ABQ IWW, Black Rose/Rosa Negra-ABQ, (un)Occupy ABQ
& La Raza Unida Organizing Committee of NM

present

Celebrate May Day 2016
International Workers’ Day!

Sunday, May 1, from 12:30pm til dusk

12:30pm -- Gather at San Mateo & Central, then
March to UNM’s Yale Park on Central
2pm til dusk -- Family-friendly picnic.

Bring signs and banners, songs and noise to this
festival of solidarity and liberation.
Peace Center Admin. Committee
UVRR between 3
Women in Black
chess, jam session. Everyone welcome!
Peace Café
at 6pm (optional potluck at 5:30). All are invited.
Peace Center Coordinating Council
(parlor), 2300 West Alameda, Santa Fe, (505) 983
People for Peace
The Water Groups
ABQ Justice
Grassroots New Mexico
workwellstrategies@gmail.com
Mediation in Practice
Race Dialogue
ABQ NOW
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ABQ Hours Exchange
NVC Discussion
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MONDAYS
350NM.org 1st & 3rd Monday, 5-7pm, 255-1222.
Veterans for Peace 2nd Monday, 5:30-8pm, 271-9274.
NVC Discussion Weekly, 11:15am-1:15pm, 400-2709
ABQ NOW 4th Tuesday, 6:30-8:30pm, 881-6365
Race Dialogue 2nd Tuesday, 5pm, 917 Vassar NE, 272-5085
Mediation in Practice 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 6-8pm, workwellstrategies@gmail.com
Grassroots New Mexico Community Radio Action Calendar, weekly, 3:55pm on KUNM 89.9FM.
ABQ Justice for info: abqjustice@yahoo.com,
The Water Groups 1st Wednesday, 3pm @ SRIC, 243-6174.
People for Peace 1st Wednesday, 7-9pm, The Commons (parlor), 2300 West Alameda, Santa Fe, (505) 983-3906.
Peace Center Coordinating Council 2nd Wednesday, meeting at 6pm (optional potluck at 5:30). All are invited.

TUESDAYS
THURSDAYS
Pea Cultural / Coffee House Monthly, 7-10pm, Bandido Hideout, 2128 Central SE, 385-3670.

WEDNESDAYS

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.
Medicine Drum Circle 1st Saturday, 2:30-4:30pm, 417-4704
Grandmother's Council of NM 2nd Saturday, 1:30-3:30pm, 610-8258
Humanist Society of NM 2nd Sat., 11am-1pm, Highland H.S., 4700 Coal Ave SE, 344-6102
Dialogue Group 3rd Saturday, 1:30-3:30pm, 492-3594
ABQ Hours Exchange 3rd Saturday, 4-6pm, abqhours.org
ABQ IWW 4th Saturday, 4-6pm, abaiww@gmail.com
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.

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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Eliza Schmid
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Victoria Morales (South Valley Acad.)
Thalia Fort (Bosque School Winterim)
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Sarina Carruthers,
Cliff Campbell,
France Daniels-Thompson,
Maureen Wright,
Sharyn Kaye, Kent Zook,
Eliza Schmid, Judith Kidd
Cyrus Moses, Joshua Hull
Ximena McBride, David Cooper
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Rastus
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**ABQ Unitarian Universalist Fellowship (AUUF)**  
welcomes **Monique Sahib**, speaking on drones, at the Peace Center. Info: 440-6688, abquuf.org

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Sunday-Monday, May 1-2, 3/5:30/8pm  
**Where to Invade Next**, a subversive comedy in which director **Michael Moore**, playing the role of “invader” via vacation/travelogue, visits a host of nations to learn how the U.S. could improve its own prospects. At Guild Cinema, 3405 Central NE, guildcinema.com

Tuesday, May 3, 11:15am-1:15pm  
**Ongoing NVC class** each Tuesday. No need for previous experience, please join us in our ongoing discussions. For more info, call 881-4536.

Wednesday, May 4 & 18, 6-8pm  
**Mediation in Practice** meets every 1st and 3rd Weds. at the Peace Center for those with at least 40 hrs. of certified basic mediation training. All levels welcomed, $5/person fee covers rental, time and materials. More info: Holly, workwellstrategies@gmail.com

Friday, May 6, 7pm  
**Mala Maña**, a local all-female, Afro-Cuban vocal and percussion ensemble, plays at the gazebo in Old Town.

Saturday, May 7, 10am  

Saturday, May 7, 6pm  
Alternative Radio presents a lecture by **Thomas Frank**: “Listen Up, Liberal!” on KUNM 89.9FM, online at kunm.org/listen. Info: alternativeradio.org.

Sunday, May 8, 11am  

Tuesday-Thursday, May 10-12, 3pm, 5:15pm, 7:30pm  
**They Will Have To Kill Us First: Malian Music in Exile** follows disparate groups of musicians fighting the fundamentalist ban on music in Timbuktu. At Guild Cinema, 3405 Central NE, guildcinema.com.

Thursday, May 12, 5:30-7:30pm  
**Community CIT Working Forum** to improve our local crisis response system in a substantive way. At the Peace Center; more info: ilsebiel@icloud.com, see also Noticias

Friday, May 13, 7pm  
Please join us for a **book study of Laudato Si**, Pope Francis’ call to environmental stewardship. The study began Friday, April 29 and meets every other Friday night until we have completed the book, at Trinity House Catholic Worker, 1925 Five Points Rd. SW. More info: 842-5697.

Saturday, May 14, 7pm  
Artist reception for **Bobby Jones**, whose art will be up at the Peace Center, May-June 2016. Everyone is invited, and there will be refreshments. More info: 268-9557, “Bobbo66Art-Gallery” on Facebook.

Sunday, May 15  
Peace Center Membership Contest ends!
Sunday, May 15, 11am
AUUF weekly meeting: presentations by members and friends, at the Peace Center. Info: 440-6688, abquuf.org

Thursday, May 19, 7-9pm
Maxine Kaufman-Lacusta speaks on her book, Refusing to be Enemies: Palestinian and Israeli Nonviolent Resistance to the Israeli Occupation at ABQ Friends Meetinghouse, 1600 5th St. NW. Sponsored by UNA, Alb. Chapter. Info: 836-6557, ashurcliff@icloud.com or rblnchrd@emeritus.csus.edu, see also Noticias.

Friday, May 20, 6pm
P&J Movie Night presents The Friendship Village, about vets who help children in Vietnam suffering from Agent Orange-related health issues. Co-sponsored by Don Schrader, Vets for Peace ABQ and Stop the War Machine. Doors open 5:30pm; Frito pie will be served; contact 268-9557.

Saturday, May 21, 1:30-3:30pm

Saturday, May 21, 6pm
Alternative Radio presents a lecture by Rami Khouri: “Arab Jails & American Jets” on KUNM 89.9FM, online at kunm.org/listen. Info: alternativeradio.org.

Sunday, May 22, 10am-4pm
Sustainable Kitchens and Solar Cooking: a hands-on intensive at Ampersand Sustainable Learning Center in Cerillos, NM, to RSVP and more details at ampersandproject.org. For more info call 780-0535.

Sunday, May 22, 11am
AUUF weekly meeting speaker is Dave Dawn: “Antique Autos”, at the Peace Center. Info: 440-6688, abquuf.org.

Thursday, May 26, 7-9pm
Panel Discussion on Laudato Si: On Care of Our Common Home addresses its encyclical and practical applications and includes Joan Brown, osf, Exec. Dir. NM Interfaith Power and Light, at St. John the 23rd Catholic Community, 4831 Tramway Ridge Dr NE. For more details, email info@nm-ipl.org.

Friday-Sunday, May 27-29
NM Faith Coalition for Immigrant Justice leads a local immigration immersion for those interested in the experience of immigrants in our community. RSVP by May 15 to kathleenomalley42@gmail.com or call 217-5846; see Noticias for more info.

Saturday, May 28, 10am-4pm
High Desert Gardening: a hands-on intensive class at Ampersand Sustainable Learning Center in Cerillos, NM, details and RSVP at ampersandproject.org. More info: 780-0535.

Saturday, May 28, 3pm-9pm
GMO-free NM presents Bees + Seeds Festival at Tractor Brewing Wells Park, 1800 4th NW. More info: “Bees + Seeds Festival” on Facebook.

Saturday, May 28, 6pm

Saturday, May 28, 10am-noon
HSNM monthly Speaker Meeting welcomes local journalist Gwyneth Doland: “Mysteries of the Roundhouse Revealed” at Botts Hall, Special Collections Library, 423 Central NE. Free and open to the public. Info: hsnm.wordpress.com or president@humanistsocietyofnm.org

Sunday, May 29, 11am-2:30pm
AUUF weekly meeting welcomes Navajo Flute Player Andrew Thomas, with potluck after program. At the Peace Center. Info: 440-6688, abquuf.org.

Save the Date:
Thursday, June 2, 7-9pm

Saturday, June 11, 10am
**Community CIT Working Forum**  
*By Ilse Biel*

Join community members who have committed themselves to work on improving Albuquerque’s crisis response system in substantive ways. Avenues we will investigate include exploring and pursuing alternatives to “having” to call 911; doing an inventory of resources currently available to people in a mental/behavioral crisis and the people close to them and addressing the gaps; exploring and critiquing the realities that are currently part and parcel of an encounter with local law enforcement during crisis situations and potential harm reduction strategies; and promoting the restructuring of social values and the use of media and other mechanisms to change public perception towards people in crisis. The next working meeting will be **Thursday, May 12, 5:30-7:30pm in the Peace Hall.** More info: ilsebiel@icloud.com.

**Book Talk Features Maxine Kaufman-Lacusta, author of**  
*Refusing to be Enemies: Palestinian and Israeli Nonviolent Resistance to the Israeli Occupation*

A book talk and discussion by Maxine Kaufman-Lacusta takes place **Thursday, May 19, from 7-9pm at Albuquerque Friends Meetinghouse, 1600 5th St., NW, sponsored by the Albuquerque Chapter of United Nations Association USA** (other local organizations are invited to co-sponsor as the event is finalized). A Quaker-Jewish activist, Maxine lived in Jerusalem for seven years and has written widely on Palestinian and Israeli nonviolent activism and related topics.

The book is an interview-based study that presents the voices of over 100 practitioners and theorists of nonviolence, the vast majority either Palestinian or Israeli, as they reflect on their own involvement in nonviolent resistance and speak about the nonviolent strategies and tactics employed by Palestinian and Israeli organizations, both separately and in joint initiatives. In their own words, these activists share examples of effective nonviolent campaigns and discuss obstacles encountered in their pursuit of a just peace, as well as the changes required for their organizations—and the nonviolent movement as a whole—to more successfully pursue this goal. The book will be available for purchase and signing afterwards. For more info, visit [www.refusingtobeenemiesthebook.wordpress.com](http://www.refusingtobeenemiesthebook.wordpress.com).

For more information on the local event, contact Arthur Shurcliff: a.shurcliff@icloud.com or Rosemary Blanchard: rblnchrd@emeritus.csus.edu, (505) 836-6557 (leave message for returned call).

**Immigration Immersion Experience in ABQ - May 27-29**

The New Mexico Faith Coalition for Immigrant Justice will lead a delegation for those interested in learning more about the lived experience of immigrants in our community, offering the opportunity to meet with several families to hear their personal stories and learn some of the struggles they face.

This immersion experience in Albuquerque will run May 27-29. In addition to conversations with immigrants, the delegation will hear from agencies that support immigrants including health care providers, community organizers, attorneys, and educators. The $100 cost of the delegation includes three meals and local transportation. Some scholarship support is available.

Please **RSVP by May 15** to kathleenomalley42@gmail.com or call NMFCIJ at 217-5846.

**Books for Peace will not be meeting** this summer and until further notice. If you have a particular book you would like to discuss with the group, call 881-4536 and we will make a plan.

**Volunteer Spotlight: Sarina Carruthers**  
*By Karin Duncan*

We would like to recognize a volunteer for their service for the month of May. This is a random selection to give a chance to get to know our desk clerk volunteers and give thanks for their efforts. For the month of May the selection went to Sarina Carruthers.

Sarina states: “I have been a volunteer for two years and live in the neighborhood. I walk by daily with my dog Sasha and often bring my dog to work with me. I try to help out wherever I can. I thank everyone for the spotlight.”
Admin Committee Needs Your Help Now!
Are you handy? Do you know your way around a building in terms of keeping things repaired and maintained? Are you willing to help the Peace Center keep the building, owned by its members—that's you and me—in the best shape possible? The Admin Committee is severely short-handed right now, and we are in need of people who are willing to spend 1.5 hours per month participating in the monthly Admin Committee meeting, which meets the 4th Friday of each month from 2-3:30pm at the P&J. Help oversee repairs, insurance, murals, landscaping, and also the sustainability project, making our building more energy-efficient. When things break, we try to fix them ourselves, or find donated or paid labor to repair them. If you can help, please call Maureen Wright at 881-4536 or Sue at 268-9557. Thanks!

My Experience at the P&J Center
By Thalia Fort

My name is Thalia Fort, and I am currently a sophomore at Bosque School. One aspect of my school’s curriculum is a program called Winterim, in which students have off-campus learning experiences for a week before spring break. Some of the options for Winterim programs are swimming with manatees in Florida, experiencing the rush of New York City, visiting national monuments in Washington D.C., canoeing the Big Bend, exploring the deserts in Arizona among dozens of others. For my winterim, I chose to intern at the Peace and Justice Center. I picked this for my winterim because I have always been passionate for equality and justice and am very interested in Human Rights.

Growing up, my parents have pushed me into a world where I was forced to acknowledge the gaps of ability and livelihood among different groups of people. I learned to reflect upon myself and my privilege and I started getting involved with as many social justice groups as I could. I am the leader of my school’s Amnesty International group as well as for Student Leaders for Equity and Diversity, a social justice group started at Bosque. So going into my winterim I felt very prepared for the topics that I imagined we would be promoting or discussing, and I was also very excited. However my experience at the Peace and Justice Center did anything but reassure me of what I already knew. I was able to interact with people who otherwise I never would have encountered, and we were equals. I met so many wonderful people who have been marginalized from mainstream society, and it is so satisfying to know that I helped them in some way. It reminded me that this is why I fight for social justice, and do whatever I can to raise awareness about it both in the community and on a larger scale.

During my internship, I was also very involved in promoting the April featured movie Dirt! The Movie, and I had to reach out to other grass-root organizations to see if they would be interested in co-sponsoring the movie. That is definitely a new skill that I gained from working at the Peace and Justice Center. My experience at the Peace and Justice Center was so gratifying, and now more than ever I am more motivated to continue fighting for peace and justice!

Thank You from Karin Duncan
I would like to thank everyone at the Peace and Justice Center for giving me the opportunity to serve as Interim Volunteer Coordinator during the past few months, it was my honor and privilege to do so. I've worked with a great group of volunteers and met a lot of wonderful people. I would like to welcome Adrienne Mathewson as the new Volunteer Coordinator and wish her well in her new position. Thank you again for allowing me this opportunity.

See next month’s newsletter for more info about Adrienne!

Global Ties ABQ Visits P&J
A delegation of women leaders from 12 different African countries visited the Peace Center as part of a Global Ties ABQ (formerly Albuquerque Council for International Visitors) tour. We were privileged to hear an amazing and inspiring speaker, Getrude Matshe, who is from Zimbabwe now living in Albuquerque, tell the story of her life. Global Ties provided French translation to many in the audience. It was a pleasure having these women leaders at the P&J!
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$40 Basic $60 PAJOLA Basic Supporting

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Would you be interested in volunteering with us? ________________________________

What talents and/or skills could you offer ACP&J? ________________________________
Democracy Awakening Came to Albuquerque…
by Tom Greacen

…while “Dem Awak’n” came to the nation’s capital. … With thousands marching from Philly, tens of thousands rallying at the capital, and hundreds being jailed daily for civil disobedience, “Democracy Spring” began to shine in our town, too. Sunday morning, April 17th, around 80 folks gathered under the banner of Democracy Awakening to hear Rey Garduño, Pamelya Herndon and a live-stream video from D.C., and thus to initiate discussing how to take action from here.

Inspired by Sally-Alice Thompson of Veterans for Peace, many elements of this town’s peace and justice community came together to focus our efforts. Voter suppression and “dark” Big Money distorting electoral politics were the focus. Surely, this is a looming crisis. Many good ideas emerged from our teach-in, convened in the School of Music at Washington & Central. This specific work has only just begun, from bird-dogging candidates with the “No Dark Money” pledge, the need for more community interest media, more attention paid to the ignored voice of the poor among us, to the “usual” (and ever more necessary) peace and justice thinking, with environmentalism as its key. It’s a big job- no doubt! Let’s keep finding ways to pull together and keep this ball rolling. For more info: 268-5073, 256-1946 or democracyawakening.org.