

**Alaska Peace Center Community News and Opportunities for Action**  
on KWRK-LP 90.9 FM radio (or via [kwrk.org](http://kwrk.org) livestream) in Fairbanks, Alaska, Sundays, 8am & 6pm,  
reporting on events of **Peace, Justice, and Sustainability** that affect us and future generations in Alaska.

**Week of February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020** Be ready for opportunities to participate!

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**Alaska State Legislature is in session-** For schedules, bills, legislators, etc, go to [akleg.gov](http://akleg.gov). *Floor sessions live on Gavel Alaska at [www.bit.ly/38twylo](http://www.bit.ly/38twylo). To send a Public Opinion Message (POM) or sign up to participate in hearings, call your Legislative Information Office (LIO) at 452-4448 (Fairbanks: 1292 Sadler Way Suite 308). For Floor Sessions and most committee meetings visit <https://www.ktoo.org/gavel/schedule/> or <http://akl.tv> via computer, a smart tv, or a device such as a Chromecast. You can also use either of those URLs to watch on a television connected to the internet. [How to stay connected to lawmakers and issues during legislative session](#)*

### **IN THE NEAR FUTURE:**

*(Apologies for items that should be listed but are not; my internet is being blocked by a new tower, per AC Wireless.)*

#### **February: Black History Month:**

The Nanook Diversity & Action Center at UAF is offering Black History Month events open to the public. They would like to invite you to attend the Reverend Dr. Jamie Washington's public lecture on the intersection of race, faith, and sexuality. Please follow them on Facebook for details on this and other events for Black History Month! <https://www.facebook.com/uafnanookdiversity/>

#### **Sunday, February 23**

**Some programming on KWRK-LP today:** Children's shows, Community News & Opportunities, Ralph Nader Radio Hour, Building Bridges, We Do the Work, The Scholar's Circle, Humanity, Radio Ecoshock, The Spin, Circumpolar Song & Sound, Encounters, Alternative Radio, Soulful Sunday Mix, Juke in the Box, Blues America... and more. *Check out the schedule at [kwrk.org](http://kwrk.org).*  
**6-7:30pm film "After Munich"** on the Munich Olympics hostage crisis, **22<sup>nd</sup> annual farthest north Jewish Film Festival**. At Alaska Coffee Roasting Co, 4001 Geist Rd, suite 6; cost \$5-10; 456-1002. *from newsminer.*

#### **Monday, February 24**

Please see "Bills/Hearings to watch" via <https://akcenter.org/democracy/juneau/leg-with-louie/> (LEGWITHLOUIE) for scheduled Alaska Legislative bills & hearings in areas of environment and justice.

**BLM Resource Advisory Council position nominations deadline.** Nomination forms are located on the BLM's website or for more information, contact Melinda Bolton, BLM Alaska RAC Coordinator at (907) 271-3342 or [mbolton@blm.gov](mailto:mbolton@blm.gov). More below.\*\*

**6:30-8:45pm, Author talk: Fighter in Velvet Gloves by Annie Boochever.** Noel Wien Public Library. The story of a remarkable Alaska Native woman's fight for and eventual passage of America's first civil rights legislation... This event for youth and adults is sponsored by the League of Women Voters of the Tanana Valley in honor of **Elizabeth Peratovich Day** and the **100th Anniversary of the League of the Women Voters US** this month.

9:30-11pm Independent Lens on KUAC TV ch.9 – a fight for justice

#### **Tuesday, February 25**

6:45-8pm **Fairbanks Peace Choir** rehearsals. Create a Culture of Peace through Song! For info: 457-8086.

#### **Wednesday, February 26**

5:30 – **Fairbanks Open Radio KWRK-LP 90.9 FM** training, mtg, and/or open hours.

*Are the news, educational insights, perspectives, and music available on this station important to you and our community? Please consider learning how you can help with programming; A commitment of as little as one half or one hour a week - which can be done from your home internet or smart phone – could be very helpful. Training is provided free. [info@kwrk.org](mailto:info@kwrk.org) or leave a message at 907-374-0577. This is an all-volunteer station and supported solely by listener donations.*

7-8pm "**Alaskan Climate Change: What We Can Do to Stop It**". at The Folk School cabin [66], Pioneer Park. Climate is warming twice as fast in Alaska as for the planet as a whole. Terry Chapin will talk briefly about the changes in Alaskan climate & ecosystems, then focus on what we, as Alaskans, can do to reduce rates of climate change." *from [NAEC news](#) [free, open to public]*

## Thursday, February 27

12-1pm **legislative session conference call** with Louie Flora, Government Affairs Director of The Alaska Center. Contact him via [communications@akcenter.org](mailto:communications@akcenter.org) to receive phone-in information. #LEGWITHLOUIE  
4pm **50<sup>th</sup> Earth Day planning mtg**, at Northern Alaska Environmental Center, 830 College Rd.

5-8pm **2020 Art in the Arctic**. At Venue, 514 2nd Ave, Fairbanks. The Art in the Arctic Art Show celebrates wildlife and their habitats as a legacy of environmental conservation and National Wildlife Refuge management in Alaska. Held annually in Fairbanks, this Art Show celebrates three northern refuges based in Fairbanks, Alaska: Arctic, Kanuti, and Yukon Flats National Wildlife Refuges. The scale, expanse, and wildness of Alaska's Refuges distinguish them from most other Refuges in the National Wildlife Refuge System. These refuges protect habitats for wildlife, fish, and birds. This year's show celebrates the marvels of migratory birds.

6-7:30pm **film "Heaven Underground"** on the largest Jewish cemetery still in use in Europe.

**Jewish Film Festival:** At Alaska Coffee Roasting Co, 4001 Geist Rd, suite 6; cost \$5-10; 456-1002.

6 pm **-FNSB\* Regular Assembly mtg**, \*Fbks North Star Borough Bldg, 907 Terminal St. Agenda includes these items related to peace, justice, &/or sustainability: Citizens' Comments (early, middle, & end of mtg), Corvias Air Force Living LLC Payment In Lieu Of Taxes; Resolution 2020-11 Supporting Planning & Development of a Greater Fbks Recreation Area Refuge, A Recreational Trail System And Wildlife Area. For questions of more information, contact borough depts at 459-1000 or website [www.fnsb.us](http://www.fnsb.us). KUAC 89.9FM radio broadcasts all regular Assembly meetings live starting at 7pm.

## Friday, February 28

5pm **Deadline: Call for Pre-Feasibility Studies on Wood-Fired Heating Projects**, Request for Proposals from Fbks Development Corp, at [alaskaforestproducts.com](http://alaskaforestproducts.com). For more info contact [fedc@ak.net](mailto:fedc@ak.net) or 452-2185.

5:30-8pm **Harold Kaveolook School Fundraiser**. At University Community Presbyterian Church, Please join Native Movement and Sovereign Inupiat for a Living Arctic (SILA) for a silent auction fundraiser for the community of Kaktovik. Recently their only school was lost in a fire. All proceeds and donations go directly to the community for support and rebuild efforts. Moose soup & fry bread will be provided. There will be no charge for this event but a suggested donation of \$20 at the door. We are also looking for school supplies and winter gear for the kids and school that will be directly shipped to the community. This is a kid friendly event and will be filled with laughs, niqipaq (real food), and aggi (dance)! See [Facebook event](#) or contact [inupiaq@silainuat.org](mailto:inupiaq@silainuat.org) for more details.

6pm **Alaska Peace Center potluck and movie**, 3535 College Rd, suite 203. [info@alaskapeace.org](mailto:info@alaskapeace.org).

The movie "Lighter than Orange" was made in 2015 and consists of a number of interviews of Vietnamese soldiers talking about their experiences during the "American War" and dealing with the effects of Agent Orange afterwards. It has been very favorably reviewed. Or... "American Holocaust" 'connecting Vietnam and Iraq; or another of our numerous movie choices, as decided by attendees.

## Saturday, February 29

8am – 12pm. **Health Fair & Blood Tests** at Big Dipper Ice Arena, 1920 Lathrop St. More information and schedule of more Interior Alaska Health Fairs at [www.alaskahealthfair.org](http://www.alaskahealthfair.org) or call 907-374-6853.

9am – 4:45pm - 48th annual **Delta Farm Forum** in the small gym at Delta High School. Free. Presentations on extending the grazing season, update on Alaska Interior Meats, grazing and soil health, the annual Cooperator of the Year award, vendor booths, and much more. Potluck lunch at noon. The University of Alaska Fairbanks Cooperative Extension Service, the Salcha-Delta Soil and Water Conservation District and the Partners for Progress in Delta Inc. co-sponsor the forum. For more information, contact Delta Extension at (907) 895-4215 or [pnkaspari@alaska.edu](mailto:pnkaspari@alaska.edu), or the conservation district at (907) 895-6279.

12-5pm **Birds of a Feather Sketch Together with Artist Michael Boardman**. At Venue, 514 2nd Ave.

FREE presentation with featured Art in the Arctic artist Michael Boardman for an afternoon of learning about Alaska's wildlife refuges and the migratory birds that inhabit them. Michael is a wildlife artist and naturalist, and has been artist in residence at several National Parks and Refuges, including the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge last summer. Later, Michael will lead a drawing class.... \$10 per person, here online or at our register the day of the event

## NEXT WEEK:

### **Sunday, March 1**

***John Dear's Peace Podcast*** On the first day of each month, Pace e Bene posts a free, new podcast reflecting on some aspect of nonviolence. Accessible any time of day..

### **Monday, March 2**

8am-5pm Monday-Friday **RecallDunleavy signature gathering** at IBEW 2000 Airport Way, The Rental Zone 1109 Old Steese Hwy, WV Builders 3555 Davis Rd, Airport Eqpmt Rental van Horn Rd; plus Saturday 10-3 at WV Builders, and Tues-Wed-Thurs March 3-5<sup>th</sup> at UAF Wood Center downstairs. <https://recalldunleavy.org/> 71,252 signatures needed to trigger a special election.

### **Tuesday, March 3**

4:30-6:30pm on Tuesdays March 3 – April 7 The **Young Playwrights Institute** for Young People ages 13-18 at Hap Ryder Riverfront Theatre, 1852 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave: fundamentals of script writing for stage, individual coaching. \$100 for the 6-wk workshop. Download registration brochure at [www.fairbanksdrama.org](http://www.fairbanksdrama.org). [Per *The Violence Paradox*, literature and arts help reduce violence!]

### **Thursday, March 5**

8:30am Alaska Peace Center mtg. All welcome! Shall we work to get our local *governments to join the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons?* <http://nuclearban.org/cities>  
For more information email [info@alaskapeace.org](mailto:info@alaskapeace.org). 3535 College Rd, suite 203

### **Friday, March 6**

5:30-7:30pm **Free public screening of *On the Wings of the Raven***. At UAF Murie Auditorium. A documentary film by Tom Miller (*Pretty Good Productions*) about the career and worldview of Finnish nature photographer Eero Murtomäki. Producer Tero Mustonen, of the Snowchange Cooperative, will provide an introduction via Skype or recording. <http://www.prettygoodproductions.net/on-wings-of-the-raven>

**Friday March 6 – Saturday March 14 - Alaska Board of Game mtg**, Pike's Waterfront Lodge, 1850 Hoselton Dr. During this nine-day public meeting, the board will address more than 100 proposals requesting changes to hunting and trapping regulations for the Interior and Eastern Arctic Region (Game Management Units 12,19, 20, 21, 24, 25, 26B, and 26C). (More on this below.\*)

**Sunday, March 8 - International Women's Day** [www.internationalwomensday.com](http://www.internationalwomensday.com)

## AFTER NEXT WEEK, TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR:

### **Call to Action for International Days of Action Against Sanctions and Economic War – March 13 – 15**

In every country, the poorest and the weakest – infants, children, the chronically ill and the elderly – suffer the worst impact of sanctions. See more at <https://sanctionskill.org/>.

**March 18: Northern Voices: Nine Days on Beaver Creek.** 7-8:30pm, Noel Wien Library. As Artists in Residence Margo Klass and Frank Soos spent nine days floating Alaska's Beaver Creek in commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of the federal Wild and Scenic Rivers Act. Margo's multi-chambered artist book, Beaver Creek, houses compositions of found objects that reflect their river journey as well as a mini-library of texts that hold Frank's writing. Join Margo and Frank as they connect their experiences to the artist book and poems that celebrate this Wild and Scenic River.

### **International Anti-Imperialist Conference** to be held on March 28-29, 2020, in Larnaca, Cyprus.

*The World Peace Council. Coalition Against U.S. Foreign Military Bases* For more information and to register please contact: <https://Cyprus-Conference.org> [admin@Cyprus-Conference.org](mailto:admin@Cyprus-Conference.org)

## OTHER News and Opportunities for Action:

**from Delta Wind, 1-31-20:** "Alaska Court System Jury Summons now sent by email... By November of 2019, courts statewide were sending these jury documents by email... If the email is not responded to, the court mails a postcard... In 2019, 24,888 people appeared for both trial and grand jury duty in Alaska... The majority of Alaskans

summoned as jurors serve as trial jurors and are asked to hear evidence presented at a trial, decide the facts, apply the facts to the law explained by the judge, and return a verdict. ...[T]o serve as grand jurors... is different from service on a trial jury. There is no judge involved in the grand jury process. A prosecutor presents evidence to the grand jury, which decides whether there is enough evidence to charge a person with a crime. If the grand jury decides to charge a crime, then the prosecutor decides whether to take the case to a trial where a trial jury will decide if the person is guilty of the crime. Always check emails to make sure links go to [courts.alaska.gov](https://courts.alaska.gov) and not a fake page. The Alaska Court System is not aware of any phishing or scams on Alaskan jurors by email, but there have been many instances in which scammers call Alaskans asking for fine payments, which the court system does not do. The login screen for the online juror questionnaire asks for the last four digits of a potential juror's social security number, but not the entire number. For more information, visit <https://courts.alaska.gov/jury>."

\* **Regarding Board of Game mtgs** March 6-14: *per ADF&G*, "Topics to be addressed within the Interior and Eastern Arctic Region include hunting and trapping seasons and bag limits for residents and nonresidents, restricted and management areas including closed areas to hunting and trapping wolves near Denali National Park, methods and means, salvage requirements, hunting permits and conditions, and intensive management plans. The board will also address annual reauthorizations of antlerless moose hunts and resident brown bear tag fee exemptions statewide. For a full listing of proposals to be addressed at this meeting, please visit the meeting website at: <https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=gameboard.meetinginfo&date=03-06-2020&meeting=fairbanks>. The website includes all other meeting materials, including the agenda, roadmap (order of proposals) list of staff reports, and public, advisory committee, and agency comments on proposals. All portions of the meetings are open to the public. Live audio is expected to be streamed on the board website at [www.boardofgame.adfg.alaska.gov](http://www.boardofgame.adfg.alaska.gov)."

*Per Alaskans For Wildlife*: "Alaskans FOR Wildlife is asking the Board Of Game (BOG) to AMEND PROPOSAL 152 to enact a year-round no kill buffer as enacted in HB 105 by the House of the Ak Legislature in 2017, but to include not only Denali Park wolves but also bears black and brown, wolverine, lynx and coyotes that stray outside northeastern park bounds and, without the buffer get legally killed at bait stations, in snares and traps or shot on site. Proposal 152 would allow killing August through January and halt it during only spring months... Any support for 152 unfortunately is a way to ensure the BOG will likely not again accept proposals for the needed year round buffer that once existed."

\*\* Regarding **BLM Resource Advisory Council position nominations**: [from *Delta Wind* 1-28-20] "The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is seeking nominees for its Resource Advisory Council (RAC) from the general public, government, Native organizations, archaeological and historic organizations, recreation users, environmental organizations, energy and mineral development, and other BLM land users. The council consists of 15 Alaska residents who, through consensus, develop recommendations for public land management policy. The RAC meets 2-3 times per year over 1-3 days... "Members are needed from various, and potentially opposing, interest groups. That diversity is truly reflective of the multiple use mission of the BLM, and it is critical to the RAC's success." *Read more at [https://www.deltawindonline.com/news/local/blm-resource-advisory-council-positions-open/article\\_3dfdb971-200d-5951-aa94-f53c1a3e104e.html#ncms-source=article-nav-next](https://www.deltawindonline.com/news/local/blm-resource-advisory-council-positions-open/article_3dfdb971-200d-5951-aa94-f53c1a3e104e.html#ncms-source=article-nav-next).*

from [erica@northern.org](mailto:erica@northern.org): "Trilogy Metals and Australian mining company **South32 finalized a Joint Venture to create the LLC Ambler Metals**. As a part of the Joint Venture, South32 invested more than \$100 million dollars to develop mines in the Brooks Range... despite staunch opposition ...from the communities in the region who would be most impacted by losses in subsistence resources and increased non-local access to the area... [and] development of this Joint Venture's mines relies on the construction of the notorious proposed Ambler road... The road's Final Environmental Impact Statement is expected to be released sometime in March of this year. This is an extraordinarily short turn around.

"Along with our national coalition, we're reaching out to businesses from around the U.S., asking you to add your name to this statement: **We ask oil and gas corporations and the other businesses that support drilling activities to not violate the Refuge's biological heart, the coastal plain, and to listen to the will of the people. We must hold our national treasure in trust for future generations.** Business owners, **please sign on**, pass on to your friends and colleagues, and help make sure our elected leaders hear from businesses around the country who stand together in defense of the sacred coastal plain."

from *Fairbanks Daily News-Miner* 2-17-20: "One **defensive strategy against surprise medical bills**: Set your own terms...Instead of simply signing the hospital's financial and treatment consent form, Richter first crossed out sections calling for her to pay whatever amount the hospital charged. She wrote in...a 'maximum of two times' what the federal government would pay under Medicare, which is in the ballpark, experts said, of what hospitals might consider an acceptable rate... Some legal scholars question the premise that hospitals' financial consent

forms are themselves valid contracts. That's because contract law requires 'mutual assent,' something... patients can't really give because they are seldom told the true price of care up front before signing..."

2-16-20: "President Trump's federal **budget plan** for fiscal year 2021, which begins in October, includes **close to \$1 trillion in cuts to Medicaid**...[It] also requires all states to establish work requirements for Medicaid recipients... [The] proposal has gone to Congress, which ultimately develops and approves a budget it then sends back to the president for his signature... at the same time the Trump administration is supporting a Texas lawsuit seeking to do away with the AC [Affordable Care Act] entirely..."

*from newsminer 2-21-20:* "...**a bill that would allow young Alaskans to preregister to vote** before they reach legal voting age... 'inspires future voters and creates an electorate that is more engaged and informed...' Preregistration exists in some form in 23 other states and D.C. [Rep.] Hopkins introduced the bill...[and it] has been referred to the House State Affairs and Judiciary committees."

*from newsminer 2-22-20:*"[State Senator] Click Bishop's **motor fuel tax bill** moves out of Finance Committee... The state currently has the lowest motor fuel tax in the nation... Revenue... would be provided to the state's Department of Transportation for increased road maintenance. The committee substitute for the bill will now be passed on [to] the Senate Rules Committee before it can reach the full Senate."

*from [info@standforsalmon.org](mailto:info@standforsalmon.org):* "**Stand up for Alaska's Waters - Oppose HB 138**... without a doubt a ROLLBACK bill that creates more bureaucracy, expense, and red tape that strips Alaskans of their right to protect their waters. Polluted waters and unregulated development [are] NOT the future we want for our fisheries... The bill takes power away from Alaskans and gives an upper hand to outside mining companies and big businesses with no interest in protecting our fisheries and the clean water they depend on... [Tell the State House to stop HB 138!](#)"

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*from newsminer 2-16-20:* "**7-day truce could start Afghanistan on an uncertain road to peace**... [T]he agreement between the Trump administration and Taliban representatives, a year and a half in the making, would actually be the easy part..."

*from [info@winwithoutwar.org](mailto:info@winwithoutwar.org):* "Act Now: Ban Landmines! ... **The Trump administration is ending existing U.S. prohibitions against the use of landmines**... internationally banned through the Mine Ban Treaty, signed by 164 countries in 1997...— they disproportionately kill civilians and remain a threat to life long after a conflict ends. **Today, hundreds of millions of landmines around the world still injure and kill tens of thousands of people every year** [Tell Congress: Ban new uses of anti-personnel landmines!](#)!"

*from Veterans For Peace:* "**WORTH THE PRICE? Joe Biden and the Launch of the Iraq War** is a documentary short reviewing the role of then-Senator Joe Biden (D-DE) in leading the United States into the most devastating foreign policy blunder of the last twenty years... The [19 minute film](#) includes a variety of voices on the launching of the Iraq War, including VFP member Matt Hoh..."

"The Pentagon: Exposing the Hidden Polluter of Water - [Find out more](#)"

"**Vietnam Full Disclosure Podcast:** "[We killed every animal, every person](#)" – Dennis Stout [who] served in the 101st Airborne in Vietnam. For months in the spring of 1967, he observed systematic and coordinated atrocities committed by U.S. combat troops. Finally, Dennis risked his own life to report these war crimes, making him the first American soldier to do so... [Listen now!](#)"

*from Friends Committee on National Legislation:* "**End Selective Service** - As the [National Commission on Military, National, and Public Service](#) prepares its report on the Selective Service System (SSS), we are once again compelled to call for the elimination of universal conscription. Under the SSS, every man aged 18 to 26 is required to register for a potential military draft. Those who refuse could face jail time, fines, or be denied access to federal benefits... The SSS ... cost[s] taxpayers more than [\\$800 million over the last 35 years](#) to administer. [Politicians, government officials](#), and [leaders](#) from across the ideological spectrum have argued that there is no national security benefit to its existence... [H.R. 5492](#) ...would repeal the legislation that created the SSS. [Urge your representative to sign on as a co-sponsor to H.R. 5492 and take a stand for peace and civil liberties.](#)

"**Expanded Ban Starts [Feb. 21]** President Trump's immigration ban will [expand to six additional countries](#), including Nigeria and Myanmar, starting today. The House Judiciary Committee has registered its disagreement, [voting 22-10 to advance the No Ban Act \(H.R. 2214\)](#) and rein in presidential authority to issue such travel restrictions."

from *Defend Bristol Bay*: “Pebble Spent \$2.86 Million on DC Lobbyists in 2019...”

from *National Underground Railroad Freedom Center/End Slavery Now: “Ethical Shopping Apps*

Have a Smartphone? Want an app that tells you whether an item was made with trafficked labor? Consider downloading an app like Buycott, Avoid, or CauseCart. Click below for more information! [Learn More](#)

**Law Enforcement and Human Trafficking** There are many situations where law enforcement agents can come into contact with a trafficking situation. How can they recognize the signs? How can police and legal advocates help trafficking victims and survivors rather than punishing them? [Click here to learn more.](#)”

*If you were not able to see the movie Dark Waters when it showed locally, here is an article and trailer:* “New movie features lawyer who exposed DuPont’s crimes - poisoned ground water and river systems for decades.

<https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-8026587/New-movie-reveals-lawyer-giant-Teflon-pumping-deadly-molecule.html>

“...PFOA is expected to linger in the environment for thousands more years — but the battle isn’t over. DuPont has been accused of similar poisoning outrages elsewhere in the U.S.

“And Rob Bilott is still on the warpath. Last year he launched another class-action lawsuit, this time on behalf of everyone in the U.S. with even a trace of the deadly chemical in their blood.” *from Douglas A. Yates*

from *codepink.org*: “February 24, a court in the U.K. will hold a hearing to determine whether to grant Trump’s request to extradite WikiLeaks founder **Julian Assange** to the United States for trial on 18 charges under the Espionage Act carrying up to **175 years in prison**.

**Please sign this urgent petition to the U.K. government: Don't extradite Assange to the US.**

Assange’s alleged crimes date back to 2010, when the organization he founded, WikiLeaks, transmitted documents to media outlets including Le Monde, The Guardian and The New York Times. The documents, which were provided to WikiLeaks by whistleblower Chelsea Manning, included 250,000 US diplomatic cables and US army reports about military operations in Iraq and Afghanistan, and **exposed cases of torture, abduction and disappearances**.

**“As an anti-war organization, we have found these documents critical to understanding our government’s actions.** The publication of these documents by media outlets was clearly in the public interest, and not an act of espionage.

“If the legal persecution of Assange continues, investigative journalism and press freedom will be the victims, since news organizations regularly rely on and publish classified information to serve the public interest...”. “Exposing Crimes is Not a Crime. #FreeAssange. #FreeSpeech. #EndWar. One of the first things we teach our children is, ‘See something, Say something.’ Except for war crimes, genocide, and government crimes?”

from *PeaceAlliance*: “**As we continue the Season for Nonviolence (SNV) (1/30 to 4/4)** -- the 64-day period between the memorial anniversaries of Mahatma Gandhi and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. -- **we honor Congressman John Lewis**. He is a champion of nonviolence, human decency and integrity and has been a **cosponsor of Department of Peacebuilding in every Congress since its introduction in 2001**... **YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE** by **contacting your member of Congress and other members of Congress today, in February and in March**. **Ask him/ her to sign on as a cosponsor of Department of Peacebuilding (DoP/ HR 1111) legislation** by contacting Congresswoman Barbara Lee’s office (202-225-2661 or samira.damavandi@mail.house.gov):

- To **determine** your member of Congress: [Find Your Representative](#)
- To **call** your member of Congress: Congressional Switchboard at 202-224-3121
- To **email** your member of Congress: [Ask Your Congressperson to Cosponsor Dept. of Peacebuilding \(HR 1111\)](#)
- **As a bonus for nonviolence, call this third group of 4 members of Congress** starting now: Al Green (TX-9) at 202-225-7508; Eddie Bernice Johnson (TX-30) at 202-225-8885; Marcy Kaptur (OH-9) at 202-225-4146; and Carolyn Maloney (NY-12) at 202-225-7944
- Throughout Season for Nonviolence, we will send **lists of additional members of Congress** for you to contact

- To see a **script of what to say & the complete SNV 20 for 2020 list**, see [SNV 20 for 2020](#). Feel free to contact any and all as frequently as you can during Season for Nonviolence

**"I believe in nonviolence as a way of life, as a way of living."** - Congressman John Lewis.  
For more information, see [Department of Peacebuilding](#)"

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audio & music played with this week's broadcast:

-- **Asymmetric Moose commentary:** " Cut it how you will but, imperialism, colonialism, and patriarchy find their highest expression in war and militarism. Consider this:

Over 20,000 military members were sexually assaulted in 2018. A third of the victims were discharged after reporting typically within 7 months of making the report and those victims received harsher discharges with 24% being separated under less than fully honorable conditions compared to 15% of all service members. 64% of women who reported a sexual assault faced retaliation, and in over 1 in 4, victims who did not report, feared retaliation from their commander and co-workers. Despite a 22% increase in unrestricted sexual assault reports since 2015, convictions have plummeted by almost 60% in the same timeframe.

Veteran For Peace Brittny Chantelle sings about in **#Me Too**

Next Brittny Chantelle speaks truth to recruiting in **J.R.O.T.C.**

For just a bit more truth in recruiting we'll step back a few years, musical styles change but war is still a racket. Next Country Joe and The Fish sing **I-Feel-Like-I'm-Fixin'-To-Die Rag**. Oh yea! They start off with the cheer, the prime time one anyway.

The next three tunes follow the general theme of there's no such thing as an illegal human being. First Holly Near and Ronnie Gilbert sing the Woody Guthrie tune **Pastures of Plenty**.

Next Hoyte Axton and Arlo Guthrie sing another one of Woody's songs **Plane Wreck at Los Gatos**.

The next song includes two of my very favorite jazz musicians: Bela Fleck on five string banjo and Wayne Shorter on tenor sax. Bruce Hornsby and the Range sing **Fire On The Cross**.

Being as I have just played three tunes dealing with one of the U.S.'s hateful hateful scars of bigotry, I thought I'd close on a lighter note, sort of, by playing a tune about a bigot that got his just come-upins', next The Austin Lounge Lizards sing **Saguaro**."

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**RESOURCES FOR PEACE, JUSTICE, AND SUSTAINABILITY; Legislative, congressional, and other contacts are listed at <https://alaskapeace.wordpress.com/links/resources/>**  
*U.S. Senators and Representatives can be called via the Capitol switchboard: 1-202-224-3121.*

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

You can contact Alaska Peace Center volunteers via email at [info@alaskapeace.org](mailto:info@alaskapeace.org)

**Visit our website:** [www.alaskapeace.org](http://www.alaskapeace.org) for more information and details, or to get on our email list, to which the expanded news brief is sent with active hyperlinks; also see Alaska Peace Center Facebook.

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***Please include "for news" in the subject line.***

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