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## VOICES for Peace and Justice

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

### Immigration and the Global Community: Dignity, Economics, Peace and Justice

Voices 2011 is a series of conversations, celebrations, and collaborations designed to give voice to the need for local, state, and national policies to promote the dignity and worth of every one of us.

Many Voices events highlight the contributions of Central Kentucky's Latino/Hispanic community and the complex challenges these neighbors face. Whether our fellow residents in the Bluegrass are native born, naturalized, or "undocumented," social justice issues confront them daily.

In recent years, this community has grown significantly. Census data indicate that the Latino/Hispanic population in Fayette County has increased from 2,556 in 1990 to 19,654 in 2009. Similarly, in the six counties adjacent to Fayette County, the Latino/Hispanic population increased from 752 to 5,497 during this period. Fayette County Public Schools has 3653 Latino/Hispanic students enrolled, about 10% of the total student population.

These are our neighbors and deserve to be treated as such. But immigration reform is not only about social justice—it is also an economic justice issue. Our local and regional economies are dependent on the labor of Latino/Hispanic workers in our signature equine industry, as well as in construction, landscaping, and agriculture. The local Latino/Hispanic professional community is growing. Many Voices 2011 events are collaborations with teachers and professors who staff our schools and universities. In business there is increasing recognition of the need for changes in immigration policy. Employers, as well as em-

ployees, have a stake in immigration reform, as companies that run afoul of immigration laws can expose themselves to significant liability.

With our Voices 2011 series, CKCPJ seeks to foster public discussion about the challenges and the opportunities that greet not only our most recent "newcomers" to Central Kentucky, but all of us.

(Figures quoted come from: <http://bit.ly/pewdata> and <http://bit.ly/FCPSchooldata..>)

#### Events listing

**Sat. September 24, 10:00 am-noon: Students' Voices: Living in a Foreign Country.** A panel discussion organized by the Christian-Muslim Dialogue group of Lexington. Meeting this month at the Unitarian Church, 3564 Clays Mill Rd., Lexington. Contact Ollie Rashid [obrashid@gmail.com](mailto:obrashid@gmail.com) or the church, 859.223.9602.

**Tues. Sept. 27, 5:30-8:00 pm: Voices of Immigration panel discussion.** Eastern KY University, Richmond, in the Student Services Bldg O'Donnell Auditorium. 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 859.622.6435 or [socorro.zaragoza@eku.edu](mailto:socorro.zaragoza@eku.edu), or Sandra Añez Powell, [sandra.powell@foothillscap.org](mailto:sandra.powell@foothillscap.org), or 859.624.2046.

*for more event info, see page 3*

## The Central Kentucky Council for Peace & Justice

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## Save the date: October is Fair Trade Month

Why celebrate Fair Trade? Around the world Fair Trade is not about charity. It is a holistic approach to trade and development that aims to alter the ways in which commerce is conducted, so that trade can empower the poorest of the poor.

You can see CKCPJ's "Free Trade is Not Fair" info sheet online at <http://bit.ly/freetradeisNOTFAIR> or call 859.488.1448 for a copy.

Board member Teresa Hendricks is the owner of Lucia's World Friendly Boutique, Lexington's only Fair Trade retailer (523 E. High St Lexington, [www.luciasboutique.com](http://www.luciasboutique.com)).

She reports: "Lucia's mission during Fair Trade month is to EDUCATE! We are part of the Fair Trade Lexington campaign, an innovative grassroots movement dedicated to raising awareness of Fair Trade, building demand for Fair Trade products, creating a permanent platform in the community for continued outreach and education, and deepening each community's commitment to international justice.

"We hope you can join our campaign and become a partner in designating Lexington a Fair Trade Town USA. Supporting Fair Trade and Fair Trade Lexington is an easy, concrete way to create positive change in the world and at the same time create a public image of Lexington as a town that is taking action to creating a sustainable city and world. With your support Lexington could become the first Fair Trade Town in Kentucky. If you or your group is interested in learning more about Fair Trade or Fair trade Towns, Lucia's would be happy to come give a presentation.



"It's time to raise our voices and vote with our dollars until all trade is fair!"

**Lucia's celebrates Fair Trade Month:** Teresa Hendricks says: "Lucia's is celebrating Fair Trade Month with 31 Days and 31 Ways to make a Difference. Our kick-off party will be Oct. 1 with fair trade chocolate tasting, door prizes and special discounts. As part of our Fair Trade month-long celebration we will be offering Reverse Trick or Treat kits to the first 50 customers who sign up. Each week Lucia's will feature different fair trade products and have special discounts. Follow us on Facebook for 31 days and 31 ways to make a difference during the month of October.

### Council Updates

**Welcome!** to our newest organizational member, the non-profit group [www.waragainstviolence.org](http://www.waragainstviolence.org) and Douglas Wain, the organization's exec. director and founder. We welcome new members whose mission and goals align with ours. Please send questions to us at: [peaceandjusticeky@gmail.com](mailto:peaceandjusticeky@gmail.com).

**Board news:** Several board members are moving to an advisory capacity after their term has expired. We are grateful to each of them for their service and owe them a great deal for their tireless efforts on behalf of peace and justice. Look for details next month. To those who are interested in serving on the board, please contact Kerby Neill at [tkneill@earthlink.net](mailto:tkneill@earthlink.net) or 859.293.2265.

# Voices 2011: Dignity, Economics, Peace and Justice

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**Mon, Oct. 3, from 8-9:30 am:** Hispanic Heritage Month Open House at the LFUC Human Rights Commission (162 East Main St, Ste 226). Community discussion begins at 9. Info: [RSexton@lfuchrc.org](mailto:RSexton@lfuchrc.org) or 859.252.4931.

**Thurs. Oct. 6, 9 am-3 pm: 2011 Kentucky Hispanic and Immigrant Networking Summit.** Hosted by the Kentucky Commission on Human Rights. CKCPJ serves as a community co-sponsor. At the UK Cooperative Extension Office, 1117 Frankfort Road, Shelbyville, Free and lunch is provided. Contact Juan Pena at [juan.pena@ky.gov](mailto:juan.pena@ky.gov) or call 502.595.4024 Ext. 47 to register. If you are interested in being part of the CKCPJ delegation, please contact [howard.myers@insightbb.com](mailto:howard.myers@insightbb.com).

**Tues. Oct. 11-Kentucky Theater, 214 E. Main St. Lexington. 7:30 pm "Don't Call Me Homeless"** Street Voice Council Players present their award-winning play which raises awareness of the many issues related to homelessness. Info: Catholic Action Center 859.255.0301 or [caclexky@insightbb.com](mailto:caclexky@insightbb.com). CKCPJ contact is Billie Mallory, [mallorybillie@yahoo.com](mailto:mallorybillie@yahoo.com) or call 859.285.5211.

**Thurs. Oct. 13, 6:30-8:00 pm: Not in Our Town: Light in the Darkness—No en nuestro pueblo: una luz en la oscuridad.** At the Lexington Public Library, Central Branch, Conference, Room A. This PBS documentary shows the positive response of a town working to repair their community after attacks on local immigrants. Join us for discussion after the film. Offered in collaboration with the LFUC Human Rights Commission and CKCPJ. Info: [lmattngly@lexpublib.org](mailto:lmattngly@lexpublib.org).

**Fri Oct. 14, 5-7 pm: Social Theory, Art and Immigration in Kentucky** - a discussion inspired by the Nation of Nations art installation at UK W.T. Young Library. Discussion facilitated by the artist Marjorie Guyon and Dr. Rachel Shane, UK Arts Administration Program. CKCPJ offers refreshments along with free and open admission. Held in conjunction with the Social Theory, Politics and the Arts conference. Info: [Randolph.Hollingsworth@uky.edu](mailto:Randolph.Hollingsworth@uky.edu), 859.257.3027.

**Fri. Oct. 14, 9 pm: Funk the War** at Al's Bar, corner of N. Limestone and 6th St., Lexington. Organizer Ryan Prater says: "Funk the War" will feature performances by RP, Man or the Machine, and many more. Open to everyone 18 and older. Join us as we collectively stand against war in all its forms." Info: [rprat17@gmail.com](mailto:rprat17@gmail.com) or call 502.322.4890.

**Sat. Oct. 15, 9 am-4 pm Dia de la Mujer Latina/Day of the Latin Woman** focuses on Hispanic Women's health ([www.diadelamujerlatina.org](http://www.diadelamujerlatina.org)). At Southland Chris-

tian Church, 5001 Harrodsburg Rd, Lexington. Info: Elisa Bruce: [elisa.bruce@53.com](mailto:elisa.bruce@53.com) or 859.293.4717.

**Mon. Oct. 17, 10 am-2 pm: Latino Street Fair**, Powell Corner, at EKV in Richmond. Poster presentations by Spanish students, Capoeira, food and music. Info: email: [sandra.powell@foothillscap.org](mailto:sandra.powell@foothillscap.org) or call 859.624.2046.

**Wed, Oct. 19 at 6 pm: To Enlighten Youth (TEY)**—At the Cardinal Valley Branch of the Lexington Public Library (2185 Versailles Rd, Lexington). TEY is a program based on peer mentoring to enlighten, educate, and encourage youth. Participants are hosting a dinner for teachers to whom they wrote letters. Info: Liz Epperson [liz.epperson@eku.edu](mailto:liz.epperson@eku.edu). The public is warmly welcome to this free event.

**Thurs. Oct. 20, 9 am-2 pm: "Stand Down—Homeless Connection."** Central Christian Church at MLK Blvd and Corral Ave., Lexington. Services for individuals experiencing homelessness or others in need of assistance. Sponsored by the VA in conjunction with area organizations and service providers. CKCPJ serves morning hospitality. We need assistance! Contact Billie Mallory at [mallorybillie@yahoo.com](mailto:mallorybillie@yahoo.com) or call 859.285.5211.

**Fri. Oct. 21, 7-9 pm: Around the World Again.** Maxwell Street Legal Clinic Fundraiser, at the Bodley-Bullock House, 200 Market St., Lexington. CKCPJ serves as community supporter. The event honors the dozens of Maxwell Street "graduates" who have gone on to become United States citizens. Tickets are available online: <http://www.kyequaljustice.org/> at \$75. All proceeds will support the work of Maxwell Street Legal Clinic. Contact Rich Seckel [richseckel@kyequaljustice.org](mailto:richseckel@kyequaljustice.org) or 859.233.3057.

**Fri Oct. 21, noon, The Kentucky Division of The United Nations Association (KDUNA) Celebration of United Nations Day Luncheon** at The Capital Plaza Hotel, 405 Wilkinson Bld, Frankfort. Presentations by Congressman John Yarmuth, Art Williams, and Tom FitzGerald. CKCPJ is one of 7 co-sponsors. Meal is \$25 meat, \$20 veg. Info: [teenahal@aol.com](mailto:teenahal@aol.com) or 502.267.6883.

**Sat. Oct 22, 7-11 pm Fiesta Latina 2011: 10-Year Anniversary.** Fundraising event takes place at EKV and features dancing and silent auction. Proceeds benefit Kentucky River Foothills Development Council. Co-sponsored by CKCPJ. Info: call 859.624.2046 or email: [sandra.powell@foothillscap.org](mailto:sandra.powell@foothillscap.org).

**Also in Oct:** At the University of Kentucky: The Latin American Studies Program Celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month Sept 15 - Oct 15 with multiple events. See poster at: <http://bit.ly/UKHispanicMonth>.

*For updates and links see [www.peaceandjusticeky.org](http://www.peaceandjusticeky.org) ☎*

# Peace Activist Beth Rosdatter Faces Sentencing in Knoxville, TN Sept. 21

**Background: Beth Rosdatter crossed into the Y-12 plant at Oak Ridge, Tennessee and planted garden seeds in July 2010. In May 2011, she and 12 other defendants finally had their jury trial for trespass in federal court. On Sept. 21, she and the other defendants will face sentencing.**

**We printed Beth's essay "Doing My Part: On Responsibility and Freedom" in the April 2011 issue of *Peaceways* and have been following her case through the courts** (you can see also the [www.nukeresister.org](http://www.nukeresister.org) site)

**Below is a letter written by the Council's board to be submitted to the sentencing judge.**

**If you are interested in accompanying several of us to Knoxville on Sept. 21 in solidarity with Beth please contact Kerby Neill at [tkneill@earthlink.net](mailto:tkneill@earthlink.net) or 859.293.2265.**

Dear Judge Bruce Guyton:

In mid-September you will be called upon to pass sentence on a number of American citizens who have chosen civil disobedience to challenge both the threat posed to the world by nuclear weapons and the United States' participation in maintaining that threat. We, members of the Central Kentucky Council of Peace and Justice, urge the Court to respond to our friend Beth Rosdatter and her fellow protesters with respect for their courageous citizenship and compassion for their commitment to a safer world for us all. Beth is a strong voice and willing volunteer in grassroots efforts to improve our Central Kentucky community. We live in a country where peace advocates at local levels confront a national security mentality so exaggerated that the United States at one point possessed enough nuclear armaments to destroy the world several times over and where military spending still exceeds that of the rest of the world's combined but is virtually "off limits" when basic human needs compete for a place in a shrinking national budget. Our Council strongly supports the courage and passion of those with Beth's commitment to peace and justice.

The United States of America is a better country because committed groups of citizens chose civil disobedience to oppose and help us purge our national

evils. From the inception of our nation we have also recognized and respected the religious opposition to the violence of war exemplified by our peace churches—Quakers, Mennonites, Brethren... Henry David Thoreau was not a member of a peace church, but his moral opposition to the Mexican-American War provoked his refusal to pay the poll tax enacted to support that war—a refusal that led to his brief incarceration and his famous essay on civil disobedience. The heroes of the Underground Railroad violated the fugitive slave laws, allowing thousands to escape the brutal American disgrace of slavery. Civil disobedience helped mobilize the cause of women's suffrage and challenge the exploitation of workers including children. Martin Luther King, Jr., who championed civil disobedience in support of civil rights, is now honored with an imposing statue on our National Mall in Washington D.C.

In recent years, many Americans have "crossed the line" during demonstrations against the U.S. Army's School of the America's at Fort Benning, Georgia to protest that institution's training of members of the Latin American military who have returned to their own countries to commit unspeakable atrocities. When protesters only managed to cross in small numbers they were prosecuted and imprisoned, when they have crossed in large numbers they have been warned. As in the iconic Nashville sit-ins, when civil disobedience grows, it holds the promise of serious progress and reform.

Beth and her codefendants appear in your court as bearers of a proud American tradition of non-violent action that declares some evils are beyond the patience of those who care deeply. As you pass sentence on Beth and her codefendants, we ask that you

keep in mind the tremendous value this American tradition has conferred upon us all. We hope that you will seek to balance what you consider your legal obligations as an upholder of laws and your duty as an American to bear witness to their courage and moral integrity.

**Can't make the trip to Knoxville? You can let your voice be heard online: the Michigan Peace Network is sponsoring a petition for the unconditional release of these defendants: <http://bit.ly/ReleasePetition>.** ☺



Beth Rosdatter, peaceful resister of war machinery.

# It's Your Turn to Shine: Writing Contest Details

Bluegrass Literacy's 2011 Fall Writing Contest, co-sponsored by the Council, is officially accepting submissions. You are invited to submit 1,000 words in any form (fiction, creative non-fiction, poetry) on a subject of your choice. Contest deadline is Fri. Oct. 7. Entries and author bio may be emailed to [spencer@qx.net](mailto:spencer@qx.net) or posted to WRITING CONTEST 2011, Bluegrass Literacy, 732 Faulkner Ave, Lexington, KY 40505. The \$5 entry fee (proceeds benefit Bluegrass Literacy's programming) must be mailed to the above address. The winner will receive a small honorarium, publication on Bluegrass Literacy's website (<http://www.bluegrassliteracy.org>), and will be honored at a reading event Sun, Oct. 23 from 2 to 4 pm at the Lexington Public Library's Central Branch. Further details at that website, where you can also see updates on the Peace Puppet project sessions for the fall.

Adult volunteers are always needed. You can help others learn the benefits of increased literacy in numerous ways. Gift wrap dates, wish lists, and other ways you can be involved are all listed at the website. ☺

## Snapshots of Peace Builders in Action: the Council at Work



On Fri. Sept. 9, at the Migrant Network Coalition Awards Ceremony at Fifth Third Bank, five students currently enrolled at UK, BCTC, and Maysville Community College received "Achieving Dreams" scholarships for their academic excellence. The Migrant Network Coalition's mission is to improve services for immigrants and refugees by providing community education, raising awareness about barriers to equal community participation, and sharing information both with service providers and with the community at-large through a network of nonprofit organizations. More info: [www.mnclex.org](http://www.mnclex.org).

### PEACE Leaders August Meeting Report



Board member Tanya Torp runs "one of the best meetings I've ever been to," said one participant. Everyone left with specific ideas of the next steps to meeting their leadership visions. photos by Richard Greissman.

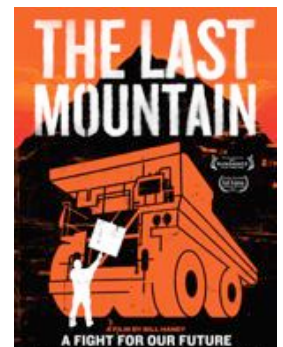
Led by board member Tanya Torp, the PEACE (Peace Education Aimed at Community Empowerment) Leaders work-session included round-table discussion, goal setting and brainstorming. If you'd like more information about the program, check out the website <http://bit.ly/PEACE-leader>. **The next meeting is on Sun. Sept. 25 at noon at the Lexington Public Library, Central Branch (140 E. Main St.). Join us!** ☺



## Moving Toward Environmental Justice

**Fri, Oct 7 at 7 pm The Last Mountain at Kentucky Theater, 214 E. Main St. Lexington.** Screening of the a 2011 Sundance Film Festival official selection. Director Bill Haney says that "The central front in the battle for America's energy future, with enormous consequences for the health and economic prospects of every citizen" is the fight captured in this film against mountain top removal. Movie tickets are \$7. Join other moviegoers for early dinner at 5 pm at Alfalfa's and dessert, drinks and discussion after the movie.

**Tar Sands Action op-ed:** the Sept. 5 edition of the Louisville Courier Journal included an op-ed titled "The Monster Below," which addressed the dangers of extracting the bitumen sludge contained in the Albertan tar sands and sending it through a pipeline over hundred of miles. The article was co-written by Tyler Hess, an activist studying sustainable agriculture at UK, and Curtis Morrison, activist, blogger, and graduate student at the U of L's Kent School of Social Work. The authors participated in the recent tar sands protest action in Washington, D.C. and were arrested in the first group of those detained for their civil disobedience. The action was largely organized by 350.org founder Bill McKibben and the recent startup Peaceful Uprising. You can read the full text of the op-ed at <http://bit.ly/monsterbelow>. ☺





## Have You Heard About the Peace Week Global Telesummit?

Council members report that last year, this online event was very worthwhile. This month, the Peace Alliance invites you to celebrate peace with a line-up of inspiring leaders and peacebuilders including Arun Gandhi, Alice Walker, Deepak Chopra, Marianne Williamson, Kimmie Weeks, Daniel Goleman, and Jane Velez-Mitchell as part of Peace Week 2011 (Sept. 15-20). The event is “a global telesummit featuring dozens of inspiring leaders and peacebuilders.” It’s free: more info: <http://peaceweek.info>. ☺

## Carnegie Center Celebrates International Day of Peace: Tues. Sept 20

The Carnegie Center’s Sept. Family Fun Night will again follow the theme of the International Day of Peace, and CKCPJ will be present, staffing a table of activities for participants from 5:30- 7:30 pm. Interested in assisting? Contact us at [peaceandjusticeky@gmail.com](mailto:peaceandjusticeky@gmail.com). The Center is located at 251 W. 2nd St., Lexington. ☺

## SisterSound Rehearsals Start Sept. 18: Let your inner diva out!

SisterSound, the Lexington Women’s Chorus (<http://sistersound.org>), is starting rehearsals for its 16th season on Sun, Sept. 18, 6:00-8:15 pm, Centenary Methodist Church, 2800 Bates Creek Road, Lexington. This is a non-audition chorus open to all women who enjoy singing with other women. The only requirement is that you are age 18 or older and can match pitch with those around you. Join new director, Rob Vanover and the women of SisterSound as they begin “A New Day” which just happens to be the title of their winter concert on Saturday, January 14, 2012, 7 pm at Bates Creek Presbyterian Church. For more information, contact SisterSound, PO Box 4544, Lexington KY 40544 or email [info@sistersound.org](mailto:info@sistersound.org). ☺

## Father Nabil Haddad, International Peacemaker from Jordan: Oct. 2-5

Father Nabil Haddad is the Executive Director of the Jordanian Interfaith Coexistence Research Center ([www.coexistencejordan.org](http://www.coexistencejordan.org)). He has dedicated his life to seeking coexistence and tolerance among followers of the world’s religions, using his experience as a member of Jordan’s Christian minority population in tandem with The Amman Message and The Common Word Initiative—documents calling for tolerance and cooperation between Muslims and Christians—as the foundation for his work as a peace activist working to build mutual understanding between faith communities. He is the Chairperson of the Justice, Peace and Human Right Committee for the Middle East Council of Churches (MECC) in Jordan. The International Peacemaking Program of the Presbyterian Church is sponsoring Father Nabil’s visit to Kentucky.

**DATES:** He is at the Danville Presbyterian Church Sunday service Oct. 2 (500 West Main Street, Danville, 859.236.6692). In Lexington, on Tues. Oct. 4, he is at 2<sup>nd</sup> Presbyterian Church (460 E Main St, Lexington, 859.254.7768) for a 7 pm dessert and talk, and on Wed. Oct. 5, at Hunter Presbyterian Church (109 Rosemont Gdn, Lexington, 859.277.5126) for a 6 pm supper and talk. All are welcome at these events. ☺

## University of Kentucky’s MLK Cultural Center World View Film Series

Founded in 1987, the University of Kentucky’s Martin Luther King Cultural Center was established to contribute positively to the recruitment and retention of African American students by aiding in the development of a more hospitable, supportive campus environment. Now in its third decade of operation, the Center has evolved into a vital cultural and educational resource facility where all students of the university can come together to be enriched through cross-cultural exchange and diverse cultural experiences. The essence of the Center is its annual calendar of high quality programs of lectures, concerts, theatrical and dance performances, film and video screenings, as well as exhibits and workshops. Many of the films screened this year include discussion activities.

**For a full listing of screenings Sept. through Nov. go to: <http://bit.ly/WorldViewFilm>.** ☺

### Juvenile Restorative Justice: October Info Meetings for Potential Volunteers

Last month in *Peaceways* we reported updates on this important program to redirect youth involved in the justice system. For more info on how you can help, two meetings will be offered: Sat, Oct. 8, at 10 am, or Mon, Oct. 10 at 7 pm. Both meetings are at the Juvenile Restorative Justice offices downtown (163 W. Short St, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, in the Traditional Bank Building).

# 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.*

Date/Time	Event Description	Contact
	<p><b>Sat. Sept. 24 9 am to 5 pm: MOVING KY</b> is a single day to move away from fossil fuels and is Lexington's contribution to a worldwide rally called Moving Planet. Initiated by 350.org, the day's activities focus on solutions to the climate crisis, provide education at the 350.org website, and offer an opportunity to gather. It's time to get moving on the climate crisis. Bring your bike, skateboard, stroller. See website for day's events and ways to move!</p>	
	<p><b>Sun. Oct. 2, from 1 to 4 pm 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Paws for Peace</b>—Dog Walk &amp; Festival at Falling Springs Recreation Center, Woodford County Park, Versailles. 1 pm—Music, vendors, and demonstrations; 2 pm—Blessing of the Animals and 2K Dog Walk (for humans with or without a friendly dog on leash); Music and door prizes until 4 pm. Music by: Sogo Drums and Reel World String Band. Don't worry if you haven't pre-registered—you can do that the day of the event. More info: see website at: FranciscanVision.org, or call 859.230.1986.</p>	
	<p><b>Mon. Oct. 3 at 6:30 Community Action Council's Annual Poverty Forum</b>—Embassy Suites Hotel, 1801 Newtown Pike, Lexington. The Poverty Forum is a dinner event held to raise community awareness about poverty. The underlying premise of The Poverty Forum is that the quality of life for the entire community is improved if the challenges faced by people with low-income are addressed. This year, the Forum will focus on wealth disparity. Keynote speaker is Michael Albert, an American activist, economist, speaker, and writer. He is co-editor of ZNet, and co-editor and co-founder of Z Magazine. Tickets are \$50 per person, \$500 per table. Tickets and more info: <a href="http://www.commaction.org">www.commaction.org</a>.</p>	
<p>1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday 7:00 pm</p>	<p><b>CKCPJ Board Meeting</b>, Locations are rotating this fall: contact us for details! ALL ARE WELCOME!</p>	<p>peaceandjusticeky@gmail.com or 859.488.1448</p>
<p>Every Thursday 5:30 - 6:00 pm</p>	<p><b>Interfaith Prayer Vigil for Peace</b>, Triangle Park in downtown Lexington. <i>Location is affected by construction: call Richard.</i></p>	<p>Richard Mitchell 859.327.6277</p>
<p>1<sup>st</sup> Monday 12:00 noon - 1:30 pm</p>	<p><b>Kentucky Migrant Network</b>, Cardinal Valley Center 1306 Versailles Road, Lexington</p>	<p>Isabel Gereda Taylor itaylor@lexingtonky.gov 859.258.3824</p>
<p>2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday in July: 12th 6:30-8:30 pm <a href="http://www.pflaglex.org">www.pflaglex.org</a></p>	<p><b>PFLAG: Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, Bisexuals and Transgendered.</b> Support Group Mtg. Beaumont Library, Fieldstone Way, Lexington</p>	<p>Info: president@pflaglex.org or call 859.338.4393</p>
<p>2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday 7:30 pm</p>	<p><b>Bluegrass Fairness of Central Kentucky</b>, Lexington Public Library downtown branch <a href="mailto:info@lexfair.org">info@lexfair.org</a></p>	<p>Craig Cammack, Chair 859.951.8565</p>
<p>1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday 4:00-6:30</p>	<p><b>Franciscan Peace Center</b>, 3389 Squire Oak, Lexington Info: <a href="http://www.franciscanvision.org">www.franciscanvision.org</a>.</p>	<p>Pat Griffin: 859.230.1986</p>
<p>2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday 7:00—8:30 pm</p>	<p><b>Humanist Forum of Central Kentucky (AHA)</b>, Unitarian Universalist Church, 3564 Clays Mill Rd, Lexington. 12 Oct: "The 'New Atheists' and the 'New Humanists'," discussion started by Clay Maney. Details: contact Dick Renfro (see right).</p>	<p>Dick Renfro 859.255.7029 frickdan@windstream.net)</p>
<p>3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday 7:00 pm</p>	<p><b>Kentuckians for the Commonwealth (KFTC)</b>, Episcopal Diocese Mission House at 4th St. &amp; MLK Blvd, Lexington</p>	<p>Ondine Quinn 859.276.0563</p>
<p>Every Sunday 2:30-4:00pm</p>	<p><b>NAMI Lexington</b> Support Groups—Participation Station, 869 Sparta Court, Lexington. <b>WALK Oct 8</b> at Masterson Station Park. Funds generated from the Walk support education, outreach, support, and advocacy. <a href="http://www.nami.org">www.nami.org</a>.</p>	<p>call 859.272.7891 or go to <a href="http://www.namilex.org">www.namilex.org</a></p>



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"...community cannot feed for long on itself;  
it can only flourish where always  
the boundaries are giving way to the coming  
of others from beyond them—unknown  
and undiscovered brothers."

—Howard Thurman (1899—1981)

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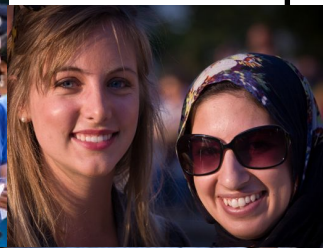
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## Call to Unity Sept. 11: Welcoming Diversity, Building Peace



As the sun set on Sun. Sept. 11, almost 150 Lexingtonians gathered at the courthouse plaza, unified in their determination to build a peaceful, diverse community. Led by Rev. Cynthia Cain representing the Interfaith Alliance of the Bluegrass, participants sang, read a responsive litany, lit candles, and greeted someone new. Banners from Marjorie Guyon's Nation of Nations project oversaw the gathering, co-sponsored by CKCPJ. The Council hosts its Fri. Sept. 16 Gallery Hop with the Nations of Nations banners—look for more on this project next month. ☺



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