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## All Mideast sides urged to employ nonviolence

by George Morrison  
FORsooth editor

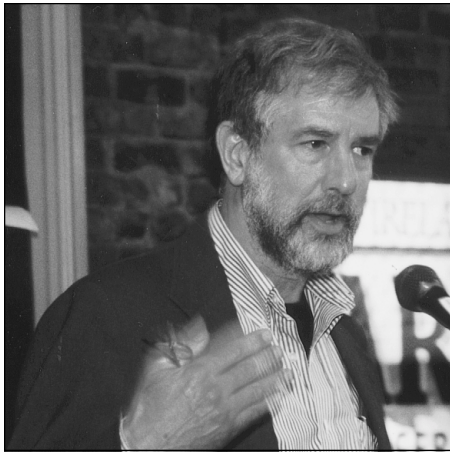
Israel should abide by U.N. resolutions and both it and the Palestinians should abide by nonviolence, former national FOR director Doug Hostetter said days after returning from a visit to the region, where he served as a photojournalist.

Hostetter, who has helped educate and safeguard war refugees in Vietnam, Afghanistan, Bosnia and Latin America, spoke to the Louisville FOR's Third Thursday Lunch April 17, telling diners about "Children of Abraham: Palestinian and Israeli Peacemakers in a land of Conflict."

Hostetter, the co-founder and coordinator of the Chicago-based U.S. Campaign to End the Israeli Occupation, tailored his talk, which came the day before Good Friday, to the season.

"The resurrection means justice is stronger than injustice," he said. "The truth will overcome the lie and the forces of life will overcome the forces of death. This is our faith."

In a lighter note, Hostetter said Louisville was the first city he spoke in since returning from the Mideast for two reasons — FOR chapter co-founders Jean and George Edwards.



— photo by Eddie Davis

### Doug Hostetter

"I am a member of the Jean and George Edwards posse," he said. "When you get a call from posse saying 'be here in Louisville,' you'd better be there. That's why you're the first."

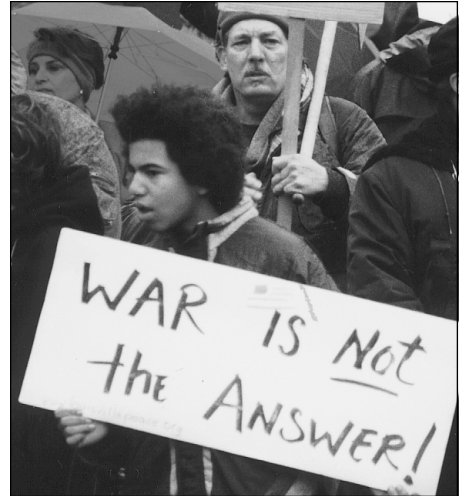
Hostetter, who has devoted his life to peace work in the middle of the worst conflicts since he started sewing and craft cooperatives for Vietnamese war refugees in the 1960s and a literacy program for

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## Linking two causes

Protestors in Louisville's Central Park oppose the U.S. invasion of Iraq (right) while others (below) march last month for a genuine police civilian review process instead of the one the city enacted this year, which they called toothless. The boycott of Louisville malls, which is slated to run until May 31, has prompted many civil rights supporters to shop in Indiana. Five fatal police shootings since 2000 prompted the boycott (see more pictures page two).

— photos by Eddie Davis



## Activist Tracy McLellan injured critically, recovering



— photo courtesy of The Record  
Tracy McLellan

by Jean Edwards and  
George Morrison  
FORsooth editors

Former Louisville resident and peace and justice activist Tracy McLellan is in serious condition — upgraded from critical—in a Wisconsin hospital intensive care unit after he was hit by a car March 18 while walking in Madison Wisc., where he has lived for about a year.

McLellan, a regular at rallies and marches in Louisville, particularly at the Friday Mideast Peace vigil in downtown Louisville, suffered a broken left leg and right hip. Abdominal surgery was performed for internal injuries, including a scratched liver, his mother, Joanie McLellan, said from her home in Lansing, Ill., a Chicago suburb.

Her son also underwent a tracheotomy to help with breathing, she said.

"He's got a long hard road ahead of him," she said in a telephone interview. After weeks of sleeping most of each day under sedation while in critical condition, McLellan, who turned 44 April 28, recently regained limited speech and talked briefly in a faint voice on the phone from the University of Wisconsin hospital.

In late March, his mother read him a letter from Louisville FOR chapter founders Jean and George Edwards.

"He smiled about that," Joanie McLellan said. "Tracy thinks the world of them.... His face lit up when I told him" of the letter.

She said her son is receiving nourishment through a feeding tube and is at a critical point in his recovery because of the possibility of pneumonia and infection.

Although e-mails from friends of the McLellan family telling of the mishap didn't arrive until late March, some activists in the Louisville area became concerned about Tracy McLellan immediately after the start of the U.S. and British bombing of Iraq about 10 days earlier. McLellan, an avid user of e-mail, had sent no messages about the war or

the response of Madison-area activists to it.

He had regularly sent e-mails about activism there and other places until his accident.

McLellan has written commentaries and covered speakers for FORsooth, but his most consistent contribution to the newspaper is book reviews. He was writing about one per issue until he was hit, including books by Noam Chomsky, bell hooks and Vandana Shiva.

He also performed efficient typesetting for FORsooth in 2000 and 2001 until the paper began scanning in its submitted material using computers.

Joanie McLellan said her son appreciates letters and cards. The address is University Hospital, ICU South Unit, 600 Highland Ave, Madison, Wisc. 53792.



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# Speaker: progress possible with nuclear disarmament

by Ike M. Thacker IV  
and Eustace Durrett

Noting that the nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty has prompted at least three emerging nations to discontinue plans to develop bombs, former arms control official John Holum said people should not give up on disarmament and peace.

Holum, the director of the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency (ACDA) from 1993 to 1999 and a former State Department planner focusing on disarmament, told about 100 people March 25 at the University of Louisville's Brandeis Law School the Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) is the most important nuclear arms control measure.

It calls for limiting the possession of nuclear weapons to the countries that already admit to having them and legally binds those countries to negotiate toward the elimination of nuclear weapons. The latter provision makes it a crucial treaty, said Holum, a native of South Dakota and former chief speech writer for U.S. Senator George McGovern.

In his address, sponsored by the Muhammad Ali Institute for Peacemaking

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and Cotiflict Resolution and the Washington-based Lawyers' Alliance for World Security and paid for by the Gheens Foundation, an educational organization, Holum said the NPT helped prompt Argentina and Brazil to stop considering nuclear weapons programs. South Africa also scuttled its, which was already operational — as evidence that arms control can work, Holum said.

His presentation was notable for its total lack of bombast and demagoguery, its measured, clear and concise exposition of current and historical facts and its closely reasoned analysis. The speech focused mostly on U.S./USSR nuclear arms control measures.

One simple point was that Holum agrees with Albert Einstein that the only way to be ultimately safe from nuclear weapons is for no one to have them.

This is especially true since the whole concept of "deterrence" has never been well developed or defined, he said. Defense Secretary Robert McNamara was being arbitrary when he said in 1969 that a potential enemy would be deterred by one megaton being deliverable to each of 400 targets, Holum said.

If McNamara was anywhere close to being right, Holum maintained, "deterrence" has existed many times over for both the U.S and Russia for decades — at the height of the Cold War, each side had some 15,000 nuclear warheads! The main factors in providing deterrence have been MIRVs and ICBMs (Multiple Independently-targetable Reentry Vehicles and Intercontinental Ballistic Missiles). Yet paradoxically, he said, it is also these types of missiles that destabilized the world and put it at dire risk of total destruction at the push of a button.

Holum said the idea is that MIRV's, 10 of which were commonly on each missile, made so many places into targets and made it unlikely that an attack could be stopped. This, he said, makes it possible for each side to believe that there is advantage to be gained from a first strike.

ABM's (Anti-ballistic Missiles), he added, are even more destructive of deterrence, because they are designed to shoot down incoming missiles. If either side deployed an effective general ABM system and the other did not, the deploying side would be invulnerable to nuclear retaliation for a first strike and thus severely tempted to launch one — a chilling thought, Holum said.

It was that very thought that led to the 1972 ABM Treaty, he explained, wherein the U.S and the USSR agreed to be vulnerable to each other's arsenals, for the sake of stability. The treaty simply banned almost all ABM systems, Holum said, adding that this ban came bundled with reductions in offensive weapons. All of this came none too soon, Holum said, because with on-site verification out of the question and satellite technology primitive by today's standards, the uncertainty level was very high — all were on a "hair trigger."

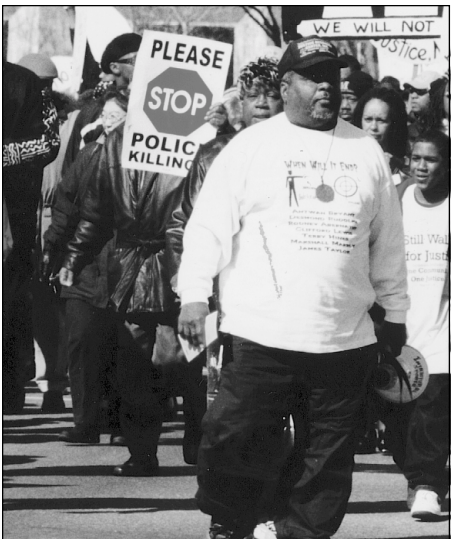
The years 1972 to 1978, Holum added, were marked by the fleshing out of the "strategic triad." Bombers, the first deliv-

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## Marching in memory

Rev. Louis Coleman, (right) director of the Justice Resource Center, leads marchers in Louisville last month calling for a civilian review board which, unlike the one hastily enacted by the metro council, would include subpoena power and its own ability to investigate complaints against police. The city's board relies solely on police internal investigations and can't subpoena witnesses. Rev. Tim Duncan, below, notes recent victims who were shot or otherwise died in police custody.

— photos by Eddie Davis



## Show, panel to be at library

Photographer David P. Young will exhibit photos in a show called "The Human face of Iraq" May 6 to 23 at the Louisville Free Public Library Main Library's Bernheim and Gutenberg galleries, 301 York Street.

At 7 p.m. on Thursday, May 22, the second-to-last day of the exhibit, a panel discussion will be open to the public in the Centennial Room at the Main Library. It hasn't been named yet but will be about "Life in Louisville for immigrants and refugees from the Middle East," organizers said. The panelists will be from Middle East countries.

For more information, go to the library's home page, [www.lfpl.org](http://www.lfpl.org) and look under "Library News." Then click on "The Human Face of Iraq."

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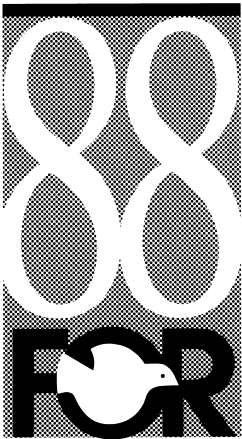
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# Support strong in nation, congress for African aid plan

by Tom Louderback

Would the people of the United States be willing to give one penny a day to cut world hunger in half by 2015?

That question is the essence of the Hunger to Harvest Resolution that was passed by the unanimous consent of the U.S. Senate about one year ago and by a majority vote of the U.S. House of Representative six months earlier. This resolution, which would launch an aid effort that would cost about one penny daily per U.S. resident, was the capstone of a yearlong letter-writing letter campaign organized by a large group of church-related organizations, including Catholic Relief Services, Lutheran World Relief and United Church of Christ Justice and Peace Ministry. Before long, 45 religious denominations had taken part in the campaign.

"This proposal isn't your blank-check, prop-up-a-dictator, kind of foreign assistance," remarked *The Baptist Standard*, a Texas denominational newspaper. "It recommends effective, targeted, support that will reduce hunger in Africa."

The Christian group Bread for the World said the resolution "emphasizes U.S. assistance to Africa focused on agriculture, rural infrastructure, health, education

(especially for girls), small business development, and debt relief."

Today, nearly every member of Congress is on record supporting the Hunger to Harvest Resolution. The resolution is not binding, but it certainly does express the sense of Congress that the United States should reverse its foreign policy in Sub-Saharan Africa of the last ten years. In that decade, aid to Africa from the United States dropped by 20 percent as

nizations around the world to increase development assistance in Africa.

- Congress should form strategic partnerships with other donors to provide resources to cut hunger by one-half.
- The administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development should annually report to Congress on the progress of these efforts.

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human conditions worsened. The Hunger to Harvest Resolution says that:

- The United States should declare "A Decade of Concern for Africa" and commit to increased levels of poverty-focused assistance until significant progress is made.
- The President should form strategic partnerships with other countries and orga-

The Hunger to Harvest Resolution is now the bedrock of an ongoing citizens' campaign, which calls attention to the issue as an avenue of hunger reduction in Africa. Responding to this amplified attention, the Bush administration committed itself to anti-poverty goals several times last year.

At a U.N. Conference in Monterrey, Mexico last spring, the President announced a plan to increase poverty-focused

development by 50 percent. Later in the year, then-U.S. Treasury Secretary Paul O'Neill toured Africa with rock singer Bono; saying: "In Africa, I saw signs of progress everywhere. Programs are working, aid is helping and standards of living are improving."

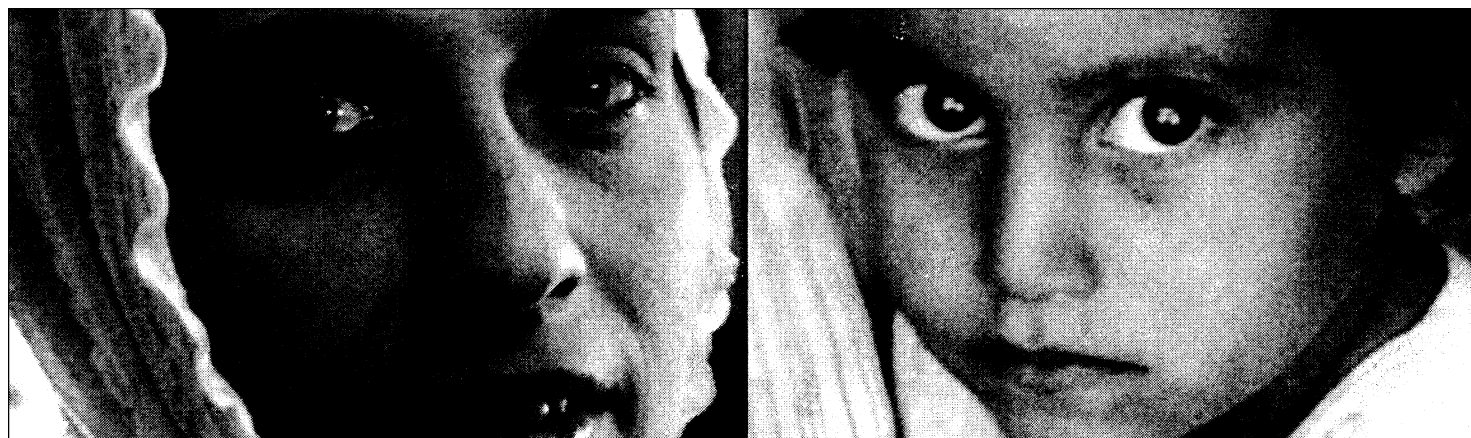
However, the actual allocation of funds is not keeping up with the plans and commitment. The President's current budget calls for less spending on Africa, not more.

Calling on Texas Baptists to support the Hunger to Harvest Resolution last year, *The Baptist Standard* gave these reasons for joining the cause.

- *The need is tremendous.* One-third of the people in Sub-Saharan African are chronically undernourished. *emendous.*
- *It makes economic sense.* Our trade with the region exceeds our trade with the independents states of the former Soviet Union. We can open new trade relationships here that will last for generations.
- *Political implications are positive.* More democratic forms of government have replaced some repressive regimes.
- *The timing is right.* Public opinion in the United States supports a recommitment of our resources to Africa. Also, the new regimes in the region are more cooperative with the rest of the world.
- Jesus would help end hunger.

Clearly, there are many signs of hope for this cause and plenty of work to be done. For more information, see the Bread for the World web site at [www.bread.org](http://www.bread.org).

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## The Human Face of Iraq



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# We pause, reflect on Earth Day

by Sister Rose Marie Cummins

The United States celebrated Earth Day April 22 for the 33rd year. I am reminded once again that Earth Day calls each of us to remember that we are stewards of this earth that we call home and that

*“We are challenged as mankind (sic) has never been challenged before to prove our maturity and our mastery, not of nature, but of ourselves.” – Rachel Carson.*

we have a truly magnificent reason to celebrate. Happily, I am also reminded that the Earth herself is a wondrous symbol of hope in a world hungry for hope.

Over the many years of the existence of human beings, special days have been set aside to celebrate. Some are fanciful and show the need of the human spirit for laughing, enjoying the simple pleasures of life, and celebrating all that has played a part in the routine of our daily lives. We have Ham Days, Sorghum and Bourbon Festivals, Sadie Hawkins Day, and zillions of other days. We also have days that invite us to go inside ourselves just a bit and reflect. They include Thanksgiving for the Harvest, New Year’s Day, and our religious holidays.

Earth Day, I believe, fits into both of those categories. It is a day that calls us to reflect and is a day to celebrate. This particular occasion for celebrating was born in 1969 out of a concern by U.S. Senator Gaylord Nelson that the Earth was a non-issue in the politics of our country. His desire was to put the environment into the political limelight.

Senator Nelson’s concern is no less important 33 years later. Our planet is even more in need of our care. We fight wars over control of the earth’s resources — land, water, and oil — and, in the meantime, those resources become more and more depleted and mainly by the most powerful countries in the world. We continue to log and to strip mine the earth, to see the rest of the community of life as being at the whim and the disposal of the human species. Until we are able to see this Earth that we live on as vibrant, breathing, vulnerable, wounded, nourishing, and alive, we will need this day to remind us that she is what sustains us.

Rachel Carson, known by many as the mother of the modern environmental movement, wrote in 1962: “We are challenged as mankind (sic) has never been challenged before to prove our maturity and our mastery, not of nature, but of ourselves.”

It would be good for us if we could go back to the words of the original astronauts who first saw Earth from he moon. They went on their mission to explore space. What stood out for many of them was the beautiful fragility of the earth that they had not recognized before.

As we recently celebrated Earth Day in 2003, I am reminded, too, that there is reason to rejoice and reason to have hope. The new garlic and onion plants planted last fall are poking their green heads above the

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# END THE ISRAELI OCCUPATION OF PALESTINE

*Call upon the U.S. to be a friend to both Israelis and Palestinians*

## AT THE VIGIL

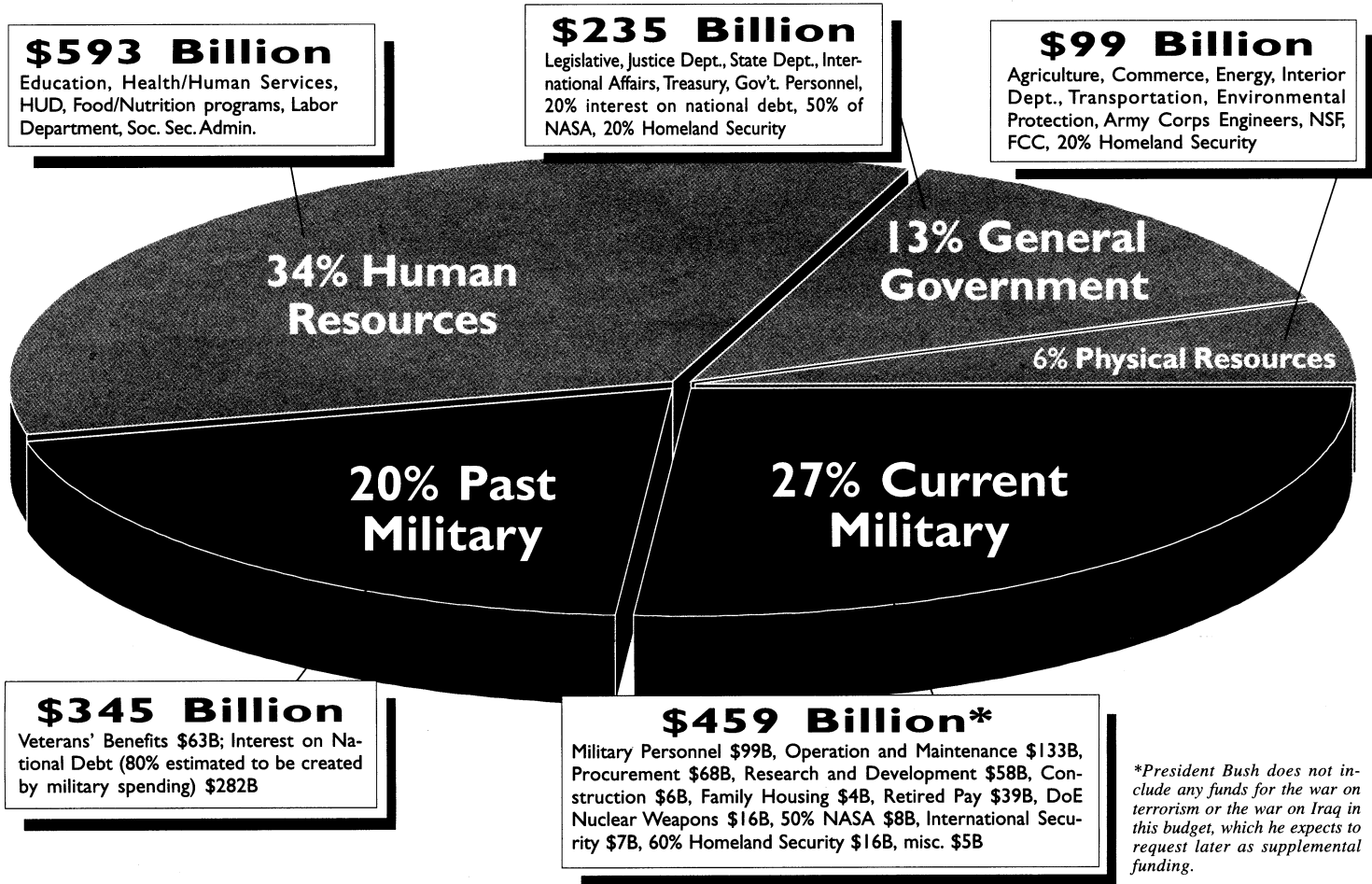
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The United States Federal Budget for Fiscal Year 2004

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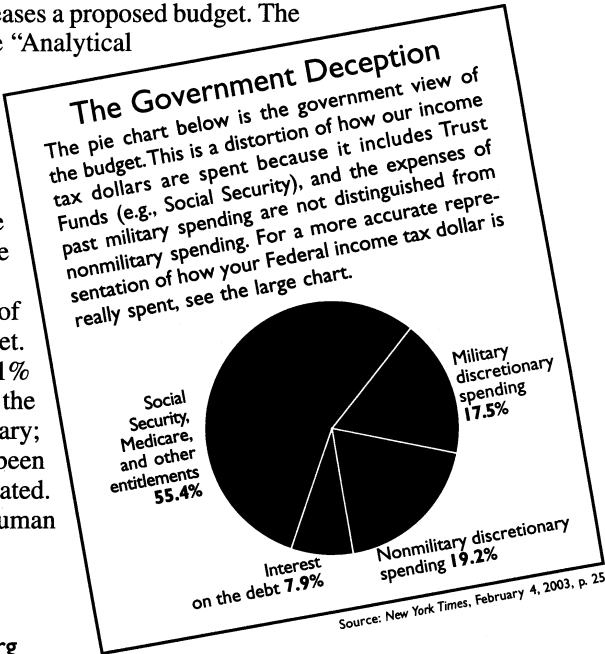
## HOW THESE FIGURES WERE DETERMINED

WAR RESISTERS LEAGUE creates this leaflet each year after the President releases a proposed budget. The figures here are from a line-by-line analysis of projected figures in the “Analytical Perspectives” book of the *Budget of the United States Government, Fiscal Year 2004*. The percentages are federal funds, which do not include trust funds such as Social Security that are raised and spent separately from income taxes. What you pay (or don’t pay) by April 15, 2003, goes only to the federal funds portion of the budget. The government practice of combining trust and federal funds (the so-called “Unified Budget”) began in the 1960s during the Vietnam War. The government presentation makes the human needs portion of the budget seem larger and the military portion smaller.

“Current military” spending adds together money allocated for the Dept. of Defense (\$371 billion) plus the military portion from other parts of the budget. Spending on nuclear weapons (without their delivery systems) amounts to about 1% of the total budget. “Past military” represents veterans’ benefits plus 80% of the interest on the debt. Analysts differ on how much of the debt stems from the military; other groups estimate 50% to 60%. We use 80% because we believe if there had been no military spending most (if not all) of the national debt would have been eliminated. The government willingly borrows for war, but finds nothing extra for crises in human needs. For further explanation, please go to [www.warresisters.org/piechart.htm](http://www.warresisters.org/piechart.htm).

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# Peace as crucial to workers as wages and hours issue

First, two corrections to last month’s column. Peace activist Rachel Corrie was murdered in Israeli-occupied territory on March 16, not March 13. She was wearing a florescent orange jacket, not a bright red one. *Shukran* to Huwaida Arraf for writing in.

The fight for a world at peace is at least as crucial to the working class as is the fight for better wages, hours and working conditions. The Middle East conflicts —Israel/Palestine, Iraq, and more — are not just threats to that region, but to the entire globe.

A very important event occurred about a year ago: the founding of Brit Tzedek v’Shalom, the Jewish Alliance for Justice and Peace (BTvS). BTvS calls itself “a national organization of American Jews deeply committed to Israel’s well-being through... a negotiated settlement to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.” Its founding principles, much abridged, are:

- A complete end to the Israeli military occupation of the territories occupied since 1967 in the West Bank, the Gaza Strip and East Jerusalem.



- The establishment of a viable Palestinian state based on the pre-1967 borders alongside Israel... with secure and recognized boundaries free from threats or acts of force.
- Jerusalem as the capital of both states.
- A just resolution of the Palestinian refugee problem that takes into account the needs and aspirations of both peoples.
- The termination of terrorism and state-initiated violence.

- The evacuation of Israeli settlements in the Occupied Territories.
- The recognition that as Jews and U.S. citizens, we have a special responsibility to urge our government to pursue policies consistent with the requirements of a just peace for Israel and the Palestinian people.

BTvS has grown to over 2,500 members in the short space of a year. We (I am privileged to have been one of its

waged on a Louisville battlefield. An administrative law judge of the National Labor Relations Board has ruled that Norton Healthcare, owner-operator of five Louisville hospitals, must reinstate Patty Clark and Ann Hurst as charge nurses at Norton-Audubon Hospital, and offer Joanne Sandusky, a nurse who was a lactation specialist, another job. The judge also ordered Norton to pay a large amount of back pay. This is a particularly sweet victory for

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founders, and currently sit on its national board of directors) have a website ([www.btvshalom.org](http://www.btvshalom.org)), which I urge you to access. It contains much information, including how to join. Please write me for more information — my email is at the end of this column.

The fight for a just peace is also being

the Nurses Professional Organization (NPO), which has been trying to organize the nurses into a union since 1989. The NPO wants to conduct a representation election, and Audubon was also told it must turn over its nurses’ roster, with names and addresses, to the union, and update same every six months.

Norton is appealing, which means justice will be delayed a little longer. Nurses, as a result of NPO’s good work, are gaining the consciousness that, though they are trained professionals, they are in fact just like all other workers who sell their labor power for a wage.

Speaking of sick people — the U.S. Senate recently confirmed Jeffrey Sutton as a judge on the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals. Sutton was attacked by Democrats, who accused the Bush administration of trying to pack the courts with conservative ideologues, and by the disability-rights movement, which charged that Sutton wants to dismantle the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA).

“One case that has most angered disability-rights groups involved a suit filed by Patricia Garrett, a breast-cancer victim who had worked 17 years for the University of Alabama but was demoted after returning from medical leave,” the website [www.adawatch.org](http://www.adawatch.org) reported. Sutton represented the university, of course.

Senators Dianne Feinstein of California and Ben Nelson of Nebraska were the only Democrats who voted for Sutton. He will be meting out justice from Cincinnati. Maybe he can confer with Marge Schott, she of the Cincinnati Reds baseball team owning, nazi memento collecting and racial justice standard-bearing, and give her lessons in legerdemain.

To turn from the high and mighty, and the high rollers — to the high flyers. Jennifer Biddle, an IAM (Machinists) shop steward, has an excellent article in the May issue of Labor Notes, “War Spurs Big Layoffs and Concessions for Airline Workers”:

“Just a few short days after the United States launched its invasion of Iraq, United Airlines announced that (thousands of workers) would be forced to take time off with no pay....

“It was a move that would allow United to close its Indianapolis Maintenance Center, something the company had been trying to negotiate with the mechanics union for months.... (A) Marine Corps veteran of the first Gulf War, now a United mechanic, described it as the company’s own ‘shock and awe.’ ” She continues: “By invoking ‘force majeure,’ the airlines have essentially tossed out (many of the provisions of) their labor contracts — again.” Now, the airlines may not be guilty of war crimes, but methinks there should be a category called crimes-in-war-times.

Speaking of war crimes. A Belgian lawyer is filing suit alleging Gen. Tommy Franks, commander of U.S. troops in Iraq, is guilty of war crimes, particularly that coalition

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## Which Path to a Safer World?

### TOOLS FOR PEACE

11 Blankets for refugees	\$100
3-day training for 160 youth in peace building	\$4,000
Enroll 2 children in Head Start	\$14,000
2 home health aides for disabled elderly	\$40,000
Associate Degree training for 29 RNs	\$145,600
Rent subsidies for 1,000 families	\$586,000
Annual salary/benefits for 15 RNs	\$763,000
Improve, repair, modernize 20 schools	\$46 million
WIC program nutrition for 200,000 families	\$130 million
Eradicate polio worldwide	\$275 million
Best vaccinations for 10 million children worldwide	\$350 million
Childcare for 68,000 needy children	\$413 million
7,000 units of affordable housing	\$494 million
Prevent cuts to education programs (FY2003)	\$1.1 billion
Minimum support to save Amtrak train service	\$1.2 billion
Annual salary/benefits for 38,000 elementary teachers	\$2.1 billion
Double federal funding for mass transit	\$12 billion
Healthcare coverage for 7 million children	\$16 billion
Save 11 million lives worldwide fighting infectious diseases	\$38 billion

### TOOLS FOR WAR

11 hand grenades
1 rocket launcher
1 cluster bomb
1 Hellfire missile
1 Bunker-buster guided bomb
1,000 M-16 Rifles
1 minute war on Iraq
1 hour war on Iraq
7 unmanned Predator drones
3 tests of missile defense system
6 Trident II missiles
Amphibious Warfare Landing Ship Program
1 year military aid to Colombia
1 day of war on Iraq
2 months U.S. war force in Afghanistan
1 Stealth bomber
1 year cost of war in Afghanistan (2001/2002)
1 year nuclear weapons program
1 month U.S. current military spending

The costs of warmaking are staggering—especially while cities and states face huge budget deficits. The administration has hidden its real priorities by not putting the costs of the war on terrorism or war on Iraq in its budget. Stay informed about the real budget and other means to enhance security by seeking information from the groups below.

Partial source list (see complete list on WRL website): Center for Defense Information ([www.cdi.org](http://www.cdi.org)); Federation of American Scientists ([www.fas.org](http://www.fas.org)); Center for Budget and Policy Priorities ([www.cbpp.org](http://www.cbpp.org)); National Priorities Project ([www.natprior.org](http://www.natprior.org)); World Policy Institute ([www.worldpolicy.org/projects/arms](http://www.worldpolicy.org/projects/arms)); Children’s Defense Fund ([www.childrensdefense.org](http://www.childrensdefense.org)); UNICEF ([www.unicef.org](http://www.unicef.org)); New York Times (11/12/01; 3/18/02; 10/13/02; 12/05/02); World Health Organization ([www.who.int](http://www.who.int)); National Center for Education Statistics ([nces.ed.gov](http://nces.ed.gov)); Mennonite Central Committee ([www.mcc.org/us/colombia/dollars.html](http://www.mcc.org/us/colombia/dollars.html))

### WHAT YOU CAN DO

- Demonstrate and leaflet during tax season and on the last day of filing, Tuesday, April 15, 2003, at the IRS or a post office.
- Write the President and Congresspeople and demand that war money be used for services instead. Write letters to the editor of your local paper. Send all of them copies of this flyer.
- Refuse to pay the 3% federal excise tax on your phone bills. This tax has been used symbolically as a war tax since World War I. Non-payment of the federal tax is between you and the IRS and should not result in cutoff of phone service. Though illegal, nonpayment of the tax is almost risk-free. Contact us for details.
- Refuse to pay all or part of your income tax. Though illegal, thousands of Americans are openly participating in this form of protest. You can take control of your paycheck and avoid

contributing to the military. Contact us for information or referral to a counselor near you. Join a national campaign: [www.onemilliontaxpayersforpeace.org](http://www.onemilliontaxpayersforpeace.org).

- Contribute resisted tax money to an organization working to help people or to an alternative fund that pools tax money from resisters and gives grants to human needs and peace groups.
- Contact the group(s) to the right or the National War Tax Resistance Coordinating Committee, PO Box 6512, Ithaca, NY 14851, (800) 269-7464; [www.nwtrcc.org](http://www.nwtrcc.org). Support the Peace Tax Fund bill to allow 100% of your taxes to fund nonmilitary programs: (888) 732-2382; [www.peacetaxfund.org](http://www.peacetaxfund.org).

### RESOURCES

- Additional copies of this leaflet are available for 10¢ each (1-199), 7¢ each (200 - 499), 6¢ each (500+) plus 20% postage or call for exact amount.
- For sample brochures and resources on war tax

resistance, send a self-addressed stamped (60¢) envelope to War Resisters League at the New York address below.

- *War Tax Resistance: A Guide to Withholding Your Support from the Military*, 144-page handbook with history, methods and resources. \$15 plus \$2 bookrate or \$4 priority mail.

### LOCAL CONTACT:

### WAR RESISTERS LEAGUE

339 Lafayette Street, New York, NY 10012  
Tel (212) 228-0450  
Fax (212) 228-6193  
[wrl@warresisters.org](mailto:wrl@warresisters.org)  
[www.warresisters.org](http://www.warresisters.org)





# The Louisville Progressive Peace March

by Sam Avery

It began in a cold, driving rain on Saturday, February 22, 2003 at Jefferson Square in downtown Louisville. Twenty-five peace marchers, struggling with signs and banners against the wind and rain, forged down third street and east on Broadway. Cars honked, people waved through store windows, motorists and pedestrians shouted and jeered, their fists raised, some with two fingers of peace, others with the middle finger of war. We waved back, either way. More marchers joined along Bardstown Road. Two hours and five miles later we arrived at Douglass Loop, cold and tired, having completed the first leg of the Louisville Progressive Peace March.

In succeeding weeks we marched through Cherokee Park, Saint Matthews, Crescent Hill, Clifton, and back downtown. We marched to the Louisville Presbyterian Theological seminary, to Theatre Square, to the First Unitarian Church, back to Jefferson Square and on to Quinn Chapel in the West End. We marched from the University of Louisville to Bellarmine and to the Friends Meeting House on Bon Air, beginning each march where the previous one ended. Some days there were 50 marchers, others 150. Once, a man joined us from a bus along Lexington Avenue. He saw us out the window and told the driver, "Stop! I need to be with those people!" Other riders on the bus cheered as he stepped to the curb and joined the march. Another time three counter-dem-

onstrators followed us for 3 1/2 miles, shouting pro-war slogans from across the street. Twice we joined forces at 7th and Jefferson with the Justice movement protesting police shootings of African-Americans. One Sunday we marched from Crescent Hill Presbyterian Church to Crescent Hill Baptist Church for an inter-congregational meal, and then on to Clifton Unitarian Church. Most recently, we held a "Silent Thunder" meditation protest at the Quaker Meeting House against the militarism of Thunder Over Louisville.

The Louisville Progressive Peace March began before the war, proceeded through the war, and continues now after the war. This reinforces my understanding of the peace movement as bigger than the war that inspired it. We know that

warfare in the 21st century is incompatible with human civilization, and everybody else knows it, too. The people who raise two fingers know it, and the people who raise one finger know it. Since the first mushroom cloud appeared in human consciousness in 1945, we all know that conflict can no longer be resolved through warfare and violence. As marchers, all we have to do is help people realize what they already know. We are the minority of conscience. We do not have to say what is true; we have to be what is true, and to be that truth in a public place. By marching on the streets of Louisville, we manifest a truth not only to ourselves but to those who do not yet see what they know to be true. They will see it in time.

## Peace crucial to workers *(continued from page 5)*

forces fired on an ambulance, and that Gen. Franks did nothing to stop the looting of hospitals in Baghdad.

Richard Boucher, U.S. State Department spokesman, protested, saying: "The Belgian government needs to be diligent in taking steps to prevent abuse of the legal system for political ends." As in "physician, heal thyself?"

Let's turn from war overseas to the war at home. On April 27 Kris Leija ran into a burning Texas building to rescue children trapped inside. No sooner had he brought the

children to safety — he ran in again and saved the lives of a second group of kids. He made a third trip and did the same.

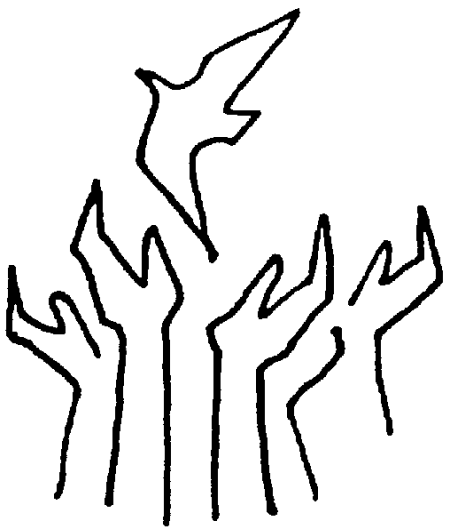
His reward? The authorities, who saw the amazing heroism of Kris Leija on television, had him arrested for failing to meet his probation officer last month, per a 2002 burglary charge. Now, I do believe in the concepts of probation and parole, although I do not believe prison as currently constituted does anything to rehabilitate and train.

However, would you sociologists and penologists out there tell me why an

obviously righteous soul, which I believe a person who risks his life for others must be, would get caught up in burglary (assuming he was not framed)? Could poverty have been a factor?

And please tell me about the criminal minds that were just-following-orders when they busted Kris for, in effect, risking his life that others might live. Bless you, Kris. We have a lot to learn from you.

Contact Ira Grupper at [irag@iglou.com](mailto:irag@iglou.com).



# Justice-Walking:

## A Symposium on living the mission of justice and peace with young people

31 May 2003  
9am to 4pm  
at CrossRoads Ministry of  
St. William Church  
1226 West Oak Street

J-Walking: a one-time opportunity for all who minister and mentor young people. Come dialogue and explore the practical implications, challenges and new directions for living justly. Network with justice-minded teachers, leaders and ministers. Be inspired by these visionaries in justice ministry:

**Jim McGinnis** is the founder and program director of the Institute for Peace and Justice of St. Louis, an interfaith corporation promoting peace, justice, and care for the earth through education, social action and prayer. ("Youth as Peacemakers and Peace Teachers in Post 911 America.")

**Jack Jezreel**, former Catholic Worker and organic farmer, is author, director and national promoter of JustFaith, a formation project sponsored by Catholic Charities that trains members of parishes/dioceses in the Catholic tradition of justice and peace. ("Formation and Transformation: Preparing Young People to do Justice.")

**Michael Warren** is professor of Catholic Ministry and Religious Education at St. John's University, NYC. The author of several foundation texts in Catholic youth ministry, he unites practical pastoral experience with a theology rooted in justice and liberation. ("Youth Ministry in an Inconvenient Church.")

**Bryan Sirchio**, former UCC pastor turned musician, is founder of Crosswind Ministries in Madison, Wisconsin. Through his music and regular pilgrimages to Haiti, Bryan sings and lives the call to act justly. (leader of prayer and music)

\$25 fee includes vegetarian lunch (scholarships available). To register, call CrossRoads at 638-0683 or mail check, name/address/telephone to CrossRoads Ministry, 1226 W. Oak St., Louisville, KY 40210. Underwritten in part by a grant from the Catholic Education Foundation of the Archdiocese of Louisville.

# A better use of taxes

## Couple again seek to spend their income on peaceful causes

by George R. Edwards

President Eisenhower was indeed right on January 17, 1961 to warn us of the encroaching power of “the military industrial complex.” Even without the cost of the war in Iraq, increases in the Pentagon budget have for two successive years been larger than any other item. This is bad news for the neediest people in our society; it turns a deaf ear to Eisenhower’s warning. Tax rebates voted by the congress have created fiscal chaos in state governments across the nation and produced grim slashes in medicaid, education, homeless shelters, legal aid, daycare, food subsidies, and every other program designed to help those most deprived. Forty-three million Americans have no medical insurance.

But for those in higher income brackets, those least needy, happy days are here again. The tax break for President Bush will amount to \$44,500. That is “more... than the total income, before taxes, of a substantial majority of American families,” the New Yorker magazine reported in January.

Vice-president Cheney’s cut will be \$327,000, more than the before tax income of 98 percent of our total population. Only unconcerned and uninformed voters could acquiesce in such inequity, or pay their taxes without pangs of guilt.

Although Congress voted a down payment of \$75 billion for the Iraq war, the full cost is not yet revealed. Many of us did not vote for Mr. Bush and would have voted against this war if given the opportunity. The so called “coalition” that successfully waged the war against a minor and ill-equipped adversary, is another example of

U.S. expansionism and unilateralism. In a commentary last month in the Courier-Journal, E. J. Dionne informs us that “The U.S. is preparing to pay the salaries of more than one million Iraqi civil servants.” Why can’t Washington, by sharing revenue, prevent layoffs of civil servants in California, Kentucky, and other states? Republican Kevin Phillips, in a commentary that ran in the Courier-Journal last year, pointed out why Wealth and Democracy don’t mix. Perhaps when the President and Congress finish building democracy in Iraq, they will try it here at home.

...my wife Jean and I are refusing to pay the military portion (approximately 50 percent) of our income tax liability. Believing as we do that God alone is lord of the conscience, we are bound by conscience to resist.

But the way our newly-merged city-county government has treated Living Wage legislation provides no ground for optimism. Taxpayers should revolt over the sexual criminality manifested at the U.S. Air Force Academy 12 years after a similarly repulsive expose involving the Navy Tailhook Association. The various academies are no small part of the benevolence of the military-industrial-congressional complex. These cadets face none of the higher and higher educational costs that exist in nonmilitary colleges and universities. The cost for each four-year

graduate is about \$225,000 — straight from taxpayers’ pockets. At last count, 56 women have come forward to testify about violence at the Air Force academy, one of them affirming that if you don’t get raped, “you’re one of the rare ones.” The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs has begun collecting evidence that “Rape, other attacks [are] more common than previously thought” even among male veterans. Should taxpayers cooperate with this? Perhaps the acme of malfeasance in the use of tax dollars is the unqualified

violence arising from Israel’s disregard of Palestinian rights, in addition to meeting each suicidal reaction of the Palestinians with massively superior military force, financed by U.S. tax dollars. It is total irony that in 1981 when Israel made a preemptive strike against a nuclear reactor in Iraq engineered by the French, the U.S. joined in a condemnation of the strike by the U.N. Security Council. Yet we have now adopted the policy of preemption. Israel’s use of violence to subdue the Palestinians has created an inferno. Time will tell whether American might applied in Iraq will not see the same outcome. For all of these reasons, and many more, my wife Jean and I are refusing to pay the military portion (approximately 50 percent) of our income tax liability. Believing as we do that God alone is lord of the conscience, we are bound by conscience to resist.

We continue to encourage our congressional representatives to sponsor the Religious Freedom Peace Tax Fund legislation (HR 1186) whereby conscientious objectors to war would pay the military portion of their federal tax into a separate account earmarked for nonmilitary purposes. If the Peace Tax Fund were passed into law, it would be a huge step toward educating people about our overblown military budget. And it would provide freedom of conscience for those who cannot participate financially in war.

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## Mideast nonviolence (continued from page 1)

South Vietnamese children whose schools has been destroyed by the war, said Israel’s habit of taking land has worsened the Mideast conflict. He said the Israelis have greatly expanded their settlements in the occupied territories since the Oslo Accords of the early 1990s. They also have expanded policing of the Palestinian people, increasing the number of checkpoints to more than 400, Hostetter added. He also criticized Israel for destroying the Palestinian Authority by shooting at courthouses and other official buildings from helicopters. “There is currently no Palestinian administration any place but Gaza,” he said, adding that 8,000 Palestinian homes have been destroyed since 1967. “During the curfew, you can be shot for walking the streets,” Hostetter said. “Leaving your home is a capital offense.” Hostetter said many Palestinians and Israelis embrace nonviolence, adding that if the Palestinian movement entirely did, a Pal-

estinian state could be achieved in months. “The Israelis know how to handle violence,” he said. “Military might is totally powerless against nonviolence.” Many Israelis have joined peace movements out of concern for what the violence is doing to both sides, Hostetter added. “Many in the Israeli peace movement are in it as much for what (the occupation) is doing to Israeli society and the faith as for what it is doing to the Palestinians.” Noting the billions given in U.S. aid to Israel and comparing Israel’s treatment of Palestinians to policies of pre-Mandela South Africa, Hostetter said: “If we knew... how our money is being used, we would not allow it. We don’t believe in Apartheid states.” ... The May Third Thursday Lunch, which is about the conflict in Colombia, is being held the second Thursday, May 8, after this issue’s deadline, because of speakers’ scheduling needs. The lunches are not held in summer and will resume in September.

## Nuclear disarmament (continued from page 2)

erers of nuclear payloads. were slow and vulnerable, he said, so we added to them the other parts of the triad — land-based ICBMs and sea-based SLBMs (Submarine-Launched Ballistic Missiles), the latter of which were especially hard to attack. These were also the only years when the Soviets had both more and bigger “nukes” than the U S did, which Holum said was a situation that the 1979 SALT II Treaty attempted to address. But when the USSR invaded Afghanistan in 1980. President Jimmy Carter withdrew the treaty from consideration for Senate ratification, he recalled, and the dangerous situation persisted. This danger, Holum added, was exacerbated by the development and deployment of “theater-range” missiles, first by the Soviet Union (the SS-20) and then in response by the U.S. and its European allies (the Pershing). Only when the Pershing was deployed did the USSR become interested in controlling this type of weapon, he said, which could reach its target in Russia or Europe in less than 20 minutes; but what resulted then was a treaty as important as the ABM treaty. Holum said an entire class of weapons (also known as intermediate-range) was eliminated, and for the first time the Soviets agreed to “obtrusive” on-site inspections. This was to be the last important treaty the Soviet Union concluded, he said. In 1991, the USSR crumbled, and bilateral negotiations between Russia and the U.S. changed from Strategic Arms Limitation Talks (SALT) to Strategic Arms Reduction Talks (START), Holum said. The first came in 1993 and reduced the number of strategic warheads on each side from about 6,000 to 3,000-to-3,500, he said. In 1997 came an agreement in principle to reduce their numbers to 2,000-to-2,500 each, Holum added. But by then, proliferation had become the major concern, Holum said, noting that Iraq, Iran,

North Korea, Israel, South Africa — and later India and Pakistan — looked to develop nuclear weapons programs, and new evidence surfaced in 1998 that Iran and North Korea were quite close to getting the bomb. As a result, the U.S. began to push for changes in the ABM Treaty to allow limited ABM systems to handle small attacks by “rogue states,” Holum said. With the regime change in Washington in early 2001 came an administration that is highly skeptical of arms treaties, Holum added, noting that the Bush Administration has now totally backed out of the 1972 ABM Treaty. Although it has agreed to a further reductions to 1,700 to 2,200 strategic warheads on each (in none of this are tactical warheads affected), it has also said that this is its last formal arms limitation treaty, and has hinted at an expanded role for nuclear weapons, Holum said. So much so, in fact, that in January 2002 the Bush administration specifically said it was keeping open the option of using nuclear arms against non-nuclear threats, and thus in effect leaving open the option of launching a first strike! Holum decried this trend, and said that the U.S. should pursue further agreements with Russia (as they are legally bound to do by the Non-Proliferation Treaty and its 1995 extension), going even lower than 1,700 strategic warheads on each side. He pointed to the successes of the ABM and theater-range treaties, and some successes of the NPT. But Holum’s is sort of a lone, quiet voice in the wilderness, calling out quietly for peace-saving acts of courage. Would that the current U.S. regime were listening instead of launching cowardly wars of conquest.

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## Earth Day (continued from page 4)

soil. They think there is reason to be born and a reason to be food for others. The old fennel plant planted last year is resurrecting. Jonquils and violets, rebuds and Bradford pears, forsythia and wild mustard flowers are everywhere around us, renewing the earth and our spirits. None of us has trouble understanding why spring is seen as a time for lovers. I am grateful for the daily tasks of turning the compost, planting trees, cutting the grass, and beginning to weed. I look out the window and see the new calves nursing and I am reminded that the Earth will teach us, will feed us, will continue to give her life over to us. I know, too, that our fields will soon be sprouting new vegetables and fruits.

Last month, St. Catharine College and Dominican Earth Center were hosts of a live Earth Day concert called “Amram Earth Jam.” David Amram, a musician from New York, and eight other poets (including St. Catharine College poet and professor Ron Whitehead) joined musicians in celebrating the earth with a program that included a concert which was a benefit for the new organic gardening project of Dominican Earth Center. Many gave thanks to and for the Earth by attending. The writer is the director of the Dominican Earth Center in St. Catharine, Kentucky. Contact her at rosieop@kyol.net or (859) 336-7778.

# Calendar for peacemakers

May 9/10 (FS) **CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTOR TRAINING**, led by a representative from AFSC (American Friends Service Committee). Lava House, 927 Shelby Parkway, 5:00-9:00 on Friday, 9:00-5:00 on Saturday. Sponsored by **C-SAW** (Citizens Standing Against War.) Lava House, 927 Shelby Parkway. [www:louisvillepeace.org](http://www.louisvillepeace.org) Call Mateo Bernal, 636-5848

May 10 (Sat) **WAGING PEACE: WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?** A facilitated day of reflection and planning, called by the Commitrtee to Stop the War Against Iraq. 9:30-4:00. Central Presbyterian Church, 4<sup>th</sup> & Ky., Brown Bag Lunch. Drinks provided. Special recognition for those who bring nothing packaged in hard plastic that cannot be recycled. We also frown on Coca Cola. Call Pat Geier. 456-6586. <http://louisvillepeace.org>

May 10 (Sat) **“POLICE AND THE COMMUNITIES THEY SERVE: Can We Bridge the Gap?”** Public Forum and Annual Meeting sponsored by the American Civil Liberties Union of Kentucky. 3:00-5:00 pm. Featured speakers: Police Chief **Robert C. White**, UL Professor **Ricky Jones**, State Senator **Gerald Neal**, General Council **Scott Greenwood**, ACLU of Ohio. Reception following. YMCA, 930 W Chestnut St. Call 581-1181

May 10 (Sat) **“PEACEMAKING IN A DANGEROUS TIME,” Potluck Dinner and First Hand Report from UL Professor John Morrison** who recently returned from volunteering in Palestine with the International Solidarity Movement. Also at this time there will be a send-off for two Louisville activists who will leave on May 14 to join ISM in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. Central Presbyterian Church, Fourth & Kentucky Streets, 6:00-8:00 pm. Special recognition to those who bring their own table service. **(Silent Auction also, to benefit ISM)** Sponsored by the Peace & Justice Community. Call 599-0261 or 541-0758

May 11 (Sun) **WITNESS FOR JUSTICE: PROTEST AGAINST POLICE BRUTALITY**, *every* Sunday, sponsored by the Justice Resource Center. Louisville Police Department, 7<sup>th</sup> and Jefferson, 2:30 pm. Call 774-1116 or 445-2509.

May 11 (Sun) **C-SAW** (Citizens Standing Against War). Afternoon Conference to discuss structure and focus. Noon to 5:00 pm. Lava House, 927 Shelby Parkway. Call Mateo Bernal, 636-5848.

May 12 (Mon) **PRAYER SERVICE FOR PEACE AND NONVIOLENCE FOR THE HEALING OF OUR HEARTS AND WORLD**, *every week day at 12:15*. Twenty minute prayer service followed by vegetarian soup, James Lees Memorial Presbyterian Church, 1741 Frankfort Ave (at William Street). Call 896-0172.

May 12 (Mon) **COMMITTEE TO STOP THE WAR AGAINST IRAQ**. Douglass Blvd Christian Church, 2005 Douglass Blvd at Bardstown , 7:30 pm. Call David Horvath, 583-4670.

May 14 (Wed) **KITLAC (Ky Interfaith Taskforce on Latin America and the Caribbean)**. Presbyterian Seminary, Nelson Hall, Room 119. 7:30 pm. Call David Horvath, 583-4670 or Pat Geier, 456-6586.

May 14/15 (WT) **FAITH, FAMILIES & CONGREGATIONS CONFERENCE** at Louisville Presbyterian Seminary, 1044 Alta Vista Road. Featured leaders include **Wendy Wright**, **Andrew Billingsley**, **Dick Hardel** and many more. \$95 includes four meals. Contact Laura March, 895-3411. [lmarch@lpts.edu](mailto:lmarch@lpts.edu)

May 15 (Thu) **STAND UP FOR A LIVING WAGE!!** Metro Council is expected to vote on whether to repeal and replace the ordinance passed by the Alders last fall. Come to show support for a Living Wage. We will continue to demand an end to poverty wages. Call Jobs with Justice, 625-3724.

May 16 (Fri) **NOON VIGIL FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST**, including a news update. **EVERY FRIDAY AT SIXTH AND BROADWAY**, in front of the Federal Court House (where Senator McConnell’s office is located). We vigil in solidarity with the **“Women in Black”** who vigil every Friday at noon in Israel. The vigil is sponsored by the Committee for Israeli/Palestinian States, the American Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee, and the Fellowship of Reconciliation. Call Beverley Marmion, 451-5658.

May 17 (Sat) **SIERRA CLUB SPRING PARTY**. 5:30 pm city hike led by Councilman Tom Owen, 6:30 pm potluck supper. Cathedral of the Assumption, undercroft. Seed exchange and information on sustainable agriculture by **Fred Hicks**, **Brenda Mattingly**, and **Aleve Douglass**. Call Virginia Ratterman, 456-6244.

May 17/18 (SS) **DISMANTLING RACISM WORK-SHOP**. Call Fairness, 893-0788.

May 20 (Tue) **PRIMARY ELECTION** . Call Fairness Campaign for information about candidates. 893-0788.

May 26 (Mon) **ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE**, **Unity Church**, 757 S. Brook St., 11:00 am. Join in prayer for the living and the dead. Call Janet Irwin, 452-1042.

May 28 (Wed) **METROPOLITAN HOUSING COALITION, 14<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEETING**, featuring **Ellen Feingold**, **Cochair Congressional Commission**

**on Affordable Housing & Health Facility Needs for Seniors in the 21st Century**. Papa John’s Stadium, 5:30 Social Hour, 6:30 dinner, \$35. Send check for tickets, payable to MHC, to the office: 333 Guthrie Green, #409, Louisville, KY 40202. Call 584-6858.

May 29 (Thu) **JOBS with JUSTICE SALSA DANCE PARTY!** To benefit the JwJ Annual Meeting Scholarship fund. Suggested donation \$10-\$20. (625-3724)

May 31 (Sat) **JUSTICE-WALKING: A SYMPOSIUM ON LIVING THE MISSION OF JUSTICE AND PEACE WITH YOUNG PEOPLE**, featuring *Jim McGinnis, Jack Jezreel, Michael Warren, and Bryan Sirchio*. St. William Church, 13th & Oak Streets. 9:00-4:00. Sponsored by CrossRoads Ministry, Call Shannon Queenan, 638-0683. See flyer in this issue of **FORsooth**.

June 1 (Sun) **HIROSHIMA/NAGASAKI PLANNING COMMITTEE**, 7:00 pm. Presbyterian Seminary, 1044 Alta Vista Road, Room 10. Call 458-8056.

June 2( Mon) **F.O.R. STEERING COMMITTEE**, Presbyterian Seminary, Nelson Hall, #10, 7:30 pm. Visitors welcome. Call Pat Geier, 456-6586, or Mary Horvath, 583-4670. Note change from regular meeting date.

June 4 (Wed) **DEADLINE FOR THE JUNE ISSUE OF FORsooth**. Contact **George Morrison, editor, 944-6460**. e-mail: [klm86@netzero.com](mailto:klm86@netzero.com) For calendar listings, contact Jean Edwards, 458-8056. e-mail: [edwardsfor@aol.com](mailto:edwardsfor@aol.com)

June 10 (Tue) **WITNESS FOR PEACE SPECIAL YOUTH DELEGATION TO NICARAGUA**. SAM KAVIAR will be sponsored by the Louisville F.O.R. If you can help with his expenses, call Sam at 893-4403, or call Jean Edwards, 458-8056.

June 11 (Tue) **JOBS with JUSTICE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**. Learn about upcoming campaigns and how to get involved. Central Presbyterian Church, 4<sup>th</sup> & Ky, 6:00 pm. Call 625-3724. E-mail: [laura@kyjwj.org](mailto:laura@kyjwj.org)

June 12 (Thu) **FORsooth LABELING** at Beverley Marmion’s house. Don’t miss this historic energizing event, 6:30 pm. Call 451-5658.

June 20/21 (FS) **FIRST SUMMIT ON THE ECONOMIC STATUS OF KENTUCKY’S WOMEN**, sponsored by the Kentucky Commission on Women. Frankfort Civic Ctr. \$65. Call 502/564-6643. <http://women.state.ky.us>

July 27 (Sun) **BRUCE GAGNON**, International Coordinator of the Global Network Against Weapons and Nuclear Power in Space, **KEYNOTE AT THE ANNUAL HIROSHIMA/NAGASAKI COMMEMORATION**. Central Presbyterian Church, 4<sup>th</sup> & Ky, 6:30 pm. Call 458-8056.

Aug 6 (Wed) **58<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE NUCLEAR BOMBING OF HIROSHIMA, JAPAN. NOON PRAYERFUL REFLECTION IN THE GARDEN AT CHRIST CHURCH EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL**, accompanied by the tolling of the bell, recalling those who died and continue to die from the on-going programs of nuclear-related weapons development. 421 S. 2<sup>ND</sup> St. Call 458-8056.

Aug 9 (Sat) **JAPANESE LANTERN FLOATING CEREMONY**, remembering those who perished in the 1945 atomic bombing of Nagasaki, Japan. Cherokee Lake, corner of Lexington Road & Grinstead Dr. 8:00 pm. Music by Laurie Stier. Please bring a ground cover to sit on. Call 458-8056.

Oct 12 (Sun) **COMMUNITY HUNGER WALK**. Call Evelyn Vaughn, 239-4317. [EYVaughn@aol.com](mailto:EYVaughn@aol.com)

Nov 8-16 **FESTIVAL OF FAITHS: “Faith and Justice,”** featuring, **Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., Michael Toms**, and **Arun Gandhi**. Call Terry Taylor, 583-3100.

## OUT OF TOWN EVENTS

May 17-18 **GLOBAL NETWORK AGAINST WEAPONS AND NUCLEAR POWER IN SPACE**. Annual meeting in Australia. Contact Bruce Gagnon, 352/337-9274. e-mail: [globalnet@mindspring.com](mailto:globalnet@mindspring.com) [www.space4peace.org](http://www.space4peace.org)

June 18-July 1, **WITNESS FOR PEACE HISTORIC DELEGATION OF 100 PERSONS TO NICARAGUA- MEXICO- CUBA-COLOMBIA, celebrating twenty years of transforming people and policy**. To challenge the cycles of military and economic violence in Latin America perpetuated by US policy and corporate practices. Includes special 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration in DC, June 29-30. Call 202/588-1471, or [delegations@witnessforpeace.org](mailto:delegations@witnessforpeace.org) Locally, call RICK AXTELL, 859-239-9083

June 29/30 (SM) **BLOW THE WHISTLE ON U.S. INTERVENTION IN LATIN AMERICA**. Program sponsored by Witness for Peace, at Univ of DC, School of Law Student Center . Sunday, 6:30 pm. Keynotes include a Colombian Human Rights Scitivist and Rev. Graylan Hagler. Call 202/588-1471. [www.witnessforpeace.org](http://www.witnessforpeace.org)

Aug 28 (Thu) **FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF MARTIN LUTHER KING’S “I HAVE A DREAM” SPEECH. SPECIAL EVENT PLANNED IN DC**. Stay tuned.

## Regular Meeting Times for Area Organizations

AD HOC COALITION FOR AFFIRMATIVE ACTION – (778-8130)

ADDICTION RECOVERY ADVOCATES OF KENTUCKIANA – 2nd Wednesday (585-3375)

AMERICA 2000 DEMOCRATIC CLUB – 3rd Tuesday (451-2155)

AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL – 1st Saturday (637-8951)

BREAD FOR THE WORLD – 2nd Tuesday (239-4317)

CAPA (Citizens Against Police Abuse) – 2nd Thursday (778-8130)

C.E.A.S.E. [Citizens for Equitable Assignment to School Environments] – 3rd Saturday (778-9427)

CLARK & FLOYD COUNTIES AIDS COALITION – 3rd Thursday (288-2706)

CLOUT [Citizens of Louisville Organized and Working Together] -(583-1267)

COMMITTEE FOR ISRAELI/PALESTINIAN STATES – 3rd Sunday (451-5658)

COMMITTEE TO END THE WAR AGAINST IRAQ – (456-6586)

COMMON CAUSE – 1st Tuesday, every other month (228-1534)

COMMUNIST PARTY USA – Saturday evenings (648-8197 or 473-2659)

CONVERSATION CAFE – Wednesday evenings (454-4820)

CONVERSATIONS WITH GOD – Books by Neale Donald Walsch. 1st Monday (468-2305)

EARTH SAVE LOUISVILLE – 2nd Sunday (569-1876)

FAIRNESS CAMPAIGN – Quarterly community dialogues and volunteer opportunities (893-0788)

FELLOWSHIP OF RECONCILIATION – 4th Monday (456-6586 or 583-4670)

GREATER LOUISVILLE SIERRA CLUB – 3rd Tuesday (897-3335)

GREEN PARTY – 1st Tuesday (456-9540)

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY – Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays & Saturdays (583-6599)

HATE FREE SCHOOLS COALITION – 3rd Thursday (454-3300)

INTERFAITH PATHS TO PEACE – 1st Wednesday (584-1444)

JEFFERSON COUNTY WELFARE REFORM COALITION – 2nd Friday (585-3556)

JUBILEE NETWORK – (583-4670)

JUSTICE RESOURCE CENTER – 3rd Saturday (774-1116)

KENTUCKIANA NATIVE AMERICAN SUPPORT GROUP – 1st & 3rd Thursdays (635-2817)

KENTUCKY JOBS WITH JUSTICE (582-3508, ext. 124)

KFTC [KENTUCKIANS FOR THE COMMONWEALTH] – 2nd Monday, jointly with POWER (589-3188)

KY AIDS LIFE ALLIANCE (KALA) – Every Thursday (479-7884)

KY ALLIANCE AGAINST RACIST & POLITICAL REPRESSION – 3rd Monday (778-8130)

KY COALITION TO ABOLISH THE DEATH PENALTY – Last Tuesday (585-2895)

KY INTERFAITH TASKFORCE ON LATIN AMERICA & THE CARIBBEAN (KITLAC) – 2nd Wednesday (583-4670)

KY RAINBOW/PUSH COALITION – (774-4000)

LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP – 2nd and 4th Thursdays (587-6225)

LOUISVILLE WOMEN CHURCH – 2nd Sunday (456-5261)

LOUISVILLE YOUTH GROUP – Friday nights (454-3300), [www.louisvilleyouthgroup.org](http://www.louisvilleyouthgroup.org)

METROPOLITAN HOUSING COALITION – 4th Wednesday (584-6858)

NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People) – 3rd Monday (634-1804)

NAGASAKI/HIROSHIMA COMMEMORATION COMMITTEE – 1st Sunday (458-8056)

NAMI (National Alliance for the Mentally Ill) – 2nd Monday (245-5287)

PARENTS, FAMILIES & FRIENDS OF LESBIANS AND GAYS (P-FLAG) – 3rd Sunday (329-0229)

PAX CHRISTI – Last Wednesday (456-9342)

PEACE & COMPASSION BUDDHA CIRCLE/CML – (451-2193, [brozier@bellsouth.net](mailto:brozier@bellsouth.net))

POWER [PEOPLE ORGANIZED AND WORKING FOR ENERGY REFORM] – 2nd Monday, jointly with KFTC (778-2687)

PROGRESSIVE STUDENTS LEAGUE AT UL – Every Tuesday (635-1292)

RCRC [Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice] – (585-3050)

RESULTS (a hunger lobby) – 2nd Saturday (451-4907)

SHADHULIYYAH SUFI SPIRITUALITY GROUP – Thursday nights (893-6122)

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**Note: If your group would like to be added to this list or if information needs to be updated, please let us know by calling 458-8056.**