

# Peaceways

CENTRAL KENTUCKY COUNCIL FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE Special Edition

## Join CKCPJ for June Potluck

by Margaret Gabriel, Editor

**Editor's note:** Because of the timing of the June Potluck, the newsletter committee decided to produce a special edition to give readers plenty of time to plan to attend the potluck on June 1. The complete June edition will follow. See you on Wed., June 1!

In the last year, the steering committee of the Central Kentucky Council for Peace and Justice has taken the council into a direction that has seen members become more active concerning issues about which they have a passionate interest, according to co-chair David Christiansen.

"We've seen committees take the lead on local efforts to pass a Lexington minimum wage, reduce youth violence and advocate for greater housing affordability in our community," David said. "Groups are doing really creative and meaningful work and reporting back to the council, which in turn, is helping in ways that can be more productive."

Because the bulk of the work is being done away from the board table, the council steering committee decided to decrease the number of times that the entire council gathers, but committees will continue to meet once a month.

In 2016, the board will meet in

June and September and the annual meeting, as has been customary, will meet in March.

Everyone is invited to attend on June 1. If you have an interest in a CKCPJ committee, great! You are welcome to gather additional information and actively participate. If your schedule does not allow for that level of commitment, also great! The information that you gain at the Potluck will also allow you to explore how much or how little time you will be able to contribute.

The steering committee hopes to have a presentation at every Potluck; the presentation on June 1 will be given by Moms Demand Action, whose signature issue is gun safety. The presentation is entitled, "Be SMART: A conversation about Kids, Guns and Safety."

Following the presentation, there will be brief reports from CKCPJ's standing committees: the Peace Action Committee, the Housing Justice Committee, and the Lexington Working Families Campaign. Additional discussion will entertain suggestions about future directions for the council.

Anyone interested in the work

### CKCPJ June Potluck

Wednesday, June 1

6:30 p.m.

Quaker Meeting House

649 Price Avenue

Lexington

*Bring your favorite dish to share!*

*The Potluck Committee would also like to enable recipe sharing. If you would like to participate, please bring a copy of your recipe.*

*Needless to say, we'll honor the secrecy of family recipes that aren't shared!*

of CKCPJ is invited to attend. If you would like to add an agenda item, contact co-chair David Christiansen, davidccky@gmail.com.

### Gun Violence In America as of 5-22-16

(excluding suicide)

	2015	
Killed	13,293	
Wounded	26,826	
	2016	
Killed	5,043	
Wounded	10,293	

Source: [www.gunviolencearchive.org](http://www.gunviolencearchive.org)