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Pittsfield Evictions Unexplained Where have all my neighbors gone?

by Claudia Green

Conflict between McKinley Properties and the tenants of Pittsfield Village has heated up recently in the wake of a slew of unexplained eviction notices to young families, elderly and low-income tenants. At least a dozen Village tenants have without warning received notice from McKinley that their leases will not be renewed, according to Pittsfield Village Tenants Union (PVTU) co-founders Leslie Riester and Martha Perkins.

Pittsfield Village, a 422-unit rental housing complex in southeastern Ann Arbor, had provided affordable housing for 40 years. But in January 1986 the Village was taken over by McKinley Properties, a large company started in the late sixties by Ann Arbor resident Ron Weiser. Since then rents have skyrocketed.

The Pittsfield Village Tenants Union (PVTU) was formed when tenants found the new owners unresponsive to their needs and in March 1987, a rent strike was organized through the Union. The strike resulted in some repairs, but according to a PTVU spokesperson, tenants complained that the work was shoddy and extremely disruptive with workers pounding on roofs, breaking out windows and entering apartments without warning.

Many of the tenants who have held on through what they considered disruptive repairs, insensitive management, and rent hikes averaging 12-15% a year have now received a form letter from McKinley denying them a chance to renew their lease.

Nancy McAllister, a 22-year resident of the Village, received such a letter on November 7, 1987. The letter instructs McAllister to vacate her apartment by January 1, 1988 or face \$30 per day rent, or even "physical eviction." The letter includes suggestions that she look for new housing in area newspapers or other cities, buy into a co-op or go to the welfare office.

McAllister was first sent a letter instructing her to accept or reject her new lease. When she called the Village management office to inform them that she had not received a new lease they checked their records and told her that she would not be offered a new lease. They did not offer any explanation. McAllister has been active in the PVTU.

Five-year Pittsfield tenant Carrie O'Durna was offered a new lease with a \$50 per month rent hike, but before she could sign it she was informed that the offer was revoked and that she had six weeks to move out. A 30-day extension was denied to her. O'Durna had never called in any maintenance problems.

Evictions like these are terrorizing even Village die-hards. McKinley Properties management claims no responsibility for an exodus from the neighborhood they now call "The Village Townhomes." But not all of the tenants are on the run. Some are choosing to stay and fight. PVTU coordinator Perkins said, "There's hardly any affordable housing in Ann Arbor anymore, so we can stand and fight here or leave not only our homes but our city as

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Nancy McAllister, a 22-year resident of Pittsfield Village, in front of the apartment she has to leave by January 1, 1988.



Kenny, Edwin, and Billy King

Honorable Mention

Homemade Love

An interview with the King family of Frog Holler Farm by Peggy Novelli

Ken and Cathy King live with their children Billy, 10, Kenny, 6, and Edwin, 2, at Frog Holler, an organic farm near Brooklyn, MI, they started fifteen years ago. Ken and Billy make the 30-mile trip into town each Saturday to sell their produce at the Farmer's Market. Outside of the weekly trip to market, the Kings rarely leave the farm.

Instead of getting up each morning and catching a bus to school, the children spend each day playing, working and learning with their parents. Ken and Cathy believe in home education.

When they talk about what they believe in, Ken and Cathy have a way of shyly qualifying their intentions, saying, "we sound so conservative." In fact the daily work of educating their children at home is quite radical. As Gandhi said, "If we are to attain real peace in the world, we will have to begin with the children." Below the Kings talk about home education.

Education along with government is one of the most conservative forces in our society. I like this quote from

Raimundo Pannikar who says that "the function of education in America is to impart purposefulness to life, a certain notion of success, which I take not only as an assault on the etymology of the word, but also as counterproductive to the purpose of education which ought to be to free the person from many sorts of conditions." What education does in this country is condition people, indoctrinate and institutionalize them, instead of freeing them.

School is competition and rational understanding and rational tools. What this civilization needs is one person whose ears are open to that other reality, the other half of the person that's been repressed while these rational institutions control life. How can you educate someone to hear this way? It's not like educating someone to be an electromagnetic engineer. Once you've made this assessment of life you can't send a kid to school and kill their spirit.

Kids embody flexibility and potential for change, and to

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You don't need to leave the country to get a world view

by Lee Bresseur

Across the border lies a resource we Americans don't often take advantage of—television—specifically CBET, Channel 9, the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (CBC) station in Windsor. Oh, sure, there may be one or two programs you like to watch; like the British dramas that appear before PBS has gotten hold of them. But, you might be surprised to learn that the best part of Canadian television is the news broadcasts.

Americans, who have grown up watching American network news tend to believe that the United States is the center of the world. Given the network news' focus on Washington and on U.S. reaction to global events, that's not really an inaccurate supposition. Many of us just don't realize we have been getting a distorted view of the world. Often, it takes a trip overseas to realize this. But living on a border means you don't have to travel—you can just choose to tune in. Whether it's a report from Mozambique or a feature from France, Canadian news takes you into each particular country so that you become aware of the world as a global village. And this can have enormous consequences in terms of your feelings and actions.

CBC news has made the commitment to improve not only the quality of its presentations but the shape of its format. For thirty years CBC news consisted of a twenty-five minute report at 11 pm. But, on January 11, 1982, CBC took what John Owens of The National calls "an enormous risk." They moved the news to prime time—10 pm—and changed the format to an hour presentation: twenty minutes of news summary (The National) and forty minutes of current affairs (The Journal). After the commercial-free National, The Journal offers a program featuring documentaries, live interviews with

people from around the world and many special features. Critics claimed the move to prime time would be disastrous, but it actually increased viewership by one and a half million viewers. "The gamble," as Owen calls it, paid off.

This summer when the South African-backed MNR killed hundreds of people in a massacre in Mozambique, the CBC's Journal pulled from its files a documentary done earlier in the year on Mozambique. In the documentary a CBC correspondent stood in a village not far from what would later be the site of the massacre. As he took us through the countryside, the camera showed the people in their houses; working in the fields and gathering to discuss how best to defend themselves. What was so different about this documentary was the dual focus—a concern and respect for both the presentation of facts and the portrayal of the people as intelligent self-directing human beings; not as a people in need of assistance from another nation. In essence, CBC presented a story without reference to how Canada as a larger, more powerful nation felt about it.

John Owen says U.S. news makers tend to be "xenophobic" in their coverage of the world. And they do tend to be afraid of featuring news stories that do not have specific connotations

for the American people or government. But in Canada, broadcasts often contain more foreign news than domestic. In fact, in the period from August 31 to September 6, CBC devoted 55% of its coverage to foreign news. This summer, as part of its commitment to foreign news, it

presented a documentary on the conflicts in Central America. Entitled Seeds of Revolution, it showed an overview of the turmoil in Nicaragua, Guatemala, Cuba and El Salvador from 1900 on. By examining each country's history separately you had an overview of how the seeds of revolution were sown throughout the region and how U.S. involvement had been the major contributor to the upsurge. But it also featured the struggles within the countries themselves.

This lack of a world-dominating perspective lends itself to a different version of objectivity. Such attention to world affairs, though, is not just the news' domain. CBC recently aired a four-part series on the world food shortage in prime time.

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Even Canada's parliamentary form of government serves both as an informative and entertaining forum. On the weekend, for example, CBC airs This Week in Parliament which highlights portions of the best Parliamentary debates of the week. In this lively program the viewer can see the Prime Minister and cabinet members verbally challenged by members of the opposition in face-to-face confrontations. It is hard for an American to imagine Ronald Reagan and George Schultz in a position where they would have to consistently explain and defend their decisions.

But it is not only the political arena where differences in Canadian broadcasting are apparent. Take Friday nights. On The Journal's portion of the news hour, news on the arts is featured as part of the program. And when it comes to books, Canadian producers bring a unique focus. Instead of having the author speak about the story; they have the characters of novels speak for themselves. Engaging all the elements of a full-scale dramatic production, they present 8 to 10 minutes of a key scene from the book with fully costumed actors, elaborate sets and both indoor and outdoor settings. One begins to see why the increase in viewership is so dramatic and why it stays so high. And, for Americans, CBC's commitment to presenting information in an informative as well as entertaining way offers a different and unique view of the world. And, after a lifetime of watching U.S. network news, tuning in to Channel 9 seems not only a viable alternative but, a better one.



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by Kim Groome

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Bulbs not Bombs

by Arlin Wasserman

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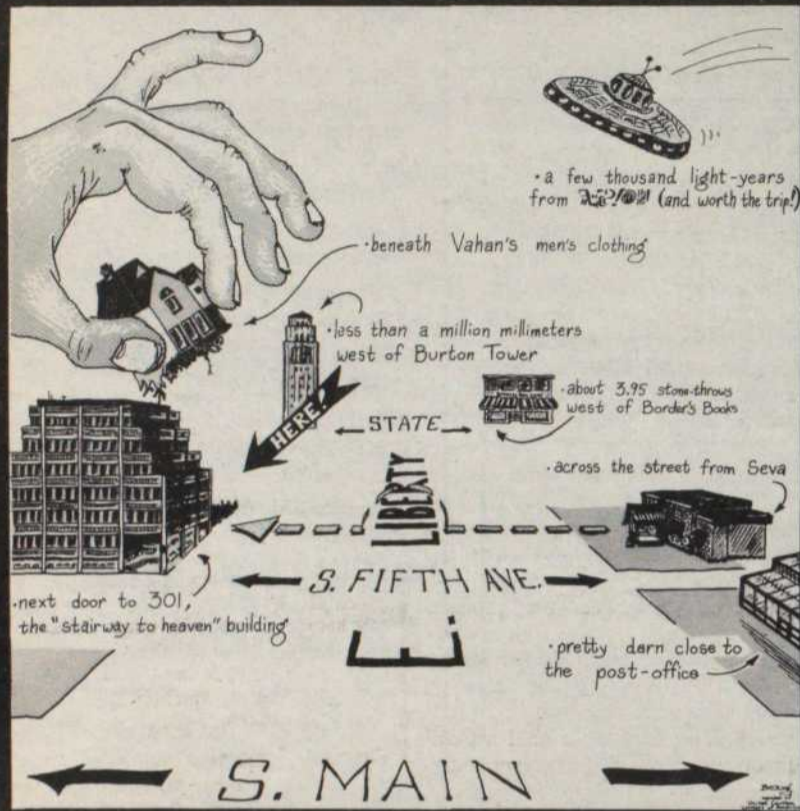
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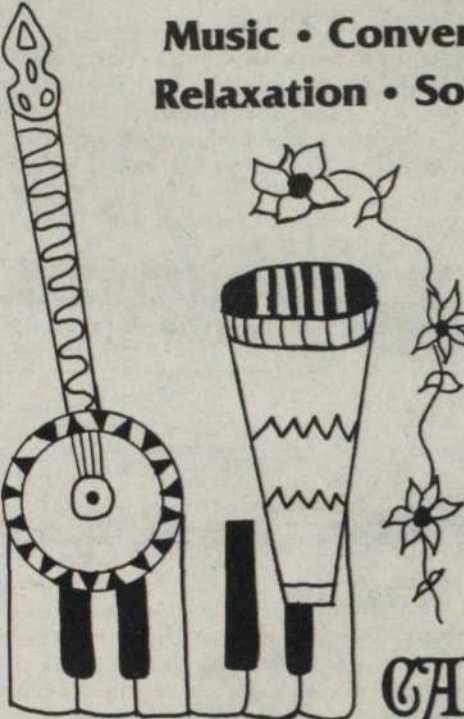
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A Day at the Wildflour Bakery

by Danny Calderone

6 am sees very little activity outside. Inside the bakery things are already bustling. Two bakers are hard at work mixing the first batch of dough, making muffins for the hungry folks just now stirring, and preparing the bakery for another busy day. Spicing the air with banter, the two opening shift bakers fill the quiet morning with the clanging of pans and the chugging of the large mixer.



By 8 am the customers have been trickling in for an hour, and a third baker arrives. A new volunteer comes in, looking a bit bewildered. She soon learns that there is no boss here, that six coordinators (bakers) run the show collectively, and that whole grain, locally grown, and organic products are what we offer our community. It's a bit much to absorb all at once, but the groundwork of understanding has been laid. Volunteers may be asked to help by portioning out loaves on the scale, loafing the bread, or removing apple muffins from their tins without breaking them into a million pieces.

Communication is a key word at

Wildflour. General job areas are divided among the bakers; one watches the oven and the bread rising in the "proof box"; another is responsible for mixing the day's bread and cookie doughs; and the third takes care of the customers and activities around the kneading table. In order to keep each area running smoothly, to introduce volunteers to new tasks, and to take care of customers needs, the bakers must maintain constant communication. By noon things have reached a peak of activity. Two more bakers arrive to begin the afternoon shift. Most of the breads are done. Folks are working around the central table pressing cookies, laughing, talking, and swaying to music. Now people are streaming in to grab a piece

of veggie cheese roll-up for lunch, with maybe a date bar for dessert. By 2 pm, the customers have thinned out.

At 3 pm it's time for shift change and evaluation. The morning and afternoon crews gather to discuss the day's progress. Then the morning crew settles down to a meal in the office where they discuss the past eight

hours' endeavours. Were volunteers used effectively? Could the shift have gone more smoothly? Why did the cinnamon raisin bread turn out so great today? We share and teach continuously.

The afternoon crew gets our products ready for distribution, prepares the bakery for the following day, and continues selling bread and goodies until 6 pm; clean-up continues until about eight o'clock.

Once every three months we hold a Community Involvement Meeting. Anyone interested may attend; the issues to be discussed are posted in the bakery beforehand. The meeting includes bakers, but our number must be matched by an equal number of community members; we must have a quorum to

make any decisions. Everyone present has an equal voice. We strive for consensus, but a three-quarter majority will carry an issue. A vote is very rare.

Day to day business issues are handled at the weekly three hour meeting of the six coordinators. Consensus is the mode of decision making. When all the coordinators feel comfortable with an issue, it has been resolved. It can sometimes be a long process, but it is assuredly one that involves all concerned in every aspect of an issue.

Our alternative business' success is very tied up in routine. There would be no success without all the time and care put into every step of the operation. Communication is vital: during each shift, with the community, and at every meeting. Coordinators, volunteers and the community at large all enhance the success for which we are both responsible and grateful. Greetings from Wildflour Community Bakery.

Recipes

Russian Tea Cookies

Cream together: 1 c. butter, 1/8 c. honey, 2 t. vanilla

Blend: 2 c. wholewheat pastry flour, 1 1/2 c. chopped walnuts

Mix flour and nuts with butter mixture. Scoop onto cookie sheet in small mounds, form a depression in the center of each cookie and fill with organic jam, mashed fruit, etc. Bake at 350 for 14 minutes.

Pecan Sandi

Cream 1 1/2 c. butter, 2/3 c. maple syrup and 1 1/2 t. vanilla. Add 3 c. wholewheat pastry flour and 1 1/2 c. ground pecans. Mix. Bake at 350 for 25 minutes or until edges are golden.

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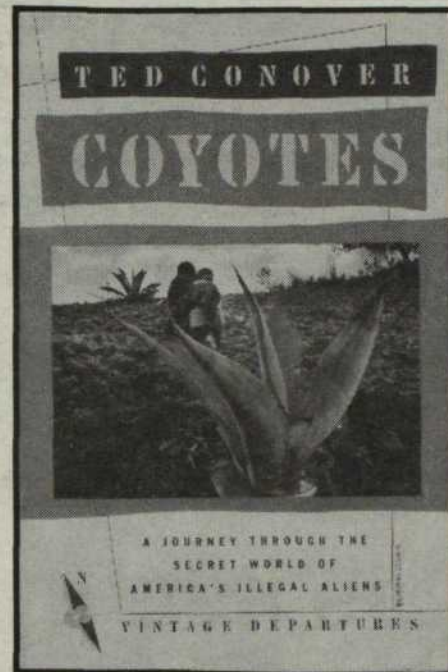
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Coyotes
By Ted Conover
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Ted Conover has written a captivating book, giving a first-hand account of illegal immigration into the United States from Mexico. Disguised as an alien, travelling with various companions (who are the real thing) on several separate journeys, he shows us what it is to be a migrant worker in the orange groves of Texas, California and Florida or on the potato farms of Idaho.

Our author takes us on walks across the desert, drives from Arizona to Florida in a ramshackle vehicle full of "illegals," and even flies the friendly skies with three aliens who've never been in an airport, much less on a plane. The view and possible dangers of the wonders of space age transport as seen through the eyes of those whose travel is usually closer to the earth, is more harrowing to them than a pack of coyotes. It was easy to be thrilled with their success.

Coyotes, for the record, are those in the business of transporting migrant workers across the border, operating in what might be considered risky business, exploitation or fulfillment of a need. Whatever they are considered, Coyotes



are mostly on the take and there are many takers.

The story is not told for the benefit of naming exploiters, nor does it elaborate on the poverty and politics that drive Mexicans into the U.S. for work in

jobs that are scorned by poor Americans. We are given very few statistics, but by living Conover's adventures with him, as both traveller and farm worker, we can glimpse the picture and recognize the motivations on both sides of the border. As such, the book reads as an adventure and leaves the rhetoric for someone else.

Migration to Mexicans is taking a chance. It is undertaken in a spirit of hope, energy and ambition. The risks include getting hurt, robbed, being deported after considerable expense, and worst of all, of not finding work upon arrival. It also means the social pressure of leaving family behind.

It is pointed out that Mexican labor benefits the American consumer as well as the overseas consumer. The economy of California would grind to a halt if the Mexican nationals were to disappear. Apparently no one bothers to change things because it is a system which functions in its own way, despite official rulings and unofficial profiteering.

At times while reading this account, I wondered why Conover, whose own spirit of adventure runs deep, is somewhat bland in his storytelling. I thought to myself "What Hemingway or Kerouac would have done with such material." But then again, in his understated style, Conover makes his point with the undertaking no less revealing, the pursuit no less anticipatory nor the characters no less endearing. It takes a mighty cool head to live outside the law. In this case, the poetry is experience well done.

KINGS

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leave this intact you have to work harder than if you were trying to shape them. Society's out there pounding all the time, trying to get a hold of their minds and spirits. The point is to keep their minds and spirits free. Paradoxically this involves a lot of discipline.

I read something recently in a book by an Australian woman who crossed the desert with camels ("Tracks" by Robyn Davidson). She says that "... to be free one needs constant and unrelenting vigilance over one's weaknesses. A vigilance which requires a moral energy most of us are incapable of manufacturing."

Lots of new age parents treat home education in the same way people think you can just throw out a bunch of seeds and grow plants. The plants won't grow, and kids won't either; they need lots of attention, nurturing, and care. The discipline involved in this is personal and spiritual. When we try to exercise freedom we find that we're more restricted than we think. By a certain cultivation of personal habits, people find freedom.

As far as each day goes, we don't use a rational approach or think so much in terms of content. For example, I'll be sitting around with some kids. A kid gets loud, not doing anything wrong, not anything to hurt anyone, it's just not such an aesthetic situation. But it's not wrong. Most parents don't do anything until a kid gets sassy or breaks something, and then parents step in and say the kid's done something wrong and cut back on the kid's freedom. I think that there's a proper way to be—I say that with all caution and reserve—it's almost old fashioned. I would say, sit up straight, be a little more proper, use some self-discipline. I could explain "sit up straight" rationally, maybe it's because I believe in yoga, that the energy flows better if you sit up straight, but more basically I believe in a certain sense of propriety.

It seems with this that the kids are basically happy and free, because they don't have to wander into a situation where they need to have their freedom so abruptly curtailed. Why wait for something "wrong" to happen? It seems to me that this sort of

sudden discipline leads to fascist or puritanical discipline. Sometimes I remember that saying "children should be seen and not heard." It's awful, but I've come close to saying it. Everybody has to exercise a certain kind of restraint, but not have it exercised for them. For example, if we have twelve people at the table eating, everyone can't be talking and grabbing food at once. We all live in a certain environment, and that affects our freedom. To develop the moral energy to deal with this environment, people need time and space. But the kids get wild once in a while; we all do.

I feel a criticism people might have about home education is that we are just imposing our perspective on the kids, that the parents' world is the kids' only world. My response to this is that all kinds of cultural and societal forces are trying to get a hook in the kids by the time they're two. Plenty of people have visions for kids, not just their parents. Someone's going to shape them and we've all seen the result of some of that. So I'm very protective. As for having the "right" vision myself, that's the other pole. A lot of humility has to go along with what we're doing and I don't know if it's always there. But I don't think it's wrong to try to instill such a vision. I understand its limitations but I don't know what else to do. I think it would be a mistake not to try. There will be a certain amount of failure, and that's where the kid will pick up the slack. You have to have faith in the kid too.

It's a daily, moment by moment process of trying to purify our intentions, not just in terms of parenting but for those of us trying to create change in the world, and we accept that responsibility as parents too. If I can accept that it's alright to have a vision, it seems consistent to apply it to parenting.

What makes us a little different from other parents we see is that we're not afraid to parent, to take responsibility and work, instead of abnegating responsibility to society, to schools and groups. We're not afraid to discipline either. Under the guise of freedom a lot of parents in our generation have been afraid to discipline.

Another criticism levied at home education is that it doesn't expose kids to the "real world." Our response to this is that we're trying to take responsibility for what the "real" world is in a holistic way, to

discipline ourselves to do it in every way we can. To work for peace or holistic health and then send your kids to school seems inconsistent.

This is such a holistic thing, what we're doing. The kids grow up a lot and then regress, it seems like a natural thing. In school there's so much peer pressure, there's no room for regressing, you have to "keep up." At market Billy can handle the stall alone. Then he and Ken will walk across to the co-op holding hands. There's a natural maturity and a natural innocence.

[Billy rides up just then in a small pedal car with Kenny not far behind on a tricycle. As we talk they have been cruising in and out of the room, driving around the house. He overhears this comment and approaches us to say, "You know how it is being at home? I don't get put in a single slot like kids at school because of my age. This car is for 3-5 year olds but here I am, 10, and I'm riding it. I can do this and I can do what older kids do and it doesn't matter how old I am."]

Most people would accept that a child goes on a journey, maybe from innocence to knowledge and possibly to higher knowledge. The question is, what happens if a kid loses innocence at an early age? Can a person go through that and still move on to higher knowledge? I know I'm making a value judgement, and it's an aesthetic judgement, but I'm just talking from my own experience. Should a person plunge so suddenly? Where's a sense of grace and symmetry in a person's life? Does life have to be such an ultra fast-paced thing where the kids are thrown in and have to sink or swim?

When I first thought of home schooling, which was when Billy was born, I thought of myself teaching and that was a mistake. I guess we're pretty radical. When interest in something is there we pursue it and find resources to find out about things. But I'm more interested in certain values, like not being afraid to learn. I want the kids to be able to work on their own, to find personal discipline. Now I'm just here with them, not a teacher. We talk a lot.

And it might sound too simple, but proper rest and nourishment are the basis of what we do. This involves staying home a

(see KINGS, page 15)

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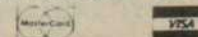
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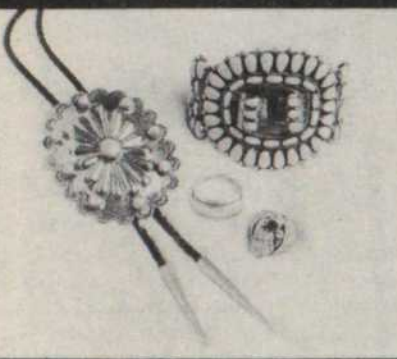
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by Jeff Alson

Now is the time of year when our concerns turn from contra funding and protests to shopping days and parking spaces. But we can still keep our gift giving in line with our values by choosing gifts that educate or support a good cause.

Not having storefronts, most community groups are unable to take full advantage of holiday merchandising. Therefore we are pleased to present AGENDA's first annual List of Alternative gifts.

We contacted approximately 40 local groups to compile the following catalogue. The list is in reverse alphabetical order. In order to ensure timely delivery, order your gifts as soon as possible. Also, don't miss the Alternative Holiday Fair, Dec. 6 (see Interfaith Council for Peace below).

Zen Lotus Society, Zen Buddhist Temple, 1214 Packard, Ann Arbor, MI 48104, 761-6520 We have two books: "The Dhammapada, the Sayings of the Buddha," by Thomas Byrom. Photography by Sandra Weiner. No other translation excels this one in beauty and simplicity, \$9.95. "The Miracle of Mindfulness, A Manual on Meditation" by Thich Nhat Hanh, A Zen Master's method of meditation, concentration, and relaxation, \$7.95. Available at the Temple.

Ypsi Food Co-op, 312 N. River St., Ypsilanti, MI 48198, 483-1520 During Dec. we have a booklet of treats to make and a handout on herbal crafts. We offer baskets and a full line of fresh and dried fruits, nuts, cheeses, maple syrup, and sugarless jams for making your own gift baskets. Honey bears and Clancy's Fancy Hot Sauce are fun to put in. Also, pasta made from flour ground at the Daily Grind Mill in Ann Arbor, buckwheat pancake mix from Homestead Flours in Montgomery, Michigan, breads and goodies from Wildflower Community bakery, beeswax candles from Earthworks Farm and hand dipped candles from Irie Lights, beeswax ornaments, potpourri in sachet bags, dolls, puppets, hand spun and dyed yarns and nylon stuff sacks made by members of the Ypsi Food Co-op. We sell coffee and teas which support small worker collectives in Third World countries. Herbal and black teas can be purchased in bulk and given in a jar with a bamboo tea strainer. The Ypsilanti Heritage Foundation's Historic Windows Calendar is also available.

The World Hunger Education-Action Committee (WHE-AC), 4202 Michigan Union, Ann Arbor, MI 48109, Siri 663-4301 We are selling: Oxfam 100% cotton T-shirts depicting four African women wearing traditional, multi-colored dress in sizes: M, L, and XL, \$12 ea.; Oxfam calendar/date books with photographs from Asia, Africa, and Latin America which lists worldwide holidays at \$12 to \$15 ea.; and traditional Salvadoran hand-crafts, \$5 to \$15, made by the Sanctuary family living in Kalamazoo, with all proceeds going to the family.

The Women's Crisis Center, 306 N. Division, Lawrence St. entrance of St. Andrew's Church, 761-9475 Most of our products are sold on a sliding scale; pay what you feel you can afford. We have: WCC shirts, sizes S to XL, with women sitting back to back supporting one another, in t's, muscle shirts and tank tops in every color imaginable, \$6 to \$8; WCC mugs with the motto "Women Helping Women Help Themselves," \$2 ea., three for \$5; WCC bumperstickers which help publicize the crisis line number, \$1; "Cooking for the Oral Majority," a cookbook with lots of great recipes, with and without meat, \$2.50 ea., three for \$6; the 1988 Syracuse Peace Calendar, which through word and art chronicles events relating to common people's struggles for peace, justice and liberation, and includes an incredible listing of resource groups and

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publications concerned with the dignity of all life, \$8.95 or three for \$25; the Great Peace March tapes with great songs from the road, \$5 to \$8; a large selection of political buttons for \$1 ea.; and our newsjournal, free women's words, free, but \$10 helps cover the cost of delivery for a one

year, six issue period.

All items are available at the Women's Crisis Center. The 1988 Peace Calendar, is also available from WAND, the Ypsi Food Co-op, and People's Food Co-op on Packard; all proceeds go to WCC.

Women's Action for Nuclear Disarmament (WAND), Shirley, 971-0136 or 663-4205, and Delores, 971-6988 eves We have t-shirts in M-,XL, \$8 and sweatshirts in children's 10-12, \$6, of children in a row with motto: "Children Ask the World of Us," and posters with same motto, \$8; Mother's Day t-shirts in children's sizes, \$5 and adult S-XL, \$6; notecards, \$1 ea.; postcards, 50¢ ea.; holiday cards, \$5/10; tote bags with "Children ask the world of us" and "For mothers, fathers, children, people who care," \$8 and \$6; a selection of books, \$1 to \$16, and the Great Peace March tape (proceeds to WCC), \$8. Call Shirley for T-shirts, all cards, posters and calendars; call Dolores for sweatshirts, tote bags, tapes and books. Phone numbers above. WAND will be at the Alternative Holiday Fair.

Sanctuary Project, Ann Arbor Friends Meeting, 1416 Hill St., Ann Arbor, MI 48104, 761-7435 1988 Guatemalan Wall Calendar includes twelve beautiful pen and ink drawings of life in an Indian village, plus history and important facts about Central America. It has lots of room to write in your daily activities. All proceeds go to the Sanctuary Project. Order from above address.

Sister City Task Force, Gregory Fox, 663-0655 "Let Nicaragua Live" wall calendar features a photo of Juigalpa and is printed by the Nicaragua Network. Days are in blocks suitable for memo writing, \$6; Sister City note cards, 10 for \$2; Sister City/garbage truck t-shirts. They are 50/50 with designs on front and back, S to L, \$8. Proceeds help defray the cost of driving the garbage truck to Juigalpa. Available at the Alternative Christmas Fair.

Political Prisoners of South Africa Bracelet Program, Int'l Possibilities Unlimited, P.O. Box 2542, Ann Arbor, MI 48106 A South African political prisoner bracelet is a gift that has social value. Each brass bracelet bears the name of one of the many political prisoners currently being held in South Africa. As part of an international display of solidarity, wear your bracelet until your prisoner is released. A portion of the proceeds from each bracelet will be donated to the Free South Africa Movement and to the International Defense and Aid Fund. Bracelet prices: 1 to 15, \$6.50 ea.; 16 to 25, \$6.25 ea.; 26 to 50, \$6 ea. Michigan residents add 4% sales tax. Orders must be received at the above address by Dec. 17.

People's Food Co-op, 212 N. Fourth Ave., Ann Arbor, MI 48104, 994-9174 Local creations include: Pure beeswax candles: holiday candles, \$4.50/doz.; tapers, \$3.50/pair; herbal sachet/moth repellent bags, \$2.25 ea.; re-usable gift bags (for alternative gift wrapping), \$5 ea.; homemade beeswax ornaments, \$2.25/bag; pot-pourri bags (handmade cotton bags to fill with herbs or one of our pot-pourris), \$1.35 ea. We also have Granola Kitchen Goodies 2-1/2 lbs. of assorted nuts, carob coated fruit, etc. in X-mas tins, \$13.50. We have the following local music cassettes: "Homemade Love", by Ken King, a local organic



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farmer and wonderful folk/pop musician, \$7.95. "Songs and Chants of Native American Peoples," a moving and inspiring collection of authentic music by Phillip Rogers, \$10. "Rain Lights" and soon to be out, "To Every Heartbeat" by Jesse Richards whose unique creations make her an Ann Arbor favorite, \$9.50. We offer the book "Rituals for a New Age - Alternative Weddings, Funerals, Holidays, Etc." by local author Sue Mumm, \$8.95. We also carry a selection of catalogues offering alternative products: Co-op America, \$1; Syracuse Cultural Workers, free; Jubilee Crafts (crafts from around the world), free; Pueblo to People, free; Animal Town Game Co. (peaceful toys), free; Northland Poster Collective (worker/union posters), free; Oxfam America (books related to food, hunger and development), free.

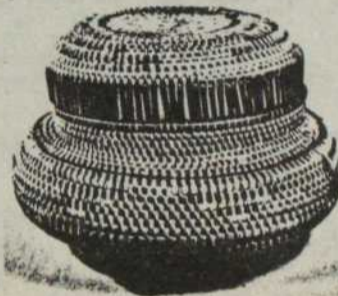
People's Food Co-op, 740 Packard Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48104, 761-8173 In addition to our usual selection of potpourris, during Dec. we will be offering bayberry, \$9.75/lb. and Christmas pine, \$8.99/lb; for incense we have frankincense, \$12.69/lb. and myrrh, \$12.65/lb.; Handmade lace potpourri bags are \$1.35/bag. Large

taper handipped beeswax candles are \$3.39/pair and small tapers are \$2.25/pair. Apple and holiday (tree and Hanukkah) candles are 45¢ ea. or \$5.25/doz. Tree ornaments are \$2.25/pkg. Co-op gift baskets feature samplings of teas, herbs, herbal salves, bath oils and fragrances, soaps and lots of other good things, from \$5 to \$9. We also have a mug with cover and strainer for tea, \$4.89; Paula Plotts Herbal Calendar, filled with beautiful illustrations and informative descriptions of plants and herbs, \$7.45 and "The New Laurel's Kitchen Cookbook," the classic introduction to vegetarian nutrition and cookery, is on special for \$13.55. This month we offer a 10% discount on all books we regularly carry.

Palestine Solidarity Committee, Mary Kay, 763-0234 or Steve, 697-2791 We have: Kaffeyihs (Palestinian scarves): \$12; Palestinian mufflers in the colors of the Palestinian flag: \$10; keychains: \$3-\$5; cassettes of music from the West Bank, Gaza and Lebanon: \$6; bumper sticker, "Palestine Lives," \$1; books; T-shirts and sweatshirts, various logos, \$6 and \$10; postcards, greeting cards of Palestinian art: \$1 each.

New Jewish Agenda, Rebecca, 994-5717 While you're buying for Chanukah, think about the next big Jewish holiday, Passover. A wonderful Haggadah, "The Shalom Seders," is a collection of three Haggadahs that focus on working for peace and justice. \$12.95. "Shiron L'Shalom" is a Jewish book of peace songs: \$12.95. The perfect Hanukkah gift to a politically active Jewish friend might be a membership to New Jewish Agenda, \$28.

Latin American Solidarity Committee (LASC) 4120 Michigan Union, Ann Arbor, MI 48109, 665-8438 We have: "Wanted for State Terrorism" t-shirts with Reagan, Bush, Schultz and Ollie North pictured above a list of their terrorist activities, \$6.50; "Peace with Justice in Central America" t-shirts feature an attractive graphic design of corn stalks, coffee berries and a bird, \$8.50; Guatemalan Bracelets are colorful, woven wrist bands produced by Guatemalan refugees living in Mexico: \$2.



These items can be purchased at the LASC office from 12 to 2 pm weekdays. We suggest you call first to make sure someone is there, or to arrange a time for pick-up. If you would like something mailed, add \$1 to the price of each item for postage and handling.

Interfaith Council for Peace and First Baptist Church. The fourth annual Alternative Holiday Fair, Dec 6 (see CAL), 663-1870. Products from several local organizations will be available along with such gifts as: chickens, cows, pigs, and goats. In the name of a friend, farm animals are sent to third world villages through the Heifer Project International. The animals become a permanent source of meat, milk or eggs for villagers. Children love seeing the animals on display and get a kick out of buying a chicken for 50 cents in the name of a parent or sibling. Also on sale are beautiful handicrafts sold by SERRV, a trading cooperative committed to ensuring that craftspeople in third world countries receive fair prices for their goods.

HAP-NICA/Guild House, 802 Monroe, Ann Arbor, MI 48104, 761-7960 100% cotton t-shirts, five-color design with motto "Let Nicaragua Farm," S - XL, 14-16 child's, in green, turquoise, lilac, maroon, white, gold, black, fuschia, and red. Specify size and two color choices. \$9.95 ppd. "Seeds of Hope" is an 18-minute slide/tape documentary that portrays the suffering and hope of the Nicaraguan people and how American agricultural scientists are working to promote independent agricultural development in Nicaragua. It is ideal for civic, school, church, or business groups. Rental \$20, purchase \$85. Call to arrange a speaking program. Send check to above address.

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berships to the Center are available for \$25 or more. A note will be sent to any friends or relatives that you designate, as will our newsletter, "Ecology Reports."

Ann Arbor Nicaragua Medical Aid Project (NMAP), David Share, 996-5738 NMAP raises funds to purchase medical supplies and equipment. We sell: "Let Nicaragua Live" t-shirts, children's sizes to XL in a variety of colors, \$7; "Salud y Paz" (Health and Peace) t-shirt, \$8; long sleeved shirt, \$10; sweatshirt, \$15. Variety of colors, children's and adult sizes.; the 1988 Peace



Calendar, from Syracuse Cultural Workers (photographs, historic dates, artwork), \$8; notecards and postcards with holiday and non-holiday themes, from 50¢ to \$9; hand-woven Guatemalan bracelets, \$2; "Stop U.S. War in Nicaragua" and "Your Taxes Pay for Torture, Rape, and Murder in Central America" bumperstickers, \$2; wooden, hand-painted pins supporting the Nicaraguan revolution, \$3. You can find us at Farmer's Market, Sats. in Dec. Phone orders may be placed before Dec. 17.

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CALENDAR

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FORMAT—Event: Sponsor. Time and Place. One or two sentence description. (Fee). Phone number

Unless otherwise noted, all events listed in the CALENDAR are free and open to the public (including all of the committee meetings). Also, all addresses are in Ann Arbor unless otherwise noted.

1 Tuesday

Lesbian-Gay Male Radio Show: Gay Liberation. 6 pm on 88.3 FM, WCBN. 763-3501

Meeting: WHE-AC. 6 pm in 4202 Michigan Union. 663-4301

Revolutionary History Series: SPARK. 7 to 8 pm, B116 Modern Languages Bldg. "Capitalists Cannibalize the World: Thirst for Profits Leads to Imperialism."

Meeting: Lesbian Gay Rights on Campus (LaGROC). 8:30 pm, 3100 Michigan Union. 763-4186

Meeting: Michigan Student Assembly. 9 pm, 3909 Michigan Union. 763-3241

ALL WEEK
New Artists: 16 Hands. 10 am to 8 pm, Tues. through Sat., 1 to 5 pm Sun. at 16 Hands, 119 W. Washington. A wide variety of new artists working in steel, brass, ceramics, porcelain, origami, dolls, and wood turnings. 761-1110

Recent Paintings: Sheila Ruen. 11 am to 5 pm, Tues.—Sat. at Xochipilli, 568 Woodward Ave., Birmingham. This Ann Arbor artist's show runs through Dec. 12. 645-1905

2 Wednesday

Beans and Rice Dinner: Guild House. 6 pm, Guild House, 802 Monroe. Proceeds used for humanitarian aid to Central America. \$2 adults, \$1 children. 662-5189

New Age Relationships Series: New Dimensions Study Group. 7:30 pm, Geddes Lake Townhouses Club House, 3000 Lakehaven. "The American Indian Medicine Wheel: The Lover's Masks." 434-6572.

Meeting: Latin American Solidarity Committee (LASC). 8 pm in 2435 Mason Hall. 665-8438

Lesbian-Gay Men's Music: Gay Liberation. 8 pm, Blind Pig, 208 S. First. 996-8555

3 Thursday

Meeting: U-M WAND. 6 pm, Michigan Union, check at desk for room. 662-8168

Meeting: United Coalition Against Racism (UCAR). 6 pm in the Michigan Union, check at desk for room. 747-6412

Meeting: Palestine Solidarity Committee (formerly November 29th Committee for Palestine). 7 pm in the Michigan Union Mug.

Meeting: Graduate Employee Organization (GEO). 7:30, Pond Rm., Mich. Union. 995-0221

4 Friday

Women's Tea: Women's Crisis Center (WCC). 5:30 to 7 pm at WCC, 306 N. Division. 994-9100

"Season of Joy": Community High School Fine Arts Repertory Company and the Community High Singers. 8 pm, A2 Civic Theatre MainStreet Stage, 338 S. Main. A series of poignant and funny vignettes about gift giving and family life during the holiday season complete with holiday songs. \$2 students/seniors, \$3 adults. 994-2021

5 Saturday

"Season of Joy": Community High School Fine Arts Repertory Company and the Community High Singers. 2 pm (see 4 Fri)

Introductory Talk: Zen Lotus Society. 7 pm, Zen Buddhist Temple, 1214 Packard. "Zen Buddhism in North America: history, philosophy, practice." 761-6520

6 Sunday

Korean Speaking Meditation Service: Zen Lotus Society. 10 to 11:30 am at Zen Buddhist Temple, 1214 Packard. Meditation, chanting, a reading and a talk. 761-6520



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Journalist Alexander Cockburn, premier critic of the American Media, will speak at Rackham Auditorium about the press and Central America. Sponsored by Rackham Student Gov't. and LASC (see 7 Monday)

Alternative Holiday Fair: Interfaith Council for Peace. 4 to 7 pm, First Baptist Fellowship Hall, 512 E. Huron. Send "gifts" to Third World villages. Buy crafts from around the world. 663-1870.

English Speaking Meditation Service: Zen Lotus Society. 5 to 7 pm at Zen Buddhist Temple, 1214 Packard. 761-6520

Meeting: Huron Valley Greens. 7:30 to 9:30 pm, rm. 1036, School of Natural Resources. 994-4937

Israeli Folk Dancing: Hillel. 7:30 to 10 pm, Hillel, 339 E. Liberty. 1 hour of instruction followed by open dancing. Beginning & advanced 663-3336

Lesbian-Gay Men's Music: Gay Liberation. 8 pm (see 2 Wed)

7 Monday

Meeting: South African Political Prisoner Bracelet Program. 5 pm, CAAS lounge, W. Eng. Bldg. 572-1960.

Seeing Through the Media With Alexander Cockburn: Rackham Student Gov't. 7:30 pm, Rackham Aud. "The Alternative Press in the Reagan Years" with noted columnist Alexander Cockburn.

Summit Celebration: ICP, SANE and WAND. 7:30 pm, First Baptist Fellowship Hall, 512 E. Huron. Celebration of the anticipated signing of the U.S.-U.S.S.R. INF Treaty. Speakers, music, refreshments and discussion. 663-1870

Meeting: Free South Africa Co-ordinating Committee (FSACC). 7:30 pm, CAAS Lounge, W. Engineering Bldg. 769-8549

Integrity Open House for Lesbians & Gay Men: Gay Liberation. 8:45 pm, Canterbury House, 208 N. Division. 665-0606

8 Tuesday

Lesbian-Gay Male Radio Show: Gay Liberation. 6 pm on 88.3 FM, WCBN.

Meeting: WHE-AC. 6 pm (see 1 Tues)

Revolutionary History Series: SPARK. 7 to 8 pm. "Democracy In The Streets: 1905 Revolution in Russia." (see 1 Tues)

Planning Meeting: AGENDA. 7:30 pm (call for location). Open meeting to plan future editions. 996-8018

"Stewards of the Land: Blending the Technical with the Spiritual": Ecology Center and the Stewardship Community. 7:30 pm, Henderson Rm. of the Michigan League. Topic: Farming without chemicals or animal exploitation, and the relation between people and the land. Donations welcome. 761-3186

Meeting: Lesbian-Gay Rights on Campus (LaGROC). 8:30 pm (see 1 Tues)

Meeting: Michigan Student Assembly. 9 pm (see 1 Tues)

9 Wednesday

Beans and Rice Dinner: Guild House. 6 pm (see 2 Wed)

Meeting: Latin American Solidarity Committee (LASC). 8 pm (see 2 Wed)

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Meeting: United Coalition Against Racism (UCAR). 6 pm (see 3 Thur)

Meeting: Palestine Solidarity Committee. 7 pm (see 3 Thur)

"Season of Joy": Community High School 8 pm (see 4 Fri)

11 Friday

Women's Tea: Women's Crisis Center. 5:30 to 7 pm (see 4 Fri)

Monthly Meeting: Parents-For Lesbians & Gay Men (FLAG). 7:30 pm, First Methodist Church, State at Huron. 763-4186

"Season of Joy": Community High School 8 pm (see 4 Fri)

Meeting: Brothers. 8 to 11 pm at Guild House, 802 Monroe. For men who find men attractive; we are creating a supportive place to spend time together. 763-8146 or 763-8899.

Music Night: Canterbury House. 9:30 pm, 218 N. Division. 665-0606

13 Sunday

News and Feature Articles Copy Deadline: AGENDA (January issue). Send articles to AGENDA, P.O. Box 3624, Ann Arbor, MI, 48106. 996-8018

Korean Speaking Meditation Service: Zen Lotus Society. 10 to 11:30 am (see 6 Sun)

English Speaking Meditation Service: Zen Lotus Society. 5 to 7 pm (see 6 Sun)

Christmas Party: Ypsi Food Co-op. 6 pm, Depot Town Freight House, Ypsilanti. 483-1520

"Raise the Roof" Benefit: Performance Network. 6 pm, 408 W. Washington. Music, dance and theater by many local artists. 663-0681

Meeting: Area Greens. 7:30 to 9:30 pm (see 6 Sun)

Israeli Folk Dancing: Hillel. 7:30 to 10 pm (see 6 Sun)

Monthly Meeting: WAND. 7:30 pm at the First Baptist Church, 512 E. Huron. Kate Warner, Co-Pres. of WAND and member of the Sister City



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delegation, will show slides and talk about her recent trip to Nicaragua. Also, a holiday season sing-along of peace and justice songs. 761-1718

Lesbian-Gay Men's Music: Gay Liberation. 8 pm (see 2 Wed)

14 Monday

Meeting: South Africa Political Prisoner Bracelet Program. 5 pm (see 7 Mon)

Integrity Open House for Lesbians & Gay Men: Gay Liberation. 8:45 pm (see 7 Mon)

Meeting: Free South Africa Coordinating Committee (FSACC). 7:30 pm (see 7 Mon)

"Brothers": Gay Men's Coffee House. 8 to 11 pm, Guild House. 763-4186 (see 11 Fri)

15 Tuesday

Calendar Deadline: AGENDA. Send formatted Calendar listings and photos to AGENDA Calendar, P.O. Box 3624, Ann Arbor, MI, 48106

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Lesbian-Gay Male Radio Show: Gay Liberation. 6 pm on 88.3 FM, WCBN.

Meeting: WHE-AC. 6 pm (see 1 Tues)

Revolutionary History Series: SPARK. 7 to 8 pm. "1917 Russian Revolution: Workers Begin Building a Socialist Society." (see 1 Tues)

Meeting: Lesbian-Gay Rights on Campus (LaGROC). 8:30 pm (see 1 Tues)

Meeting: Michigan Student Assembly. 9 pm (see 1 Tues)

16 Wednesday

Happy Chanukah!

Beans and Rice Dinner: Guild House. 6 pm (see 2 Wed)

Meeting: Latin American Solidarity Committee (LASC). 8 pm (see 2 Wed)

Lesbian-Gay Men's Music: Gay Liberation. 8 pm (see 2 Wed)

17 Thursday

Meeting: United Coalition Against Racism 6 pm (see 3 Thur)

Meeting: Palestine Solidarity Committee. 7 pm. (see 7 Wed)

18 Friday

Women's Tea: Women's Crisis Center. 5:30 to 7 pm (see 4 Fri)

19 Saturday

Community Resource Directory (CRD) Deadline: AGENDA. P.O. Box 3624, Ann Arbor, MI, 48106.

20 Sunday

Korean Speaking Meditation Service: Zen Lotus Society. 10 to 11:30 am (see 6 Sun)

English Speaking Meditation Service: Zen Lotus Society. 5 to 7 pm (see 6 Sun)

Meeting: Area Greens. 7:30 to 9:30 pm (see 6 Sun)

Israeli Folk Dancing: Hillel. 7:30 to 10 pm (see 6 Sun)

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21 Monday

Camera-ready advertising art deadline: AGENDA. 996-8018

Meeting: South Africa Political Prisoner Bracelet Program. 5 pm (see 7 Mon)

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Meeting: Bread for the World. 7:30 pm, Chapman Rm., First Baptist Church, 512 E. Huron. 478-9058

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AGENDA Publications

P.O. Box 3624, Ann Arbor, MI 48106, 996-8018

CURRENT NEWS: This Sept. we started publicizing AGENDA's financial inner workings. One of the most prevalent questions in response to this campaign has been: "Are you going to continue publishing?" The answer is "yes." We will continue to publish AGENDA as long as we can. Much of the doom and gloom you've noticed in these financial reports comes from our own frustrations as editors and publishers. AGENDA was once a 36 page paper. It is now 16 pages. The difference is that we must now defer or reject more articles than we publish. The difference is that the paper is not as comprehensive and inclusive as it once was. **Important Dates:** Tues., Dec 8 meeting to review the previous issue and discuss future ones, at 7:30 pm, call for location. Wed., Dec. 9, editors Peggy Novelli and Laurie Wechter will be interviewed by Paquetta Palmer on WCBN, 88.3 FM, 6 to 7 pm. **Community Resource Directory:** Please call us at 996-8018 for CRD guidelines.

GOALS: In the short term we will continue to allocate at least 50% of the paper to advertising

until subscriptions make a significant contribution to our budget. A fundraising committee is now working to increase subscriptions and create sources of funding other than advertising. Within the next few months we hope to bring the paper back up to 24 pages.

SUBSCRIPTIONS: AGENDA is a free paper but there is a substantial cost behind each copy. Who pays for it? Right now advertisers. Advertisers are buying space that could belong to you. Just to give you an idea, 200 new subscribers could buy one whole issue. And a subscriber-funded paper would still be available for free to a wider audience than the activist community. **So write a check, and send it NOW!**

FINANCES: Since Sept., AGENDA raised \$9,465. We achieved but didn't go beyond our expected revenues. Advertising accounted for \$8328 or 88% of the total revenues; subscriptions (55) and donations accounted for \$1137 or 12%. We won't be discussing our finances in print again until there is a rosier picture. We hope it's soon! Thanks again to everyone for your concern!

Dear Readers

The **COMMUNITY RESOURCE DIRECTORY (CRD)** exists to provide you with information about Ann Arbor's vast network of grassroots organizations. A lot of people in this community are doing significant work to effect social change or deliver human services. You can be one of them. We hope you take that first step: go to a meeting.

The CRD also exists to provide a forum for the organizations themselves. For a small fee, your group can list in the CRD. Call AGENDA at 996-8018 and we will send you the guidelines.

AGENDA editors may not agree with everything printed in the **DIRECTORY**, but we feel it is important to provide space for groups who do not have regular access to the mainstream media.

Saline parking ordinance, a complaint of firing due to the threat of garnishment, equal access to public spaces in Ypsilanti for parents with their children, and a complaint of harassment and assault of a child who lives in Washtenaw County and goes to elementary school in the Columbia School system in Brooklyn, Michigan. We are also exploring a mechanism for collecting information regarding complaints about the police and alleged police abuse.

MEETINGS: The ACLU Board of Directors generally meets the third Sunday of each month, 7:30 pm at the First Unitarian Universalist Church, 1917 Washtenaw. Meetings are open to the public, and the next meeting will be Sunday, January 17, 1988.

Inquiries should be directed to Jean Ledwith King, Chair of the Branch, 277 East Liberty Plaza, Ann Arbor, MI 48104 (662-1334). Inquiries for legal assistance should be made in writing to attorney Nancy Francis, Co-chair ACLU Branch Lawyers' Committee, 201 East Huron, Ann Arbor, MI 48104. The Lawyers' Committee meets Thursday mornings, bi-weekly, to consider and respond to requests for assistance on civil rights and civil liberties matters. (3282)

events, meetings with legislators, the annual Hunger Walk, a booth at the Art Fair/Heritage Festival, and World Food Day events in October.

On a legislative front, BFW has a majority for Congress co-sponsoring legislation to increase funding for the Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC). Such a funding increase is needed to stop the steady rise in infant mortality rates in the U.S. and help insure that pregnant women and children have proper nutrition. Other areas that BFW is currently involved with are international development, tax relief and the poor, an increase in the minimum wage, and foreign aid. All the topics will be discussed at the regular meeting to which the general public is welcome. (1881)

recognize that we are all different, but desire an opportunity to spend time with men who share this need. If you feel you would like to join us please stop by.

MEETINGS We will meet every other Friday starting Dec. 11, 8 to 11 pm at Guild House, 802 Monroe. For more information call the Human Sexuality Office, 763-4186 or Michaelangelo, 763-8899.

laws so that sexual orientation would be included under the University's official policy against discrimination. Members of the University community are urging that U-M's Coordinator of Gay Male Programs be appointed to the U-M AIDS Task Force. This representation is long overdue. Please support these changes in U-M policy and direction by writing to Virginia Nordby, Director of Affirmative Action Programs, 2012 Fleming Administration Building, Ann Arbor MI 48109-1340, 763-5082.

PURPOSE: To provide information, counseling and related social services for people concerned about sexual orientation: (1) maintain Hotline for crisis intervention, peer counseling, referral; (2) help provide factual information to offset prejudice and misinformation about lesbians and gay men; (3) work to obtain human and civil rights for all, regardless of sexual orientation; (4) help (CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE)



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ACLU of Michigan

Washtenaw County Branch 277 E. Liberty, Ann Arbor, MI 48104, 662-5189

PURPOSE: The ACLU is the guardian of the Bill of Rights which guarantees fundamental civil liberties to us all. These rights include: freedom of speech, freedom of the press and freedom of religion, guaranteed by the First Amendment; freedom from police abuses, domestic spying and illegal intelligence activities, as guaranteed by the Fourth Amendment; equal treatment and fair play, guaranteed by the Fifth Amendment; a fair trial as guaranteed by the Sixth Amendment; the prohibition against cruel and unusual punishment, guaranteed by the Eighth Amendment; the rights of privacy and personal autonomy—to be alone, to be secure from government intrusion in one's own home, to safeguard personal information from promiscuous collection and dissemination, implicit in the Fourth, Fifth and Ninth Amendments.

These guarantees of liberty are not self-enforcing. No law is. Those in power are forever trying to undermine the rights of others. That is why the ACLU programs in the courts, in the legislatures and in the public forum defend

persons whose civil liberties are undermined. These persons are most often the powerless and the controversial members of society.

The ACLU acts on behalf of these persons not because we are always sympathetic to their cause or because we always agree with their views. We act because our duty is to defend their Constitutional rights. That duty is most rigorously tested when attempts are made to stifle expression of controversial ideas. The ACLU acts whether we agree with the ideas being expressed or not; whether we find those ideas ennobling or contemptible, decent or despicable. For it is not the ideas themselves that we are defending. It is the right to express those ideas.

CURRENT EVENTS: The Washtenaw County Branch of the ACLU is currently working on several complaints, including some complaints about Michigan prison health care which we are investigating with the Friends' Service Committee. Other complaints include harassment of prisoners for sexual orientation, unlawful administration of a

Bread for the World (BFW)

706 Dwight Street, Ypsilanti, MI 48198, 478-9058

PURPOSE: Bread for the World (BFW) is a citizens lobbying organization that deals with hunger and health related legislation. It is a national group with chapters in the local area. Although BFW does not send any direct aid itself, the organization, through its members, has given crucial support to domestic and international hunger programs since being founded in 1971. Members are encouraged to contact their legislators on hunger issues and are kept informed through newsletters, background papers, and informational meetings about pertinent legislation.

MEETINGS: Monthly meetings are held in conjunction with the Interfaith Council for Peace Hunger Task Force. At each Hunger Task Force meeting a portion of the meeting is devoted to BFW concerns, including legislative updates. Meetings are held at the First Baptist Church (Ann Arbor), Chapman Room, 512 E. Huron, starting at 7:30 pm on the third Wednesday of each month.

CURRENT EVENTS: Bread For the World together with the Hunger Task Force will be involved next year with community education

BROTHERS

c/o Guild House, 802 Monroe, Ann Arbor, MI 48104, 763-8899

PURPOSE: We are a new group forming to create a comfortable and supportive space for men who find men attractive. This does not exclude men who are also attracted to women, and is not limited to men who are actually involved with other men. Men who are attracted to men need a place where labeling sexual orientation is

not an issue, a place where they can enjoy their manhood in harmony with attraction to other men, a place where their sexuality is recognized as part of their masculinity.

We have come together under the name of Brothers with the intention of creating common ground where men can talk, joke and share. We

Gay Liberation

4117 Michigan Union, Ann Arbor, MI 48109, INFO: 763-4186, HOTLINE: 662-1977

CURRENT NEWS: An especially blatant example of harassing and discriminatory verbiage was found on a desktop in Angell Hall (Auditorium D) last month. The statement clearly discriminated against women in general, feminist women in particular, Jewish women, Japanese women, and lesbians. It advocated anal rape. The incident has been reported to U-M President Harold Shapiro and U-M Director of Affirmative Action Programs Virginia Nordby, among others. Shapiro, Nordby, and other U-M staff members have been asked to publicly acknowledge the existence of this type of "ideology" on campus and to take action against the authors of it.

Coincidentally or not, the Michigan State House of Representatives has passed a bill concerning "ethnic intimidation." The House voted

76-20 to make Michigan the twelfth state to classify this behavior as a felony. Crimes against women, Blacks, Jews, lesbians, gay men, and other-abled persons would be punished by prison terms of up to two years and a fine of up to \$2000. The bill has gone to the Senate for consideration: please support it by writing to your State Senator.

We are glad to note that in Traverse City, City Commissioner John Markl, who termed lesbians and gay men "the filthiest, dirtiest people on the face of the earth," has resigned his office. His resignation occurred after more than 2500 people signed petitions demanding his ouster.

On another positive note, members of LaGROC, the U-M campus-based lesbian-gay rights group, are actively pursuing the long-needed change in the U-M "logo" and Regental By-

lesbian and gay men's groups organize; (5) link to other community groups.

MEETINGS vary according to purpose; we do most of our work in subcommittees: Counseling, Groupwork, Education, Civil Rights. Call for time and place. Our group includes U-M students, staff, and faculty, and people from the larger community. We have a President, Vice-president, Secretary, and Treasurer. At present we have approximately fifty members. We're a registered non-profit organization.

COMMUNITY SERVICES: **Hotline:** Crisis intervention, peer counseling, referral. **Educa-**

tion: Workshops and conferences on lesbian and gay male concerns, with an emphasis on how people in the helping professions and teaching professions can work positively with lesbian and gay male clients, patients, students. **Speakers Bureau:** Call for information. **Human and Civil Rights:** Information and referral to help people who are being discriminated against because of their actual or presumed sexual orientation or their presumed "cross-gender" characteristics; lobbying for human and civil rights. **Community Organizing:** Information and help on organizing groups, setting goals and objectives, addressing conflict, linking to other groups and resources. (3770)

Graduate Employees Organization (GEO)

802 Monroe #3, Ann Arbor, MI 48104, 995-0221

CURRENT NEWS: Office Hours: Mon. 3:30-5 pm, Tue. 4-5:30 pm, Wed. 5-7 pm, Th. 9:30 am-12 pm, Fri. 4-5:30 pm. The GEO updated Handbook is now completed and copies have been mailed out. If you have not received a copy contact the GEO office.

The GEO has been awarded a work-study position from Eastern Michigan University. We are looking for an EMU graduate student with MacIntosh computer skills to work 10-15 hours per week at \$6-\$6.50/hr for fall and winter terms. If interested contact GEO.

The GEO is proceeding with an Unfair Labor Practice suit against U-M. The suit stems from the University's implementation of the ten-term rule, a rule which limits the amount of financial support from the University for graduate students to ten terms. GEO contends that the rule is a change in conditions of employment and thus subject to negotiation before implementation.

PURPOSE: GEO is affiliated with the American Federation of Teachers/Michigan Federation of Teachers Local #3550. GEO's purpose is to represent all Graduate Student Assistants in collective bargaining with U-M, thus protecting Staff and Teaching Assistants against deterioration in economic compensation, real wages, and working conditions. GEO also address graduate employees' common concerns, such as: excessive class size, teacher training, reallocation of University funds from administration overhead to actual teaching, and the ideals of non-discrimination and affirmative action.

MEETINGS: There are 3 membership meetings per term. The final Fall meeting will be Thur., Dec 3, 7:30 in the Pond Room of the Michigan Union. Announcements for meetings will be posted in GEO bulletin boards and listed in the "University Record" ten days prior to the meetings. (1886)

Huron Valley Greens

1402 Hill St., Ann Arbor, MI 48103, 994-4937

PURPOSE: The Huron Valley Greens recognize the interconnections of all life and social processes and that neither social or environmental problems can be solved in isolation from each other. To insure the survival of this planet, and to enable all species to attain their highest potential, we dedicate ourselves to moving beyond patriarchy, violence, domination, alienation, and capitalism. The role of human beings is not to rule over nature, but to work with it in order to meet human needs in the context of social justice and an ecologically balanced future. We envision a free and egalitarian society, in which people are empowered to regain control over political institutions and their work environment, in which institutions and technologies no longer compel us to serve them, but are restored to the human scale. We will work in cooperation with progressive organizations, the unorganized, the disenfranchised, and those with power, to save the planet for future generations.

MEETINGS & MEMBERSHIP: We meet every Sunday at 7:30 pm, room 1036, School of Natural Resources (Dana Building), U-M campus. The 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month are business meetings; the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month are devoted to discussion and study sessions.

CURRENT NEWS: So far this fall the Greens have sponsored several speakers. In addition to continued educational programs, we have established task forces to work on a green journal, low level radioactive waste, waste disposal alternatives, and a Green resource directory. Other ideas include: urban rehabilitation, community land trusts, promoting appropriate technology, expanding recycling and energy conservation, peace conversion, socially conscious banking, issue focused campaigns, and town meetings. (1832)

Interfaith Council for Peace (ICP)

604 E. Huron, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104, 663-1870, Hours: 9:30 am-5 pm

PURPOSE: Interfaith Council for Peace (ICP), a non-profit educational organization, believes in the possibility of a world where every woman, man, and child has the opportunity to live in freedom, peace, and without fear. Begun in 1965 by a small group of area clergy and lay, ICP focused on protesting U.S. involvement in the Vietnam War. Over the past 20 years Interfaith's work has expanded to address justice concerns related to hunger, agriculture, and Central America in addition to the ongoing work for peace.

ICP, a local chapter of the national Clergy and Laity Concerned (CALC), has worked to educate and promote action on these issues. We act as a clearinghouse for peace and justice activities in local religious congregations and in the community at large. Interfaith raises moral questions about disarmament, hunger, the U.S. food system, economic justice and Central America. Donations towards this work are gratefully accepted at the above address.

ICP's membership includes 60 area congregations and approximately 3,000 individuals. A Steering Committee oversees the work of the staff and the work of four task forces: Disarmament Working Group; Land, Food, and Justice Committee; Hunger Task Force, and the Religious Coalition on Central America.

COMMUNITY SERVICES: ICP publishes a monthly newsletter, maintains a lending library of both written and audio-visual materials on peace and justice concerns, and has a speakers bureau which includes both staff and task force members.

"Covenant for a World Free of Nuclear Weapons" kits are available from the ICP office for \$5. The kit lists nuclear weapons contractors, the consumer products they manufacture and non-nuclear alternatives. The second edition of "There is a Season," a 117 page seasonal cookbook is

available from the ICP office for \$6. Also available through the office is a new book by Phil Moulton entitled "Ammunition for Peacemakers," (\$7.95). Cards which feature scenes of Juigalpa, Nicaragua are available through the office (\$5/pack) and benefit the Central America Sister City Task Force. Drop in and visit us. The ICP office is located in the basement of the First United Methodist Church (corner of State and Huron).

CURRENT EVENTS: ICP and First Baptist Church are sponsoring an Alternative Holiday Fair, Sunday, Dec. 6, 4 to 7 pm, at the First Baptist Fellowship Hall (512 E. Huron). Items purchased at the Fair as "gifts" include chickens, cows, pigs, and goats. In the name of the person you select, the "gifts" are sent to third world villages, through the Heifer Project International, where the animals become a permanent source of meat, milk or eggs for the villagers. Children love seeing the animals on display and get a kick out of buying a chicken (.50/chicken) for a parent or sibling. Also on sale are beautiful handicrafts, sold by SERRV, a trading cooperative committed to ensuring that craftspeople in third world countries receive fair prices for their goods.

On Mon., Dec. 7, ICP, SANE, and WAND are sponsoring a "Summit Celebration," 7:30 pm, First Baptist Fellowship Hall (512 E. Huron). As the U.S.-U.S.S.R. summit opens in Washington, D.C., there will be a local celebration of the anticipated signing of the INF Treaty (intermediate nuclear forces), with emphasis on next steps needed to end the nuclear arms race—stopping Star Wars, stopping nuclear weapons testing, mutual cutting of strategic weapons, and reducing conventional forces. The hour-long celebration will include speakers, music, refreshments, and a graphic illustration of what the INF Treaty means in terms of weapons reduction. (3794)



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Latin American Solidarity Committee (LASC)

4120 Michigan Union, Ann Arbor MI 48109, 665-8438

PURPOSE: LASC is a nonprofit group dedicated to supporting the legitimate aspirations of Latin American peoples to self-determination. Its goals are to increase awareness here about contemporary realities in Latin America and the U.S. role in the region. Because current U.S. policy perpetuates violence and injustice in Central America, LASC serves as a community of concerned citizens to organize nonviolent activities to pressure our government to change its military, political, and economic policies toward Latin America.

MEETINGS: Join us in room 2435 Mason Hall every Wed. evening at 8 pm for the general LASC meetings. Information about weekly activities can

be obtained by visiting or calling the LASC office. The office is normally staffed from 12 to 2 pm on weekdays, and messages can be left on the answering machine at all other times.

COMMUNITY SERVICES: LASC sponsors educational events such as films, slide shows, and speakers. The outreach committee provides speakers for University and high school classes as well as for other groups interested in Latin American issues. If you would like somebody to speak, contact us at 665-8438.

The LASC newsletter *La Palabra* is periodically sent to about 800 subscribers. It contains a summary of our activities and updates on the news from Latin America.

As long as the Reagan administration continues to propose legislation for aid to the Contras, LASC will continue to lead the local battle against it. We intend to maintain pressure on Carl Pursell as long as he continues to follow the party line on the issue rather than thinking about the facts involved. Protests and letter writing campaigns are coordinated by LASC as each vote on Contra aid becomes imminent. Call the LASC office for the latest legislative updates.

BEANS & RICE DINNERS are held each Wed. evening at 6 pm at the Guild House, 802 Monroe St. A \$2 donation buys a great meal and contributes to material aid for the people of Central America. (2118)

Michigan SANE/FREEZE

1416 Hill St., Ann Arbor, MI 48104, 663-3913

CURRENT NEWS: Michigan SANE/FREEZE is the state affiliate of National SANE/FREEZE. National SANE and the National Nuclear Weapons Freeze Campaign decided to merge and become one organization in Dec., 1986. This decision brought together SANE—with 150,000 members, the largest and most established arms control group in the country—with the Freeze Campaign and its 1,200 local groups into one organization. For the first time in the history of the peace movement groups are coming together and not splitting off from one another.

Since that decision in 1986, efforts have been underway to develop a statewide SANE/FREEZE organization here in Michigan. Michigan SANE has nearly 18,000 members and the Freeze has many local peace groups throughout the state. A state Board of Directors has been established that serves to coordinate the activities of the two organizations under one common agenda.

The Board is presently working out the priorities for 1988, and determining what services they will be able to provide to local groups around

the state. There will be a state newsletter, and staff resources to assist local groups in achieving their program goals for 1988. Electoral work promises to be at the top of the priority list for Michigan SANE/FREEZE in 1988.

A search committee has been formed to locate a new Executive Director for the state organization. The state organization will also be hiring a Regional Program Coordinator to be based in the Ann Arbor office in early 1988. Interested persons should contact Kim Miller at the Ann Arbor SANE/FREEZE office for details.

Staff and the State Board all participated recently at the first annual congress of National SANE/FREEZE held in Cleveland, Ohio from Nov. 19 to 21. National strategy and goals for 1988 were outlined at the meeting attended by more than 600 activists from around the country.

Reverend William Sloane Coffin was installed as the first President of the newly merged organization. Marking the occasion were among others, Dr. Benjamin Spock, Marcus Raskin, and Jesse Jackson.

On Dec. 7, Ann Arbor SANE/FREEZE is co-sponsoring a rally marking the signing of the INF agreement between the U.S. and U.S.S.R. eliminating all American and Soviet intermediate range missiles from Europe. SANE/FREEZE is working to ensure that the INF agreement is not seen by the American public as an end in itself, but a beginning to more serious arms reduction agreements. The time is now to halt all nuclear warhead testing—let Congressman Pursell know we want action now.

We have just completed the door-to-door canvass of Ann Arbor collecting thousands of signatures against contra aid in any form. We are hopeful that the current negotiations will successfully eliminate the prospects of further contra aid. The Reagan administration is unlikely to let the issue die easily so we encourage readers to maintain pressure on Congressman Pursell on this issue as well.

We are currently conducting a survey of our membership in Ann Arbor to find out exactly what issues they want to work on in the local chapter. If you are interested in becoming more active with this newly formed local chapter please give us a call. (3276)

Palestine Solidarity Committee

(formerly The November 29th Committee for Palestine) 4203 Michigan Union, Ann Arbor, MI 48109

PURPOSE: Yes, we changed our name, but not our purpose. We felt that as a solidarity committee for Palestinian human and political rights, a more appropriate name was needed to accurately reflect our work locally and nationally. Our work is multifaceted. At this stage in the movement, educational work about the Palestinian people and their just struggle under the leadership of the PLO is of utmost importance. We recognize that by building and becoming part of a progressive solidarity movement, change will come about, not only for the Palestinian people, but for all oppressed people. Also since Israel has consistently lied about its nuclear capabilities and

continues to disregard non-proliferation treaties, we recognize that the threat of nuclear war is now more dangerous in the Middle East than in any other part of the Third World. As our movement continues to grow, we will continue to disseminate accurate information about the Palestinian-Zionist conflict through lectures, films, meetings, etc.

MEMBERSHIP & MEETINGS: We ask that sincere members agree to our bylaws and principles of unity. A fee of \$10/six months is required. We also publish our national newsletter, "Palestine Focus," which is available at our events, our office or in local bookstores. We meet

every Thurs., at 7 pm in the Mich. Union MUG.

LOCAL EVENTS: On Oct. 27, we sponsored a lecture concerning the deportation proceedings of eight pro-Palestinian activists from Los Angeles. We also informed the University community about recent Israeli human rights abuses in the Occupied Territories through a demonstration. On Nov. 17, we participated in a U.N. national tour that brought a trade-unionist from Birzeit Univ. to Ann Arbor. We also co-sponsored Joe Stork from MERIP Reports on Nov. 23. Our agenda for the next four months is being planned so JOIN US NOW! (2006)

South African Political Prisoner Bracelet Program

International Possibilities Unlimited, 2915 Roundtree Apt. #A2, Ypsilanti, MI 48197, 572-1960

PURPOSE: The purpose of the South African Political Prisoner Bracelet Program is to educate the public about the plight of the political prisoners in South Africa particularly, and more generally, to increase the public's awareness of the continued racial and socio-economic oppression of the people of Southern Africa.

Each brass bracelet bears the name of a South African political prisoner serving a life sentence. The bracelet facilitates the development of a personal bond between the wearer and the prisoner named thereon and their family. To help strengthen that bond, we provide addresses where participants can write a particular prisoner. In addition, a portion of the funds generated through the sale of the bracelets is contributed to other organizations whose central goals are consistent with IPU's. The organizations that we have identified to receive IPU contributions include International Defence and Aids Fund, the Washington Office on Africa, and the National Free South Africa Movement.

CURRENT NEWS: Last month, several political prisoners were released in South Africa. They are Walter Tshikila, Thomas Masuku, Mthuthle Metsobane, John Nkosi (imprisoned in 1963 for his work with the Pan-African Congress), and Govan Mbeke, released after 23 years; he, along with Nelson Mandela and Walter Sisulu, was imprisoned for his leadership of the outlawed African National Congress. Both Nkose and Mbeke were prisoners supported by IPU's bracelet program. In addition two members of the Afrikaaner Resistance Movement, who were jailed in 1983, were also released.

This month, IPU was able to make donations to organizations that we support for their work in the struggle to abolish apartheid and free the political prisoners of South and Southern Africa: International Defense and Aids Fund—\$300; Washington Office on Africa—\$200; Lawyer's Committee for Civil Rights Under Law—South Africa Project—\$500. This brings IPU's total

donations to date up to \$2534.

We held a bracelet sale last month in the Fishbowl. We'd like to thank all who showed their support by purchasing bracelets and volunteering to help with future IPU programs. If you missed the sale, bracelets are always available at Collected Works, Orchid Lane, and Crzy Wisdom Books. We'd like to thank these Ann Arbor stores for their generosity and support of the program and the prisoners.

MEETINGS & MEMBERSHIP: Meetings are held Mon. evenings at 5 pm in the first floor lounge of the Center for AfroAmerican and African Studies (CAAS), West Engineering Bldg. Anyone interested in IPU is encouraged to come—we are currently looking to expand the bracelet program throughout Ann Arbor, and nationally. Working for IPU is a challenging, exciting, and rewarding experience for people with courage and commitment. (2976)

SPARK

3909 Michigan Union, Ann Arbor, MI 48109

WHO WE ARE: We are a group of people committed to changing this hostile profit-oriented world that is overflowing with nuclear weapons—when people don't have places to live or medical care; pollution—when we depend on our air and water for survival; illiteracy and unequal education—where knowledge exists; unemployment—when there is plenty of work to be done; starvation—where there

is enough food to feed everyone on this planet; incredible waste—despite limited resources; and socialized bigotry, greed and hate, which is used to divide and conquer us.

Today these problems seem almost unsolvable, if you try to separate each one and fight them individually. These problems aren't quite so overwhelming, however, when realizing

that they are interlinked: they are all caused, propagated, and/or implemented by capitalism and its ruthless drive to maximize profits for the benefit of a very small, elite, immensely wealthy clique of people. To change these things is not to simply replace those in office while leaving the structure that ignores or imposes these problems. Changing these things will mean replacing capitalism with an entirely new system, internationally, so that all people, as citizens of

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the Earth (not divided according to dotted lines on a map), would benefit from all the resources and technology in this world.

We are revolutionary communists. We want to see a socialist world, run not by executives of big businesses, not by dictators, not by the bureaucracies of today's so-called "communist" countries, but by real people in democratic councils, where workers, farmers, and students make the decisions that affect our own lives.

Now is the time to build a revolutionary organization. In doing so, it is important not only to

draw from the works of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Trotsky, but also to look at the struggles, mistakes, failures, and successes of those oppressed peoples who have fought in the past to change the world.

WHERE TO FIND US: We have a weekly revolutionary history class held 7 to 8 pm, Tuesdays in B116 MLB. If you are angry, depressed, confused, or curious about what options the future holds, come to our class. Or look for us and our literature tables around the university, or contact us at the address above. (2328)

Washtenaw County Women's Action for Nuclear Disarmament, Inc. (WAND)

P.O. Box 1815, Ann Arbor, MI 48106-1815, 761-1718

PURPOSE: WAND's goals are to educate ourselves and the public about the dangers of continued nuclear arms buildup, to influence our congressional representatives by informed lobbying, and to empower people, especially women, personally and politically.

MEETINGS & MEMBERSHIP: Meetings are held the 2nd Sunday night of the month at the First Baptist Church, 512 E. Huron, Ann Arbor. This month's meeting will be held on Dec. 13. New members are always welcome. Doors open at 7 and the meeting begins at 7:30 pm. Call our Information Hotline at 761-1718 for a message announcing important lobbying information, meeting times, and

up-coming events. Our Speaker's Bureau provides trained speakers who will address groups, classes, and public forums and rallies on a variety of issues. Contact Tobi Hanna-Davies at 662-7869.

CURRENT NEWS: WAND will be celebrating the Holiday season with a sing-along and a slide presentation of Nicaragua. Linda Jones (a WAND member) and friends will lead us in a Peace and Justice sing-along. Kate Warner, our Co-President, will show slides taken on her recent trip to Nicaragua, as well as sharing her experiences with us. Dessert will be served. A festive, peaceful, fun loving time for all. For more information about the December meeting or WAND call 761-1718. (1432)

World Hunger Education-Action Committee (WHE-AC)

4202 Michigan Union, Ann Arbor, MI 48109, 663-4301 or 761-7594

PURPOSE: WHE-AC is a campus based organization which focuses its work on both domestic and international hunger issues. Our goals are to educate ourselves and the community about the social, political and economic forces which cause and maintain hunger in the world. WHE-AC works closely with Oxfam America and the Institute for Development Policy (Food First). We also encourage ourselves and community members to do volunteer work in the numerous Ann Arbor shelters and meal programs. In addition to Oxfam work, we raise funds through the annual Oxfam America sponsored fast. Money raised is divided between Oxfam projects and local hunger relief organ-

izations in Ann Arbor and Detroit.

MEETINGS & MEMBERSHIP: We meet every Tuesday at 6 pm in room 4202 of the Michigan Union. All are welcome!

CURRENT NEWS: WHE-AC would like to thank everyone who helped with the Oxfam and the bucket drive for their support and participation. This year's Fast was especially successful! All proceeds will go to local hunger needs and to Oxfam America projects. WHE-AC will be discussing plans for the winter at our Tuesday meetings. (1304)

Ypsilanti Food Co-op

312 North River Street, Ypsilanti, MI 48198, 483-1520

PURPOSE: The Ypsilanti Food Coop is a non-profit community business that has been in Ypsilanti since 1975. The Co-op sells nutritious, wholesome food in small quantities and bulk at the lowest possible price. The Co-op is open to the public seven days a week (call the store for hours), with new members and shoppers always welcome.

MEMBERSHIP: The core of the Ypsilanti Food Co-op is members, who for a small initial fee can obtain greater food discounts. Members who choose to do volunteer work at the Co-op receive an even greater food discount. More importantly, members are part of the Co-op and are

eligible to vote for directors along with issues that affect the Co-op. In addition, regular membership and board meetings are held, along with a monthly newsletter, to keep the membership informed.

EVENTS: The Co-op will be celebrating the holiday period by participating in the Depot Town Christmas celebration. Holiday gifts and various in-store specials will be for sale at the Co-op. On December 13th, the Co-op will hold its annual Christmas party at the Depot Town Freight House starting at 6 pm. The event is a potluck and is open to all Co-op members and guests. (1278)

EVICIONS

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well."

Riester and Perkins believe certain types of tenants are being singled out because of management's decision to follow city-wide trends, "upscaling" the Village to cater to higher income tenants. After months of rent

strikes and court battles, tenants are reorganizing to make public their fight against these evictions. Members of the PVTU and other Pittsfield Village tenants are also involved in the city-wide campaign to stabilize rents in Ann Arbor. They feel that the rent stabilization ordinance would put McKinley Properties and other parties involved in the gentrification of Ann Arbor in check.

COVENANT from page 5

The Covenant, sponsored by over 30 local and national organizations, was largely researched and produced by Donald Pelz, an Ann Arborite active in several local peace organizations. Pelz continues to publicize the Covenant through national groups and has updated the kit twice since its initial 1985 printing.

The Covenant for a World Free of Nuclear

Weapons kit is available for \$5. It includes the Buyer's Guide, information about writing the CEO's of the top 30 corporations, and a logo. The Buyer's Guide is available separately for \$3. Contact the Interfaith Council for Peace at 663-1870 to order, or mail requests, with payment, to the ICP office at 604 E. Huron, Ann Arbor, 48104. Checks should be made payable to Interfaith Council for Peace, attention "Covenant."

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lot, eating the same food as the kids, which I guess some people might see as a sacrifice. I guess I'd do it in the name of the hearth. It sounds antiquated but you can't measure the power and strength of the home.

To do what we're doing I'd also say that it's important or even imperative to be in the country; otherwise I would be susceptible to

all the complications of living in the city. I'd almost call it an absolute that kids start in a simple environment.

Being a hard parent is living right and you can't hardly talk about it, it gets away from you. You do it and try to catch yourself at mistakes. Home education is living and learning; we're all learning. As soon as education is different from life, it's an institution

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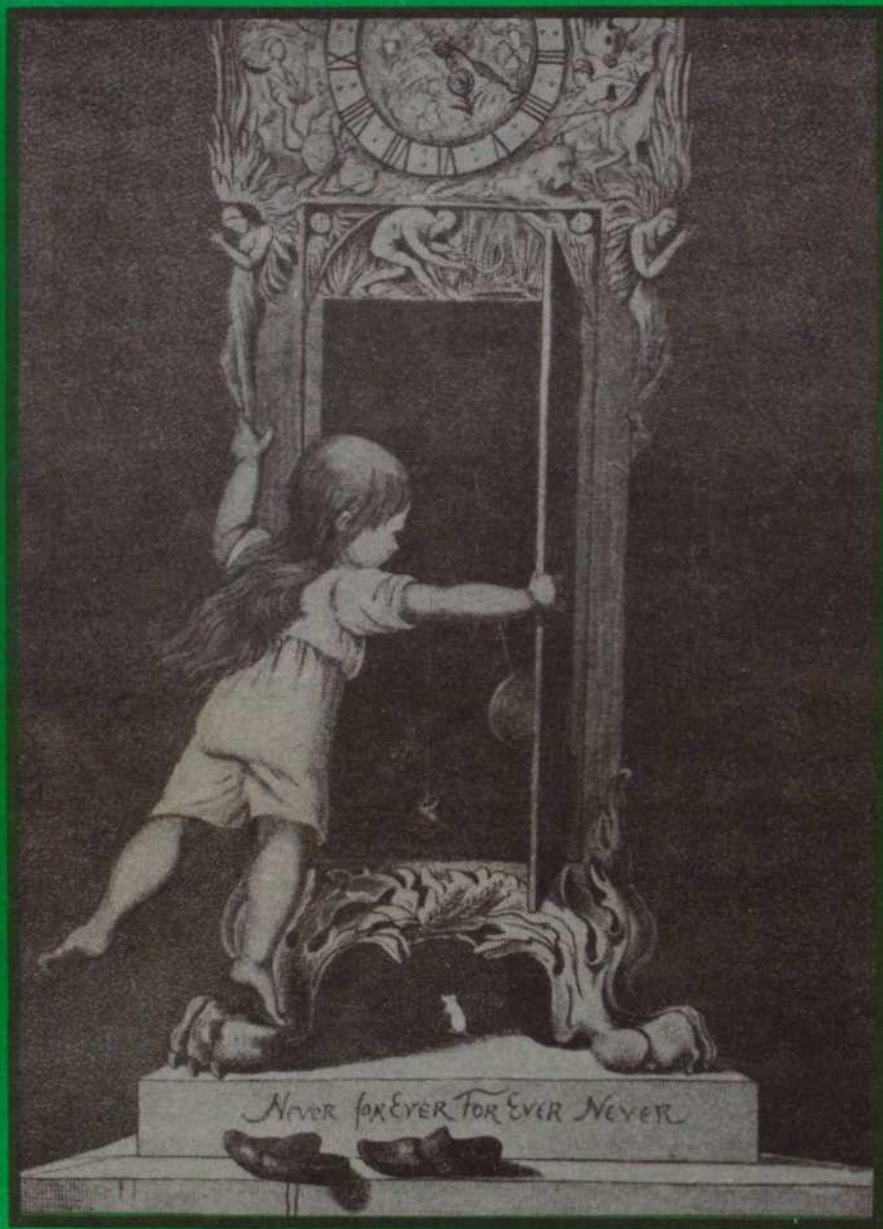
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