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2019 Peace Party
October 13

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**“Every man must decide whether he will walk in the light of
creative altruism or in the darkness of destructive
selfishness.” ~Martin Luther King, Jr.**

Dear friends,

An 1868 US-Sioux Treaty granted the tribe the Black Hills of South Dakota in exchange for peace. Eight years later, the US passed a law taking that land away because gold was discovered there. Four hundred years ago this month, the first enslaved Africans arrived on the shores of Virginia aboard a Dutch ship. Hold these people in mind as we hear the stories from concentration camps along our border. So many opportunities we have had to learn to choose generosity and altruism over selfishness and hatred. And so many times we've failed to do so. Peace knows neither color nor border. Recently in my own life, a neighbor asked us for a favor. And I, living on land stolen from indigenous people with all the privilege of my race and color had the opportunity to choose generosity over selfishness. It won't undo any wrong, but hopefully it will teach me to walk that way...Betsy



Calendar

Thursday, August 15, 5:30 pm, PEAS Farm. Time for the annual [Garden City Harvest Farm Party](#).

Thursday-Sunday, August 15-18, Spokane WA Doubletree Hotel. The **2019 National Convention of Veterans For Peace** will be hosted by VFP Chapter 35 in Spokane, Washington, August 15-18. The theme of this year's convention is *Sacred Lands, Sacred Lives: Peace Knows No Borders*. Visit the [Veterans For Peace website](#) for more information about our Convention. If you'd prefer to mail in your registration you can download a [PDF of the form](#).

Saturday, August 17, 11am, Missoula Courthouse. Join **Missoula Moms Demand Action** to rally to demand the Senate vote on Background Checks for every gun sale and Red Flag Laws. [Click on this link to RSVP](#) and wear red if you can! **And plan to join them for their next meeting -- September 11 at 6 pm at St. Paul's Lutheran Church.**





Sunday, August 18, 5 pm, Red Hen Farm & Orchard. Join Community Food and Agriculture Coalition for their first **406 Farm Feast**: an evening of delicious local food and beverages in Missoula's beautiful Target Range. Get to know your local farmers, feast on local delights, and support local food and agriculture. Tickets \$60: get them [here](#).

Sunday, August 18, 2 pm, The Historical Museum at Fort Missoula: Building T-1, 2nd Floor. Vietnam war lecture series #3: **DOC'S RETURN, A COMBAT MEDIC RETURNS TO VIETNAM 50 YEARS LATER.** Alan Johnson will discuss his experiences in the Vietnam War, his role as a combat medic, and what it was like to re-visit the country that he had last seen amid a war. For more information contact the Historical Museum at Fort Missoula: 406-728-3472. <https://www.facebook.com/events/367630454134729/>

Saturday, August 24, 9 am-4 pm, Potomac, MT. A day-long retreat in **Compassionate Communication**. You can learn how to balance between listening and expression in our important relationships and even in conflict. This work is based on the Nonviolent Communication model (NVC). \$75 for one - \$130 for two. Bring a friend! Snacks provided, bring your own lunch! Register: <http://www.innerworkingsresources.com/Connection>

Thursday, August 29, 6 pm, Osprey Field. Missoula Osprey Baseball has collaborated with Missoula Urban Indian Health Center for **Indigenous Heritage Night!!** Help support Indigenous Health, MMIW Organizations and Families. Event Includes: Native Women Veteran Color Guard, Native jewelry/craft vendors, Organic Native foods, Native Games, Native Dance Performances and of course Missoula Osprey baseball!!

Friday-Sunday, September 6-8, Spokane, WA. Western States Center is hosting the **2019 Activists Mobilizing for Power** conference: [Register now to join us in Spokane for AMP 2019!](#)

Saturday, September 7, 9 am-7 pm, Free Cycles. Join the [Free Cycles Climate Ride](#). Choose your ride option and join the festivities in the evening! Details [HERE](#).

Sunday, September 8, 10 am-6 pm, Ewam in Arlee. Don't miss the **Peace Festival** beginning with the annual walk-a-mile for peace. Musica, inspiration and more. And don't forget to visit JRPC's booth! <https://www.ewam.org/about/peace-festival>

Friday-Sunday, September 13-22. **Welcoming Week** with Soft Landing and many others. <https://softlandingmissoula.org/events-calendar/2019/9/13/welcoming-week>

Saturday, September 14, 10:30 am-5 pm, Location TBA. Join Victory Institute for a day-long, intensive training for **LGBTQ Leadership Summit**. Space is limited and reservations will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. The deadline for registration is Friday, September 13. For more information, email domesticleadership@victoryinstitute.org if you have questions.

Thursday, September 19, Time TBD, JRPC. Join us for our next **book discussion** as part of Welcoming Week.

Thursday, September 19, 2-3:30 pm, Room 005 in the PARTV building. South & South-East Asian Studies presents: "**Religion and the Arts: Poetry, Painting, and Performance from India**", an illustrated lecture by Dr. John Hawley, Professor of Religion at Columbia University. The lecture will be accompanied by music and visuals of dance. Co-sponsored by the School of Dance and Theater. **FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Friday, September 20. **Global Climate Strike!** People of all ages all [across the globe](#) are striking on Friday, September 20th, and planning is underway for a rally and festivities here in Missoula. Details coming soon - plan to join this mass mobilization for urgent action to address the climate crisis.

Friday-Friday, September 20-27. **Global Climate Strike continues with events and actions all week** <https://globalclimatestrike.net/>. Find out about local actions at <http://www.climatestrikemissoula.org/>

Saturday, September 21 is the **UN International Day of Peace**. The theme this year is climate action for peace. We are planning some things locally and hope you can join in. <https://www.un.org/en/events/peaceday/>

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Sunday, September 22, 6-8 pm, Imagine Nation Brewing, POETry for Change. POETS Be the **Voice--EmPOWER CommUNITY**. Audience be ready to hear and act on the messages to create change for a Better World. Poets text Rita aka "Radska" host 406.544.9026 to learn more or to see about sign-ups!

Saturday, September 28, 10 am-3 pm, Caras Park. Missoula's second annual [Clean Energy Expo](#). Join Climate Smart Missoula, The Montana Renewable Energy Association and many others to learn about and celebrate climate solutions and clean energy. Learn more [here](#) and contact [Abby](#) at Climate Smart if you'd like to co-sponsor or volunteer.

Friday-Saturday, October 4-5, 8:30 am-4:30 pm, Fairmont Hot Springs. Core Skills Training: Mindful Self Compassion, Presenter: Steven Hickman, PsyD, Executive Director, Center for Mindful Self-Compassion. Event sponsored by Montana Center for Compassion Education. Email brochure requests to: mtcenterforcompassioneducation@gmail.com.

Sunday, October 13, 4-8 pm, Missoula County Fairgrounds, Home Arts Building. Get Ready to Celebrate for Peace at our annual Peace Party. Details soon, but let us know if you have ideas or want to volunteer or donate!!!

Friday, October 18, 6-10 pm, Hilton Garden Inn. World Affairs Council invites you to the **Global Gauntlet** featuring a no-host bar, gourmet sit-down dinner, silent and live auction, wine "pull" and six rounds of very spirited team trivia. [PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS HERE!](#) Please [email the Council](#) or call (406)728-3328 if you have any questions.

Action Opportunities

Wanted: People to serve on our JRPC Program committee. Help us design educational modules, podcasting and more. Call Betsy at 543-3955.

The Missoula Urban Demonstration Project (MUD) is one of the Top 200 finalists in the **State Farm Neighborhood Assist® grant program**. They need your votes to win one of 40 \$25,000 grants! You can vote from **August 14th until August 23rd** [here](#).

Fair Trade News



Missoula's only all fair trade store, a program focused on JRPC's international peacebuilding efforts.
Who wouldn't love a gift that brings more peace and justice to the world!!!

Ongoing Events and Meetings

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 Mondays 5-6 pm. Contact: CheyenneRivers@BalancedView.org. Visit <http://www.Bright.how>

Veterans For Peace first Monday of each month, 4-6 pm, JRPC. [406-363-6150](tel:406-363-6150) or pvaughan184@gmail.com

JRPC Coordinating Council **Third Monday of every month, 5:30 pm at JRPC. All are welcome to attend!**

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

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

Jewish Reading Group, one Wednesday a month to discuss fiction. Contact us at readingjewsmissoula@gmail.com. Come once or come every time!

Spanish Conversation Group meets monthly at Iron Griz. Contact joann@rockisland.com for more information.

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

Have you read a good article that you'd like to share? Send us a link and we'll take a look!

Ways to Help JRPC

- **We are looking for volunteers to fill the following positions:**
 - **Newsletter editor**
- **We are starting the planning for our fall Peace Party -- and we need you!! Give us a call!**

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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