

Syracuse Peace Council E-Newsletter

November 26, 2017

SYRACUSE PEACE COUNCIL EVENTS AND ACTIONS

Court Motions re Recent Drone Resistance Actions

Wednesday, November 29th, 3pm

Town of Dewitt Court House, 5400 Butternut Dr., East Syracuse

Contact Ed or Ann for info 315-478-4571

47th Annual Plowshares Craftsair and Peace Festival

Saturday December 2nd, 10-5pm and Sunday, December 3rd, 11-5pm.

Nottingham High School, 3100 E.Genesee St., Syracuse.

Central New York's premier multi-cultural craftsair, Plowshares includes over 110 area craftspeople and 10 community organizations. The show features ongoing live entertainment and tasty food. Admission is free for under 16 and over 65, for others we ask a sliding scale donation of \$2-5 (please give what you can – no one is turned away for lack of ability to pay).

For further information, contact SPC at 315.472.5478, www.peacecouncil.net/plowshares or Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/events/496885060691654/>

Volunteers still needed – contact Carol carol@peacecouncil.net or 315-472-5478

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Rally to Protect the Arctic Refuge

Monday, November 27th, 12-1pm

Rep. Katko's Syracuse Office, 440 S. Warren St. More details [here](#).

From our friends at Defenders of Wildlife, Sierra Club, and Alaska Wilderness League: The Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR) is in danger of being opened up to oil and gas drilling. Industrial infrastructure on this fragile landscape would negatively impact nesting birds, denning polar bears, calving caribou, and the native Gwich'in people who depend on the caribou. Recent reports indicate that Senate Republicans are planning to add this devastating proposal to the tax bill. Come join us to speak up for the people and wildlife of the Arctic Refuge! Urge Rep. Katko to oppose Arctic drilling! Warren St.

Renewable Heat Now Info Session

Monday, November 27th, 7pm

Join by phone or by computer: <https://www.facebook.com/events/360755781030176/>

Renewable Heat Now is a campaign organized by Alliance for a Green Economy, New Yorkers for Clean Power, NY-GEO, HeatSmart Tompkins, Sane Energy Project, and Frack Action. We are working together to accelerate the adoption of ground-source (geothermal) and air-source heat pumps in New York State to reduce the amount of fossil fuels used to heat and cool homes and workplaces. We educate the public about heat pumps and also advocate for New York State

policies that will enable all New Yorkers to afford to make the switch to these renewable-ready heating and cooling technologies.

Join us in Albany, NY on Wednesday, December 6 when we take our campaign to the Million Dollar Staircase. We will hold a rally and press conference. Afterward, we will bring signed petitions to Governor Cuomo. <https://www.facebook.com/events/1487068878040763/>

Rally Against Graduate Student Tax Hikes

Wednesday, November 29th, 12:15-1:30pm,

Hendricks Chapel on SU Quad. More info [here](#).

The #TrumpTaxScam would be absolutely devastating for grad students. Categorizing tuition waivers as taxable income---while also ending many important tax waivers---is an attack on their livelihoods and an attack on the accessibility of higher education to low income students, women, LGBTQ students, disabled students, and students of color. Please join our friends at Syracuse Graduate Employees United in rallying to condemn this proposal and all that it represents.

Bake Sale for Education

Wednesday, November 29th, 4pm

Syracuse, location TBD

As part of a national day of action called by the National Education Association against the #TrumpTaxScam, our friends at NYSUT are holding bake sales for education across CNY. (I.e., mock back sales calling attention to the impact of the GOP tax bill on teachers and schools.) Others are in the works for Oswego, Auburn, and Wayne County. Stay tuned for more details.

Book Talk: Women Will Vote: Winning Suffrage in New York State

Friday, December 1st, 3-4:30pm and 7-8:30pm

The Matilda Joslyn Gage Center, 210 E. Genesee Street, Fayetteville

Susan Goodier will be speaking about her, and co-author Karen Pastorello's new book: Refreshments will be provided. Free, but please register [here](#).

Syracuse Campaign for NY Health General Organizing Meeting

Tuesday November 28, 2017 at 5:30pm - 7:30pm

Bishop Harrison Center @ All Saints Church, 1342 Lancaster Ave Syracuse, NY 13210

Join the Syracuse organizing committee downstairs in the Bishop Harrison Center as we meet to discuss the NY Health Act and how to build more support and awareness among individuals and business owners here in the Syracuse area. We will provide an overview of the NY Health Act for newcomers at the beginning of each meeting so new volunteers are always welcome. We will then work on detailed steps we can each take to let more people know about this important legislation and to invite them into our movement We will make plans for canvassing using the Health Care Access Survey, develop strategies to get more businesses on board, and discuss how to encourage our local state senators to cosponsor the bill. Hope you can join us!

Be/Longing

Tuesday Nov 28, 2017- Jan 05, 2018

Community Folk Art Center, 805 East Genesee St. Syracuse, N.Y.

An exhibition to create a space for members of the LGBTQ+ community (residing or studying in Syracuse) to exhibit, celebrate and demonstrate our strengths; shamelessly express our fears,

discomfort and weaknesses; mourn our loss, as well as boldly declare our individual identities through art and writing.

Further Away...

National Mobilization for Clean DREAM Act & to Save TPS in Washington, D.C. Dec 5-6th, Washington, D.C. *Buses depart from Syracuse at 4:30pm the evening of December 5th. We will be back the 6th late at night.

The Workers' Center of Central NY, Volunteer Lawyers Project, and the New York Immigration Coalition are mobilizing members and partners to Washington DC. We will join with our national partners to rally and fight for NY DREAMers and TPS recipients. Please use this link to buy a ticket (15 \$ includes bus fare, food, and lodging):

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/mobilizing-to-demand-cleandreamact-now-tickets-39523102664>

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