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VOICES for Peace and Justice

...the arc of the moral universe is long but it bends towards justice. -MLK Jr.

Celebrating Latino Culture in the Bluegrass and Understanding the Need for Immigration Reform

In this year's fall VOICES event series, Central Kentucky Council for Peace and Justice (CKCPJ) has chosen to highlight the cultural and economic contributions to our region of Latino residents, and to draw attention to the need for a comprehensive reform of immigration policy. One of the joys of welcoming new people to our area is the wealth of culture they bring with them. There are many opportunities to experience and explore Latino culture here in Central Kentucky. Here we highlight activities occurring in the next weeks. Look for more in our next issue of *Peaceways*:

Lexington is again hosting the **2011 Festival Latino de Lexington at the Robert F. Stephens Courthouse Plaza, Sept. 16-17**. Last year, over 30,000 people participated in free, family-friendly festival events. From the event website (<http://l.usa.gov/lexlatinofest>) we learn: Friday will feature tropical night with music from the Caribbean and fireworks. Saturday kicks off with a Brazilian style Carnival Parade down Main Street and will end at the Courthouse Plaza with more Latino music, dancing and cultural presentations." All activities are free. (Info: go to website or call 859.498.9707).

On **Fri. Sept 9**—the Migrant Network Coalition hosts a fundraising event from 5:30 to 7:30 at Fifth

Third Building, 250 W. Main St. in Lexington (Fourth Floor Conference Room) with their "Dream Scholarship Celebration." All are welcome. Info: Isabel Taylor at: 859.258.3824 or itaylor@lexingtonky.gov. Co-sponsored by Fifth Third Bank and CKCPJ.

In Richmond, a series of events will be held at Eastern Kentucky University during "Latino Heritage Month" (Sept 15-Oct 17). Below we list the free September activities. The public is warmly welcome.

•**Thurs. Sept. 15—EKU Latino Student Union Open House from 12 noon to 3 pm:** Display of information about Latino Student Union and independence days in Latin America. Come out to enjoy food and music in the Powell Student Center Lobby. Info: Socorro Zaragoza at Socorro.Zaragoza@eku.edu or 859.622.6435.

•**Tues. Sept. 27—Voices of Immigration panel discussion from 5:30 to 8 pm**, co-sponsored by EKU's Office of Diversity Council Planning and CKCPJ. Panelists will discuss a variety of issues, including the federal DREAM (Development, Relief and Education for Alien Minors) Act, immigration laws, community service learning, and personal experiences. Info: Socorro Zaragoza at Socorro.Zaragoza@eku.edu or 859.622.6435. ☺

Almost everyone accepts that our current approach to immigration needs fixing. And they also recognize that the problem is likely to get worse. Paradoxically, given our current economic troubles, now is the best time to tackle the problems...

Los Angeles Times Op-Ed "An immigration reform window opens" by By Peter H. Schuck (Jan. 30, 2011)

The Central Kentucky Council for Peace & Justice

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~ CKCPJ Board Member News ~

The Council could not accomplish what it does without the dedication and tireless efforts of its board members to foster a rich diversity of social justice causes. Our board members are busy people. We deeply appreciate their commitment to the Council in addition to their individual projects. They inform, challenge, and inspire us to work in areas new to us.

NEW CO-CHAIR BRUCE MUNDY

We are delighted that Bruce Mundy has agreed to serve as our new co-chair. Many thanks to Arne Bathke, for his service in this role, with gratitude that he will continue to provide his expertise and energy to our steering committee.

WELCOME TANYA TORP

The Council's Board is extremely pleased to welcome as its newest member Tanya Torp. You might have heard about Tanya's organizational acumen when she received local press for her inaugural "Be Bold" conference last April. The conference emphasized "goal setting, mentoring, health, and encouraging dreams" for girls ages 9 through 18. Organized in cooperation with the nonprofit Lightforce International, the day-long event served 85 girls. Tanya has continued followup efforts to ensure that lives touched back in April continue to be nurtured. You can follow updates on her blog at <http://thetorps.wordpress.com/>.

On page 8 of this newsletter you'll note that she has taken on the task of moving our PEACE Leader program forward. We are delighted that she is using her impressive energy to develop this important initiative, and we encourage all who are interested to come out to the PEACE Leader meeting on Sun. Aug. 28 (see page 8 for details).

THANKS TO REBECCA DILORETO

We regret that Rebecca DiLoreto's time as a regular board member has come to an end, but we are extremely grateful for what she brought to us. In her role as the litigation director of the Children's Law Center, Inc. (www.childrenslawky.org/), Rebecca sees firsthand the places where the juvenile justice system needs improvement. Working with a series of interns, she developed educational presentations to educate the public about key areas in need of reform. One of these presentations concerned Kentucky's practice of incarcerating youths who had not committed crimes. We were proud to partner with the Center on its series of community forums to bring attention to this problem and are delighted to report that legislation sponsored by Rep. Kelly Flood has become law and has put an end to the practice. Fortunately for the Council, Rebecca will continue to offer us her expertise as a member of our advisory board.

NOTE: Space did not allow us to report on several board members' contributions to the "July Jamboree" youth series in Lexington—look for some of their reflections and experiences next month. ☺

Be a Part of the Council's Presence at Lexington's Roots and Heritage Festival Sat. Sept. 10

Richard Mitchell is coordinating our tabling efforts for this important event. We are looking for volunteers to staff the table and represent the Council from noon to 6 pm. You can sign up by email: richard.mitchell or call Richard at 859.327.6277.



Charles Chilton Moore: Editor of the Blue Grass Blade

Visitors to the Lexington Cemetery can find a plot near Henry Clay's (in Section L, Lot 71) for a man named Charles Chilton Moore whose epitaph reads: "Write me as one who loves his fellow man." Who was this man?

Charles Chilton Moore (1837-1906) was the nationally known editor of the "Blue Grass Blade," a late 19th century Lexington newspaper that promoted atheism, freethought, women's suffrage, family planning and prohibition, among other views controversial for the time.

Moore was born on a large farm eight miles north of Lexington. His father was a wealthy landowner, a minister and a slave holder. Moore was also the grandson of Barton W. Stone, the 19th century religious reformer and founder of the Disciples of Christ.

Reared in the midst of prominent Lexingtonians—such as Billy Breckenridge, Cassius Clay, and James Lane Allen—Moore was educated in the local public schools and by a private tutor who introduced the young Moore to the abolitionist themes in "Uncle Tom's Cabin."

After a short time at Transylvania College, Moore attended Bethany College in West Virginia and, after graduation, was ordained by noted religious leader Alexander Campbell. During his time at Bethany, he became more and more dismayed by the passages in the bible that were being used to support slavery, an institution Moore adamantly opposed. He became an itinerant preacher and traveled the mountains of Eastern Kentucky where prominent geological formations led him to further question the chronology in the bible claiming a young earth.

Eventually Moore became the minister of the Church of Christ in Versailles, Kentucky, where he was well liked and respected, although he continued to question his faith. The final blow to Moore's faith was struck during an exchange of views with another man who was skeptical of the bible's inspiration. Moore be-

gan a long and careful study, in order to best his opponent in their discussions. In the end, Moore "converted" the other man to Christianity, while he experienced a loss of his own faith. Moore then left his ministerial position, announcing to the elders in his church that he had become an infidel and, in his own words—"I had become skeptical as to the truth of the bible."

Moore then worked in a variety of positions in banking and the newspaper trade. He worked as a reporter for the *Daily Press* and the *Daily Transcript* in Lexington. Then Moore decided to start his own newspaper, one of the nation's first journals promoting atheism, the *Blue Grass Blade*.

As a result of his views, he was attacked on Lexington's public streets and was the near-victim of an assassination plot. While his views and his paper were considered "radical" in the 1890s, Moore was well respected for his honesty and courage.

Moore was one of the last people in America jailed for blasphemy, and was later sentenced to 2 years in Ohio's federal penitentiary for publishing an article on "Free Love"—a violation of the notorious Comstock laws. It was during his time in prison that he wrote his autobiography "Behind The Bars: 31498."

After Moore served 5 months, his sentence was commuted by President William McKinley, and Moore returned triumphantly to Lexington, greeted by throngs and a band playing "My Old Kentucky Home."

Moore died at his homestead on Feb. 7, 1906, after a long illness. Rumors of a deathbed conversion made a few newspapers, but many quoted his wife as saying that Moore had died as he had lived.

(For more info on the "Blue-Grass Blade" go to: <http://chroniclingamerica.loc.gov/essays/40/>. To read it online, go to <http://bit.ly/niz5lp>.)

Editor's note: This article was submitted by members of Lexington's Humanist Forum. For information on their meeting times, see page 7.

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Local Updates and Action Opportunities: Iraq Veterans Against the War (IVAW)

Bryan Reinholdt of Iraq Veterans Against the War (IVAW) is seeking a Lexington college to host one of the students from the Iraq Student Project (<http://iraqistudentproject.org/>). The program arranges for a host families and groups of support for Iraqi students with the idea that students will gain skills and connections studying in the US to take back to Iraq upon earning their degree. As Maria Montessori said, "Establishing lasting peace is the work of education."

According to its website, "The Iraqi Student Project seeks undergraduate education in the USA for Iraqi students who were displaced by the war and continuing violence. ...Students are recommended for study without regard to gender, nationality, religion or ethnicity." If you are interested in this project or wish to make contact with a Lexington representative of IVAW, contact Bryan by email at bryan.reinholdt@gmail.com.

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Social Security Facts: Asking for Fairness from Congress

by Cara Richards

If I could compose with eloquent words that would move people to action, this message would be much more powerful. I am furious with members of Congress and the people who voted them there. I hope these facts may move you to action.

THE FACTS

Half the workers in the country earn \$50,000 or less. Another sixteen percent make it up to \$106,800. Why does that amount of money matter? It is the cap on the income taxed to pay social benefits.

Everyone who earns \$106,800 pays social security taxes on every cent. So do their employers. (6.2% last year for both, 4.2% for employees this year, still 6.2% for employers). But everyone earning more than that, whether they earn two hundred thousand, twenty million or anything in-between pays no Social Security tax on anything over \$106,800.

Is that fair?

Members of Congress, if they pay Social Security taxes at all (they did not used to) don't pay on their whole salary. They are making decisions to "fix" Social Security by cutting benefits to people who have paid on every cent earned their whole working lives, or are still paying in hopes of having some retirement income.

Is that JUSTICE?

Congress members have voted to use the surplus in social security funds for general purposes, instead of putting it in a trust fund - as they were legally supposed to do—for years. If they were managers of a business, (as some claim to want to be) they would be in jail for stealing pension funds. Social Security IS the national pension fund. Why aren't they forced to obey the law?

As I said, I'm furious, and I think we all should be. It is Congress that is broken and needs fixing, not Social Security. Remove the cap, restore the stolen funds, and it might even be possible to LOWER the taxes to both workers and corporations that pay them.

Cara Richards is a retired Sociology Professor who taught at Transylvania University. ☺

A World Less Peaceful Affects Everyone

The Global Peace Index (GPI) is an annual study, compiled by the Institute of Economics and Peace, which ranks 153 nations. Indicators range from a nation's level of military expenditure to its respect for human rights. In the 2011 edition of the Global Peace Index the Institute found that expansion of international conflicts, political instability, increase in prison populations, greater potential for terrorist acts, lower respect for human rights, and economic decline are crucial contributing factors to the world being less peaceful.

If the world had been 25% more peaceful over the past year the global economy would have reaped an additional economic benefit of just over US\$2 trillion. This amount would pay for the 2% of global GDP per annum investment estimated by the Stern Review to avoid the worst effects of climate change, cover the cost of achieving the UN's Millennium Development Goals, eliminate the public debt of Greece, Portugal and Ireland, and address the one-off rebuilding costs of the most expensive natural disaster in history – the 2011 Japanese earthquake and tsunami.

(For more info: www.thepeacealliance.org). ☺

From the Nuclear Age Peace Foundation: What They Didn't Cut From the Budget

As analysts and politicians continue to wrangle over what needs to be cut from the budget, spending on nuclear weapons continues to rise, even as modest cuts are made in the number of deployed warheads. In addition to the \$54 billion the US spends annually on nuclear weapons activities, some government officials are pushing for a \$213 billion "modernization" plan for US nuclear weapons and delivery systems over the next ten years.

In addition to the massive waste of financial and scientific resources, this plan will send the wrong message to countries around the world that may be considering the development of nuclear weapons.

A decision by the Senate and House of Representatives to significantly cut the nuclear weapons budget would be an important step toward reducing our reliance on nuclear weapons and encouraging other countries to follow the same path.

Please send a message to your Representative today urging him/her to co-sponsor HR1334, the **Nuclear Weapons Abolition and Economic and Energy Conversion Act of 2011**. For more, go to: <http://bit.ly/HR1334>. ☺

Opportunity: Help the Council Take a Stand for Veterans

by Billie Mallory

Recently I've heard shocking estimates of the number of homeless veterans. Earlier this year, for the first time ever, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) published an authoritative analysis of the extent and nature of homelessness among American veterans. At the HUD's website, we are told that "According to HUD and VA's assessment, nearly 76,000 veterans were homeless on a given night in 2009 while roughly 136,000 veterans spent at least one night in a shelter during that year" (<http://1.usa.gov/HomelessVets>). Women veterans account for 20% of our homeless veterans, some having lost custody of their children during their term of service. Many veterans become homeless within a year of their return because of multiple re-deployments and re-traumatization by the stresses of unemployment and lack of support upon return. The unemployment rate is double for veterans, attributed to increased brain injuries, PTSD and untreated depression and/or addictions.

Many major cities respond to meet the needs of homeless veterans with a "Stand Down" that provides free resources and referrals, as well as offering direct

services. Lexington will host its 4th Annual "Stand Down--Homeless Connection" on Oct. 20 from 9-2 p.m. at Central Christian Church located at MLK Blvd and Corral St, in the church's new addition. (This event was first initiated in this city by CKCPJ in 2008).

The Stand Down serves all individuals experiencing homelessness or others in need of assistance. Those who are veterans will receive resources specific to their service benefits. Resources will include free clothing and personal hygiene items, haircuts, routine health screenings and carry-out lunch; as well as referrals for housing, medical, mental health, substance abuse treatment and other needed social services.

If you would like to volunteer for this event please join CKCPJ by helping us offer hospitality, serving coffee and treats. To sign up or ask questions, please contact me by email at mallory.billie@yahoo.com. Or you can make a direct contribution for this pur-

pose by sending a check to CKCPJ marked "Stand Down."

Billie Mallory is a CKCPJ board member and community activist.



More facts

from HUD's website (<http://1.usa.gov/HomelessVets>)

During a 12-month period in 2009, an estimated 136,000 veterans—or about 1 in every 168 veterans—spent at least one night in an emergency shelter or transitional housing program. The vast majority of sheltered homeless veterans (96 percent) experienced homelessness alone while a much smaller share (four percent) was part of a family. Sheltered homeless veterans are most often individual white men between the ages of 31 and 50 living with a disability.

Veterans are fifty percent more likely to become homeless compared to all Americans, and the risk is even greater among veterans living in poverty and poor minority veterans. HUD and the VA examined the likelihood of becoming homeless among American veterans with particular demographic characteristics and found that during 2009, twice as many poor Hispanic veterans used a shelter compared with poor non-Hispanic veterans. African American veterans in poverty had similar rates of homelessness.

Operation Turnout 2011 Kickoff Service Sun. Aug. 21 at 5:30 pm

Operation Turnout is a Lexington-area group made up of almost 25 churches and 8 organizations including the Kentuckians for the Commonwealth and the Interdenominational Pastoral Fellowship of Lexington & Vicinity, which sponsored a well-attended Black Educational Summit in July.

Operation Turnout aims to empower and educate people for full participation in the electoral process. Rev. L. Clark Williams at Shiloh was quoted in an Aug. 11

Lexington Herald-Leader article as saying the group aims to "focus on voter registration, education, and commitment," including the restoration of voting rights for ex-felons who have paid their debt to society. The group will also be bringing attention to the issues of council redistricting and reconfiguration of districts.

Location: Shiloh Baptist Church is found at 237 E. Fifth St. Info: 859.543.8513.





Updates on Juvenile Restorative Justice Program and Making a Difference Listserv

Juvenile Restorative Justice (JRJ) director Linda Harvey reports that “We have proven that Restorative Justice helps juveniles and families succeed.” Since January of 2010, the Lexington program has been involved with youth and the juvenile courts in 63 beyond-control cases, 25 public offense cases, and 40 court cases. With that demonstrated success, increased referrals, and legislative recognition that locking up our youth benefits no one, comes increased demand, and so the JRJ program has recently restructured

The work continues to be dependent on volunteers who do a variety of things: make themselves available for court appearances, write case summaries for judges so they can make informed decisions, work with the prosecutors and defense attorneys to keep them informed of progress, make home visits, convene Restorative Justice processes that meet the needs of the family-victim-offender mediation, and lead Juvenile Restorative Justice Conferencing and Family Circles. Volunteers are also accessible to families for support (often including the extended family) and to help the family find solutions. It was Family Court Judge Lucinda Masterton who had the idea of getting the churches more involved with our families using the model that “It takes a village to raise a child.” The organization BUILD (Building a United and Interfaith Lexington through Direct Action) through the Making a Difference listserve has helped meet this challenge.

Kabby Akers reports: “At a recent meeting Judge Masterton explained the structure as working within the model court and having 3 pillars: Juvenile Restorative Justice (meeting with the youth and their families, holding conferencing circles, recommending to the court outcomes of the conferencing), social services (social workers directing the families and kids to resources and services), and Make a Difference (the connection to the community). She stressed how very important to the process is the connection to the community and applauded our effort and held it up as something unique and very valuable to the court systems.”

Gayle McGrath (now assistant director of JRJ), Kabby Akers, Pastor Ron Luckey and Diana Queen have been meeting with the pastors of some of the BUILD churches this summer to invite their congregations to join in this partnering. If your pastor would like to meet with the group, contact Kabby Akers by email at kakers@cdlex.org or Gayle McGrath at gayle@insightbb.com. They can also answer any questions you have or sign you up for the listserve so you are apprised of specific needs and opportunities to serve as they arise. ☺

News from the Kentucky Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty

The Kentucky Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty (KCADP) needs volunteers to help staff their booth at the Kentucky State Fair Aug. 18-28. You can go to a spreadsheet to sign up at: <http://bit.ly/KCADPfair>. Questions? Contact them by email at staff@kcadp.org or call 502.636.1330.

UPCOMING IN NOVEMBER: Advocacy training sessions are planned for Nov. 16 in Louisville and Nov. 17 in Berea. The goal is to equip at least one pastor or congregational leader from each of the 100 House legislative districts with the tools necessary to become leaders of abolition advocacy in those districts. If you are a pastor or congregational leader please consider being a participant in one of these two sessions. If you are a member of a faith community, consider one of two actions: finding out if your pastor is already an opponent of the use of the death penalty and inviting him or her to participate in the training; or sending names to the Coalition as someone for them to invite. For more info: contact KCADP by email at staff@kcadp.org or call 502.636.1330. ☺

Invitation from the Bluegrass Socialist Party

Joshua Keith Botkins, Chair of the Bluegrass Socialist Party, invites interested parties to the group's monthly meetings, held on the second Sunday of every month from 4:00-6:00pm. They meet at Completely Kentucky (in the meeting room upstairs), found at 237 West Broadway St., Frankfort. The group has a very active Facebook page where posts of news, events, protests, and opportunities appear daily. Recently, they held a well-attended forum on immigration reform in Shelbyville.

For more info, contact them by email: bluegrass.socialists@gmail.com, or write to P.O. Box 786, Shelbyville, KY 40066-0786.

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Meetings are the second Sunday of each month in Frankfort



Events at a Glance

The Council seeks to promote dialogue as a path to peace and justice. Consequently, we announce events that we do not necessarily endorse.

<i>Date/Time</i>	<i>Event Description</i>	<i>Contact</i>
Thurs. 25 Aug 6 to 9 pm All are warmly welcome to this free event	“Waiting for Superman,” award-winning documentary film followed by panel discussion: “How Social Workers and all Community Members can be Advocates for our Public Schools.” Lexington Public Library Auditorium, 140 E. Main St, Co-sponsored by the Kentucky Society for Clinical Social Work and the Children’s Law Center, Inc.	For more info email: director@kscsw.com .
Sat. 27 Aug. 10 am to noon	Christian Muslim Dialogue meeting. Hunter Presbyterian Church, 109 Rosemont Garden. Documentary film “Welcome to Shelbyville” looks at immigration’s impact in rural America by examining the history of immigration and integration in Shelbyville, Tennessee.	Carolyn Holmes carolyn.charlesholmes@uky.edu or 859.277.3004
Sun. 2 Oct.—FrancisFest Paws for Peace: The Healing Power of Animals (Registration. deadline: Sept. 17) This year’s Francis-Fest celebrates the feast of Saint Francis, patron saint of animals and ecology at Falling Springs Recreation Center. Includes a blessing of the animals followed by a Dog Walk in the Park. Download a form to complete and mail from: www.FranciscanVision.org . The \$10 entry fee goes to defray event expenses, with remainder to be donated to Wolf Run Wildlife Refuge. Music includes Reel World String Band and Sogo Drums.		
1 st Wednesday 7:00 pm	CKCPJ Board Meeting—All are welcome. This fall the location of our meetings will rotate: please contact us for details.	Randolph Hollingsworth dolph@email.uky.edu or call 859.488-1448
Every Thursday 5:30 - 6:00 pm	Interfaith Prayer Vigil for Peace , Triangle Park in downtown Lexington. <i>Mourn the dead. Heal the wounded. End the wars.</i>	Richard Mitchell 859.327.6277
1 st Monday 12:00 noon - 1:30 pm	Kentucky Migrant Network , Cardinal Valley Center 1306 Versailles Road, Lexington	Isabel Gereda Taylor itaylor@lexingtonky.gov 859.258.3824
Tuesday Sept. 15 6:30-8:30 pm www.pflaglex.org	PFLAG: Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, Bisexuals and Transgendered. Support Group St.Martha’s Episcopal Church, 1393 Trent Blvd. Lexington	Info: president@pflaglex.org or call 859.338.4393
2 nd Tuesday 7:30 pm	Bluegrass Fairness of Central Kentucky , Lexington Public Library downtown branch info@lexfair.org	Craig Cammack, Chair 859.951.8565
1 st Wednesday 4:00-6:30	Franciscan Peace Center , 3389 Squire Oak, Lexington Info: www.franciscanvision.org .	Pat Griffin: 859.230.1986;
2 nd Wednesday 7:00—8:30 pm	Humanist Forum of Central Kentucky (AHA) , Unitarian Universalist Church, 3564 Clays Mill Rd, Lexington.	Dick Renfro 859.255.7029 frickdan@windstream.net
3 rd Thursday 7:00 pm	Kentuckians for the Commonwealth (KFTC) , Episcopal Diocese Mission House at 4th St. & MLK Blvd, Lexington	Ondine Quinn 859.276.0563
Every Sunday 2:30-4:00pm	NAMI Lexington Support Groups—Participation Station, 869 Sparta Court, Lexington.	call 859.272.7891 or go to www.namilex.org



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My heart is moved by all I cannot save:
so much has been destroyed I have to
cast my lot with those who age after age,
perversely, with no extraordinary power,
reconstitute the world.

—Adrienne Rich

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Join Us on Sun. Aug. 28

**CKCPJ PEACE Leader
meeting at noon to 1:30
and**

**Board Retreat: 1:30 to 5 pm
Location for both meetings:
The New Plantory Workspace
560 East Third Street Lexington**

Our newest board member, Tanya Torp (see page 2) has arranged a meeting for all interested in CKCPJ's PEACE (Peace Education Aimed at Community Empowerment) Leadership program. If you'd like more information about the program, you can check out the website at <http://bit.ly/PEACEleader>. Lunch will be provided. All are welcome, but **please RSVP** to Tanya by Aug. 25. (tanya.torp@gmail.com or call 859.684.8729) so we'll have enough lunch for everyone. Special thanks to the new Plantory (at 560 E. Third St. www.plantory.org.) for providing use of their space.

Immediately following the PEACE Leader meeting the CKCPJ board will hold its annual retreat. This is a time for us to plan, plot, and program for the upcoming challenges and opportunities. Join us! ☺

TenYears After—A Call To Unity

Sun. Sept 11 from 7 to 8 pm

**In Lexington at the
Robert F. Stephens Courthouse Plaza
Corner of Limestone and W. Main St.**

The Interfaith Alliance of the Bluegrass and the Central Kentucky Council for Peace and Justice invite the community to join in reaffirming cooperation and understanding among all people—in our community, our nation, and our world. It is only through extending ourselves both to our neighbors and those we don't know that we achieve the peace for which we all long. We will honor all those who have suffered since Sept. 11, 2001—in our nation and around the world. Join us as we share art, music, and a candlelight ceremony. Come together in a shared determination to build a world of peace in diversity starting here in our local community. Info: Cynthia Cain at cyncain@gmail.com or 859-223-1448. ☺



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