and May 1 st from Fairbanks Housing & Homeless Coalition fairbankshomeless@gmail.com “ A 2- day training on Individual Placement & Support (IPS) , the evidence-based supported employment model. Trainer: Sandy Reese from The IPS Employment Center ipsworks.org .”	
Wednesday May 2		“To show your solidarity and desire for peace in Europe, use a red carnation flower and take a photo of it with a more or less well-known view in the background. You can include a text such as ”Odessa 2014-05-02”, ”Remember Odessa” or ”Peace in Europe! - Solidarity with the victims of the Odessa Massacre ”. Since black balloons also have been used for this memorial day, it may be included in the picture....The World in Solidarity with Odessa https://solidaritywithodessa.wordpress.com ”	- a Facebook-page May Solidarity action May 2 with the victims of the Odessa massacre https://tinyurl.com/y8geo5k2
Thursday May 3	5:00/6:30p - ?	<p>GVEA 71st Annual Member's Mtg - . Registration from 5 - 7pm. Mtg starts at 6:30pm. More info at http://www.gvea.com/inside/about/annualmeeting</p> <p>Fbks Climate Action Coalition Renewable Energy working group is asking GVEA energy users [members] to get involved with your local cooperative electricity suppliers by being present and voicing your support for increasing GVEA's renewable energy portfolio</p> <p>GVEA 2018 Board Elections - 3-yr terms: seats for Districts 4 & 7 will be up for election this spring. Ballots in the Mail: Friday, 5-11-18; Deadline: 5pm on Tuesday, June 12, 2018</p> <p>You can check candidates' links from the above site for sustainability & justice-related views.</p>	Lathrop High School Hering Auditorium - Also this year: Live streaming to these communities: Delta Jxn: Delta Community Center Healy: Tri-Valley Community Center
	7-9pm	Gender Pioneers Support Group , a peer-to-peer support group for all transgender, genderqueer, genderquestioning or otherwise gender-bending folks in Alaska's interior. Meetings are also open to friends, family members and supporters. We meet the first Thursday of each month.	For location details please email genderpioneers@gmail.com
		Alaska Peace Center May mtg will be Thursday, May 24th . info@alaskapeace	
Friday May 4	9am-noon	FHHC Panel Discussion: As part of the National Low Income Housing Coalition's Week of Action the Outreach Committee [will] begin planning. <i>If you...wish to help plan this event please let Eloy know.</i> & if any organization(s) would like to help cover catering costs, please let me know. Any assistance will be greatly appreciated. < fairbankshomeless@gmail.com >	Wedgewood Resort and Conference Center (212 Wedgewood Drive)
	12-2pm	FCAC Council mtg. See fairbanksclimateaction.org	CCHRC
Saturday May 5	12-5pm	“Fairbanks Open Radio & IWW Fairbanks present May Day Every Day - Support KWRK-LP! Fbks' own revolutionary radio station! Celebrate International Workers Day! Local Crafts, Music, and Food! Join us at 4pm for special, selected readings from a new play by the Asymmetric Moose. Live Broadcast on KWRK-LP 90.9 FM! Streaming 24/7 at KWRK.org ! For more information, call 907 322 2521, visit Fairbanks Open Radio and IWW Fairbanks on Facebook, or visit KWRK.org !”	the HUB, 410 -2 nd ave
		<i>After This Week</i>	
Monday May 7 th	7 pm	<i>Arctic Audubon Society presents “What is a Land Trust, and What's it doing in Fairbanks?</i> presentation by Martha Reynolds, Plant Ecologist. The Interior Alaska	Noel Wien Library

		Land Trust was formed in 1995. Martha will describe what a land trust is, how it operates, and how our local land trust fits into our conservation community..."	
Tuesday May 8	5:30 - 7pm	City Diversity Council Mtg- Fairbanks Diversity Council (FDC) meets the 2 nd Tuesday of each month in the City Council Chambers...to discuss and work to improve all areas of diversity within our City and community. Formed to provide a citizens' forum, FDC serve as a diversity advisory board, and recommend adoption of a Diversity Action Plan for the community. The FDC supports many different cultural and social activities in our community. faf calendar	Fairbanks City Hall, 800 Cushman St
	6-7 pm	Monthly IWW Fairbanks Mtg: Fellow Workers - please join the Industrial Workers of the World (IWW) Fairbanks meeting on the second Tuesday of each month. All Wobblies (and recruit prospects) are welcome and encouraged to come.	Bread Line Inc.'s Stone Soup Cafe 507 Gaffney Rd
Thurs, 5/10	10-noon	Reentry Coalition Graduation Ceremony: This is the coalition's second graduation ceremony and marks an important milestone for Fairbanks returning citizens. The event will highlight the successes and struggles of reentering the community following incarceration. For more information please contact Marsha Oss at reentrycasemanager@iacnvl.org .	
May 12 -13 th	10a - 2p	<i><u>Non-Violent Direct Action Training:</u></i> Nonviolent action are techniques outside of institutionalized behavior for social change that challenges an unjust power dynamic using methods of protest, noncooperation, and intervention without the use or threat of injurious force. Join us to strengthen and diversify our tactics in Fairbanks. We will offer a 1.5 day intensive training on NVDA. Please RSVP to fairbanksclimateaction@gmail.com and also share with your networks if your groups will use these tools for change.	CCHRC
May 14		The Poor People's Campaign: A National Call for Moral Revival , will begin 40 days of action to thrust the issues of poverty, racism and all forms of hate, militarism, environmental degradation and the nation's distorted morality into the national conversation. Picking up the work of Dr. King and many others who launched the original Poor People's Campaign in 1967, today's effort provides a unique opportunity for peacemakers and justice seekers in various movements to work together to bring into existence a more just and peaceful world.	
May 16/26		"Hello Tree Friends, It's that time of the year again that we are hosting our Annual FSWCD Tree and Shrub Sale! Pre-orders can be taken until May 16, and this year you can order online at fswcdtrees.com , as well as in-person, over the phone, or via mail. For more information please visit our website, fairbankssoilwater.org , or give us a call at 907-479-1213. As always, all profits go to supporting natural resource education." from Fbks Soil & Water Conservation District, via Cooperative Extension Service.	590 University Ave.
Sat, 5/19	11:30am	NAACP members mtg 'downstairs from Fbks Neighborhood Housing. President is Benny Colbert. National Association for the Advancement of Colored People 'is not a black' organization..it is inclusive of all people.'	
	7-8:30pm	:: Co-housing in Alaska. It has been 18 months since Alaska's largest Cohousing Community was created. Several former Fairbanksans will report on how it is working out for the 60+ people of all ages living in this cohousing community. (including 2 babies born this month!)	Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Fbks 4448 Pike's Landing Rd.
Mon, 5/21		Arbor Day To help, contact FBKS ARBOR DAY COMMITTEE 2018 via ritchiemusick@gci.net	
Thurs, 5/24		Alaska Peace Center mtg. Link to the APC calendar.	3535 College Rd, ste 203
OPEN THROUGH SEPT. 2018	winter to May 31 Mon- Sat 9 AM - 5 PM	Decolonizing Alaska 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. Learn more about the exhibit	University of Alaska Museum of the North Special Exhibits Gallery 1962 Yukon Dr. Fbks Admission \$0, \$5, \$8, or \$14
Saturday June 2	12-2pm	6th Annual Peace Feast, celebrating Alaskan groups and individuals who have been working for peace, justice, and sustainability.	Pioneer Park Square Dance Pavilion
Wed, 7/4	TBA	July 4th Music FEST: Unity Outreach Inc. is hosting their 25 th annual Music FEST. They are looking for agencies to provide services or table at the event. The event is free, open to the public, and thousands of people attend each year. This is a great opportunity to get the word out about your agencies. For more information please contact barbiebaumgartner@gmail.com .	Pioneer Park
Fri, 7/13	TBA	July 13th Resource Fair: Christine Charron & Meagan Scheer from Access Alaska have taken the lead on planning a community resource fair...[to] feature a number of presentations, snacks made through a collaboration between Access Alaska and the Stone's Throw program, and opportunities for table outreach. This event is free and open to the public. For more information please contact Meagan at mscheer@accessalaska.org or Christine at ccharron@accessalaska.org .	in Breadline Inc.'s garden area
7/13-16		from notivemovement.org: "Alaska Art and Action Camp! -the 2 nd summer of our Northern Organizers' summits.... This year participants can choose one of the following tracks to focus on: Visual arts, Theater arts, Media arts, and Written/Spoken word. Once again this camp [will be] grounded in Decolonizing frameworks. This camp is co-hosted with the Gwichin Steering Committee, the Fairbanks Climate Action Coalition, and Cook Inlet Keepers. Stay tuned, more information and the application will be out soon! Learn more about our trainings & camps HERE ."	Howard Luke's Camp along the Tanana River outside of Fairbanks

Good News category:

The “Alaska Center” sets up an office in Fbks: Alyssa will be working in the HUB, 410 2nd Ave. We have a couple of short interviews with Alaska Center folks who had an open house in Fairbanks last Friday. (Started in Anchorage in the 1970's as Alaska Center for the Environment, its focus is now broader and it is now a 501(c)4, meaning it is allowed to support specific legislation and candidates. see <https://akcenter.org/about/#mission-vision>, which includes... “We are working for transparent government, strong democracy, and open public processes that allow the voice of the people to define our future.”)

“Holy Smoke, who could have written a better agreement for the first meeting between South Korean President Moon Jae-In and North Korean Chairman Kim Jung Un -- the first time a leader from North Korea has set foot in South Korea in 65 years -- since the end of the Korean War.

“In a day filled with remarkable scenes of the two leaders meeting in South Korea, then stepping back into North Korea, talking as equals, with respect toward each other, incredible, historic statements of peace and reconciliation, calling for a new era for peace after suffering so much hostility.

“Elements of the agreement are:

- No more war on the Korean peninsula.
- Family Reunions between North and South Korea on August 15.
- Transform the DMZ into a “Peace Zone.”

Read more at: https://www.opednews.com/articles/Incredible-Agreement-Betwe-by-Ann-Wright-Agreement_North-Korea-And-South-Korea-Talks-180427-919.html

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

Peace

from Stop the WarMachine: “Big \$604.4 million **Albuquerque nuclear bomb complex authorized to begin construction** to extend the service lives of existing nuclear weapons by up to 60 years, also giving them new military capabilities tripled to \$338.9 million in FY 2019.”

Alaska’s Congressional delegation:

Capitol switchboard 1-202-224-3121

Rep Don Young in Fbks 456-0210; Email via web site: donyoung.house.gov;

Sen Lisa Murkowski in Fbks: 456-0233/fax 451-7146; Email via: murkowski.senate.gov

Sen Dan Sullivan in Fbks 456-0261/fax 451-7290; Email via: sullivan.senate.gov

from Friends Committee on National Legislation (fcnl) 4-28-18: “.... More than 1,500 people are working together to **urge Congress to support diplomacy, not war**, with North Korea. RSVP. Learn More.

“Elsewhere:

Peacebuilding: This week representatives spoke on the House floor about the need for Congress to prevent future mass atrocities by passing the Elie Wiesel Genocide and Atrocities Prevention Act.

Immigration: A federal court overturned the president’s decision to end the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, ruling that eligible young immigrants may still apply for protections that

Justice

Net Neutrality is being cast as infringing on free speech in big flyers sent to some Alaska households, urging calls to Sens. Murkowski & Sullivan to oppose SJR 52 which would protect net neutrality. Per sourcewatch.org, the sender, “American Commitment, is a conservative, right-wing 501(c)(4) non-profit organization ...”

per ACLU, “A University of Maryland poll released just a few days ago found that 86% of Americans oppose the FCC’s repeal of net neutrality, including 82% of Republicans and 90% of Democrats. We still have time to convince Congress -just 1 more Senator -to use the Congressional Review Act to reverse the FCC’s decision. Rumors [are] that the Senate is moving to vote on the CRA in just a couple of weeks. **Between now and the vote, make the Senate phones ring off the hook with our demands to keep the internet free, fair, and open for all.** Telecommunication companies must not be allowed to dictate how we choose to use the internet – to get information, stream video, make purchases, or organize and take action.

The Federal Bureau of Prisons is quietly rolling out a pair of new policies that could restrict access to books and communications for the system’s nearly 200,000 prisoners, per Lauren Gill Freelance journalist writing about justice.

Sustainability

Northern Alaska Environmental Center: **“:: Why failing to recycle electronics leaves gold mines untapped.** There’s 80 times as much gold in one ton of cellphones as there is in a gold mine, says Federico Magalini, an expert on electronic waste. That means there’s enormous potential for recycling — and yet, most of us keep our old electronics at home. *The Verge*.

“:: Camp Habitat Summer 2018

registration now open. Camp Habitat offers summer nature education and ecology programs for kids ages 4-11. See [this page for more info](#), plus Camp Habitat job postings!

“::Beaufort Sea comment deadline extended till May 30. In response to North Slope communities’ requests for an extended comment period, the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management announced a 30 day extension for the call for information for leasing in the Beaufort Sea. It’s whaling season in those communities, a predicted conflict with the initial comment period. Submit your comments here.

At Alaska Peace Center’s recent potluck, Veteran For Peace presenter of “Viet Nam 50 years Later” Alan Batten’s slides included

“Legacy of war - unexploded ordnance...
Est. 350,000 tons of live bombs & mines remaining in Viet Nam - Will take approx. 300 yrs to clean them all up at the current rate - 40,000 Vietnamese killed & 67,000 injured

allow them to live and work in the U.S... Dreamers need a permanent legislative solution that provides a pathway to citizenship.

Farm Bill: the House Committee on Agriculture's partisan farm bill would leave millions hungry by imposing **new work requirements on SNAP**. The full House will consider the bill in May. Find out more in an **emergency webinar next Tuesday, May 1 at 2:30pm EDT [10:30am AK time], and contact Congress now**.

Climate Change: The House passed the PREPARE Act, bipartisan legislation to help the U.S. strategically address the environmental and economic risks from extreme weather events.

Gaza: FCNL joined other organizations in condemning Israel's recent violence against Palestinians at the Great Return March. This powerful op-ed by Fadi Abu Shammalah discusses why he marched in Gaza."

from info@bravenewfilms.org : "The inclusion of a **U.S. citizenship question on the 2020 Census** is a **racist** and politically motivated move to silence immigrant voices and influence election results... That's why we're petitioning Congress to remove the citizenship question. Add your name today. It's important we act together on this to ensure a fair and accurate 2020 Census by removing the citizenship question."

from info@winwithoutwar.org 4/26: "Today, the Senate confirmed dangerous warmonger Mike Pompeo as Secretary of State. Barely. Lisa Murkowski and Dan Sullivan... both voted to give Trump a war cabinet and install an anti-Muslim, anti-LGBT, anti-woman, anti-diplomacy, pro-torture, pro-war extremist as our Secretary of State. They need to hear how angry you are. In just weeks, the Senate could vote on torturer Gina Haspel's nomination to join Trump's war cabinet. **Let Sen.s Murkowski & Sullivan know their vote was unacceptable and they must vote to block Haspel and stop Trump's war cabinet.**"

from cvt.org, "For just the second time in our more than 30-year history, the Center for Victims of Torture is opposing a presidential nominee. **Gina Haspel was a central figure in the CIA's torture program** - a program in which men were tortured: stripped naked, hung from the ceiling by the wrists, beaten, waterboarded, stuffed into tiny coffin-sized boxes and subjected to countless other sadistic torture methods. Haspel is also reported to have persistently advocated for, and played a

Potential Selective Service law changes from our local GI Rights Hotline counselor, Alison Carter: "The deadline to **submit written comments to the 'National Commission on Military, National, & Public Service'** has been extended to **Sept 30, 2018**.

The Commission has been directed to study and report to the President and Congress on "the feasibility... of modifying the military selective service process in order to obtain for military, national, & public service individuals with skills (such as medical, dental, & nursing skills, language skills, cyber skills, & science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) skills) for which the Nation has a critical need, without regard to age or sex.

"So it is especially important for the Commission to hear from people in all of these occupational categories who would resist being drafted, and from other people who would support and defend them in their resistance."

Read more in this [article in The Nation](#). Here is a link to then "[Share Your Ideas](#)."

Alaska Public Health Advisory Outbreak of *E. coli* O157 Infections at a Correctional Facility in Nome Recommendations

1. Restaurants, retailers and consumers should ask suppliers about the source of their romaine lettuce, and discard lettuce if it was grown in Yuma, Arizona. Areas where romaine lettuce has been stored should be washed and sanitized.
2. Careful hygiene is critical to help prevent the spread of *E. coli* bacteria. People with diarrhea must take special care to wash their hands thoroughly and avoid food preparation, personal or health care of others.

from Arctic Audubon Society: "**Birds 'n' Bogs Volunteers Needed**. ...a citizen science project [launched by] the Alaska Songbird Institute...will document the distribution of 6 declining boreal species in Interior wetlands...volunteers will survey their wetland approx 2 hrs once/wk in May & early June... Contact Tricia Blade at 907-888-2121 or tricia.blake@aksongbird.org."

from Nana: "for sustaining our own best health... this free series begins May 8. Likely, each day of the 9 day event will be available for 24 hrs. Each day begins at 1 pm: '**Introducing The Human Longevity Project** Docu-Series, an Exclusive 9 Part Docu-series Filmed

since the end of the war in 1975...**Project RENEW** [has created an UnExploded Ordnance] (UXO) Hotline, with quick reaction, Continuous education program about dangers, Supplying prosthetics for injured people; In Quang Tri Province UXO **deaths [decreased] from 60-80 annually in 2001** when Project RENEW was started, to 1 death in 2015; Needs to be expanded to other provinces.

"Legacy of war - Agent Orange: Dioxin is extremely toxic, causing birth defects in the 4th generation of people exposed to it; 19 million gallons dropped on South 1962-72; 3 million Vietnamese have been affected by dioxin; 10% are children born long after the war; Da Nang airport cleaned up over the last 6 yrs; Bien Hoa problem is 3 times as big; Obama [then] Trump promised clean-up but no money allocated yet;

"HR334 Victims of Agent Orange Relief Act would

- *Clean up all dioxin in Viet Nam*
- *Assist Vietnamese Public Health Department for dioxin issues*
- *Study health of Vietnamese living in the US*
- *Fund VA to analyze their own database.*

Alan has orange cards of support for this act.

Similar injustices, [from stopthewarmachine.org](#): **Unexploded IEDs & white phosphorus: 15 years after US troops came, war still everywhere in Fallujah**...birth defects, mines...

And, right here in our midst: "**National Priorities Listing:** 1990 **Fort Wainwright** was registered on the national priorities list as a **Superfund**.^[1] In most source areas, groundwater is contaminated with **solvents and petroleum** products, in a few source areas, with **pesticides** and/or **fuel additives**. Soil contains some solvents, **waste oil**, waste fuel/petroleum products, pesticides, **paint** residues, fuel tank sludge and **polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs)**. Sediments contain PAHs and low level pesticides.^[2] Contaminants on the site also include **mercury**..." [Read more about FWW](#).

And: "**Eielson Air Force Base**...a **Superfund site**....^[5]... lead and **volatile organic compounds (VOCs)** like **benzene, xylene, and toluene**. Several areas of underground petroleum-contaminated soil and floating petroleum product are the sources of continuing groundwater contamination... **Polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB)**-contaminated fish were also found in the area.^[6] Construction of the **superfund site** was complete in 1998.^[7] In 2014, Eielson tested waters and soils [have] **perfluorinated compounds**..."

And: "**Army begins decommissioning Fort Greely's Cold War-era nuclear power** plant" [reported this past week on KUAC](#) to be expected to take a decade or more and cost unknown tens of millions of dollars.

key role in, destroying videotaped evidence of the torture.. She was personally involved in the CIA's torture program and must therefore be forcefully rejected by the U.S. Senate as the CIA's new director."

Over 2 Years, in Over 50 Locations, with Over 90 Expert Interviews –Watch, for FREE, in Its Entirety For Those Who Sign Up Today.”

Spotlight

"Hunting Preserves" addition to the name of Creamer's Field Migratory Waterfowl Refuge:
See [Jeff Creamer's letter](#) to the Fairbanks Daily News-Miner on Thursday (4/26/18).

and from <mhaukedalen@gmail.com>: "Tell the House to Vote No on concurrence with Senate Changes to HB 130 Update: Saturday 4/28

Friends, the following is a summary of my multiple conversations with various House offices last week and this morning.

- HB130 passed the House in its original untainted version in 2017
- The bill passed the Senate **with the amended "Hunting Preserve" language** last Wednesday 4/25
- The Senate transferred their amended version of HB130 back to the House on 4/25
- The following may be taken up at any time, without notice, at any floor session of either chamber
 - The House may
 - accept the amended version of HB130 (**concur**),
 - reject the amended version (**recede**), or
 - **do nothing**
 - Concurrence in the House is unlikely, but may happen
 - If the House recedes, it may send a message asking the Senate to "**recede from the amendments**" (unlikely)
 - If the Senate refuses to recede, it will so advise the Speaker of the House
 - At this point, the bill begins the process of **reconciliation by conference committee**
 - A conference committee consists of six members; three appointed by the Speaker of the House, and three by the President of the Senate. Their task is to resolve differences and create a report offering a solution
- The Senate's concur message was "**read and held**" by the House on Thursday evening 4/26
 - One House staffer referred to this informally as "putting it in the **limbo file**"
 - Whether or not the bill moves from the limbo file is **at the discretion of the House Majority Leader** (Rep. Tuck)
 - Not doing anything and letting the bill remain in the limbo file beyond the close of the session means HB130 will fail
- **Please note that at this pointing time lots of unresolved issues (e.g., bills in the limbo file) may be used as "bargaining chips" in negotiating an end to the session.** This can lead to decisions that may not make sense to us, but are the reality of political strategy and gamesmanship. This is why it is essential that we contact House leadership to emphasize the great importance of our strong opposition to "Hunting Preserves"

My recommended action steps:

1. Contact **Majority Leader Chris Tuck** to express your strong objection to concurrence. The fate of HB130 is ultimately his call.
2. My own advocacy consists of both opposing the name changes **on the merits**, and opposing based upon Giessel's unilateral actions **absent notice or opportunity for public comment**.
3. Contact **Rep. Josephson** to affirm your objection to concurrence, and your support for his stand in receding from the amended version
4. Contact **your own Representative**
5. Consider contacting the **House Majority Coalition**
6. Consider contacting **all House members**
7. Consider contacting **your own Senator** to express your strong objection, and to ensure that they know HB130 was amended without any opportunity for public comment.

Michael Haukedalen"

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

- Casey Jones the Union Scab, written by Joe Hill, sung by Mark Ross IWW
- There is Power in a Union, by Joe Hill, sung by Billy Bragg
- Minimum Wage Strike, by David Rovics, IWW songster
- Workers' Song, by Drop Kick Murphys
- Take This Job and Shove It, by Johnny Paycheck
- 3 Miles Down, by Gil Scott Heron

This summary of issues of importance to citizens of Interior Alaska, and information on how, when, and where to take action on those issues, has been brought to you by the Alaska Peace Center.

The Alaska Peace Center works for peace, justice, and sustainability
- individually, in our community, and globally -
with a commitment to nonviolent conflict resolution.

*We bring in speakers, sponsor exhibits, and encourage dialogue within our community on these issues.
We also maintain an office in conjunction with this radio station, KWRK.*

Will You Help Support these Activities of the Alaska Peace Center?

Potluck Presentations, Peace Feast and Special Events

Advertising (though we primarily use free listings, PSA's etc)

\$250 - \$500 for a banner ad in the Fairbanks Daily News-Miner

\$4 - \$37 per event for printing flyers;

Facility rental/Use fees for events

\$15-\$250 for facilities (& insurance if required)

*To help support these and other activities, please send a check to
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Email us at info@alaskapeace.org

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*Feedback to, and Submissions for inclusion in, this weekly news brief are welcome.
Please include "for news" in the subject line.*

May Peace be with you! Have a good week!

True peace is not merely the absence of tension. It is the presence of justice. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Please respond via <info@alaskapeace.org>; please do not use "reply".