

# CALENDAR

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## EVERY WEEK:

**Every Sunday at 2:00 pm: The Olympia Coalition for a Fair Budget meets** at Media Island, 816 Adams Street SE to organize for a state budget that is fair and humane, especially to low-income people and other vulnerable folks.

**FOR** Every Sunday evening at 10:00 pm: The Olympia FOR's "Big Picture" documentary videos on TCTV: AUG: "Salt of the Earth." SEPT: "Juan Melendez -- 6446." See newsletter page 6. Info: Carol 866-7645 carolburns98@comcast.net

**Every Monday through Friday from 5:00 to 6:00 am AND from 4 to 5 pm: "Democracy Now" with Amy Goodman** on TCTV

**Every Monday through Friday from 9:00 to 10:00 am: Amy Goodman's "Democracy Now"** on KAOS 89.3 FM

**FOR** Every Monday from 1:30 to 2:30 pm: Olympia FOR's TCTV Program: AUG: "Teenagers Organize Peace and Justice Activities." SEPT: "A Public Park for Olympia's Isthmus." See page 4-5 or [www.olympiafor.org](http://www.olympiafor.org)

**Every Monday through Friday from 5:00 to 5:30 pm: Free Speech Radio News** on KAOS 89.3 FM

**Every Monday from 5:00 to 6:00 pm: Veterans for Peace** airs a locally produced program on TCTV. Info: Dennis Mills 867-1487 mills.dennis@comcast.net

**FOR** Every Wednesday from 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm: **Peace Vigil** in NW corner of Sylvester Park (at Legion & Capitol Way). Please come for all or part of the hour to witness in a friendly way for peace and nonviolence. We provide plenty of signs. Info: [glen@olympiafor.org](mailto:glen@olympiafor.org) 491-9093

**Every Wednesday at 2:30 pm: Parents Organizing for Welfare and Economic Rights (POWER) holds volunteer meetings** every week at the POWER office, 309 5th Ave, next door to Rainy Day Records. Children are welcome. Info: 352-9716 [welfarerights@riseup.net](mailto:welfarerights@riseup.net) [www.oly-wa.us/power](http://www.oly-wa.us/power)

**Every Thursday from 8:00 to 9:00 pm: Veterans for Peace** airs a locally produced program on TCTV. Info: Dennis Mills 867-1487 mills.dennis@comcast.net

**Every Thursday from 12:00 to 1:00 pm: "Parallel University"** on KAOS 89.3 FM features interesting, informative programs about peace, social justice, the environment, progressive politics, and other alternative viewpoints. Info: [parralleluniversity@yahoo.com](mailto:parralleluniversity@yahoo.com)

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**NOTE NEW TIME:** **FOR** Every Thursday evening at 10:00 pm immediately following the end of our interview program: The Olympia FOR's "Big Picture" documentary videos on TCTV: AUG: "Salt of the Earth." SEPT: "Juan Melendez -- 6446." See newsletter page 6. Info: Carol 866-7645 carolburns98@comcast.net

**FOR** Every Friday from 4:30 to 6:00 pm: **Peace Vigil** at south end of Percival Landing at 4<sup>th</sup> & Water downtown. Please join us for whatever length of time you can. We provide plenty of signs. Also enjoy the Artesian Rumble Arkestra jazz band that joins us at 5:00 to support our vigil! Sponsor: Olympia FOR. Info: 491-9093 [glen@olympiafor.org](mailto:glen@olympiafor.org)

**Every Friday from 5:00 to 6:00 pm: "Women in Black" Silent Vigil for Peace** on the south side of W. 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. near the fountain. Women only. Please wear black. Some signs are provided. Since 1988 "Women in Black" has been a loose network of women worldwide committed to peace with justice and actively opposed to war and violence. Info: Karin Kraft 754-5352 [kraftkf@comcast.net](mailto:kraftkf@comcast.net)

**FOR** Every Saturday from 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm: **Peace Vigil in Centralia** on the edge of Washington Park at Locust & Pearl in downtown Centralia. On most Saturdays gather afterward nearby at the Santa Lucia Coffee House. Sponsor: Fire Mountain FOR. Info: June Butler 748-9658 or Larry Kerschner 880-4741 [peacepoet@gmail.com](mailto:peacepoet@gmail.com)

## SPECIFIC DATES

**FOR Tues Aug 2: Olympia FOR's book discussion group about moving from war to peace:** 7:00 pm at Chuck Schultz's home, 1621 Tullis NE (a little north of San Francisco Street Bakery). Discuss *Clueless at the Top*, a book that exposes and helps us understand hierarchies. Info about books and discussions for tonight and in future months: Chuck at 705-8520 [chuckschultz3@msn.com](mailto:chuckschultz3@msn.com)

**Wed Aug 3: The Peace Fleet sails into Seattle's Elliott Bay** to meet the U.S. Navy fleet that will be doing its yearly celebration and promoting the "normalcy" of modern war. The Navy fleet is displayed for four days in downtown Seattle at tremendous cost to taxpayers – while the government can't afford to maintain crucial social services in education, health care, and transportation. Visit the action and participate in a land demonstration at or between **Seattle** waterfront Piers 66 and 62/63, or bring any kind of boat and join the Peace Fleet. Info: Glen Milner (206) 365-7865 or Mary Gleysteen (360) 265-1589. On the day of the event call (206) 979-8319.



**FOR Thurs Aug 3: "Teenagers Organize Peace and Justice Activities." - Olympia FOR's August TCTV program airs tonight:** Watch it every Thursday at 9:00 pm and every Monday at 1:30 pm on TCTV cable channel 22 in Thurston County. See newsletter page 4. Info: Glen 491-9093 [glen@olympiafor.org](mailto:glen@olympiafor.org)

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**Wed Aug 3: Police Accountability Forum: Panel presentation followed by facilitated workshops:** The panel will address: police and your rights; revitalizing Copwatch; next steps toward creating a Citizens Oversight Board; and

issues of race, gender and privilege as they relate to law enforcement. After the panel, people will form discussion groups to plan next steps in addressing these important issues and moving forward effectively. 7:00-9:00 pm at Olympia Community Center Room A, 222 Columbia St NW, downtown Olympia. Sponsor: Olympia Movement for Justice and Peace (OMJP). Info: Larry Mosqueda 866-2404 [Imosqueda@comcast.net](mailto:Imosqueda@comcast.net)

**Fri Aug 5: "Secret Café" featuring Afghani food and beverages will raise funds to help Douglas, Jody and Larry do good work in Afghanistan in September:** This September, Larry Kerschner and Jody and Douglas Mackey will visit Kabul and Bamiyan, Afghanistan. They will bring training and supplies for water systems through Friendly Water for the World, provide GIS training for non-profits in Kabul, and meet with youth in Bamiyan who are working for peace. They will also connect with women's cooperatives and carry their stories and goods back to Olympia. Larry, Douglas and Jody will celebrate the International Day of Peace in the Hindu Kush in response to the youth who have been asking for foreigners to be with them for this celebration for the past four years. 6:30 to 9 p.m. at Traditions Café, 5<sup>th</sup> & Water, downtown Olympia. Enjoy Afghani food and beverages! Enjoy music by Riley McLaughlin and Arun Chandra! Proceeds will help these nice local folks travel to Afghanistan to do their good peace work. (If you won't make it to the Secret Café, Jody or Doug can suggest how you could to contribute to their Afghanistan Clean Water Delegation. (360) 915-4457 [hungryforpeace@gmail.com](mailto:hungryforpeace@gmail.com)

**Sat Aug 6: Convening a Caucus on Corporate Personhood: Sharing Strategies to Promote Democracy and Peace:** A great many Americans oppose letting corporations claim the constitutional rights that belong to living persons. People will gather in **Portland, Oregon**, on Saturday August 6 to develop strategies to successfully propose the 28<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the Constitution, guaranteeing that the rights of people are not extended to corporations. Organizers include Oregon's Rick Staggenborg (Chair of the Veterans for Peace work group on Abolishing Corporate Personhood) and Olympia's Molly Gibbs (organizer with Move to Amend, Olympia.). Rick Staggenborg will outline: (1) What we can do to further the cause of getting a constitutional amendment to Congress and getting it passed; and (2) Initial ideas on how best to proceed. Molly Gibbs will: (1) Facilitate a discussion about specific strategies to support this effort; and (2) Alternative views on strategy and tactics, to strengthen a growing, effective coalition. The gathering runs from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Portland State University's Smith Memorial Union, Portland Room 333. Directions are at <http://www.pdx.edu/transportation/node/44> Lunch available at the nearby Iranian Festival. Info: [www.MovetoAmend.org](http://www.MovetoAmend.org) To RSVP and request carpooling contact [mollygibbs3@gmail.com](mailto:mollygibbs3@gmail.com) Small donations appreciated to cover room rental. More info: (360) 412-1519 [www.MovetoAmendOlympia.org](http://www.MovetoAmendOlympia.org)

**Sat Aug 6: 1st Annual Capitol Lake Walk for Autism Awareness:** Start at Heritage Park near 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue & Water Street. Register at 10 am. Walk at 11 am. Family fun event, featuring: food and information booths, balloons, face painting, bounce houses, dunk tank, music and more. Sign up now - Registration is free. Organized by Autism Awareness Washington. (AAW raises funds for families living with an Autism Spectrum Disorder to help support their access to services with information and resources.) Info: [www.autismawarenesswa.org](http://www.autismawarenesswa.org)

**Sat Aug 6: “From Hiroshima to Hope” Lantern Floating Ceremony** at Seattle's Green Lake is a much-loved annual peace event honoring the victims of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki and all victims of war and violence. From 6:00 to 9:00 pm you can enjoy crane folding, lantern calligraphy, speakers and musical performances, and finally float your own candle-lit lantern at dusk on Green Lake’s NW shore, just south of the Bathhouse Theater. (6 pm: Gather. Prepare the lanterns. 7 pm: Program. 9 pm: Float the lanterns.) August 6 is the 66<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the U.S. atomic bombing of Hiroshima, Japan. Info: (206) 453-4471 or (206) 789-5565.

**Sun Aug 7: Birds of a Feather: Take Flight on a Bird Walk:** Experience the thrill of seeing a Peregrine Falcon (the world’s fastest bird) or of hearing a woodpecker pecking away (up to 20 pecks per second)! Join birder Matt Pike, an expert who knows the ins and outs of birding at Nisqually, for a bird walk full of the sights and sounds of one of the refuge’s largest treasures (the birds!) 9:00 am to 12:00 noon. Meet in the Nisqually National Wildlife Refuge’s Visitor Center. The program is free—although you do need to pay the Refuge entrance. Directions: take I-5 exit 114, and follow signs to the Refuge. Info: 753-9467. This repeats **Sun Aug 7** from 9 am to 12 noon, **Sat Aug 13** from 9 am to 12 noon, **Sun Aug 21** from 9 am to 12 noon, **Sat Aug 27** from 8 to 10 am, **Sat Sept 8** from 8:30 am to 12 noon, and **Sun Sept 4** from 9 am to 12 noon.

**Sun Aug 7: Sunday Brunch Benefit to send Olympia folks to the Backbone Campaign’s third annual “Localize This! Artful Activism Camp:** From 10 am to 2 pm today, enjoy a Sunday Brunch at Media Island, 816 Adams Street SE, Olympia, to raise money so some Olympia activists can attend the event described in the Aug 14-21 calendar listing below.

**Sun-Mon Aug 7-8: “If Not Now, When? Abolish Nuclear Weapons!” The Ground Zero Center for Nonviolent Action** holds its annual event commemorating the anniversaries of the atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki while working toward a nuclear weapon-free world. The weekend in Kitsap County includes music, nonviolence training, vigiling and leafleting at the Kitsap Mall, and culminates with an early Monday morning vigil and nonviolent direct action at one of the gates to Naval Base Kitsap-Bangor, home to the West Coast Trident ballistic missile submarine fleet, and the largest operational concentrations of nuclear weapons. For the full schedule of events, see [www.gzcenter.org](http://www.gzcenter.org). Info: Anne Hall 206-545-3562, [annehall@familyhealing.com](mailto:annehall@familyhealing.com), or Sue Ablao 360-930-8697, [gznnonviolencenews@yahoo.com](mailto:gznnonviolencenews@yahoo.com).

**Tues Aug 9: Ask your local mayor to join in solidarity with Mayors for Peace in calling for an end to nuclear weapons: Join in the effort to get the mayor of your city to join Mayors for Peace.** The organization, which originated in Japan and now has a membership of 4,732 cities in 150 countries, works to raise international public awareness regarding the need to abolish nuclear weapons. The U.S. Conference of Mayors recently unanimously called for the abolition of nuclear weapons. With a tiny percentage of U.S. mayors currently members of Mayors for Peace, it is time to build on the good work of the Conference of Mayors and build the membership here in the Pacific Northwest. An informational resource packet will soon be ready with everything you need to approach your mayor to join this most worthy organization. If you are interested in meeting with your mayor by August 9th, send an email at [subversivepeacemaking@gmail.com](mailto:subversivepeacemaking@gmail.com) so you can become a Mayors for Peace ambassador.

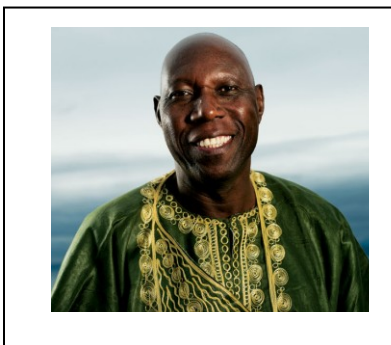
**Tues Aug 9: Vigil opposing nuclear weapons:** 5-6 p.m. in front of the Federal Court Building, Union Station, 1919 Pacific Avenue, Tacoma. Please bring signs with 4-5" lettering. Info: (253) 952-0571

**Tues Aug 9: Organize to stop sweatshops: South Sound Clean Clothes Campaign** formed in 2000 to address sweatshop issues and has focused on getting public entities to adopt sweatshop free purchasing practices. SSCCC meets at 7:00 pm at Traditions Café, 5<sup>th</sup> & Water SW on the 2nd Tuesday of each month.: Dick Meyer 705-2819 [www.southsoundcleanclothes.org](http://www.southsoundcleanclothes.org)

**Tues Aug 9: National Organization for Women (NOW)** meets at 7:00 pm at Traditions Café, 5<sup>th</sup> & Water SW. Join other like minded folks wanting to discuss issues and books/articles on gender discrimination, white privilege, and its impact on our social system. Help plan future events and meetings to do something where we can to improve life for all women and men. Info: Linda Malanchuk 357-7272

**FOR Wed Aug 10: Olympia FOR Potluck Picnic (5:30 pm) and Steering Committee Meeting (6:30 pm)** at the Rose Garden kitchen area of Priest Point Park. (From downtown, go north on East Bay Drive. Enter the park from the right.) All Olympia FOR members are welcome. See newsletter article on page 1. Info: 491-9093 [info@olympiafor.org](mailto:info@olympiafor.org)

**Wed Aug 10: “Making Africa Smile Again” -- Prosper Ndabishuriye speaks about Genocide and Regeneration in**



**Burundi:** Prosper Ndabishuriye is from Burundi, an African nation. He survived one of Africa’s bloodiest civil wars. He is the Founder and General Coordinator of Youth in Reconstruction of a World in Destruction (YRWD/JRMD) and Overseer of National and International Relations of Evangelical Church of Central Africa (ECCA). Tonight he will share his story and his hope for “Making Africa Smile Again.” In 2005 and 2006 he was nominated Giraffe Hero and Ambassador for Peace. 7:00 pm, Traditions Café, 300 5<sup>th</sup> Ave SW, downtown Olympia. Free admission. Info: [chris.stegman@comcast.net](mailto:chris.stegman@comcast.net)

**Wed Aug 10: Olympia Movement for Justice and Peace (OMJP) meets** at 7:00 pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday evenings of each month to work on a variety of global and local issues. Meet at the POWER office, 309 5<sup>th</sup> Ave SE, Olympia. Info: Larry 866-2404 [Imosqueda@comcast.net](mailto:Imosqueda@comcast.net)

**Fri Aug 12: Free lessons in traditional Japanese folk dances for tomorrow’s Bon Odori:** Everyone can participate in the Bon Odori dancing, so the event’s sponsors offer free dance lessons tonight from 7:00 to 9:00 pm at the Olympia Center, 222 Columbia Street NW. Info: 791-3295. See the Sat Aug 13 calendar item below.

**Sun Aug 13: Birds of a Feather: Take Flight on a Bird Walk:** Same as Sat Aug 7 listing.

**Sat Aug 13: Bon Odori – Olympia’s 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Japanese Dance Festival:** The Japanese American Sister Citizens’ League and the Olympia-Kato Sister Cities Association invite the public to enjoy this 5:00-9:00 pm event featuring Japanese music, dancing and food – a truly joyful, gentle celebration for the whole family. It will happen on Water Street between 5<sup>th</sup> and Legion avenues. This year’s event will include fundraising for the survivors of this year’s devastating earthquake and tsunami in Japan. At 5:00 pm Japanese/American festival food booths open and offer a selection of crafts. River Ridge High School Taiko will perform, as we will enjoy a martial arts demonstration starting at 6 pm. The dancing begins at 7:00. All participate, rather than separating observers and performers. The folk dances are simple to perform. They describe topography, or the human activities that take place in a given area. **Background:** In Buddhist tradition, souls of ancestors join their living relatives to dance. In villages throughout Japan, people enjoy *taiko* drumming, eat, drink, and dance in the steps of their families that came before for 13 centuries. Olympia, without a Japanese Buddhist temple, observes the secular aspects of the celebration. Bon dances rejoice in life, as we visit with ancestors who have departed for the spirit world. *Taiko* drumming, a large, loud drum ensemble, was used to send messages between villages in mountainous Japan. **P repare:** Free dance lessons are offered Friday August 12 from 7:00 to 9:00 pm at the Olympia Center, 222 Columbia Street NW. **Info:** 791-3295.

**Sat Aug 13: Workshop on Power/Privilege/Racism:** The Washington Peace Team offers this training to anyone interested, including people who are not members of the Washington Peace Team. The workshop will look at the theory of power and privilege, and how it impacts our lives and our work as a Peace Team. What does it mean for change and for being allies? We will explore our own reactions to oppressions that we experience and link them with other people’s experiences. Facilitators: Rosy Betz-Zall, Kate Goltermann, and Michael Siproth. 2:00-6:00 pm at University Friends Meeting House, 4001 9th Ave NE, Seattle (45<sup>th</sup> St. exit from I-5, east, then south.) Donation requested. RSVP required to Rosy Betz-Zall [rbetzall@gmail.com](mailto:rbetzall@gmail.com) (206) 782-9305). **Please bring snacks to share.**

**Sun Aug 14 to Sun Aug 21: The Backbone Campaign hosts the third annual “Localize This! Artful Activism Camp,”** an intensive training in nonviolent creative tactics, art for social change and community organizing, including sharing skills, strategizing and designing actions, building imagery and preparing for upcoming campaigns and actions. Join effective organizers and activists from all over the U.S. It will occur on Vashon Island near Tacoma and Seattle. Sliding scale \$0 to \$400 includes food. **Register now!** Info: [www.LocalizeThis.org](http://www.LocalizeThis.org) See Sun. Aug. 7 brunch buffet to send Olympia folks there.

**Mon Aug 15: Thurston-Santo Tomás (Nicaragua) Sister County Association barbeque and social gathering:** For 23 years our local community and Santo Tomás, Nicaragua, have enjoyed a mutually satisfying sister-community relationship. Several TESC students spent spring quarter there, and several other community members served on a delegation during July. An informal gathering this evening will help interested persons learn what’s new and how you can stay connected. (Also, remember that donations to TSTSCA received by August 31 from persons who have not given since December 31, 2008, will be matched dollar-for-dollar by a few TSTSCA members. Maureen Hill 786-9505 [MaureenH313@comcast.net](mailto:MaureenH313@comcast.net)



**Mon Aug 15: The Thurston Diversity Council meets** at 6:00 pm on third Monday of each month in Building One, Room 152 of the Thurston County Courthouse, 2000 Lakeridge Drive SW. The Thurston Diversity Council is recruiting members who will help to promote cultural diversity and human rights. Info: Carolyn Lynch 754-6697 and [diversitycouncil@msn.com](mailto:diversitycouncil@msn.com). One of this group’s activities is to stimulate planning of the annual Martin Luther King Jr. holiday weekend every January. A Planning Committee is forming now to plan and coordinate activities for January 2012. Meetings occur on various evenings. Info: Ruth Elder 754-2813 or e-mail [diversitycouncil@msn.com](mailto:diversitycouncil@msn.com).

**Sat Aug 20: Second Hand Sale to benefit Interfaith Works of Thurston County and IW’s many activities:** 9 am to 3 pm at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 1515 W Harrison Ave – and 9 am to 3 pm tomorrow, Sun Aug 21, at Temple Beth Hatfiloh, 201 8<sup>th</sup> Ave SE. Donate gently used jewelry, books, furniture, housewares, toys, games, outdoor gear, clothing, etc. on Friday the 19th. Bring them to Gloria Dei between 5:00 and 6:30 pm. Info: Interfaith Works 357-7224 [www.interfaith-works.org](http://www.interfaith-works.org)

**Sun Aug 21: Second Hand Sale to benefit Interfaith Works of Thurston County and IW’s many activities:** 9 am to 3 pm at Temple Beth Hatfiloh, 201 8<sup>th</sup> Ave SE. See yesterday’s calendar listing for information.

**Sun Aug 20: Fundraising Pizza Party to benefit Works in Progress, our local progressive monthly newspaper:** 6:00-10:00 pm at Fertile Ground B&B on 9<sup>th</sup> Ave SE, just south of the Olympia Timberland Library. For more than 20 years, *WIP* has been serving up the news to Olympians in a way we couldn’t get it anywhere else. Info: [www.olywip.org](http://www.olywip.org)

**FOR Sun Aug 21: Seattle FOR Potluck Picnic:** Enjoy good food and social time with the FOR folks in Seattle. FOR provides plates, cups, and eating utensils. All ages are welcome! Feel free to bring musical instruments, outdoor toys or sports equipment. 4-7 pm (potluck starts at 5 pm) at Woodland Park Shelter #7, just east of Aurora Ave N near N. 59<sup>th</sup> Street, Seattle. Info: (206) 789-5565



**Sun Aug 21: Veterans for Peace:** Our local Olympia VfP chapter 109, the Rachel Corrie Chapter, meets at 5:30 pm at Traditions Café, 5<sup>th</sup> & Water. Info: [www.vfp109rcc.org](http://www.vfp109rcc.org) and 867-1487

**FOR Mon Aug 22: Death penalty abolition committee of Olympia FOR meets** to educate ourselves and work on further activities to abolish that atrocity. 7 pm in Tumwater. Info: Emily Hammargren 352-0695 [deathpenalty@olympiafor.org](mailto:deathpenalty@olympiafor.org)

**Wed Aug 24: Olympia Movement for Justice and Peace (OMJP) meets** at 7:00 pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday evenings of each month to work on a variety of global and local issues. Meet at the POWER office, 309 5<sup>th</sup> Ave SE, Olympia. Info: Larry 866-2404 [Imosqueda@comcast.net](mailto:Imosqueda@comcast.net)

**Wed-Sun Aug 24-28: “Democracy is coming to the U.S. – The 2011 Democracy Convention in Madison, Wisconsin:** A new movement -- *a democracy movement* -- was born in the streets of Seattle on November 30, 1999. This movement's early years were not easy. Pro-democracy organizers faced crisis after crisis: the stolen presidential elections of 2000 and 2004; the militarization of America that followed September 11th; the recolonization of the Gulf Coast in the aftermath of Katrina; the Supreme Court ruling that corporations wield constitutional rights to buy elections; and today, an economic crisis that is being used to impose fiscal austerity and corporatization schemes on our states and people. Through these difficult struggles, the new democracy movement has taken form, expanded, and matured. **Now it is time for a coming-of-age celebration and for a nationwide gathering to organize for a really profound democracy in the U.S.** This is the moment to unite in one location the many different efforts to build genuine democracy in the United States. And what better place to come together, and to rejoice, than in Madison, Wisconsin, the city and state that have inspired people everywhere to declare that "We are Wisconsin!" Many conveners and sponsors include Liberty Tree, Alliance for Democracy, Center for Media and Democracy, Move to Amend, The Progressive, Democracy Unlimited (DUHC), Freedom Inc., Groundwork, It's Our Economy, Independent Progressive Political Network, Veterans for Peace, WILPF, POCLAD. Info: [www.DemocracyConvention.org](http://www.DemocracyConvention.org)

**Thurs Aug 25: Veterans for Peace on “Free and Fair” radio program on KAOS-FM:** Once a month members of the Rachel Corrie Chapter 109 of Veterans For Peace and their distinguished guests join host John Ford for a lively discussion of war and peace from 8:00 to 9:00 pm on KAOS-FM (89.3).

**Fri Aug 26: “Gender Rights in the Workplace: Is it Just Fun? Is it Harassment? Where’s the Line?”** In honor of Women’s Equality Day, the Thurston County NOW (National Organization for Women) presents this information and discussion about gender harassment, discrimination and hostile work environment. Stories will help us understand. 7:00 pm at Traditions Fair Trade Café, 5<sup>th</sup> & Water SW. Info: [now\\_thurston@yahoo.com](mailto:now_thurston@yahoo.com) or [lryh@hotmail.com](mailto:lryh@hotmail.com) 357-7272



**Sun Aug 28: “The Singing Revolution” – a powerfully inspiring documentary about Estonia’s nonviolent revolution – airs on TV:** Estonia (a small nation in NW Europe) lived through decades of terror. It was occupied by the Soviets in 1939, then by the Nazis, and then by the Soviets again. By the end of World War II, more than one-quarter of the population had been deported to Siberia, been executed, or had fled the country. Music sustained the Estonian people during those years, helping to maintain the Estonian language and sense of culture. It was such a crucial part of their struggle for freedom that their successful bid to re-establish their independence is known as the Singing Revolution. *The Singing Revolution* film shows how, between 1987 and 1991, hundreds of thousands of Estonians gathered publicly to sing forbidden

patriotic songs and share protest speeches, risking their lives to proclaim their desire for independence. It will air at 5:00 pm on Seattle’s KCTS channel 9 and at various dates and times in dozens of other cities nationwide. Info: [www.singingrevolution.com](http://www.singingrevolution.com)

**Mon Aug 29: Bernie Meyer and Alice Zillah appear at Kitsap District Court at 1:15 pm for a peace action at the Trident nuclear submarine base:** On Mother’s Day they and five other peace activists blocked the entrance to Sub Base Bangor to save Mother Earth and all living creatures from nuclear destruction. Kitsap County, 614 Division St MS-25, Port Orchard WA 98366

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**Thurs Sept 8: Statewide Poverty Action Network: 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration, Dinner, Program:** Info: [www.povertyaction.org](http://www.povertyaction.org)

**Fri Sept 9: Watch powerful classic film “Judgment at Nuremberg.”** The 1961 Academy Award winning movie shows the complicity of public officials in the war crimes of the Nazis. We will discuss modern public officials’ complicity in war crimes related to Iraq, Afghanistan, Libya, etc. We now have a date of September 9, 2011 at Traditions Café, 5<sup>th</sup> & Water. Sponsor: Olympia Movement for Justice and Peace (OMJP). Info: Larry Mosqueda, [Imosqueda@comcast.net](mailto:Imosqueda@comcast.net) 866-2404

**Sun Sept 11: PFLAG monthly gathering:** 2:00 to 4:30 pm at First United Methodist Church, 1224 Legion Way SE. PFLAG works with GLBTQ folks and their families and friends – and reaches out to the general public to improve society’s understanding and inclusiveness. Today’s gathering will include a movie. Info: Alec Clayton [alec@alecclayton.com](mailto:alec@alecclayton.com)

**Tues Sept 13: Organize to stop sweatshops: South Sound Clean Clothes Campaign** formed in 2000 to address sweatshop issues and has focused on getting public entities to adopt sweatshop free purchasing practices. SSCCC meets at 7:00 pm at Traditions Café, 5<sup>th</sup> & Water SW on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Dick Meyer 705-2819 [www.southsoundcleanclothes.org](http://www.southsoundcleanclothes.org)

**Tues Sept 13: National Organization for Women (NOW)** meets at 7:00 pm at Traditions Café, 5<sup>th</sup> & Water SW. Info: Linda Malanchuk 357-7272

**Wed Sept 14: Olympia Movement for Justice and Peace (OMJP) meets** at 7:00 pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday evenings of each month to work on a variety of global and local issues. Meet at the POWER office, 309 5<sup>th</sup> Ave SE, Olympia. Info: Larry 866-2404 [Imosqueda@comcast.net](mailto:Imosqueda@comcast.net)



**FOR Sat Sept 17: “Bring Our Billion\$ Home” -- Cut military spending, and use the savings to fund human and environmental needs:** The Olympia FOR is actively participating in the Western Washington FOR’s campaign. We’ll meet from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The location will be confirmed soon (hopefully again at the Washington State Labor Council meeting room, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the 9<sup>th</sup> & Columbia Bldg, Olympia). Info: Glen Anderson [glen@olympiafor.org](mailto:glen@olympiafor.org) 491-9093 locally and the WWFOR office in Seattle, (206) 789-5565

**Sun Sept 18: Veterans for Peace:** Our local Olympia VfP chapter 109, the Rachel Corrie Chapter, meets at 5:30 pm at Traditions Café, 5<sup>th</sup> & Water, downtown. Info: [www.vfp109rcc.org](http://www.vfp109rcc.org) and 867-1487

**FOR Mon Sept 19: Deadline for Olympia FOR’s October-November newsletter:** Send news, announcements and calendar items by this date or very soon after. 360-491-9093 [glen@olympiafor.org](mailto:glen@olympiafor.org)

**FOR Tues-Wed Sept 20-21 (and some other days before and after): 30<sup>th</sup> annual International Day of Peace and Global Days of Listening:** All over the world people will be doing a wide variety of activities to support peace on Wed. Sept. 21, the 30<sup>th</sup> annual UN-initiated International Day of Peace. Here in Olympia we’ll be engaged in a 24-hour conversation with people in Afghanistan and all over the world from 5:00 pm Tuesday to 5:00 pm Wednesday. All over the world some events will be musical, artistic, social, overtly political, and – creativity allows for who knows what! See **newsletter page 1** for information about Olympia’s activities on this date and the weekends before and after. [www.globaldaysoflistening.org](http://www.globaldaysoflistening.org) offers information about how to call in or otherwise participate. See a short video at [www.youtube.com/watch?v=OSr2gBsg9dI](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OSr2gBsg9dI) Info: [www.internationaldayofpeace.org](http://www.internationaldayofpeace.org) [www.pathwaystopeace.org](http://www.pathwaystopeace.org) [www.cultureofpeace.org](http://www.cultureofpeace.org)

**Sun Sept 25: South Sound Buddhist Peace Fellowship** hosts an open meeting. SSBPF includes members of the local Buddhist community engaging in the Buddhist path of right action in regard to working for peace, justice and social change. 3:30-5:00 pm. Location and info: Robert Lovitt 357-2825 [ssbpf@comcast.net](mailto:ssbpf@comcast.net) [www.ssbpf.org](http://www.ssbpf.org)

**FOR Mon Sept 26: Death penalty abolition committee of Olympia FOR meets** to educate ourselves and work on further activities to abolish that atrocity. 7 pm in Tumwater. Info: Emily Hammargren 352-0695 [deathpenalty@olympiafor.org](mailto:deathpenalty@olympiafor.org)

**Wed Sept 28: Olympia Movement for Justice and Peace (OMJP) meets** at 7:00 pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday evenings of each month to work on a variety of global and local issues. Meet at the POWER office, 309 5<sup>th</sup> Ave SE, Olympia. Info: Larry 866-2404 [Imosqueda@comcast.net](mailto:Imosqueda@comcast.net)

**Thurs Sept 29: Veterans for Peace on “Free and Fair” radio program on KAOS-FM:** Once a month members of the Rachel Corrie Chapter 109 of Veterans For Peace and their distinguished guests join host John Ford for a lively discussion of war and peace from 8:00 to 9:00 pm on KAOS-FM (89.3).

**FOR Fri Sept 30: Hear Juan Melendez, an innocent person released from death row after nearly 18 years:** Juan Melendez was released from Florida’s death row after spending more than 17 years, 8 months for a crime he did not commit. This innocent man was the 99<sup>th</sup> person to be exonerated and released from prison. He will speak in Olympia at 7:00 p.m. on Friday September 30 at The United Churches sanctuary, 110 11<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE (between S. Capitol Way and Washington Street SE), Olympia. Sponsor: Olympia FOR’s Committee for Alternatives to the Death Penalty. See **article on page 1** and **TV documentary on page 6**. Info: Emily Hammargren, 352-0695 [deathpenalty@olympiafor.org](mailto:deathpenalty@olympiafor.org)

**Fri-Sat Oct 14-15: Food Summit:** Imagine a community where no child goes to school hungry; where everyone has safe, local, sustainably grown food; where local farms and urban gardens and markets thrive. Enjoy a community potluck, environmental and agricultural expo, and a presentation by Mark Wynne on Friday and an all-day conference on Saturday. Look for more info in various places.

**Sat Oct 22 (tentative date): A People’s Movement Assembly will focus on timely issues,** including the continuing wars in other countries and the class warfare against the workers and the poor, including in Washington State. See information about the May 2010 People’s Movement Assembly at [www.omjp.net](http://www.omjp.net). Sponsor: Olympia Movement for Justice and Peace (OMJP). Info: Larry Mosqueda, [Imosqueda@comcast.net](mailto:Imosqueda@comcast.net) 866-2404 and [www.omjp.net](http://www.omjp.net)

**Wed Oct 26 in Seattle – and possibly Thurs Oct 27 in Olympia: Ellen Brown, an expert in publicly owned banks – will speak:** Ellen Brown, JD., is a skilled attorney and researcher with tremendous knowledge and activism for public banking. Her most recent book, *Web of Debt*, traces the history and evolution of the current private banking system. She shows how it has usurped the power to create money from the people themselves, and how we the people can get it back. Ellen is the inspiration and thought leader behind the Public Banking Institute, where she serves as Chairman and President. She has degrees from UC Berkeley and UCLA School of Law. Info: Cindy Cole [cindy48@q.com](mailto:cindy48@q.com) or John Repp [jmrepp@q.com](mailto:jmrepp@q.com)