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10th Annual Peace is Patriotic Event

Saturday, July 3 at Pennsbury Manor, Morrisville, PA
historic home of William Penn, 400 Pennsbury Memorial Rd.

12:30 p.m. Bring-your-own Picnic (bring lawn chairs & blankets)
1:30-3:00 p.m. Program with speakers, poetry, music, & awards

CFPA's 10th Annual Peace is Patriotic event on Saturday, July 3 will include the presentation of *Patriot for Peace Awards* to four peacemakers in the region, as well as poetry and music. This year, for the first time, the event will be in Pennsylvania (Morrisville, just over the Delaware River from NJ), hosted by CFPA's Bucks and Eastern Montgomery County, PA (Buxmont) Chapters.

The *Peace is Patriotic* gathering for people of all ages begins with a BYO picnic (no alcoholic beverages allowed) from 12:30-1:30 p.m. under the Pavilion at Pennsbury Manor. The Program follows from 1:30-3:00 PM in the Manor's air conditioned Visitor's Center. In addition to a picnic lunch, participants are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and/or blankets to sit on.

The BYO picnic and the Peace is Patriotic Program are free and open to the public. Participants are encouraged to wear patriotic clothing and/or to carry patriotic symbols. Poetry will be by **Chris Bursk**, and sing-alongs will be led by **C.J. Fitts** with **Rob Deckhart** on guitar.

Patriot for Peace Awards will be presented to **Jesse Hamilton**, an Iraq War veteran and recipient of the bronze star, who has spoken repeatedly at peace rallies; **Doris Selden**, an original founder of The Committee for a SANE Nuclear Policy; **Barbara Simmons**, Executive Director of the Peace Center in Langhorne, PA; and **the Rev. Bob Moore**, who is beginning his 30th year as Executive Director of the CFPA Regional Office in Princeton.



The Rev. Bob Moore

In the event of rain before the event, the Program only will take place from 1:30-3:00 p.m. in the Visitor's Center. Please use driving directions from the Pennsbury Manor web site, <http://www.pennsburymanor.org/Directions.html>, **not from MapQuest**, which is not accurate.

Special thanks to Bill Deckhart and Cathy Leary of the Buxmont chapters for their leadership in organizing this event.

Carpooling from the Princeton Shopping Center (Rite Aid end) will leave at 11:45 a.m. If you plan to join the carpool, please email or call the Regional Office in Princeton.

Upcoming Peace Events

July 3—Tenth Annual Peace is Patriotic Event

11:45 a.m. Carpooling from Princeton Shopping Center
12:30 p.m. BYO Picnic Lunch
1:30-3:00 p.m. Program
Pennsbury Manor, Morrisville, PA

July 9—Deadline for applications for Assistant CFPA Director

July 16—Rally to Retire Nuclear Weapons

11:15 a.m. Carpooling from Princeton Shopping Center
12:00-1:00 p.m. Rally at State House Steps, 125 W. State Street, Trenton

July 16—Retirement Party for Nuclear Weapons

7:30 p.m.
Trinity Church, Princeton

July 30—Premiere Screening of *Countdown to Zero*

Evening (exact time TBA)
Ritz by the Bourse, Philadelphia
Contact CFPA Office for tickets

August 5 – Hiroshima and Nagasaki Commemoration

6:00 p.m. BYO Picnic
7:00-9:00 p.m. Program
Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, NJ

November 2—Election Day; Be an Educated Voter for Peace, see CFPA's Peace Voter Guides!

November 14 – Annual Interfaith Service and Conference for Peace

11:00 a.m. Interfaith Service for Peace, Princeton University Chapel
1:30-5:00 p.m. Conference at Auditorium in Princeton

CFPA's Peace Voter 2010 Campaign

CFPA's Peace Voter Campaigns seek to educate voters to choose candidates based on where they stand on peace-related and other key issues. CFPA produces and distributes Peace Voter Guides to inform voters about candidates' positions. Peace Voter also educates candidates, and shows how voters can influence their government in matters of peace.



The 2010 Peace Voter Campaign seeks to maximize our impact for peace on the 2010 Congressional Elections. This spring, CFPA issued a Peace Voter Guide for the Pennsylvania Senate Primary, comparing the positions of candidates Specter and Sestak on issues affecting peace. Next CFPA will send candidate questionnaires and offer non-partisan briefings by CFPA experts and leaders to major party candidates in targeted races in the region. Then CFPA will publish Peace Voter Guides for those targeted races, which will probably include the Pennsylvania Senate race and House District races in NJ 12 and PA 8. For information about how you can support Peace Voter 2010, visit www.peacecoalition.org or contact CFPA's office.

Countdown to Zero film premieres July 30 at Ritz on the Bourse in Philadelphia



In late April, CFPA worked with the new Princeton Global Zero group at Princeton University (which is now a CFPA affiliate!) to offer an advance screening of the excellent new film, Countdown to Zero at the Garden Theater in Princeton. We were privileged that two scientists who work closely with CFPA and are interviewed in the film, physicists Frank von Hippel and Zia Mian, led a discussion afterwards.

The commercial release of the film in our region will be **Friday evening, July 30 at Ritz on the Bourse Theater** near Independence Mall in Philadelphia. CFPA is collaborating with Project for Nuclear Awareness on this show, and will have a block of 50 seats available, which we especially want to make available, for a suggested donation, to those further from Princeton, or who couldn't attend the earlier showing. **Please contact the CFPA office to reserve your tickets.**

Pennsylvania Zero (PAZ) Nuclear Arms Campaign

With the generous support of the Ploughshares Fund, CFPA has begun this spring a statewide PAZ Campaign with three part time organizers: in Eastern, Central, and Western Pennsylvania. The Campaign's primary goal is to support and nurture Sen. Bob Casey, who is Chair of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee Subcommittee on South Asia and the Middle East, to be a champion for global nuclear disarmament.



CFPA is the primary PAZ sponsor, and already 22 Pennsylvania organizations from around the state have become endorsers. CFPA has been in close contact with Sen. Casey, having met with him personally four times this spring, and we are in very frequent contact with his staff. Casey has already issued a number of excellent press releases, and made public speeches and floor statements, for nuclear disarmament.

The immediate challenge is ratification of the recently negotiated new START Treaty. So far, 60 of the needed 2/3 of the Senate (67), to ratify a treaty, have announced support for START. Peace supporters are urged to contact their two US Senators and urge them to announce support for ratification, and advocate vigorously with their colleagues for ratification. If you live in Pennsylvania urge organizations with which you're involved to endorse PAZ. See the CFPA web site, or call the office, for further information.

CFPA Assistant Director Sought

CFPA has just begun a search for a part time (25 hours per week) Assistant Director to work out of the Princeton Regional Office. For a job description and more information, please see the CFPA web site www.peacecoalition.org or write to Executive Director Rev. Bob Moore at the office. Application deadline is Friday, July 9. Expected start date is mid to late July.

65 Years is Enough: It's Time to Retire Nuclear Weapons!

On the 65th Anniversary of the first nuclear test, join us for a

Rally to Retire Nuclear Weapons

Friday, July 16, 2010

12:00 -1:00 PM

State House Steps, Trenton, NJ

Carpooling from Princeton Shopping Center (Rite Aid end) at 11:15 A.M.

Please email cfpa@peacecoalition.org if you plan to join carpool.

Confirmed speakers and performers as of printing date include:

Dr. Frank von Hippel, Physicist & Professor of Public and International Affairs, Princeton University

Dr. Zia Mian, Pakistani physicist and Research Staffer on Nuclear Weapons, Princeton University

The Rev. Bob Moore, Executive Director of the Coalition for Peace Action

Ed Aguilar, Director, Project for Nuclear Awareness

Jose Caraballo, Co-leader, Students for Peace

Sharleen Leahy (music)

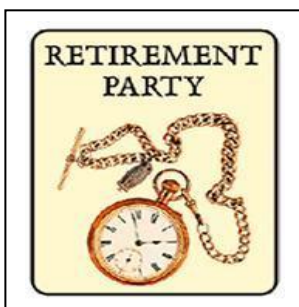
Retirement Party for Nuclear Weapons

An evening of satire and humor on the 65th anniversary of the first nuclear test

7:30 PM on Friday, July 16

Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Princeton

50 Cherry Hill Road (just up the hill from the light at the intersection of Cherry Hill and Route 206)



Join us for a Retirement Party for Nuclear Weapons including

Comedy/Satire presentations by peace movement comedian Dave Lippman,
presentation of a gold watch; a cake (in the shape of a mushroom cloud!); music; and film (scenes from Dr. Strangelove)

65th ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATION OF THE
ATOMIC BOMBINGS OF HIROSHIMA & NAGASAKI



Thursday, August 5, 2010

Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton

6:00 p.m. Bring-your-own picnic

7:00 p.m. Program

CFPA plans to have music as well as speakers, including, hopefully, a survivor of the atomic bombings. The ceremony will include a minute of silence at 7:15 p.m., the time in Hiroshima when it was hit by an atomic bomb, and the floating of candles on a reflecting pool in the traditional Japanese ceremony commemorating the estimated 200,000 who died.

SAVE THE DATE!

31st Annual Interfaith Service & Conference for Peace

Sunday, November 14, 2010 from 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Princeton University



Global Abolition of Nuclear Weapons: An Idea Whose Time Has Come

11 a.m. *Interfaith Service for Peace* at Princeton University Chapel.

1:30-5:00 p.m. *Conference* at an Auditorium in Princeton