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

* **See below for events occurring every MONTH, and EVERY WEEK, and 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)
I also post my TV programs and a few other calendar items to that horizontal bar on my blog.
* **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: Carbon Free Thurston (Thurston County WA) meets every third Wednesday of the month,** alternating between 3:00 pm and 6:30 pm. For more information and Zoom link please email Tom Crawford at **tom@thurstonclimateaction.org**

**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)

**Peace: Olympia’s Veterans for Peace Chapter 109 (the Rachel Corrie Chapter) meets on the first Sunday of each month** from 12 noon to 2 pm. Info about the meetings – or about joining the local mailing list: Mark Fleming **rezdog02@hotmail.com** or (360) 357-1060. Their website is [**www.vfp109.com**](http://www.vfp109.com)

**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 **glenanderson@integra.net**

**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. **Here is the link:** [**https://parallaxperspectives.org/nuclear-weapons-history-science-and-the-public-tv-program-and-more-information**](https://parallaxperspectives.org/nuclear-weapons-history-science-and-the-public-tv-program-and-more-information)

**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) 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 posted this program’s video to his blog and is currently typing up a thorough summary of what we said during the interview and will post that to the blog too when it’s ready. **Here is the blog link:** [**https://parallaxperspectives.org/economic-justice-a-bold-new-agenda**](https://parallaxperspectives.org/economic-justice-a-bold-new-agenda) Please publicize in whatever ways you can.

**Every Monday, Thursday and Saturday: Olympia’s Veterans for Peace Chapter 109 (the Rachel Corrie Chapter) airs its TV Program (“The Veterans Hour”)** at 5:00 every Monday, 8:00 pm every Thursday, and 2:00 pm every Saturday on Thurston Community Media cable channel 22 in Thurston County WA. Also, people EVERYWHERE can watch them at ANY TIME through [**www.youtube.com/n7mea**](http://www.youtube.com/n7mea) Info: Mark Fleming **rezdog02@hotmail.com** or (360) 357-1060. The group’s website is [**www.vfp109.com**](http://www.vfp109.com)

**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 (across the street from Olympia Oyster House). 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. Info: (360) 866-6468 or (360) 866-4768 or **rosemary.b@comcast.net**

**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.

**Now at any time you can watch the informative sessions from Western Washington Fellowship of Reconciliation’s Spring Assembly that happened on April 17. It was titled, “Healing Destructive Divisions: Respecting Differences, Finding Common Ground." You can see the list of recordings at THIS LINK:** [**https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLjFfPFSVWUW\_4nWQoe0NFj62l1zAFRJ2E**](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLjFfPFSVWUW_4nWQoe0NFj62l1zAFRJ2E)

**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/)

**STARTING on Saturday May 1: Nonviolence training online from an excellent organization:** Join with Pax Christi USA members and friends from across the nation in our first virtual nonviolence training with trainers from the Meta Peace Team! Pax Christi is a Catholic-based peace/nonviolence organization that includes many additional people. They are partnering with the Meta Peace Team to offer “Active Nonviolence” trainings twice each year. The first training is scheduled for Saturday May 1 from 11:00 am to 3:30 pm (Eastern Time) or 8:00 to 11:00 am (Pacific Time). It includes a 30-minute break for lunch). This virtual session will take place over Zoom and will focus on “Bystander Intervention Skills Training.” Topics include:

* What does it mean, how is it used, and how can good-hearted, well-intentioned individuals radically disagree yet still live in community together?
* What is the difference between passivity and active nonviolence?
* What is empowered peacemaking?
* The emphasis in this training will be on “bystander intervention.” Participants will discover how Jesus taught us to be creatively nonviolent, as well as specific skills, techniques, and tools that are useful both in conflict intervention situations and in daily life.

Read more about the training at this link: [**https://paxchristiusa.org/2021/04/14/register-for-a-virtual-nonviolence-training-specifically-designed-for-pax-christi-usa-members-on-may-1st/**](https://paxchristiusa.org/2021/04/14/register-for-a-virtual-nonviolence-training-specifically-designed-for-pax-christi-usa-members-on-may-1st/)

**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)

**Saturday May 8: Support voting rights on the Nationwide John Lewis Voting Rights Advancement Action Day:** Updates for the[**John Lewis Day of Action**](https://dfadcoalition.org/lewis-day-partners/) See this website for an upcoming mobilization: [**http://www.johnlewisdayofaction.org/**](http://www.johnlewisdayofaction.org/) - Or see this alternate source of info: [**https://dfadcoalition.org/lewis-day/**](https://dfadcoalition.org/lewis-day/) **More opportunities are here:**

* Planning Meetings are Thursdays at 4pm ET - [link to join](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81797759030?pwd=WU5pQkIzTnpXTVEwbzFXbmJjejU1Zz09)
* The first meeting for the Youth Committee will be Thursday at 3pm ET! [link to join](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81797759030?pwd=WU5pQkIzTnpXTVEwbzFXbmJjejU1Zz09).
* National Broadcast committee will meet Tuesdays 4:30 PM Eastern Time.[link to join](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81797759030?pwd=WU5pQkIzTnpXTVEwbzFXbmJjejU1Zz09).
* The Teach-in Committee will meet on Fridays at 1pm ET. [link to join](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81797759030?pwd=WU5pQkIzTnpXTVEwbzFXbmJjejU1Zz09).
* The Votercade planning committee will meet Wednesdays at 4pm ET with the same [link to join](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81797759030?pwd=WU5pQkIzTnpXTVEwbzFXbmJjejU1Zz09).
* Meetings for the communications/ social media committee will be Wednesdays at 2pm ET. [link to join](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81797759030?pwd=WU5pQkIzTnpXTVEwbzFXbmJjejU1Zz09).

**Saturdays (May 8, 15, 22, 29 and June 5, & 12: Intro to Compassionate Listening: Healing Our World from the Inside Out: "I CAN'T TALK TO HIM/HER/THEM!"** Are you stuck when it comes to conversations with friends or family about who voted for whom, personal relationships, or just about anything? We can dig ourselves out of this painful polarization using the practice of Compassionate Listening. We learn to listen and to speak from the heart in order to humanize “the other,” to lower the level of tension in difficult situations, and to bring about shifts in attitudes and behavior. **Compassionate Listening is a personal practice to cultivate inner strength, self-awareness, self-regulation, and wisdom. At this training, you will gain a skill set to enhance interpersonal relations and navigate challenging conversation.** This process can help you bring individuals or groups together to bridge their differences and transform conflict. And most of all, Compassionate Listening is a healing gift to a person who feels marginalized or in pain, in all manner of conflict situations. Join us for a six-session introductory CL workshop led by Yael Petretti: 9:00-11:30 am (Pacific Time) or 12:00-2:30 pm (Eastern Time). The workshop series costs $225. A limited number of $150 tickets are available for those who require financial assistance in order to attend. Information and registration: [**https://www.compassionatelistening.org/events-1/intro-to-compassionate-listening-healing-our-world-from-the-inside-out-with-yael-petretti?utm\_campaign=e285aa4b-393a-4eba-8f78-1ef43592f734&utm\_source=so&utm\_medium=mail&cid=f4e197ae-586a-4bd3-8052-e9a8604bc0af**](https://www.compassionatelistening.org/events-1/intro-to-compassionate-listening-healing-our-world-from-the-inside-out-with-yael-petretti?utm_campaign=e285aa4b-393a-4eba-8f78-1ef43592f734&utm_source=so&utm_medium=mail&cid=f4e197ae-586a-4bd3-8052-e9a8604bc0af)

**Saturday May 8: Kathy Kelly, Pacifist peace activist, presents “The Wounds of War: Iraq, Afghanistan, and Yemen - U.S. Accountability and a Call for Reparations.”** As part of peace team work in several countries, she has traveled to Iraq twenty-six times, notably remaining in combat zones during the early days of both US–Iraq wars. It’s 4:00 pm Pacific Time on Zoom. JOIN WITH THIS LINK: [**https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81216467150**](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81216467150)Passcode 094136. Meeting ID: 812 1646 7150 If you can’t use video and must phone in, use +13126266799 through Chicago.

**Monday May 10: Reinforcing the Norm Against Chemical Weapons:** This Zoom webinar brings you up to date from a recent Conference of States Parties to the Chemical Weapons Convention: At the second session of the 25th Conference of States Parties held in The Hague last month, the member states took several important steps to reinforce the norm against chemical weapons use and to hold Chemical Weapons Convention violators accountable. Foremost among these was the decision to suspend the rights and privileges of Syria under the Convention. The Chemical Weapons Convention Coalition, in cooperation with the Arms Control Association, will host a briefing to review the results and implications of the 25th Conference of States Parties for the work of the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) and the CWC regime. Today’s event is co-sponsored by the Chemical Weapons Convention Coalition and the Arms Control Association. 7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. (Pacific Time) is 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Eastern Time. **REGISTER AT THIS LINK:** [**https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/8116195356327/WN\_N4BoZQw0RgOU2WEEdneknA**](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/8116195356327/WN_N4BoZQw0RgOU2WEEdneknA)

**Monday May 10: Work with other folks to prevent gun violence:**  Doctors for America holds events on the second Monday of each month. On Monday May 10 (5:30 pm Pacific Time) you can join a National Gun Violence Action Team Meeting. People will introduce themselves and then hear from a partner organizations, SAFE (Scrubs Addressing the Firearm Epidemic). Then all participants will select which breakout topic they wish to join; Safe Storage, Advocating for a National Bureau for Firearm Injury Prevention, and Anti-Racism as Gun Violence Prevention. You can find out about advocacy opportunities. **RSVP for the Monday May 10 event:** [**https://www.drsforamerica.org/connecting-and-collaborating-with-your-dfa-gun-violence-prevention-colleagues-may-10-2021/?link\_id=2&can\_id=1d662460c0abb8939c5044c82927552b&source=email-follow-up-from-covid-recovery-call-invite-to-the-next&email\_referrer=email\_1143011&email\_subject=opportunities-for-gun-violence-prevention-advocacy-in-may-with-dfa**](https://www.drsforamerica.org/connecting-and-collaborating-with-your-dfa-gun-violence-prevention-colleagues-may-10-2021/?link_id=2&can_id=1d662460c0abb8939c5044c82927552b&source=email-follow-up-from-covid-recovery-call-invite-to-the-next&email_referrer=email_1143011&email_subject=opportunities-for-gun-violence-prevention-advocacy-in-may-with-dfa)

**Mondays May 10, 17, 24: Why should we abolish police and prisons?** Join savvy people for a 4-week study and discussion group on the first four Mondays in May (5:00-6:00 Pacific Time) to begin learning about the police and prison abolition movement. (The May 3 session already occurred.) Participants will be invited to complete about 1.5 hours of outlined self-study (*e.g*. assigned podcasts, articles, videos, etc.) prior to gathering each week on Zoom, where we will unpack the content together and discuss how the information impacts us locally. This will not be an exhaustive course, but rather an invitation for each of us to start new paths of learning and engagement as we imagine a world without policing and prisons, a world where everyone is truly safe. **Check out the 4-week syllabus HERE:** [**https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Ofg8UhKm43cUTEniwq8mX0XfCHP6ys6dRIjYMivtTsY/edit?link\_id=0&can\_id=83536a821e86fa97f39d026ff52a87d1&source=email-why-abolition&email\_referrer=email\_1156403&email\_subject=why-abolition**](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Ofg8UhKm43cUTEniwq8mX0XfCHP6ys6dRIjYMivtTsY/edit?link_id=0&can_id=83536a821e86fa97f39d026ff52a87d1&source=email-why-abolition&email_referrer=email_1156403&email_subject=why-abolition) **Register in advance for this meeting using this LINK:** [**https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUuceiurDkuGNTSGcfakLElFxwnpkzYm0jv?link\_id=1&can\_id=83536a821e86fa97f39d026ff52a87d1&source=email-why-abolition&email\_referrer=email\_1156403&email\_subject=why-abolition**](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUuceiurDkuGNTSGcfakLElFxwnpkzYm0jv?link_id=1&can_id=83536a821e86fa97f39d026ff52a87d1&source=email-why-abolition&email_referrer=email_1156403&email_subject=why-abolition) **After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.**

**Tuesday May 11: Withdraw from Afghanistan: CODEPINK CONGRESS invites you to join their new campaign to mobilize co-sponsors and votes for peace legislation!** 5:00 pm Pacific Time = 8:00 pm Eastern Time. RSVP with your name and contact info at this link: [**https://www.codepink.org/05112021?utm\_campaign=cp\_congress\_5\_11\_21&utm\_medium=email&utm\_source=codepink**](https://www.codepink.org/05112021?utm_campaign=cp_congress_5_11_21&utm_medium=email&utm_source=codepink)

**Wednesday May 12: “How Racism Creates Health Inequities,”** a **FREE one-hour Zoom meeting** at 7:00 pm, presented by Health Care for All – Washington ([**www.healthcareforallwa.org**](http://www.healthcareforallwa.org)). One of the presenters has stated, “One’s zip code is more important to one's health than one's genetic code. Structural racism undergirds American society. Health begins where we live, learn, work, play and pray.” Bob Lutz, MD, MPH, is a medical advisor for COVID-19 medical response for the Washington Department of Health who worked eight years with the Spokane Regional Health District (SRHD) until 2020. He and two other expert presenters will share fascinating, important information. You can learn how COVID-19 has made obvious the disparities in public health based on socioeconomic position, race/ethnicity, nationality, nativity, immigration, citizen status, age and gender from the people who have been on the front lines of the fight. The presentation will be followed by a Q and A to answer all your questions. Bring a friend and share with your networks! **RSVP:** [**https://www.healthcareforallwa.org/may\_12\_zoom?utm\_campaign=may\_12\_zoom\_2\_s&utm\_medium=email&utm\_source=healthcareforallwa**](https://www.healthcareforallwa.org/may_12_zoom?utm_campaign=may_12_zoom_2_s&utm_medium=email&utm_source=healthcareforallwa) **GLEN’S NOTE:** I have been actively involved with Health Care for All – WA and have financially supported it for many years. It is a solidly competent and progressive organization working for Universal Single-Payer health care.

**Friday May 14: New date for Town Hall with Senator Maria Cantwell: She rarely conducts “Town Hall” gatherings, so it’s important to participate today.** It starts at 12:00 noon (Pacific Time). Indivisible WA, the progressive political network, says, “Maria Cantwell has been Missing In Action on the most important legislation of our lifetime: the For the People Act (HR1/S1). The only way she is going to get off the fence is if she hears it LOUD AND CLEAR from her constituents--that's US! All Indivisible members statewide are encouraged to attend this Town Hall. We want Senator Cantwell to know that we are a force to be reckoned with.” She is very middle-of-the-road on many issues and pretty negligent on peace issues. **Register for this Zoom event HERE:** [**https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0qc-CpqjoiGtWNp1NqFv45GPHZXbMVHlBW**](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0qc-CpqjoiGtWNp1NqFv45GPHZXbMVHlBW) During registration you will be asked for your congressional district (CD) and state legislative district (LD). If you don't know them you can easily **look them up here:** [**https://app.leg.wa.gov/districtfinder/**](https://app.leg.wa.gov/districtfinder/)

**Friday May 14: Learn about profound democracy (community rights, the rights of nature, etc.): The workshop’s title is, “Community Rights: Why and How Communities are Building Democracy and Equity into the System.”** Description: Why do we almost never win against corporations targeting our communities? How did we get to this place? Simple. Corporations – and their allies – have been busy manufacturing a structure of law over the last 150 years that insulates them from community control. So what will it take to change the current reality to deal with the issues that matter the most to us in Snohomish County? This 2-hour educational workshop will provide an overview of:

* Why conventional activism is not up for the job for the changes needed
* Overview of the corporate controlled legal box containing our communities
* Origins of the right of local self-government + corporate “rights”
* Building a new people’s movement: Community Rights
* What it will take to build and protect a viable and sustainable Washington

This 6:00 pm (Pacific Time) event is the quarterly meeting of Snohomish County Community Rights ([**SCCR**](https://www.facebook.com/sccr2017)). They are hosting an educational workshop by the Community Environmental Legal Defense Fund ([**CELDF**](https://celdf.org/)). SCCR is working towards healthier communities, watersheds and ecosystems in Snohomish County, as well as on community and nature rights. Please visit [**SCCR Facebook page**](http://facebook.com/sccr2017) and like it for timely updates.

CELDF helps communities develop laws for protection and assertion of rights - including worker, environmental, democratic rights, and rights of nature. CELDF provides free and low-cost legal services, grassroots organizing, and education to communities, states and countries facing injustice. For more information, please visit [**CELDF website**](https://celdf.org/).

**CLICK LINK TO JOIN THE ZOOM MEETING:** [**https://zoom.us/j/9829014486?pwd=V2lhUFVvK0hsdGxNV2NsT0svMmtIZz09**](https://zoom.us/j/9829014486?pwd=V2lhUFVvK0hsdGxNV2NsT0svMmtIZz09)

Meeting ID: 982 901 4486 Passcode: 928787

If you can’t use video, you can call from your location through 1 253 215 8782 (Tacoma WA) or find your local number at [**https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kmmSfCVOq**](https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kmmSfCVOq)Meeting ID: 982 901 4486 Passcode: 928787

Besides using Zoom, they also will broadcast this event live on Facebook: [**https://www.facebook.com/events/911500819638077/**](https://www.facebook.com/events/911500819638077/)

More information: Kai Huschke is the CELDF organizer for the Northwest and Hawaii: **kai@celdf.org** 509-607-5034

**Saturday May 15: Making Magic Happen: How To Facilitate Nonviolence Trainings Online Four-hour Workshop on Zoom:** Objective: Learn how to create a sensitive environment, how to use opening and closing exercises, how to debrief content, and how to balance experiential learning with presentations. You will also learn how to use personal stories and humor, how to do role plays (yes, even online), and how to vary your use of technology to keep sessions lively. It runs from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Pacific Time, with a one-hour break. Cost $40. Facilitators: Rivera Sun and Veronica Pelicaric Info: [**https://paceebene.org/events/2021/5/15/how-to-facilitate-nonviolence-online?eType=EmailBlastContent&eId=cd21a1a8-575c-47fc-8ccd-06eff273c6c8**](https://paceebene.org/events/2021/5/15/how-to-facilitate-nonviolence-online?eType=EmailBlastContent&eId=cd21a1a8-575c-47fc-8ccd-06eff273c6c8)

**Saturday May 15: Washington Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty: Annual Meeting**: 11:00 a.m. on Zoom. Learn about WCADP’s work to abolish the death penalty. (The unanimous State Supreme Court decision ruled it unconstitutional in our state because of very long-standing racial bias, but the law is still on the books.) Elect the Board of Directors. More info and the Zoom link: 206-622-8952 **info@abolishdeathpenalty.org** or Laura Nuechterlein at **laura@abolishdeathpenalty.org** Also see [**www.abolishdeathpenalty.org**](http://www.abolishdeathpenalty.org)

**Saturday May 15: The Olympia Chapter of Democratic Socialists of America (DSA) invites you to its monthly meeting at 4:00 pm on Zoom:** They do good work on a number of issues. **Sign up here:** [**https://zoom.us/meeting/register/v5wkcO6hpzIrhSsuqfNbdtbOSBpOa7\_dXA**](https://zoom.us/meeting/register/v5wkcO6hpzIrhSsuqfNbdtbOSBpOa7_dXA)

**Sunday May 16: Olympia and Tacoma chapters of Fellowship of Reconciliation (FOR) meet together from 4:30-6:00 pm to explore " Looking Back/Moving Forward "** Lonnie Locke will speak about Civil Rights Activism: Selma in the 1960s. Zoom connection information and chapter information David Lambert **lambertdavid39@gmail.com** or Vivi Bartron 253-640-2686, **vivibartron@hotmail.com**

**Sunday May 16: Spreading awareness of nuclear weapons among young people: The Seattle chapter of the Fellowship of Reconciliation (FOR)** features Rachel Sun, intern with Washington Physicians for Social Responsibility ([**www.wpsr.org**](http://www.wpsr.org)) and other young activists will speak about spreading awareness about Nuclear Weapons among students. 6:30-8:00 pm through Zoom. USE THIS LINK: [**https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87371368515?pwd=TlVnWllkVExuOFE2elFEaWdOdUVqUT09**](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87371368515?pwd=TlVnWllkVExuOFE2elFEaWdOdUVqUT09)Meeting ID: 873 7136 8515 Passcode: 942201 If you can’t use video, you can call through Tacoma: +1 253 215 8782

**Monday May 17: Smarter Options on U.S. Nuclear Modernization:** The debate about how the United States should approach nuclear “modernization” is once again a hot topic ahead of the release of the Biden administration’s fiscal year 2022 budget request and its comprehensive review of U.S. nuclear policy. The United States is planning to spend at least $1.5 trillion over the next several decades to maintain and upgrade its nuclear arsenal. The likelihood of flat defense budgets over the next several years and competing national security demands illustrates the importance of examining more cost-effective alternatives to sustaining the arsenal. Expert speakers will address how the Biden administration should approach the nuclear modernization effort, alternatives to building a new fleet of intercontinental ballistic missiles, the challenges facing the National Nuclear Security Administration’s warhead and infrastructure modernization plans, and the relationship between nuclear modernization and arms control diplomacy. The exceptionally well informed Arms Control Association ([**www.armscontrol.org**](http://www.armscontrol.org)) is presenting this Zoom event from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Pacific Time. **CLICK HERE TO REGISTER:** [**https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_CpGGySX8Sj-bv\_7N3seXAQ**](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_CpGGySX8Sj-bv_7N3seXAQ)

**Tuesday May 18: “The Future of Our Democracy” –** The Union of Concerned Scientists invites you to a conversation with experts in democracy reform and community organizing as they discuss the critical steps needed to ensure a thriving democracy accessible to all. It’s at 4:00 pm Pacific Time. **REGISTER HERE:** [**https://secure.ucsusa.org/a/5-18-2021-ax-future-of-our-democracy?contactdata=lwnHu2sbtQcSIOBTNZBO0ViU%2bT6JNJtt2CJvPsvKF%2b0GGvY9pDjlxwfxoF9qDW3659UI1uzK1%2f7pyPcGfrn%2bz8dyK770DgKvcjQsECFz0r4ZOi6uxOOSdAqL5i9%2b%2bTHuWAORxAGx3E0wujRDMeUWKB1EkMv9QpaZdI4pZuYpq46cm1MVYdJr%2fp1OKxp%2fJJ0iijkDi502jhlXlizT9hgZzwcYAyQYw%2bYZyrhWUbaRFPgGn%2fOdTygiwE6mTf26zpw%2b&utm\_campaign=email&utm\_medium=email&utm\_source=email&emci=b8232b79-9aa3-eb11-85aa-0050f237abef&emdi=fad9e64d-98a7-eb11-85aa-0050f237abef&ceid=1220376**](https://secure.ucsusa.org/a/5-18-2021-ax-future-of-our-democracy?contactdata=lwnHu2sbtQcSIOBTNZBO0ViU%2bT6JNJtt2CJvPsvKF%2b0GGvY9pDjlxwfxoF9qDW3659UI1uzK1%2f7pyPcGfrn%2bz8dyK770DgKvcjQsECFz0r4ZOi6uxOOSdAqL5i9%2b%2bTHuWAORxAGx3E0wujRDMeUWKB1EkMv9QpaZdI4pZuYpq46cm1MVYdJr%2fp1OKxp%2fJJ0iijkDi502jhlXlizT9hgZzwcYAyQYw%2bYZyrhWUbaRFPgGn%2fOdTygiwE6mTf26zpw%2b&utm_campaign=email&utm_medium=email&utm_source=email&emci=b8232b79-9aa3-eb11-85aa-0050f237abef&emdi=fad9e64d-98a7-eb11-85aa-0050f237abef&ceid=1220376)

**Wednesday May 19:** [**Well-Fed: A Roadmap To A Sustainable Food System That Works For All**](https://www.foodandwaterwatch.org/2021/02/05/well-fed-a-roadmap/#part1)**:** Participate in a conversation titled **Perspectives from the Field: Building a Sustainable Food System**that is based on new interactive research that highlights stories of independent farmers and local food organizations that are paving the way for the future of food. We need to fight corporate consolidation of food systems and advocate for sustainable farming. It runs from 5:00 to 6:00 Pacific Time. Please RSVP HERE: [**https://secure.foodandwaterwatch.org/act/building-sustainable-food-system**](https://secure.foodandwaterwatch.org/act/building-sustainable-food-system)

**Thursday May 20: “Never Again is Now: Japanese American Incarceration, Anti-Asian Violence, and Immigration Detention in the 21st Century” (South Puget Sound Day of Remembrance panel discussion):** USE THIS LINK to join the FREE event: [**https://www.washingtonhistory.org/event/day-of-remembrance-uwt/**](https://www.washingtonhistory.org/event/day-of-remembrance-uwt/) (You do not need a Facebook account to join the presentation.) SUMMARY: Join us for a panel discussion about the history and meaning of U.S. government surveillance of Japanese Americans and World War II incarceration, in relationship to contemporary issues of anti-Asian violence, immigration and labor, private detention centers, and border patrol. Informed by history, we will address relevant questions about democracy and civil liberties, neoliberal policies, citizenship, and American identity. Panelists will also consider the possibilities of solidarity between social justice movements for freedom and equality, including Black Lives Matter.

**Friday May 21: Global Days of Listening: Discuss with Afghan Peace Volunteers and other people worldwide through a monthly livestream event on the 21st or 22nd day of each month:** The APVs are a community of young Afghan peacemakers based in Kabul working for peace, ecological sustainability, permaculture, and more. People in the Pacific Time need to accommodate Afghanistan and the rest of the world my participating from 4:30 to 6:30 a.m. (yes, that early in the morning!) Check website – [**www.globaldaysoflistening.org**](http://www.globaldaysoflistening.org) – and [**www.globaldaysoflistening.org/livestream**](http://www.globaldaysoflistening.org/livestream) to verify dates/times and get more information. The latter website includes older programs to listen to now.

**Tuesday May 25 and 7 more dates: Enjoy a brand new 8-week course “Disarming Conversations, Connecting Across Divides beginning Tuesday May 25**. Sign up to join a cohort of 25-30 people taking this nonviolent journey together. Each week, the cohort will explore practices for unlearning hate, dealing with toxic polarization, applying interpersonal nonviolence, de-escalating political tensions, unpacking misperceptions, opening space for change, peacebuilding, using radical empathy, and more. This offering is one of a kind, so be sure to click through to our events page to find out more! Cost: $20. Info: [**https://paceebene.org/events/2021/5/25/disarming-conversations-connecting-across-divides?eType=EmailBlastContent&eId=cd21a1a8-575c-47fc-8ccd-06eff273c6c8**](https://paceebene.org/events/2021/5/25/disarming-conversations-connecting-across-divides?eType=EmailBlastContent&eId=cd21a1a8-575c-47fc-8ccd-06eff273c6c8)

**Wednesday May 26: Learn about different roles for effective social justice movements:**  This session uses Bill Moyer’s insightful, practical tool to help different kinds of people collaborate to strengthen our nonviolent movements for social and political change. You will find insights about how you can help and how to bring other people into your movement to help it along. Consider a modest donation or choose the No Cost Registration option. [**Sign up here**](https://click.everyaction.com/k/28309064/282835664/-889090959?nvep=ew0KICAiVGVuYW50VXJpIjogIm5ncHZhbjovL3Zhbi9FQS9FQTAwMy8xLzcxNDAyIiwNCiAgIkRpc3RyaWJ1dGlvblVuaXF1ZUlkIjogIjY2NDBjMDE3LWI0YTctZWIxMS04NWFhLTAwNTBmMjM3YWJlZiIsDQogICJFbWFpbEFkZHJlc3MiOiAiZ2xlbmFuZGVyc29uQGludGVncmEubmV0Ig0KfQ%3D%3D&hmac=Dl3Cx6gJrysTxFxJZr0kb_9QNYRzVgfmi7ZTwe3t2WI=&emci=c8e671b4-b2a7-eb11-85aa-0050f237abef&emdi=6640c017-b4a7-eb11-85aa-0050f237abef&ceid=155456) to receive the Zoom information for the 7:00-8:30 pm workshop. The workshops will be recorded and will be available with those who register. And here are links to recordings of the first two sessions: [**Approaches to Change and Power-Mapping**](https://click.everyaction.com/k/28309065/282835665/683247454?nvep=ew0KICAiVGVuYW50VXJpIjogIm5ncHZhbjovL3Zhbi9FQS9FQTAwMy8xLzcxNDAyIiwNCiAgIkRpc3RyaWJ1dGlvblVuaXF1ZUlkIjogIjY2NDBjMDE3LWI0YTctZWIxMS04NWFhLTAwNTBmMjM3YWJlZiIsDQogICJFbWFpbEFkZHJlc3MiOiAiZ2xlbmFuZGVyc29uQGludGVncmEubmV0Ig0KfQ%3D%3D&hmac=Dl3Cx6gJrysTxFxJZr0kb_9QNYRzVgfmi7ZTwe3t2WI=&emci=c8e671b4-b2a7-eb11-85aa-0050f237abef&emdi=6640c017-b4a7-eb11-85aa-0050f237abef&ceid=155456) and [**Organizing Basics**](https://click.everyaction.com/k/28309066/282835666/529834802?nvep=ew0KICAiVGVuYW50VXJpIjogIm5ncHZhbjovL3Zhbi9FQS9FQTAwMy8xLzcxNDAyIiwNCiAgIkRpc3RyaWJ1dGlvblVuaXF1ZUlkIjogIjY2NDBjMDE3LWI0YTctZWIxMS04NWFhLTAwNTBmMjM3YWJlZiIsDQogICJFbWFpbEFkZHJlc3MiOiAiZ2xlbmFuZGVyc29uQGludGVncmEubmV0Ig0KfQ%3D%3D&hmac=Dl3Cx6gJrysTxFxJZr0kb_9QNYRzVgfmi7ZTwe3t2WI=&emci=c8e671b4-b2a7-eb11-85aa-0050f237abef&emdi=6640c017-b4a7-eb11-85aa-0050f237abef&ceid=155456). Those who participate live in four or more workshops/panels will also receive a certificate! This is presented by the Peace and Justice Action League of Spokane (PJALS), [**www.pjals.org**](http://www.pjals.org) , a very savvy nonviolent multi-issue organization based in Spokane. [**Sign up now**](https://click.everyaction.com/k/28309067/282835667/-889090959?nvep=ew0KICAiVGVuYW50VXJpIjogIm5ncHZhbjovL3Zhbi9FQS9FQTAwMy8xLzcxNDAyIiwNCiAgIkRpc3RyaWJ1dGlvblVuaXF1ZUlkIjogIjY2NDBjMDE3LWI0YTctZWIxMS04NWFhLTAwNTBmMjM3YWJlZiIsDQogICJFbWFpbEFkZHJlc3MiOiAiZ2xlbmFuZGVyc29uQGludGVncmEubmV0Ig0KfQ%3D%3D&hmac=Dl3Cx6gJrysTxFxJZr0kb_9QNYRzVgfmi7ZTwe3t2WI=&emci=c8e671b4-b2a7-eb11-85aa-0050f237abef&emdi=6640c017-b4a7-eb11-85aa-0050f237abef&ceid=155456) and mark your calendar for future sessions, including theWednesday, May 26, 7:00-8:30 pm Campaigns Workshop. [**Register for the Campaigns Workshop here.**](https://click.everyaction.com/k/28309068/282835668/-1794943916?nvep=ew0KICAiVGVuYW50VXJpIjogIm5ncHZhbjovL3Zhbi9FQS9FQTAwMy8xLzcxNDAyIiwNCiAgIkRpc3RyaWJ1dGlvblVuaXF1ZUlkIjogIjY2NDBjMDE3LWI0YTctZWIxMS04NWFhLTAwNTBmMjM3YWJlZiIsDQogICJFbWFpbEFkZHJlc3MiOiAiZ2xlbmFuZGVyc29uQGludGVncmEubmV0Ig0KfQ%3D%3D&hmac=Dl3Cx6gJrysTxFxJZr0kb_9QNYRzVgfmi7ZTwe3t2WI=&emci=c8e671b4-b2a7-eb11-85aa-0050f237abef&emdi=6640c017-b4a7-eb11-85aa-0050f237abef&ceid=155456)