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CKCPJ Dinner and Networking Fair scheduled for Feb. 22

The Central Kentucky Council for Peace and Justice Annual Dinner and Networking Fair is scheduled for Sun., Feb. 22, at Imani Baptist Church, 1555 Georgetown Road, Lexington. Local and regional groups that address social justice issues will have information booths set up from 4 pm to 6 pm; dinner will follow the networking session at 6 pm.

Following dinner, CKCPJ will give its annual awards: Youth Peacemaker of the Year Award, Lifetime of Waging Peace Award, Peacemaker of the Year Award, and the Chuck Sohner Living Wage Award. Members of CKCPJ's Peace Action committee and the Lexington Working Families Campaign will describe their planning for the Global Day of Action for Military Spending and efforts to increase the



CKCPJ member Steve Katz attends the 2014 Networking Fair, listening to Gina DeArth of the National Action Network.

mininum wage. The Kentucky State University Choir will perform. Audiences of the KSU Choir describe their music as "a treat that will warm your heart." Suggested donation for attendance is \$25 per dinner; those living on a reduced income are asked to pay \$10. Please make reservations by calling 859-488-1448 or email peaceand-justiceky@gmail.com.

Who Stands to Benefit from Louisville's New Minimum Wage

By Jason Bailey

An estimated 45,000 workers in Louisville/Jefferson County who would otherwise make less than \$9 an hour will have higher wages once the new metro government minimum wage ordinance—the first such local law in the South—is fully implemented in two and a half years.

In addition to the workers who will directly benefit, another 13,500 who make slightly above \$9 an hour could also receive a small raise when wage scales are adjusted upward, based on the experience of minimum wage increases elsewhere.

Of the workers affected, an estimated 88 percent are at least 20 years old and more are over the age of 50 than are

teenagers. Fifty-seven percent are women, 60 percent work full-time, and 28 percent have a child in the household.

Fifty-nine percent of those workers with family income below the poverty line will benefit. Forty percent of affected workers are employed in either restaurants and food services or retail trade.

Those workers benefitting will get smaller increases than the estimated 62,500 who would have received a raise from the original \$10.10 proposal. But because the final ordinance also added a clause to adjust the minimum wage annually by growth in the consumer price index in the years after 2017, those workers af-

fected are assured that their wages will not become stuck.

The final ordinance did not increase base pay for tipped workers from the current \$2.13 an hour, where it has remained since 1991. The ordinance does require that tipped workers' total wages, including tips plus base pay, be at least equal to the new local minimum wage. The original ordinance had increased the base pay for tipped workers to 45 percent of the new minimum wage, or \$4.55 an hour for a \$10.10 minimum wage.

Source: KCEP analysis of 2013 American Community Survey data.

Jason Bailey is the director of the Kentucky Center for Economic Policy.



Peaceful Protest

CKCPJ secretary Mary Ann Ghosal was visiting family near Furguson, Missouri, when she photographed graffiti that called for peace near businesses that were burned and looted. The demonstration photos were taken in Lexington, where all protests were peaceful









From Selma to Stonewall

by Roberto L. Abreu, M.S.

Over the last weeks, our nation has witnessed the brutal killings of black men at the hands of policemen. As a result of the hard-to-believe decisions by grand juries not to indict, exposing how the "justice" system repeatedly fails to protect people of color in this country, protests have taken place in multiple cities throughout the United States, including in our very own Lexington.

As I scroll down my news feed on Facebook and engage in conversations with members of the LGBTQ community, I cannot ignore the fact that many members of our LGBTQ community have remained silent about the recent events that affect our black brothers and sisters. Let's not forget that there are many members of our LGBTQ community who are men and women of color. Therefore, I cannot help but think, "Why are we silent? Have we forgotten the significance of Stonewall and the power of protesting injustice and oppression? How do black LGBTQ members of our community feel when they do not feel supported by their LGBTQ friends?" After all, LGBTQ individuals know all too well the devastating consequences of oppression and the importance of speaking up against injustice.

With this said, I would like to provide some guidelines for acknowledg-

ing the extra layer of oppressions that LGBTQ people of color experience, and ways in which *all* members of the LGBTQ community can be allies to people of color.

- Active listening (listen for understanding and not for a way to defend your lack of understanding).
- Don't apologize for your white privilege. Use it to speak with (not for) people of color about issues that affect them.
- Understand how people of color have helped to pave the way for the LGBTQ community.
- Look around you and see who is missing in the room. Then, invite those individuals to be part of the conversation in order for *all* members of the LGBTQ community, including people of color, to have a voice.
- Know that for LGBTQ people of color, experiences regarding race are more complex than simply just black or white.
- Just because people of color do not discuss the impact of racism in their lives on a daily basis, it doesn't mean that their everyday realities as people of color are not shaped by the continuous institution and perpetuation of racism, especially when it goes unaddressed.
- Know that while white members of the LGBTQ community have the

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Peaceways delivery

If you receive *Peaceways* via USPS or if you obtain a pick-up copy, we encourage you to arrange to receive the publication via email. In order to reduce its carbon footprint, production costs, and resource usage, CKCPJ has gone digital, therefore the default delivery method of *Peaceways* is now electronic, which also allows readers to see the photographs in the issue in color. The cost to create, print and mail one annual subscription using both delivery methods is

approximately \$15 per year. CKCPJ appreciates contributions to offset mail delivery expenses. If you have contributed to us financially, we will continue to mail you a paper copy of this newsletter. If you have not mailed us a check, you MUST opt-in to receive Peaceways in the mail either by using bit.ly/PWdelivery or by calling 859-488-1448. If you are not receiving e-mail notifications, but would like to, register/update your profile information through bit.ly/Signup4peaceways. Thank you!

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Calendar for Peace & Justice

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

Sun. Feb. 1

2015 One World Films The Genius of Marian, 2 pm, UK Chandler Medical Center Auditorium, 1000 S. Limestone. The film follows Pam White in the early stages of Alzheimer's disease as her son, the filmmaker, documents her struggle to hang on to a sense of self. Pam's mother, the artist Marian Williams Steele, had succumbed to Alzheimer's. Free, rate PG.

Thurs. Feb. 5

Charles Darwin's 206th birthday

Join the Humanist Forum of Central Kentucky for a birthday celebration, 7-8:30 pm, in the Great Hall of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Lexington 3564 Clays Mill Road. Dan Phelps, President of the Kentucky Paleontology Society, will present, "The Geology of Antarctica and the Natural History of the Antarctic Peninsula," based upon his January trip to Antarctica and Tierra del Fuego, Argentina. There will be Humanist Education for children aged 5-12 in the Green Classroom of the RE Wing. Childcare provided for children 4 years old and younger.

Thurs. Feb. 12

by Kentuckians for the Commonwealth. Concerned citizens of all ages will come together to call attention to the scale of destruction created by mountaintop removal coal mining in Kentucky and the need to begin a just transition to a more diverse, sustainable, and thriving economy in the mountains. See www.kftc. org/events/i-love-mountains-day for more details, a schedule for the day, and registration. Please tell your friends, schedule a day off from work, and make plans to join KFTC in Frankfort for this exciting day of action.

Tues. Feb. 17

Lexington Working Families Campaign will meet at 7 pm at the Quaker Meetinghouse, 649 Price Ave. Discussion about the Lexington-Fayette County Urban County Council efforts toward increasing the minimum wage versus having a voluntary business focus will continue.

Wed. Feb. 18

CKCPJ Peace Action Committee

will meet at 7 pm at the Quaker Meeting-house, 649 Price Ave. All are invited to participate in discussion that will include immigration, health care, gun control and the local efforts toward the National Peace Action promotion of a Global Day of Action in Military Spending.

Sun. Feb. 22

CKCPJ Annual Peace Networking and Dinner Networking begins at 5 pm, dinner follows at 6 pm. At 7 pm, recipients of the 2015 CKCPJ awards will be recognized, and the Kentucky State University Choir will perform. Imani Baptist Church, 1555 Georgetown Road, Lexington. *(see story, page one)*

Thurs. Feb. 26

Voting Rights Day 9 am, Capitol Annex, Room 133. Members of Voting Rights for Former Felons—Kentucky invite you to join them in their effort to support restoration of voting rights for people who have served their time. The day will begin with preparation for meetings with legislators. At 1 pm the group will hold a rally in the Capitol Rotunda. For more information email Janet Tucker, jlynjenks@gmail.com

Fri. Feb. 27

More Money? Or More Impact? Increasing Community Philanthro-

py, 9-10:30 am. Dr. Robert Long will hold a public forum at The Plantory, on the corner of Jefferson and West Sixth streets in Lexington. For more information, see http://uknow.uky.edu/

Your Event Here

Do you have an event that you would like to promote in Peaceways? Send information to peacewayseditor@gmail.com. Please send notification by the 10th of the previous month.

Thurs. Mar. 5

Humanist Forum, 7-8:30 pm, the Great Hall of the Unitarian Universalist Church of Lexington, 3564 Clays Mill Road. Reamy Jansen will lead a discussion of the French philosopher and 18th century radical, Denis Diderot (1713-84). Reamy Jansen was a Professor of English and Humanities at Rockland Community College for forty years. He is a contributing editor to the Bloomsbury Review of Books and a contributing editor of the Hamilton Stone Review. At the same time there will be Humanist Education for children aged 5-12 in the Green Classroom of the RE wing. Childcare provided for children 4 years old and younger.

Wed.-Sat. Mar. 11-14

White Privilege Conference Louisville, The Galt House, 140 N. 4th Street.

The WPC's mission statement says the conference "provides a challenging, collaborative and comprehensive experience. We strive to empower and equip individuals to work for equity and justice through self and social transformation."

Full registration information is available at the website, www.whiteprivilegeconference.com.

Early registration discounts apply until February 13, 2015. NOTE: If you belong to a national group that works on diversity, anti-racism, or inclusion initiatives, you may be eligible for a group discount. Contact your national representative to be certain.

Tues.-Sun. Mar. 10-15

Cherokee Spirituality Retreat,

Cherokee, N.C. All presentations will be given by Native Americans living around Cherokee. One session will addresses "Historic Grief and Intergenerational Trauma," outlining how Native Americans lost their sense of identity through government policies of forced assimilation into the dominant culture. Cost is \$350 for a shared room; \$500 for a private room—includes lodging, program fees and some meals. (see story, page five) For more information contact Father John Rausch, 606-663-0823, jsrausch@bellsouth.net or Mary Herr, (828) 497-9498, maryherr@dnet.net

MONTHLY MEETINGS

Cherokee Spirituality

by Father John Rausch

For 20 years I have helped coordinate a program that introduces participants to the rich heritage of the Cherokee people while allowing them to reexamine their own sense of spirituality. Many have Cherokee ancestry and participate to discover something about their own background. Others recognize the Cherokee reverence for creation and seek that wisdom to live in greater harmony with the earth.

For five days I accompany seminary students, truth-seekers and people of ministry to hear the myths and recount the history of a people that once inhabited parts of eight states in the southeastern United States. Part of the story concerns how this great people comprising the Eastern Band of the Cherokee have been reduced to 14,000 members possessing only 56,000 acres in two counties of western North Carolina. Another part of the story highlights the depth of spirituality that enabled them to reclaim their customs and maintain their identity.

The experience begins with history. Consider a people that had a fully developed system of democracy before contact with Europeans, a culture that created its own syllabary for writing its language and a nation with extensive trade routes that brought coastal shells deep into the interior. Then, contrast that culture with the European and U.S. assault through the introduction of smallpox, which killed half the population; the forced removal known as the Trail of Tears that separated the tribe into bands west and east; the broken treaties that ceded Cherokee land; and the mandatory boarding schools that stripped the young of their native language and traditions.

This cumulative psychic wounding across generations is known as continued on page seven

CKCPJ Board Meetings 3rd Monday, 7 pm. More info: 859-488-1448 or peaceandjusticeky@gmail.com. All are welcome!

Interfaith Prayer Vigil for Peace Every Thursday 5:30-6 pm at Triangle Park (corner of Broadway and Main St) in downtown Lexington. Contact Richard Mitchell 859-327-6277.

Kentucky Migrant Network 1st Monday Noon-1:30 pm, Cardinal Valley Center, 1306 Versailles Road, Lexington. Contact Isabel Gereda Taylor, itaylor@lexingtonky.gov, 859-258-3824.

PFLAG: Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays,

Bisexuals and Transgendered 2nd Tuesday 6:30-8:30 pm. Support Group Meeting. St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 2025 Bellefonte Dr. Lexington (Go to the end of the parking lot, and then in the side door). Info: www.pflaglex. org or email president@pflaglex.org or call 859-338-4393. Programs are followed by a question and answer session, support group discussion, refreshments. Family members, allies, and GLBT individuals of all ages are welcome.

Bluegrass Fairness of Central Kentucky 2nd Tuesday 7:30 pm, Lexington Public Central Library, 140 E. Main St, Lexington. Contact Craig Cammack, Chair, 859-951-8565 or info@lexfair.org.

Wed Night GLSO discussion group 7 pm at the Pride Center, 389 Waller Ave, Lexington. GLSO operates Kentucky's only Pride Center, where they've been quietly providing services to the GLBTQQIA community for decades. More info, hours Pride Center is open and other links at: http://www.glso.org.

Humanist Forum of Central Kentucky First Thursday, 7 pm, Great Hall of the Unitarian Universalist Church, 3564 Clays Mill Rd, Lexington. The Forum is a Chapter of the American Humanist Association. Meetings are open to people of all beliefs willing to express their opinions in a civil manner. Childcare is provided. Contact President Staci Maney, staci@olliegee.com or 859-797-2662.

Kentuckians for the Commonwealth 3rd Thursday, 7 pm Episcopal Diocese Mission House at 4th St. and MLK Blvd, Lexington. Contact Ondine Quinn, 859-276-0563.

NAMI Lexington Support Groups Every Sunday 2:30-4 pm. Participation Station, 869 Sparta Court, Lexington. Call 859-272-7891 or go to www. namilex.org.

Christian-Muslim Dialogue Program 4th Saturday 10 am-noon. All are welcome. Locations vary, call 859-277-5126. The Christian-Muslim dialogue promotes understanding and mutual respect between Christians and Muslims. By exploring moral, cultural and political factors shaping the current context, it promotes personal and collective responsibility to build a more just and peaceful world.

Movies with Spirit 2nd Friday of every month. Unitarian Universalist Church, 3564 Clay's Mill Road, Lexington. Potluck at 6 pm, film at 7.

National Action Network 3rd Thursday of each month, 7 pm to 8:30 pm at the Central Library, Lexington.

Want your group's meeting listed here?
Contact peacewayseditor@gmail.com or call 859-488-1448.

The vote is the most powerful instrument ever devised by man for breaking down injustice and destroying the terrible walls which imprison men because they are different from other men.

Lyndon B. Johnson

Let Us Vote!

by Janet Tucker

Kentucky's General Assembly is back in session and again House Bill 70 and Senate Bill 70 are on the agenda. ,These bills allow for the restoration of voting rights for former felons in Kentucky. This is a constitutional amendment that will go to referendum in 2016 if passed.

Everyone is urged to call representatives in the House and Senate in support of voting rights for former felons. Contacting representatives about HB70 is important, but because the bill has died in the Senate in the previous nine years, contacting senators is even more important. Let's make passage happen this year! Anyone in Kentucky convicted of a felony loses voting rights for life unless they get a pardon from the governor.

This affects 250,000 Kentuckians. One in four black men have lost the right to vote in Kentucky. This is

an affront to our democracy. That is why our rallying cry is "Let us vote," speaking for the 250,000 Kentuckians who can't vote and also for all Kentuckians who want to vote on this constitutional amendment and not allow its fate to lie in the hands of a few senators.

Voting Rights for Former Felons—Kentucky is meeting in Frankfort on Feb. 26 to lobby for support of HB70 and SB70. The group will meet at 9 am in Room 133 of the Capitol Annex to plan strategy for meetings with legislators and at 1 pm will hold a rally in the Capitol Rotunda. The fight has gone on long enough for people who have paid their debt to society to wait for their right to vote. A good turn-out at the rally on Feb. 26 will say just that to your legislator.

Janet Tucker is the CKCPJ co-chair.



Members of KFTC gathered in Frankfort in 2014 to lobby for passage of HB 70 and SB 70.

Youth Employment Enhancement Program

Young people 14-17 years old who need summer jobs can apply to the city's Summer Youth Employment Program, beginning February 1. Applications are available online at lexingtonky.gov. About 225 jobs will be filled.

The deadline to apply and submit documentation is 4 p.m. February 27.

The program is open to 14- to 17-yearold Fayette County residents who are eligible to work in the United States. Required documentation consists of copies of your Social Security card, a picture ID (issued by the state or a school) and a birth certificate.

The documentation must be mailed to the Division of Youth Services, Youth Development Center, 101 East Vine Street, Suite 150, Lexington, Ky. 40507. Copies sent must be readable.

Applications will be processed on a first-come, first-served basis. The application and your documentation must be received by February 27, 2015. Space is limited, so apply early.

Applicants will be required to attend a mandatory orientation session and participate in the Youth Employment Enhancement Program before employment. The Youth Employment Enhancement Program will teach work-related skills like how to complete a job application, rules of work, team building skills, interviewing and how to write a resume.

For more information, contact Mattie Morton at 859-246-4323.

Stonewall

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privilege to tune out the topic of race, for LGBTQ people of color, race is a part of their identity, and therefore the topic of race is part of everyday life.

Please know that these are just a few of the ways in which LGBTQ individuals can serve as allies to people of color. LGBTQ people of color and white allies: I welcome your input and other ways in which the LGBTQ community can be allies to people of color.

Roberto Abreu is a doctoral student in counseling psychology. Contact him at rabreu@lexpridefest.org

Sale of Peace License Plates

CKCPJ continues the sale of its artistic specialty Kentucky license plate that proclaims: "Peace is Possible."

The lovely artwork for the license plate was created by local artist Jaqui Linder and features a flock of sandhill cranes. The crane is a centuries-old, cross-cultural symbol for wisdom, peace and longevity.

Locally, the ancient sandhill crane is recognized as a multi-cultural ambassador of peace. The sandhill migration is a wonderful sign, familiar to many Kentuckians.

In Japan, the crane is especially revered and thought to bring good fortune. It is believed that crafting 1,000 origami cranes grants the creator a single wish.

After World War II, author Eleanor Coerr published a moving children's book, *Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes*, a tale of a young girl's failed attempt to fold 1,000 origami cranes before her premature death due to radiation exposure from the atomic bomb blast over Hiroshima. Folded origami cranes took on a powerful meaning after the book's publication in 1977 and came to symbolize peace through the title character's unforget-table perseverance.

"I envisioned several cranes in flight to communicate movement upward and outward toward hope," Jacqui said.

The lavender-purple on the plate represents transformation while the dramatic oranges, which blend to soft yellows, symbolize strength and light.

CKCPJ is one-third of the way toward the 900 reservations required for the license plate to be produced. To reserve a license plate, at a cost of \$25, please go to the CKCPJ website, www.peaceandjusticeky.org.

Cherokee Spirituality

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"Historical Grief and Intergenerational Trauma." The paradigm helps explain how this destructive history led to devaluing the culture and the individual, thus encouraging dysfunctional behavior like alcoholism and family violence. A variation of this paradigm may have profound implications for understanding the subculture of Central Appalachia and inner cities.

All the presentations are given by Native Americans living around Cherokee, N.C.; topics include Cherokee history, myths, religious beliefs, reverence for creation, and cultural expressions. The group will visit Kituwah, the "Mother Village" of the Cherokee people, and observe how the Cherokee

language with roughly only 300 fluent speakers is being revived and taught to the next generation. Each day the group will participate in Theological Reflection to integrate the experience with each person's faith life. To my knowledge, this is the only authentic program of its kind in the country.

This year's program is scheduled for March 10-15, 2015, in Cherokee, N.C. (Contact: Mary Herr, maryherr@dnet.net, or John Rausch, jsrausch@bellsouth.net)

John Rausch is the director of the Catholic Committee of Appalachia. He lives in Stanton, Ky.

Submissions to Peaceways

Articles submitted for publication in *Peaceways* should show an awareness of and sensitivity to the CKCPJ's mission and concerns. Articles submitted by non-Council members are encouraged.

Articles of varying lengths are encouraged. News items (50-250 words) are welcome; announcements or reports of council-sponsored events (or events of council member groups) are likely to receive priority. Short personal essays reflecting an individual's experience of peace and justice-related events and community action or activism are encouraged, as well.

Feature articles should be no longer than 500 words, unless you are willing to have the piece cut to fit one page of *Peaceways* text. Pieces will be edited for clarity.

Please include references in the text for all quotations, statistics, and unusual facts. End- or footnotes are not used. We encourage submissions to be queried to the editor at peacewayseditor@gmail. com before writing a unique feature article intended solely for *Peaceways*.

For all submissions, the author's name, address, and phone number should appear on the body of the submitted text. If you submit material that has been published or which you are also submitting to other publishers, be sure to indicate this. Also include information about your relationship to any organization or issue mentioned in the article for inclusion in a biographical reference at the end of the story. Submissions should be made in Word format via email. Book reviews are usually solicited by the editor; we welcome inquiries from potential reviewers.

Submission deadline is the 10th of each month. *Peaceways* is published 10 times



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Coleman McCarthy

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Giving all year long

If you missed the 2014 Faith and Community Christmas Store—the 19th annual event that served 3,641 families, including 15,600 children plan now to participate during the 2015 holiday season. The Christmas Store is a community effort that involves many churches and faith groups, including more than 2,300 volunteers, and is held at the Southland Christian Church, Richmond Road campus. Working with a personal shopper, families shop for free for children, ages infant to teen. No documentation, pre-registration or proof of income is needed.

Gifts that are selected by shoppers are new or gently used, so throughout the year remember to make a stack

for donation any time that you clean out closets or the garage. Gently used and pre-loved toys, books and games for children and youth of all ages by donating all year long at Godsnet, 614 E 7th Street, Lexington.

Mark your calendar now to sign up on-line to volunteer as an individual, family or group next December at caclex2000@gmail.com.

You can also donate to people who are homeless with Alternative Giving cards—every donation of \$5 gives makes two free nights of shelter available to someone in need. You can donate or prepare a meal for



Faith and Community Christmas Store 2014

the Catholic Action Center, which serves three free meals 365 days a year. Call 859-514-7210 for more details. You make a difference in someone's life any day of the year!

Billie Mallory is a Christmas Store volunteer.

the cost of the *Peaceways*, please do! You can donate by credit card by going to our website, or directly at http://bit.ly/ckcpj_donate. Prefer to send a check? Please mail it to our office: at the Plantory, 560 E. Third St., Lexington KY 40508.

Questions? Contact us at peaceandjustice@gmail.com or call 859-488-1448.

Thanks!

Thanks, everybody!

The Central Kentucky Council for Peace and Justice is grateful to everyone who made a contribution through the 2014 GoodGiving Campaign. The campaign was successful for two reason. First, of couse, were the donations that will make CKCPJ's work possible throughout 2015. Secondly, the council appreciates the efforts of everyone who brought CKCPJ to the attention of folks who might have

heard about us for the first time through the campaign. In this era of constant communication, when information is almost always available, it is sometimes difficult for people to find the information they want. People saying to someone "H ey, you might want to look at this," puts the "social" in social networking!

If you have not yet made a financial contribution to enable CKCPJ to continue its mission or just to offset

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