24th Annual César Chávez Day Marcha y Fiesta
Saturday, April 1
Marcha 10:30am – noon
Fiesta noon – 3pm
Nat’l Hispanic Cultural Center

You are cordially invited to join community activist Dolores Huerta in the Recuerda a César Chávez March for Justice y Fiesta on Saturday, April 1.

“Feisty” might be too dismissive and cliché a word to describe the diminutive, 86-year-old dynamo. A cultural icon in her own right, Dolores was progressive before “progressive” was cool--and her message is as poignant in today’s troubled times as it ever was.

Yes, New Mexico’s own Dolores Huerta is coming home to lend her voice, and feet, to La Causa (the cause) she and César started back in the 1960s. While she’s here, Bernalillo County is renaming Gateway Park “Dolores Huerta Gateway Park” (DHGP). The naming ceremony will start around 9:30am (exact time to be decided at the time of this writing).

In fact, La March de Justicia will step off at 10:30am at DHGP and a few minutes later at the National Hispanic Cultural Center (NHCC) at the 8th Street entrance (where we will be joined by floats and those who prefer the shorter route /later start time - there is NO PARKING at DHGP). As usual, the march will end at noon when La Fiesta begins at the NHCC Plaza Mayor.

César and Dolores believed community fun was at the heart of organizing, so the RCCC Fiesta features live music, a children’s corner with culturally relevant activities, dancing, poetry and lots of good food. The Fiesta is scheduled to be broadcast live on KUNM. The headliners this year are Kiko Villamizar & Band and Calle 66. All these Recuerda a César Chávez Committee events are free, family friendly - and tabling by non-profits is encouraged.

For more information, see “24th Annual Recuerda a César Chávez Marcha y Fiesta” on Facebook, visit www.cesarchaveznm.org, or call 385-2773.
### Regularly Scheduled Events—*held at the Peace Center unless otherwise noted*

**MONDAYS**
- **350NM.org** 1st & 3rd Monday, 5-7pm, 350-6000
- **Veterans for Peace ABQ** 2nd Monday, 5:30-8pm, 271-9274.

**TUESDAYS**
- **ABQ Hours Exchange** Orientation, 3rd Tues., 6-8pm, [www.abqhours.org](http://www.abqhours.org)
- **ABQ NOW** 4th Tuesday, 6-8pm, 881-6365
- **Race Dialogue** 2nd Tuesday, 5pm, 917 Vassar NE, 272-5085

**WEDNESDAYS**
- **Noon Yoga** weekly, Noon-1pm, [allenjr@unm.edu](mailto:allenjr@unm.edu)
- **Grassroots New Mexico** Community Radio Action Calendar, weekly, 3:57pm on KUNM 89.9FM.
- **Bhagavad Gita Class** weekly 7-8:45pm, Trinity House, 1925 Five Points Road SW, 842-5697.
- **The Water Groups** 1st Wednesday, 3pm @ SRIC, 243-6174.
- **Mediation in Practice** 1st Wednesday, 6-8pm, [workwellstrategies@gmail.com](mailto:workwellstrategies@gmail.com)
- **Power Through Peace** lecture 3rd Weds. 5:30pm. 400-4278

**THURSDAYS**
- **Peace Café** Weekly, Noon-3pm, Free coffee, snacks, Wi-Fi, chess, jam session. Everyone welcome!
- **Peace Center Coordinating Council** 2nd Thursdays, 6-8pm. All are invited. Call to confirm 268-9557.
- **Women in Black** Weekly, 12:30-1pm, silent vigil on Lomas between 3rd & 4th streets. All invited, wear black. 980-6684

**FRIDAYS**
- **Nonviolent Communication (NVC)** Weekly, 11:30am-1:30pm, 400-2709
- **Sierra Club & Root Beer** 1st Fridays on odd months, 6-9pm
- **P&J Movie Night** 3rd Friday, 6-8pm, 604-1261

**Saturdays**
- **Food Distribution** Weekly, 9am in Parking Lot.
- **International Leonard Peltier Defense Committee** weekly in office, Noon-1pm, 301-5423
- **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.
- **SURJ-ABQ** 1st Saturday, 10:15-Noon, [surjabq@gmail.com](mailto:surjabq@gmail.com)
- **Grandmother’s Council of NM** 2nd Saturday, 1:30-3:30pm, 610-8258

**Dialogue Group** 3rd Saturday, 1:30-3:30pm, 881-4536
- **ABQ Hours Exchange** 3rd Saturday, 4-6pm, [abqhours.org](http://abqhours.org)
- **ABQ IWW** 4th Saturday, 11am-1pm, [abq.iww@gmail.com](mailto:abq.iww@gmail.com)
- **AlbuCORE** 4th Saturday, 1:30-3:30pm, 366-1096

**Economic Reform Advocacy Group** 3rd Sat., 10:30am - 2:30pm, 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 5th Sunday, 11am-2:30pm, 440-6688.
- **Pentecostal Church** Weekly 1-5pm 804-8787
- **Blessed Oscar Romero Catholic Community** Weekly 11am at SWOP, 211 10th St. SW. 352-4061.

### People at the Peace Center

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Thursday, Mar. 2, 6-8pm
**Free Stress Reduction Clinic** at the P&J, led by Sheila Fox. Free, donations gratefully accepted. RSVP requested via notablehealing@gmail.com or 717-2402. For more info, see Noticias, pg 6.

Friday March 3, 10am
350NM invites you to **Renewable Energy Day at the Roundhouse**, 490 Old Santa Fe Trail, Santa Fe. Details: info@350newmexico.org

Friday March 3, 6:30-8:30pm
**Sierra Club & Root Beer** welcomes Dr. Sandrine Gaillard, speaking on “Why You Should Go Solar Now - a Workshop” at the Peace Center, with light refreshments. RSVP/questions: (630) 809-4234 or fjhoudek@gmail.com.

Saturday, Mar. 4, 12:30-2pm
“We the Resilient” - a **Duke City Writer’s Resist** poetry/spoken word event at the Peace Center. Free, donations welcome. For more info, email jennabee_84@yahoo.com.

Saturday, Mar. 4, 6pm
Alternative Radio presents a classic speech by **Naomi Klein**: “The Violence of Climate Change” on KUNM 89.9FM, online at kunm.org/listen. Info: alternativeradio.org.

Wednesday, Mar. 8, 6-8:30pm
**Nuclear Issues Study Group** (NISG) meets to share info on the environmental racism of the nuclear food chain and plan nonviolent actions to counter it. Contact: Cody Slama, 879-8547 or slama.cody@gmail.com.

Thursday, Mar. 9, 6-8pm
**Peace Center Coordinating Council** now meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month. Everyone is welcome.

Friday, Mar. 10
**Women’s History Month Celebration** at NM State Capitol, Santa Fe (Paseo de Peralta and Old Santa Fe Trail). Program in the Rotunda: noon-1pm, free and open to the public. Tabling and information (including the Peace Center): East Halls from 10am-3pm. Info: now.abqnm@gmail.com, and see also Noticias, pg 7

Friday, Mar. 10, 10am
**Rise with Standing Rock**: Power Through Peace co-hosts a rally with Pueblo Action Alliance to stand in solidarity with the water protectors for Standing Rock! At the Wells Fargo on 200 Lomas Blvd NW, First Floor. Part of a national call to action- more info: http://standwithstandingrock.net/march.

Saturday, Mar. 11, 6pm
Alternative Radio presents a lecture by **Ruth Bader Ginsburg**: “On Gender Equality” on KUNM 89.9FM, online at kunm.org/listen. Info: alternativeradio.org.

Sunday, Mar. 12, 1pm
The Peace Center and Veterans for Peace ABQ Chapter presents a special screening of **Three Tours**, a 50-min. documentary about U.S. military veterans back from deployments in Iraq, healing their wounds and becoming agents of change. Screening followed by panel discussion, moderated by Peace Ctr. board member **Samia Assed** with film director **Betty Yu**, plus featured activist **Ramon Mejia** and Vets for Peace member **Monique Salhab**. At Guild Cinema, 3405 Central Ave. NE, all seats $8. More info: www.guildcinema.com

Friday to Saturday, Mar. 17-18, 9am-5pm

Friday, Mar. 17, 6pm
**P&J Movie Night** partners with KNME, to screen the documentary **Newtown** as part of NM PBS’ **Indie Lens Pop-up Series**, at the P&J. Personal testimonies relate the aftermath of the Sandy Hook elementary school shooting in this powerful film. Free and open to the public, with a light meal served catered by Samia Assed; discussion follows film. For more info, call 604-1261.
Calendar of Special Events, continued

Saturday, Mar. 18
Dialogue group will not meet in March. Come to the NVC workshop on March 17-18 (above) instead. Dialogue/Discussion group resumes Sat. April 15, 1:30-3:30pm, topic TBA. Everyone is invited to suggest a topic and join our discussion. For more info, email mgwright@comcast.net.

Saturday and Sunday, Mar. 18 & 19, 1pm only Greening the Revolution (Dir. Katie Curran), an independent documentary about food justice, exposing the politics and economics behind a corrupt food system while showing examples of resistance and sustainable alternatives from small farmers. At Guild Cinema, 3405 Central Ave. NE, $5 Students/$10 General. These special screenings are supported by Food & Water Watch. Info: guildcinema.com or email info@greeningtherevolution.org.

Saturday, Mar. 18, 6pm
Alternative Radio presents a lecture by Roxanne Dunbar-Ortiz entitled “An Indigenous Economic Model” on KUNM 89.9FM.

Wednesday, Mar. 22, 5:30-7pm
Power Through Peace hosts the Power Through Knowledge monthly lecture series. Topic: Human Trafficking. More info: powerthrupeace@gmail.com

Thursday, Mar. 23, 6-8pm
Tina Kachele of ABQ Friends Meeting and the Peace Center invite you to watch 13th, a documentary which analyzes the criminalization of African Americans, and the U.S. prison boom. Free, donations accepted, at the Peace Center. Info: 268-9557.

Friday, Mar. 31, 6-8pm
Jewish Voice for Peace ABQ presents “Bil’in and the Nonviolent Resistance,” a presentation and conversation by Palestinian peace activist Iyad Burnat at the Peace Center. $10 suggested donation but no one turned away for lack of funds. Contact: Benay Blend, sundancer_87102@yahoo.com, see also Noticias, pg. 5

Save the Dates:
Saturday, Apr. 1
Cesar Chavez Day events- see Cover

Saturday, Apr. 8, 1-3pm
P & J Annual Membership Meeting- enjoy food, meet and affirm our new Coordinating Council member(s), hear highlights from the past year, and help us honor some long-time volunteers. Please RSVP so we know how much food to provide. Call 268-9557.

Sat. Apr. 29, 9am-3pm
Nonviolent Action Training at the Peace Center by Silver City-based trainer Laura Ramnarace. Contact: lramnarace@gmail.com
Nonviolent Communication Workshop:
Finding Empathy in a Radical World

How we communicate impacts ourselves, our relationships, our families and our communities. Join gifted facilitators Jack Lehman and Pan Vera at the Peace and Justice Center from Friday, Mar. 17 to Saturday, Mar. 18, 9am-5pm each day for this highly experiential workshop. Come ready to gain clarity of your unique communication needs and any barriers to effective interpersonal communication. Leave with a new awareness, a new set of tools, deeper empathy and compassion for self and others and the potential to make every relationship infinitely richer.

The Nonviolent Communication (NVC) process offers proven, effective interpersonal communication skills to foster healthy, satisfying relationships—with yourself and others. Learn to understand the root of conflict and emotional pain. Transform unhealthy communication habits to create satisfying relationships, resolve conflicts with ease. In this training, we will focus on using NVC to bring empathy into the political dialogue. This era marks a time of great uncertainty that presents tremendous dangers and opportunities! Let’s create a new story, titled “We Are All in This Together.” We'll animate politics with compassion, and inter-being. It will take empathy; the result of the compassionate inquiry: “What is it like to be you?”

Register at cnvc.org/trainingcal/register?training_id=10921. Admission is a self-serve sliding scale; suggested range $75-200, none turned away for lack of funds. If you are unable to pay $75 for this two-day training, please select “Already Paid.” Price includes 14 CEU's (Continuing Education Units/Credits) approved by the NM Counseling and Therapy Practice Board. Contact: 988-4564 or GiraffeRide@gmail.com.

Jewish Voice for Peace ABQ presents Iyad Burnat speaking on Palestinian Rights: Bil’in and the Non-Violent Resistance

Everyone is welcome to attend a presentation and conversation on Saturday, March 31, from 6-8pm at the P&J with Palestinian peace activist Iyad Burnat, one of the central figures in the Bil’in village protests. His brother Emad is director of the 2011 documentary film, Five Broken Cameras. Resistance has cost Iyad years in jail as well as the loss of friends. Two of his sons have been injured by Israeli soldiers. Throughout these trials, one thing characterized the Bil’in people: an unbreakable spirit of resistance! $10 suggested donation but none turned away. Contact: Benay Blend, sundancer_87102@yahoo.com.

Free Yoga at the P&J

Everyone is invited to take part in group yoga every Wednesday from noon to 1pm at the Peace Center, led by front desk volunteer and long-time yoga practitioner Justin Allen. For more info, contact: allenjr@unm.edu

Hello from Lynette Diaz, New High School Intern

Hi I’m Lynette. I’m the new intern for the Albuquerque Center for Peace and Justice. I am currently a junior at South Valley Academy. I like being here because I work with The Peace cafe, being able to give food to a variety of people is great because you can get to know who they are and what they have been through. I found out about this place through my school’s program called Service Learning. Basically, this program allows us to do community service at a non-profit organization. I’m planning on going to college right after high school because I don’t want to get lazy or distracted and not end up going at all. Although I’m barely a junior, I’m already looking at colleges and scholarships to which I can apply to so I can go study abroad, perhaps to Spain. I want to major in either law or medicine because in both careers I can be able to help people in need. The type of law I might be interested in is immigration law because I know many people without the legal documents to live in the U.S.
Introducing Coordinating Council Candidate: Danny Hernandez

Danny began organizing bicycling events in the mid-1980s, which led him into advocacy for bicycling issues. In that role, he helped get bicycle-friendly laws passed and policies implemented. He chaired the Greater Albuquerque Bicycle Advisory Committee and was a founder of BikeABQ (then, ABQ Spokes People). His greatest achievement as a bicycling advocate was getting bike racks on City buses.

In the early 90s, Danny became a neighborhood advocate when UNM planned to build a four-story parking structure on Central Ave. Years later he became President of that neighborhood association (UHA).

Danny has worked many political campaigns. The skills he picked up organizing running, bicycling and multisport events translated well to organizing campaigns and other special events. He has been involved as a precinct chair, a ward chair, a cluster leader, a member of the County Central Committee and a member of the State Central Committee.

In 1999, Danny ran for a seat on the Albuquerque Metropolitan Arroyo Flood Control Authority (AMAFCA). When he won, he became the first Hispanic to be elected to that board. He served sixteen years in that position. During his tenure at AMAFCA, he was also an active member of the MRCOG Water Resources Board and the Middle Rio Grande Water Assembly.

Danny has been the lead coordinator for the Recuerda a César Chávez Marcha y Fiesta for the past three years and a member of the organization since 2000.

With all his time on boards and commissions, Danny is very experienced in Parliamentary procedures, consensus decision-making process and budget management. Danny wants to be a member of the Coordinating Council because the Albuquerque Peace and Justice Center gives so much to the community.

P&J members will be given opportunity to meet and affirm Danny as a new CC member at the Annual Membership Meeting on Saturday, April 8th at the Peace Center.

Keeping Your Activist Self Strong! Resiliency Tools!
Burnout Prevention Workshop By Sheila Fox

Social change is hard work! Sometimes your body is on the line. Sometimes emotions can take over. Staying strong and healthy is crucial. Tap into your body, mind and heart’s strength, wisdom and love. We will focus, breathe, visualize, move, and sing. Learn easy and fun skills to take back to your community, taught by healer Sheila Fox. Sheila is a long time activist and cultural worker. She is a certified meditation teacher, Acutonics® Sound Healing Practitioner and is certified in Capacitar® Trauma Transformation Exercises. She is a mother and grandmother here in ABQ. Snacks provided. The workshop is free, and donations are gratefully accepted. RSVP requested: Sheila Fox, notable-healing@gmail.com or 717-2402. Please be fragrance free. Thursday, March 2, 6–8pm at the Peace Center.

Volunteer Spotlight
By Volunteer/Membership Coordinator Adrienne Matthewson

The last few months have been so busy for our volunteers and, particularly, our Front Desk volunteers. The increased activity at the Peace & Justice Center means that our phones are ringing off the hook, people are coming in our office looking for ways to help, and buying yard signs and posters. Many of our front desk volunteers are new to the center, but they’ve all stepped up to the plate and been extremely helpful. The Peace Center is dependent on our volunteers and they all deserve a huge thank you for their willingness to keep the office open to assist members and visitors.

Left: New front desk volunteers, Kelly King and David Drezner.

Right: Samia and Sally-Alice at the January 14 MLK parade.
**Thank You to Patti Gladstone for 20 Years of Service to the Peace Center**

After 20 years voluntarily providing her bookkeeping and accounting skills to the ACP&J, Patti Gladstone will be ending her services to the Center this Spring. What an amazing gift she has provided to ACP&J! If you see Patti, please thank her for her hard work. The Finance Committee has prepared a job description of the tasks needed as well as begun the search for a replacement. If you know of someone with bookkeeping/accounting skills who may be interested in providing those services to ACP&J, please contact Finance Committee member John Ellig at 345-4485 or bjellig@aol.com.

**Nuclear Issues Study Group**

Interested in being part of protecting NM from all things Nuclear? Come join us for an evening filled with the sharing of knowledge and the planning of nonviolent actions! We will also explore the ethics and spirituality of Nuclear Guardianship. At our upcoming meetings we will be organizing some events, including street art for the UNM Sustainability Expo on April 20th. At every meeting, we discuss all parts of the nuclear fuel chain: from uranium mining to the dumping of commercial High-Level Nuclear Waste in NM and how to fight these forms of environmental racism! Join us at the Peace and Justice Center on Wed. March 8, from 6-8:30pm. Feel free to bring info, related art projects, or snacks to share. Hope to see you there! Sponsored by the Nuclear Issue Study Group. Contact: slama.cody@gmail.com or call 879-8547.

**Celebrate Women’s History Month! Keeping Our Eyes on the Prize =Equality**

Join the Celebration of Women’s History Month Friday, Mar. 10, at the NM State Capitol Rotunda in Santa Fe. 10am-3pm: Visit legislators, network and get more information. Participating organizations will have information tables along the East Hall. Participants and the public are invited to visit all our NM legislators, thank them for their work on behalf of women and ask for their support for the work that still needs to be done. Noon-1pm: Program honoring the importance of women in developing our democracy and building our state and recognizing the role that young feminists play in shaping our future. Speakers will highlight the ongoing work to achieve equal rights by ensuring existing laws to protect women’s rights are strengthened and enforced, and new laws to address unequal treatment based on gender are enacted. Free and open to the public. Sponsored by: Albuquerque-NOW, SWLC, League of Women Voters, AAUW, Albuquerque Center for Peace and Justice, SWOP, and others. For more info: now.abqn@gmail.com
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#NoDAPL Protest
By David Goodman, UNM Peace Studies intern at ACPJ

On February 9, 2017, a demonstration was organized with little more than a day’s notice at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers office in Albuquerque. At issue was the Trump administration’s bypass of environmental impact statement and public commenting processes in approving the easement for the Dakota Access Pipeline. Over 100 people participated; cars completely lined the street from Jefferson to the entrance of the parking lot. The event was organized with speakers from Food & Water Watch with support from 350NM, Iraq Veterans Against the War, and New Mexican indigenous activists. Chants rang out loudly with “Mni Wiconi!” or “Water is life!” and “What do we want? Clean water! When do we want it? Now!” Numbers to contact the Corps and other offices were given to the crowd, with instructions to make their voices heard.

The spirit was fraught with concern, but with a bit of joviality as well, as the attendees enjoyed a drum circle playing a song for an Eagle Dance, as well as a woman releasing ceremonial incense. Petitions opposing the U.S. Army Corps’ decision to forego procedural protocol and expedite construction were in boxes and handed over to Federal Protective Service agents for the Department of Homeland Security and then taken into the office.

Numerous indigenous activists including Leoyla Cowboy recalled their experiences at the Standing Rock camp from constant surveillance and armed police from many agencies to the more uplifting aspects of building teepees and prayer. They also bemoaned today’s soulless dependence on consumerism for fulfillment in this life, and how that manifests in endless extraction of fossil fuels at the expense of even life itself.

Eleanor Bravo, lead organizer of the protestor, and National Pipeline Campaign Manager for Food and Water Watch, informed the crowd about the National Day of Action on March 10. More info on this event can be found at: http://standwithstandingrock.net/march.