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**2019 Peace Party
October 13**

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**"I want you to act. I want you to act as you would in a crisis.
I want you to act as if the house is on fire, because it is." ~Greta Thunberg,
16, Swedish activist**

Dear friends,

Were you at Downtown Tonight last week? If so you saw the [Student action to declare a climate emergency](#). Michelle Obama once said that "grief and resilience live together". Nowhere could that resonate more than in conversations about the climate, the planet we live on. As we watch the horrors in Indonesia and the Amazon, we have to grieve. But we must also reach down and find our will to go forward with what is possible not only what is wrong. JRPC has been meeting with several group in town to organize actions around the global climate strike being held around the world. We are all being asked to strike for the planet on Friday, September 20, to leave work or school, to give our employees the day to leave and go to rallies and actions aimed at finding that resilience and will to act. You can check out all the activities being planned for the week at the [Global Climate Strike website](#). Students from Hellgate, Big Sky, Sentinel, Willard, Loyola, University of Montana, Missoula College and young adults from across Missoula inspired by Greta Thunberg, are also working on a plan to strike for the planet. They have asked us all to sign a [pledge for the planet](#). Now is the time to ask ourselves what we will do to save our planet...Betsy



Calendar

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!!

Saturday, August 31, 9-12 am, Clark Form Market. JRPC is doing the kid's activities for the market. Stop by and say hello!!!

Monday, September 3 is Labor Day. Many of our fundamental rights and protections as working people (e.g. the weekend, 8-hour work day, collective bargaining, end of child labor, employer-based health coverage, workplace safety) came into being because working people organized powerful movements that created positive change. Thank a Union this week!!

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>

Wednesday, September 11, 11am-12:30 pm, Stockman Bank, Downtown Missoula, 6th Floor. Join the World Affairs Council for **Resilience at the Roots: Community-Based Conservation in Central America**, a Business Luncheon with Ana Luisa Moran Ahern, Executive Director for [EcoViva](#). \$25 per person.

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.

Sunday, September 15, 12-4 pm, Higgins Avenue. Come check out [Sunday Streets](#) celebrating Missoula as a bikeable and walkable community. Sunday Streets Missoula encourages all ages and all abilities to be active, support local businesses, and rethink how our community can be more livable. **Come visit JRPC!**

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://globalclimateshrike.net/>. Find out about local actions at <http://www.climatestrikemissoula.org/>

Saturday, September 21, Time TBD, Jeannette Rankin Park. Join us to **honor former peacemaker Mike Chessin** as we gather at the tree that was planted in his honor at JR park. Contact [Betsy](#) if you'd like to speak.

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/>

Sunday, September 22, 1-4 pm, Caras Park. Missoula Together celebrating all of us coming together with song, speeches and more. <https://www.facebook.com/events/600538387017407/>

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.

Wednesday, October 23, 5:30-7 pm, Goodworks Ventures (129 W. Alder Street) Join the Western MT Fundraisers Association for **Philanthropy Day** to celebrate the winners of this years awards. Winners include our own board member Erin Nuzzo and our 2019 Young Peacemakers Lily and Maisy Miller, creators of Lily's Lovebirds and Brave Bikes. Featuring Keynote Speaker Brenda Solorzano, CEO at Headwaters Foundation. [Buy Your Tickets HERE!](#)

Action Opportunities

The Olive Branch is in need of large borwn paper bags with handles in preparation for holiday shopping. If you have some to spare, we thank you!

Not In Our Town is offering [Stop Hate Action Kits](#) to to assist school leaders, faculty, and parents on effective ways to prevent, respond to, and lead ongoing action to address bullying, hate, and bias incidents.

One of our members is interested in planning some events to "Close the Camps". If you'd like to help, let us know and we'll connect you!

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

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 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@bonnieterses.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

[Building a Peace Narrative](#)

[Decency](#)

[Woman Cycling Around the US for Peace](#)

In case you missed it, here is our [peacemaker celebration video from MCAT](#)

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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