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Standing Rock Showdown—#NODAPL

On November 20th the police violently attacked peaceful water protectors at Standing Rock. Police used tear gas, rubber bullets, pepper spray, sound (concussion) grenades, and sprayed them with water cannons in subfreezing conditions. Hundreds of people were injured.

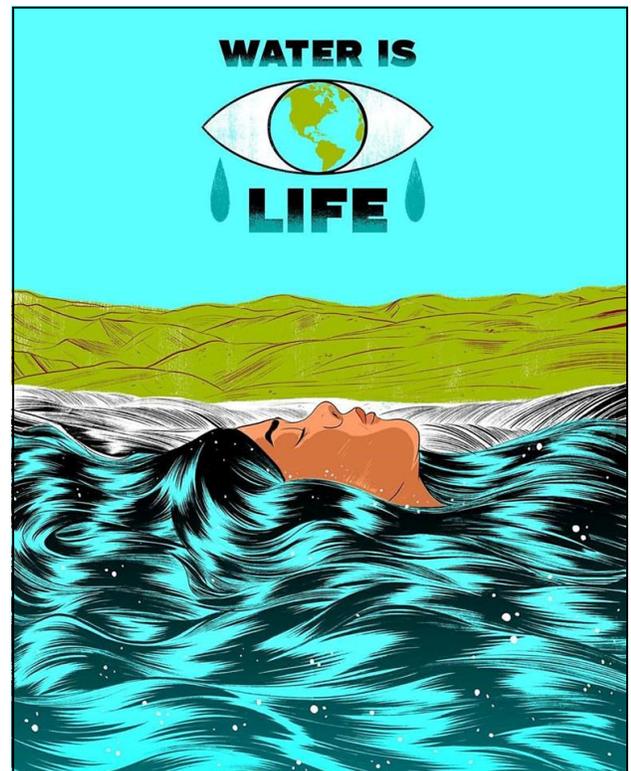
Approximately 300 Native American and non-native protesters were injured in the 10-hour clash with law enforcement, and 26 were taken to hospitals with severe head and limb wounds, eye trauma, internal bleeding and hypothermia from being doused with water in 22-degree weather.

In response, a coalition of groups

are calling for a week of action starting on November 25th and culminating in a **Global Day of Action** on December 1st. Demonstrators will gather at **Kerr Park in Downtown Oklahoma City at 9:00 am on December 1st**. Dress warm, and bring signs and banners.

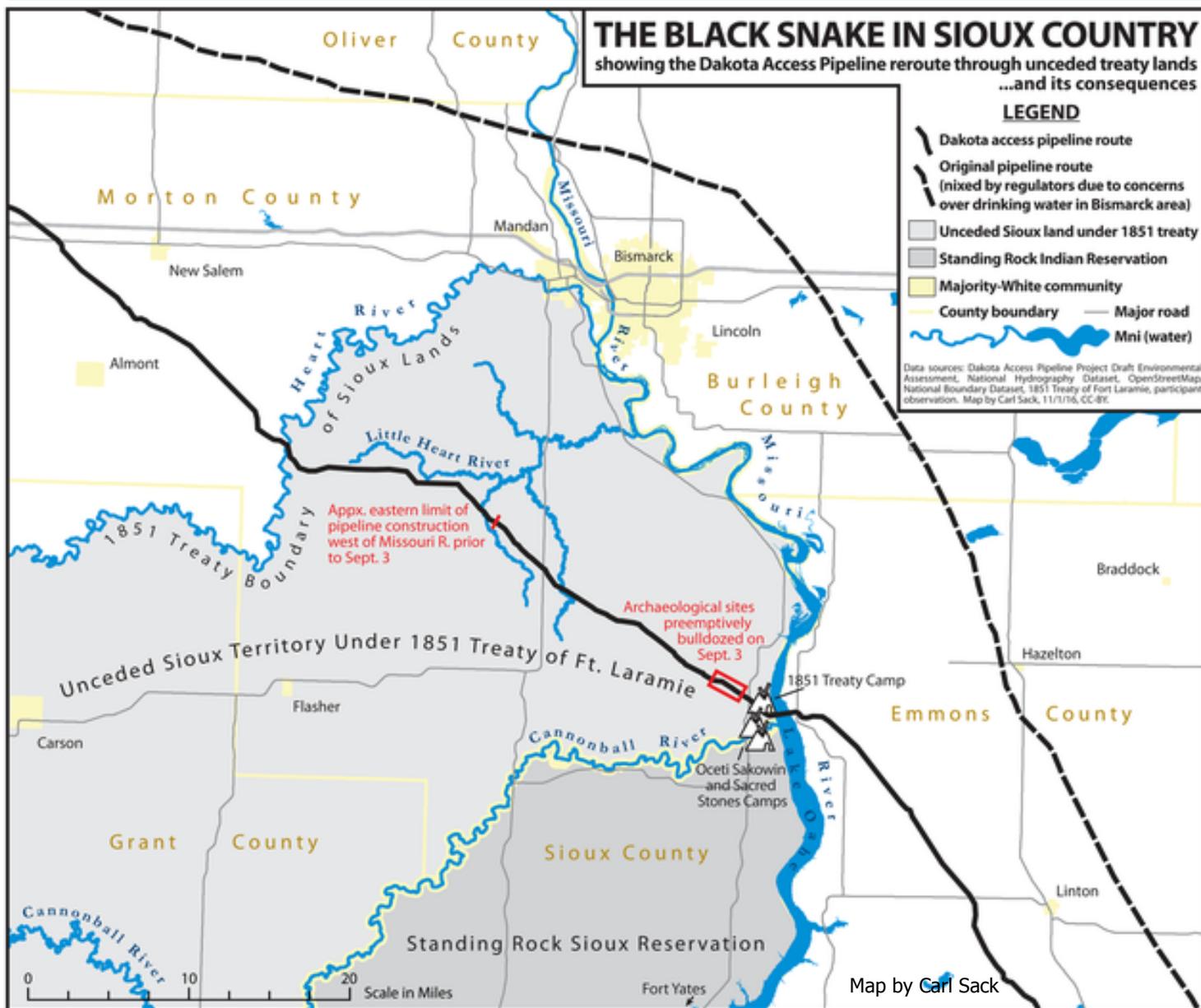
Standing Rock Sioux Reservation in southern North Dakota, is the site of an escalating months-long standoff between law enforcement-backed security contractors and activists that has so far resulted in multiple injuries, more than 500 arrests, and a United Nations investigation of potential human rights abuses.

For the Standing Rock Sioux, the



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Standing Rock Showdown (cont.)



Dakota Access project poses two immediate threats. First, the pipeline would run beneath Lake Oahe, the reservoir that provides drinking water to the people of Standing Rock. (An earlier route that avoided native lands was ruled out in part because it posed

a danger to other drinking water supplies.)

Second, according to the Standing Rock Sioux tribe, the building of the pipeline would destroy the sacred spots and burial grounds that were overlooked in the Corps of Engineers'

assessment. The protests have intensified, and more outsiders, including members of more than 200 Native American tribes from across North America, have become involved. Standing Rock has, for some, come to represent something much bigger than a struggle between a disenfran-

What's Happening

NODAPL DAY OF ACTION OKC

9:00 am, Thursday, December 1
Kerr Park, Kerr & Broadway

WORLD AIDS DAY MEMORIAL SERVICE

6:00 pm, Thursday, December 1
Expressions, 2245 NW 39th St

SISU YOUTH WINTER GALA

7 pm, Friday, December 9
DC on Film Row, 609 W Sheridan

HERLAND MEMBERSHIP MEETING

5:00 pm, Saturday, December 10
Herland, 2312 NW 39th St

HOLIDAY PARTY/ POTLUCK

6:00 pm, Saturday, December 10
Herland, 2312 NW 39th St

ROCK FOR STANDING ROCK

1 pm, Sunday, December 11
Power House, 1228 SW 2nd St

2017—LOOKING AHEAD

NEW YEARS DAY POTLUCK

1:00 pm, Sunday, January 1
Potluck, Come and Go
Herland, 2312 NW 39th St

JANUARY SUPPER CLUB

5:30 pm, Saturday, January 14
Belle Isle Brewery, 50 Penn Place

FEBRUARY SUPPER CLUB

5:30 pm, Saturday, February 11
Hideaway Pizza, 6616 N Western

2017 SPRING DAY RETREAT

DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED
Lake El Reno Park

2017 FALL RETREAT

DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED
Lake Eufaula State Park

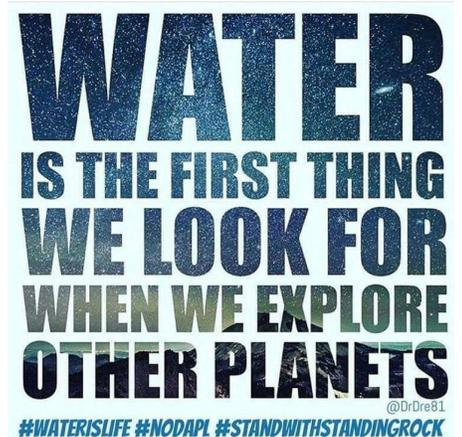
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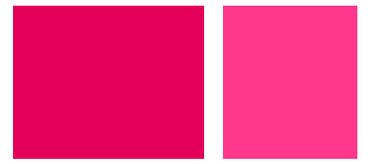
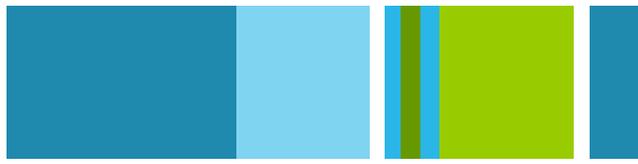
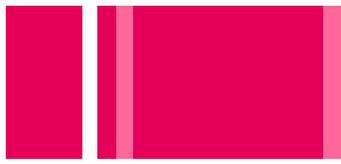
From the Huffington Post, "The government says the \$3.7 billion Dakota Access Pipeline is the safest, most efficient way to carry crude oil from North Dakota to Illinois. But the project has become a rallying point for Native Americans because the pipe would cut under the Missouri River within a mile of the Standing Rock Sioux Reservation, potentially contaminating the local tribes' source of fresh water and encroaching on land that the U.S. government had agreed to set aside for them in an 1851 treaty. The clash between protesters, who call themselves "water protectors," and North Dakota law enforcement reached a boiling point on Sunday, when force was used to keep protesters off a barricaded bridge about a mile south of the pipeline construction site."

The financial footing of the Dakota Access Pipeline is in jeopardy if they do not complete the project by January 1st. If this deadline is missed, a majority of the stakeholders with contracts to ship oil through the pipeline will be able

to renegotiate or cancel their contracts. This could be devastating to Energy Transfer Partners and the other pipeline companies behind DAPL. With its vulnerabilities exposed, solidarity efforts are needed now more than ever.

On December 4, hundreds of veterans plan to "deploy" to Standing Rock Indian Reservation in North Dakota to join in protest against the planned Dakota Access Pipeline and draw national attention to the cause. And while the Corps of Engineers says it has no plans to forcibly remove protesters, it announced that all federal lands north of the Cannonball River would be closed to public access on December 5th. This land includes the main protest camp.





Holiday Happenings at Herland

The December Potluck & White Elephant Party

We hope you will join us on Saturday, December 10th at 6:00 pm for this really fun event! Bring a dish to share for the potluck, and a wrapped gift (up to \$20 value or re-gift) if you'd like to participate in the White Elephant/Dirty Santa gift exchange.

In the spirit of the season, we will be collecting new toys for the kids at the YWCA Women's Shelter.

New Year's Day Potluck & Open House

Start your New Year with Herland and it's bound to be a great one! Bring your favorite dish to share, and we'll provide the black-eyed peas, ham and beans, cabbage, cornbread, apple cider and eggnog.

This is the perfect opportunity to catch up with old friends and make some new ones!

Herland Membership

Our annual Herland Membership meeting will be on Saturday, Dec. 10th, at 5 pm. (This is for the convenience of those attending the Potluck and White Elephant Party at 6 pm.) You may join as a voting member by paying annual dues of \$20 at this meeting. We have several new candidates for board membership this year. Please join us!

Upcoming Herland events include our annual White Elephant/Dirty Santa Party and Potluck Dinner on December 10th at 6:00 pm and the annual New Year's Day Potluck & Open House.

Your participation is the reason Herland has remained strong through the years. As you know, Herland is a volunteer organization and we have never had any paid staff. We rely on your generous support and use it wisely. During this Holiday Season of giving, we ask that you continue your commitment to Herland by making a financial donation.

To donate online please go to www.herlandsisters.org and click donate or you can mail your donation to: Herland Sister Resources, 2312 W I44 Svc Rd, Oklahoma City, OK, 73112. Thank you for keeping Herland in your heart. We wish you a full and happy Holiday Season!

World AIDS Day

12.1.16 at 6:00pm

Expressions Church 2245 NW 39th, OKC

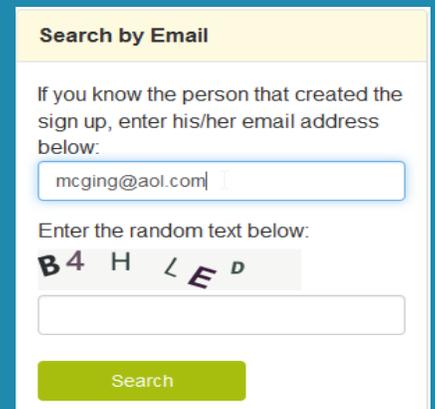
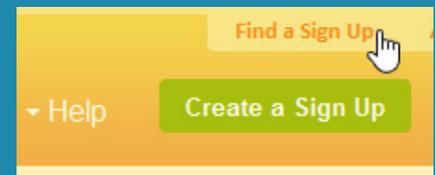
Keynote Speaker- Rabbi Vered L. Harris, Temple B'nai Israel. Special music by First Unitarian Choir, Mosaic Choir, United Life Spiritual Center Choir, Cathedral Of Hope Choir.



UCO Herland Oral History Project

The Herland Oral History Project is well underway! If you have ever been involved with Herland, we invite and encourage you to participate in this project. It's all about our women's community in OKC over the years.

To participate, go to signupgenius.com and click on "Find a Sign Up" in the upper right corner. Then search by email using mcging@aol.com as the person that created the signup. Then look for Herland Oral History.



SISU Youth Update



Together, we
can end youth
homelessness.

Volunteers Needed

SISU Youth continues to need overnight volunteers to serve as Youth Support Specialists for the youth shelter. Volunteers will be trained in:

- Basic Training
- Trauma Informed Care
- Medical First-Aid
- Mental Health First-Aid

All volunteers must pass a background check and be willing to work a 6-hour shift.

Can't volunteer at night? How about donating monthly to support SISU Youth's operating costs? Every dollar counts to ensure that OKC teens have a safe place to sleep at night.

Sign up to volunteer or donate at sisuyouth.org.

Sisu Youth cordially invites you to our
Second Annual Winter Gala
benefiting Sisu's mission to end youth homelessness in OKC

PLEASE JOIN US AT
DC ON FILM ROW
609 W SHERIDAN AVE IN OKLAHOMA CITY
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9TH, 2016 FROM 7 TO 10 PM

We'll enjoy complimentary Hors d'Oeuvres, Wine & Beer, Live Music, a Silent Auction, Raffle, and Door Prizes.

TICKETS MAY BE PURCHASED AT SISUYOUTH.ORG
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