



HOPE IN A TIME OF CRISIS ~ A SOLUTIONS-DRIVEN CONFERENCE
SEPTEMBER 2 & 3, 2008
CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY ~ SAINT PAUL, MINNESOTA
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THE CONFERENCE

At the time of the September 2008 Republican National Convention, Peace Island will convene this two-day conference promoting and celebrating peace, justice, harmony, nonviolent response, care of the earth, and a vision for a better world.

This major conference features speakers from across the country. The conference will run two full days, with three 2½-hour segments each day. Each segment comprises a plenary session followed by four breakouts where conference attendees will contribute to the discussion and the solutions. Lunch will be available each day (\$10). Entertainment, films, and other discussions and presentations will be offered in between the sessions. And, a large gathering/break room will be available for organizations to have tables to display their information.

PROGRAM

Tuesday, September 2

10:00 ENERGY & THE ENVIRONMENT – I

Keynote: Jim Harkness – President, Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy • **Ron Bowen** – Prairie Restorations • **Susan Hubbard** – CEO, Eureka Recycling • **Starhawk** – Earthbound Spirituality, Eco-activist, Author • **Ami Voeltz** – Green Pages

2:00 ENERGY & THE ENVIRONMENT – II

Keynote: Terry Gips – President, Alliance for Sustainability; President, Sustainability Associates • **Matthew Commers** – Adjunct Professor, University of Minnesota School of Public Health • **Bruce Gagnon** – Co-founder, Global Network Against Weapons and Nuclear Power in Space • **Lisa Ledwidge** – Outreach Director, Institute for Energy and Environmental Research

7:00 GLOBAL PEACE & NONVIOLENCE – I

Keynote: Antonia Juhasz – Author and Activist • **Brian Becker** – Activist, Act Now to End War and Racism • **Leslie Cagan** – Activist, United for Peace and Justice • **Sara Flounders** – Activist, Troops Out Now • **Ra'ed Jarrar** (*invited*) – Iraqi blogger, American Friends Service Committee

Wednesday, September 3

10:00 GLOBAL PEACE & NONVIOLENCE – II

Keynote: Kathy Kelly – Activist, Voices for Creative Nonviolence • **Medea Benjamin** – Activist, Code Pink and Global Exchange • **Mel Duncan** – Executive Director, Nonviolent Peaceforce • **Sami Rasouli** – Muslim Peacemaker Teams

2:00 JUSTICE & HUMAN RIGHTS – I

Keynote: Coleen Rowley – Retired FBI Special Agent / Chief Division Counsel; *TIME's* 2002 "Person of the Year"; Peace Activist • **Doug Johnson** – Executive Director, Center for the Victims of Torture • **Ray McGovern** – Retired CIA Officer; Co-Founder, Veteran Intelligence Professionals for Sanity • **Ann Wright** – Colonel, U.S. Army (Ret.); Retired Diplomat, U.S. State Department; Peace Advocate

7:00 JUSTICE & HUMAN RIGHTS – II

Keynote: Ann Hastings – Director, Fonkoze Micro-Finance Program, Haiti • **Susan Cornell Wilkes** – President, Adventures in Giving • **Jim Klobuchar** – Columnist & Author • **Bharat Parekh** – United Nations Association–Minnesota; Consultant • **Kevin Winge** – Executive Director, Open Arms of Minnesota



The conference is sponsored by the Minnesota Alliance of Peacemakers (www.mapm.org) – a non-partisan coalition of 73 peace, justice, environmental, and U.N.-advocacy organizations.





DETAILS

- ▶ **Tuesday & Wednesday, September 2 & 3, 2008**
- ▶ **Concordia University, Saint Paul** – on the south side of I-94 at Hamline (between Snelling and Lexington)
- ▶ **Registration:** \$50 for the two days ♦ **EARLY BIRD:** \$45 if received by June 1
- ▶ **Reserve** your organization's **Information Table** (\$50 for two days)
- ▶ **Opportunities to support the Conference:**
 - ♦ Personal or organizational donations to Minnesota Alliance of Peacemakers (MAP).
 - ♦ Volunteer – sign up and have fun helping the Conference with activities like: registrations; on-site facilitation; coordinate exhibit tabling, speakers' arrangements and hospitality; assist speakers with sales of books and other media; promotion and marketing; media development, etc.

CONTACTS

- ▶ **Conference Registration**
 - ♦ Download Registration Form from Conference website: www.PeaceIsland.us
 - ♦ Make checks payable to MAP (for "Peace Island"). Mail Registration and check to:
Peace Island
P.O. Box 25441
Woodbury, MN 55125
 - ♦ For questions, etc., contact: Dick Bernard (registration@PeaceIsland.us or 651-730-4849)
 - ♦ Mail request for Information Table, along with check payable to MAP, to above address.
- ▶ **Donations**
 - ♦ Please make payable to MAP and mail to above address.
- ▶ **Volunteers**
 - ♦ Please get in touch with Ann Lewis (Annlewis694@cs.com or 952-944-9604) and let her know how you would like to help out!
 - ♦ WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!
- ▶ **Other questions:** Please contact Dennis Dillon (ddillon222@aol.com or 612-333-0723)

