“Preach the gospel…and if necessary, use words.” ~Saint Francis of Assisi

Dear friends,

You are on our newsletter list because you are called to preach the gospel of peace, some in big ways and others in small ways – all equally valuable and necessary. Each day we work to build peace – not with bricks or even words, but with actions and everyday choices to share, to grow, to believe others, to forgive, and to be compassionate, remembering we are all imperfect human beings. We build peace in the larger world by making sacrifices for others, by supporting and inspiring each other, by how we react to the news around us and by helping people and efforts all around the world with our time and money.

Thanks to those who filled out a nomination form to tell us the story of a peacemaker that inspires you. We realized that there might have been a problem with the link we sent out. We fixed it so please try again by Monday, October 22 at 5 pm.

And thanks to those of you who have bought tickets for the Peace Party! The rest of you better hurry!! Below is the list of live auction items we have so far for you to think about. We had a suggestion to get some items in an online auction but were not able to work that out this year. We apologize and will keep trying!

- **Five Friends Italian Dinner** for 8 brought to your home by five friends!
- **MEXICO!** from chef extraordinaire Martha Buser! on Thursday, October 25, 2019
- **Traditional Saudi Dinner offered by** Hanan Alomar on Saturday, November 3, 2018
- **An Evening in Provence** with Ray and Susie Risho on Saturday, November 10, 201
- **Ethiopian Cuisine** offered by JRPC board member Hana Meshesha on Saturday, November 17, 2018
- **Vicki Watson’s Five Valleys Foodshed**, a Locavores Delight Saturday, December 8, 2018
- **One Week in a Niffer Stackpole’s New Hampshire House**
- **House Party with the Drum Brothers** on Saturday, January 5, 2019
- **Portuguese Dinner and Musical Soiree** with Charlotte Kasl and Sofia Reis on Saturday, January 27, 2019
- **A Turkish Delight** from Leslie Burgess, Serena Early and Ray & Cyndy Aten on Saturday, February 2, 2019
- **Taste of New Orleans Cajun and Creole Dinner** offered by Nancy Leifer and Linda Andrus on Saturday, February 9, 2019
- **Jume Slover’s Thai Dinner** Saturday, February 16, 2019
- **Sririni Mondava’s Indian Dinner** Saturday, February 23, 2019
- **An Authentic Taste of Greece** from Effie Koehn in May 2019
- **A Week-Long Get-Away in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park of East Tennessee**
- **The 4 teenage cooks of SOAP’s Around the World Dinner**
- **3 Days and 2 nights at Steve and Connie Running’s Flathead Lake Cabin**
- **le Tour de France** Saturday, June 29, 2019 by Suzette Dussault
- **An International Food Journey for Local Connoisseurs** Saturday, August 3, 2019 hosted by Nancy and Udo Fluck
- And top off the evening bidding on another delicious piece of pie from Pat Cross
Thanks for preaching peace with us...Betsy

Calendar

Thursday, October 4, 1-2 pm, JRPC. The Peace and Conflict Discussion Group continues every Thursday-- Please join us.

Thursday, October 4, 5:30 pm, The High Stakes Foundation (129 West Alder Street, Missoula) Women’s Voices For the Earth invites you to celebrate and honor outgoing Executive Director, Erin Switalski, learn about how women across the country are standing up for their health, and invest in the future of Women's Voices for the Earth. Enjoy appetizers, drinks, and a chance to win door prizes from Patagonia and Athleta! Co-hosted by friends of WVE: Annie Watson, Sarah Lane and Jessica Weltman. Please RSVP on Facebook and invite your friends!

Friday, October 5-Monday, December 31, Holter Museum, Helena. Speaking Volumes Transforming Hate returns to Montana for a 10th Anniversary run. The exhibition features pieces of art made from over 4,100 white supremacist books by artists from Montana and around the country. For the past decade, Speaking Volumes has appeared in dozens of distinguished venues across the country and showcased artists who transformed the message and books of the white nationalist movement into uplifting works of art. The exhibition stimulates discussion about the dangers of anti-Semitism, violence, racism, homophobia, and bigotry


Tuesday, October 9, 7 pm, Union Hall, second floor (208 East Main). Brian Henning, one of the leaders of 350 Spokane will present, “Why Spokane Voted To Go To Renewable Energy”. Brian is a professor of Philosophy and Environmental Studies at Gonzaga University whose specialty is the ethics of global climate change. 350 Spokane organized a broad coalition, including many businesses and the local utility, Avista Corp., to support the successful ordinance. The group worked with one of the City Councilors, Breean Beggs, to write the ordinance. And, on August 20, the City Council voted 6 to 1 to override a mayoral veto.

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.

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/

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


Sunday, November 11 marks the 100 year anniversary of Armistice Day, the day the guns fell silent marking the end of WW1. 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

Roots Action has a petition to every NATO country to demand an end to war rehearsals, and a public commitment by every national government never again to participate in rehearsals for war.

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. We’ve helped make working conditions safer, healthcare and education more accessible, and brighter futures attainable for generations of families. It’s what we call the Fair Trade Difference, and none of it could have happened without you. We’re celebrating 20 years this October by doing what we love most—connecting people through products. Since introducing the Fair Trade Certified seal to the United States 20 years ago, to now having grown to include more than 1,250 businesses, we’ve come a long way making it easier than ever to connect with products that align with your values. Register for their fair trade giveaway.

### 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 or pvaughan184@gmail.com
- **Citizens Climate Lobby.** 2nd Monday of every month, 6pm, Imagine Nation Brewery. Contact Scott at seboyard@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
- **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
- America’s Newest Nuclear Gravity Bomb Completes Design Review
- 17 Years of Getting Afghanistan Completely Wrong
- African Women Raise The Stakes for World Peace

### 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](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.