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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 September 23rd, 2018

Be ready for opportunities to participate!

Day, Date	Time	Event Description, Contact information	Where?
<i>Into November</i>		<i>Road Closure</i> - University Ave from just south of College Rd intersection to Johansen Expressway/Geist Rd intersection is CLOSED to through traffic.	See the map at alaskanavigator.org
<i>until Oct. 10 or so</i>		<i>Fox Spring closed ...</i> about a month. To make a donation and support your Fox Spring, please visit foxspring.org or call 907-378-6744.	Updates: dot.alaska.gov/nreg/foxspring
		:: <u>September 24-28: Arctic Refuge Virtual Bird Fest.</u> details under	'Sustainability' below
Monday Sept. 24	2pm*1:15-3:15*arrive early to sign up to speak	Public hearing on Stand for Salmon ballot measure 1 -- Fairbanks "Only in-person testimony will be allowed during mtgs in communities. Meetings can be followed online at http://akl.tv , or by phone at (844) 586-9085" ADN	Legislative Information Office, #308 1292 Sadler Way
	4 pm	International Peace Day (Sept. 21) Event: Live Video-conference with Hiroshima nuclear bombing survivor Mr. Maki. He will talk about his experiences during the bombing, the destruction that he witnessed and the number of his acquaintances who died of cancer after the bombing ... and he will share his message of peace. He will be in Japan, speaking via video-conference to various individuals and groups in the Northeastern US. Also via video-conference, we here in Fairbanks will have a chance to hear his experiences and his message.	Morris Thompson Cultural Ctr, 101 Dunkel St, Fairbanks
	6pm	Standing in Solidarity w/ Dr. Christine Blasey Ford Please share this event with all of your facebook friends: Anchorage Sexual Assault Rally <i>More details under 'Justice' below.</i>	Anchorage: Delaney Park Strip on L street between 9th and 10th
	6:30pm Sept. 10 & 24, Oct. 8 & 22, Nov. 5 & 19, Dec. 3 & 10, 2018	Fairbanks City Council Meeting (twice per month on Monday evenings*) " http://www.fairbanksalaska.us/audio-stream/ This page contains a link to live City Council Mtgs and other City Board and Commission Mtgs... click the Listen Live image ...to start streaming the audio. Council Mtgs are also aired live on KFBX AM 970 radio, &... iPhone/iPad app (http://bit.ly/163ZvLg) at city_of_fairbanks ... http://mixlr.com/city_of_fairbanks/live/ !"	Fairbanks City Hall, 800 Cushman Street ----- <i>*calendar at</i> http://www.fairbanksalaska.us/
Tuesday Sept. 25		National Voter Registration Day - 1. Make sure you are registered to vote. Voter registration deadlines are fast approaching in many states. Volunteer to help register your friends, your family members and other people in your area. League volunteers will be hitting the streets in your community and around the country—contact your local League to get involved! www.lwvalaska.org/fairbanks/	
	6 pm	Bad Art Open Mic Night and Voter Registration Drive. '.. FAF, Gen Action, and NDAC are teaming up to make it a party! Sign up to perform your WORST songs, poems, and more! Get registered to vote and learn about local elections while you watch the performers.' https://www.facebook.com/fairbanksAF/	Arctic Java · WoodCtr, Univ of Alaska Fbks,

	6:45 pm	Fairbanks Peace Choir rehearsals. 4448 Pikes Landing Rd All welcome; For more information call 457-8606.	<u>Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Fbks (UUFF)</u>
Wednesday Sept. 26		<u>“Stop investing in nuclear weapons! Global Day of Action</u> There is a UN Treaty making nuclear weapons illegal. Tell BNP Paribas [French bank that offers services in corporate and investment banking] stop investing in nuclear weapons.” <i>from international campaign to abolish nuclear weapons</i>	
	7-9pm	Fbks Municipal Candidate Forum sponsored by <u>League of Women Voters of the Tanana Valley</u> . “We will hear from candidates in the FNSB Assembly races and candidates for the mayors race.”	Fbks N.Star Borough Assembly Chambers, 907 Terminal St.
Thursday Sept. 27	12-1pm	Fairbanks Housing & Homeless Coalition September Mtg - a “No Agenda” mtg. We did this once last year and it was great. We’ll have introductions then roll into whatever anybody wants to work on. We’ll have the FHHC updates written out to give us more time for the conversations that will break out.	Council Chambers of City Hall (800 Cushman St).
	4-5pm Alaska time	What: Webinar: How War Threatens the Environment - <i>One of the most destructive of human behaviors, war is a leading contributor to the growing global environmental crisis. Hear from experts Gar Smith and Tamara Lorincz about the deep ecological impact of the war system. <u>Register here!</u> (from WorldBEYONDWar)</i>	Where: Your computer or telephone!
	5:30-8pm	Understanding Our Privilege: History, Context & Accountability <u>RSVP</u> - Details under ‘Justice’ below.	UUFF - 4448 Pike’s Landing Rd
	6 pm 9/27, 10/11, 10/25 11/8, 12/13	Regular FNSB Assembly mtg , (Fbks North Star Borough); <u>http://www.co.fairbanks.ak.us/assembly/Pages/Assembly-Meeting-Documents.aspx</u>	Assembly Chambers Borough bldg, 907 Terminal St, Fbks
	7pm	West Valley High School’s Model United Nations (MUN) is presenting a community event :. a presentation by Ron and Roxanne Claassen... [about] restorative practices not only as they apply to school settings but also to global conflicts. <i>More details are under ‘Justice’ below.</i>	(Fbks) West Valley High School theater 3800 Geist Rd.
Friday Sept. 28	5-8pm	NAMI* Fairbanks Final Friday/Silent Auction , music & refreshments. *National Alliance on Mental Illness. For more information call 456-4704.	Pioneer Park Civic Center
Sunday Sept. 30	10:30 am	“When the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., was assassinated in 1968, he was leading a movement called “The Poor People’s Campaign” that sought to unite oppressed Americans of all racial backgrounds. The Rev. Dr. William Barber, with the support of thousands of clergy and houses of worship across the country, is renewing Dr. King’s call for a “moral revival,” challenging the “evils of systemic racism, poverty, the war economy, ecological devastation and the nation’s distorted morality.” Rev. Leslie will share the recent history of the Poor People’s Campaign and how UUFF and the wider Fbks community can bring the movement home.” <u>www.uuff.org</u>	Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Fbks 4448 Pike’s Landing Rd
		Deadline for input into Salcha-Badger Road Area Plan <i>more under “Sustainability” below</i>	
		<u>After This Week</u>	
Tues. Oct. 2		Municipal Election Day - Early voting has started! <i>Between 8am & 5pm Monday thru Friday you can vote at the Borough Office at 907 Terminal Street. You can also vote during those same hours at Fairbanks City Hall and North Pole City.</i>	
		Oct 6-13 - <u>Keep Space For Peace Week</u>	

Sat. Oct. 6	10-2	Next Fairbanks Climate Action Coalition General Meeting – All are welcome! Whether you've been an active member or you just want to know more, this is the meeting for you! Join us for a few hours to learn more about FCAC working groups and find some tools that work for you. Email fairbanksclimateaction@gmail.com for more information.	Cold Climate Housing Research Center
		2018 Election Timeline: Tuesday October 2nd - Municipal Election Day - Early voting has started!! 8am-5pm Mon -Fri you can vote at the Borough Office, 907 Terminal St. You can also vote during those hours at Fbks City Hall and North Pole City. Sunday October 7th - Deadline to register to vote/update voter registration Monday October 22nd - 2018 General Absentee and Early Voting Begins Tuesday November 6th - General Election Day (thanks jaf)	
Wednesday October 10	Doors open at 11:30am; discussion at noon.	Please join Alaska Community Action on Toxics for our One Course Discourse: Preventing Harmful Exposures to Toxic Flame Retardants. ACAT: (907)222-7714 Free & open to the public. In honor of Fire Safety Week... See more under 'Sustainability' below.	Anchorage: at the Bears Tooth, 1230 W 27th Ave, B
	5:30-7:30pm	October Public Meeting on Draft Sustainability Plan –	Noel Wien Library Auditorium
	7 pm	MARK YOUR CALENDAR! To celebrate Co-op Month, we're planning a screening of Food for Change . This 82-minute documentary focuses on food co-ops as a force for dynamic social and economic change in American culture.	at Raven Landing
Oct. 13	1 pm	Public hearing on Stand for Salmon measure ...A statewide teleconference hearing on Oct. 13 at 1 p.m., with testimony taken by phone only.	teleconference
Oct. 21		WOMEN'S MARCH ON THE PENTAGON Called by Cindy Sheehan and others. #WomenMarch4Peace https://www.marchonpentagon.com/ In response to the continuing march of military aggression by the USA and to put an antiwar agenda back on the table of activists, we are calling for a Women's (and allies) March on the Pentagon tentatively set for the 51st anniversary of the 1967 big antiwar event in DC and subsequent march on the Pentagon that had 50,000 people... For more information and to read more: https://www.facebook.com/events/184236778838247/?active_tab=about	
		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	www.alaskapeace.org links to Community organizations & contact info for local, state, and federal government representatives.

Good News category:

from Thomas Meyer of Food & Water Action: "Mary [Washington for Maryland state senate] helped pass Maryland's fracking ban and is a powerful champion for the right to clean water. She was in a long-shot campaign to unseat a 21-year incumbent, so we pulled out all the stops to help her win — and it paid off. We made over 20,000 phone calls, and knocked on over 5,000 doors in the district — **and when the election results were finally announced, Mary won by a mere 492 votes.** Working on this campaign confirmed for me how important it is to endorse progressive champions and **work hard** to actually help them win."

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

Peace

from Veterans For Peace:
"#LETTERSTOTHEWARMACHINE
The Women's March on the Pentagon encourages all those opposed to endless war

Justice

from alaska@poorpeoplescampaign.org: "**We Must End the Attacks on Victims of Sexual Assault** - Planned Parenthood is

Sustainability

"**The final Salcha-Badger Road Area Plan**, slated for a mid-February 2018 release. Core components of the plan will include:

to write #LettersToTheWarMachine, during our "Why I Oppose War" campaign.

The Pentagon's lust for endless war takes a heavy toll on the daily lives and the future of all people across the globe in a large variety of ways. It is a misconception that only those in war torn countries are impacted by the U.S. War Machine. Unfortunately, thanks to the ever expanding U.S. military budget and the Pentagon's lust for war, no corner of the planet is untouched from the War Machine's reach. It is also a misconception that we can't do anything about this terrible reality.

#LettersToTheWarMachine is an opportunity for you to speak your mind, to express your frustration, your anger and your grief, in writing. Writing down your thoughts becomes your plan of action. Your words peer up from the page and demand action from the reader. Expressing these emotions and demands clears your mind and readies you for the fight ahead, the fight against the War Machine.

Letters sent to use as part of this campaign will be featured on the Women's March website and many will be read aloud on October 21st at the Pentagon's fortress gates during the Women's March on the Pentagon. **Send Your #LettersToTheWarMachine!** no later than Oct.10.

"2018 will mark the third year of Concert Across America to End Gun Violence.

Ending gun violence takes everyone. Many different voices with the same message." Find out more at <http://concertacrossamerica.org/>."

from Breadline, 9/21. "Help! The Stone's Throw Cafe is fresh outta SNACKS. September has averaged 44 to-go lunches a day at the soup kitchen, but we don't have any more little goodies to add to the sandwich bags...

We're looking for shelf-stable, single-serving treats! If you can help us, please bring your donations to the Bread Line at 507 Gaffney Rd. during business hours, Monday-Friday!"

7pm, Thurs, Sept. 27 at West Valley High School, Fbks: "West Valley High School's Model United Nations (MUN) is presenting a **community event**:. a presentation by Ron and Roxanne Claassen, authors of *Discipline That Restores, Making Things Right, and "Restorative Justice Principles for the United Nations"*. They will discuss **restorative practices not only as they apply to school settings but also to global conflicts.**

teaming up with community groups across this Nation to say "We won't put up with it any longer." Monday's event may focus on Kavanaugh but, more importantly, it will focus on Dr. Christine Ford and the dangers she faces. Our Anchorage [Monday, 9/24, 6pm] event will embrace all victims of sexual assault and our commitment to change the narrative and stigma imposed on the victims and their families. All too often the victim who speaks up becomes the target of unconscionable scurrilous assaults--exactly as it is happening to Dr. Christine Ford and millions like her across our nation!

'This is an event open to everyone; please bring friends and family! Signs are highly encouraged! Please share this event with all of your facebook friends:

[Anchorage Sexual Assault Rally](#)

You may also RSVP to Planned Parenthood: [Yes, You Can Count On Me to help Flip the Narrative.](#)"

from faf: **"Understanding Our Privilege: History, Context & Accountability**

RSVP - "Hello fellow white people! As white people experiencing white privilege, it is our responsibility to educate ourselves about the connections between systems of oppression, the ways in which they affect our lives and how we can combat white privilege and white supremacy in our communities.

"It is an unfair and additional burden on People of Color to have to do the labor of teaching us when we can educate ourselves. To that end, Planned Parenthood Votes, Fairbanks Climate Action Coalition and Hrrrl Scouts will be holding a series of workshops on white supremacy, white privilege and intersectionality in activism and community building.

- There will be four workshops in this series - Sept 27: Intro to White Privilege October 11: Intro to Intersectionality Oct 25: Climate Justice and White Privilege Nov 8: Reproductive Justice & White Privilege

We intend this to be a space to learn about these topics and build an accountable community in order to move forward together with purposeful and supportive action, unhindered by ego. This is a difficult but vital conversation our community direly needs. White privilege and white supremacy prevent us from being meaningful allies and effecting substantive change. An understanding of the systems of oppression and the ways in which we benefit from them will enable us to tear them down.

"We will have a light dinner and childcare available!

Please RSVP at:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Tv29dkgs_TsSunXDUBlasQ0D6uiVckSySUACPilGyho/edit

"Don't think you need this? Wrongo, buddy. Get in here & let's learn to do better together."

- Background information that tells the story of the Salcha-Badger Road area and how it is changing.
- A summary of land use, transportation and housing, including what the area looks like today, current challenges, and potential for growth.
- A vision and goals for the Salcha-Badger Road area that identify what type of growth is supported by residents.
- A list of recommended policies and activities that will help achieve the vision and goals for the Salcha-Badger Road area.

Check the project website, salchabadger-plan.com, often for updates on community meetings and opportunities to learn and participate.

- Add your input on our interactive map (open through Sept 2018)

<https://tinyurl.com/salbadmap>

- Share your thoughts with us by taking the shorth online survey (open through Sept 30, 2018) surveymonkey.com/r/salchabadger"

from shelly@agnewbeck.com

from Alaska Community Action on Toxics:

"One Course Discourse: Preventing Harmful Exposures to Toxic Flame Retardants.

Oct. 10, noon, Anchorage: at the Bears Tooth, 1230 W 27th Ave, B. For info: ACAT (907)222-7714. In honor of **Fire Safety Week**, this panel discussion will highlight the vulnerability of Alaskans to exposures and harm to health from toxic flame-retardant chemicals. Flame retardants are used in everyday products such as furniture, electronics and children's products. They contaminate our homes, foods, wildlife, and people. Chemical flame retardants are ineffective and make fires more toxic. Exposures are linked with lower IQ in children, thyroid disease, cancer, and infertility. This is an opportunity to learn more about these dangerous chemicals and discuss ways that Alaskans can work together to prevent harm. The panel features scientists, policymakers, firefighters, and special guest speakers State Representative Geran Tarr, Fire Chief Jodie Hettrick from the Anchorage Fire Department, and Adam Wood of the San Francisco Firefighters Cancer Prevention Foundation and Director for San Francisco Firefighters Local 798."

from Northern Alaska Environmental Center:

"Alaskans have been speaking out in the media on all the reasons we're standing for salmon. Read these recent op-eds to learn more, and consider writing a letter to the editor letting your community know your reasons for supporting the ballot measure.

“Restorative practices use processes in which the goal is for all involved in a conflict, both victims and offenders, to negotiate a resolution which addresses the harm and makes things as right as possible for all participants. This way of resolving conflicts builds trust and creates stronger communities & institutions and aims to create solutions that are just for all involved...

“Tickets are \$10 for adults and will be available from MUN students and at the door. Questions can be sent to either advisor: heather.damario@k12northstar.org, or beth.sprinkle@k12northstar.org”

(2 repeat announcements:)

“Local volunteer opportunity with Fbks Reentry Coalition: The Education Coordinator at Fairbanks Correctional Center (FCC) is seeking volunteers to teach between 1 and 9 parenting classes to incarcerated dads. A full description of the opportunity and contact info are available [\[here\]](#). Or contact UUFF Social Justice Committee member, Alison Carter at alisoncarter2@yahoo.com.

from *League of Women Voters* “September is **National Voter Registration Month** Take this time to remind loved ones in your life to sign up to vote or check their registration. Help us get everyone ready for November 6! Beyond encouraging your friends and family to check their registration, here are two easy steps you can take:

1. Celebrate National Voter Registration Day on Sept 25. Share a photo of your voter registration card, an “I’m registered” sign or a voter registration application on social media with a link to our [online voter registration tool](#). Be sure to include the #NationalVoterRegistrationDay hashtag. Encourage your friends to take action!

Guide a friend who is new to the elections process. Help show new voters the ropes by sharing our online elections resource, VOTE411.org with them. VOTE411 can help voters learn about upcoming elections, including who will be on their ballot, important deadlines and information regarding in-person and absentee voting in every state. Then commit to going to the polls with them on Election Day.”

from *fairbanks activists forum*:

“<http://www.ktva.com/.../anchorage-man-pleads-guilty-in-chokin...> *No Jail Time for Man Who Pleaded Guilty in Choking Assault...*

“Alaska has disproportionately high rates of violence against women and, honestly, this is why. This man will face no jail time or any real consequences because the DA and the judge “hope” he won’t assault another woman. And when he spoke in court, he didn’t express remorse or acknowledge how he’d affected the woman.

“Meanwhile, the woman he assaulted:

- 1) thought she was going to die which could lead to PTSD
- 2) was strangled until she lost consciousness which can lead to brain damage
- 3) was sexually assaulted which studies show can have lifelong effects, and
- 4) has to wake up, every day, knowing that her assailant is a free man.

“If you’re as outraged as we are, **call the DA, the attorney general, and the judge** who sentenced him to let them know that men who sexually assault women need to face real consequences. Because women who are assaulted face different, lasting consequences.

--Assistant District Attorney Andrew Grannik
907-269-6300

--State Attorney General Jahna Lindemuth
attorney.general@alaska.gov
Phone: (907) 269-5100

--Judge Michael Corey
Nesbett Courthouse
825 W 4th Ave
Anchorage AK 99501-2004

Edit: This judge is actually up for re-election to the Superior court... Judicial District 3 (Mostly Southcentral/Southwest/Aleutians.)”

from *info@standforsalmon.org*: “Foreign mining and oil companies are piling money into the No on 1 campaign. But one donation popped out at me. **ExxonMobil just donated \$600,000 to [the so-called ‘Stand for Alaska- No on ballot measure 1 campaign.]’**”

Patrick Dougherty, Anchorage Daily News:

‘...(T)he Stand for Salmon ballot initiative is necessary and justified. It creates a two-tier process, in which smaller projects that will not cause “significant adverse effects” to fish habitat – such as home sites, docks or bridges – get light scrutiny. But mega-projects like Pebble and Donlin would have to meet higher standards because their potential harm to salmon habitat is so vastly greater.’ **Carl Shrader, Juneau Empire:** ‘...in the Vote No on 1 ad that ran in Sunday’s Juneau Empire (Sept. 9), the fine print informs us that ConocoPhillips and BP Alaska are top contributors...’

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“This week, [Trustees for Alaska](#) will deliver oral arguments in court on a lawsuit demonstrating the Bureau of Land Management’s failure to adequately assess impacts to wildlife, recreation, or subsistence use on the lands included in the [2017 lease sale in the Western Arctic](#). Since the sales occurred last year, the administration’s disregard for thorough public process [has become clearer every day](#).

“The current management plan for the Western Arctic, the Integrated Activity Plan (IAP), was the result of extensive public input from communities in region, and put areas of particular importance to wildlife and people off limits to development. The administration wants to open up the IAP again, once again putting “energy dominance” above the needs of citizens. Residents of this region have long been [experiencing the negative impacts of colonial extractive development](#), including impacts on health and continued economic dependence on the industry doing the damage, as noted below.... This lawsuit is about making sure that the agencies charged with caretaking our public lands take the required steps to protect fish, wildlife, access to wild foods, and habitat, and ensuring that future lease sales honor the democratic process, and the law.

“For more on the economic aspects of this case, [check out our Medium page](#),...

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“:: September 24-28: Arctic Refuge Virtual Bird Fest.

The Arctic Refuge Virtual Bird Fest is held online ALL WEEK from September 24-28, in celebration of a place few get a chance to see in person – the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. This incredible place serves a vital role for birds that make their way to all 50 states across the country. Join us for birdy fun! Subscribe to the event, share your photos and videos of birds that make their way through the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge and be sure to tune into the videos, photos, live events, games, quizzes, contests and other activities we’ll have going on!”

Spotlight

*If a Japanese survivor of the nuclear bombing of **Hiroshima can advocate for peace**, isn't he worth listening to? Our music selections this week are in honor of 87-y.o Mr. Maki, who will be speaking via live video-conference on Monday, Sept. 24, 4pm.*

Songs related to peace, justice, sustainability played with today's broadcast:

- Song of the Atomic Bombing of Hiroshima, by Fifth Blood*
- I Come and Stand at Every Door, by The Birds*
- Hiroshima-Nagasaki Russian Roulette by Jim Page*
- 4-Minute Warning, by RadioHead*
- Summertime Blues (Japanese adaptaion), by Kiyoshiro Imawano*

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