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### 5<sup>th</sup> annual Peace and Global Citizenship Fair May 15<sup>th</sup> noon-5pm BCTC's Cooper Campus, Lexington

#### by Rebecca Glasscock

We know that war must end and that peace must prevail. We know what a culture of war looks like, but what about a culture of peace?

The Peace and Global Citizenship Fair draws attention to that question, and asks: Wouldn't living in a peaceful world be built upon knowing about and appreciating cultures around the world and actively participating in creating a socially, economically, and ecologically sustainable community? Wouldn't there be music and art and colors and fresh food from nearby and also taste treats from our global neighbors? Wouldn't life be engaging and interesting and beautiful?

Surely, if we can envision a world at peace, we have a chance of building that world together.

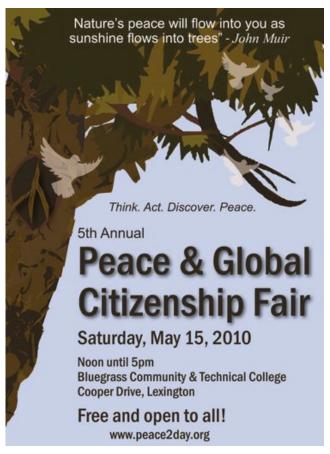
The Peace and Global Citizenship Fair puts peace, social justice, understanding, empathy, and ecological awareness front and center. Join us for a day of music, art, activities, and lots of fun. For the 5th year, the Fair takes place the Saturday after Mother's Day—May 15 from noon until 5:00 p.m., on the grounds of the Cooper Campus of Bluegrass Community and Technical College (BCTC) in Lexington.

The Fair is organized by Students for Peace and Earth Justice, a BCTC student organization that collectively works for peace, social equity, ecological sustainability, economic justice, and good governance.

Early co-sponsors include OpenGround, Bluegrass Greenwork, and the Central Kentucky Council for Peace and Justice which is very pleased to include the Fair in its promotion of the Spring's VOICES events. Participants include Kentucky Historical Society's HistoryMobile featuring Abraham Lincoln, BCTC's Peace Meal garden produce, Slow Food Bluegrass, Barefoot Books, and Citizen's Create!

This year, we're planning some great surprises. Mark your calendar and bring friends and family!

To register for a booth (by April 30<sup>th</sup>) or for more info, please contact me: rebecca.glasscock@kctcs.edu or 859.246.6319.



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# PEACEWAYS

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#### Kentucky almost certain to carry out executions this year

From our member organization the **Kentucky Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty (KCADP)**:

"Governor Beshear is expected to approve new execution procedures in May. It is almost certain Kentucky will carry out four or five execution procedures this year, more than have been executed in the past 53 years. Attorney General Jack Conway has requested death warrants for three men on death row and two additional death row inmates have fired their lawyers and asked to be executed."



KCKADP www.kcadp.org

In response to these developments, KCADP is working on a plan "that facilitates protest and lets legislators know that executions are not an acceptable, effective, or necessary response to violent crime.....You may recall that we did planning like this before the Harold McQueen killing and it netted an outpouring of opposition around the state. With the number of executions possible, burnout is a distinct possibility. Our careful planning will help minimize this and keep the pressure on policy makers to abandon and abolish the death penalty."

Their website is brimful of resources—video clips, news items, statistics, rationale to abolish—and provides opportunities to sign up for regular updates. They are looking for allies and coworkers in this task: E-mail KCADP Chair Rev. Patrick Delahanty at delahantyp@bellsouth.net or call the office at 502.636.1330 and leave a message indicating your interest.

### CKCPJ's 2010 Sohner Award Winners— Attica Scott and Kentucky Jobs with Justice

CKCPJ's Sohner award is named in honor of Chuck Sohner, a lifelong social justice advocate who lived in Central Kentucky from 1988 until his death in 2003. A gifted public speaker, Chuck was a voice for racial and labor justice. He wore many hats: college professor, radio talk show host, candidate, and activist. In Kentucky he co-founded the Lexington Living Wage Campaign and advocated on behalf of Lexington's solid waste workers. Initiated by his family and the Living Wage Campaign, the award honors individuals and organizations who have worked for a more just society.

In 2010, CKCPJ is pleased to jointly award Attica Scott, who is the Coordinator of Kentucky Jobs with Justice (www.kyjwj.org), and the organization itself. In its statement of purpose, the organization says it "is dedicated to protecting the rights of working people and supporting community struggles to build a more just society." It "accomplishes this goal by building a



diverse coalition of labor, community, and religious groups that work together to mobilize the strongest possible base of support for workers' social and economic rights." Recently, the organization has worked to help organize the Kentucky Social Forum and to ensure Kentucky activists have logistical and financial support to participate in the U.S. Social Forum in Detroit June 22 through 26 (for more info on the Forum, see www.ussf2010.org).

#### Grown in Detroit: See how teen mothers connect with Mother Earth

"Grown in Detroit" is a cutting-edge documentary about pregnant teenagers who are learning to save the land and their lives. It tells the story of the heroic efforts underway at the Catherine Ferguson School to redeem the city's youth and its land.

You can see it in Lexington April 26-28 as part of Earth Month celebrations and hear from special guest, Catherine Ferguson's Principal, Dr. Asenath Andrews.:

- Mon, April 26—6:30-8:30pm at Central Christian Church 205 E. Short St.
- Tue, April 27—6:30-8:30pm at Lexington Main Public Library

Produced and directed by Dutch filmmakers Mascha and Manfred Poppenk, the film shows how Detroit, once one of the wealthiest cities in the country, is now one of the poorest and most dangerous with high unemployment and crime rates. One third of the land is vacant. But students at The Catherine Ferguson School are working to change those statistics as proud urban



gardeners learning to cultivate the land and feed their families. This presentation is sponsored by Good Foods Co-op, UK College of Education, Sustainable Communities Network. For more information on the film itself see http://grownindetroit.filmmij.nl. For info on the Lexington events, contact Jim Embry at 859.312. 7024 or e-mail: embryjim@gmail.com.

### Remembering Abby Marlatt, civil rights activist, retired UK professor

Abby Marlatt was remembered in many ways after her passing in March at age 93: in the Lexington Herald-Leader (March 4 article by Kristin Bednarski), in both the House and Senate of the Kentucky legislature through resolutions introduced by Representative Kelly Flood and Senator Kathy Stein; and in a memorial service at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Lexington, where she was a member for more than 50 years. Here at CKCPJ we were most grateful for her decades of membership and support. The following tribute only briefly honors her tremendous and varied efforts on behalf of peace and justice.



Marlatt came to Lexington in 1956 as director of the School of Home Economics, a title she held until 1963, when her activities on behalf of civil rights and her leafleting in commemoration of Hiroshima Day (with another faculty member who did not have tenure and was fired) caused her to be relieved of that position. However, she remained on faculty, teaching and reaching out to both international and minority students, helping to instill a tradition of diversity that was recognized by the University many years later when she was awarded an honorary doctor of letters degree in 2006. A scholarship in her name assists students in the graduate program in the Department of Nutrition and Food Science. It is guarded on the basis of financial need and the

ate program in the Department of Nutrition and Food Science. It is awarded on the basis of financial need and the potential for professional achievement, and preference is to given to minority students from the United States or international students planning to return to their home country.

She received other awards and recognitions: at UK, in 1985, she was awarded the Sullivan Medallion which "recognizes faculty, staff, and students who exhibit a spirit of love and helpfulness toward others," and in 2000 was in-



ducted into the School of Human Environmental Sciences Hall of Fame. In 1999, the Kentucky House of Representatives recognized her as a "model of good citizenship" for her continuing work with youth programs. She also was honored by the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

For those of us who were not fortunate enough to know Marlatt personally, excellent video interviews of her are available. She was featured in the documentary "Living the Story: the Civil Rights Movement in Kentucky" (see page 5 of our Nov/Dec issue of *Peaceways* for ordering info) and in addition, unedited video of her interviews is accessible through the website of the Kentucky Historical Society Oral History Project for the Civil Rights Movement in Kentucky (http://history.ky.gov).

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## When Will War End? Paul K. Chappell Lexington lectures

In April, the
Council brought Paul
K. Chappell to
Lexington. He
spoke at a half
dozen locations
(including colleges, high
schools, the
public library)

and on radio station WVLK's "Kruser and Krew" show. At each location, he was extended an invitation to return to speak again.

A graduate of West Point, Chappell served in the Army for seven years, was deployed to Baghdad, and left active duty in November 2009 as a captain.

By then, he had also written his first book, Will War Ever End? A Soldier's Vision of Peace for the 21st. Century (Ashoka Books, 2009: publisher profits and all author royalties will be donated to charitable organizations that sup-

port war veterans). His second book, The End of War: How Waging Peace Can Save Humanity, Our Planet. and Our Future, is due to be published in June (check for availability of both at Morris Books, in Lexington). Chappell now serves as Leadership Director for the Nuclear Age Peace Foundation (www.waging peace.org). Council members who were able to meet Chappell and hear his presentations are exploring the possibility of having him

ing the possibility of having him return in the fall both to do some initial Peace Leadership training and to assist the Council to present ongoing training. So if you missed Chappell in April, watch our fall Voices programming for his return. In the meantime, we suggest you purchase and read his books. They are powerful statements of his commitment to ending war. Here is an except from the preface to

an excerpt from the preface to his second book:

Will War Ever End? was my first book, a manifesto for waging peace. It was

about ending war and creating a brighter future. It was about hope, my faith in humanity, and my struggle with a lifelong obsession. After suffering the consequences of war as a child, I acquired an obsession with understanding war that transformed into my determination to end it. ... I wrote my first book because I had learned that war can end—because I know it must end.

My experiences as a student at West Point, as a soldier in Baghdad, and as a person like you who cares about our future have helped me understand why war can end, why human beings are not naturally violent, and why war is not inevitable. My first book focused on my personal experiences, along with new ideas that showed why world peace can become a reality. In The End of War we will begin to explore how. We will untangle the riddle of war to show how waging peace can save humanity, our planet, and our future.

### CKCPJ efforts toward a sustainable future

Two of the Council's Spring Voices events particularly focused on the need for sustainability. During the Earth Days of the Bluegrass events at the UK campus, Council board members promoted a tour of UK's coalfired heating plant to the media and to mayoral candidates. Vice Mayor Jim Gray and former Mayor Teresa Isaac took the tour, and reporter Andy Mead of the Lexington Herald-Leader covered the event and wrote a substantive article: "UK officials say they'll continue to use coal to heat campus" (April 9).

On April 19, the Council organized a mayoral debate "Toward a Sustainable Lexington," which featured questions from more than a dozen participating organizations. All four of the candidates participated. The debate took place at the Fayette County Public Schools' Nosworthy Auditorium in Lexington, and featured public school student involvement. The event was broadcast and taped for future viewing.

### Your support helps make Voices events and CKCPJ's continuing work possible

The newsletter you hold in your hands came to you with a donation envelope as part of our Spring fund drive. Providing *Peaceways* costs us approximately \$10 for each household that receives it, yet it is only one face of CKCPJ.

The events and programming we are able to provide Central Kentucky, working toward the vision of peace, justice, and sustainability—with an emphasis on collaboration between small, grassroots groups—are the other side of our continuing efforts. It is the financial support of friends like you that makes our work possible. We know that this is a financially challenging time for many people. A gift of any size will support our work and will be deeply appreciated.

For 27 years we've been a voice for the need for peace; we look forward to continuing to serve Central Kentucky for years to come.

### **Build-A-Bed Blitz May 8 & 9 in Frankfort**

From the Build-A-Bed website www.build-a-bed.org and event organizers:

If you come by the National Guard hangar in Frankfort on May 8 and 9, you are bound to hear a whole lot of sawing and hammering. Almost 2,500 volunteers will be building 500 beds in a unique "build blitz" event that kicks off AmeriCorps week. Organizers would love to welcome you as one of those volunteers. Don't fancy yourself a builder? The project is accepting donated lumber, and each bed will be accompanied by a "bedtime bag." Donations to fill those bags are gratefully accepted.

What's behind the blitz? Build-A-Bed's mission is to ensure that Kentucky children are guaranteed a proper

place to sleep in their homes, because far too many Kentucky children have to share a bed or even improvise one. The Build-A-Bed project targets a specific and often neglected community: the working poor. Charities such

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as the Salvation Army and Red Cross do a great job of taking care of the homeless, but families who have homes and yet lack adequate furniture rarely receive much focus for help.

Why focus on sleep? Studies have demonstrated that children who don't get enough sleep experience

learning challenges. Sleep deficits also contribute to diabetes and other health concerns that affect children throughout their lifetime. So while the Build-A-Bed program meets immediate needs, results include long-term economic and quality of life benefits by supporting good health and education as children develop.

In May 2009, over 100 volunteers built and delivered 57 twin-size beds with mattresses and "bedtime bags" to help Kentucky children sleep better. The bedtime bags were full of donated items such as pillows, sheets, teddy bears, pajamas, bedtime books, nightlights, homemade dream catchers, toothbrushes—all designed to help children have better bedtime rituals and improve the quality of their sleep. The ambitious

2010 Build-A-Bed effort, aiming to significantly increase the number of beds built and delivered, will ensure that the project has an impact in every community in Kentucky.

The dedicated event website, www.build-a-bed.org, provides

more info, volunteer registration, a place to sign up for a bed, and lists of needed items if you'd care to donate. And you can contact Build-A-Bed PR Chairman David Bachert directly: call 502.564.4986 or e-mail him at info@Build-A-Bed.org. Please register as a volunteer for the blitz by April 25<sup>th</sup>.



If we want children to flourish,
we need to give them time to
connect with nature and love the
Earth before we ask them to save it.

—David Sobel, educator, Beyond Ecophobia: Reclaiming the Heart in Nature Education

### McConnell Springs, Lexington Saturday April 24th at 1:30

The Franciscan Peace Center invites you to: tour McConnell Springs, a National Registered Historic Site; meet members of 2 sustainable communities; and learn how to get beyond Ecophobia. Presenters include Margie Stelzer and other members of the Curtis Pike Intentional Community, and Sister Ann Quinn of the Sisters of Saint Francis. Sr. Ann represents Michaela Farm, a 300-acre farm operating since 1854 as a farm renewal

effort of the Oldenburg, Indiana, Franciscans. The farm serves as a center for natural farming practices, environmental education, and spiritual renewal. Advance material for the event notes that "Ecophobia is a fear of ecological problems and the natural world," and says that Sr. Ann will lead participants in a discussion and hands-on activities "that teach ways to get beyond ecophobia." For more info see www.franciscanvision .org, call 859.230.1986, or e-mail franciscanvision@ aol.com. McConnell Springs is located in Lexington at 416 Rebmann Lane, off Old Frankfort Pike (you can go to: www.mcconnellsprings.org for more info).

### Facts about Compact Fluorescent Lightbulbs (CFLs)

#### by Obiora Embry

Knowledge is power and at the end of the day, our health, the health of our children, the health of our community, and the health of Mother Earth is our responsibility. Therefore, it is imperative that we understand the human and environmental affects of the products that we buy.

While many people concerned about the environment are using Compact Fluorescent Lightbulbs (CFLs), I'm concerned people do not realize that CFLs require special knowledge and handling. In 2007, more than 300 million CFLs were sold in the U.S. Given their popularity and the hazardous materials they contain, the packaging should include information on the handling, disposal, and the actions to be taken if CFLs are broken. However, this is not the case. Below I offer some facts I believe every person who uses CFLs should know.

An integral part of CFLs is the neurotoxin, Mercury (Hg). Mercury is added as a solid, liquid, and/or via pellet amalgam dosing technology. Elemental Mercury is the silvery and mobile odorless liquid and Mercuric Oxide is a yellow to orange-yellow odorless powder that are added to CFLs. The amount that is added varies by brand, wattage, and manufacturer. [Note: The Environmental Protection Agency requires all CFLs labeled as Energy Star to contain less than 5 mg Hg.]

**Handling:** The spiral top, unless stated otherwise, is glass and should be handled with care when you remove a bulb from the package, install it, or dispose of it. When installing, you should screw CFLs from the base (never the spiral) while using a minimal amount of force. CFLs should NOT be installed in a track, recessed, inverted, or dimmer fixture because doing so can start a fire. Once switched on, if a CFL is not kept on for a minimum of 15 minutes, then its life span can be reduced by as much as 85%. The life span of a CFL can also be decreased if installed in a bathroom because of the humidity. After touching CFLs, you should thoroughly wash your hands.

When CFLs burn out, caution should be taken because the glass can crack near the lamp base, the sockets may melt, and/or acrid plastic smoke and carcinogenic fumes can form. If the sockets melt or the glass is cracked, then there is the possibility of a fire starting.

Some states treat all Mercury-containing light bulbs as hazardous waste because of the danger posed to humans—especially trash collectors—and Mother Earth. CFLs should never be thrown away, burned, or incinerated, but rather they should be recycled. Unbroken CFLs can be taken to a local household hazardous waste collection

center, local recycling center, or retail store (i.e., Home Depot or Ace Hardware). If these options are unavailable, then go to the EPA's Web site (http://www.epa.gov/bulbrecycling) or Earth911.org to find local options.

If a CFL breaks: everyone present is exposed to elemental Mercury vapor (the liquid can vaporize at room temperature because of its low vapor pressure) and inorganic Mercury compounds (i.e., Mercuric Oxide). Inhaled vapor can circulate throughout the body and accumulate in the brain causing neurological and behavioral disorders and in the kidneys, altering the renal function. Inorganic Mercury compounds can enter the body through ingestion, inhaling the dust, and/or skin absorption. They are caustic and can cause kidney damage.

A February 2008 study by the Maine Department of Environmental Protection (MDEP) prompted the EPA to update their recommendations for the cleanup of broken CFLs. The MDEP's 2008 study (page 171) and the EPA's Web site are the 2 best resources: **if you own and use CFLs you should have these resources on hand in case of breakage**. The cleanup procedure is lengthy, so below are general recommendations (read the above resources to see what steps to take and **do NOT use this as a guideline as it is limited in scope but only gives a very brief overview):** 

- •Ventilate the area for at least 15 minutes by opening windows before beginning the cleanup and for several hours after the cleanup has finished. Keep people and pets away from the breakage area.
- •Do NOT vacuum, sweep, or put the waste from a broken CFL into a plastic bag—the Mercury vapor will not be contained and can still be released.
- •Read the cleanup up procedure for your type of flooring as there is not a "one size fits all" set of instructions. For example, fabric that comes in direct contact with broken CFL components should NOT be washed because mercury fragments may contaminate the machine and sewage. Instead, dispose of the material as the hazardous waste it is.
- •Wear rubber gloves and place the waste into a secure closed container such as a glass screw-top jar.
- \*When finished, thoroughly wash your hands and face.
- Take the container with the waste to a waste material facility that accepts "universal waste."

### Go to the EPA's Web site (www.epa.gov/mercury/spills/#fluorescent) for a complete list of instructions.

Obiora Embry consults on healthy living through his business and has written this article to shed some light on the complex topic of CFLs. The full article with additional resources and information can be read online @ http://www.econsultingllc.org/CFLs.

### Events at a Glance

Events listed here and on our our Justicelist listserve (see <u>www.peaceandjusticeky.org</u>) 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.

Date/Time	Event Description.	Contact
Wednesday, April 28 8:00 pm at Al's Bar 6th and Limestone, Lexington	<b>Holler Poets Series:</b> Holler #24 with Jeremy Paden, and Katerina Stoykova-Klemer. Music by Chris Soulis. Reading includes open mic. All are welcome!	For more info: www.myspace.com/holle rpoets or e-mail: erockpoet@yahoo.com
Thursday, May 27 6:30pm Eastern State Hospital Gym	NAMI's (National Alliance on Mental Illness) 25th Anniversary celebration: "Fiesta: Food & Fun" Film: 'When Medicine Got It Wrong' - documentary & panel discussion. Future Focus: How Advocacy Changes the World **Must RSVP to 859.272.7891 by May 24 <sup>th</sup> —May is Mental Health Month—	Info: call 859.272.7891, or e-mail Martice at martice@namilex.org. NAMI's website: www.namilex.org
Thursday, May 20 8:30 to 12:00 Hilton, Downtown Lexington	Religious Discrimination in the Workplace Workshop: "Prophet or Profit?" Presented by the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Human Rights Commission. "As part of the workshop, community members of different faiths will be sharing their experiences, both positive and negative, in the workplace." Panelists include: Willard Adkins, Wiccan; Beth Hartmann, Non-Theist; Rabbi Marc Kline, Jewish; Larry Johnson, Pentecostal; Jenny Sutton-Amr, Muslim.	Call 859.252.4931 or e-mail: rsexton@lfuchrc .org. You can also register online at www. lfuchrc.org. Cost is \$45.
Ist Wednesday 7:00 pm	<b>CKCPJ Board Meeting</b> , in our offices at 112 N. Upper St. All are welcome.	Arne Bathke, co-chair
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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
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The eyes of the future are looking back at us and they are praying for us to see beyond our own time.

-Terry Tempest Williams

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#### Wed, May 5<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 to 12:00pm—Advocacy issues with Andrea James, LFUCG 1st District Councilperson, Commission for Citizens with Disabilities.

This event is part of Latitude Art's third Health and Wellness Awareness Presentation and Workshop series. Location: Latitude, 167 Saunier Street, Lexington. To reserve a spot in the workshop, contact Bruce at 859.806.0195 or e-mail latitudearts@yahoo.com.

Statement of purpose:
"Latitude serves all people, with
an emphasis on those thought to
have a disability, by creating a
framework which encourages people to recognize their own life's
narrative, and to then choose ways
in which they may contribute to
the well-being of their community."

### Bits and Peaces

6th annual Mountain Justice Summer training camp Thursday May 27th through Sunday June 6th—Organizers say: "Join us for ten days spent cultivating the skills and visions needed to abolish mountaintop removal and build vibrant, healthy, self-reliant communities. Camp is a time for training, strategizing, bonding, service and action for veteran and novice activists, for people living both within and outside of the coalfields, for women and men, for people of all races, for youth and elders, and anyone in between. You can register at www.mountainjustice.org." Submitted by Dave Cooper of the Moun\_tain Top Removal roadshow (www. mountainroadshow.com.). To schedule a presentation, contact 859.299.5669 or davecooper928@yahoo.com.

On May 9<sup>th</sup> World Fair Trade Day: From

11:00 am to 3:00 pm, Lucia's World Friendly Boutique (523 E. High St., Lexington) will take part in this world-wide event by offering fair trade coffee and chocolate tastings, music, and hosting a Rain Garden building party to help highlight the benefit of Fair Trade to farmers, producers, consumers and the environment. The Fair Trade movement is about treating people and the planet with respect and dignity. Producers of Fair Trade items are paid a fair wage and work in healthy conditions. And Fair Trade supports sustainable practices which minimize our environmental footprint. See the Fair Trade Resource Network (www.fairtraderesource.org) for more info.

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