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EARTH Magazine: The Year in Review

Traditionally, EARTH has published a “highlights” or “year in review” issue at the end of the year. This year for our December issue, we decided to try a different approach: Instead of focusing on the top news and research highlights of the last year, we asked our staff and some frequent contributors to write a short commentary on something that grabbed their attention in 2013. We ended up with a collection of extremely varied, often personal insights into how the planet impacted each individual.

Each day from, Nov. 18 to 22, EARTH Magazine will release a new commentary from our print issue. The subjects are varied but the themes intersect where geoscience and society meet.

Monday, EARTH’s Associate Editor Sara Pratt reflects on her family’s experience living through the 2013 floods in Boulder, Colo.

Tuesday, EARTH’s Managing Editor Megan Sever discusses how she annoys her friends and family with geologic trivia and why you should do the same.

Wednesday, EARTH contributor and cartoonist Callan Bentley discusses his run-ins with science denialism.

Thursday, EARTH’s roving correspondent Mary Caperton Morton talks about how witnessing a rockfall in New Mexico made her think about our current spot in geological time.

Friday, EARTH contributor Michael Webber draws parallels about what geoscience has to learn from zombies when it comes to things like energy.

For all eight commentary pieces, download the full issue from the EARTH Magazine digital bookstand at www.earthmagazine.org/digital. Read the full issue for the holiday gift guide for the geoscientist in your life, and learn more about what the a new Antarctic ice core can say about the last ice age and how scientists used photos from 1906 to map the San Francisco earthquake fault trace.

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