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"The most beautiful people we have known are those who have known defeat, known suffering, known struggle, known loss, and have found their way out of those depths." ~Elisabeth Kubler-Ross

Dear friends,

Last week I attended the memorial service of one of our long-time members Janet McGahan. I also published a link to Greg Burham's obituary which notes him as an "outspoken pacifist". Both Janet and Greg knew suffering and found their way out. They also both led the way for many others. Janet gave the world many beautiful pieces of art, some of which hangs at JRPC and a couple of pieces will be in our silent auction. At the memorial, I heard many stories of the love she shared with so many and felt lucky to have known her. I did not know Greg except for a few articles in our JRPC scrapbooks. I read about his 1974 walk from Alaska to Mexico to restore his faith in humanity after returning from Vietnam and his healing connections in 1989 with Veterans from the Soviet Union. One of our Peacemakers, Butch Turk, sent me several stories about Greg because he said,

"this 6'6" former SEAL was one of the most sensitive, gentle souls I've known, was an unflagging advocate for vets, and was a consistent ally of peace people. I know that he inspired me."

One of those stories was the words of another Peacemaker, Dan Gallagher.

"Burham is, to those who have worked with him, something of a "gentle giant." From him I learned the healing power of a hug... Through him, I and many others received validation for our various efforts during times of self-doubt. As with so many he cared for, Burham's wartime experience caused him to bear wounds that show no scars. While calmly counseling those affected by war, he argued passionately against the policies that sent America's sons and daughters to war to kill other people's sons and daughters. Even those taking issue with his opinions respected the innate sense of decency that shone out from the man."

Our community has two great holes in it from these losses. Let us work to fill them by continuing the example of love and healing that Janet and Greg showed us. We would love to hear more stories of the people that inspire you and need to be honored as a [Peacemaker](#). And please [join us this Sunday](#) to celebrate the community we live and work in...Betsy



Calendar

Friday, October 12, 6:30 pm, Free Cycles. **Bread and Puppet Circus show travels to Free Cycles from Vermont!** Potluck at 6:30. Show starts at 8. \$5-\$20 donations, sliding scale yet no one will be turned away. Bread & Puppet Theater is an internationally celebrated company that champions a visually rich, street-theater brand of performance art filled with music, dance and slapstick, founded in 1963 by Peter Schumann. This show, The Grasshopper Rebellion Circus, is a large-scale puppet spectacle that explains and teaches riot and rebellion against intolerable situations. After the performance Bread and Puppet will serve its famous free sourdough rye bread with aioli, and Bread and Puppet's "Cheap Art" – books, posters, postcards, pamphlets and banners from the Bread and Puppet Press – will be for sale. **Free Cycles is looking for home stays for all 20 of the troupe. Please email Bob at mist@strans.org if you can host anyone for the night of 10/12 after their performance.**

Sunday, October 14, 3-7 pm, Missoula Fairgrounds. JRPC invites the entire community to whoop it up at the 2018 Peace Party. Appropriate to these times, this year's theme is "Peace Parties On." We invite you to wear your party attire and join us for an evening of serious fun. Homestead Organics will offer food with the help from local growers and businesses. Beer, wine and Kombucha Cocktails are included in your ticket price and you can have your picture taken by a professional photographer to capture the moment thanks to the folks at Nice Face Photo! Our silent auction boasts a wide selection of goods and services reflecting our generous Missoula community, framed art pieces, gift certificates, an all-access pass to the Big Sky Documentary Film Festival and lots more. And of course, you can bid on one of our traditional international dinners, featuring many great local cooks in the live auction. You can also win some amazing prizes in our raffle, like a meal at the Red Bird or passes to the International Choral Festival. Thanks to our Sponsors: The Good Food Store, Imagine Nation Brewing Company, Nourishing Cultures, Anderson Zurmuelin and Nice Face Photo. Go to <http://jrpc.org/> for more information and to purchase tickets or stop by the Center at 519 S. Higgins on the Hip Strip.

Thursday, October 18, 5:30-7 pm, The Wilma (131 S. Higgins). Help Create the 10-Year Vision for Downtown Missoula. Attend the **Downtown Master Plan Community Kickoff** where Dover, Kohl & Partners, the master plan consultants, will provide an in-depth presentation and discussion. Your input is essential to building our community vision for Downtown Missoula. Cash Bar. Complimentary non-alcoholic beverages. Parking is free after 5 pm. For more information, visit www.missouladowntown.com/downtown-master-plan/ or contact the Downtown Missoula Partnership via phone (543-4238) or email (info@missouladowntown.com).

Thursday, October 18, 6-7:30 pm, YWCA Missoula (1130 W. Broadway). **Racial Justice Initiative's book club** meets monthly and features books written by Indigenous people and people of color. This month's meeting will be discussing White Rage: The Unspoken Truth of our Racial Divide by Carol Anderson. Questions? Contact Lydia at lschildt@ywcaofmissoula.org or 543-6691.

Saturday, October 20, 11am-3 pm, Caras Park Pavilion. Climate Smart Missoula and partners are organizing the **first annual Missoula Clean Energy Expo**. This free, family-friendly event will showcase local solar and renewable energy opportunities and businesses, energy efficiency, and other efforts that will help move our community to 100% clean electricity. More details at: missoulaclimate.org/clean-energy-expo

Sunday, October 21, 1:30-5 pm, Starting at Free Cycles. **9th Annual Tweed Ride.** More information at <https://missoulatweedride.org/>

Thursday, October 25, 2-3 pm, University Center room 329. **Peace Corps "Storyteller Workshop"**. Serving in the Peace Corps is a great way to immerse yourself in a new culture, learn a new language, and have the experience of a lifetime. Join this special event with returned Peace Corps Volunteers to learn about volunteer experiences, ask questions and gain tips to guide you through the application process.

Saturday, October 27, 7pm - midnight, MASC Studio (1200 Shakespeare) Turning the Wheel presents **Enchanted Forest**, a dance party, interactive art and performance event. Costumes welcome! Funds raised at Enchanted Forest will support TTWM's work with freshman Health classes at Sentinel High School. Tickets available at <https://www.universe.com/events/enchanted-forest-tickets-missoula-JMHS3Q?ref=explore> OR universe.com search "Enchanted Forest"

Tuesday, October 30, 3:30-5:30 pm, Jeannette Rankin Park. Come join volunteers from the neighborhood and help us get the park ready for winter. The city has mulch to spread and weeding to be done this fall yet. Let us know if you can help -- 543-3955.

Tuesday, October 30, 7 pm, UC Theater - 3rd Floor. The Montana World Affairs Council in partnership with the Davidson Honors College presents: **The Changing Nature of Conservation in a Humanized World by Dr. David Western.** Dr. Western is currently chairman of the African Conservation Center in Nairobi, Kenya and a renowned leader in global conservation and community collaboration. Free to Montana World Affairs Council Members, \$5 for non-members and Students are free with a valid student ID. For more information, contact WAC at info@montanaworldaffairs.org or (406)728-332

Friday, November 2, 5-8 pm, JRPC. Join us for November's First Friday and the "**Here I Am**" **Art Show with Navaho Nation artist Andrea Castillo.** We will be serving free drinks and snacks! Meet the artist, experience Missoula's only non-profit, fair trade and local store and peace center and have fun. <https://www.facebook.com/events/155285515418401/>

November 8-12, Beginning and ending in San Diego. California-Tijuana Border Experience with Peace Works Travel. An official Department of Homeland Security tour introduces students to the complex work of U.S. border patrol. Students receive a first-hand insight into the challenging conditions of this work, and the risks desperate migrants face trying to reach the U.S. **Price:** \$1,995.00 (not including travel to San Diego). <http://programs.peaceworkstravel.com/index.cfm?FuseAction=Programs.ViewProgramAngular&id=17832> Check out a similar trip focusing on consumerism over Christmas at <http://programs.peaceworkstravel.com/index.cfm?FuseAction=Programs.ViewProgramAngular&id=18229>

Sunday, November 11 marks the **100 year anniversary of Armistice Day**, the day the guns fell silent marking the end of WWI. There is an effort around the world to organize Battle's Over, an international commemoration. It begins at 6am with over 1,000 lone pipers playing Battle's O'er, a traditional Scottish air played after a battle and other related events. In Missoula, a few pipers will be playing at the dough boy statue at the Missoula Courthouse. Then at 7.05pm churches and cathedrals are encouraged to ring their bells as part of Ringing Out for Peace and more than 140 town criers will perform a specially written Cry for Peace Around the World, the first of them in New Zealand and then across the globe through the various time zones.

Action Opportunities

Are you an employee of the State of Montana? If so, you have an opportunity to support JRPC through your employee giving program. Starting September 24th, state employees can support JRPC through the **State Employee Charitable Giving Campaign** using **SECGC #8042**. Many other workplaces can support JRPC as a part of Montana Shares, making giving easy, simple and painless. If your workplace doesn't offer payroll giving, [contact us](#) to find out how you can participate.

We accept nominations for peacemaker throughout the year. Now accepting for the 2019 award. Go to <https://jrpc.org/programs/peacemaker-award/>

Fair Trade News



Missoula's only all fair trade store, a program focused on JRPC's international peacebuilding efforts!

Fair Trade USA Celebrates 20 years of impact! In 1998, less than 33 businesses offered fair trade products. Today that number is over 1250 and climbing! Since 1998, producers have earned more than \$500 million through sales of Fair Trade Certified™ products.

Ongoing Events and Meetings

Global Issues Study Group. Third Monday, 4:30, JRPC

Spanish Conversation Group. Thursdays, 12 noon-1 pm, JRPC. Jim, jimcook47@gmail.com, 529-1917 or Walter, wrwilde44@msn.com, 721-5289

Climate Smart Missoula. First Thursday of every month. Topics vary. 5 - 7 pm, Imagine Nation Brewing Co.

Contact: amy@climatesmartmissoula.org

Women in Black & Veterans For Peace Fridays, North end of the Higgins Bridge, 12:15-12:45 pm. missoulawib@montana.com

Balanced View Clarity Online Call every Sunday, 11am-noon MT time. Contact: 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

Citizens Climate Lobby. 2nd Monday of every month, 6pm, Imagine Nation Brewery. Contact Scott at 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 Brewing. leemet@bigsky.net

Women in Black of Polson Mondays, 12-12:30 pm, Polson courthouse. c211p110@earthlink.net

Peace & Conflict Studies Group, Thursday, 1-2 pm, JRPC. 406-697-5032. **NO MEETING ON OCTOBER 11!**

Knitting For Peace every Tuesday, 1-3 pm, JRPC. 543-3955.

Nonviolent Communication Practice Group Second and Fourth Wednesdays, 12-1 pm, JRPC info@patrickmarsolek.com

The Cranium creates origami delights every 1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesday, 1:15-3:15, JRPC. bonnie@bonnietarses.com

Time Bank Orientation Contact info@missoulatimebank.org for individual and group orientation for new members at a location TBD.

Montana Moves To Amend statewide phone calls 4th Tuesday of each month. Contact Sue at 543-3254

Articles Of Interest

Rest in Peace Greg Burham

[United States of Anxiety Episode featuring Jeannette Rankin and MT Politics](#)

Ways to Help JRPC

Thanks to all of you who respond to our call to increase your yearly donation to help us cover increasing costs or to volunteer your time -- your support means a lot to us!!

We love our members, our donors and our volunteers!

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

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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