

**Twentieth
Annual Peace, Justice, &
Environmental Conference**

**WAR IS NOT THE
ANSWER: WHAT IS?**



Friday evening, April 29 &
Saturday, April 30, 2005

**Evangelical Lutheran Church,
35 East Church St.,
Frederick**

Sponsored by:
**Maryland United For Peace And Justice
(MUPJ), MUPJ— Institute For Positive
Action (IPA) &
The Peace Resource Center of
Frederick**

Purpose: What can the peace movement do to create an alternative vision—a world without war? During this conference, we hope to uplift, inform, work together, inspire, and energize ourselves for the work ahead.

Conference Schedule

Friday, April 29

6 - 7:30 pm **Pot Luck Dinner**, home hospitality arrangements

7:30 - 9pm **Informal Networking & Setup**

Saturday, April 30

8 - 8:45 am **Registration** (on site okay, Table set up, bagels, cream cheese, coffee, tea

8:45 - 9 am: **Welcome**

9 - 9:45 am: **Keynote Address** by **Medea Benjamin**: Founder of Code Pink & Global Exchange

9:45 - 10:15am: **Audience Participation:** Questions and Answers

10:20 - 11:30 am: **“Strategies for Action”
Issues Working Sessions** (at press time):

Stop Iraq War, Middle East Peace, Fort Detrick, Nuclear Weapons, Legislation, Actions, Nonviolence training

11:40 - 12 noon: **Plenary Session:** Reports from Working Sessions

12 - 12:45 pm: Vegetarian **LUNCH** provided

KIVA, a percussive, acoustic, world beat ensemble, will perform at lunchtime.

12:50 - 1:20 pm: **9th Annual Fred Benjamin High School Peace Awards Ceremony**

1:30 - 2:30 pm: **WORKSHOPS I**

2:40 - 3:40 pm: **WORKSHOPS II**

Note: except H, workshops will be given twice

WORKSHOPS:

- A. Damu Smith and Carolyn Boyd, co-founders, Black Voices for Peace, “M.L.K. Jr’s Philosophy of Non-violence”
- B. Julie Enszer, Executive Director, Nuclear Policy Research Institute, “Nuclear Weapons”
- C. Lisa Archer, Friends of the Earth, “Chemicals In The Environment And New Campaign For Toxin- Free Cosmetics”
- D. Eileen Kittridge, Center for Food and Safety, “Genetic Modifications and Irradiated Foods”
- E. Dick Ochs and Barry Kissin, “Biological Weapons At Fort Detrick”
- F. Nicole Sinclair, Natural Resources Defense Council, “Global Warming”
- G. Chuck Michaels, author of *No Greater Threat*, “Update on Anti-Terrorism Laws”
- H1. Bob Krasnansky, MD School Mediation Program, “How to Start a Student Peer Mediation Program”
- H2. Bob Krasnansky, President, Marylanders for a Free Palestine and Secure Israel, “Nongovernmental Peacemaking for Israelis & Palestinians”

3:50 - 4:00 pm: **Closing and Sharing Period**

4:05 - 4:30 pm: **MUPJ Annual Meeting**

- Election of officers
- Resolutions to be adopted

MARYLAND UNITED FOR PEACE & JUSTICE, Inc.

At a statewide meeting of Maryland activists, agreement was reached to present a yearly peace and justice conference. MUPJ was started following the first statewide conference in April, 1986 to assist networking and to organize the annual conference.

MUPJ—INSTITUTE FOR POSITIVE ACTION, Inc.

The IPA is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt affiliate of MUPJ, dedicated to promoting nonviolence and peace education.

FRED BENJAMIN PEACE AWARDS

Open to all public and private high school students throughout Maryland, entries can be literary, artistic, or musical. This year's theme: "What steps can high school students take to improve safety in their schools, homes, or communities?"

HOME HOSPITALITY

Home hospitality will be offered for out of town attendees. Please so indicate on the registration form.

INFORMATION TABLES

Tables will be provided for those who would like to distribute or sell literature or other materials. Please so indicate on the registration form.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS

The premises are smoke-free. Please help us keep them scent-free as well by not wearing perfume, cologne, or after-shave.

Program subject to adjustments and change

CO-SPONSORS (at press time):

Thank you for making this conference possible!

- Adelphi Friends Meeting
- All Saints Lutheran Church – Social Justice Committee
- Anne Arundel Peace Action
- Baltimore Campaign to End the Death Penalty
- Baltimore Ethical Society
- Baltimore Independent Media Center
- Benjamin Peace Awards
- Cedar Lane Unitarian Universalist Church – Social Justice Council
- Committee on the Environment, Episcopal Diocese of Maryland
- Communist Party of Maryland
- Dorothy Day Catholic Worker
- Fellowship of Reconciliation, Baltimore
- Generations for Peace and Democracy
- Global Coalition for Peace
- Global Peace Services – USA
- Grandmothers for Peace – Maryland
- Howard Co. Campaign to End the Israeli Occupation
- Howard Co. Coalition for Peace & Justice
- Little Friends for Peace
- Md. Conservation Council
- Md. Interfaith Coalition for the Environment
- Md. Universal Health Care Action Network
- Marylanders for a Free Palestine and a Secure Israel
- Montgomery County Peace Action
- Nord Ouest Reuni
- Peace Resource Center of Frederick County
- Tikkun Community
- WLP Consulting
- Women in Black – Frederick
- Women's International League for Peace & Freedom—Baltimore Branch
- World Peacemakers/Division of Every Church a Peace Church

We also thank the following individuals:

- David Kandel
- Jen Porter
- William G. Wilson

DIRECTIONS:

**EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH:
35 East Church St. FREDERICK**

From Baltimore & east/northeast:
 Take **I-70 WEST** to Exit **56** towards **HWY 144 / PATRICK ST/FAIRGROUNDS** - go **0.2** mi
 Continue on **MD-144 WEST / BOWMAN FARM RD** - go **0.2** mi Continue on **MD-144 WEST / E PATRICK ST** - go **1.6** mi
 Turn right on **N MARKET ST** - go **0.1** mi
 Turn right on **E CHURCH ST** - go **< 0.1** mi
 Arrive at **35 E CHURCH ST, FREDERICK**, on the left (parking garage on left before church).
 From the DC area & south/southeast:
 Take **I-270 NORTH** to Exit **31A** towards **MARKET ST** - go **1.3** mi Continue on **MD-355 / S MARKET ST** - go **1.2** mi
 Turn right on **E CHURCH ST** – as above
 From the west:
 Take **I-68/I-70 EAST** to Exit **52B** towards **GETTYSBURG** onto **US-340 EAST** - go **1.0** mi
 Continue on **S JEFFERSON ST** - go **0.6** mi
 Bear right on **MD-144 EAST / W PATRICK ST** - go **0.6** mi
 Turn left on **MD-355 NORTH / N MARKET ST** - go **0.1** mi
 Turn right on **E CHURCH ST** – as above
 From the southwest:
 Take **US-340 EAST** towards **FREDERICK**
 Continue on **S JEFFERSON ST** - go **0.6** mi
 Continue as from the west above.



REGISTRATION FORM

Before April 15th, cost is \$20; after, \$25.

Students: \$8 (cost of lunch)

Registration includes lunch.

Note: **You can register later or on-site**, but please RSVP so we can order enough food.

Clip & Send with payment to:

Carol Solomon MUPJ-IPA, 327 East 25th St.

Baltimore, MD 21218

Info Carol (410-363-3140) or

Tony (301-390-9684)

Make check payable to: MUPJ-IPA

(Scholarships available — no one turned away for lack of money)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Zip _____

Phone number: _____

e-mail: _____

Organization: _____

Need transportation? Yes No

Can provide ___ Do you need ___ Home Hospitality:

Fri. night Sat. night

(Let us know by April 15th)

Do you need child care? Yes No

(Let us know by April 15th)

How many children? _____ Ages: _____

Do you plan to set up a literature table?

Group: _____

Are you an individual member of MUPJ?

Yes No

Are you a designated representative of a MUPJ

member organization? Yes No

If so, please supply organization's name:

Address: _____

Website URL: _____

Phone Number: _____
