Dear friends,

The Peace Party is filling up fast! But there is still room for you to whoop it up and "Peace It Together" with us at this year's event. We invite you to wear your party attire and join us for an evening of fun-filled mingling to support the best of causes. Homestead Organics will offer a gourmet meal with help from local growers and businesses. Beer (from Imagine Nation) and wine is included in your ticket as well as Nourishing Cultures Kombucha, a kid’s corner and entertainment by the Shenanigans and the Montana Women’s Chorus. This year we have invited many of the nonprofits that work with us to make this community better and you will have a chance to meet them, learn a little about what they do and see a picture of what is possible when we work together for the world we want to live in.

You know our Silent Auction is always amazing. But this year the silent auction will be closing at 4:45, so you will have to bid early! And check out the items you could win in our Raffle -- and you don't need to be present to win!

- Full day float trip on the Bitterroot River for 2 with shore lunch (fish, float, swim, nature watch)
- One Night Stay Alameda’s Hot Springs Retreat
- $100 Good Food Store
- $100 Café Dolce
- Case of wine from Ten Spoon Winery
- 8 Yoga sessions from Yoga Fitness Center.

And which of these fabulous dinners are you going to bid on in the Live Auction?:

- Traditional Eritrean meal (6 Plates) on Saturday, March 24, 2018 prepared by former refugee Negasi Gebreyesus and hosted by Steve & Jan McArthur
- The Irish Supper Table (8 plates) on Friday, March 16, 2018 by Betsy Mulligan-Dague in honor of Dan Gallagher and featuring the band Malarkey
- Babette’s Feast – NO! (8 Plates) on Saturday, January 13, 2018 offered by Bev Young
- Delicious Mostly Mid-Eastern Dinner that is wheat, dairy and sugar free - whole30 compliant (8 Plates) on Saturday, January 20, 2018 offered by Charlotte Kasl
- Peace Pasta and Politics (4 plates) on Saturday, January 27, 2018 with Andrea Olsen and Lynn Exe
- Authentic Indian Dinner (8 plates) on Saturday, April 28, 2018 from Srini Mondava
- An Authentic Taste of Greece from Effie Koehn (4 plates) on Saturday, November 11, 2017
- Afternoon Tea in your home for 4 offered by Jo Boyles
- A Turkish Delight (6 plates) on Saturday, February 3, 2018 with the Atens, Leslie Burgess and Serena Early
- Authentic Thai Dinner by Jume Slover of Big Thai Country (8 plates) on Saturday, March 10, 2018
- Le Tour de France (6 Plates) on Saturday, June 28, 2018 offered by Suzette Dussault
- The SOAP Girls’ Around the World Dinner (6 plates) on Saturday, November 4, 2017
- Asian Eclectic: Fair Trade Fare Extraordinaire (8 plates) on Saturday, May 12, 2018 offered by Heidi Pinkney and Becky Douglas
Passport to Peace through Spice with Katie van Dorn and Kim Maynard (8 Plates) on Saturday, December 2, 2017

Cuisine Favorites of Mesopotamia & the Assyrian People with Ray & Susie Risho (8 Plates) on Saturday, November 4, 2017

Lobster and Song (8 plates) on Saturday, April 7, 2018 with Niffer Stackpole and the Missoula Gay Men's Chorus

And to top it off, as a special auction item, we will be raising money to put something together -- something that has been in 9 pieces around town since it came down in 2001! Be part of this special effort by coming to bid or sending us an email to make a pledge

Come celebrate being part of this vibrant community with us. We'll be waiting to welcome -- and thank you for your support of all things peaceful...Betsy

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Calendar

Thursday, October 12, 6:30-8:30pm, Emmaus House (538 University Ave.). Standing Alongside Americas Muslims, SALAM, invites you to join us in the second of four discussion held in conjunction with a community read of Out of Darkness into Light: Spiritual Guidance in the Quran with Reflections from Jewish and Christian Sources co-authored by Ann Holmes Redding. The focus of this discussion is the Mysteries of Life. The reading and discussions are leading up to a November 1 and 2 visit by the author, Ann Holmes Redding to Missoula. Ann is a former Episcopal priest who was defrocked for having become Muslim and has spent years addressing issues of interfaith, peace, race and gender. It’s not necessary to have read the book to come and participate in these stimulating discussions. Other dates are:

- Thursday, October 19, 6:30-8:30 pm, Har Shalom (3035 S. Russell St.) on The Path of Surrender
- Thursday, October 26, 6:30 to 8:30 pm, St. Paul’s Lutheran Church (202 Brooks St.) Final Discussion & Potluck

Saturday-Sunday, October 14-15, 10 am-5 pm, Second Chance, Potomac, MT. Getting to the heart of our differences: from chaos to connection, a two-day Nonviolent Communication Workshop. Cost: Full workshop: $100  Saturday Only: $65. Register online here: http://www.innerworkingsresources.com/Connection. For more information, contact Patrick: 406-443-3439 or info@patrickmarsolek.co

Saturday, October 14, 9 am-2 pm, MFCU Brooks St. Free E-waste Event. For this event we are only taking these items: Computer towers, LCD flat screen monitors, Cellphones, Tablets, Cables and cords and Seal lead acid batteries. Free hard drive destruction

Sunday, October 15, 1:30 pm, Free Cycles Bike Shop. 8th Annual Tweed Ride - come a little earlier for tea and social time... then enjoy a 6 mile loop thru Greenough Park, with a Tea Stop and music after. For more information, email mist@strans.org

Sunday, October 15, 3-7 pm, Home Arts Building at the Fairgrounds. Peace It Together
with us. We have music from teh Shenanigan's and the MT Women's Chorus, food by Homestead Organics and lots of great auction items to delight. We will be joined by many of the nonprofits who work together with us to make this community better. We want to raise the money to put something else together! Maybe this video will give you an idea of what...https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=6CHIvn7HIWM&feature=youtu.be

Tuesday-Thursday, October 17-19, 5:30-8 pm, Payne Family Native American Center at UM. Missoula Urban Indian Health Center Presents the Fall 2017 Historical Trauma Conference Agenda: Interventions for Promoting Historical Resiliency. Tuesday will focus on Historical and Current use of Traditional Games-Defining Resilience and Wednesday on Historical Trauma Historical Resiliency. Contact Lida at (406) 829-9515 or LRunningCrane@muihc.org

Tuesday, October 17, 1 pm, YWCA center room (1130 W. Broadway St.) YWTalks: “Challenging Myths about Domestic Violence” a discussion about the realities of domestic violence in our community. Bring your lunch and an open mind! Becky Margolis, bmargolis@ywcaofmissoula.org, 406-543-6691

Tuesday, October 17, 6:30-8:45 pm, Missoula Public Library. Montana Innocence Project is having their Truth and Justice Film Series showing Death by Fire. To learn more about upcoming the films and to register visit: MTIP!

Wednesday, October 18, 5:30-7:30 pm, 1535 Liberty Lane (Solstice Building), HomeWORD Conference Room. The International Rescue Committee will be holding a training for folks interested in becoming a family mentors to incoming refugee families as well as other volunteer opportunities. The family mentor training is held the 3rd Wednesday of every month, on November 15 and December 20. For more information or to sign up, contact Becca at rebecca.burgmeier@rescue.org or (406) 926-1982

Friday-Sunday, October 20-22, 2017. Reflections of the Revolution: The October Revolution and Global Order, 1917-2017, is an international conference to be held at the University of Montana. This conference commemorates the 100th anniversary of the 1917 October Revolution in Russia. Presentations and discussions will focus on revolutions of the past as well as explore the possibility or impossibility of revolutionary scenarios today. Paper proposals are being accepted through February 20, 2017. Visit the conference website for more information: www.umt.edu/sell/cps/revolution/default.php.

Sunday, October 22, 1-4 pm, St. Paul's Lutheran Church. Montanans For Immigrant Justice is a group of local activists seeking to challenge xenophobic narratives and state and national immigration policies including recent actions to dismantle DACA. Join us for a community conversation in which speakers and members of the community talk about immigration myths and realities, the history of immigration in Montana and the faith based sanctuary movement in the United States.

Monday, October 23, 6-8 pm, UCC Fireside Rm. Communicating Climate Change: How People of Faith Can Inspire Action to Care For Creation. Join the Faith and Climate Action group to learn how you can help. Dinner provided. Contact Abby at abby.huseth@gmail.com

Monday, October 23, 7-8:30 pm, The Wilma. Join Soft Landing, the IRC, and representatives from Starbucks for a free screening of the "Upstanders" series. Each film is about 5 minutes long -- and one is about our very own Mary Poole!. There will be free Starbucks coffee and popcorn, and a cash bar will also be available. Help us fill The Wilma for this amazing celebration! To RSVP, email Jamie.Weinstein@starbucks.com. Include your name, your guest(s)'s name, and include "Missoula" in the email line. Check out our Facebook event, too!

Tuesday, October 24, 7 pm, DoubleTree Ballroom. The World Affairs Council presents Ambassador Max Baucus, speaking on China, North Korea, and the US: What Happens Next? as part of the Distinguished Speakers Program, $15 non-members | $10 members | Free for students

Wednesday, October 25, 12 noon, JRPC (2nd and 4th Wed. every month). Patrick Marsolek leads a free practice group for those interested in learning to use Nonviolent Communication Techniques more effectively. 2nd and 4th Wednesday each month. Join him to learn more about this critical skill. www.InnerWorkingsResources.com

Sunday, October 29, 5-8 pm, Har Shalom (3035 S Russell) Dances of Universal Peace...
spiritual community that is experience-based, from the heart and soul, not focused on beliefs or heady discussions. Join them every two months on last Sundays at 5:30pm at Har Shalom (except First Night): December 31 (they hope to be at First Night 2017), February 25 and April 29

Wednesday-Thursday, November 1-2, UM. SALAM is partnering with the University of Montana’s DiverseU event to bring Ann Holmes Redding, author of Out of Darkness into Light: Spiritual Guidance in the Quran with Reflections from Jewish and Christian Sources who will be speaking at the DiverseU banquet on November 1st and will also be leading a free workshop titled “Making Peace with Religion” on November 2nd. Watch for times and locations. The goal of Out of Darkness into Light is, as the authors write, “to lead from the first impulse to seek spiritual direction to the final stage of a soul peacefully surrendered in service to the Holy One by whatever name you wish to use. Quranic verses are supplemented by sayings of the Prophet Muhammad, the words of Rumi and other Sufi poets, and relevant quotations and insights from Jewish and Christian sources. The book also offers practical suggestions for expanding and strengthening one’s spiritual sinews.”

Thursday November 9, 7:30-9 pm, Open Way Mindfulness Center (702 Brooks). Mindful Community Conversations Series will feature a discussion on Self-Harming led by Linds Sanders. Format: Sitting meditation (10 minutes), Speaker (30 minutes), Open sharing/questions. 549-9005 or openwaysangha@gmail.com

Monday, November 13, UC Theater Time TBD. Join the REd Willow Learning Center and the JRPC for the film Almost Sunrise.

Saturday, November 18, 9am-5pm, Payne Family Native American Center. Missoula Urban Indian Health Center Presents: Community Resiliency Model (CRM) Workshop with Dana Eisenberg, Trauma Resource Institute Educator. Free and open to clients, community, and professionals. Breakfast Provided-Potluck Lunch. Professional CEU’s Offered: Contact Lida to make $25 payment in advance. Questions? Contact (406) 829-9515 ext. 110 or email Lrunningcrane@muihc.org

Thursday December 7, 7:30-9 pm, Open Way Mindfulness Center (702 Brooks). Mindful Community Conversations Series will feature a discussion on Grief and Loss led by Greg Grallo. Format: Sitting meditation (10 minutes), Speaker (30 minutes), Open sharing/questions. 549-9005 or openwaysangha@gmail.com

Action Opportunities

Visit the Missoula Resistance Library for all your resistance needs and great reading lists. https://missoularesistancelibrary.wordpress.com/

We accept nominations for peacemaker throughout the year. Now accepting for the 2018 award. Go to https://jrpc.org/programs/peacemaker-award/

Fair Trade News

Come say hi to our new Fair Trade Store Manager Jennifer Zaso and let her know your ideas!
October is Fair Trade Month, so stop by and visit The Olive Branch. For more information about Fair Trade, visit [http://www.fairtrade federation.org/celebrate-fair-trade-month/](http://www.fairtraded www.fairtradefederation.org/celebrate-fair-trade-month/)

And new this month Patagonia now has a line of fair trade fleece!

Check out our online store at [http://the-olive-branch.shoplightspeed.com](http://the-olive-branch.shoplightspeed.com)

### Ongoing Events and Meetings

- **Women in Black** Fridays, North end of the Higgins Bridge, 12:15-12:45 pm. [missoulawib@montana.com](mailto:missoulawib@montana.com)
- **Balanced View Clarity Online Call** every Sunday, 11am-noon MT time. Contact: [CheyenneRivers@BalancedView.org](mailto:CheyenneRivers@BalancedView.org).
- **Veterans For Peace** first Monday of each month (September 11), 4-6 pm, JRPC. [406-363-6150](tel:406-363-6150) or [pvaughan184@gmail.com](mailto:pvaughan184@gmail.com)
- **Citizens Climate Lobby** 2nd Monday of every month, 6pm, Imagine Nation Brewery. Contact Scott at [sebovard@gmail.com](mailto:sebovard@gmail.com).
- **JRPC Coordinating Council** Third Monday of every month, 5:30 pm at JRPC. All are welcome to attend!
- **350Missoula Coal & Renewables Committee** third Monday of each month, 5:30 pm, Imagine Nation Brewery. [leemet@bigsky.net](mailto:leemet@bigsky.net)
- **Women in Black of Polson** Mondays, 12-12:30 pm, Polson courthouse. [c211p110@earthlink.net](mailto:c211p110@earthlink.net)
- **Knitting For Peace** every Tuesday, 1–3 pm, JRPC. [543-3955](tel:543-3955).
- **Nonviolent Communication Practice Group** Second and Fourth Wednesdays, 12-1 pm, JRPC. [info@patrickmarsolek.com](mailto:info@patrickmarsolek.com)
- **The Cranium** creates origami delights Wednesdays, 1:15-3:15, JRPC. [bonnie@bonnietarses.com](mailto:bonnie@bonnietarses.com)
- **Time Bank Orientation** Contact [info@missoulatimebank.org](mailto:info@missoulatimebank.org) for individual and group orientation for new members at a location TBD.
- **Missoula Moves To Amend** Contact Sue at 543-3254

### Articles Of Interest


- The Human cost of War With North Korea [https://mail.google.com/mail/ca/u/1/#label/E-newsletter/15efff00ab0b060a?projector=1](https://mail.google.com/mail/ca/u/1/#label/E-newsletter/15efff00ab0b060a?projector=1)

Have you read an article that inspired you? Share it with us so we can share it with others!!

Check out the Library at JRPC for lots of great resources. **Donations are always welcome!**

### Ways to Help JRPC

1. We are desperate for some storage space. Do you have some we can use? If so call us at 543-3955.
2. Want to be of service? JRPC is looking for board members. Call Betsy to discuss this opportunity.

Jeannette Rankin Peace Center has been in Missoula since 1986, working to build non-violence, social justice and sustainability. We are pleased to be a member of the Montana Shares Network, a partnership of Montana-based nonprofit groups devoted to improving the quality of life in communities throughout the state. Give to JRPC through your workplace. [www.montanashares.org](http://www.montanashares.org)

The JRPC e-newsletter is sent to our listserv each Thursday. Deadline for calendar items is noon, Wednesday. We always appreciate your contributions, comments and suggestions. If you would like to be taken off our mailing list, please unsubscribe below. To sign up, click [this link](#).

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