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Community News and Opportunities for Action, WEEK of December 30th, 2018

*reporting on events & 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. Be ready for opportunities to participate!*

| Day, Date | Time | Event Description, Contact information | Where? |
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| Sunday Dec. 30 | | air alert in effect. No burning w/o a waiver or NOASH. For more info call 451-2132 or visit http://dec.alaska.gov/fnsbair . | |
| Tuesday | January | 1st, 2019 - New Year | |
| Wednesday Jan. 2 | 5:30 pm | Fairbanks Open Radio weekly mtg - Come help with programming, shows, fund-raising... info@kwrk.org or 374-0577 | 3535 College Rd, suite 203 |
| Thursday | 2019 | 116th Congress starts | |
| Jan. 3 | Deadline | :: to apply for teacher scholarships for field courses in Denali National Park. Alaska Geographic and the National Park Service are awarding scholarships to teachers for accredited courses taking place in Denali National Park and Preserve. Making use of a field camp 30 miles into Denali, these small group intensives expose teachers to science, research and educational opportunities using Denali as their classroom. Courses are three days in length. Professional development credit is made available through the University of Alaska Anchorage. For more information, please visit Alaska Geographic's website . | |
| | 5:30-7 pm | Alaska Peace Center monthly mtg. All welcome! Contact info@alaskapeace.org | 3535 College Rd, suite 203 |
| Friday, Jan. 4 | Deadline | The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) -the scoping comment deadline for leasing in the Beaufort Sea. For more background and possible talking points, see last week's newsletter . <i>from NAEC</i> | |
| Saturday Jan. 5 | 10am-4pm | “Green Star is Recycling Electronics Every Saturday! - You can sign up here to come in and help out!" | 1205 1st Ave |
| | | <u>After This Week</u> | |

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| Monday Jan. 7, 2019 | 3:30- 4:30 | Kids for Environmental Action (KEA) Working Group* Mtg *of Fbks Climate Action Coalition (FCAC): fairbanksclimateaction@gmail.com and/or https://fairbanksclimateaction.org/ | (map) Boreal Sun Charter School 2404 S Barnette St |
| | 6-7pm | Monthly IWW Fairbanks Mtg: "Fellow Workers - please join us for the monthly Industrial Workers of the World (IWW) Fairbanks meeting at the Bread Line Inc.'s Stone Soup Cafe at 6pm on the second Monday of each month. All Wobblies (and recruit prospects) are welcome and encouraged to come." Info: iwfbx@gmail.com | 507 Gaffney Rd |
| | 6:30pm | Fairbanks City Council Meeting (twice per month on Monday evenings*) Agendas and calendar at https://www.fairbanksalaska.us/calendar/month/ http://www.fairbanksalaska.us/audio-stream/ This page contains a link to live City Council Mtgs and other City Board and Commission Mtgs, when available. Please click the Listen Live image below to start streaming the audio. Council Mtgs are also aired live on KFBX AM 970 radio. Listen live on your iPhone! Mixlr now has an iPhone/iPad app (http://bit.ly/163ZvLg) via the iTunes Store. Once you get the app set up, you search for city_of_fairbanks and you will be able to follow our audio stream (http://mixlr.com/city_of_fairbanks/live)!" | Fairbanks City Hall, 800 Cushman Street |
| Tuesday | 5:30 -7pm | Fbks Diversity Council Mtg "...to provide a citizens forum, 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..." Alaska Peace Center will participate in the Dec. mtg. The Fairbanks Diversity Council (FDC) meets the second Tuesday of each month. The FDC includes 15 public members (3 appointed by the Fairbanks North Star Borough and 12 appointed by the City of Fairbanks). The FDC comes together to discuss and work to improve all areas of diversity within our City and community. | Fairbanks City Hall, 800 Cushman St |
| Wed. Jan 9 | 9 am- 4pm | Fairbanks Youth Summit - On behalf of Fairbanks Native Association Behavioral Health Services we would like to extend to you an invitation to join us for our first Youth Summit ...for agencies and local organizations to gather, network, and learn what services and resources are available to all of our youth here in the Fairbanks and North Pole area. We want your participation by providing a presentation of the services you provide as well as tables set up to display brochures and information regarding your programs. The audience will not only be us getting together but also providing an opportunity for the local community to hear what's available for our youth. There is no charge for this event and we hope that you will be there. There is a registration link for the summit at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3CLKG57 . If you have any questions or need more information please call David Fonger at 452-6264 or email dfonger@fairbanksnative.org . | Westmark Hotel Gold Room |
| | 7 pm | The Social Justice Book Club will discuss <u>In the Place of Justice</u> , by Wilbert Rideau... Our friend, Kenneth Reams, was inspired by this true story of a black man's journey from death row to editor of the Angola prison newspaper, to professional journalist, and eventual freedom. This is a story of persistence, perseverance, and resilience. Alison has paperback copies for sale for \$13 each. | Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Fbks |
| Thursday Jan. 10 | 6 pm | Regular FNSB Assembly mtg , (Fbks North Star Borough); http://www.co.fairbanks.ak.us/assembly/Pages/Assembly-Calendar.aspx?Category=Municipal%20Election%20Day Regular%20Assembly%20Meeting&mm=1&yy=2019 | Assembly Chambers Borough bldg, Fbks |
| January 15 | | 31st Alaska State Legislature will begin - Talk with your legislators now, before they head to Juneau, about your issues! | |
| | | 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 government representatives. |

Good News category:

from peaceeconomy@codepink.org:

“The gift of laughter.

Laughter opens hearts, heals, surprises, shifts mood, awakens creativity and nourishes the very juices of our beings.

Give the gift of laughter today.

Find ways to bring joy and laughter into your day, share it with friends and those you come in contact with.

Lift spirits, brighten the day.”

“The gift of empathy.

To be connected instead of separated is the capacity to be related.

Empathy is totally missing from the war economy and the core of the peace economy.”

Ongoing Campaigns, Recent Past Events, Issues not specific to Alaska, and/or without specific date

Peace

from CodePink: “Tell Democrat leaders, Nancy Pelosi and Chuck Schumer, that resistance to Trump should not equate to promoting war. Tell them to support Trump’s call to withdraw troops from Syria and Afghanistan, and to propose an even broader plan to demilitarize our foreign policy. Stop the bombing. Enough!

Towards peace, *Medea and the entire CODEPINK team...* P.S. [Check out the webinar we did with me and Middle East expert Phyllis Bennis.](#)”

from Veterans For Peace: “Working Toward A Better World” Follow the link to find out more about why veterans join VFP.

VFPUK's Christmas Truce Song



Justice

from Bernie Sanders: “Sign my petition: Tell Republicans in the House and in the Senate that instead of standing with President Trump, it is time to stand up to him. Fund the government. End this shutdown.”

“ASSOCIATED PRESS WASHINGTON — The Trump administration Friday targeted an Obama-era regulation credited with helping dramatically reduce toxic mercury pollution from coal-fired power plants, saying the benefits to human health and the environment may not be worth the cost of the regulation....”
“Wells Fargo pays \$575 million to settle state investigations...” [No mention of bankers being prosecuted nor whose \$ gets used to pay...]
Read more in the Fairbanks Daily NewsMiner.

submitted by a reader. “An Appeal to Jewish Women to Support the 2019 Women’s March and Its Leaders” You can read the appeal by following the link.

Sustainability

Attention suggested from a local sustainability worker: http://www.newsminer.com/opinion/editorials/dunleavy-should-speak-to-climate-change-uaa-report-spells-out/article_id/202f00-05a9-11e9-9e14-c33d89a44c93.html”

from alaskansforwildlife@gmail.com: “Dunleavy makes bad picks for Fish and Game,” an op-ed in [Anchorage Daily News](#) by Rick Sinnott, former Alaska Department of Fish and Game wildlife biologist.

“Why Green New Deal Advocates Must Address Militarism ... Environmentalists need to contest the Pentagon’s staggering global footprint. The US military is the world’s largest institutional consumer of fossil fuels and the largest source of greenhouse gasses, contributing about 5 percent of global warming emissions. Almost 900 of the EPA’s 1,300 Superfund sites are abandoned military bases,

...a nice 2.3-minute video clip from United Kingdom VFP

“CDC report: US gun deaths reach highest level in nearly 40 years...” per an [article in The Hill](#).

weapons-production facilities or weapons-testing sites. The former Hanford nuclear weapons facility in Washington state alone will cost over \$100 billion to clean up. ... **That's why a New Peace Deal and a Green New Deal should go hand in hand...**” from *Common Dreams via World BEYOND War*

Spotlight

The **Interior Alaska Land Trust** now conserves 1,667 acres of “land north of the Alaska Range for the benefit of the community. We do this by working with Interior Alaska landowners to protect, acquire or manage natural, scenic, recreational, agricultural, historic, or cultural aspects of property.” Read about new lands being conserved and about the **Cripple Creek Chinook Conservation Park** at <https://interioraklandtrust.org/>.

Songs heard with today's broadcast:

- *The Meek Will Inherit the Earth*, by Holly Near
- *Custer Died for Your Sins*, by Floyd Red Crow Westerman
- *The Ballad of Harry Bridges*, by Woody Guthrie, sung by Sarah Lee Guthrie
- *Rich Man's War*, by Steve Earle, sung by Know When to Quit
- *Devil's Right Hand*, by Steve Earle, sung by Johnny Cash
- *Step By Step*, by Annie Lennox, sung by Jackson Browne
- *Ballad For Americans*, by John La Touche, sung by Paul Robeson
 - *Bring Me Home*, by Bubba Cook
 - *One Thing I Know*, by Tony Tengs

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*- individually, in our community, and globally -
with a commitment to nonviolent conflict resolution.*

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*Feedback to, and Submissions for inclusion in, this weekly news brief are welcome.
Email alaskapeacenews@gmail.com.*

Will You Help Support Alaska Peace Center Activities? *

Annual Outreach Costs

Tanana Valley State Fair: \$800 for booth, pins and bumper stickers

Annual Newsletter: \$550 for 300 copies with postage

Alternatives to Violence Project: \$65 per workshop scholarship

Potluck Presentations, Peace Feast and Special Events

Facility use fees for events: \$15-\$250 rental, plus insurance if required

Guest speakers or musicians: \$600-\$2,500 per guest, can include airfare, stipend or compensation, lodging, local transportation and meals

Sound Engineering if needed: \$250-\$750

Advertising: \$75+ per event for printing flyers; \$250 - \$500 banner ad, Fairbanks Daily News-Miner; \$2000 for 1/3 page ad

Ongoing Expenses: \$225 monthly office rent; \$30-\$50 monthly utilities and supplies

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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.