

**Redding Unitarian Universalist
Peace and Justice Center**

The Peace & Justice Center is becoming the place for progressives to meet. We are very excited to have groups such as the soon-to-be Shasta-Trinity Chapter of the ACLU, Doug Milhous' Non-Violent Communication Group, CRG's Book Discussion Group, and many others meeting in our facility. We joined Moveon.org members across the nation on December 16, and showed the film "An Inconvenient Truth" to a standing room only crowd. We will be showing the film "Arlington West" on Saturday, March 3, at 2 pm. This film is so well done and moving, I encourage everyone to see it.

On some evenings we also have speakers. Last month Joan Manning spoke about the criminal justice system. We also heard Carla Foreman-Maslin tell us about her 76 family members who were disenrolled from the tribe at the Redding Rancheria. Both of those issues need the help of activists who are willing to work at changing the status quo.

At the Center we continue to provide packets of information to young people about joining the military, so they will be able to make informed choices about enlistment. We also have forms for students and parents to sign so that they can "opt-out" of having the schools give recruiters their information.

Our peace vigil continues to be on the second and last Saturday of every month, in front of Redding City Hall, 777 Cypress, 10 to 11 am. We encourage all progressive groups and or-

ganizations to send us information about themselves. We will make it available to others who are interested.

On January 24, Shayna Gelender and Justine Sarver from the ACLU of Northern California came to Redding to help us start a new chapter in this area. We met at the Redding Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, Peace & Justice Center. About 22 people showed up and 18 agreed to be on the Board of Directors of the Shasta-Trinity ACLU (we found out afterward that Tehama County will also be in our chapter).

Greg Winters, a local attorney, Doug Bennett, Chair of CRG, and I, Chris Bradford, Director of the Redding UU, Peace & Justice Center have been working on this for about three months. I am very surprised that it came together so quickly. The people in this area are really excited. We progressives don't have to feel so alone in this conservative area anymore. We will know that we have the ACLU to back us up.

We will have a meeting on February 24, at 6 pm, to plan our elections meeting. The public is welcome. The location is the Peace & Justice Center, 611 Azalea Ave. Redding.

On March 31, from 4 to 6 pm, we will hold our chapter's first meeting at Martin Luther King Jr. Center, 1815 Sheridan Street, Redding. At this meeting we will elect our Board of Directors and will discuss the topic "Schools to Prison Pipeline". We will have local activists and someone from the ACLU-Northern California on the panel. A pot-luck will follow.

If you are not an ACLU member you can pick up an application at the Peace & Justice Center or you can go to aclunc.org. When you join in

Shasta, Trinity, or Tehama Counties our chapter will receive a portion of your membership fee. It is a bargain at \$20 a year.

For information about activities at the Peace & Justice Center call: (530) 221-7222.

Ring Bells For Peace!

The March for Peace will happen on March 18, the fourth anniversary of the United States' invasion and occupation of Iraq.

The March will originate at the parking lot just west of Movies 10, on Old Alturas Road. We will march on Old Alturas Road to Bradford, across to Dana, and then to Churn Creek Road. At the corner of Churn Creek and Dana, we will stand in groups on each of the four corners, demonstrating our call for peace with signs, songs and chants. We urge participants to bring bells, tambourines, drums and other instruments for making music.

In preparation for the March there will be a sign-painting party at the Peace and Justice Center at 611 Azalea on March 10, from 1 until 3 pm. Materials and supplies will be provided. The March is co-sponsored by Cascade Action Now! (CAN!) and Citizens for Responsible Government (CRG).

On March 18, participants should come with songs, chants, instruments, signs and other props to increase the visibility of the protest. Through these visuals we hope to expand awareness of the deaths, displacements, injuries and chaos the war in Iraq continues to generate.

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FEBRUARY:

CRG GENERAL MEETING
February 15 ~ Thursday ~ 7:00 p.m.
First United Methodist Church, Rm. 10
Corner of East & South Streets, Redding
*Media Truth, Bush Crimes and
Plans for Action: Report from Memphis
by Pamela Spoto*

EXAMINING THE WAR ON TERROR
February 23 ~ Friday ~ 7:00
Spiritual Enrichment Center
1905 Hartnell Avenue, Redding
*Invited panelists include:
Columnist Bob Williams, Shasta College
Professors Parker Pollock and Bob Googins,
Attorney Dugan Barr, and Dr. Joe Busey*

MARCH:

PEACE MEMORIAL 2007
March 17 ~ Saturday ~ 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Lake Redding Park Pavilion
(Rain location: Spiritual Enrichment Center)
Theme: A Vision Beyond War
Interfaith Peace Prayers,
Community Speakers, Student Speakers,
and Entertainment

MARCH FOR PEACE
March 18 ~ Sunday ~ 2:00 p.m.
Location & more information TBA

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