

Spotlight Person : Jane Addams

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Jane Addams is known as the “mother” of Social Work. She was an early Women’s Rights activist who paved the way for women in the fields of public philosophy, sociology, and suffrage. Her works as a philanthropist, Women’s Rights Activist, and Anti-War Activist have put her in the history books as one of the early women seeking the notion that women are people too. Born on September 6, 1860, in Cedarville, Illinois, Laura Jane Addams was the eighth of nine children born to a wealthy state senator. She lived a life of privilege, and her father had many friends of great political power, including President Abraham Lincoln.

In her 20s, she struggled to find her calling. She graduated from the Rockford Female Seminary in 1881, and then traveled and briefly attended medical school. While in London with a friend, Addams visited the world famous Toynbee Hall, a facility established, specifically, to aid the poor. She and her friend, Ellen Gates Starr were so impressed with the facility that they sought to bring one to Chicago. Thus, the Hull House in Chicago was born! One of Addams’s greatest achievements in the late nineteenth century was the creation of the first settlement houses in North America in the

city of Chicago. Hull House provided assistance to immigrants and the poor of the Chicago area. Over the years, the organization expanded to more than 10 buildings and began including child care services, educational programs, an art gallery, a public kitchen, and many other social programs. While Hull House was forced to move its headquarters in 1963 and many of the organization’s original buildings were demolished – the Hull residence remains as a monument to honor Addams and her philanthropic efforts.

But Jane Addams did not stop her work at Hull House. Passionate about education, she began to serve on Chicago’s Board of Education in 1905, and even chaired its School Management Committee. She became the first female president of the National Conference of Charities and Corrections (later renamed the National Conference of Social Work) in 1910. In 1911, she established the National Federation of Settlements and held the organization’s top post for more than 20 years.

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Addams is also commemorated for her work as a pacifist and peace activist. She frequently lectured on the subject of peace and compiled her many talks on ending war in a publication, titled *Newer Ideals of Peace*, in 1907. She chaired the Women's Peace Party (a U.S. pacifist group) after the beginning of World War I and even attended the International Congress of Women in the Netherlands in 1915. She was committed to ending the war and served as president of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom from 1919 until 1929. Because of her work with the Women's International League, she earned the Nobel Peace Prize in 1931, which she shared with Nicholas Murray Butler, an educator and presidential advisor.

On May 21, 1935, at the age of 74, Jane Addams passed away in Chicago, Illinois. Though she has passed, her legacy in the fields

of social work and pacifism, have left their mark on our country and the world.



Jane Addams (Licensed Under CC)

Spotlight Event : March and War

President Trump has recently unveiled his budget for the next fiscal year. His plan is expected to increase military spending by over 50 billion dollars, while cutting the same amount from domestic programs such as the Environmental Protection Agency and the Internal Revenue Service. This proposed spending exemplifies the United States significant role in world affairs and military intervention. His budget comes just days before the beginning of March, which historically, can be considered a "good time for war."

The month of March was named after the Latin *Martius* (Mars), the Roman God of War. In ancient Rome, March is the time of the year when winter frosts typically began to melt and the ground became fertile for harvest again in the Northern hemisphere making it the perfect time for farmers to resume farming, and fighters to

resume fighting. March (Martius) marked the first day of spring in ancient Rome, which coincided with the beginning of the calendar year and the start of the military campaign season.

This interesting calendric planning has, however, seemed to carry into contemporary military operations. Recent history shows that several major U.S.-NATO led military operations –since the invasion of Vietnam by U.S. ground forces on March 8, 1965– have been initiated in the month of March. That's over 50 years of a relationship between March and war.

There are of course exceptions such as the invasion of Afghanistan which was launched in October of 2001 after the World Trade Center was attacked. Additionally, the 1991 Gulf War officially began on January 17th.

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Spotlight Event : March and War

Nevertheless, some major military conflicts initiated in the month of March include:

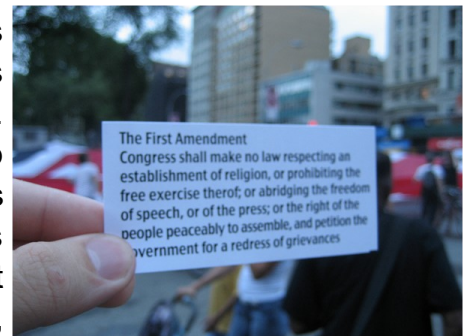
- The Vietnam War. On March 8, 1965 the Gulf of Tonkin Resolution allowed President Lyndon B Johnson to dispatch ground troops to Vietnam.
- The War in Iraq launched on March 20, 2003 based on the assumption that the nation had weapons of mass destruction.
- The Covert War on Syria was launched on March 15, 2011.
- Additionally, March 2013 is considered the deadliest month for the civil war in Syria. The Syrian Observatory for Human Rights

(SOHR), a U.K.-based activist group, said it recorded 6,005 deaths during March 2013

Although not an official correlation, it has been speculated by some, including Michel Chossudovsky - an award-winning author, University of Ottawa Professor of Economics, and Founder and Director of the Centre for Research on Globalization (CRG)-- that the identification of March being a “good time” for war by ancient Rome has had a lasting impact on contemporary military doctrine. He supported his claim with the evidence presented above, in his research posted on the CRG website at globalresearch.ca.

Free Speech and Assembly on Campus

On Thursday, February 23, the Center for Peace and Conflict Studies hosted a panel discussion about free speech and assembly on campus that featured University Police Chief James Duckham, Ms. Ro-Anne Engle, Ms. Melissa Ann Hartley Ginotti, Dr. Tarek Mahfouz, and Dr. Lawrence Gerstein. The topics discussed included how students could organize on campus and use their right to free speech and assembly, and why it is important that they follow the law and university policies when doing any protesting or counter-protesting. From the point of Law Enforcement, if you work with the university police to ensure that there are no surprises during a protest, they will be more than happy to do whatever they can to ensure that the protest goes well. In the event of a counter-protest, as long as it remains peaceful, Police on campus will not interfere. One point that was stressed with this was that it is important to follow all Campus guidelines on conduct. Students must go through Student Affairs to get demonstrations approved. When bringing free speech to a classroom, it is important to keep the discussion academic because the goal is not to sway people's opinions; it is to be educational. After learning the rules and policies about free speech and assembly on campus, it is hoped that students will be able to protest and counter-protest within the law, and work with the community in order to ensure their right to free speech and assembly.



Bias Incidents And Solutions

On Thursday, March 23, the Center for Peace and Conflict Studies will be hosting Bias Incidents and Solutions (B.I.A.S.). The event will take place in Arts and Journalism Room 175 at 5:00pm. There will be a panel discussion featuring Dr. Renae D. Mayes, Ph.D., NCC (BSU Department of Educational Psychology), Seth Kaempfer (BSU Multicultural Center), and Gabby Lloyd (BSU Student Government). The topics of discussion will revolve around how to deal with bias incidents on campus and how to report them to the University. A focus will be on what an individual can do to help bring this information to light.

*Examples of bias related incidents include:

- Offensive graffiti, images, or drawings
- Use of ethnic, racial or other slur to identify someone
- Imitating or mocking someone with any kind of disability
- Imitating or mocking someone's cultural norm or practice

*Taken from the Ball State University Bias Response Team Webpage: <http://cms.bsu.edu/campuslife/multiculturalcenter/biasresponseteam/what-is-a-bias-incident>

Conferences

The Art of Negotiating Annual Industry Conference Series featuring TNI Faculty

Where: New York City, May 17 – 18, 2017

Registration: <http://register.winsummit.com>

Description: Presented by The Negotiation Institute, The 2017 WIN Summit brings together professional women from around the world to share insights and perspectives on how to harness their unique strengths to elevate leadership through the art of negotiation. #winsummit2017

IJWP Gathering of Peacemakers at the Conference of the Divine Presence, in Los Angeles & Live Streamed

Where: 2 Dole Drive

Westlake Village, 91362 United States

When: June 29, 2017, 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM at

Registration: Pre-Registration is NOT necessary

Description: Receive the fellowship and grace of coming together to share the peace that is already present. With the blessings of J-R's words: "I love you. God bless you. Peace, be still" please participate with us, as we move within to a place of peace and give that peace forth in loving service to the planet.

Organizations

International Justice Mission

Tuesdays @ 6 p.m. in the Student Center, Rm. 301

November 17 - 6-8 p.m. - Documentary Night @ Student Center Ballroom

November 21 - 6 p.m.-Midnight - Benefit Concert @ The Living Room

IJM is a global organization that protects the poor from violence in the developing world. Ball State's chapter is a group of students who are passionate about ending slavery & human trafficking around the world. They believe that through Jesus Christ, they can create tangible change in the lives of slaves through prayer, educating people, changing our behavior, & volunteering. IJM fights by rescuing victims, bringing criminals to justice, restoring survivors, & strengthening justice systems.

Feminists for Action

Tuesdays @ 6pm in Burkhardt Building Rm. 220.

A group dedicated to the empowerment of women, men, & children through advocacy & education. They strive to educate others about issues in the global, national, & community level. They encourage thought-provoking discussions & work to organize events to benefit feminist causes.

Ball State University Social Justice League

Wednesdays @ 5pm at the Center for Peace & Conflict Studies.

SJL seeks to promote awareness, equality, & justice on the BSU campus, in the state, in the country, & in the global community. SJL desires to educate & discuss modern injustices & social justice topics, promote the distribution of advantages to be fair & equitable to all, & actively work to change current injustices.

Cardinal Kitchen

Cardinal Kitchen is Ball State University's campus food pantry. The pantry is located on the second floor of the Multicultural Center & is available for use to all undergraduate & graduate students. The pantry is open the first three Wednesdays of every month from 5:00 - 8:00pm. The mission is to ensure that no Ball State student goes hungry on our campus.

Ethnic Theatre Alliance

Mondays @ 5:00 p.m. in Arts & Communications Building Rm. 308.

ETA uses theatre to explore cultures, diversity, & racial-discrimination to develop worldviews in BSU students, & create well-rounded artists.

Global Brigades

Global Brigades is an international non-profit organization that empowers communities to meet their health & economic goals through university volunteers & local teams. GB offers skill-based 1-3 week brigades to Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama, & Ghana. Each of these programs meets an aspect of GB's holistic model to strengthen the health & economic development of communities. Social Media: Twitter; Instagram; Facebook

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MOSAIC

MOSAIC is a social justice peer education program whose mission is to engage undergraduate students in open dialogues focused on diversity and social justice topics to promote awareness, change, and inter-group understanding.

ALIVE Campaign

Wednesdays @ 9 p.m., in the Student Center Rm. 308

The Alive Campaign is a student-ran group at Ball State that is dedicated to raising awareness towards Suicide Prevention by representing as a "Life Appreciation Organization."

OXFAM America

Oxfam America is a global organization working to right the wrongs of poverty, hunger, & injustice. Oxfam saves lives, develops long-term solutions to poverty, & campaigns for social change.

Call to Action

Wednesdays @ 7:30pm in Teacher's College Room 108

CTA is a student organization at Ball State looking to educate & create awareness of lesbian, gay, bisexual, & transgender (LGBT) political issues at the local, state, & federal levels in order to empower students to take positive action to-wards equality for LGBT individuals & to influence others to take positive action.

Students for Life

Every 1st, 3rd, & 5th Monday of each month @ 7:30pm in Bracken Library, Educational Resource Rm. 1 Ball State Students for Life (BSSFL) is committed to the protection of all human life; from conception until natural death. We strive to educate our members & the Ball State University community about why we value life in all its forms. We strive to respond with love, compassion, & support to those who suffer from restrictions of life.

Timmy Global Health

Wednesdays @ 8:00pm in Bracken Library Schwartz Complex.

Timmy Global Health expands access to healthcare & empowers students & volunteers to tackle today's most pressing global health challenges.

Student Action Team

Mondays @ 4:00pm in the Kinghorn Multipurpose Room.

SAT is an organization made up of general members & housing and residence life representatives. This organization is dedicated to volunteering & supporting Ball State University

On and Off Campus Events

Off Campus Events:

Harvest Soup Kitchen Annual Dinner & Auction

Sat, March 25, 2017 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Join us for a delicious meal with friends □ in support of the Harvest Soup Kitchen. Plus, Live Cake Auction, □ Live Art Auction and a Cheer Raffle

On Campus Events:

Benjamin V. Cohen Peace Fellow Presentation

Diversion or division: How foreign aid shapes peace in non-democratic countries”

Steven R. Hall, Ph.D. and Misa Nishikawa, Ph.D.

Department of Political Science

April 20th, 4p.m.-5p.m.

AJ 175

Hosted by Center for Peace and Conflict Studies



Benjamin V. Cohen (1894-1983)

Guest Artist Workshop: Leela Breithaupt, baroque flute

March 26, at 3:00 p.m. through the School of Music

Leela Breithaupt is an artist performing on both Baroque flute (traverso) and modern flute and focusing on period-specific approaches to playing music from seventeenth century French Baroque to 21st century avant garde. She presents a workshop titled "Go Baroque!" Free and open to the public.

Lifelong Learners: Conundrums Associated with Parenting your Grandchildren

March 14, at 3:00 p.m. through the association of Lifelong Learners

Raising grandchildren is rewarding, but It is important to be aware of the potential conflicts and issues that can arise. More grandparents are stepping in to help parents who work, and they need to know how to deal with things like any legal or health issues that may come up on their watch. Ajanta

Blog of the Week: “In a World of Change” by Derek Heim

In the words of Norman Vincent Peale: “Change your thoughts and you change your world.” Over time, our world has changed a lot. It has changed so much, in fact, that we as a human race can barely keep up! Two years ago, Instagram and Snap Chat were two very separate social media platforms. Today, you can use both for very similar purposes. In only a two-year time span, our society began to consume, devour, and analyze media in a very different way than before.

Genocide is arguably one of the more disastrous events that can happen to a population. It is often said that as a species, humans are one of the few that actively work to destroy one another. I think that genocide is a clear example of this. Even though war is a tragedy, we do it with the belief that we will be able to emerge with a stronger backbone to continue surviving. Genocide, however, is done with the sole desire to take a group of people, and eliminate them from society. This will not help the population thrive; in fact, it does the opposite. Genocide removes money and jobs from an economic standpoint, and it removes genetic diversity that will lead to severe chromosomal abnormalities further down the road of time.

Now how does this happen? How does group 1 decide that group 2 is not fit to exist in the same world as them? How can we, an empathetic and feeling species, decide that we are no longer allowing our own kind to live among us and share our community? I propose that this happens all because of change. It is not shocking that humans are afraid of change, and when we are afraid, we fight. We fight tooth and nail until we are in control of the situation that we previously lost control of. We see an example of this change in the text, *A Problem from Hell: America and the Age of Genocide* when the author says, “But back then you would not have known to call the crime in question ‘genocide.’ The word did not yet exist.” This quote took me aback. We use it so haphazardly now, to describe the Holocaust and the mass killings in Rwanda that I could never fathom such a word, genocide, not existing. I then began to think. I began to wonder what other words have changed, and how has this change, altered society? The one word that really changed is the word, “nice.”

“Nice” used to mean “foolish,” or “silly.” Today, however, it acts as a compliment. Society has completely changed with the definition of the word “nice.” This may seem like an odd word to talk about with genocide. When society changes a facet deemed a norm, then many significant changes occur. This is why genocide is capable of existing. By no means am I saying that the word “nice” changing its definition led to genocide, but I am saying that something this minuscule can be a cause. Genocide is, in my opinion, one of the

larger tragedies that humans can force upon others. It is a shocking act. Genocide is not something that a ruler decides to make; it is something that happens when we feel threatened by change. We decide to create a genocide, and that is what is most horrifying.

**The blog of the week is chosen from the ID 301- Introduction to Peace Studies class offered this spring (2017). The current blog is based on the author’s opinion and does not represent the views of the BSU Center for Peace & Conflict Studies.*

On-Campus Support Groups

INTERNATIONAL CONVERSATION HOUR

TUESDAYS from 6:00-7:30 pm – STUDENT CENTER MULTIPURPOSE ROOM

This program is designed to help international students practice English, learn studying skills and classroom culture, and make American friends. Through interactive discussion, they can normalize their experiences and decrease their isolation, worries, and stress as well as get support from American students. ICH begins September 8th, 2015.

COUNSELING CENTER THERAPY GROUPS:

(Therapy groups require appointment at counseling center before joining. Call 285-1736 or let your intake counselor know you are interested in a group.)

UNDERSTANDING SELF & OTHERS

Group members explore patterns of relating to self and others by discovering understanding and acceptance of themselves and others. Discussions vary greatly from depression, anxiety, relationships, family concerns, eating issues, alcohol abuse and/or personal growth. The groups thrive on diversity as members discover the common bond through emotional experiences.

Mondays 1:30-3:30; Wednesday 3:00-4:30; Thursday 1:00-2:30

WEIGHT NOT, WANT NOT

Supportive group for women with eating disorders or body image struggles who want to explore effective ways of coping. Time to be determined by availability of group members.

SAFE HAVEN: GLBQ SUPPORT GROUP

This therapy group provides a safe place for GLBQ students to explore and discuss patterns of relating to self and others by discovering understanding and acceptance of themselves and others. Topics of discussion vary greatly from coming out, finding support, relationships, family concerns, depression, anxiety, and/or personal growth. Mondays 10:00-11:30

C.A.L.M.:

Care for myself, manage my Anxiety, Live in the moment, practice Mindfulness - This group offers a secure space for students struggling with anxiety to not only explore their fears and worries, but also receive feedback and support from others with similar concerns. The group also focuses on teaching students about a variety of techniques, including mindfulness meditation, which can be particularly helpful in managing anxiety. Another benefit of being in a group is having a place to experiment applying new skills and ways of relating to others, in a safe and supportive environment. Tuesdays 3:00-4:30

L.I.F.E. SKILLS

Are you struggling with how to deal more effectively with stress? Are you your own worst critic? Do you ever wish you had some better ways to take care of yourself? This group can help teach you tangible coping skills to take with you, and from the very first session, you can begin taking active steps toward change. These brief, 4-session workshop style groups will be running at different times throughout the semester.

Crossword Puzzle

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ASSEMBLY

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DIVERSITY

FREE SPEECH

JANE ADDAMS

MARTIUS

NONVIOLENCE

PEACE

WAR

About Us

The Center for Peace and Conflict Studies is an interdisciplinary center whose mission is to pursue research on structural and direct forms of violence and conflict; to implement nonviolent strategies to resolve conflict; to offer mediation services to individuals, groups, and organizations; and to train people in conflict resolution, mediation, peace-building, leadership, meditation, and sportsperson-ship skills. The center also pursues public diplomacy, sports diplomacy, and cultural exchange as part of local, regional, national, and international projects designed to promote mutual understanding, appreciation, cooperation, and respect.

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