Dear friends,

My husband and I have enjoyed hosting new friends from around the world through several wonderful programs in Missoula like the Mansfield Center, The English Language Institute, the International Choral Festival and the Missoula International Friendship Program. And I know there are many other opportunities for us in Missoula to connect with the world. These encounters give us a chance to learn about the world and to share the things we value. We learn to be humble in the face of the trials endured by others and grateful for the gifts we have. I know our lives are enhanced because we see the world through a larger lens. I am so grateful to count among my friends the people I have met in SE Asia, Africa, Central and South America, Eastern Europe and other places. Today's news is full of posturing for another war which saddens and alarms me. One thing I know I can continue to do is to make friends around the world because where friends exist, enemies cannot. Check out the current needs for hosts in the Action section below. I hope you will consider making some new friends...Betsy

"We change the world when we meet the needs of another."
~Kristin Welch

Get one of our remaining International dinners before they are gone!
- 1 seat at le Tour de France with Suzzette Dussault on 6/29/19
- 3 seats at an International Food Journey for Local Connoisseurs by Udo and Nancy Fluck on 8/3/19

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Calendar

Thursdays, June 20, 27 and July 11 and 18, 5:30-7 pm, JRPC. Mark your calendar for our popular international discussion series with Humphrey Fellowship professional from around the world. This year will feature 15 mid-level folks from 15 countries in professions as varied as education, journalism and government. Tonight's discussion will focus on Educational Policy with Fellows from Cambodia, Haiti and El Salvador.
Thursday, June 20, 7 pm, Roxy Theater. Join Climate Smart Missoula and Families for a Livable Climate for a free showing of Paris to Pittsburgh, a new National Geographic film about U.S. climate action. Share the Facebook event: https://www.facebook.com/events/2030745443718028/ And check out the film trailer: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sFznn8FNRbU.


Friday-Sunday, June 21-23, Helena. Join Big Sky PRIDE and add your support! The parade is Saturday morning and there are lots of other events and workshops. See them all at https://www.bigskypride.com/.

Thursday, June 27, 6 pm, MCAT Ch. 189. 2019 Peacemaker Celebration will air on MCAT. It will be repeated on Saturday, June 29 at 7:30 pm and will also be available for viewing on MCAT's Video on Demand at www.mcat.org, after the original air date.


Sunday, June 30, 2-4:30 pm, Jeannette Rankin Peace Center. Join us for an interactive workshop to learn tools and techniques to increase self-compassion and inner peace with Kristen Pedemonti award-winning storyteller, speaker, author and coach. Suggested donation of $25, all amounts accepted! RSVP to Kristin@steeryourstory.com To learn more: http://www.steeryourstory.com/survivors-tour

Wednesday-Sunday, July 10-14 Camp Mimanagish, Boulder River Valley, Montana. PRIDE Camp for LGBT+ families and children, couples, children, individuals, or any combination of LGBT+. It will encompass a spiritually broad based program to assist families, children and their families, and individuals to connect with a God of their own understanding without fear of judgment or condemnation for who they are. https://www.mimanagish.org/pride

Wednesday, July 17, 11 am-2 pm, Caras Park and 7--9 pm, Bonner Park. The International Choral Festival gets underway with over 400 choir members coming from all over the world! Events on July 17 are free; ongoing performances Thursday-Saturday require a button that can be purchased for $20 at Fact and Fiction, Fresh Market, Good Food Store, Orange Street Food Farm, and at the Festival office (312 East Pine) and at festival events. HOST Families Needed to provide a room with sleeping space for a minimum of two choir members, most meals while they are here, and the ability to provide transport to and from choir events during the festival. If you can be a host, please go to the International Choral Festival website for more information and to sign up. Go to: https://www.choralfestival.org/

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

Action Opportunities

Travel the World Without Leaving Home.

1) Be a host family for the Mansfield Center. Contact Deena at

- July 12:14: Global faculty and practitioners in workforce development. Host a pair from two of the following countries: Ethiopia, Algeria, Brunei, Bangladesh, India, Indonesia, Israel, Uganda, Ukraine, Suriname, South Africa, Ecuador, Mexico, Latvia, Uzbekistan, Honduras, Albania, Tunisia
- August 30-September 1: Students and young professionals studying global environmental issues. Host a pair from two of the following countries: Brunei, Myanmar, Thailand, Laos, Vietnam, Cambodia, Philippines, Malaysia, Indonesia, Singapore, Timor Leste

2) English Language Institute Global Engagement Office is looking for community hosts for Japanese high school students arriving in July for 2 weeks. Contact Sarah Biortis at sarah.bortis@mso.umt.edu or 243-5885

3) International Choral Festivals needs hosts to provide a room with sleeping space for a minimum of two choir members, most meals while they are here, and the ability to provide transport to and from choir events during the festival. If you can be a host, please go to the International Choral Festival website for more information and to sign up. Go to: https://www.choralfestival.org/

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** Sundays, 11am-noon, or Mondays 5-6pm. 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@bonnietarseds.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:
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](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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