You Are Cordially Invited to:

The P&J 35th Anniversary Celebration

----a fundraiser-----

featuring talks by

Ret. Col. Ann Wright, Veterans for Peace, and Alternative Radio founder/director David Barsamian - titled “Rise and Resist” plus

Sally-Alice Thompson will be honored for her lifetime of peace and justice activism

Sunday, March 10, 4-6:30pm

at the

African American Performing Arts Center
310 San Pedro Dr. NE
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87108

Seating is limited to 300 people. A Palestinian Dinner prepared by Samia Assed & Friends will be served after the program. Tickets are $35 ($1 for each year!) and can be pre-purchased via peaceandjusticegala.brownpapertickets.com. Please consider also buying a subsidized ticket! For more information, call 999-8265 or 268-9557
Family Invites Community to Celebration of Life Memorial for Johnny Fishburn
By Mollie Wilkie

The family of long time Peace Center volunteer Johnny Fishburn would like to invite all to join them in a “Celebration of Life” memorial service for Johnny on his birthday, **Monday, Mar. 25, 3pm in the P&J Peace Hall.** Rest in Peace, Johnny. We miss you. RIP Johnny Fishburn: March 25, 1958 - December 6, 2018
**Calendar of Special Events**

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<td>The first SouthWest Organizing Project member meeting of 2019 will be at SWOP offices, 211 10th St. SW. More info: 247-8832.</td>
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<td>Friday, Mar. 1</td>
<td>5:30-7pm</td>
<td><strong>Sierra Club &amp; Root Beer</strong> welcomes speaker Dan Flores, a writer and historian specializing in cultural and environmental studies of the American West; at the Peace Center. Info: <a href="mailto:fhoudek@gmail.com">fhoudek@gmail.com</a></td>
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<td>Saturday, Mar. 2</td>
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<td>The 8th Annual Cotton Club Scholarship Gala closes Black History Month with live entertainment and delicious food at the Marriott in Uptown, 2101 Louisiana Blvd NE. This year’s gala honors five outstanding African American female educators. More info: nmblackhistorymonth.com, 407-6784.</td>
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<td>Sunday, Mar. 3</td>
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<td>United in Solidarity: Organizing, Winning and Building Power in our Communities. An International Women’s Day Conversation with representatives from UFCW, OLE, UNITE/HERE and the March 8 Women's Committee, focuses on the work of women in the labor movement and the community, defending workers’ rights. Childcare will also be provided, at AFSCME Council 18, 1202 Pennsylvania St NE. More info: Eleanor Chavez, 401-4732, <a href="mailto:info@afscme18.org">info@afscme18.org</a>, fb.com/AFSCME18, or 266-2505.</td>
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<td>Friday, Mar. 8</td>
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<td>SWOP’s Con Mujeres Gender Justice hosts Building Solidarity, Building Chants, Building Drums, an International Women’s Day event at the P&amp;J. Free, bring a snack to share. New info: <a href="mailto:beva@swop.net">beva@swop.net</a></td>
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<td>Saturday, Mar. 9</td>
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<td>Tuesday, Mar. 12</td>
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<td>The Red Nation, Santa Feans for Justice in Palestine and Veterans for Peace welcome Ahmed Abu Artema, speaking on “From Hashtag to Headlines: How the Gaza Great March of Return Challenged the World” at the Universalist Unitarian Church in Santa Fe, 107 W Barcelona Rd. Info: Santa Feans for Justice in Palestine on Facebook.</td>
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<td>Friday, Mar. 15</td>
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<td><strong>P&amp;J Movie Night</strong> screens a documentary facing heavy censorship, about the Israeli Lobby’s U.S. intrigues: The Lobby—USA, Episodes 1&amp;2 (of 4) produced by Al Jazeera. Free to all, light refreshments, donations welcome. More info: electronicintifada.net/ or call 268-9557.</td>
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<td><strong>Benefit Fundraiser for the Tularosa Basin Downwinders Consortium</strong> at the National Hispanic Cultural Center, 1701 4th St. SW, with music, dancing, food, silent auction and door prizes! $25/person, $35/couple, cash/checks only, payable to CCNS. More info: trinitydownwinders.com, 235-3427.</td>
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<td>Monday, Mar. 18</td>
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<td>Coming to the Table: Dismantling Racism with Understanding through Conversation, at 1st Unitarian Church, 3701 Carlisle Blvd. NE. Info: comingtothetable.org, <a href="mailto:rusty@ourbestteam.com">rusty@ourbestteam.com</a> or call Rusty at (575)737-8388.</td>
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<td>Thursday Mar. 20</td>
<td>7pm &amp; 8pm</td>
<td>Part of the Revolutions International Theatre Festival, Palmyra is a play about Syria, inviting people to step back from the news to look at what lies beneath, and beyond, civilization. At Experimental Theatre X on UNM campus; more info: performanceperipheries.com/palmyra</td>
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<td>Saturday, Mar. 23 &amp; 30</td>
<td>9am-6pm</td>
<td>Alternatives to Violence Workshop, a 2-day experiential workshop to practice creative conflict resolution and learn tools for developing community and empathy. Sponsored by Alternatives to Violence Project of Northern NM at ABQ Friends Meeting House, 1600 5th St. NW. Open to the public; by donation. To register: avpnm.org/avp-nnm-specevents, email <a href="mailto:theparentingclass@hotmail.com">theparentingclass@hotmail.com</a> or call Margy, 204-4755. Info: avpnm.org, <a href="mailto:avpnm@yahoo.com">avpnm@yahoo.com</a></td>
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<td>Saturday, Mar. 23, 1-3pm</td>
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<td><strong>P&amp;J Annual Membership Meeting</strong>, featuring highlights of the past year, financial update, affirm new Coordinating Council members, short presentations from 350 NM and NM Faith Coalition for Immigration Justice, while enjoying a light meal. At the P&amp;J; RSVP appreciated via 268-9557 or <a href="mailto:abqpeaceandjusticecenter@gmail.com">abqpeaceandjusticecenter@gmail.com</a>. See Back Page for more info.</td>
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Saturday, Mar. 23, 6-10pm
Monthly peña cultural, or musical coffeehouse, sponsored by LASOTRAS at Bandidos, 2128 Central SE. Children’s and sing-along hour 6pm, LASOTRAS at 7, then open mic/open jam. No cover; more info: Dair, 321-6365 or dair_o@yahoo.com

Saturday, Mar. 23, 6pm
Alternative Radio presents a lecture by Peter Kornbluh: “U.S. & Cuba: Back to the Past” on KUNM 89.9FM, online at kunm.org/listen. Info: alternative-radio.org

Monday, Mar. 25, 6:30pm
350.orgNM Speaker Series welcomes UNM neuroscience researcher Chuck Gasparovic, speaking on “Fossil Fuels & Brain Health” at the P&J. Free to all; info: fb.com/350NM

Wednesday, Mar. 27, 7pm only
Transgender Resource Center of NM presents Becoming More Visible (Dir. Pamela French - 2016), following four transgender youth at different phases in their transition and with different levels of familial support, and exploring avenues of support for this population. At Guild Cinema (3405 Central Ave. NE). Info: guildcinema.com, tgrcnm.org.

Friday, Mar. 29, 4-6pm
Fundraiser for Immigration Legal Fees for the Muneri Family, includes a presentation by Dr. Cleophas Muneri: Struggles for Democracy in Zimbabwe after Mugabe: Resistance and the Role of the Media in the Face of Repression, and a Silent Auction; at the P&J. Organized by Prof. Mary Jane Collier; info: mjc@unm.edu

Friday, Mar. 29- Monday, Apr. 1, 6pm only, no matinees ¡Las Sandinistas! (Dir. Jenny Murray - 2018) reveals the untold story of Nicaraguan women who led rebel Sandinista troops in battle, went on to create social reform during the 1979 Sandinista Revolution, and continue to lead popular movements for democracy and equality today. At Guild Cinema (3405 Central Ave. NE). Info: guildcinema.com

Saturday, Mar. 30, 10:30am-3pm
Honor the life and legacy of César Chávez at the 26th Annual César Chávez Day celebration in ABQ, with a march—La Marcha de Justicia—beginning at the National Hispanic Cultural Center, 1701 4th St. SW, and ending at noon on the Center’s Plaza Mayor. Following the march, the family fiesta includes food, poetry, dancing, community exhibits, children’s activities and games. Entertainment TBD. More info: fb.com/cesarchaveznm

Saturday, Mar. 30, 6pm
Alternative Radio presents a lecture by Leilani Farha: “The Financialization of Housing” on KUNM 89.9FM, online at kunm.org/listen. Info: alternative-radio.org

Sunday, Mar. 31, 3-5pm
Judy Bierbaum reports back from a visit to the US/Mexico border, putting a face to immigration, and connecting the dots on the issues that drive migration (especially the ones the U.S has a role in), at the P&J. Free and open to the public; for more info, call 268-9557.

Save the Dates:
Saturday, Apr. 6, 8am-2pm
The Trinity Site on the White Sands Missile Range is open to the public on this day. The Tularosa Basin Downwinders Consortium will hold two peaceful demonstrations - one at the Tularosa Gate; the other at the Stallion Gate, near San Antonio. More details: trinitydownwinders.com

Saturday, Apr. 6, 6pm
NM Faith Coalition for Immigration Justice holds a Celebrate Solidarity Benefit at 1st Unitarian Church, 3701 Carlisle Blvd NE. More info: nmimmigrantjustice.org, and see also Noticias, pg. 6

Saturday-Friday, April 13-19

Saturday, April 20, 11am–5pm
La Montanita Food Co-op presents the 29th Annual Earth Fest, behind the Nob Hill location at 3500 Central Ave. SE. To help out at the P&J table, call 268-9557.

Saturday, Apr. 20, 8:15am-7pm
Mindful NM presents the 5th Annual NM Leaders in Mindfulness Conference. This year’s theme is Mindfulness, Equity and Social Justice. Prof. Rhonda V. Magee will join multiple NM change-makers in a day of experiential learning and interaction. At Noah’s Event Venue, 4591 Vista Fuente Rd. NW, 87114. More info: mindfulnewmexico.com and see also Noticias, pg. 7

Monday, Apr. 26, 7-9pm
Resolana Border Fandango at the South Broadway Cultural Center, 1025 Broadway Blvd SE. Music, author readings, films. No fundraising due to City policy, but info tables welcome! Full details soon; contact Bill Nevins, 264-6979

A message from Sally–Alice Thompson about Dorie Bunting, P&J cofounder.
Dorie is in nursing care at Manzano del Sol. She would welcome visits by friends. Manzano del Sol is located at 5201 Roma NE (near San Mateo and Lomas).
NM Faith Coalition for Immigrant Justice Volunteer Orientation
By Justin Remer-Thamert

In the midst of this supposed "national crisis" and the actual crisis mounting locally with detentions at the courthouse, (even after a policy change we hoped would signal the end of this obstruction of justice), I wanted to share a hopeful update. Exslander was granted deferred action, meaning he should not be at risk of detention as he waits for the approval of his U-Visa. Another woman NMFCIJ worked with for over a year was just granted VAWA (immigration relief which supports survivors of domestic violence) and is now moving forward with her life in Texas. In the midst of major challenges, it is helpful to know that several individuals are achieving significant advances in their cases, albeit based on violence they have endured. Within this field, there is much paradox.

Are you looking to get involved as an ally in this struggle? There will be a Volunteer Orientation on Sunday, March 3, 2-4pm, location TBD. Our goal is that, within the next three months, all current volunteers and board will participate. This will also be our first step for new volunteers engaging. Also, if you haven't been to nmimmigrantjustice.org recently, check it out! One of our social work interns did an incredible job updating it in English and Spanish.

Vigil for the Children Update
By Lisa Lucero, Medicine Drum Circle

We continue our witness for the border children, meeting every Saturday on the NW corner of 3rd and Lomas, from noon -1 pm. We will not forget these children, separated from family and interned at the border. We held a vigil for 150 days straight, in front of the US Federal Courthouse, switching to once a week mid-December. We have been doing more direct actions to bring light on the children.

- On Christmas Eve, we did an action with a baby in a manger in a cage at Old Town
- December 28th, we visited Tornillo, TX where 2400 children were interned.
- January 12th, we did a presentation at Unity Spiritual Center about our trip and the children. We’re working on scheduling more presentations. Let us know if you have any ideas on where we can do our presentation.
- January 18th, we did a presentation/action in the Rotunda at the Round House (State Capital).
- We made another trip to Tornillo on the weekend of Feb. 15-17, for “Weekend of Resistance for Migrant Justice”
- We have 3 TV reporters following us now, which is what we want because it puts our message out there to tens of thousands of people. Since Dec. 22nd our group has been interviewed 6 times.
- We are starting the paperwork of incorporating with the state as a non-profit.

To be more involved in this witness for the border children, contact vigilforchildren@gmail.com to be added to the email list. Our monthly drum circles begin again, on the 2nd Saturday of each month. Thank you for all your support. We continue raising the vibration of the planet, one drum circle at a time!

Local Musician Holds House Concerts as a Benefit for the P&J!
Joanna de Keyser handing P&J Outreach Coordinator Sue Schuurman and volunteer Yolanda Torres-Martinez $1170 for the P&J (see photo at right). She raised the money by performing two House concerts in her home in January featuring herself on cello and pianist David Carlson. Thank you so much, Joanna! We are so grateful for your support!

Support Deported Vets
By Charles Powell

The Albuquerque Chapter of Veterans for Peace has been collecting petition signatures to persuade NM Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham to issue pardons to deported U.S. military veterans. These are non-citizens who served in branches of our military and then were convicted of crimes. Often the crimes stem from their service experience. PTSD, depression, drug addiction and alcoholism often leads to risky, sometimes illegal behavior. They have satisfied the courts by imprisonment, fines, etc and should not be further punished by banishment. When exiled they are separated from families, cannot access earned GI benefits and face hostility in unfamiliar locations. Governors Brown of California and Cuomo of New York granted pardons to deported vets of their states, paving the way for their legal return.

The petitions will be delivered to the Governor's office during Military/Veterans Appreciation Day at the NM Legislature, Monday, March 11. Contact: Charles Powell, 505-271-9274

We are grateful that two social justice activists have stepped up to become members of the Coordinating Council. The CC reached consensus for Margarita Mercure Hibbs and Sidni Lamb to serve as interim members at the February meeting, and P&J members will have the opportunity to meet and affirm them at the March 23 Annual Membership Meeting. Meanwhile, please get to know them by reading their bios on the following page:
CC Bio: Margarita Mercure Hibbs
Margarita Mercure Hibbs, Former First Lady of Estancia, NM and daughter of a former USDA Under-Secretary, currently works and lives in Estancia. She works within and outside the political party system as an elected Chair for her County Party and as a small business artist and graphic designer on Main Street. A native of New Mexico, she brings a long record of service to rural community and social development. She is co-founder of Our Revolution New Mexico and Frack Free Four Corners, both online progressive organizing communities. In addition to her community activism & local civic engagement, she knows that the potential of America is in the people, who prove every day that extraordinary things happen from simple acts of hard work, compassion for one another and the desire to strive for understanding.

CC Bio: Sidni Lamb
I consider myself to be a soft spoken, courageous activist for compassion and peace. I’ve been an international humanitarian aid worker and United Nations diplomat, UNM Peace Studies instructor, mindfulness facilitator, not for profit organizational director and a social entrepreneur. The thread of my work has always aimed at facilitating connections. Working boots on the ground with refugees in war zones led me to understand that connecting to the present moment is what makes us the most effective and creative agents of change.

I’m passionate about co-creating intentional invitations that bridge across generations, race, class and gender. It is from that passion and understanding that I envisioned my organization Mindful New Mexico and its signature gathering the NM Leaders in Mindfulness Conference. I believe in curating opportunities for people to see the nuances that might not be so obvious; that most personal challenges reflect the systemic contexts that we live in and co-create. When we recognize this, possibilities for individual and large scale transformation are endless. The Center for Peace and Justice has begun an intentional process of reflection and reconciliation about its legacy and white privilege. We humans tend to be resistant to change and that can be a barrier for organizational cultural shifts. I want to be on the Coordinating Council to offer my perspective, skills and support on this journey of organizational transformation.

NM Faith Coalition for Immigrant Justice Fundraiser
Amidst all the struggle immigrants, asylum seekers and refugees have been facing, we invite you to join us to stand strong together, to be with community, and to have a moment to unwind and recharge. “Celebrate Solidarity” April 6, 6pm, at First Unitarian, 3701 Carlisle Blvd NE.

World-renowned Iraqi oud musician and composer Rahim AlHaj will be our featured musician. Just prior to this performance, our incredible staff will provide a brief immigration update. Also, we’ll give our annual Social Justice award to both a group of families organizing and working to support each other in these difficult times, as well as Sr. Marlene Perrotte, who has done incredible work with asylum seekers and other migrants in and out of detention. After the program we’ll move into UU’s social hall for snacks and more music— beautifully provided by Café Bomba. Albuquerque’s outstanding poet María José Ramos will also perform.

Doors open at 5:15, enough time for to check out the arts and gifts for sale, created by members of the immigrant community. Purchases will help support these individuals and their families. “In This House” signs, posters, and cards will also be available, with most proceeds donated to the Faith Coalition.

Donations are encouraged, either at the door or skip the line and donate in advance via nmimmigrantjustice.org/donate. Cash or checks are preferred at the event. All are welcome, however, regardless of ability to pay.

Bernadette Garcia Honored For Her Courageous Work for Reproductive Health
By Charles Powell
Congratulations to Bernadette Garcia who recently received the "Changing Lives Award" from Planned Parenthood of the Rocky Mountains. The award is given to a person who embodies the importance of Planned Parenthood in New Mexico’s work providing sexual and reproductive healthcare services, education, and advocacy.

Bernadette was born and raised in Taos, NM. She is the mother of three children, son, Robert, and daughters, Renee and Melissa. She identifies as a Catholic and is a breast cancer survivor. She retired from banking in 2008. Bernadette has been a patient escort at Planned Parenthood for the last five years. Bernadette Garcia has been active with several PAJOLA groups, including Coalition to Stop $30 Billion to Israel and Friends of Sabeel ABQ, and stood on the corner of Tulane and Central for the weekly anti-war, anti-aid to Israel protest for many years.
Mindfulness, Equity and Social Justice: April 19-20, 2019
By Sidni Lamb

The fifth annual NM Leaders in Mindfulness Conference takes a fresh look at the state of diversity within the mindfulness community.

Leading the discussions and activities are a diverse group of practitioners from the Yoga & Meditation for People of Color, Native Health Initiative, as well as social justice activist and scholar Rhonda Magee and Qi Gong master Mingtong Gu.

April 19 kicks off with a special evening co-hosted by Yoga & Meditation for People of Color, at a venue TBA. This gathering is for self-identified people of color, and includes meditation, conversation, and a community dinner with Rhonda Magee.

April 20 we dive into:

- Return to Indigenous Currency of Relationships for Equitable Health and Community
- Mindfulness for Transforming Education Systems
- Mindful Money to Create the World You want to See
- Exploring Whiteness
- Self-Care for the Everyday Life of an Activist

This is a place where conscious awareness becomes a tool for self, social and systems transformation.

At Noah’s Event Venue, 4591 Vista Fuente Rd. NW, 87114. Childcare will be available. Full Details at mindfulnewmexico.com/2019_conference
All members of the P&J are invited to:
The P&J Annual Membership Meeting
Saturday, March 23, from 1pm to 3pm
at the Peace Center
a light lunch will be served

Affirm incoming Coordinating Council members Margarita Mercure Hibbs and Sidni Lamb, hear highlights from the past year from Outreach Coordinator Sue Schuurman, get updates from our Administrative Coordinator Martha Engberg on our membership and volunteers, a financial update from Greg Polk, plus remarks from our Coordinating Council. We will also learn more about the current projects of two PAJOLA groups: 350 New Mexico which works on climate justice, and the NM Faith Coalition for Immigrant Justice. Please RSVP so we know how much food to order: abqpeaceandjusticecenter@gmail.com or call 268-9557. If your membership has expired, now is a great time to renew! It’s quick and easy online at abqpeaceandjustice.org/index.php/donate. Thank you to all of our members for your support!