**COMING EVENTS + ONLINE OPPORTUNITIES
on MANY ISSUES**

* **See below for events occurring every MONTH, EVERY WEEK, EVERY DAY, and those occurring on SPECIFIC DATES.**
* **I will update this calendar from time to time and post each new version
to my blog’s “CALENDAR” category in the home page’s right column.**(This is different from **Local Motive’s Community Calendar at** [**https://localmotive.org/southsoundcalendar/**](https://localmotive.org/southsoundcalendar/)
It appears in a tab in the horizontal bar near the top of my blog’s home page: [**www.parallaxperspectives.org**](http://www.parallaxperspectives.org)
* **Also, I keep posting new information and resources at the various issue categories of my blog,** [**www.parallaxperspectives.org**](http://www.parallaxperspectives.org)

**EVERY MONTH:**

**Climate: Thurston Climate Action Team (TCAT) has active committees that meet monthly**: See their calendar at this link: [**https://thurstonclimateaction.org/calendar/**](https://thurstonclimateaction.org/calendar/)

**Climate: 2nd Saturday of each month: The Olympia area’s Citizens’ Climate** **Lobby invite you to their monthly meeting** from 9:30 am to 12 noon to promote legislation to put a tax on carbon. Citizens’ Climate Lobby is a non-profit, non-partisan, grassroots advocacy organization focused on national policies to relieve the climate crisis, especially by putting a price on carbon-based fuels. [**http://citizensclimatelobby.org/climate-resolution**](http://citizensclimatelobby.org/climate-resolution) Info: [**www.citizensclimatelobby.org**](http://www.citizensclimatelobby.org)

**Immigrants’ rights: 1st Monday of each month:** The Olympia area’s Strengthening Sanctuary Alliance meets on the first Monday of each month from 6:00 to 8:00 pm (Pacific Time) on Zoom video conference. New members and ideas welcome. Contact**:** **olympia.sanctuary@gmail.com** or email direct to **zeiglerbob@msn.com** or call (360) 570-0848

**Nuclear weapons: 3rd Thursday of each month: Nuclear weapons statewide meeting: Washington Against Nuclear Weapons** meets from 2:00 to 4:00 pm by Zoom video. (The Olympia Coalition to Abolish Nuclear Weapons is an active member.) Info: [**www.wanwcoalition.org**](http://www.wanwcoalition.org) or (206) 547-2360 Olympia area info: Glen Anderson (360) 491-9093 **glenanderson@integra.net**

**Nuclear weapons: 3rd Thursday of each month: Olympia Coalition to Abolish Nuclear Weapons** meets from 5:00 sharp to 7:00 pm by Zoom video. Info: Glen Anderson (360) 491-9093 **glenanderson@integra.net**

**Peace: 21st day of each month: Participate in the Global Days of Listening, a monthly worldwide peace phone conversation** organized by young people in Afghanistan: Info: [**www.globaldaysoflistening.org**](http://www.globaldaysoflistening.org)

**EVERY WEEK:**

**Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday (and anytime online): “Glen’s Parallax Perspectives” – Each month a new TV interview program focuses on an issue related to peace, social justice, environment, economics, or other progressive issue. It airs three times a week on Thurston Community Media (cable channel 22 in Thurston County WA): Mondays at 1:30 pm, Wednesdays at 5:00 pm, and Thursdays at 9:00 pm.** **Also, people anywhere can watch at any time through Glen’s blog,** [**www.parallaxperspectives.org**](http://www.parallaxperspectives.org). Each program is posted to the blog’s “TV Programs” category and also to categories related to the topic (e.g., “Peace” or “Economics”). Each blog post includes a link to the video and a link to a thorough summary Glen typed up, so you can read what we said during the interview. The thorough summary also includes links to many sources of information. Info: Glen Anderson 491-9093 **glen@olympiafor.org**

**Info about the APRIL TV program: “Nuclear Weapons: History, Science, and the Public”** -- The April 2021 episode of “Glen’s Parallax Perspectives” TV series (also watchable on your computer) helps you understand how nuclear weapons came into existence – and the science behind them – and the public’s reactions to learning about the hard realities. From ancient times, people have wondered how the natural world works. Science and technology evolved so that nuclear weapons have been threatening life on earth since the 1940s. Jim Manista, a member of the Olympia Coalition to Abolish Nuclear Weapons, researched and produced a fascinating and informative audio-visual that is the main focus of this month’s TV program.

**Info about the MAY TV program: “Economic Justice – A Bold New Agenda” --** The May 2021 episode of “Glen’s Parallax Perspectives” TV series (also watchable on your computer starting in late April) helps you understand the economic crisis we are experiencing now – and the long-standing economic problems that have led to our current crisis. We explore problems and solutions for promoting economic justice and fairness for ordinary people. Two guests are experts on a variety of problems and solutions related to economic justice: Bartlett Naylor is a Financial Policy Advocate working for Public Citizen ([**www.citizen.org**](http://www.citizen.org)), the amazingly savvy non-profit organization founded by Ralph Nader half a century ago. Sarah Anderson is a Program Director working for the Institute for Policy Studies ([**www.ips-dc.org**](http://www.ips-dc.org)), a very knowledgeable non-profit organization that has worked on a variety of issues since the 1960s. Glen will post this program to his blog before the end of April.

**Wednesdays from 12:00 noon to 1:00 pm: Peace Vigil in downtown Olympia WA** in NW corner of Sylvester Park (at Legion & Capitol Way) has persisted every Wednesday since March 5, 1980, regardless of weather or holidays. Please come for all or part of the hour to witness in a friendly way for peace and nonviolence. We provide plenty of signs. Masks required. Space out 6+ feet apart. Info: **glenanderson@integra.net** (360) 491-9093

**Thursdays from 12:00 to 1:00 pm (Pacific Time): Kim Dobson’s “Parallel University”** on KAOS 89.3 FM interviews knowledgeable, interesting experts on peace, social justice, the environment, progressive politics, and other alternative viewpoints. Info: Kim Dobson. 951-4382 **parralleluniversity@yahoo.com** Listen locally at 89.3 FM or anywhere at [**www.kaosradio.org**](http://www.kaosradio.org)

**Fridays from 4:30 to 6:00 pm in downtown Olympia WA: Peace Vigil** at Percival Landing’s south end and SW corner of 4th& Water. Please join us for whatever length of time you can. We provide plenty of signs. The Artesian Rumble Arkestra street band joins us at 5:00 with lively music to support our vigil! The vigil has persisted every Friday regardless of weather or holidays since November 1998. Masks required. Space out 6+ feet apart. Info: 491-9093 Info: **glenanderson@integra.net** (360) 491-9093 and [**www.oly-wa.us/artesianrumble**](http://www.oly-wa.us/artesianrumble)

**Fridays from 5:00 to 6:00 pm in Olympia WA: “Women in Black” Silent Vigil for Peace** on the south side of W 4th Ave near the fountain. Women only. Please wear black. They provide signs. Since 1988 “Women in Black” has been a loose network of women worldwide opposed to war and violence.

**EVERY DAY:**

**Democracy Now! broadcasts news from a progressive perspective on TV and radio and e-mail.** See [**www.democracynow.org**](http://www.democracynow.org). For example, in Thurston County WA people can watch cable channel 22 every Monday through Friday from 5:00 to 6:00 a.m. and 3:00 to 4:00 p.m., and listen to KAOS 89.3 FM from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. Pacific Time (and through [**www.kaosradio.org**](http://www.kaosradio.org), adjusted for your time zone).

**AlterNet (**[**www.alternet.org**](http://www.alternet.org)**), Common Dreams (**[**www.commondreams.org**](http://www.commondreams.org)**), Truthout (**[**www.truthout.org**](http://www.truthout.org)**), CounterPunch News (**[**www.counterpunch.org**](http://www.counterpunch.org)**), and other internet sources send news collections every day by e-mail and post them to their websites.** You may sign up through their websites to receive daily e-mails.

**SPECIFIC DATES**

**COMING SOON: The interesting, informative, enjoyable, practical 6-part series of workshops on “Nonviolent Grassroots Organizing” (facilitated by Glen Anderson) will be offered again from time to time. Information:** [**Sign up NOW for FREE ONLINE WORKSHOPS so you can make more progress on issues YOU care about – Glen's Parallax Perspectives**](https://parallaxperspectives.org/sign-up-now-for-free-online-workshops-so-you-can-make-more-progress-on-issues-you-care-about-2) If you’d like to take this series of workshops when it is offered again, contact Glen at (360) 491-9093 **glenanderson@integra.net**

**Thurston Climate Action Team (TCAT) has a calendar listing many climate-related and environmental activities throughout the month.** See their calendar at this link: [**https://thurstonclimateaction.org/calendar/**](https://thurstonclimateaction.org/calendar/)

**Tuesday April 13: CODEPINK campaign to close U.S. military bases and pass peace legislation:** You are invited to join CODEPINK CONGRESS, our new campaign to mobilize co-sponsors and votes for peace legislation! 5:00 pm (Pacific Time), 8:00 Eastern Time). Info and RSVP: [**https://www.codepink.org/04132021?utm\_campaign=cp\_congress\_4\_13\_21&utm\_medium=email&utm\_source=codepink**](https://www.codepink.org/04132021?utm_campaign=cp_congress_4_13_21&utm_medium=email&utm_source=codepink)

**Wednesday April 14: Glen Anderson speaks to international audience on "Re-Thinking National Security":** It runs on Zoom from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Pacific Time (12:30-1:30 p.m. Eastern Time). Contact Glen to get the Zoom link so you can hear and participate in the discussion:**glenanderson@integra.net**

**Wednesday April 14: Electoral reform webinar:** At 1:00 p.m. Pacific Time, 4:00 pm Eastern Time, this webinar – “The Electoral Reform Imperative to Address Our Polarization Crisis” – will feature experts from FairVote and other organizations. FairVote ([**www.fairvote.org**](http://www.fairvote.org)) tends to be progressive, but this webinar has conservative voices too, so it can broaden our movement to reform elections. Info and RSVP: [**https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_ZYYyaOZqQRKy89J1oEEFTA**](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ZYYyaOZqQRKy89J1oEEFTA)

**Wednesday April 14: “The Great American Healthcare Scam: How Kickbacks, Collusion and Propaganda have Exploded Healthcare Costs in the U.S.” --** If you don’t understand how the U.S. ended up with the most expensive and inefficient health care system in the developed world, then mark your calendar for our next One Hour Zoom meeting on Wednesday April 14 to hear Dr. David Belk, MD, who has spent years looking for answers to these questions and others. He will help you understand why the corporate profiteers must be removed from our system and why the financial schemes in healthcare must be exposed. Invite your friends, and enjoy the Q&A after Dr. Belk’s presentation. Join the Zoom event at this link: [**https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83086366227?pwd=S1NyQjhUUDF6ZU9pa0xuSE5VWnRlQT09**](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83086366227?pwd=S1NyQjhUUDF6ZU9pa0xuSE5VWnRlQT09) If you don’t have video, you can call in from your location at +1 669 900 9128 The Meeting ID: 830 8636 6227, and the Passcode is 393126 This Zoom event is sponsored by Health Care for All – Washington, [**www.healthcareforallwa.org**](http://www.healthcareforallwa.org) RSVP here: [**https://www.healthcareforallwa.org/zoom\_with\_dr\_david\_belk?utm\_campaign=belk\_3\_s&utm\_medium=email&utm\_source=healthcareforallwa**](https://www.healthcareforallwa.org/zoom_with_dr_david_belk?utm_campaign=belk_3_s&utm_medium=email&utm_source=healthcareforallwa)

**Thursday April 15: “Greening U.S. Trade Policy”** – Hear experts discuss sustainable trade from 12 noon to 1 pm Eastern Time (9:00 to 10:00 a.m. Pacific Time). This is presented by the Center for American Progress, [**www.americanprogress.org**](http://www.americanprogress.org)

**Thursday April 15: The Olympia Coalition to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (OCANW) will meet by Zoom video at 5:00 pm sharp. Please join us!** Every meeting is informative, interesting and productive. We’ll start at 5:00 sharp. You may join as early as 4:45 pm to make sure your video, audio, etc., are working OK. To join, click [**https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85769432072?pwd=bWVDNlFzSWoyMm9nVFg5TFRGelRsZz09**](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85769432072?pwd=bWVDNlFzSWoyMm9nVFg5TFRGelRsZz09) Meeting ID: 857 6943 2072 Passcode: 508389 If you can’t use video and must call in by telephone, call (253) 215 8782 through Tacoma WA or through a Zoom location nearer to you.

**Thursday April 15 and the next five Thursdays: Online Nonviolence Course:** Pace e Bene ([**www.paceebene.org**](http://www.paceebene.org)) is an excellent non-profit organization promoting profound nonviolence and organizing for peace and social justice. Now they are offering a 6-week “Nonviolence Online Community Course,” which will deepen your understanding and commitment for nonviolence. It will teach you about the principles of nonviolence, and help you apply your new-found knowledge in the company of other people looking for a better way to create change. Six Thursdays from April 15 to May 20 from 1:00 to 2:30 Pacific Time. Info and registration: [**https://paceebene.org/events/2021/04/15/join-the-nonviolence-online-community-course?eType=EmailBlastContent&eId=c2be7da9-f0ae-475a-a04a-a22e8eb68c57**](https://paceebene.org/events/2021/04/15/join-the-nonviolence-online-community-course?eType=EmailBlastContent&eId=c2be7da9-f0ae-475a-a04a-a22e8eb68c57) See their website for more printed resources, online courses, etc.: [**www.paceebene.org**](http://www.paceebene.org)

**Saturday April 17: “Healing Destructive Divisions: Respecting Differences, Finding Common Ground” –** The Western Washington Fellowship of Reconciliation (WWFOR) invites you to register now for its annual Spring Assembly, which will occur online from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Pacific Time. Please register now for this online event. Information and registration: [**https://wwfor.org/spring-assembly-2021/**](https://wwfor.org/spring-assembly-2021/)

**Saturday April 17: National organizing call to expand the U.S. Supreme Court:** Several progressive organizations and Congress members invite you to this event at 12 noon (Pacific Time), 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time. Senator Ed Markey and Representative Mondaire Jones will be join the call, which will discuss the Trump-McConnell stacking of federal courts, the dangers if we don’t bring balance to the courts, and how we can solve the problems. This call will provide a detailed plan with specific, impactful actions you can take to expand the Supreme Court by four seats. This is the moment to act -- and your participation is key. Info and RSVP: [**https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/2216167955021/WN\_eG0k2oGuT120VObg9vXPxw?link\_id=1&can\_id=1d662460c0abb8939c5044c82927552b&source=email-a-convo-about-court-reform-with-ed-markey-and-mondaire-jones-2&email\_referrer=email\_1132573\_\_\_subject\_1517309&email\_subject=a-big-announcement**](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/2216167955021/WN_eG0k2oGuT120VObg9vXPxw?link_id=1&can_id=1d662460c0abb8939c5044c82927552b&source=email-a-convo-about-court-reform-with-ed-markey-and-mondaire-jones-2&email_referrer=email_1132573___subject_1517309&email_subject=a-big-announcement)

**Saturday-Sunday April 17-18: Progressive Democrats of America (PDA) invites everyone to their 2021 Leadership Conference featuring several important issues:** This two-day event includes opportunities to learn about issues and join with nationwide experts for organizing. Information: [**www.pdamerica.org**](http://www.pdamerica.org) Registration: [**https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJYrc-qvqD0qHNUBI8WUKEOvn9HE7KfUgbqh**](https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJYrc-qvqD0qHNUBI8WUKEOvn9HE7KfUgbqh)

**Sunday April 18: “Power Shift 2021” deals with energy, climate, etc.:** The Power Shift 2021schedule is now live! Info and registration: [**For those who haven’t registered for the convergence yet, you can do so here**](https://u1584542.ct.sendgrid.net/ss/c/PxC_Re9xwNjdFiwYhCSyS8mXqNohy2x4VMUFhLPF4wZL2lEjqX3mP5qF8L2MEj58JwszEzb7vX2vELssGfJ90mR5qlB60pkg5K6sxsm7cyHnCQdU_ujorhQUP_Ma9XOzNNd071y0x6ISGsOZK5uQqncBJSkgoBO_gqu6HmVM3yM-sczWYK5aPnE_HIdZF86acOWt9pXNCmObwlT6zIUBv-Ax9rnoQYMnTYqASf2oSbOF0VmqxrY_yaDXQsu9IicAPVwf3jKeUlGcuJ7xgDubRQv6D22xO5U7vWWE3efo_wE/3ax/F5WpmUNqSHGPsIox9UuLaw/h0/Zgsa2EG_0uioq51yLd5FNExX06Ump3cXBrhVErGBgvY)

**Saturday April 24: Building Political Support for the Nuclear Ban Treaty:** The Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW) went into effect on January 22 because more than 50 nations have ratified the TPNW and made everything to do with nuclear weapons illegal in their nations. More nations will be ratifying the treaty. Grassroots pressure and local governments are pushing more nations to kick the U.S. and NATO nuclear weapons out of their nations. Many nations’ parliamentarians have officially stated their support for the TPNW. Learn more about this rapidly growing global movement at a zoom event on Saturday April 24, starting at 7:30 a.m. Pacific Time (10:30 a.m. Eastern Time, and running just a little over two hours. Register here: [**http://bit.ly/political-tpnw**](http://bit.ly/political-tpnw) See this exciting post -- [**http://www.nuclearban.us/5398-2/**](http://www.nuclearban.us/5398-2/) -- at [**www.NuclearBan.US**](http://www.NuclearBan.US).

# Saturday-Sunday April 24-25: Building the Religious Left: This is a virtual national conference of the Religion & Socialism Working Group of Democratic Socialists of America (DSA). Saturday’s sessions run from 12 noon to 7:00 pm Eastern Time (9:00 a.m. to 4:00 pm Pacific Time). Sunday’s sessions run from 2:00 to 7:00 pm Eastern Time (11:00 a.m. to 4:00 pm Pacific Time). Enjoy two days of panels, workshops and skills training to help you build the religious left. Schedule details (speakers, panels, etc.) will be available soon. Register at this link: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc-80vsLxWMop5LNN7ElzRl6dqIOL7K4GFp2UVO0YJQfgISww/viewform?link_id=0&can_id=1d662460c0abb8939c5044c82927552b&source=email-save-the-date-for-building-the-religious-left-national-conference-april-24-25&email_referrer=email_1102948&email_subject=register-for-building-the-religious-left-national-conference-april-24-25>

**Sunday April 25: Earth Week Premier event: “The Race to Save the World,” award-winning film screening and panel discussion:** Film shows at 1:00 pm Pacific Time, followed by a 2:40 panel discussion. (Eastern times are 4:00 and 5:40 pm. Many people have taken smart, bold actions to save the environment and the climate, including activists who conducted the ShellNo and Valve Turners’ actions and the young persons who have sued the government. “The Race to Save the World” tells the story of people who work on many fronts for a just transition off fossil fuels, in order to deliver a livable planet for future generations. Great activists will participate in the panel discussion after the film. See much more information and a link to purchase your ticket at this link: [**https://www.backbonecampaign.org/race2save?utm\_campaign=race2save\_1&utm\_medium=email&utm\_source=backbonecampaign**](https://www.backbonecampaign.org/race2save?utm_campaign=race2save_1&utm_medium=email&utm_source=backbonecampaign)

**Thursday April 29 launches the Saturday-Sunday May 1-2 Plant Sale to benefit the Thurston-Santo Tomás (Nicaragua) Sister Community Association:** This annual event will be held online instead of in front of Jean Eberhardt’s home on Olympia’s West Side. Now you can buy perennials and some annuals to raise money for partial university scholarships for 16 youth in our sister town of Santo Tomás, Chontales, Nicaragua. Masked volunteers have been digging, dividing and potting up the great selection of plants that local folks have been enjoying buying. This year’s plan is different. If you can volunteer, please phone 360-943-8642 (no texts) or write **tstsca@gmail.com** for how you might help (donating plants or volunteering in various ways.) At 5:00 pm Thursday April 29 the online site for our Sat-Sun May 1-2 sale will be available: [**https://thurston-santo-tomas-sister-county-organization.square.site/**](https://thurston-santo-tomas-sister-county-organization.square.site/) On 4/29/21, be sure to check out the sale, whether you’re looking for spectacular red bee balm, a wide variety of fancy iris, native plants, everbearing raspberry canes, tomato plants, Peruvian lilies, asters, ground covers, vegetable starts, culinary herbs, strawberry plants, rhubarb plants, or a myriad of other great growing garden filling plants! A $30 minimum purchase is required. We will complete orders in the sequence received, select our best plants for you and box them up free curbside pickup at specific times. You'll also have the option of free delivery if (1) you purchase at least $50 in plants (or less with rounding up to $50 or more), and (2) you live within 5 miles of the Westside. Order early to get the plants you want. For more information about TSTSCA, visit [**https://oly-wa.us/tstsca/**](https://oly-wa.us/tstsca/)

**Sunday May 2: Fundraiser to support efforts to release immigrants from the Northwest Detention Center in Tacoma:** This event is organized by the Washington State Religious Campaign Against Torture (WSRCAT) and the Jewish Coalition for Immigrant Justice and the Washington Immigrant Solidarity Network (WAISN) in order to benefit the Fair Fight Bond Fund. Created as a deportation defense tool, the Fair Fight Bond Fund is a revolving community bond fund that gives immigrants an estimated 70% increased chance of winning their case by bonding them out of detention. The Fair Fight Bond Fund enables immigrants to pay bonds that range from $5,000-$35,000, so they can compile evidence to defend their cases and reunite with their families and community. To date, the Fair Fight Bond Fund has bonded out 40 people from 17 countries. This effort is more important than ever given the unsafe conditions for those who remain in detention during the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic. Info about the fund: [**https://fairfightbondfund.org/**](https://fairfightbondfund.org/) The online event on Sunday May 2 starts at 6:00 pm Pacific Time. The keynote speaker is Washington State Attorney General Bob Ferguson. The event also features Rabbi Seth Goldstein from Olympia and music. (The NW Detention Center has been officially renamed the NW ICE Processing Center.) Individual registration for this fundraiser starts at $36. Register at [**www.bit.ly/ShareOurHarvest**](http://www.bit.ly/ShareOurHarvest)

**Saturday, May 8: Celebrate Mothers Day by participating in the Ground Zero Center for Nonviolent Action’s activity to abolish nuclear weapons:** Mothers Day was created to be a day for peace. Let’s revive that spirit and message. Today’s event from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Pacific Time will occur both on Zoom and in person at the Ground Zero location, 16159 Clear Creek Rd. NW, Poulsbo WA 98370. Speakers will be Timmon Wallis and Vicki Elson, who co-wrote ***Warheads to Windmills*** and are playing a key role in the worldwide movement to abolish nuclear weapons, the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons. Vicki and Timmon co-founded [**www.NuclearBan.US**](http://www.NuclearBan.US), which is a 501(c)4 non-profit organization committed to the total elimination of nuclear weapons and the use of all those wasted human, financial and political resources to finally and seriously address the climate crisis and global inequality through a Green New Deal. Longtime nuclear resister, Jesuit, member of the Kings Bay Plowshares 7, and current prisoner of conscience in the Federal prison system, Steve Kelly may also make virtual guest appearance if his busy schedule permits. See information at [**www.gzcenter.org**](http://www.gzcenter.org)