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Our Annual Dinner and Resource Fair: *Highlighting Peace Studies In Central Kentucky*

Sunday, March 7th—Resource Fair 5-6 pm; Dinner & Program 6-9 pm

This year's CKCPJ dinner will introduce an exciting new project, now in its planning stages, called the Peace House Living-Learning Community. Conceived as a residential student community at the University of Kentucky, the program will be dedicated to the pursuit of peacemaking on campus, in the wider Lexington community, and on the international stage.

Our evening will begin with a conversation featuring three faculty members from the long-standing Peace Studies program at Bluegrass Community and Technical College (BCTC). Carol Hunt, Michael Benton, and Rebecca Glasscock will describe how the program developed and explore its importance to Central Kentucky, to the nation, and to the world. Students of the BCTC program, both at its beginning and more recent graduates, will share the ways that their peace studies have affected their lives.

Richard Greissman, Assistant Provost at UK, will then introduce the UK Peace House, describing how the program builds on lessons learned at BCTC, on the hard work and dedication of Lexington's progressive community, and on the tradition of interfaith dialogue within the city. The Peace House initiative will invite a cadre of domestic and international undergraduate students to reside in the Peace House for at least their first year of college and form the nucleus of the Peace House

community. Plans include engaging an advisory group comprised of faculty, students, and community members. Annual themes for the program—for example, environmental stewardship or children's rights—will ensure focus and coherence in the program's activities.

Dinner details: Children (12 or under) are free. For students or persons with low income, ticket prices are \$7. We ask all others to pay ticket prices on a sliding scale, \$15-30, according to ability to pay. Vegan selections will be available. Tickets can either be purchased ahead of time from CKCPJ Board members or reservations can be made by contacting Richard Mitchell by phone at 859.327.6277 or e-mail at richard.mitchell@insightbb.com. In Madison County, contact Mary Ann Ghosal by phone at 859.626.7495 or by e-mail at MaryAnn.Ghosal@eku.edu. Those with reservations can pay at the door. Unfortunately, we cannot guarantee tickets will be available at the door for those without reservations.

Location: Central Christian Church, 205 East Short Street, Lexington.

Deadline for reservations is 5:00 pm, Friday, February 26.

To reserve a space for the table display at the resource fair: contact Richard Mitchell (see above).

Come join us for an evening of fellowship as we gather to rededicate ourselves to working for a more sustainable, just, and peaceful world.



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UPDATE: Voting Rights bill is moving forward in Frankfort

The restoration of voting rights to former felons has long been a concern to the Council. At our February board meeting, we endorsed the continuing work of board member Mary Ann Ghosal who represents CKCPJ on the Restoration of Voting Rights Coalition (ROVRC). Her e-mail is: MaryAnn.Ghosal@eku.edu.

The coalition is made up of numerous state organizations. Two that feature frequent electronic updates on this issue are the ACLU of Kentucky (see their website at: <http://aclu-ky.org>, under the "Issues" button) and KFTC (on their website at: <http://www.kftc.org/our-work/general-assembly/rovr>).

From the KFTC website and blog, we've compiled a review of the bill's recent success, below. We also list the next steps we can all take toward realizing the full restoration of voting rights to former felons in Kentucky:

Kentucky's bill to restore voting rights to 186,000 former felons once they've served their debt to society (HB 70) passed the House Elections Committee with a unanimous 8 "yes" votes and strong bi-partisan support. This moves the bill toward the House floor for the next step in the process. The bill has passed this committee many times but never this decisively.

Many legislators took the opportunity to explain their vote, making strong statements of support. Some of the new "yes" votes also spoke to why they've changed their mind.

Testimony for the bill was better than ever. For example, Janssen Willhoit, spokesperson for former felons and with the Lexington Rescue Mission, was especially powerful speaking as someone who has been directly affected by these laws.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

•**Spread the word**—we want to encourage people to come out to **Voting Rights Lobby Day and Rally on March 4th from 9 am to 2 pm in Frankfort.**

Plan on bringing a LOT of people with you if you can.

•**Make a phone call**—Call 1.800.372.7181 (7 am-11 pm M-F) and ask to leave a message for Senators Damon Thayer, Robert Stivers, Tom Jensen, David Williams, Alice Forgy-Kerr, and Julie Denton, plus your own senator and representative. Leave the message "Please vote Yes on HB 70 to restore voting rights."

•**Write letters**

—**write a quick letter to the editor** to your local paper about voting rights.

—**or write a personal letter to your legislator.** Even a simple, short, handwritten letter can make a huge difference.

The KFTC site offers suggestions and assistance (examples, talking points, samples) for each of these actions: www.kftc.org/our-work/general-assembly/rovr.

When is enough enough?

"...The numbers tell the story of a superpower addicted to overwhelming military might: the United States accounts for five percent of the world's population, around 23 percent of [world] economic output and more than 40 percent of [all] military spending. America spends as much on its soldiers and weapons as the next 18 countries put together. ...According to a study by a peace lobby, the Friends Committee on National Legislation, military spending and the cost of past wars have been swallowing up more than 40 percent of federal tax dollars, health care 20 percent, science, energy and environment 2.5 percent and education just over 2 [percent]. ..."

From <http://blogs.reuters.com/great-debate/2010/02/05/u-s-military-power-when-is-enough-enough>—go to site for full column by Reuters writer Bernd Debusmann.



Lexington's One World Film Festival

Lexington's One World Film marks its 12th anniversary this year, and screens ten documen-

taries and feature films chosen to stimulate discussion and increase understanding of issues of race, culture, and ethnicity. The people who bring you this series are all volunteers; film showings are free and open to the public. (*We list seven films below. The final three films of the series will be listed in our March issue.*)

- **Sunday—films shown at Lexington Public Library Theater, Central Branch, 140 E. Main St., Lexington.**
- **Thursday—films shown at the Kentucky Theatre, 214 E. Main St., Lexington.**

Thursday February 25, 5 & 7:30 pm: *Departures*. Kentucky Theatre. This 2009 Academy award winner for foreign language film tells the story of a young cellist Daigo (Masahiro Motoki). When he loses his job he realizes he's been heading down the wrong career path and returns to his hometown. There, he begins training for a new professional role as a *nakanshi*, or one who prepares the dead for burial. Tsutomu Yamazaki provides comic relief as Daigo's eccentric mentor, in director Yojiro Takita's drama about finding your bliss. Reception following the 7:30 showing is sponsored by the Japan-American Society of Kentucky.

Sunday February 28, 2 & 4:30 pm: *Sita Sings the Blues*. Lexington Public Library Theater. Ramayana, India's ancient epic, gets a fresh, funny makeover in this award-winning animated film. Using songs and humor, director Nina Paley juxtaposes the split between Rama and Sita with her own divorce to tell "the greatest break-up story ever told." Original 1920's recordings of singer Annette Hanshaw give musical voice to Sita, while shadow puppets provide narration for the story. Reception following the 2 pm showing is sponsored by the Bluegrass Indo-American Civic Society.

Thursday March 4, 5 & 7:30pm: *The Garden*. Kentucky Theatre. This Oscar-nominated documentary follows a group of low-income families struggling to protect a 14-acre urban farm in the middle of South Central Los Angeles from bureaucratic real estate developers. A lightning rod for controversy in 2004, the families' struggle drew the attention of numerous notable activists and politicians, including Dennis Kucinich, Joan Baez and Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa. Reception following the 7:30 pm showing is sponsored by Sustainable Communities Network, Bluegrass

School & Community Garden Network, and the Central Kentucky Council for Peace & Justice.

Sunday March 7, 2 & 4:30 pm: *Holly*. Lexington Public Library Theater. In this poignant drama, a 12-year-old Vietnamese girl Holly (Thuy Nguyen) is sold into prostitution by her family, becoming one of countless children exploited in the sex trade. She then tries to escape her dismal life by beginning a platonic relationship with a 40-year-old American named Patrick (Ron Livingston), a stolen-artifacts dealer. The Bluegrass Rape Crisis Center will lead an audience participation discussion and reception following the first film showing at 2:00 pm.

Thursday March 11, 5:00 and 7:30 pm: *At Home in Utopia*. Kentucky Theatre. This film bears witness to lives lived with courage across the barriers of race, nation, language, convention, and sometimes even common sense. In the mid-1920s, thousands of Jewish immigrant garment workers pooled their resources to build four cooperatively owned and run apartment complexes in the Bronx. Tracking the rise and fall of one community from the 1920s into the 1950s, *At Home* pays close attention to the passions that bound people together and those that tore them apart. Reception following the 7:30 pm showing sponsored by Hadassah, The Women's Zionist Organization of America.

Sunday March 14, 2 & 4:30 pm: *Mine*. Lexington Public Library Theater. Explore the devastating effects Hurricane Katrina had on the lives of dogs and dog owners separated during and after the storm. This documentary profiles the lives of Katrina victims and the new families who've adopted their pets. New Orleans residents like Gloria Richardson, Malvin Cavalier and Jesse Pullins discuss their hurricane experiences, relationships with their dogs and desires to be reunited. Reception following 2 pm showing of film sponsored by Lexington Humane Society.

Thursday March 18, 5 & 7:30 pm: *In Search of Our Fathers*. Kentucky Theatre. Marco Williams was 24 years old when he learned his father's name. It was the first of many things he would discover about himself and his family in a journey into his family's past. *In Search of Our Fathers* is the first-person story of Williams's seven-year search to learn about his father, to uncover the circumstances surrounding his birth, and to come to terms with what it means to grow up fatherless.

For more info: www.oneworldfilmfestival.org.



A *Persistent Peace* author John Dear speaks in Lexington March 4

Father John Dear is an internationally known voice for peace and nonviolence.

He'll be speaking in Lexington at the Newman Center (320 Rose Lane) on March 4 at 7:30 pm.

A Jesuit priest, peace activist, and lecturer, John Dear has served as the director of the Fellowship of Reconciliation (the largest interfaith peace organization in the nation); a Red Cross coordinator of chaplains in New York City at the Family Assistance Center after 9/11; and pastor to several churches in the desert of New Mexico. He has been arrested over 75 times in acts of civil disobedience against war and nuclear weapons. His many books include *Living Peace*; *Disarming the Heart*; *Jesus the Rebel*; *The God of Peace*, and most recently, his autobiography, *A Persistent*

Peace. Recently, Archbishop Desmond Tutu nominated him for the Nobel Peace Prize. In his Newman Center lecture, he'll share reflections about the world of violence and war, the life of creative nonviolence and peace, Jesus' active nonviolence, and how we can become

contemplatives, activists, and prophets of peace and justice to work for a new world without war, poverty, nuclear weapons or global warming. He writes a weekly column for the National Catholic Reporter at www.ncronline.org. On February 2, he wrote in memory of his long-time friend, Howard Zinn, historian, author and activist, who died Jan. 27. An excerpt from that column appears below.

Our job is not to give up, give in, or go away

—by John Dear, of his friend Howard Zinn

Over lunch in Santa Fe a few years ago, Howard told a group of us that after a lifetime of studying the history of U.S. social movements, he had come to a conclusion. He said every major movement for social change in our history was hopeless. Here, I thought, was a discouraging word.

Hopeless from the beginning, hopeless through the middle, hopeless up to the very end—people laboring toward a hopeless goal. But then, like a bolt out of a blue sky, a breakthrough. The key, he said, was that ordinary people kept at it despite all evidence. Ordinary people doing their small acts for justice every day—here was the key. Over time peaceful acts add up to something big. What the powerful fear most, he said, are the grass-roots movements that won't go away.

So our job is not to give up, give in, or go away. Take action, speak clearly as you can, and trust the lesson of history -- a kind of holy principle in the nature of things. Truthful, nonviolent movements are destined to win.

"Small acts, when multiplied by millions of people, can quietly become a power no government can suppress, a power that can transform the world," wrote Zinn.

From: <http://ncronline.org/blogs/road-peace/howard-zinn-small-acts-multiplied-millions>.

MLKing Day of Service: a personal reflection

by Billie Mallory

On MLKing day I worked with Kentucky State University's "Project Pride," where students assembled personal hygiene items, packaged foods and personal letters to Kentucky troops serving in Afghanistan. The students involved were primarily international students and the basketball team, since they were on campus following their winter break. I went with several residents from the Simon House in Frankfort (a shelter where adult women and their children can live in order to learn independent living skills and prepare

themselves for a productive return to society). We all pitched in and the children contributed artwork to the packages.

Our group demonstrated a mix of race, culture, socioeconomic level, age and ethnicity that honored King's dream of "not being judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character." We worked in a festive atmosphere of inclusion with many languages being spoken and everyone cooperating towards a shared goal.

One of the children who participated was a nine-year-old boy, diagnosed with autism, who usually

has particular difficulty in group settings with a lot of activity; but on this day he fit right in packing and moving boxes. At one point, he was in a room with the basketball team where they had set up an assembly line to stack the completed boxes and in the spirit of teamwork, they were cheering him on to stack the boxes by making a game of "pass." They were all having fun by making a game of it and this boy was truly enjoying the spotlight.

His mother beamed with pride and we were all so glad that he had fit right in with the team—now that's another dream!

Board member Billie Mallory works with, Americorps at Simon House, Frankfort

Grow Lexington! Community Gardening Workshop March 13

When: Saturday March 13 from 10am to 2pm

Where: Community Action Council, 1169 Winburn Dr., Lexington—spread the word! everyone welcome.

Cost: \$15.00, includes lunch and a copy of the Lexington Community Garden Manual

How: Individuals and groups welcome...we encourage teams from neighborhoods.

RSVP: pre-reg. requested at: www.sustainlex.org or call Jim Embry at 859.312.7024.

Who should attend:

- People are thinking about gardens because they're concerned about the origin of their food
- Folks who understand gardens are a tangible way to combat hunger in their own backyards
- Individuals who desire to work in a communal effort and share the fruits of their labors
- People who want to manage their own plots within a shared garden
- Members of the faith community who want to begin Gardens of Eatin'
- Agencies who want to offer the therapeutic experience of gardens to clients
- Citizens who simply want to get their hands dirty and caress the beautiful, voluptuous Mother Earth
- People who have been wondering about participating in a community project but don't know where to start.

For more information, see www.sustainlex.org or the Bluegrass School <http://bgschoolgardennetwork.ning.com>.

In another corner of the garden, . . . community kitchens, anyone?

A note from John Walker:

There is one more component of feeding the poor and hungry in which I would like your support: Community Kitchens. Last year Seedleaf and Miranda Hileman coordinated the processing of gleaned food in several places to feed others. I would like to invite you to give your support to the next phase of this initiative as we start planning for the coming year's harvest.

Please let me know if your church is either planning a garden, has a group that is willing to glean at local farms throughout the year, or the church can provide the use of its kitchen to process food, freeze, can, or make pies.

E-mail me at: igrowfood@insightbb.com.

Seed Swaps—you don't have to bring anything to share; feel free to come and learn!

- **Thursday, Feb 18—6:30 pm** at London Ferrell Community Garden/Sexton's Cottage on 3rd Street at Rose
- **Saturday, Feb 27—10 am** at 'The Croft,' located on the grounds of Beaumont Presbyterian Church, 1070 Lane Allen, near The Lexington School

For more info e-mail: igrowfood@insightbb.com.



Goals for the 2010 US Social Forum in Detroit, MI, June 22-26, are to:

- Create a space for social movement convergence and strategic discussion
- Advance social movements' agenda for action and transformation
- Build stronger relationships and collaboration between movements
- Deepen commitment to international solidarity and common struggle
- Strengthen local capacity to improve social conditions, organizing and movement building in Detroit

For more info, see website: www.ussf2010.org.

From Kentucky to Detroit: building the way

What are your ideas on how we can have a strong Kentucky presence in Michigan in June? Organizers are diligently building the road to Detroit for the US Social Forum, raising money to get Kentuckians to the USSF. You can help by donating at www.facebook.com/1/b2d50;tinyurl.com/yegojbs. You'll be helping Kentuckians provide housing and registration scholarships, and to charter buses from Lexington and Louisville to make the trip to Detroit.

Because of the generous donations of people who care about human rights and social justice, the Kentucky Social Forum (held in Berea last August and September) was able to provide over 100 housing and registration scholarships to people in need. Organizers want to do the same for people who need the support to participate in the US Social Forum: they'd like you to consider donating today!

Bluegrass Food Security Summit March 18 & 19

"Sustaining Farms and People in the Emerging Economy"

From the sustainlex.org website:

We recognize that in Kentucky agriculture is a critically important industry and our farmers need much greater support; that hunger is a serious problem facing many families; that access to affordable, fresh and nutritious food is a serious problem, especially affecting children; that agricultural and ecological literacy for our youth is essential to create a sustainable future; that there are sig-

Bluegrass Food Security Summit

At Crestwood Christian Church,
1882 Bellefonte Dr., Lexington

- Thursday, March 18: 6-9pm...cost \$20
Recognition Dinner & Town Hall Meeting
- Friday, March 19: 8am-4:30pm...cost \$45
Local Food System Workshops

No one will be turned away for lack of funds. There are scholarship opportunities available to cover the expense of attending. Apply by calling 859.312.7024.

**Pre-registration is required,
either by going online at: www.sustainlex.org
or by calling 859.312.7024.**

nificant environmental, health and economic benefits to the State and its residents from expanding agricultural production; that faith congregations have significant roles to play in aligning lifestyles and consumer choices with religious values; and that our current agricultural production practices impact and will be affected by climate change.

This conference is designed to prompt deep questions and promote change: don't miss it.

National Alliance to End Homelessness Letter Writing Contest

Excerpt from www.endhomelessness.org: look for the "Policy Updates" column on their homepage—the "Summary of the HEARTH Act" is at the bottom of the list.

On May 20, 2009, President Obama signed into law a bill to reauthorize HUD's McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance programs. The bill was included as part of the Helping Families Save Their Homes Act.

The McKinney-Vento reauthorization provisions are identical to those included in two bills introduced earlier this year, both known as the **Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing (HEARTH) Act**.

Due to changes under the HEARTH Act, it is critical that McKinney-Vento programs receive \$2.4 billion in FY 2011. The National Alliance is launching a letter writing

contest to lobby Congress to approve this funding level. The contest is a challenge to organize colleagues, members, friends, family, to fax and e-mail the MOST LETTERS to Senators and Representatives between February 1 and February 22. Winners of the contest will be invited to Washington, DC for a Capitol Hill Day event in late March to meet with their Congressional offices in person.

Letters from constituents do make an impact. Last year, Washington State's letters convinced Senator Murray (Chair of the Subcommittee that funds HUD) to increase the Senate's McKinney appropriation in the FINAL stages of the HUD appropriations bill.

Contest participants should collect copies of the letters and forward

them to the National Alliance to End Homelessness via e-mail to Amanda Krusemark at: akrusemark@naeh.org or fax (address it to her attention) at: 202.638.4664.

The THREE participants to forward the MOST letters by Monday, February 22, will win the contest. Note: contest organizers are tallying total letters received from one participant. So if you forward one letter to a Representative and two letters to Senator that counts as three letters.

To download the full rules and details of the contest, you can go to: www.endhomelessness.org/content/article/detail/2646.

The Alliance's National Conference on Ending Family Homelessness was held in Los Angeles Feb. 11-12. See their website for reports: www.endhomelessness.org.

Fair Trade Towns USA—this is a new initiative that brings together local businesses, schools, communities of faith and nonprofit organizations to grow the Fair Trade movement and provide special recognition for communities that value Fair Trade. Board member Teresa Hendricks is looking for people who would be interested in forming a campaign to make Lexington a Fair Trade Town, work that will include forming coalitions with other groups in the community. Interested? Contact her at etc.usa@insightbb.com or 859.389.9337.

Events at a Glance

Events listed here and on our Justicelist listserve (see: www.peaceandjusticeky.org) reflect a broad spectrum of views, all intended to advance justice, peace, and a sustainable environment. The Council does not necessarily endorse the views of the originators of any event.

<i>Date/Time</i>	<i>Event Description</i>	<i>Contact</i>
Saturday, Feb. 20 11-6 pm Lucia's World Friendly Boutique 523 East High St., Lexington, KY 40502	Closing reception for fundraising auction to benefit Haiti at Lexington's only dedicated Fair Trade store. Lucia's invites you as they close a Silent Auction, open from February 8—20, where 100% of the proceeds will go directly to Habitat for Humanity to help the Haitians rebuild their homes after the devastating earthquake in January.	For more info: call 859.389.9337 or see: www.luciasimports.com
Sunday, Feb. 21 2:00 pm Lexington Public Library Conf. Rm. A 140 E. Main St. Lexington	Charter for Compassion Gathering: Join the conversation toward compassionate thinking and actions. For background info click on the Charter logo at www.FranciscanVision.org .	for more info: e-mail: FranciscanVision@aol.com
Wednesday, Feb. 24 8:00 pm at Al's Bar 6th and Limestone, Lexington	Holler Poets Series: Holler #22— Brett Eugene Ralph and Leatha Kendrick reading. Music by Paul K. This monthly poetry and music series includes open mic. All are welcome!	For more info: www.myspace.com/hollerpoets or e-mail: erockpoet@yahoo.com
Sunday, March 21 7:30 Al's Bar 6th and Limestone, Lexington	SAVE THE DATE: Mark the 7th anniversary of the start of the current Iraq war. Panel discussion with local researchers and faculty, veterans and concerned citizens. Board member Kerby Neill moderating. <i>**See recent column by Phyllis Bennis "Why This War Won't Work" published by Common Dreams and available online at: www.commondreams.org/view/2010/01/25-7.</i>	for more info contact Rebecca Glasscock at rebecca.glasscock@kctcs.edu
1 st Wednesday 7:00 pm	CKCPJ Board Meeting , in our offices at 112 N. Upper St. All are welcome.	Arne Bathke, co-chair 859.257.3610
Every Thursday 5:30 - 6:00 pm	Interfaith Prayer Vigil for Peace , Triangle Park in downtown Lexington—now in its eighth year...	Richard Mitchell 859.327.6277
1 st Monday 12:00 noon - 1:30 pm	Kentucky Migrant Network , Cardinal Valley Center 1306 Versailles Road	Jennifer Hubbard-Sánchez jsanchez@lfucg.com
2 nd Tuesday 7:30 pm	Bluegrass Fairness of Central Kentucky , KCCJ office, 112 N Upper St. info@lexfair.org	Paul Brown, Chair, heme1588@yahoo.com
1 st Wednesday 4:00-6:30	Franciscan Peace Center , 3389 Squire Oak. FranciscanVision.org	Pat Griffin 859.230.1986
2 nd Wednesday of each month 7:00—8:30 pm	Humanist Forum of Central Kentucky (AHA) , Unitarian Universalist Church, 3564 Clays Mill Rd.: March 10, David Miller speaks on the Evolution of Cooperation	Dick Renfro 859.255.7029
3 rd Thursday 7:00 pm	Kentuckians for the Commonwealth (KFTC) , Episcopal Diocese Mission House, 4th St. and Martin Luther King	Ondine Quinn 859.276.0563
Every Sunday 2:30-4:00pm	NAMI Lexington Support Groups -- Faye Morton Center, Eastern State Hospital, Lexington, Wendall Building basement	call 859.272.7891 or go to lexington.nami.org



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Small acts, when multiplied by millions
of people, can transform the world.

—Howard Zinn

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UK hosts journalism conference April 8-11

The University of Kentucky School of Journalism and Telecommunications, in cooperation with the University of Edinburgh's Centre for the Study of Two World Wars, will present a conference on war, journalism, and history in Lexington from April 8 to 11. The theme of the conference is "Covering Conflicts in a Modern World." Featuring top journalists, public policy experts, historians and military officials, conference sessions will include discussion of:

- The role of media in foreign policy
- Military and media relations
- Media ethics in conflict reporting
- U.S. war reporting from an international perspective
- Representations of war in film.

The conference will open with the annual Creason Lecture April 8. This year's lecture will feature Tom Curley, president of the Associated Press.

For more information, contact Terry Anderson by e-mail at terry.anderson@uky.edu or call him at 859.257.6336, ext. 86216. ■

April 16-18: Campus Community Partner- ships for Sustain- ability Conference

In April 2006, Berea College hosted a conference the organizers called Campus Community Partnerships for Sustainability. After its grand success, colleges and universities around the state

agreed that the conference should become an annual affair.

This year the conference is co-hosted by Bluegrass Community and Technical College, Transylvania University, and the University of Kentucky in Lexington.

The keynote speaker will be Jeff Biggers, writer, educator, radio correspondent, and co-founder of the Coal Free Future Project, a creative and artistic endeavor to inspire and galvanize an effective national climate justice movement aiming to halt mountaintop removal mining and ultimately wean our country from fossil fuels. Read more about his work at his website: <http://jeffrbiggers.com>.

Organizers are currently calling for proposals, presentation suggestions and exhibitors: e-mail Rebecca Glasscock at: rebecca.glasscock@kctcs.edu. ■

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