

THE OLIVE BRANCH

Weekly Newsletter

November 30—December 7, 2011

APRIL PEACE EVENT

Each year, the Center for Peace and Conflict studies does a large event in April to promote peace and nonviolence. Here are a few of the events we have done in the past.



Paint4Peace (2009)

On April 2, two visiting artists (Sidewalk Sam and Russell Freeland) worked with more than 600 members of the BSU and Muncie communities to create a 20 x 20 foot "Dove for Peace" that was constructed between Bracken Library and University Theater on campus. Participants painted slogans and symbols about nonviolence on the Dove design and signed their names. Hundreds of slogans, symbols, and signatures were created in over 20 different languages.



Art for Peace (2010)

Art for Peace was an online auction of artwork. All of the proceeds went to the Center for Peace and Conflict Studies.



Peace Fair and Flash Mob (2011)

Students gathered in a flash mob in the shape of a peace sign. The fair consisted of booths from peace-related student organizations.

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WE NEED YOUR HELP

We are looking for ideas for next spring's peace event.

If you have any ideas, comments, or suggestions, please email us at peace-center@bsu.edu

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS— ON CAMPUS

Wednesday, November 30

- *Amnesty International Meeting:*
4:00 PM in Bracken Library Room #301

Monday, December 5

- *BeadforLife Sale Sponsored by the Social Justice League*
12:00-2:00PM in the Atrium. For more information, email SJL@bsu.edu or visit <http://www.beadforlife.org>.
- *OXFAM America Meeting*
5:30 PM in WB 140. For more information, contact oxfambsu@gmail.com.
- *Social Justice League Meeting*
6:00PM at the Center for Peace and Conflict Studies (310 N. McKinley Ave.) For more information, contact SJL@bsu.edu.
- *Christmas Zumba with the Social Justice League*
7:00-8:00 PM Student Center Room 310 A/B— Looking for a fun way to de-stress and work off that holiday turkey? Want to give to a good cause? Join the Social Justice League for Christmas Zumba!!! Come workout to your favorite Christmas songs (and other songs) with us and our own licensed Zumba instructor, Briana Walker, who will lead the workout. Please bring either \$2 or a non-perishable food item. All the donations will go to the Muncie Mission.

Wednesday, December 7

- *Amnesty International Meeting:*
4:00 PM in Bracken Library Room #301
- *BeadforLife Sale Sponsored by the Social Justice League*
12:00-2:00PM in the Student Center Tally. For more information, email SJL@bsu.edu or visit <http://www.beadforlife.org>.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS— OFF CAMPUS

Wednesday, November 30

- [Columbus] Under the title "*The Evolution of War, Religion and Peace*," Dan Enslow (see below) will examine the unique features of war and peace in the Jewish, Hindu, Buddhist, Christian, Muslim and Baha'i traditions seeking common grounds for global peace processes at 7 pm in the Red Room at Bartholomew County Public Library, 536 Fifth, sponsored by Interfaith Forum Columbus.

Thursday, December 1

- [Indianapolis] The NAACP will hold its monthly meeting at 6:30 pm on the second floor of the Julia Carson Government Center, 300 E. Fall Creek Blvd. For more info, contact Chrystal Ratcliffe at celliott@indynaacp.org

Friday, December 2

- [Indianapolis] *Women in Black* will gather at 11:30 am at Monument Circle. WIB stand together to call for the end of the illegal Israeli occupation of Palestine and to mourn both Israeli and Palestinian lives lost. For more info, email Judy King at timothy_a_king@hotmail.com
- [Indianapolis] The *weekly vigil protesting warfare* will take place, 4:30-5:30 pm, in front of the Federal Building, North and Pennsylvania, sponsored by the Indianapolis Peace and Justice Center. Bring an appropriate sign or have one provided. For more info, phone Gilbert Kuhn at 926-3068 or email Ron Haldeman at ronjane@igc.org
- [Indianapolis] *Jobs with Justice* is celebrating its Scrooge Party at 7 pm at the NALC Hall, N. Keystone and E. 54 (Cost: \$20). For tickets, visit centralindianajwj.org/scrooge For more info, email Allison Luthe Carter at allison@centralindianajwj.org

Saturday, December 3

- [Indianapolis] *Community, Faith and Labor Coalition* will meet at 10 am at the Unleavened Bread Cafe, E. 30 and Central. For more info, email Nancy Holle at nancyholle@communityfaithlabor.org or phone John Gibson at 525-1856 or Jay Carrigan at 283-2273.
- [Nashville] There will be a *Peace Vigil on the theme "War Is Not The Answer!"* at 6 pm at Brown County Courthouse, Main and Van Buren Streets sponsored by Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (Brown County branch). For more info, contact Tom Hougham at 878-4210 or annntom@hotmail.com

UPCOMING EVENTS

ON CAMPUS

December 9: BeadforLife Sale Sponsored by the Social Justice League

10:00-1:00PM in the Student Center Tally. For more information, email SJL@bsu.edu or visit <http://www.beadforlife.org>.

December 8: BeadforLife Sale Sponsored by the Social Justice League

10:00-2:00PM in the Student Center Tally. For more information, email SJL@bsu.edu or visit <http://www.beadforlife.org>.

December 14: WGS 210 Creative Presentations

10-11:30 am Student Center, Cardinal Hall A (2nd floor)

Please join my Women's and Gender Studies class for the presentation of our creative projects. You are welcome to drop in any time during the event to meet with presenters and discuss their research. Topics include gender roles in the media, chivalry, wrestling, lesbian parenting, female terrorists, gender in the classroom, males in the nursing profession, women and ordination, female circumcision and much more.

DISCLAIMER: The events described in this newsletter do not necessarily reflect the views of the Center for Peace and Conflict Studies.

If you would like for your events to be included in this newsletter, please contact Lacey Lord at lglord@bsu.edu.