

MARYLAND UNITED FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE
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##April 29 **SAVE THE DATE** "CREATING A CULTURE OF PEACE" **MD Peace & Justice Conference**
Seton Keough High School, Baltimore -- Info Carol 410-363-3140 peacecalendar@comcast.net
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Send **MAY** Calendar Events by **4/20** to: calendar@mupj.org or Carol Solomon, 8111 McDonogh Rd., Baltimore 21208

= Items of Statewide Interest MUPJ/Calendar website: www.mupj.org thanks to Bob Lewis.

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SEE ONGOING EVENTS FOLLOWING MONTHLY CALENDAR LISTINGS

Demonstrations Every Saturday Outside the Homes of Congress Members: To End the War & Impeach the Warmakers -- Democracy Rising.US is working with Democrats.com, Progressive Democrats of America, After Downing Street, Gold Star Families for Peace, Iraq Pledge of Resistance, Hip Hop Caucus, and others are asking dedicated activists in each Congressional District (CD) to volunteer if you are willing to help coordinate these pickets. Info <http://www.democrats.com/user/register>

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Through 4/4 NIGHT OF A THOUSAND DINNERS in commemoration of the signing of the Ottawa Convention to Abolish Land Mines & in support of Int'l Mine Awareness Day 2000 Sign a petition against Iran war: <http://stopwaroniran.org> <http://stopthewarnow.net>

Through 9/3 RACE, CLASS, GENDER DOES NOT EQUAL CHARACTER **10AM-6PM** Tues-Sun Am. Visionary Art Museum, 800 Key Hwy, **Balto**

24-4/8 INTERFAITH PEACE-BUILDERS DELEGATION to ISREAL & PALESTINE Fellowship of Reconciliation Info

<http://www.forusa.org/programs/ipb/default.html>

26-8 "NEW NUKES, OLD NUKES, & MOUNTAINS OF WASTE: LET'S STOP THE MADNESS!" Nuclear Age Peace Foundation's **DC** Days Four days of training, advocacy, education & networking on issues concerning the nuclear weapons complex. Team visits with Bush Administration, Senators, Reps & their staff. Registration \$100. Info Carah Ong, the Foundation's DC Office Director 202- 543-4100, x105 cong@napf.org

26 "THE MIND OF A TERRORIST" : Presentation: with Fred Katz, based on his book, Confronting Evil: Two Journeys." **1:30PM Baltimore** Hebrew Congregation, 7401 Park Heights Ave. (at Slade). Sponsored by Baltimore Tikkun Community. Info ruth@cramercrystal.com

26 "PALESTINE, ISRAEL AND THE HAMAS ELECTION VICTORY," with Adam Sharpiro, internationally known peace activist & writer, co-founder Int'l Solidarity Movement. **2PM** Howard County Central Library, 10375 Little Patuxent Parkway, **Columbia** Sponsored by the Howard County Campaign to End the Israeli Occupation. Info HCCEIO@yahoo.com

26 CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION OF THE DUBOIS CIRCLE Dr. David Levering Lewis **2:30PM Baltimore** Central Library, 400 Cathedral St.

26 "THE POWER OF NIGHTMARES" in Peace & Justice Film Series **2-5PM** George Mason University, **Arlington** Campus, Arlington Original Bldg., Room 244, 3401 Fairfax Blvd., Info moyaatk@att.net Info about film <http://news.b.co.uk/1/hi/programmes/3755686.stm>

27-9 NUCLEAR AGE PEACE FOUNDATION IN LEARNING & LOBBYING. Team visits to key members of Bush Administration, Senators, Representatives & their staff. Operations headquarters ANA **DC** office near Capitol Hill Registration \$100. This year's theme is "NEW NUKES, OLD NUKES, & MOUNTAINS OF WASTE: RSVP Carah Ong, Nuclear Age Peace Foundation, 202-543-4100, ext. 105 cong@napf.org

27 Documentary Film: "SEARCHING FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST," followed by a discussion led by producer Landrum Bolling, a veteran peace maker and former President of Earlham College **Noon-1:30PM** Carnegie Endowment for Int'l Peace, Choate Room, First Floor, 1779 Massachusetts Ave. **DC** Sandwiches served. Space limited. Please RSVP 202-835-3650 info@fmep.org.

28 TV Program: "STORIES ABOUT THE ISRAELI OCCUPATION," with Anna Baltzer, author of "Witness in Palestine: Journal of a Jewish American Woman in the Occupied Territories." On Howard County TV program "Building Peace for Jews & Palestinians," Cable Channel 73,. Produced by Marylanders for a Free Palestine and Secure Israel **11AM, 3PM, 7PM** Info: 410-461-2040.

29 "PROSPECTS FOR DEMOCRACY IN THE MIDDLE EAST" Foreign Affairs Sumposium 2006 Panel Great Panel, **8PM** 110 Hodson Hall, JHU, 3100 N Charles, **Baltimore** Info fas@jhu.edu

29 IRAQI WOMEN'S DELEGATION SPEAKERS Eman Ahmad Khamas **1PM** Prince George Community College **Largo** Info Woody Woodruff 301-577-2350 woodruwi@pgcc.edu

29 Eman Ahmad Khamas, now touring the United States, courtesy of Code Pink and Global Exchange sponsored by the PG Peace & Justice Coalition She will give a firsthand account of how the occupation of Iraq has changed everyday life there of a group of Iraqi women. **7:30PM Greenbelt** Community Center, 15 Crescent Rd. Info Lucy Duff 301-577-2350 lucyduff@earthlink.net

29-31 PEACE-BASED DEVELOPMENT **Sarajevo,Bosnia and Herzegovina** A Seminar Presented by The Int'l Education for Peace Institute (EFP-International) & Education for Peace Balkans Closing Feb 17. registration <http://www.efpinternational.org> Info academic@efpinternational.org

30 End of TOUR FOR DARFUR: EYEWITNESS TO GENOCIDE, a 21,000 mile speaking tour of 22 cities in 11 states to promote the 'Million Voices for Darfur' campaign. The goal is to raise Americans' awareness of what has been recognized as the world's worst humanitarian crisis & to motivate them to take action by generating 1 million postcards to President Bush asking him to use the power of his office to end the genocide. The tour will end with a 'Rally to Stop Genocide' to hand deliver the postcards in **DC** 4/30.

30 ANNUAL NONPROFIT CAREER FAIR **11AM-3PM** Goucher College, Sports & Recreation Center **Baltimore** To register (free) & info <http://www.idealists.org/fairs.html> click on Baltimore.

30 WORLD WATER DAY A free film & discussion event DC premiere of "FUERA", a new film about the struggle for water rights in Bolivia. **6:30-8:30PM** Busboys & Poets Café & Bookstore, 2021 14th St, NW (closest intersection: 14th and V Sts) Info Victoria Kaplan, Food & Water Watch 202-797-6556 ykaplan@fwwatch.org www.foodandwaterwatch.org

30 TRANSFORMING IMAGES OF THE PROPHET: A JEWISH-CHRISTIAN-MUSLIM DIALOGUE **7-9PM** Dennis & Philip Ratner Museum 10001 Old Georgetown Rd, **Bethesda** Info 301-897-1518 www.ratnermuseum.com

31 CEASAR CHAVEZ DAY (1927 - 1993). A Mexican-Am labor leader & activist, nationally respected voice for social justice

31&4/2 MONDAY NIGHT MASTERS ART SHOW 3/31 **6:30-9PM** 4/2 **2-4PM** Viva House, 26 S. Mount St, **Baltimore**

31 "4 LITTLE GIRLS" Spike Lee Film & Social Consciousness Series **7PM** doors open **7:30PM** Film AFSC, 4806 York Rd., **Balto** Info Max 410-323-7200

31 2006 Int'l Women's Day Film Series THE RIPPLE EFFECT: OUR STORIES A DOCUMENTARY by & about young women of color from DC **7-9PM** Latin American Folk Institute (LAFI, 34th & Rhode Island Ave, **Mt. Rainier** Info send e-mail to sts_hah@yahoo.com.

31-4/3 FCNL SPRING LOBBY WEEKEND : EMPOWERING YOUNG ADULTS Info www.fcnl.org/young/

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APRILNational CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION Month info <http://www.olivecrest.org>

April 2006 EPIC & Veterans for Common Sense IRAQ FORUM two-day forum to discuss military & non-military strategies for stabilizing Iraq, protecting civilians, supporting Iraqi-led nation-building, encouraging reconciliation, & ending the violence. Info Education for Peace in Iraq Center, 1101 Pennsylvania Ave, SE, DC 20003 202-543-6176 info@epic-usa.org

- 1 SPEAKING PEACE: AN INTRODUCTION TO COMPASSIONATE COMMUNICATION **10AM-5PM Silver Spring** Inessa Love, co-founder of DC NVC, extended, day-long introductory workshop Info www.dcnvc.com
- 1 Ms. Simin Royanian, Women for Peace & Justice in Iran, an economist with 37 years experience. Peace Meals for people of different religions, ethnicities, & political views, RSVP by 3/30. Lunch, music, & discussion **1PM**, 4209 East West Hwy. **Bethesda** Disabled, elderly, & pregnant persons park at 4209. Mothers with small children are welcome to park at 4217. Others, please park in the side lot of Bethesda Chevy Chase High School.
- 1 "Birdsong & Coffee: A Wake Up Call" & follow-up discussion. **3-5PM** Howard County Central Library, 10375 Little Patuxent Parkway, **Columbia** Coffee & Refreshments Provided Info Patty at 410-730-2358 jane.reed@verizon.net
- 1-2 SNEAK PREVIEWS OF THE FILM THE CELESTINE PROPHECY 4/1 at **7PM** 4/2 at **4PM** at the Spiritual Empowerment Center, 2129 N. Charles St., **Baltimore**. Admission is \$10, but attendance is limited. Reservations Juanita Ruth One 410-243-8375.
- 1-2 INT'L HEALTH CONFERENCE WITH THEME: "EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES TO BRIDGE HEALTH DIVIDES" 'Yale University, **New Haven, Conn** Early Bird Registration \$25 student rate; \$30 for all others Info http://www.uniteforsight.org/2006_annual_conference.php
- 2 GREEN SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES STUDY & ACTION-DISCUSSION Generations for Peace and Democracy: **2:30-5PM** Pot Luck Feast -- Bring food/or/drinks to share Cork Gallery, 302 East Federal St. 21202 **Baltimore** Buzzer #9, elevator to 4th floor Info & to RSVP Libby ebaker@umbc.edu
- 2 U.S. SENATE CANDIDATES FORUM ON IRAQ & NATIONAL SECURITY **2-4PM** Montgomery County Council Office (3rd floor), 100 Maryland Ave., near **Rockville** Free & open to the public Moderated by Terry D. Kester, co-host of WPFW talk show, "What's at Stake" Info Pam Rasmussen rasmussen.pa@comcast.net or Fran Pollner franpollner@yahoo.com Sponsors Mo Co Coalition For Alternatives To War (Mccaw) & The Mo Co Progressive Alliance
- 3 CONGRESSMAN CARDIN HEALTH CARE FORUM on rising health care costs & other health-related issues that affect Americans. **10:30AM** Overlea-Fullerton Senior Center, 4314 Fullerton Ave., **Baltimore County** Info 410-433-8886410-433-8886
- 3 "RUNNING DRY: WHO'S CONTROLLING YOUR WATER" featuring the new documentary film "THIRST" followed by a discussion on corporate control of our water free. sponsored by WILPF film **4PM** UMBC in The Commons at the Womens Center. **Catonsville** Info 410-889-3185
- 3-7 NATIONAL YOUTH VIOLENCE PREVENTION CAMPAIGN Info 1-800-99-YOUTH jenb@sunburstvm.com
- 4 SPEAKING PEACE: COMPASSIONATE COMMUNICATION IN DAILY LIFE 6-week introductory-level class with Inessa Love Tuesday Evenings **7-9PM** (April 4, 11, 18, May 2, 9, 16) **Bethesda** foundation of Compassionate Communication, also known as Nonviolent Communication (NVC), the process developed by Marshall Rosenberg, Ph.D. Info www.dcnvc.com
- 5 "A TASTE OF EGYPT," a talk by food writer Amy Riolo **2PM** Montgomery College-**Rockville** Faculty/Staff Dining Room, Campus Center, 51 Mannakee St Info 202-687-6176 seikalyz@georgetown.edu <http://ccas.georgetown.edu>
- 5 SCREENING & DISCUSSION "14THSTREET FREESTYLE 68 2 98" retrospective documentary, written, produced & directed by DC youth, thirty years after the 1968 rebellion that occurred here in the district, during the aftermath of the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. **8PM** Busboys & Poets, 2021 14th Street NW, **DC** Panelist: Eugene Hughes, Midtown Youth Academy, Timothy Jones, Martha's Table, & others Info 202-413.4575
- 6&28 "ASTROLABES IN ISLAM," ancient astronomical computer for solving problems relating to time & the position of the sun & stars. talk by Dr. Harold Williams, Dir of the Montgomery College Planetarium **1PM**, Montgomery College-**Takoma Park/Silver Spring** Planetarium, Science South Bldg, 7600 Takoma Ave. Info 202-687-6176 seikalyz@georgetown.edu <http://ccas.georgetown.edu>
- 6-7 "I COUNT!" LOBBY DAYS" **DC** Urge Members of Congress to co-sponsor Rep Rush Holt's Voter Confidence & Increased Accessibility Act (H.R. 550) for voter-verified paper ballots, Mandatory random manual audits, Accessible voting Info or sign up or www.icountcoalition.org.
- 6 **DC** ENVIRONMENTAL NETWORK MONTHLY BROWN BAG FORUM Friends of the Earth, 1717 Mass Ave., NW, **DCEN@foe.org**
- 6-8 BREAD & PUPPET Theater presented by Am Friends Service Comm & the Creative Alliance at the Patterson "How to Turn Distress into Success: A Parable of War & its Making 4/6 & 7 **8PM** 3134 Eastern Ave. Info 410-276-1651 tickets www.creativealliance.org 7-9 Symposium on Strategies for Addressing Poverty & Inequality, UDC Auditorium, UDC David A. Clarke School of Law, 4200 Connecticut Ave., NW, **DC** Numerous speakers & panelists More detail via e-mail, as available. Send note to JLibertelli@udc.edu free & open to public.
- 7 A Death Penalty Forum **7-9PM** Grace Memorial Baptist Church, 1100 N Eden St., **Baltimore** Moderator: Eddie Withers Baltimore Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty Question and Answer session with audience participation immediately following. National Abolition Organizations will speak on Death Penalty Issues / Facts. Info curtis@aclu-md.org
- 7 "THEATRECAFE," a Middle Eastern Dinner followed by a Film Screening Cost: \$15 for dinner; Free for the screening of the Arabic film "Terrorism & the Kebab" **6:30PM** Advance reservations required, seating is limited. Montgomery College-**Rockville**, Dinner: Faculty/Staff Dining Room, Campus Center, Screening: Technical Center Room 136, 51 Mannakee St. Info Professor Gail Forman 301-251-7443 gail.forman@montgomerycollege.edu gail.forman@montgomerycollege.edu
- 8 Electronics Recycling Event for unwanted electronics **10AM-2PM** Southwest MTA Park & Ride, **Catonsville**(Baltimore County). Info 410-887-2000 recycle@co.ba.md.us
- 8 Bread & Puppet's NATIONAL CIRCUS **5:30PM** Pagoda Hill, Patterson Park Ave. & Pratt St. **Baltimore** Free Info 410-323-7200 x20 or 21. Also 3RD ANNUAL VISIONARY PEACE 5K RUN/WALK UNDER THE STARS **7:30PM** Peaceweavers to entertain Entry fee \$20 before 4/1 \$25 after Register on line www.active.com pr om [erspm benefit for Am Friends Service Comm. Info 410-323-7200 x 20 or 21
- 9 WHAT I LEARNED ABOUT WOMEN AT THE UN talk and discussion by Sylvia Ehrenfeld, American Ethical Union NGO rep to UN **10:30AM** **Baltimore** Ethical Society, 306 W. Franklin St. Info 410-581-2322 peaceethics@comcast.net
- 11-9 INT'L CALL FOR VENEZUELA SOLIDARITY ACTION & ENDORSEMENTS TO COMMEMORATE THE REVERSAL OF THE APRIL 2002 COUP & VENEZUELA'S STRUGGLE FOR INDEPENDENCE: 4/11 is the anniversary of the 2002 U.S.-backed coup against the democratically-elected

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- government of Hugo Chavez. By April 14, in an unprecedented example of the power of the grass roots, the Venezuelan masses had reversed the coup and brought President Chavez back to power Info <http://www.blythe.org>
- 11 "AUTO/BIOGRAPHY & THE CONSTRUCTION OF IDENTITY & COMMUNITY IN THE MIDDLE EAST: Project South DC Book Forum - Raising consciousness for movement building **5:30PM-7:30PM** American U Tenley Campus - Capital Hall Auditorium, At Tenley Circle - Wisconsin Ave., Nebraska Ave. & Yuma St., NW, **DC** Info Project South 301-367-1079 wkatzfishman@igc.org
- 15 TAX DAY, a time to consider where your taxes are going; consider Tax Resistance - Don't Pay for War
- 18 "WOMEN IN THE ARAB WORLD," a talk by Afaf, past president of the Conference of Non-Governmental Organizations in Consultative Relationship with the UN & current chair of the Committee of the UN International Psychoanalytical Association. **2PM** Montgomery College-**Rockville**, Technical Center Room 136, 51 Mannakee St Info Enas Elhanafi 301-738-1759 enas.elhanafi@montgomerycollege.edu
- 20-1 "BEYOND IRAQ WRITE-IN" FOR & interfaith, Clergy and Laity Concerned about Iraq & Faith Voices for the Common Good www.for.usa.org
#20 **DEADLINE** for announcements & events for May calendar
- 21-3 NATIONAL/GLOBAL YOUTH SERVICE DAY 2006 Children & Youth, Community Building & Renewal, Community Service & Volunteering, Education, Environment, Foundations & Fundraising Coalitions 1101 15th Street, NW, Suite 200, **DC**, 20005 Info Sharon Brender - Chief Operating Officer 202-296-2992 x31 Fax 202-296-4030 <http://www.GYSD.org>.
- 22 NATIONAL/INT'L DAY OF EVENTS IN SOLIDARITY W/THE ZAPATISTA MOVEMENT & their "Other Campaign." (tentative) Raise funds for projects in Zapatista Communities, raise consciousness surrounding the "Other Campaign." Info msdurita@rojo.net & seremos_libre_pronto@yahoo.com & www.livejournal.com/community/zap06/
- 22 EARTH DAY 2006 Quiet Waters Park in **Annapolis** a family-oriented, educational event encouraging the making of environmentally sound decisions. Activities will include environmental exhibits and demonstrations, children's activities, music & refreshments.
- 22 Truckload Compost Bin Sale & Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) materials The Dept. of Public Works Bureau of Solid Waste Management event at MD State Fairgrounds, **Timonium** (Baltimore County) **9AM-3PM**. Bins sale \$33.33 + tax, (Reg retail \$69.95 + shipping (\$25). Enter Timonium Road Entrance. Anyone may purchase a bin; however, only Baltimore Co. residents can bring HHW (bring driver's license or other proof of residence). Info 410-887-2000 HHW materials include paint, pesticides, flammable solvents, acids, pool chemicals, mercury thermometers, fluorescent light bulbs, gasoline, motor oil, antifreeze, etc Info 410-887-3745 Generic info 410-887-2000.
- 22 PRAYERS FOR PEACE **7:30PM** Info frcharles@us.net
- 23 EarthFest! Party for Green-ness Fundraiser for the Maryland Green Party **NOON-6PM** Druid Hill Park, **Baltimore** - Columbus Pavillion_Celebrate the Earth! Info Pat 443-801-3631
- 23-5 VIGIL CLOSE THE SCHOOL OF THE AMERICAS Demand that Congress close the SOA/WHINSEC. **DC** Sponsor: SOA Watch. Info: <http://www.soaw.org/new/article.php?id=1215>
- 23-5 INT'L CONFERENCE **Kiev, Ukraine** for 20th anniversary of Chernobyl nuclear disaster. World's experts on Chernobyl, nuclear power generally, & sustainable development Info, www.ch20.org In the U.S., numerous grassroots environmental groups & Ukrainian immigrant organizations to hold Chernobyl+20 commemorations & activities at locations across the country. Activities posted & updated at www.nirs.org/c20/c20us.htm, along with relevant background material. Send NIRS information on your plans for Chernobyl+20 to post on NIRS website nirsnet@nirs.org. Send plans or obtaining info, materials, speakers, etc
- 24 PROGRESSIVE MARYLAND 2006 AWARDS DINNER to Honor Congressman JOHN LEWIS, An American Hero and Civil Rights History-Maker! **5:30-6:30PM** VIP Reception with honorees **6:30-9:00PM** Awards Dinner Martin's Crosswinds, 7400 Greenway Center Dr., **Greenbelt** Individual tickets \$100 per person or \$1000 for a table of ten, Space is limited, order tickets Kate Planco at 301-495-7004 Kate@ProgressiveMaryland.org
- 24-5/8 Nicaragua Network Tour by Elvin Castellán, director of the Federation for the Development of Peasant Farmers (FEDICAMP) Invite him to your community to learn about the water crisis in Nicaragua. Info Kathy Hoyt or Jenny Atlee 202-533-9355 kathy@afgi.org
- 25 MILLION VETERAN MARCH-OPERATION FIRING FOR EFFECT & meet with Congress contact@veteransforcommonsense.org Vets welcome, meet with the House & Senate Committee on Veterans affairs. If coming let Gene Simes know by 3/31 gdsusa@rochester.rr.com
- 26 The Day of Silence Project at your school to PROTEST THE SILENCING OF LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL AND TRANSGENDER people in schools across the country. Info <http://www.dayofsilence.org>
- 26 "Edward Said & 'Orientalism,'" a film screening & discussion about writer Edward Said & his book "Orientalism," led by Dr. Aram Hessami, professor of political science **2-4PM** Montgomery College-**Rockville** Science West Room 105, 51 Mannakee St Info Enas Elhanafi 301-738-1759 enas.elhanafi@montgomerycollege.edu
- 26-9 WHITE PRIVILEGE CONFERENCE 7 **St. Louis, MO** Youth: A Call To Action to dismantle this system of privilege & oppression. co-sponsored & hosted by the U of Missouri-St. Louis. Info <http://www.whiteprivilegeconference.com> eddie.moorejr@bush.edu
- 27 DINING OUT FOR LIFE Moveable Feast's event to raise funds for HIV/AIDS at lots of **Baltimore** restaurants Info Jeff Burch 410-327-3420 x11 jburch@mfeast.org www.mfeast.org
- 27-9 STOP CORRUPTION WEEKEND OF ACTION. Across the country, MoveOn members talk to people about the everyday costs of corruption—disastrous laws like the Medicare prescription drug benefit, askin folks to sign our petition demanding Congress pass real reform when they return to Washington. To organize an event http://www.moveon.org/r?r=1389&id=6673-1195825-5m6ivL2QtX_eSOiRqjQs7A&t=1
- 28 "THE WEATHER UNDERGROUND" Film & Social Consciousness Series **7PM** doors open **7:30PM** Film AFSC, 4806 York Rd., **Balto** Info Max 410-323-7200
- 28-30 2006 ANNUAL AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL USA's (AGM) MEETING The Hilton Portland & Executive Tower **Portland, Oregon** Info 202-544-.0200 agm@aiusa.org AIUSA-AGM, 600 Pennsylvania Ave., SE, 5th Floor, Washington, DC 20003 www.amnestyusa.org/events/agm/
- 28-9 JOINT CONFERENCE: "Hear our Voices: Here We Are" National Education Association Building **DC** National Association for Asian & Pacific American Education (NAAPAE) & National Association for the Education & Advancement of Cambodian, Laotian, Vietnamese Americans (NAFEA) Annual Conference. Info Clara C. Park 818-677-2500 clara.park@csun.edu <http://www.naapae.net> To register Betty Jeung
- ##29 "CREATING A CULTURE OF PEACE" **MD PEACE & JUSTICE CONFERENCE 8AM-4:30PM** Seton Keough High School, 1201 Caton Avenue, **Baltimore** Info Carol 410-363-3140 Tony 301-390-9684 peacecalendar@comcast.net www.mupi.org/pdfdocs/brochure2006-04-29.pdf

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- #29 MARCH FOR PEACE, JUSTICE AND DEMOCRACY **New York City** Sponsors U.S. Labor Against the War, United for Peace & Justice, Rainbow/Operation PUSH, National Organization for Women, Friends of the Earth, U.S. Student Association, Peace Action, United for Peace & Justice, Rainbow/PUSH Coalition Info www.unitedforpeace.org
- 29-30 US CAMPAIGN FOR BURMA national meeting. , at American University **DC** set the agenda for the leading grass-roots advocacy organizations working for Burma. Info <http://www.uscampaignforburma.org>

MAY

- 1 INTERNATIONAL WORKERS' DAY
- 1 NATIONAL CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE ACTION e White House, **DC** sponsored by FOR, Clergy & Laity Concerned about Iraq & Faith Voices for the Common Good Opportunity for faith-based peace & justice activists from across the nation to join together in demanding an end to the war in Iraq. Info www.forusa.org
- 2 US SOCIAL FORUM DC AREA WORKING MEETING **6:30-8:30PM** St Stephen's Church, 1525 Newton St. NW (at 16th & Newton Sts., **DC** - near Columbia Heights Metro) Outreach & Fundraising will report on their work for sharing & next steps. Info Walda (Project South) 301-367-1079 wkatzfishman@igc.org Hope (50 Years is Enough) 202-463-2265 hope@50years.org
- 3 5TH Annual National Day to PREVENT TEEN PREGNANCY Info <http://www.healthyteennetwork.org>
- 4 COUNTER "DAY OF PRAYER" WITH POSITIVE ACTION Secular Groups Nationwide Donate Blood Life-Saving Action, Not Passive Find your local blood bank www.americasblood.org Phone blood bank to make arrangements for a group donation. Notify your local newspaper, TV & other media that your group is doing this and why. Come on, Agnostics, Atheists, Freethinkers, Humanists, Non Believers, Separation Of Church & State Advocates (even believers), join us in our Positive Protest against the Day of Prayer! Info Ken BronsteinSilver 212-535-7425 FIREBELL1@AOL.COM
- 5-7 15TH ANNUAL SPOUTWOCKFARM MAY DAY FAIRIE FESTIVAL Info 410-235-6610 www.FAIRIEFESTIVAL.net (near **York,PA**)
- 5-7 TRANSFORMING VIOLENCE INTO WHOLENESS NONVIOLENCE TRAINING RETREAT **6PM 5/5 -5PM 5/7** Camp Ramblewood, 2564 Silver Rd., **Darlington** Info Nancy Fayer 410-750-1479, David Pollett 410-638-6022 \$275 space limited scholarships available registration <http://baltimorepresbyter.org>
- 6 PETROCOLLAPSE CONFERENCE "Surviving Peak Oil: Social Isolation or Solidarity?" **9AM-5PM** All Soul's Unitarian Church, 16th & Harvard Sts., NW, **DC** Register on line www.petrocollapse.org/register.html Info Ethan Genauer Conferences@CultureChange.org cost sliding to \$100
- 10-4 2006 TOUR DE SOL: DRIVING TOWARD ZERO CARBON EMISSIONS **Saratoga Springs, NY** One, two, and four-day options Info Northeast Sustainable Energy Association, 50 Miles St., Greenfield, MA 01301, 413-774-6051
- 12 2ND ANNUAL WORKSHOP FOR **BALTIMORE** HISTORIANS "Lies Historians Tell: Baltimore Bunkum & MD Myths **9AM-1PM** Westminster Hall, U of MD, School of Law, 500 W. Baltimore ST. \$25 Info Marie Schwartz 410-706-3838 baltimorehistory@law.umaryland.edu
- 17-20 CONFERENCE ON SPIRITUAL ACTIVISM All Souls Church, Unitarian, 16th & Harvard Sts, NW **DC** Info Tikkun 510-644-1200 fax 1255
- 18-21 NATIONAL MULTICULTURAL INSTITUTE (expensive) Hyatt Regency **Bethesda** Info 202-483-0700 www.nmci.org
- 19 MD GUBERNATORIAL CANDIDATES FORUM **1- 3PM**. MD State Fairgrounds, **Timonium**. Info Betsy Tolbert Luecking, Program Manager II, Montgomery County Dept. of Health & Human Services, Aging & Disability Services, 401 Hungerford Drive, 4th floor, Rockville, MD 20850 240-777-1256 betsy.luecking@montgomerycountymd.gov
- 20 RIDE FOR THE FEAST (Moveable Feast) 140 mile bike ride from **Rehoboth Beach, DE** to **Baltimore** Info 410-327-3420 www..feast.org
- 22 NATIONAL LOBBY DAT ON WAR supported by United for Peace & Justice
- 24-5 RALLY PROTEST & CANDLELIGHT VIGIL AT BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA'S NATIONAL CONFERENCE **DC** Read names of scouts protest BSA's national leadership's policy of DISCRIMINATION AGAINST GAY & ATHEIST YOUTH & ADULTS. This Year's Theme - "Lets Include All Youth In Scouting: Gay & Atheist / Nontheist. 3/24 Press Conference **10:30AM-NOON** Protest **9AM-5PM**, candlelight vigil **7PM 5/5**protest **9AM-NOON** Info www.forusa.org/programs/ipb/default.html

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- 3 MD GREEN PARTY ASSEMBLY Towson University near **Baltimore** for environmental, social justice & progressive action groups Info Brian Bittner briancbittner@yahoo.com
- 3 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PEACE PARK ANTINUCLEAR VIGIL, 24 hours a day since June 3, 1981. **NOON-DARK** - Lafayette Park, **DC** - Join the speak-out about nuclear weapons, war, dangers, and about freedom in the U.S. Info 202-682-4282 prop1@prop1.org <http://prop1.org>
- 8-13 SUMMER SYMPOSIUM FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS IN INT'L AFFAIRS competitive application process for graduate students ' in a master's or doctoral degree program Georgetown University, **DC** Info 202.687.3366 wiis.georgetown.edu/programs/summer_symposium.htm
- 9-11 1ST NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE PRECAUTIONARY PRINCIPLE **Baltimore** sponsors Center for Health, Environment & Justice, Environmental Research Foundation & Science Environmental Health Network Info Anne Rave 518-732-4538 annerave@msn.com www.besafenet.com
- 15-8 The AMERICAN-ARAB ANTI-DISCRIMINATION COMMITTEE (ADC) annual Convention Wardman Park Marriott Hotel, **DC** Info media@adc.org
- 17 PASTORS FOR PEACE 17TH FRIENDSHIPMENT CARAVAN AID TO CUBA, starts in northern US locations Orientation in Texas , border-crossing, & travel to Mexico will be 7/2-7; the caravan will be in Cuba 7/8-16 Info ifco@igc.org
- 22-5 Build the Left, Fight the Right. SOCIALISM 2006. Columbia University, Alfred Lerner Hall, 2920 Broadway at 114th, **New York City** Early registration online by 5/1 \$85, Regular registration \$100 Info <http://www.socialismconference.org/> info@socialismconference.org
- 23 BILL SUTHERLAND INSTITUTE - THE CHALLENGE OF BUILDING PEOPLE-CENTERED ECONOMIES IN AFRICA Kellogg Conference Center & Hotel, Gallaudet University, **DC** Info events@afsc.org
- 23-8 WORLD PEACE FORUM 2006 "Cities and Communities: Working together to End War & Build a Peaceful, Just & Sustainable World". **Vancouver BC** Info <http://www.peace.ca/worldpeaceforumvancouver.htm> admin@worldpeaceforum.ca
- 23-8 GLOBAL THE WORLD SOCIAL FORUM (WSF) **Atlanta, GA** Info www.ussocialforum.org/, Grassroots Global Justice c/o South West Organizing Project, 211 10th Street SW, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87102, 505-247-8832 fax 505-247-9972 joann@swop.net or michael@swop.net NETWORK AGAINST WEAPONS & NUCLEAR POWER IN SPACE ANNUAL MEETING **Vancouver, BC, Canada** at the World Peace Forum. Info Global Network Against Weapons & Nuclear Power in Space globalnet@mindspring.com <http://www.space4peace.org>
- 24-7 3RD INT'L CONFERENCE ON PRISON REFORM & HUMAN RIGHTS Harrington Hotel, 11th & E Sts., NW, **DC** Info 800-424-8532 202-628-8140

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6-8/17 INITIATIVES FOR CHANGE "GLOBALIZING INTEGRITY, PERSONALIZING INTEGRITY" **Caux, Switzerland** www.caiz.ch confsec@caux.ch
 21-3 2006 NATIONAL NOW CONFERENCE & YOUNG FEMINIST SUMMIT Crowne Plaza Hotel **Albany, New York** Info www.now.org

AUGUST

10-4 ANIMAL RIGHTS CONFERENCE **DC** Info 888-ASK-FARM www.ARConference.org \$100 before 3/31, 120 thru 5/15 then 160 banquet 25

SEPT

12 -10/6 A PERIOD OF INT'L AWARENESS IN SUPPORT OF THE CUBAN FIVE

2007 JUNE WORLD SOCIAL FORUM (WSF) **Atlanta, GA** Info www.ussocialforum.org/, Grassroots Global Justice c/o South West Organizing Project, 211 10th Street SW, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87102, 505-247-8832 fax 505-247-9972 joann@swop.net or michael@swop.net

ONGOING EVENTS

Every Day Peace Park Antinuclear Vigil Lafayette Park, 1601 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, 24 hours a day, since June 3, 1981. Info <http://prop1.org>; call 202-682-4282.

Weekdays Sudan Campaign **12NOON** at Sudanese Embassy, 2210 Mass. Ave. NW **DC** Info 202-498-8644 www.darfurgenocide.org

Sundays & Tuesdays "RAINBOW" English language radio program **2PM** www.allforpeace.org from the collaborative **Israeli-Palestinian All For Peace radio station** (107.2 FM in Israel & Palestine 24/7) Every Sunday **THE PEACE CAFE** at Mimi's American Bistro, 2120 P St., NW, **D.C.**, near the DuPont metro **9-11AM**. RSVP ashallal@cox.net.

Every Sunday **Food Not Bombs** provides vegan food & info for the hungry 4PM War Memorial Plaza **Balto** City Hall Fayette & Gay Sts. 410-243-4125, Free

Every Sunday the **Bridges for Peace** vigils Spa Creek Bridge **Annapolis NOON-1PM** Info Lucy at 410-263-7271 mdbridgesforpeace@toadmail.com
 no signs on sticks or poles. If interest vigil Stoney Creek Bridge on Fort Smallwood Rd **Pasadena** 410-437-5379 or magicalgodmom@aol.com

1ST Sunday **Fellowship Of Reconciliation Baltimore** **2:30-4:30PM** Am Friends Service Comm, 4806 York Rd Info Heather 443-923-5921
hpayne@email.smith.edu

2nd Sunday SILENT INTERFAITH PEACE WALK AROUND WHITE HOUSE **1PM DC** Info www.wbpf.org info@sbpf.org Buddhist Peace Fellowship
 Meet middle Lafayette Park by Andrew Jackson on horse No signs or banners, if possible wear white shirt

3rd Sunday **Grandmothers for Peace** - Md chapter **2PM** Owen Brown Interfaith Center, 7246 Cradlerock Way **Columbia** Info Deborah Matherly 410-730-6049 dwmatherly@aol.com

Last Sunday Vegetarian Singles lunch **1PM**, usually in **Baltimore** area, in vegetarian friendly restaurants. To meet other vegetarians & discover what good vegetarian food is available. Open to anyone willing to dine vegetarian. Info, Omi 410-296-0089 vegsings@aol.com.

Every Monday (Tues if holiday) **Vigil against militarism** at the Pentagon **7-8AM DC** Info Art, Dorothy Day Catholic Worker 202-882-9649

Every Monday there is a **Witness against the Death Penalty 5-6PM** Madison Ave & the Fallsway, **Balto**. Viva House, Citizens VS State Exec., Campaign to End the Death Pen. Info Terry Fitzgerald, 410-741-3436 TTFitz@pol.net

Every Monday **The Pledge of Resistance- Baltimore** usually meets **7:30PM** AFSC, 4806 York Rd Info Max 410323-7200

Every other Monday Local movement building meetings at the **DC/AFSC** office **6:30-9PM** Send reps to network on local events, protests, vigils, & direct actions. Info Roxanne or Bette 202-299-1050 202-299-1050

1st Monday **Baltimore/Columbia Nonviolence Discussion Group 7:30-9PM** 3230 Bethany Lane, Suite 4, **Ellicott City** Info Ted Nunn 410-992-5838 to

1st & 3rd Monday **BALTIMORE INDYMEDIA CENTER 7:30PM** Check for location., **Baltimore** 21218. Discussions on ongoing & upcoming news coverage projects Info editors@baltimoreimc.org or <http://baltimore.indymedia.org/>

1st & 3rd Mons MEETING OF THE **FREDERICK PEACE RESOURCE CENTER 7:30PM** 4E Church St, Info Gus Fahey 301-663-6117 (1st is for General Public, 3rd is Bd Meeting)

2nd Mon The Washington Peace Center monthly Member meeting **7PM** 1426 9th St NW, **DC** Info & to send support wpc@iqc The Washington Peace Center 1426 9th St. NW Washington DC 20001

2nd Mon **Democracy For Howard Co Meetup 7PM Elkridge** Community Library, 6540 Washington Blvd (Meeting Room) Info 410-313-5077
<http://dfa.meetup.com/138> or <http://www.democracyforhoward.com>,

2nd Mon CODEPINK **DC** MONTHLY MEETING **7PM** to talk strategy, plan events and actions & grow the Women's peace movement. 1405 Emerson St. NW (between 16th & 14th on Emerson). Info 202-487-5112 dc@codepinkalert.org .

2nd & 4th Mons **Marylanders for a Free Palestine & Secure Israel Columbia, 5PM**. Info 410-461-2040

3rd Mondays **Balto. County Greens 7PM** Ruby Tuesday, 401 York Rd. Info Dave Goldsmith dave@pchs.net 410-480-5256

4th Monday Face-to-face progressive-action book group 7PM **Rockville** Barnes & Noble. Info rasmussen.pa@comcast.net

Every Tues silent vigil to say "War is not the Answer" **5-6PM** American Friends Service Comm, 4806 York Rd. Info 410-323-7200 **Balto**

Every Tues AFSC/QUAKER SILENT VIGIL to "Seek peace & pursue it" **5:30-6:30PM** west lawn of capitol at 3rd & Independence Ave NW) **DC** Info Pat Elder elder@chesapeake.net

Every Tues **DC Anti-War Network (DAWN) 7PM** AFSC Office, 2211 14th Street, NW **DC** Info www.dawndc.net info@dawndc.net

Every Tues Nonviolent Communication ("NVC") practice group **7:15-9PM** 7406 Birch Ave **Takoma Park** Info NVCMD@yahoo.com

1st Tues **Anne Arundel Peace Action Chapter Meeting 7:30PM** home of Joanna Mendelman, 2 Burnham Wood Court, **Annapolis** Info Mike Keller 410-263-7409 mjkeller@worldnet.att.net

1st Tues **Pledge Of Resistance-Baltimore 8PM** AFSC, 4806 York Rd Info 410-323-7200

1st & 3rd Tues Non Violence Practice group **7:30-9PM** 6703 Pawtucket Road, **Bethesda** Info meleneycoe@mindspring.com (to confirm)

2nd & 4th Tues **Coalition Against Global Exploitation** meets at the Progressive Action Center, 1443 Gorsuch Ave. **7:30PM Baltimore**

2nd & 4th Tues **Stand Up for Democracy Coalition 6:30PM** National Council of Negro Women, 633 Penn. Ave NW. **DC** Info Anise Jenkins 202-483-3478 www.standupfordemocracy.org.

2nd & 4th Tues **MAYDAY DC 6:30PM** Cafe Mawonaj, 624 T St. NW. Housing is a human right Info <http://maydaydc.mahost.org/events.html>

3rd Tues **Community Coalition for Justice & Peace. 7PM** St. Stephens Church, 1525 Newton St., NW, **DC** Info Luci Murphy, 202-234-8840, justlikeatree@hotmail.com

3rd Tuesday **United Religious Interfaith Initiative For Peace** Episcopal Cathedral, Charles & University Pkwy, **Baltimore 7:30-9PM** Info David Cammack 410-552-9475

4th Tuesday **Prince George Co Coalition for Peace, 7:30PM, Greenbelt** Community Center, Info Lucy Duff 301-577-2350

4th Tuesday Middle Patuxent **Environmental Area Howard Co 9:30AM-Noon Educational & work** Info Aylene Gard 410-992-9889 or rmhessey@umd.edu

ONGOING (cont'd)

Last Tuesday, *Howard County Friends of Latin America* monthly meeting **7:30 PM** Info 410-381-4899

Every Wed. International Monetary Fund **9:30-10:30AM** in front of the I.M.F. (700 19th Ave NW, **DC** .

Every Wed. **Baltimore** *Food not Bombs* Vegan food & info for the hungry **11AM-4PM** City Hall, Fayette & Gay Sts Info 410-243-4125 free

Every Wed. Justice For The Haitian People **12NOON-1:30PM** Haitian Embassy, 2311 Mass. Ave., NW **DC** Info Eugenia 301-871-6082

Every Wed. The Power Inside *Women's Rap* **3-4PM** To help women heal Power Inside Office, 325 E. 25th St. , **Baltimore** Info 410-889-8333

Every Wed **VIGIL FOR PEACE** Rt. 108 & Georgia Ave., **Olney 4:15-5:15PM**, weather permitting.

Every Wed. Africa Action Remembers Rwanda, Confronting Darfur weekly vigil **5:30-6:30PM. DC** across from White House & speak-out at Lafayette Park 202-546-7961 Info mobilize@africaaction.org .

Every Wed Workers' Rights Clinic **6-8PM DC** Employment Justice Center free legal advice for low-wage workers. Bread for the City, 1525 7th St., NW, between P and Q Streets Info Ashley 202-828-9675 x11 www.dcejc.org.

1st Wed. DEMOCRACY FOR **BALTIMORE** General Meeting **7PM** red fish tavern, 2350 Boston St. (Canton) Info Anand Narayan 410-615-9757

2nd & 4th Wed Mayday **DC 6:30PM** Cafe Mawonaj, 624 T St. NW. Housing is a human right Info <http://maydaydc.mahost.org/events.html>

3rd Wed Dupont Circle, **DC 6-7PM** Women in Black

3rd Wed **Frederick** Women in Black Vigil . **6:30-7PM** Market & Patrick Sts, Info wibfrederick@earthlink.net 301-834-7581

3rd Wed. Interfaith Fairness Coalition **7:30PM** Faith Presbyterian Church, 4500 Loch Raven Blvd., **Baltimore** Info info@ifcm.org www.ifcmd.org

Last Wed **Frederick** Greens **7:30PM** Community Room in C. Burr Artz Library, 110 E. Patrick St. Info Contact Whitney Trettien 240-422-9048 whitney@moonslush.com

Every Thurs. *DAWN* protest **NOON** Penna. Ave -- White House, **DC** Us Out Of Iraq; No New Wars On Iran, Syria, No. Korea, etc. Info 202-957-7383.

Every Thurs during school term **4-5PM** Loyola College Peace Vigil NE corner Charles St. & Cold Spring Ln, **Baltimore** Info kmchristiansen@loyola.edu

Every Thurs *peace prayers & discussion* on peace issues St. Mark's Lutheran 1900 St. Paul St. **Balto 5:45-6:30PM** Info john19@unidiol.com

1st Thurs. Eat at The Vegetable Garden, 11618 Rockville Pike, **Rockville. 11:30AM-9PM** & 10% will benefit the D.C. area-based Compassion Over Killing. Info Compassion Over Killing 301-891-2458 www.TryVeg.com

1st & 3rd Thur. *Balto Independent Media Center* collective at The Progressive Action Center, 1443 Gorsuch **7:30PM, Balto.** Info www.baltimore.indymedia.org

2nd Thurs Pledge of Resistance protests the war & occupation in Mt. Vernon at Centre & Charles Sts. **Baltimore 5-6:30PM** Info Max 410-323-7200

2nd & 4th Thur **Baltimore City Greens 7PM** Progressive Action Center, 1433 Gorsuch Ave.. Info www.baltimoregreens.org or email office@baltimoregreens.org or call 410-662-8169.

2nd Thurs NoVA Peace & Justice Planning Meeting **7-9PM** Tysons Pimmit Library, 7584 Leesburg Pike, **Falls Church, VA 22043-2099** Info <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/us-va-nova-peace> (Regular meeting 4th Thurs)

Every Friday Peace Vigil **Noon-1PM** Lafayette Park (16th and Penn. NW), 1600 Penn. Ave. NW **DC** Info Catholic Worker 202-882-9649

Every Friday: *Women in Black* vigils Inner Harbor, **Noon**, Pratt & Light streets & Roland Park Place, **Baltimore NOON** unless bad weather

Every Friday *Peace Vigil 12NOON* War Memorial Plaza, **Frederick** sponsored by Women in Black

Every Fri vigil to *negotiate Peace in the Middle East 5-6PM* Homewood Friends **Balto** Info 410-323-7200

Every Friday **Takoma Park Peace Vigil @ Takoma Junction 5:30PM**

Every Friday Women In Black vigil **5:30-6PM DC** at Farragut Square Park, 17th & K Sts. NW Info 301-262-3062 womeninblackdc@yahoo.com

Every Fri. **SHED LIGHT ON US WAR CASUALTIES: FROM THE FRONT LINE TO THE BACK DOOR** of Walter Reed Army Medical Center (North Gate), **8-10 PM**, 7200 Georgia Ave., at Elder St., NW **DC** Call 202-441-3265 www.codepinkalert.org/Local_CODEPINKs_Washington_DC.shtml

1st Friday **Frederick WIB peace stand at NOON-12:30PM** at the War Memorial Plaza. W. 2nd & N Bentz Sts. Info 301-834-7581 (Dress in black) Info info@wibfrederick.org www.wibfrederick.org

1st & 3rd Friday *Marylanders for a Free Palestine & Secure Israel, 10AM*, Blue Cow Café, Thunder Hill Rd., **Columbia** Info 410-465-3493

1st Friday *Feminist Potluck 7PM Baltimore* Info Eve 410-372-0848

Last Fri Peace Vigil **5-6PM Takoma** Junction (Rte. 410 & Carroll Ave.) To end occupation in Iraq, Palestine & the White House. Info 301.589-5410 <http://tpkids4peace.org>

Every Sat Antiwar Activists on The Mall **DC 9 AM**. Smithsonian Metro & bring clearly-lettered antiwar sign. Info eca@usa.net

Every Sat *Peace vigil* on Capitol Hill. **NOON-1:00PM** on the south side (the side facing the National Mall, just up hill from the Botanical Garden). Info 301-681-5126 www.seekpeace.info john.howley@verizon.net.

Every Sat ANTI-WAR VIGIL **3:15- 4:15PM**, on the corner of Rt. 108 and Georgia Ave. **Olney** Info ilathey@hprg.com

Every Sat Global Coalition for Peace (GCFP) meditation for world peace ("Embrace the World in a Mantle of Love"). **6-7:30PM** 4217 East West Hwy, **Bethesda** Info 301-654-6759. Free. Interfaith prayers, music/singing, & silent meditation

1st Sat. *Global Coalition for Peace, 1-3PM*, 4217 East-West Highway, **Bethesda**, starts with lunch & then speaker, open to all, Info Victor 301-654-6759

1st Sat VEGAN POTLUCK DINNERS **6:30PM** 12922 Kentbury Dr, **Clarksville** Bring a dish, without animal products, to feed at least four. Bring your recipe or ingredients list. Basic drinks & table service provided. Info Sue 301-854-0147 Sue@Connex.net 11

2nd Sat MARXIST BOOK CLUB, **10:30AM-1PM** Govans Branch, Enoch Pratt Library, 5714 Bellona Ave., **Baltimore** Main text *Historical Materialism* by V.G. Afanasyev. Organized MD Friends of the People's Weekly World. Info 410- 433-3269 or 410-433-4923.

2nd Sat odd months *Citizens for Global Solutions nationwide teleconf 1-2:30PM* Fairhaven, 7200 3rd Ave., **Sykesville** Info D. Commack 410-552-9475

2nd & Last Sat Peace Vigil *Women in Black 2-3PM*. front of the War Memorial, **Westminster** Info auntym38@qis.net.

NUCLEAR NEWS

The U.S. Army quietly placed an order for \$38 million in depleted uranium rounds last week, bringing the total order from a West-Virginia based company to \$77 million for fiscal year 2006

Duke Energys plan to apply for a construction & operation license to build two new nuclear reactors at a site owned by Southern Co. in Cherokee County, S.C., should not be permitted to come to fruition according to Public Citizen. Duke is angling to receive billions of dollars in taxpayer subsidies to defray the costs of applying for a license as well as operating the plants. Info <http://www.citizen.org/pressroom/release.cfm?ID=2155>.

High levels of a radioactive material — nearly three times the amount permitted in drinking water — were found in groundwater near the Hudson River beneath a nuclear plant. Info <http://www.msnbc.msn.com>

The Nat. Academies of Science released the *BEIR VII* or 7th Biological Effects of Ionizing Radiation report on "**Health Risks from Exposure to Low Levels of Ionizing Radiation**" reconfirming the previous knowledge that there is no safe level of exposure to radiation—that even very low doses can cause cancer. Risks from low dose radiation are equal or greater than previously thought. The committee reviewed some additional ways that radiation causes damage to cells. Info 202.328.0002 nirsnet@nirs.org www.nirs.org

Info on Global Network Against **Weapons & Nuclear Power in Space** 352-337-9274 or www.space4peace.org or globalnet@mindspring.com

OTHER NOTES

Please note H1548 Sponsor Del Doyle Nieman & S989 Sen Gwendolyn Britt to establish a commission to investigate components of the pending national DOP legislation to look for how it might be implemented locally to reduce violence. We're expecting hearings to be set up sometime in the coming months MD Task Force to investigate non-violent & peaceful ways to resolve conflict Info Joy Lang 301-773-2211 joycelang@verizon.net

Support Joint Resolution 655 to develop a timetable for exiting Iraq at least beginning by Oct. Work to get MD folks to sign on to HR 543 to get 655 out of committee. It would also be great if they would support Feingold's Censure or the Impeachment movement. Also look for HR44232 "The End the War in Iraq Act." We must also keep in mind keeping the US from building Permanent Bases.

Somewhere between 120-150 million people in the world are estimated to be hearing impaired. But many people in developing countries cannot afford the hearing aids & the cost of the batteries. Godisa Technologies in Botswana has pioneered a new hearing aid that is combined with a lightweight solar-powered battery charger. Source: ([Good Four Business](#))

US House of Representatives has passed a bill that advances a US plan to wage biological warfare against Colombia & other countries where illicit narcotics are produced. If passed by the US Senate, the bill (HR 2829) will require the US Drug Czar to quickly formulate a plan to field test biological weapons designed to eradicate illicit crops. Info tsp@sunshine-project.org

US government plans to sell of public lands. Info <http://www.realcities.com/mld/kwashington/13833486.htm?template=contentModules/printstory.jsp>
Plans to accelerate logging activities on all public & private lands are currently being discussed by Gov. Ehrlich's Sustainable Forestry Commission.

Next week the World Bank is holding an important meeting & the issue of debt cancellation is on the agenda. In conversations with officials at the World Bank today we were told that debt cancellation is a U.S. and U.K. led issue, and one they want to see advanced. Let's make sure that happens.

Info on two forest bills [http://www.magicalliance.org/2006Legislati on1.htm](http://www.magicalliance.org/2006Legislati%20on1.htm).

H.R. 2679 introduced by Rep. James Hostettler (R-IN) would amend a section of the United States Code & eliminate attorney fees in legal cases where government violated the constitutional separation of church & state. It would assist government & religious leaders who insist on eroding the wall of separation between church and state.

Ask your state senator to vote favorably on the Stormwater Management Bill, SB 625. Take action <http://marypirg.org/MD.asp?id=1478&id4=ES>

There will be candlelight vigils at the courthouse across from 45 S. Main St **7PM** first Friday after every milestone death (2300, 2400, etc.) to keep **Bel Air** aware of the war & the deaths that have occurred. 15 minutes of sign & candle holding by the roadside, followed by 15 minutes for reading the names of Md soldiers who have died in this war. Info Susan & Mike just4peace@clearviewcatv.net.

A study of hunger in MD shows that those relying on soup kitchens & food banks increased about 10% since 2001-about 50,000 receiving some form, of emergency hunger-relief services each week. (Sun Paper-2/24 lynnanderson@baltsun.com)

Resource for **conscientious objectors**: www.objector.org The Church of the Brethren will Revive '**Alternative Service**' Draft Programs Info www.beliefnet.com/story/158/story_15893_1.html Fellowship of Reconciliation has launched its "I WILL NOT KILL" CAMPAIGN" to educate youth about the reality of war & their right to say 'no'. Info Ibrahim Ramey, FOR Disarmament Coordinator, 845-627-2665 disarm@forusa.org.

A **running count of the money spent on the Iraq** occupation & a comparison of what could have been spent on causes such as world hunger, kids' health, public housing, etc. <http://costofwar.com/>

Legislation for a **Department of Peace** was reintroduced in House of Reps by Dennis Kucinich & 54 other co-sponsors 9/14. Please ask your senators to cosponsor companion bill in the senate Info www.ThePeaceAlliance.org

Info on ImpeachBush@VoteToImpeach.org

Alerts about **how your congressfolk are voting** on your issues of interest, then facilitate your response: <http://votenote.aol.com/>

MoveOn has **online forum to share ideas & goals for MoveOn and our nation**. www.actionforum.com/forum/index.html?forum_id=266

Consumer Reports has a website geared toward the "**green**" consumer www.greenerchoices.org

Info on **MONTGOMERY_COUNTER_RECRUITING** GROUP agentforchange@comcast.net

Info on NEIGHBORS UNITED FOR JUSTICE & PEACE MEETING **Mt. Rainier** Mary Parker mponthego@earthtones.com

89.3 WPFW-FM **Pacifica Radio** Recommended listening: **Amy Goodman**, Democracy Now **8-10AM**, news & other good programming **6-7PM**; Get schedule 1-800-222-9739 Station may be difficult to receive at home, but you can usually get it in your car.

Air America Radio **WWRC AM-1260** in DC <http://www.progressivetalk1260.com/> Live streaming www.airamericaradio.com

BBC World News is available online at news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/world.

Common Dreams News Center at www.commondreams.org offers news, commentary, and extensive links to alternative news services and progressive publications online.

AlterNet: www.alternet.org (A project of the Independent Media Institute, a nonprofit organization dedicated to independent and alternative journalism).

Iraq Veterans against the War Info www.veteransforcommonsense.org/discussion/viewforum.php?f=7

Info on Baltimore Tikkun chapter shel030351@yahoo.com or cleight@moac.morgan.edu.

Progressive Democrats of America PDA Info <http://dfa.meetup.com>

For info on The Human Rights Network Eliane Drakopoulos 678-371-6291 www.usrm.org.

See action alerts from FOR at www.forusa.org or send info to iraq@forusa.org

For info on **gun legislation CeaseFire** Md, 410- 889 1477; 301-652 4494 (home); CeaseFireMD@aol.com; leahgbarrett@aol.com

Check www.thomas.loc.gov/ from the Library of Congress for **up-to-date info on bills** & their status.

The Whistleblower's Switchboard www.angelfire.com/extreme/harassment

Info on **Leonard Peltier** www.freepeltier.org Info on **Mumia Abu-Jamal** www.mumia2000.org.

Info on **DC Peace Center** www.washingtonpeacecenter.org ANSWER www.internationalANSWER.org MOVE-ON www.moveon.org/winwithoutwar/
For info on "**Women in Black**" group in **Takoma Park** Info Ann ablyberg@iie.org
Info on **Maryland Interfaith Legislative Committee** Beryl Smith 410-647-0316.
AMNESTY INT'L. To learn about Balto. locals, call 410-358-4840

ORGANIZATIONAL WEBSITES

Leadership Conference on Civil Rights www.civilrights.org Coalition on Human Needs www.chn.org Childrens' Defense Fund www.childrensdefense.org Coalition to Stop Gun Violence www.gunfree.org Americans United for Separation of Church and State www.au.org
Americans for Religious Liberty www.infidels.org/~ltaylor/arl.html Stand for Children www.stand.org People for the American Way www.pfaw.org
NISBCO (National Inter-Religious Service Board for Conscientious Objectors)/Center of Conscience and War www.nisbco.org Child Labor Coalition www.stopchildlabor.org American Civil Liberties Union www.aclu.org Families USA Foundation www.familiesusa.org Gray Panthers www.graypanthers.org Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice www.rcrc.org Planned Parenthood www.plannedparenthood.org

HOTLINES

Central America Legislative HOTLINE (202) 543-2282
Friends Committee on Nat'l Legislation. (800) 630-1330
Peace PAC (nuclear arms news) (202) 543-0006
PEACE ACTION Legislative HOTLINE (202) 862-9760
Quixote Center. (301)699-0042
*Senate/House Switchboard (202) 224-3121
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