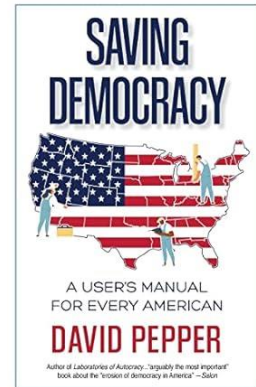


We are looking forward to hearing from Olympia-area activist, Carolyn Barclift who will be talking about David Peppers book "Saving Democracy: A User's Manual for Every American." This program will be on April 21 by Zoom and is co-sponsored by 3 Fellowship of Reconciliation Chapters, Olympia, Tacoma, and Seattle. Everyone is welcome to join us. [More info is below.](#)



Hello to all Members and Friends of Western Washington Fellowship of Reconciliation (WWFOR)

[Click here for a list](#) of **many upcoming events** for justice and peace.

Note: there is so much going on, you may be seeing only part of this message and some links may not work. Check for a “**view entire message**” link at the bottom.

We are highlighting our [Sunday April 21 Zoom program meeting](#) co-sponsored by Olympia, Tacoma, and Seattle FOR Chapters. Also, registration is open for our [May 18 Spring Assembly!](#)

The devastating GAZA WAR CONTINUES

ACTION: The US has a lot of power in this terrible conflict. US weapons are killing innocent people. We in the US need to stop supplying weapons! It's always a good time to contact the President and members of Congress. If you don't want our nation to be complicit in genocide, then

CONTACT CONGRESSIONAL MEMBERS: Just go to <https://www.congress.gov/members/find-your-member> and enter your address to get the names of your 3 Congresspeople and their contact

info. TIME URGENT! It's especially urgent to contact your House Rep, as votes on aid to Israel, Ukraine, and Taiwan are scheduled for Sat April 20, see <https://www.yahoo.com/news/house-hold-separate-votes-ukraine-192627903.html>. Let them know whether you think military aid stops or prevents wars.

TWO EASY WAYS TO PHONE CONGRESS: Start at <https://act.newmode.net/action/ifnotnow/call-your-rep-vote-no-weapons-israel?source=41724EmailCallCongress> and/or <https://www.jewishvoiceforpeace.org/resource/tell-congress-end-us-military-funding-to-israel/> Enter your information on a web form, and follow instructions; they will do the phoning for you and provide a suggested script – of course you can use your own words.

CONTACT THE PRESIDENT. Send a message via <https://www.whitehouse.gov/contact/> or phone 202-456-1111 or 202-456-1414. And here's a quick petition to the President you can sign <https://act.winwithoutwar.org/act/biden-ceasefire-iran>

BEYOND GAZA: SUDAN.

INFO: Another dreadful situation is taking place in SUDAN. War is causing massive displacement (estimated over 8 million people) and leading to famine. UNHCR, the United Nations Refugee agency is trying to relieve the hunger, but it doesn't have nearly enough resources. More info at <https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2024/4/11/why-did-war-break-out-in-sudan-a-year-ago-where-does-it-currently-stand> and <https://reliefweb.int/report/sudan/un-sudan-appeal-falls-short> and <https://www.amnestyusa.org/press-releases/sudan-one-year-since-conflict-began-response-from-international-community-remains-woefully-inadequate/>

ACTION: You can urge our elected officials to give more humanitarian assistance (see contact info above) and you can also contribute directly to relief organizations including UNHCR at

https://give.unrefugees.org/230424emer_sdnmain_p_3000/

TAXES: HOW ARE YOU CELEBRATING (OR PROTESTING) TAX DAY?

INFO: See Americans for Tax Fairness's recent report with lots of facts and figures on ECONOMIC DISPARITY in the US at

<https://americansfortaxfairness.org/ultra-wealthys-8-5-trillion-untaxed-income/>

ACTION: Sign the petition by Americans for Tax Fairness and 20 other justice organizations at <https://actionnetwork.org/forms/tell-congress-side-with-working-people-not-billionaires-and-big-business>

Our [organizational information](#) such as how to contact us is at the end.



UPCOMING EVENTS LIST (click on links to fast-scroll to event details)

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- [Through May 15, Action on Military Spending, everywhere](#)
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- [April 28, John Lewis Good Trouble Film, online](#)
- + [April 28, Oregon FOR Movie series, Tualatin OR or Zoom](#)
- [April 28, Banner Action for Palestine, Bellingham](#)
- [May 1, Earth Care not Warfare meeting, Zoom](#)
- [May 1, Banner Action for Palestine, Bellingham](#)
- [May 2-23, Book Club Warheads to Windmills, Zoom](#)
- [May 3-5, War Tax Resistance Gathering, Zoom](#)
- [May 3, Intercommunity Peace & Justice Center Benefit, Seattle](#)
- [May 4, Debate: Can War Ever Be Justified? webinar](#)
- [May 4, WA Voter Engagement Campaign, Seattle or Zoom](#)
- [May 5, Death Penalty Action Webinar](#)
- [May 7 – July 5, Maine to DC Peace Walk](#)
- + [May 9, WA Against Nuclear Weapons Meeting, Zoom](#)
- [May 11-12, Mothers Day Weekend for Peace, Poulsbo](#)
- [May 14-22, WA Nonprofit Conference & events, online+](#)
- [May 16, The Aunties – Women Of The Salish Sea, Olympia](#)

- [May 16, Animals' Lawsuit Against Humanity, Seattle](#)
- + [May 18, WWFOR Spring Assembly, Zoom](#)
- [May 19, Immigration Restriction Then and Now, Seattle](#)
- + [May 26, Oregon FOR Movie series, Tualatin OR or Zoom](#)
- [June 5, Earth Care not Warfare meeting, Zoom](#)
- + [June 13, WA Against Nuclear Weapons Meeting, Zoom](#)

Weekly & Ongoing Events

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- [Bellingham Weekly Peace Vigil, Fridays](#)
- [Meaningful Movies, in person and online](#)
- [Parallax Perspective Programs, online or Thurston TV](#)

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DAY-AFTER PEACEFUL PROTEST IF RAFAH IS ATTACKED

Day After any attack is launched, 5 pm, Heritage Park, Olympia

A Rally and March to protest an invasion of Rafah

PASS (Palestine Action of South Sound) invites everyone to show up to march, rally, and protest if Israel begins an invasion of Rafah, where hundreds of thousands of Palestinians in Gaza have fled to with nowhere else to go.

This is intended to be a peaceful, nonviolent, family-friendly event.

Info Palestine Action of South Sound
<https://palestineactionsouthsound.ghost.io/>

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DAILY VIGILS PROTEST CONDITIONS AT IMMIGRANT PRISON

Ongoing, daily vigils weekdays 6 pm, weekends 1 pm, at Northwest Detention Center, 1623 East J Street, Tacoma 98421

Protest ICE's human rights abuses. Although the United Nations Special Rapporteur on Torture and many human rights groups consider solitary confinement for longer than 15 days (or even shorter for certain vulnerable people) to be torture, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and its subcontractors hold immigrant prisoners in solitary for years.

At the Northwest Detention Center (NWDC), the death of Charles Leo Daniel in years-long solitary confinement has ignited a call to action. La Resistencia leader Maru Mora Villalpando and Tsuru for Solidarity Founder Michael Ishii, alongside 3 Tsuru for Solidarity members, are engaging in a fast to support the 300+ individuals on hunger strike inside the facility, protesting the inhumane conditions. T

You can also help amplify efforts on the ground by taking the suggested actions at La Resistencia and Tsuru for Solidarity's joint digital action toolkit at

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ESXGDb94wwOROpLNTUrsTfKasvcaEuAH3CKGbORHPH8>

INFORMATION about NWDC from University of Washington’s Center for Human Rights at <https://jsis.washington.edu/humanrights/projects/human-rights-at-home/conditions-at-the-northwest-detention-center/> . INFORMATION about solitary confinement in ICE Prisons by Physicians for Human Rights at <https://phr.org/our-work/resources/endless-nightmare-solitary-confinement-in-us-immigration-detention/>

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GLOBAL DAYS OF ACTION ON MILITARY SPENDING

April 12 – May 15, everywhere War is costing us the Earth.

As we anticipate yet another increase in global military expenditure, our efforts during the Global Days of Action on Military Spending will be more critical than ever. The 2024 GDAMS include:

- April 15: Tax Day in the USA
- April 22: SIPRI’s release of new data on military spending (figures for 2023) + Earth Day
- May 9: Europe’s Day of Peace
- May 14 and 15: C7 Summit, organised by Civil Society to confront the G7.

Info https://demilitarize.org/media_news/save-the-dates-for-gdams-2024-april-12-to-may-15/

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TAX DAY TO EARTH DAY

April 15-22

A series of events opposing military spending and supporting earth care and human needs organized by Washington Against Nuclear Weapons

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See <https://secure.everyaction.com/p/VQ10Ljl-OkCrMbsYyAwFZg2> for a list of events

Go to <https://secure.everyaction.com/Laul3naAS00QvC4fCXE26Q2> for more info and to add additional events

See events below including [April 18 Zoom](#), and [April 20 Anacortes](#).

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MARTIN LUTHER KING AND THE POOR PEOPLE'S CAMPAIGN, THEN AND NOW

Thurs April 18, 12:30-1:30 pm, at WA State History Museum, 19th and Pacific Ave. Tacoma

Professor and UW Bridges Chair of Labor Studies emeritus Michael Honey, author and historian of labor and civil rights history, Introduces the exhibit on Martin Luther King and The Poor People's Campaign, Then and Now

In conjunction with the exhibit, “Solidarity Now! 1968 Poor People’s Campaign.” Guided tours of the exhibit 11:30 am and 1:30 pm, Sign up for a tour at <https://actionnetwork.org/events/solidarity-now-1968-poor-peoples-campaign-presentation-and-smithsonian-exhibit-tour-at-1130> or <https://actionnetwork.org/events/solidarity-now-1968-poor-peoples-campaign-presentation-1230-and-smithsonian-exhibit-tour-at-130>

In 1968, thousands of people built a protest community and, for nearly six weeks, inhabited “a city of hope” on 15 acres of the National Mall in Washington, D.C., to call the nation’s attention to the crippling effects of poverty for millions of Americans. The protest site was called Resurrection City.

This traveling exhibition illuminates the often-overlooked history of the multicultural movement to confront poverty that redefined social justice and activism in America.

Solidarity Now! 1968 Poor People’s Campaign by the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service in collaboration with the National Museum of African American History and Culture and supported by the CVS Health Foundation.

Free admission. Find parking on the lot next to the museum or on Pacific Avenue.

Sponsored by the University of Washington Retirement Association. Co-sponsored by the UWT Labor Solidarity Project and the Pacific Northwest Labor History Association

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TAX DAY TO EARTH DAY EVENT
PROTECT OUR PLANET

Thurs April 18, 6-8 pm Pacific time, Zoom

Meaningful Movie & panel: Move our money from war to protect our planet

Meaningful Movies and South Seattle Climate Action Network will stream movie "Dear President Biden" Calling him to declare a climate emergency and take bold action protect our climate. Then panel "What can we do now to move our money from war to protect people and planet? Veterans for Peace, 350Seattle, Green New Deal leaders

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Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84322063054?pwd=UWxOQjJIUG53cS9ubXd0MWRHY2ZUZz09>

Registration at <https://secure.everyaction.com/YhDxmwQQ-k6pT6e-R6OJ-g2>

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REIMAGINING SAFETY PANEL AND FILM DISCUSSION
SYSTEMS OF POLICING AND INCARCERATION

Thurs April 18, 5:30-6:30 pm, at MH 138, WWU, Miller Hall 138
Western Washington University, Bellingham, WA 98225

Join us for a screening & discussion on Reimagining Safety.

Reimagining Safety (2023) explores the nature of policing, especially following the murder of George Floyd at the hands of police. It discusses how policing and incarceration create more harm than good, why the system persists, and what changes can be made to make everyone safe. Panelists include: Director Matthew Solomon, Tacoma Black Panther Party Organizer Bunchy Carter, local organizer Beth Girma, and other Whatcom County community members We hope to draw connections between systems of policing and incarceration nationally and locally in Whatcom County. Brought to you by the Whatcom Peace and Justice Center & the Whatcom Civil Rights Project.

Sign up at <https://secure.everyaction.com/LYFRVb-W3U2SGsP5KFitwA2>

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TAXDAY2EARTHDAY - IT'S YOUR TAX DOLLARS

Thurs April 18, 3:30 PM - 4:30 pm, Outside Issaquah City Hall, 130 E
Sunset Way, Issaquah, WA 98027

Community engagement to increase awareness of how our tax dollars are spent.

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Registration

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DIVERSITY, EQUITY, INCLUSION, RACIAL JUSTICE & BELONGING:
A Community Conversation with Local Leaders

Thurs April 18, 6-8 pm, In-person at Thurston County Board Meeting Room, 3000 Pacific Avenue, S.E., Olympia, WA 98501 & On Zoom

What local jurisdictions are doing to create a more equitable Thurston County. Action, Accountability, Coordination & Community Engagement

Learn what Lacey, Olympia, Tumwater, and Thurston County jurisdictions are doing to address barriers to racial equity, inclusion and belonging throughout Thurston County. Co-sponsored by the League of Women Voters Thurston County, APIC/SPS and Hispanic Roundtable

Limited seating, registration recommended.

Info and registration link <https://www.lwvthurston.org/> info info@LWVThurston.org

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DUWAMISH ALIVE EARTH DAY WORK PARTIES

Sat April 20, 10 am – 2 pm, Seattle, Tukwila, and area

A community effort to improve the health of our Green-Duwamish Watershed

We will celebrate Seattle’s only River, the Duwamish in a community effort to improve the health of our Green-Duwamish Watershed by promoting awareness about it, and coordinating efforts to improve and enhance native habitat health and water quality so that people and wildlife can thrive in our urban community.

Our forested areas such as the Duwamish Greenbelt, one of the largest in the lower section of the river, provide important air and water filtration of pollution, especially storm runoff one of the major sources polluting our waters. Tree canopy cover also reduces our summer heat domes, unequally affecting low income, communities of color to a greater degree. Duwamish Alive Coalition continues to nurture and expand tree canopy within our local communities which suffer the effects of pollution and heat domes.

The river ecosystem supports 5 salmon species including the threatened Chinook salmon which is a critical food source for our Southern Orcas; along with wildlife that includes river otters, beavers, bald eagles, and blue herons. Each of our habitat sites supports this web of life while providing important environmental benefits to our communities.

We will be working at the multiple sites for this event, a special link is provided for each volunteer site registration. This is a family friendly event, all ages welcome. Tools, instruction and snacks are provided.

Info and registration <https://www.duwamishalive.org/>

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TAX DAY TO EARTH DAY EVENT

Procession of the Species and Luminary Light Parade

Sat April 20, 4 – 10 pm, Main street in Anacortes, Commercial Ave, Anacortes, WA 98221

In celebration of Earth Day join us for a Procession of the Species, Luminary Light Parade, and a street fair in Downtown Anacortes. The main street will be shut down! Join in with a costume or luminary or simply come and visit! Commercial Avenue will be closed from 4-10 pm. There will be educational and interactive booths happening between the Procession at 5 pm and the Luminary parade at 8 pm. Join us! This event is designed to build community connection through art, music and dance! Honor our connection and the web of life! This event is a partnership among Transition Fidalgo and Friends, the Guemes Luminary Light Parade, and the Downtown Anacortes Alliance. Because of our shared vision and goals, it is also part of our Tax Day to Earth Day event.

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Registration

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TAX DAY TO EARTH DAY

Sat April 20, 11 am – 1 pm, at Main Bothell Intersection, All 4 Corners NE Bothell Way (Hwy) And Bothell Way NE, Bothell, WA 98011

Holding signs at the corner. Put our tax dollars towards climate change solutions, not weapons, war, and destruction. Bring a sign or come as you are. Your sign tells what you're passionate about - the money, the weapons, the Earth - or all of these interrelated issues.

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Sign up at https://secure.everyaction.com/krloS1L-oE6_659kUNSetw2

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TOWARDS A SAFER WORLD: NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT

Sat April 20, 11 am – noon Pacific time, Zoom

Towards a Safer World is a zoom program featuring two long-time peacemakers in their opposition to nuclear weapons: Dr. Ira Helfand, a two-time winner of the Nobel Peace Prize for his work with Physicians for Social Responsibility both internationally and in the US, and James Thomas, a dedicated advocate for nuclear disarmament speaking about the urgent task of citizens to demand nuclear disarmament.

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Zoom link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83329721595?pwd=eUEvSUhYYlIEcWZHVFdGNVQzK085QT09>

Info <https://www.wanwcoalition.org/taxday?pn=2>

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3-CHAPTER FOR PROGRAM: BOOK DISCUSSION:
“Saving Democracy: A User's Manual for Every American”

Sun April 21, 6:30 – 8 pm Pacific time, Zoom connection info below

The Olympia, Seattle, and Tacoma Fellowship of Reconciliation chapters are pleased to co-sponsor a program meeting with Carolyn Barclift who will be talking about David Peppers book "Saving Democracy: A User's Manual for Every American".

See info about this book and several reviews at

<https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/152107785-saving-democracy>

Do you think Ohio is a deep red state? Would you be surprised that the voters are split 50% Republican and 50% Democrats? Then why is Ohio run by Republicans and votes Republican in Presidential elections? That is because the Republicans have been organizing for the past 20 years to turn the state red. David Pepper was an Democratic elected official during this time and watched it all happen. Our guest speaker Carolyn Barclift will talk about David Pepper two books "Saving Democracy" and "Laboratories of Autocracy" and how the tactics that Republicans have used in Ohio have been successfully exported to many other states. Including Washington State.

"Saving Democracy: A User's Manual for Every American," written by David Pepper, is a clear guidebook to how everyday Americans can, and should, engage their elected officials at all levels of government. Pepper builds on an earlier book he wrote, "Laboratories of Autocracy: A Wake-Up Call from Behind the Lines."

Pepper is a former elected official in Ohio, former Chair of the Ohio Democratic Party from 2015-2021, and teaches election and voting rights law. He recognized that so much attention has been given to federal elections and government that local politics gets far less attention than it deserves. We have seen the results of this in the gerrymandering, destructive law making, and minority party rule

achieved in many states. As Former Speaker of the House, Tip O’Neill, famously said: “All politics is local.”

Carolyn will talk about the work that needs to be done on a local level and highlight some ways we can accomplish what must be done to save democracy and continue our work towards the more perfect union we desire.

Carolyn Barclift was born, raised, married and raised her children in Olympia. She retired from a 30-year career in law enforcement locally, having been engaged in community service and improvement projects her whole life. During her career, she served her union in elected office as the union's {equivalent to} Lead shop steward, a contract negotiations team member and Lead, and then three terms as President while being the only woman in her bargaining unit. She was elected to the Olympia School Board and served three terms. She served as her Board's Legislative Representative at both the state and federal levels, several terms as President of the Board, served on a variety of committees for the Washington State School Directors Association, and was elected to the WSSDA Board of Directors.

In 2016 she crossed from one side of the civil protest lines to the other and searched for others who wanted to do something about our political issues. She'd always tried to stand up and take action when she saw something wrong and speak up for others who couldn't. This became her next effort. She was an original steering committee member for her local Indivisible, she led networking and coalition building efforts. She organized a Congressional District 10 Indivisible Leaders Group, and eventually the Washington State Indivisible Coalition. WaSIC developed a bill tracking process with an effective call to action system. She organized local protests, meetings and other events, and grew in her knowledge and experience of many ways to effectively influence our elected officials. She served as chair for a

national political campaign in 2020, and received another education of a lifetime in organizing - and during a pandemic - and has continued her commitment to year-round engagement with our government and officials full time. She has been educating interested communities in civics, issues, skill building/training, and events like watch parties for debates with after-discussions. She holds weekly organizing briefings, group discussions on the issues, hosts a book club and a monthly Our Good Works Projects Community Service event. After the 2020 election was done, she wasn't. She works directly with many national organizations including Common Cause, Public Citizen, CREW, MoveOn, DemCast, Indivisible, Media and Democracy Project, as well as a member of the Declaration for American Democracy coalition of 260+ national progressive organizations. She is the Founder/Organizer for Fourth Branch Action. Her experience in advocacy work, citizen lobbying at all levels of government, she understands the importance of elections up and down the ballot, how different levels of government can have a strong impact on others, and our role, strategy and tactics for influencing those elected to represent us.

Everyone is welcome!

Info 206-789-5565 or wwfor@wwfor.org

Zoom Meeting Connection Info

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87371368515?pwd=TIVnWllkVExuOFE2elFEaWdOdUVqUT09>

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BANNER ACTION FOR PALESTINE

Sun April 21, and subsequent Sundays, 4-5 pm, at Railroad Trail pedestrian overpass, Bellingham

Join the new weekly banner drops for Palestinian Liberation. Contact the Whatcom Peace and Justice Center to take our new large banner reading: "Biden, We Charge You With Genocide", office@whatcompjc.org or 360-734-0217

[While protests are welcome it is illegal to hang anything off of the railing, so we have adjusted our banners to be held up with bamboo poles, rather than attached to the infrastructure.]

Note that other banner dates and locations are planned; for the latest info, see https://docs.google.com/document/d/1-K4WZXXI31PK7c44oGOmb6dF6OgD2hX_pls-wu_oWLI/edit

Volunteers needed to help pickup and setup banners, if available contact [mjacobson57@yahoo.com](mailto:mjacobsen57@yahoo.com)

Info courtney.leake@gmail.com

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MARCH FOR FARMWORKER JUSTICE!

Sun April 21, 10 am – 4:30 pm, starts and ends at Edgewater Park, 600 Behrens Millet Road, Mt Vernon WA

La Lucha Sigue con la Marcha Campesina 2024

Community to Community Development and Familias Unidas Por la Justicia invite you to the Annual Marcha Campesina! Please don't bring banners or signs. Organizers will provide signs. Please no pets,

bicycles, scooters. 7.5-mile loop so wear comfortable shoes and bring water.

9:00am | Begin arriving

9:30am | Marchers line up, short send off ceremony

10:00am | March begins

2:00pm | March returns to Edgewater Park

2:30pm | Tacos de Azada will be served (bring cash or check to donate for food)

3:30pm | Worker declarations and other speakers

4:30pm | Closing ceremony and farewells

Watch this great short video of the 2023 March at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q6xJYJApH3o>

March with us to learn about critical issues Farmworkers are facing now and what actions you can take with us! March with us to celebrate the strength and resilience of farm worker families working towards a better food system.

We invite our friends and allies working for food and economic justice.

We need volunteers! If you are interested, contact us: marchacampesina87@gmail.com

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LEAFLETING TO END MILITARY AID TO ISRAEL

Sun April 21, 1-3 pm, at PCC in Columbia City, 3610 S Edmunds St, Seattle, WA 98118

Please Seattle If Not Now, as we leaflet and ask Washington residents to contact their congressional representatives along with Senators Patty Murray and Maria Cantwell to demand they oppose military aid to Israel, and to end current legislative bans on the funding UNRWA (the only viable option for providing and distributing the massive amounts of aid needed in Gaza).

It is crucial to keep the pressure on! The US House of Representatives has yet to vote on giving \$14 billion in arms to Israel, instead of using this money to create a shared future of freedom, safety, justice and equality for all Palestinians and Israelis. Although the Senate has already approved it, likely they will have to vote again if the House approves a different version of the bill.

Contact your congress members to say: "\$14 billion of tax monies must not be used to produce more death and destruction in Gaza. There must be a lasting cease fire now and an immediate resumption of aid to UNRWA!"

Sign up at <https://www.mobilize.us/ifnotnow/event/620807/>

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FILM ON UNIVERSAL BASIC INCOME "INHERENT GOOD"

Tues April 23, 7 pm Pacific time, Zoom

Join Meaningful Movies Bellevue for our free screening of Inherent Good, a 60- minute documentary that introduces an increasingly popular grassroots idea: Universal Basic Income (UBI). A vehicle to

transform the American economy, UBI has the potential to make our society one that is thriving, sustainable, and centered around the well-being and deservedness of all people. Just imagine what a difference a guaranteed income could make in people's lives! Inherent Good features comedian and "Liberal Redneck" Trae Crowder as well as former presidential candidate and entrepreneur, Andrew Yang. Please stay for the discussion immediately following the film.

Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87929718047?pwd=NmwvcmdqdnZEYWJiS0t3ODRZWfhKQT09>

"Screening courtesy of BayView Entertainment." Please join us for this thought-provoking film presenting a possible solution to the swelling economic anxiety and wealth inequality in America. Cost Free but we gratefully welcome your generous donations, which play a vital role in covering the expenses while presenting the films we screen. Your support means the world to us!

Sponsors: East Shore Unitarian Church

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/meaningfulmoviebellevue/>
info <https://meaningfulmovies.org/events/inherent-good/>

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Info courtney.leake@gmail.com

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LIVE FROM KHALIL, PALESTINE: VIRTUAL DELEGATION

Weds April 24, 9 - 10:30 am Pacific time, Webinar

Join Eyewitness Palestine for our Live from Al Khalil webinar, including a special virtual delegation featuring Al Khalil native and activist, Muhanned Qafesha, who is also a member of Youth Against Settlements, an active anti-occupation group of Palestinian youth working against Israeli apartheid in Al Khalil. We will also be joined by the Director and Videographer of the Virtual Delegation, Michail Zananiri, who was shot at while attempting to film for this virtual delegation. Thankfully, Zananiri made it out unharmed, but many other Palestinians do not have that same luck. A short discussion, including a

director Q & A, will follow the premiere of the virtual tour during the webinar.

Participation in this event is free as Eyewitness Palestine is seeking to highlight voices in Palestine as broadly as possible. Donations are appreciated.

Registration <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/9cb9a859-85e3-43d6-9069-3c825350ec6b>

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FILM EATING OUR WAY TO EXTINCTION

Weds April 24, 6:30 pm Pacific time, at Center for Spiritual Living, 206 North J Street Tacoma, WA

Join Meaningful Movies Tacoma for the confronting and entertaining documentary allowing audiences to question their everyday choices, industry leaders, and governments. Featuring a wealth of world-renowned contributors, including Sir Richard Branson and Tony Robbins, it has a message of hope that will empower audiences.

The Film takes audiences on a cinematic journey around the world, from the depths of the Amazon rainforests to the Taiwanese Mountains, the Mongolian desert, the US Dust Bowl, the Norwegian Fjords, and the Scottish coastlines, telling the story of our planet through shocking testimonials, poignant accounts from indigenous people most affected by our ever-changing planet, globally renowned figures and leading scientists. This powerful documentary sends a simple but impactful message by uncovering hard truths and

addressing, on the big screen, the most pressing issue of our generation – ecological collapse.

Although the window we have left seems intimidatingly small, we can all change the course of the climate disaster, the extinction crisis, and several other ‘civilization busters’. Avoiding animal products such as meat, fish, dairy, and eggs, will have a profound impact towards a sustainable future for our planet.

We all have the power to make an impact. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner – three chances to change the world for the better. Are you Eating To Extinction, or Eating For Tomorrow?

Cost: Screenings are free yet we gratefully accept donations to cover the costs of our venues, film costs, and speaker honorariums. Help keep meaningful conversations happening – thank you for your generosity!

Special Guests: TBD. Sponsors: Center for Spiritual Living Tacoma

Film Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/eating2extinction>,
info <https://meaningfulmovies.org/events/eating-our-way-to-extinction-2/>

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SEATTLE BLACK FILM FESTIVAL

Thurs – Sun April 25-28, at Langston Hughes Performing Art Institute, 104 17th Avenue South, Seattle WA 98144 and Washington Hall, 153 14th Ave, Seattle, WA 98122 in the Central District.

The Seattle Black Film Festival is the premier location for the best of Black films from every corner of the world. Running for over 21 years, we continue to bring narrative, documentary, and experimental films to Seattle.

Featuring...

- the intimate and personal documentary Jewelle: A Just Vision
- films by Northwest Film Forum's Netsanet Tjirongo: Savi the Cat and Vanishing Seattle: Queer the Land
- and the first ever Sudanese film at the Cannes Film festival, Goodbye Julia
- And so much more! Available online and in-person.

Info including schedule, tickets, passes, etc.

<https://www.langstonseattle.org/sbff/>

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NO MORE JAIL DEATHS VIGIL AND ACTION

Fri April 26, 5-7 pm, at Downtown Jail, 311 Grand Ave, Bellingham

No Whatcom Jails is organizing a vigil and action to honor Andre Haas, the incarcerated person who overdosed while detained in Whatcom County Jail on March 13th.

The event will include a teach-in, music, art-making, poetry, snacks, and hot drinks. Organizers ask that you bring flowers and signs.

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CHURCH COUNCIL OF GREATER SEATTLE ORGANIZING EVENT

Sat April 27, 9 am – 4:30 pmat Blaine Memorial United Methodist Church, 3001 24th Ave S, Seattle, WA 98144

Our Weaving Our Strengths annual organizing event is moving to the spring! Join us for a day of workshops and reflection on the community organizing principles and anti-racism values that ground us in transformational change for liberation and justice.

We will start the day with a training on our organizing and anti-racism values that ground us in transformational change for liberation and justice. After lunch, we will break out into two rounds of workshops. Our workshop options include:

- Learning Toward Solidarity with Migrants
- Acting Intentionally Toward Transformation: Introduction to the Faith Land Initiative
- Impact over Intentions: Practicing True Solidarity

Info <https://www.thechurchcouncil.org/wos-2024>

Please register by April 21. Rregistration
<https://thechurchcouncil.ourpowerbase.net/civicrm/event/info?id=1&reset=1>

Info info@thechurchcouncil.org

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ACTIVATING FAITH COMMUNITIES FOR CLIMATE JUSTICE

Sun April 28, noon Pacific time, Zoom or in-person at First United Methodist Church of Seattle 180 Denny Way Seattle, WA

Meaningful Movies at First Church Seattle invites you to an in-person or online discussion prompted by The Letter, a 2022 documentary about the impact on people around the world of Laudato Si', Pope Francis's encyclical on the climate crisis. The event will explore how faith communities are responding to the climate crisis. After hearing from two panelists, attendees will be invited to ask questions.

Pope Francis wrote an encyclical letter – a short book that popes write – called Laudato Si'. The letter was addressed to everyone and encourages us to see how everything is connected. The way we treat the Earth, our common home, is a reflection of how we treat each other. Caring for each other means caring for the home we share. The Letter highlights the voices of those most affected by climate change – youth, the poor (including climate refugees), indigenous people, and wildlife. A representative of each of those groups was invited to Rome, and the film shows their dialogue with the Pope and each other.

Register at

<https://firstchurchseattle.breezechms.com/form/6e438928959650979136774172262> . After you register, you will receive a confirmation email with a Zoom link for the April 28 event and a link to watch the film before or after the event. You may attend the event in person or on Zoom.

Link to watch film: Before the event, at your convenience and at no cost, you can watch The Letter.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Rps9bs85BII>

Link to watch trailer:

https://youtu.be/l3EBHebH17Y?si=10vSaZbMhgEM7_E4

The film will not be shown at the event. It is not necessary to watch the film to attend the April 28 event.

Info including speakers Jim Antal and Anna Johnson info

<https://meaningfulmovies.org/events/activating-faith-communities-for-climate-justice/>

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“JOHN LEWIS: GOOD TROUBLE” ONLINE SCREENING & PANEL

Sun April 28, 4 – 6:30 pm Pacific time, online

The Meaningful Movies Project along with Fix Democracy First proudly presents an exclusive, free online screening of the thought-provoking documentary, John Lewis: Good Trouble by Dawn Porter. John Lewis: Good Trouble isn't just a film; it's a powerful call to action and a reminder why it's important that we exercise our right to vote.

This documentary film provides an intimate glimpse into the extraordinary life and enduring legacy of legendary U.S. Representative John Lewis. Spanning over six decades of remarkable activism, the film portrays Lewis's evolution from a bold teenager at the forefront of the Civil Rights movement to a formidable legislative force. It begins with

Lewis's courageous plea to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. for assistance in integrating a segregated school in his hometown of Troy, Alabama, a pivotal moment that cemented their close bond. From organizing Freedom Rides amidst violence and imprisonment to standing steadfastly at the forefront of historic marches in Washington and Selma, Lewis displayed resilience and determination. Throughout his journey, he championed the spirit of "good trouble," inspiring fellow Americans to confront injustice fearlessly. As the film chronicles Lewis's unparalleled commitment to justice and equality until his passing on July 17, 2020, it underscores his enduring message of hope and perseverance.

Join us for a panel discussion after the film:

- Barbara Arnwine is the President & Founder of the Transformative Justice Coalition, an organization focused on systematic change that achieves racial justice, gender, economic and social justice and human rights.
- The Rev. Dr. Derrick Harkins is a senior advisor with Raben, a public affairs and organizational consulting firm, where he uses his extensive political and ministerial experience to help advance the firm's Faith Strategies Group.
- Cinthia Illan-Vazquez is the Executive Director at The Washington Bus, a movement building organization that increases political access and participation for young people across WA.

Donations to cover costs of showing films gratefully accepted. Info and free tickets at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/john-lewis-good-trouble-online-screening-event-tickets-864265149327>

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The April movie is *The Mauritanian*. *The Mauritanian* is a 2021 legal drama film based on the memoir of Mohamedou Ould Slahi, a Mauritanian man who was held from 2002 to 2016 without charge in the Guantanamo Bay detention camp, a United States military prison. The film was directed by Kevin Macdonald based on a screenplay written by M.B. Traven, Rory Haines, and Sohrab Noshirvani, adapted from Slahi's 2015 memoir *Guantánamo Diary*. It stars Tahar Rahim as Slahi, and also features Jodie Foster, Shailene Woodley, Benedict Cumberbatch, and Zachary Levi in supporting roles.

The movie is 2hrs.

Following the movie we will have discussion. This movie will bring up much for us and I look forward to sharing our thoughts. RSVP for in person is appreciated.

Info newsletter@ofor.org

ZOOM INFO: Join Zoom Meeting

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Info courtney.leake@gmail.com

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EARTH CARE NOT WARFARE MEETING

Weds May 1, and subsequent first Wednesdays, noon Pacific time, on Zoom

Earth Care not Warfare's monthly meeting to connect the peace movement with the climate justice movement. Representatives of local peace and climate groups share their recent actions and plans so that we can support each other's actions. We discuss collective actions such as meeting with our elected representatives, joining marches and rallies, sponsoring meaningful movies and learning events.

Info: Beth, bebrunton@hotmail.com

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BOOK CLUB WARHEADS TO WINDMILLS

Thursdays, May 2, 9, 16, 23, noon Pacific time, Zoon

World Beyond War will be holding a weekly discussion each of four weeks of Warheads to Windmills: Preventing Climate Catastrophe and Nuclear War with the author Timmon Wallis.

The author will send each participant a signed paperback or ebook or pdf -- your choice. We'll let you know which parts of the book will be discussed each week along with the Zoom details to access the discussions.

Timmon Wallis is National Coordinator of the Warheads to Windmills Coalition, which is campaigning to abolish nuclear weapons and use the resources to address the climate crisis. He has a BA in Human Ecology and a PhD in Peace Studies, and has campaigned and written extensively on the issues of climate change and nuclear disarmament.

Info david@worldbeyondwar.org

Info and registration \$75 at <https://worldbeyondwar.org/book-club-warheads-to-windmills-with-timmon-wallis/>

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National War Tax Resistance Gathering & Coordinating Committee Meeting

Fri – Sun May 3 – 5, On Zoom

Join National War Tax Resistance Coordinating Committee (NWTRCC) on Zoom for our spring gathering. The program is still being determined, but the conference will begin with a social hour on Friday evening. There will also be panels and workshops on Saturday morning and afternoon. As usual, we will have our business meeting on Sunday.

Registration at <https://nwtrcc.org/gathering-logistics-registration/>

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INTERCOMMUNITY PEACE & JUSTICE CENTER BENEFIT

Fri May 3, 6-8:30 pm, at Pigott Auditorium, Seattle University

The Intercommunity Peace & Justice Center acts for justice in the church and in the world. IPJC is sponsored by twenty-four religious communities and collaborates with Catholic, ecumenical, interfaith and other organizations in carrying out this mission. Our story of peace &

justice began in 1991 with a vision of our religious communities of collaboration among individuals, churches & organizations to build community & create change for the common good.

Reception 6-7:30, program 7:30-8:30

Tickets \$60 and info at <https://ipjc.org/spring-benefit-registration/>

Info ipjc@ipjc.org or <https://ipjc.org/>

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ONLINE DEBATE: CAN WAR EVER BE JUSTIFIED?

Sat May 4, 3-4:30 pm Pacific time, Webinar

Join World Beyond War for a free Online Debate: Can War Ever Be Justified? Is Large-Scale Violence Ever a Better Choice Than Nonviolent Action?

Participants will be able to suggest questions for the moderator to ask.

Arguing the affirmative will be David Swanson, an author, activist, journalist, and radio host. He is executive director of World BEYOND War and campaign coordinator for RootsAction.org. Swanson's books include War Is A Lie. He hosts Talk World Radio. He is a Nobel Peace Prize nominee, and U.S. Peace Prize recipient.

Arguing the negative will be Jared Ball, a Professor of Communication and Africana Studies at Morgan State University in Baltimore, Maryland, and author of The Myth and Propaganda of Black Buying

Power. Ball is also host of the podcast “iMiXWHATiLiKE!”, co-founder of Black Power Media which can be found at BlackPowerMedia.org, and his decades of journalism, media, writing, and political work can be found at imixwhatilike.org.

Moderating will be Youri Smouter, host of 1+1, a topical history and current affairs program on his YouTube channel 1+1 hosted by Youri Smouter. He is based in Southern Belgium and is a left-wing media critic, NGO critic, anti-imperialist, an advocate for Indigenous solidarity and a Native Lives Matter movement and socially liberal thinker.

Info and registration <https://worldbeyondwar.org/debate2024/>

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VOTER ENGAGEMENT CAMPAIGN

Sat May 4, 9-11 am Pacific time, Zoom or in person at University Congregational UCC, 4515 16th Ave NE, Seattle, WA 98105)

“Cast Your Vote Washington”

Join Earth Ministry/ Washington Interfaith Power & Light (WA IPL) and community partners at University Congregational United Church of Christ of Seattle to learn more about the launch of our 2024 Voter Engagement Campaign.

- Learn faithful advocacy skills to take back to your community.
- Learn about upcoming Ballot Initiatives that would impact environmental justice across Washington State.

- Network with other faithful and conscience-led advocates!

Register at <https://earthministry.org/cast-your-vote-washington-ucucc-event/>

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DEATH PENALTY ACTION WEBINAR

Sun May 5, and most first Sundays, 6 pm Pacific time, Webinar

Join Death Penalty Action for a review of the issues and action opportunities surrounding the next several executions scheduled in the United States. This project of Death Penalty Action recurs (normally) on the first Sunday of each month.

Death Penalty Action works to stop executions and abolish the death penalty through advocacy, education, and action.

Registration https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_GQi-Z-U0QyyvyVOoYaL3nA

Info info@deathpenaltyaction.org or <https://deathpenaltyaction.org/>

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VETERANS FOR PEACE MAINE TO WASHINGTON DC PEACE WALK

May 7 – July 5, Maine to DC

PeaceWalk 2024 is an opportunity to expose and discuss the enormous costs and causes of war with our fellow citizens, and to explore ways to nonviolently create a peaceful and truly prosperous society for all. We will draw attention to the existential threats to life on our planet— nuclear war and destruction of our environment—and highlight the connections between militarism, the weapons manufacturers that profit from it, and climate change.

The initiating organization, Veterans For Peace, is composed of veterans and allies dedicated to abolishing war and all its connected evils. Many veterans have seen war up close or have been trained for war. But everyone, veteran or not, is affected adversely by war and the industry that profits from war. Besides the terrible human cost of war, our precious environment and climate are impacted most negatively.

People are welcome to join the Peace Walk for any parts or the whole distance. See a list of sponsors and endorsers at <https://peacewalk2024.org/sponsors/>

Info <https://peacewalk2024.org/>

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WASHINGTON AGAINST NUCLEAR WEAPONS MONTHLY MEETING

Thurs May 9, 6 pm Pacific time, Zoom

Washington Against Nuclear Weapons (WANW) is a statewide coalition that aims to reduce and eliminate all components of the 2 trillion dollar

rebuild of the US nuclear weapons arsenal. Our ultimate goal is to prevent nuclear war and abolish nuclear weapons worldwide.

Western Washington Fellowship of Reconciliation and several of our chapters are members of WANW.

Registration

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMlceyrqjooGNNPzPxUmDewUJiXWPGBjH88>

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MOTHERS DAY WEEKEND FOR PEACE

Sat & Sun May 11 & 12, details TBA, at Ground Zero Center for Nonviolent Action, 16159 Clear Creek Rd. NW, Poulsbo, Wa 98370

people will come together to learn, plant, and act together to resist war, violence, and nuclear weapons. We will invoke the original spirit of Mother's Day as a time to demand disarmament, "to bewail and commemorate" war dead, and to "solemnly take counsel" with each other on ending war and achieving peace.

There will be speakers and activities both days, as well as a nonviolent vigil/action at the nearby Bangor Trident nuclear submarine base, which represents the largest operational deployed concentration of nuclear weapons in the world.

Guest speakers will include Naiome Krienke, founder of The Longhouse Project, and Ward Wilson, author of the recently published and widely acclaimed book, *It Is Possible: A Future Without Nuclear Weapons*.

Free, children welcome.

More info will be posted at <https://www.gzcenter.org/events/> . Info and to volunteer to assist in the planning and also to help on the two days of the event contact railsback.kathryn@gmail.com , smakarin@mailbox.org , or ltullai@gmail.com

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WASHINGTON STATE NONPROFIT CONFERENCE

May 14-16, online conference
May 17, 20, and 22, regional celebrations

The 2024 Washington State Nonprofit Conference is brought to you by Nonprofit Association of Washington. This year’s Conference will be online May 14-16 with regional celebrations in Central WA (May 17), Eastern WA (May 20), and Western WA (May 22)! There will be powerful keynote speakers, memorable workshops, and other invaluable content. You can save on the cost of your registration by becoming a member of Nonprofit Association of Washington, purchasing your registration early (earlybird rates until March 15), or applying for a scholarship.

“All access” earlybird conference nonmember rate \$250, see registration site for other options.

Registration <https://nonprofitwa.org/washington-state-nonprofit-conference/pricing-registration/>

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THE AUNTIES – WOMEN OF THE SALISH SEA, EPISODE 2

Thurs May 16, 7:30 pm, at Washington Center Main Stage, 512
Washington St. SE, Olympia, WA 98501

The Aunties – Women of the Salish Sea features stories by Native American and First Nations Matriarchs, told live from stage to be immortalized in an online series of shorts. The term Aunties is an honorific that signifies a woman or non-binary person who holds a place of significance and respect in their communities. This original Indigenous Performance Production features women and non-binary Aunties who have spent their lives dedicated to serving their communities through the creation of hope, opportunity and connection. The Aunties amplifies their life’s work through a once-in-a-lifetime event featuring traditional storytelling, theater and multimedia arts.

We pay tribute to Aunties and the important role they play in Indigenous communities-of which they have long been recognized as vital caretakers of its connection, tradition and cohesion. Through shared storytelling, Aunties provide a space for everyone to gather to collectively reflect on their pasts and shared identity, as they look for ways towards a better future. The Aunties are the Keepers of their Community. We celebrate them now, at an especially important time due to the loss of so many elders from Covid-19. As Native and Indigenous communities bear the burden of those lost including their leadership, guidance and connections, The Aunties honors their contributions and preserves their stories for future generations to come.

In Partnership with Indigenous Performance Productions

Presented By: The Washington Center for the Performing Arts

Info and Tickets <https://www.washingtoncenter.org/event/the-aunties-women-of-the-salish-sea-episode-2/>

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ANIMALS' LAWSUIT AGAINST HUMANITY

Thurs May 16, 7-8 pm, at Saint Mark's Episcopal Cathedral, Bloedel Hall, 1245 10th Ave E, Seattle, WA 98102

Gather for a book reading and panel discussion with Rabbi Anson Laytner, where we will delve into and highlight the complexities of the Human vs. Animal Kingdom dichotomy in Rabbi Laytner's book *The Animals' Lawsuit Against Humanity*.

This multifaith, multicultural book will be a lovely, connective event where we can reflect and discuss not only relationships with each other, but also among the difference species that share our Earth and are harmed by our actions.

Sponsored by Earth Ministry/Washington Interfaith Power and Light and Saint Mark's Episcopal Cathedral

Register free at

<https://secure.everyaction.com/Tz3h8DtaUkCMOy61M2cBcQ2>

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WWFOR SPRING ASSEMBLY

Sat May 18, 8:45 am-12:45 pm Pacific time, Zoom

Registration for Western Washington Fellowship of Reconciliation's Spring Assembly is now open! Theme "Supporting Movements for a Just and Peaceful World."

Everyone is welcome to join us for a Zoom conference with speakers, youth presentations, and discussion.

Keynote Speaker Kathy Kelly
"Ring the Bells that Still Can Ring:
Movements, Worldwide, to End the Scourge of War"

Kathy Kelly is board president of World BEYOND War and a co-coordinator of the Merchants of Death War Crimes Tribunal. Since the Taliban takeover of Afghanistan, she has volunteered with an international network to assist young people forced to flee from Afghanistan.

Kathy has been incarcerated in federal prisons for nonviolently resisting militarism and war. As a war tax refuser, she successfully avoided payment of federal income taxes for the past four decades.

With Voices in the Wilderness companions, she broke economic sanctions against Iraq 27 times. The Iraq Peace Team then remained in Iraq throughout the Shock and Awe bombing and the initial weeks of the invasion. Having lived alongside ordinary people during wars in

Iraq, Gaza, the West Bank, Lebanon, Afghanistan and Nicaragua, she believes women and children enduring such conflict have been her finest teachers.

Suggested donation \$0 to \$20. Registration <https://wwfor2024sa.brownpapertickets.com/>

Info <https://wwfor.org/spring-assembly-2024/> or 206-789-5565, wwfor@wwfor.org.

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IMMIGRATION RESTRICTION THEN AND NOW 100 Years Since the Doors Slammed Shut

Sun May 19, doors 5:30 pm, program 6 pm, At Temple Beth Am, North Seattle

A look back at the Immigration Act of 1924 and the state of immigration today. A fundraiser for the Jewish Coalition for Immigrant Justice

Our event program includes remarks by King County Councilmember Jorge Barón, UW History Professor Devin Naar, and Brenda Rodríguez López, Executive Director of the Washington Immigrant Solidarity Network (WAISN). Devin will discuss the history of immigration restriction and impact on Jewish and other communities. Brenda will shine a light on the current experience and needs of immigrants in our state.

We'll feature storytelling by an asylum seeker supported by JCIJ and honor Pastor Jan Bolerjack with JCIJ's Tzedek Justice Award for her

leadership in supporting asylum seekers at Riverton Park United Methodist Church. Dinner will be catered by Project Feast, who empower refugee and immigrant cooks through hands-on culinary training and education.

Registration info coming

Info <https://www.jewishcoalition.org/events>

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Info newsletter@ofor.org

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EARTH CARE NOT WARFARE MEETING

Weds June 5, and subsequent first Wednesdays, noon Pacific time, on Zoom

Earth Care not Warfare's monthly meeting to connect the peace movement with the climate justice movement. Representatives of local peace and climate groups share their recent actions and plans so that we can support each other's actions. We discuss collective actions such as meeting with our elected representatives, joining marches and rallies, sponsoring meaningful movies and learning events.

Info: Beth, bebrunton@hotmail.com

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WASHINGTON AGAINST NUCLEAR WEAPONS MONTHLY MEETING

Thurs June 13, 6 pm Pacific time, Zoom

Washington Against Nuclear Weapons (WANW) is a statewide coalition that aims to reduce and eliminate all components of the 2 trillion dollar

rebuild of the US nuclear weapons arsenal. Our ultimate goal is to prevent nuclear war and abolish nuclear weapons worldwide.

David Vine, Professor of Anthropology and American University and Author of Base Nation: How American Military Bases Abroad Harm America and the World will speak at this WANW meeting.

Western Washington Fellowship of Reconciliation and several of our chapters are members of WANW.

Registration

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMlceyrqjooGNNPzPxUmDewUJiXWPGBjH88>

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ONGOING AND WEEKLY EVENTS BELOW

LAKE FOREST PARK PEACE VIGIL

Saturdays 11 am to noon, at the corner of Bothell Way NE (SR 522) and Ballinger Way NE (SR 104) Lake Forest Park 98155

Standing for peace every week since December 2002 with signs including “Abolish Nuclear Weapons” and “Renounce Militarism.”

Info Glen Milner 206-979-8319 or gk_milner@comcast.net

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MOUNT VERNON ABOLISH NUKES BANNERING

Twice monthly, 1st and 3rd Fridays, 3 pm, at the downtown Mount Vernon I-5 overpass, above the Skagit Valley Food Co-op parking lot

Bannering continues in downtown Mount Vernon! We will continue to protest nuclear weapons by bannering with our “NO NUKES” banner plus American, Ukrainian, and Peace flags.

Parking is available North of the overpass on Fulton Street, where the old YMCA was, or South in a parking lot for \$1/hour, or on the street. Bring your own sign, use ours, or simply wave at motorists!

Info <https://www.nomorebombs.org/>

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OLYMPIA FOR VIGILS AND EVENTS

Wednesdays and Fridays

Olympia Fellowship of Reconciliation Chapter Wednesday Vigils, noon – 1 pm, NW corner of Sylvester Park, at Legion & Capitol Way, Olympia, **PEACE VIGIL**, come for all or part of the hour to witness in a friendly way for peace and nonviolence. We provide plenty of signs. Wear a facemask and stand at least 6 feet apart. **Olympia FOR's** witness for peace and nonviolence is ongoing since 1980. info Glen 360-491-9093, glen@parallaxperspectives.org or Olympia FOR 360-561-3627

Olympia Fellowship of Reconciliation Chapter Friday Vigils, 4:30 – 6 pm, south end of Percival Landing, south of 4th Ave, just west of Water Street, Olympia; Please join **Olympia FOR** in a friendly **PEACE VIGIL** all or part of the time. Please join us for whatever length of time you can. We provide plenty of signs. Wear a facemask and stand at least 6 feet apart. info Glen 360-491-9093, glen@parallaxperspectives.org or Olympia FOR 360-561-3627

FUTURE OLYMPIA FOR EVENTS will be posted at [Olympia Fellowship of Reconciliation | Facebook](#)
[<https://www.facebook.com/groups/OlympiaFOR>]

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FIRE MOUNTAIN CENTRALIA VIGILS

Saturdays

Fire Mountain Fellowship of Reconciliation Chapter (Centralia-Chehalis area) Saturday Vigils. Every Saturday from noon to 1:00 pm, on the edge of Washington Park at Locust & Pearl in downtown Centralia, **PEACE VIGIL** is sponsored by Lewis County’s “Fire Mountain” FOR chapter. info: Larry Kerschner peacepoet@protonmail.com

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BELLINGHAM WEEKLY PEACE VIGIL

Fridays, 4-5 pm **spring-summer-fall hours resume on Feb 2**
(Mid Winter vigils start 3 pm)

Fridays, corner of Cornwall and Magnolia, Bellingham; Longest running **PEACE VIGIL** in the Nation! Join the weekly Bellingham-Whatcom Peace Vigil, ongoing since 1966

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MEANINGFUL MOVIES PERSISTS!

Ongoing, various dates. Now online, in preson, and hybrid events.

The Meaningful Movies Project started in 2003 as a project of Wallingford (Seattle) Neighbors for Peace and Justice, a neighborhood affiliate of SNOW (Sound Nonviolent Opponents of War) with free weekly showings of films with social meaning, followed by discussion. Other neighborhood groups all over Washington State and beyond joined in this project with film viewings in their neighborhoods. See a list of these groups <https://meaningfulmovies.org/events/locations/>

The pandemic motivated the project participants to convert to online formats which continue, along with a partial return to in-person events. See <https://meaningfulmovies.org/events/> for scheduled films.

MMP films and discussions, in person or online, are free, but donations are needed and gratefully accepted at <https://meaningfulmovies.org/donate/> or at Meaningful Movies Project, P.O. Box 31005, Seattle, WA 98103

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GLEN'S PARALLAX PERSPECTIVES NEW PROGRAMS MONTHLY

Thurston County TV 3 times a week and on the Web Any Time

Watch on TV: cable TV subscribers in Thurston County WA can watch on cable channel 22: Mondays 1:30 pm, Wednesdays 5:00 pm, and Thursdays 9:00 pm.

EVERY MONTH a new program, see <https://parallaxperspectives.org/> for a list of programs available online as well as the current program available on cable TV in Thurston County.

March 2024 program “**U.S. Empire Hurts the World** -- and Hurts Us Too” can be watched at

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2jN_ZpQjsz4

The April 2024 program provides fresh information and insights into **prison sentences**. Besides discussing several problems about prison sentences, we also discuss some solutions that deserve more public awareness, support and implementation.

Info (360) 491-9093 or glen@parallaxperspectives.org

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Organization Information for Western Washington Fellowship of Reconciliation (WWFOR)

SUBMITTING EVENT INFORMATION: We are always happy to hear about additional events! On request we will consider posting events on

our web calendar and in future WWFOR email messages. Please allow as much lead time as possible. We give priority to events by FOR Chapters and will consider all events consistent with FOR values. Submit events by email wwfor@wwfor.org, phone, or postal mail at the contact info below.

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HOW TO MAKE A DONATION:

We welcome checks at our postal address (see above), and online donations can be made through our website Donate - Western Washington Fellowship of Reconciliation (wwfor.org)

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Best wishes from the WWFOR Office Volunteers