

Bobbi Jean Three Legs - 21st century Native American Youth Protest Leaders

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Outline:

- Who: Who is Bobbie Jean Three Legs?
- What: What is she part of?
- Where: Where did it take place?
- When: When is it happening?

Discussion Question:

- Who are some of the Native American individuals (women, men, children) whose revolutionary ideas have shaped their societies in profound ways? Provide examples to explain.



Image found on https://cdn2.hubspot.net/hubfs/1965224/Blog/native_hope_bobbi_jean_three_legs1-1.jpg

Who is Bobbie Jean Three Legs?

- “Mni wiconi” = “Water is life” (Goodman 1)
 - From “Water Is Life, Water Is Sacred’: Standing Rock’s Bobbi Jean Three Legs Speaks Out Against Trump”
- How she started
 - “Bobbi Jean saw a picture on Facebook toward the end of March 2016. She remembers, “I came across this picture of Jonathan Edwards and several other individuals standing in the middle of a street in McLaughlin, South Dakota,...standing there holding up their signs [protesting the pipeline].” (Burke Part 1, 1)
- Member of the Standing Rock Nation (Democracy 1)
 - This is from the article “Winona LaDuke: Trump’s Push to Build Dakota Access & Keystone XL Pipelines is a Declaration of War”

Who is Bobbie Jean Three Legs?

- Cares for her daughter.
- “BOBBI JEAN THREE LEGS: I’m afraid that someone’s going to get really hurt. I’m afraid that they’re out to kill. I believe that they have no hesitation in doing that. And I just need everybody around the world to stand up with us right now. I do not want anyone to get killed” (I’m)

What is she part of?

- “Bobbi Jean Three Legs: “Right now we’re on a lockdown in front of Chase Bank, because we want people across America to divest their money from these banks. The big banks—Chase, Wells Fargo—all the big banks, these are paying for the pipelines around the country. We want you to know what your money is being paid for and what it’s being used for. And pretty much our lives are at risk right now—everybody. There’s already people’s waters ruined around the country. And we’re just trying to protect that. We want to know that seven generations ahead, that our children are going to be OK.”” (White)
 - This happened January 2017.

PROPOSED DAPL ROUTE

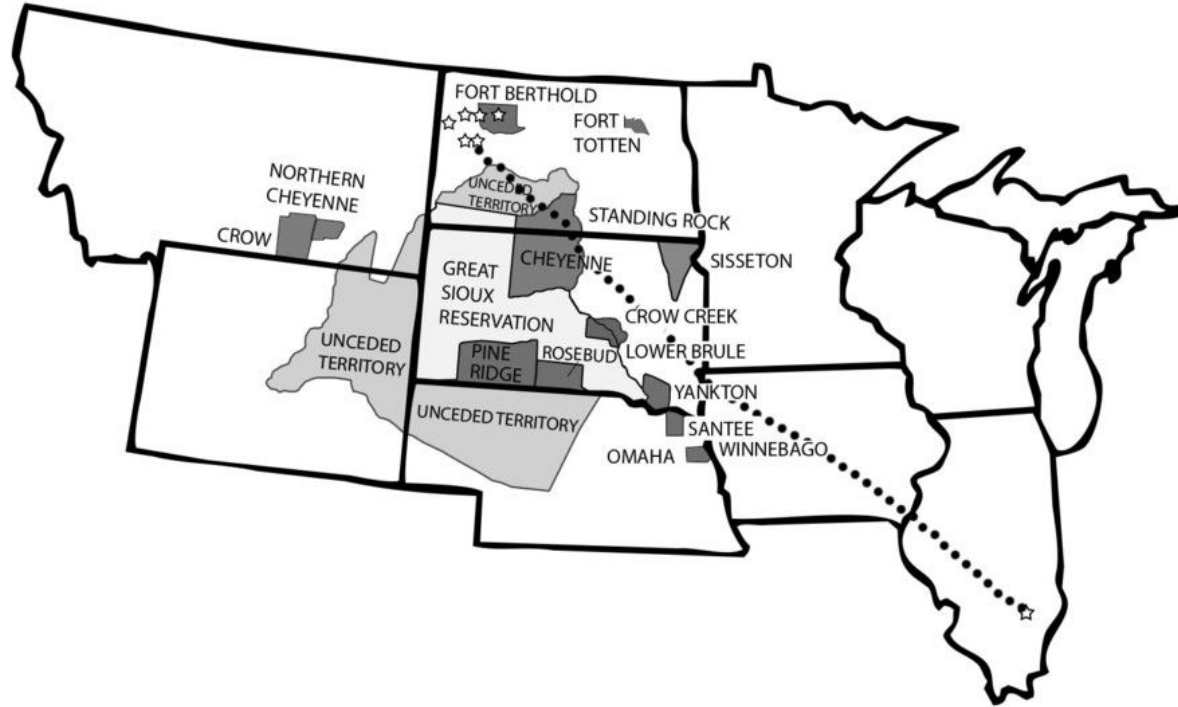


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Where did it take place?

- Dakota Access Pipeline

When is it happening?

- It is still happening.
 - There is always an injustice that we have to fight against.
 - “We’re never going to back down,” said Bobbi Jean Three Legs of the Standing Rock Reservation in South Dakota, when *Democracy Now!* spoke to her Monday and asked what her message was for Trump”(Breaking).
- “Bobbi Jean Three Legs, a member of the Standing Rock Sioux Nation, began protesting DAPL before the first resistance camp was set up last April” (Goodman).

More Questions

- What impact do these youth movements have had?
- How successful has the raising awareness had?
- Nation Views changes?
 - Pipeland Breakage
 - “Trump’s move sparked a number of emergency protests last night. Thousands rallied on Fifth Avenue near Trump Tower in New York City and outside the White House in Washington, D.C. More rallies were held in Seattle, Chicago and Los Angeles”(Trump).

Video

[https://www.democracynow.org/2017/1/4/from keystone xl pipeline to dapl](https://www.democracynow.org/2017/1/4/from_keystone_xl_pipeline_to_dapl)

(From)

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Video

<https://www.facebook.com/ienearth/videos/10153621807540642/>

(Three Legs)

Cont.

“With little response from the U.S. Army Corps Engineers, Bobbi Jean and the other runners grew eager to take more action, so they announced they would be running across the nation some 2,000 miles to gather signatures to stop the pipeline (Burke 2, 1)”.

Discussion Question:

Who are some of the Native American individuals (women, men, children) whose revolutionary ideas have shaped their societies in profound ways? Provide examples to explain.

Answer:

- Person - Bobbie Jean Three Legs
- Getting the word out.
 - Tv, online, speeches, runs
- Impact
 - Encouraging elders to act
 - Raising awareness around the nation
 - Provide Hope
 - Pipeline plans canceled

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