Peace Center Holiday Gala 2014 - a fundraiser -
Saturday, Dec. 6th, 6pm to 11pm

You are cordially invited to eat, drink and be merry with your favorite social justice activist pals. Warm up from the cold by eating yummy bowls of steaming hot posole, tamales and burritos! Sing along with satirical songs by the Raging Grannies! Be inspired by the social justice Latin folk music of Los Otros/Las Otras! And Groove to the African rhythms and vocals of the all-female ensemble Mala Maña!

Support the Peace and Justice Center with your presence and your purchases of items at our Silent Auction and baked goods table, and sign petitions and pick up literature from nonprofit info tables and vendors.

Get into the holiday spirit while supporting the P&J, the hub you count on all year round to be there to host events, meetings and share info on social justice activism in ABQ.

Please bring donations of warm clothing for St. Martin's Hospitality Center, especially men's coats, socks and underwear.

Suggested donation $12, no one turned away for lack of funds. Food and drink at additional cost.

Thank you for supporting the P&J at their most important fundraiser of the year!

Peace Center Holiday Gala will be held again at the First Congregational Church, located on the NW corner of Lomas and Girard, 2801 Lomas NE. For more info, call 268-9557.

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

Send your submissions for monthly newsletter to monthlycalendar@abqpeaceandjustice.org by the 20th of the month prior to your event. Send submissions for web calendar to web@abqpeaceandjustice.org. Contact Coordinator at abqpeaceandjusticecenter@gmail.com.
Regularly Scheduled Events—held at the Peace Center unless otherwise noted

MONDAYS

350NM.org 1st & 3rd Monday, 5-7pm, 255-1222.
Veterans for Peace 2nd Monday, 5:30-8pm, 271-9274.

TUESDAYS

ABQ Hours New Member Orientation, 3rd Tuesday, 6-8pm, www.abqhous.org.
ABQ NOW 4th Tuesday, 6:30-9:30pm, 881-6365

WEDNESDAYS

Grassroots New Mexico Community Radio Action Calendar, weekly, 3:55 pm on KUNM 89.9FM.
Stop the War Machine 1st/3rd Wednesdays, 6pm, 858-0882
Agua Es Vida Action Team & Our Endangered Aquifer Working Grp 1st Wednesday, 3pm @ SRIC, 242-5511.
People for Peace 1st Wednesday, 7-9 pm, The Commons (parlor), 2300 West Alameda, Santa Fe, (505) 983-3906.
Peace Center’s Coordinating Council 2nd Wednesday, 5:30pm. Potluck and meeting. All are invited.
Amnesty International Local Group 101 4th Wednesday, 6:45-8 pm, 795-2881 starting Jan 2015.

THURSDAYS

Peace Café Weekly, Noon-3pm, Free coffee, snacks, Wi-Fi, chess, jam session. Everyone welcome!
Women in Black Weekly, 12:30-1pm, silent vigil on Lomas between 3rd and 4th streets. All invited, wear black. 341-9307.

FRIDAYS

Gay Men’s Group Weekly, 7:15-9pm, Frontier, 266-0884

FRIDAYS

Peacemaker’s Admin. Committee 4th Friday, 1:30pm-3pm.

SATURDAYS

Food Distribution Weekly, 8:30am in Parking Lot.
Quote Unquote Media Center Board Meeting 4th Saturday, 10am-12:30pm, www.quote-unquote.org, 417-9178.
St. Mary Magdalene Community Mass, Weekly, 5-7pm, First Congregational UCC, 2801 Lomas NE, 345-3677, 977-4661.
Tulane St. Peace Rally Weekly, Noon-1:30pm at Central & Tulane, 898-4544.
ABQ Hours Exchange First Saturday, 1-3pm, 610-0823
Humanist Society of NM 2nd Saturday, 10am-noon, 344-6102
Central NM Move to Amend 3rd Sat., 11am-1pm, 450-1268
Dialogue Group 3rd Saturday, 1:30-3:30pm, 243-6174.
Economic Reform Advocacy Group 3rd Sat., 10:30am-1:30pm, 1st Unitarian Church, Carlisle/Comanche. 323-0364.
Gray Panthers 4th Saturday, 1-2:30pm at Highland Senior Center, 131 Monroe NE. Contact: 266-8823.
Peña Cultural / Coffee House Monthly, 7-10pm, Bandido Hideout, 2128 Central SE, 385-3670.

SUNDAYS

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship Weekly, 11am-Noon.
Potluck on Sunday, 11am-2:30pm, 440-6688.
Light Mission Pentecostal Church Weekly 5-7pm 203-4721
(un)Occupy ABQ Weekly, 1pm at Yale Park, unoccupy-abq@gmail.com, www.unoccupyabq.org.

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Dec. 1-5

Monday-Thursday, Dec. 1-4, 6pm ONLY
**Level 5** by visionary filmmaker **Chris Marker** concerns development of a futuristic video game about the Battle of Okinawa as a metaphor and meditation on buried history. At Guild Cinema, 3405 Central NE, [www.guildcinema.com](http://www.guildcinema.com)

Monday, Dec. 1, 7pm
**People Before Profit Film Series**: **A Whisper to a Roar**, a documentary following revolutionaries and democracy activists in five countries. At UNM SUB Theater, free to all, post-film discussion led by Terry Cutler and her Peace Studies film class. Co-sponsored by UNM Peace Studies and the P&J. Contact: unmpeacestudies@gmail.com.

Tuesday, Dec. 2, 6:30-8:30pm
**Free Climate Change documentary - Years of Living Dangerously: Winds of Change and panel discussion** about PNM’s high-carbon plan for future electricity. Sponsors: 350.org, Sierra Club, Environment NM, and Interfaith Power & Light. At the Jewish Community Center, 5520 Wyoming Blvd NE. More info: Ken, 274-6324.

Friday, Dec. 5, 3-4:30pm
**Not-your-grandfather’s Sustainability Speaker Series** with Andy Gingrich, Urban Planner, on “Sustainability and Local Urban Development” Free, at Max Salazar Bldg. Rm 301, CNM main campus. More info: mjzim@cnm.edu.

Friday, Dec. 5, 6pm
Artist reception for **Aztatl** in the P&J Center Peace Hall, all welcome. Light refreshments will be served. For more info call Bill Orzen, 319-6955, see also artist statement in Noticias.

Saturday, Dec. 6, 6-11pm
**Peace Center Holiday Gala 2014**. At the First Congregational Church, Lomas & Girard. See cover for details. Volunteers needed!

Saturday, Dec. 6, 6pm

Sunday, Dec. 7, 11am
The **ABQ Unitarian Universalist Fellowship** (AUUF) welcomes Zach Kluckman of Juntos NM, speaking on “Clean Air and Water” at the Peace Center. Info: 440-6688, [www.abquuf.org](http://www.abquuf.org)

Monday, Dec. 8, 7pm
**People Before Profit Film Series**: **Reporter**. Journalist Nicholas Kristof travels to the DRC (China) to investigate the growing humanitarian crisis. At UNM SUB Theater, free to all, post-film discussion led by Terry Cutler and her Peace Studies film class. Co-sponsored by UNM Peace Studies and the P&J. Contact: unmpeacestudies@gmail.com.

Tuesday, Dec. 9, 5:30-7:30pm
**PAJOLA Potluck/Meeting** Prep for upcoming 60-day legislative session, get updates on “Action NM--a Community Action Network.” Bring specific info (sponsor, talking points) of any bills your group plans to support or oppose, and learn how to take action to amplify PAJOLA voices. Bring food or drink to share. More info: 268-9557.
Calendar of Special Events

Thursday, Dec. 11, 6-8pm
Friends of Sabeel ABQ (FOSA) meeting at the Greenbriar Apt. Coop, 1212 Nakomis NE (west of Tramway/south of Indian School); purple SABEEL signs will guide you. Everyone welcome, call Rita at 468-7480 or 828-0546 with questions.

Friday, Dec. 12, 7-8:30pm
Trinity House Catholic Worker presents Conversations with Dorothy Day, a one-woman dramatic performance by Sharon Halsey-Hoover. At the P&J, reception to follow. $10 suggested donation, no one turned away. Info: 842-5697.

Saturday, Dec. 13, 6pm
Alternative Radio with David Barsamian presents a lecture by Vandana Shiva: “Radical Compassion” on KUNM 89.9FM, online at www.kunm.org/listen. Info: www.alternativeradio.org.

Sunday, Dec. 14, 11am
The ABQ Unitarian Universalist Fellowship (AUUF) welcomes Kiley Moran, speaking on “Poverty to Prosperity in New Mexico,” at the Peace Center. Info: 440-6688, www.abquuf.org

Friday, Dec. 19, Noon-3:30pm
Alb. Homeless Persons’ Memorial Vigil meets at ABQ Healthcare for the Homeless, 1217 1st St. NW. Info: kristin-fi@nmceh.org & see back page.

Saturday, Dec. 20, 6-8pm
50 years of Posters for Justice. Veteran activist Allen Cooper shares 100+ digitally archived vintage political justice posters with historical anecdotes onscreen at Peace Center (not the Guild). $5 donation goes to Indigenous schools. More info: 304-3144.

Saturday, Dec. 20, 1:30-3:30pm

Saturday, Dec. 20, 6pm
Alternative Radio with David Barsamian presents a lecture by Josh Ruebner: “Shattered Peace: Israel/Palestine” on KUNM 89.9FM, online at www.kunm.org/listen. Info: alternativeradio.org

Sunday, Dec. 21, 11am
The ABQ Unitarian Universalist Fellowship (AUUF) musicologist Jane Ellen presents on “Music for the Solstice” at the Peace Center. Info: 440-6688, www.abquuf.org

Sunday, Dec. 21, 5:30pm
St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Community, the 1st Congregational Church of Christ and the Korean Evangelical Church hold a Living Nativity Scene with Korean and English Christmas carols and shared play-acting. All are welcome, at 1st Cong. UCC, 2801 Lomas NE. More info: 977-4661.

Monday, Dec. 22- Friday, Jan. 2
The Peace Center will be closed for the Winter Break. Previously planned meetings will still take place, Peace Café TBD.

Saturday, Dec. 27, 6pm
Alternative Radio with David Barsamian presents a lecture by Justin Lewis: “Media & Consumer Capitalism” on KUNM 89.9FM, online at www.kunm.org/listen. Info: alternativeradio.org

Sunday, Dec. 28, 11am
The ABQ Unitarian Universalist Fellowship (AUUF) view and discuss Does Christianity Have a Future? by Joan Chittiser, at the Peace Center. Info: 440-6688, www.abquuf.org
Peace Walk for the Mosque

The Peace Center and United Nations Assn. ABQ chapter co-sponsored a Peace Walk for the Mosque in solidarity with the Islamic Center of New Mexico after it was hit with a Molotov cocktail. More than 300 people from the community participated, walking from the P&J to the mosque on Yale. We were greeted with a warm reception, including prayers for peace and mutual sisterhood and brotherhood. We read a statement of support signed by dozens of walkers. It felt like a historic day as the people of Albuquerque truly united against intolerance and hate crimes.

Donations from friends and members is an important part of keeping the ACP&J work ongoing. If you are planning some end of the year donations please consider a tax exempt gift to the Peace Center. The easiest way is to donate through our web site, abqpeaceandjustice.org. Just look for the word Donate in the menu at the top. And if people want to donate to the Peace Center at their work place through the United Way of Central New Mexico campaign, they should write us in on the United Way Pledge Form at the bottom of box #2. Write in: Albuquerque Center for Peace and Justice, Albuquerque, New Mexico. Thank you for supporting the work of the ACP&J!

Thanks from Sally-Alice Thompson

I want to thank everyone who provided the support, the food, the hospitality, and the love that was extended to me in my October walk to "Get the MOP" (Money Out of Politics). Many people heard the message, and it is hoped that the ripples will continue to expand, and that we will be on our way to owning democracy.

Project PeacePal Fundraising Opportunity

Support Local and Global Peace-building while Holiday Shopping

What began over seven years ago as a pen pal letter exchange between a few students in New Mexico and Togo, West Africa, has grown into a program that has seen over 12,000 participants in 25 countries. Project PeacePal connects students in middle and high school with a pen pal in a developing country, providing students with an opportunity to learn about people and life in other parts of the world. Each year students exchange six hand written letters and discover that far more connects us than separates us.

At a time when funding for peace-building programs has nearly evaporated, grassroots support is growing stronger. Finding creative ways to engage people while raising funds has always been a staple in the peace community, and Project PeacePal is no exception. This holiday season, you can buy gifts and support our work at the same time.

Right now through December 6, you can shop online at barnesandnoble.com/bookfairs for anything on the site. Be sure to note that this is a Bookfair purchase for Project PeacePal, and enter Bookfair ID# 11481199 at checkout. Barnes & Noble will donate up to 20% of your purchase to help PeacePal continue connecting students across the globe in one-to-one friendships. Questions? info@peacepal.org or 255-2042.
Noticias continued…

New Art Exhibit features Works by Aztatl

I am Aztatl (az-tat-le) of Coahuila and Mexican Ancestry. Aztatl means Heron, given me in ceremony. Born in San Antonio, Texas, I grew up in Detroit, MI. I have lived in the Albuquerque area since 1999. I am a retired social worker with 34 yrs. experience in the mental health field as an activist, artist and writer. My art resulted from the need to learn more about my culture. This was pre- 1960's and the struggles of communities of color.

The current selected artwork hanging at the Albuquerque Center for Peace and Justice consists of multimedia pieces centered on drawings, pastel, acrylic, collage and water color paintings. They cover a range of ideas I have learned about my Coahuila-Xikano culture in Mexico and the Southwestern U.S.A. They are focused on the spiritual concepts of Earth Mother's 4 principles - Earth, Water, Air and Sun. Also included is contemporary art and writing.

The exhibit us currently up and runs to December 15, 2014. A reception will be held on December 5th at 6pm in the P&J Peace Hall. The office telephone # is 268-9557. Everyone is welcome.

Afghan Peace Volunteers Duvet Project

By Kathy Kelly

During chilly Kabul mornings last winter, the yard outside the Afghan Peace Volunteer (APV) home became a hub of activity as mothers, children, and young APVs participated in “the duvet project.” Duvets are heavy blankets, stuffed with wool, which can make the difference between life and death during Kabul’s extremely harsh winters. The volunteers coordinated manufacture and distribution of three thousand duvets, at no cost to recipients, during the winter of 2013-14.

The generosity of numerous supporters enables the APVs to purchase supplies, storage and distribution space, and pay wages plus transportation expenses for the women who manufacture the duvets. Photo and video documentation is available at http://vcnv.org/the-duvet-project and http://ourjourneytosmile.com/blog/the-winter-duvet-project. Any support you could offer will be most welcome. Checks can be made payable to Voices for Creative Nonviolence, (VCNV), and mailed to VCNV at 1249 W. Argyle Street, Chicago, IL 60640. Please write “duvet project” in the memo section. If you’re sending funds via PayPal as below, please make sure that you inform Douglas Mackey at dougwmackey@gmail.com.

To donate to the Duvet Project via PayPal, sign into your PayPal account and submit the funds to email identity “theduvetproject@gmail.com”. One-hundred percent of the funds go directly to the Duvet Project of the Afghan Peace Volunteers, with no administrative expenses. Please let us know if there is any way that we could assist with outreach, in your community, on behalf of the duvet project.

Sincerely,

Kathy Kelly, Co-coordinator, Voices for Creative Nonviolence, (773) 878-3815
Dr. Hakim, Afghan Peace Volunteers, hakimoryoung@rediffmail.com

In Memoriam, Thora Guinn 1916 – 2014

By Judith Kidd

For many years a Peace Center member, Thora was also a force in the NM Democratic party and other progressive causes in our area. She was a founding member of Rainbow Artists, an award winning collective embracing ethnic and artistic diversity, and she participated in our monthly Dialogue group with great enthusiasm. We will miss you Thora.
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**Please detach and mail to: ACPJ, 202 Harvard SE, Albuquerque, NM 87106.**

**Or bring it in person - we love to visit with you!**

**Would you be interested in volunteering with us?** _____________________________

**What talents and/or skills could you offer ACP&J?** _____________________________

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ALBUQUERQUE HOMELESS PERSONS’ MEMORIAL VIGIL

Friday, December 19, 2014

Join communities across the nation as we gather to remember those who passed away this year who had experienced homelessness.

12:00pm - 1:00pm: Meet outside at the Albuquerque Health Care for the Homeless “Memorial Wall.” Lunch will be provided beginning at 12pm. There will be a short ceremony at 12:45pm. (AHC is located at 1217 First St. NW, which is on the NW corner of 1st & Mountain. The Memorial Wall is on northwest side of the building)

1:00pm: March from Albuquerque Health Care for the Homeless to Immaculate Conception Church (619 Copper Ave NW). We will march silently through downtown to make our presence powerful.

2:00pm-3:30pm: Memorial Vigil inside Immaculate Conception Church (619 Copper Ave NW).

For more info please contact Kristin at the NM Coalition to End Homelessness at 217-9570 ext. 1 or kristin@nmeh.org