OMNI CENTER ANNUAL PEACE AND JUSTICE HEROES AWARDS

Deadline for making reservations for the Fifth Annual Omni Center Peace and Justice Heroes Awards is Monday, June 9. Cost for the evening is $25.00. You can secure reservations for the June 14 event by going to www.omnicenter.org and clicking on PayPal or by making out a check to Omni Center and mailing it to Omni Center, 902 W. Maple, Fayetteville, AR 72701. The evening will begin with a social hour at 6:00p.m.with wine, beer (donations will be accepted), and light Hors d'Oeuvres, followed by dinner prepared by Paul Vella and Sue Lovett of Legal Kitchen Catering.

Recipients of the 2008 Awards are:

Hamsa Newmark, Fayetteville. Hamsa is a long-time peace and justice activist. For many years, both Hamsa, and her husband, Moshe, were the backbone for Puente De Paz (Bridge for Peace), which sent money and people to Nicaragua to re-build communities that had been devastated by war, helping them have potable water and schools. Her work has continued locally, nationally and internationally.

Attorney Michael R. McCray, Little Rock, has been a staunch advocate for strong civil rights, civil liberties and human rights enforcements for the last 12 years. A champion for grassroots and community advocacy, Attorney McCray believes in the philosophy of Martin Luther King, Jr. and the struggle for Social and Economic Justice as essential Human Rights concerns.

Patsy Brewer, Fayetteville, has served as director for the Washington County Habitat for Humanity for 15 years. During that time 40 homes have been constructed. Patsy has the ability to organize and direct people of diverse education, race, social background, temperament, skills, and age, with the result of a family moving into a home of their own.

Vickie Tidwell, Jonesboro. Vickie, as national president of Junior Auxiliary has volunteered and worked with other volunteers in helping children of the area, whether it is tutoring, medical needs, clothing or just being there to listen. She has served on the board and as a volunteer for CityYouth Ministries, guiding young people toward productive, well-balanced lives.

We will also recognize the following nominees: Lionel Jordan, Fayetteville, George Arnold, Springdale.

YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS THE ANNUAL OMNI CENTER PEACE GARDENS TOUR

SATURDAY, JUNE 7, 10A.M. - 3P.M.

Six gardens ranging from a tiny flower-filled downtown front yard, to a bamboo grove garden, to a country wildlife habitat will be featured. Each unique garden is the creation of the gardener’s own hands, and dedicated to peace and sustainability. Tour tickets are $10 each and the ticket holder can visit any or all of the featured gardens. Carpooling is heartily encouraged.

The Peace Gardens tour is a fundraiser for the Omni Center, which promotes a culture of peace, justice and
ecology. Tickets may be purchased in advance at the Omni table at the Fayetteville Farmer’s Market on Saturday mornings or by sending your check for $10 to OMNI, 278 Wolfe Lane, Farmington, 27730. Tickets may be purchased at any of the gardens on the day of the tour. To download map and brochure (to come soon) go to http://peacegardens.blogspot.com/

In addition to the beautiful flowers, shrubs, and trees, each gardener will offer a special additional feature, such as food, music, drink, sculpture, or sustainable design information. The six gardens in the 2008 Tour are at the homes of Emily Kaitz, Candy Clark and Teddy Cardwell, Hamsa and Moshe Newmark, Nancy Maier, Mendy Knott and Leigh Wilkerson, and Kathy Boyd.

Come, enjoy the day with these very special gardens and others dedicated to a culture of peace. Watch for our posters and flyers and other advertising for directions. For more information, see www.omnicenter.org and http://peacegardens.blogspot.com. To view an interactive map of tour locations, visit http://maps.google.com/maps/ms?hl=en&client=news&ie=UTF8&oe=UTF8&msa=0&msid=107917042384490530765.00044caa96cfb37b9d8e5

Contact:
Dick Bennett, Omni Peace Gardens Coordinator. Tel. 479-442-4600 or email jbennet@uark.edu, or
Leigh Wilkerson, Peace Garden Tour Participant. Tel. 479-582-9209 or email wilkerson.leigh@gmail.com (Preview Larrapin Garden at http://larrapin.blogspot.com)

Submitted by Leigh Wilkerson

OMNI MONTH IN REVIEW – QUALITY TELEVISION

If you haven’t seen Omni Month in Review on Community Access Television (Channel 18), you need to treat yourself to an hour of thought provoking discussion about current events with intelligent, articulate panel members and moderator Claire Detels who keeps the topics interesting, and the talk flowing. You can catch the May edition on Sundays June 1 and June 8. Panelists for the May Omni Month in Review are Dick Bennett, Art Hobson, Coralie Koonce, Roger Gross, and Gerry Sloan. The special focus will be movies about the Iraq war, dramas and documentaries.

OMNI CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

--Video Underground is closed for the summer, but will return in September.
--June 1, 8, Sundays, 12:30-1:30p.m. – Repeat of May OMIR (See top of Newsletter)
--June 4, Wednesday, UN International Day of Innocent Children, Victims of Aggression
--June 5, Thursday, Anniversary of the assassination of Robert Kennedy in 1968
--June 5, Thursday, UN World Environment Day
--June 7, Saturday, Omni Peace Gardens Tour (See announcement at top of Newsletter)
--June 9, Monday, Deadline for making reservations to attend Omni Center Peace and Justice Awards Banquet (See announcement at top of newsletter)
--June 11, Wednesday, 10a.m., Earth Scouts Kids Botanical Gardens – Kid’s Club will be co-hosting the Garden Sprouts story time at the Botanical Gardens, having Toucan Jam do their multicultural world tour show at 10 am June 11th (garden admission fees apply, but we’ll see if we can get Earth Scouts in free).
--June 11, Wednesday, Omni NWACC Film Festival, Speaking Freely: John Perkins on Globalization, 6:30p.m., NWACC, White Auditorium, Burns Hall 1080, Bentonville - This film features business executive, author, and lecturer John Perkins, who developed economic forecasts of third world countries for major U.S. engineering firms to obtain funding from the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund.
--June 14, Saturday, Flag Day
--June 14, Saturday, 6:00p.m., OMNI’s Peace Heroes Banquet, St. Paul’s Parish Hall, 224 N. East St., Fayetteville (See announcement at top of newsletter)
--June 15, Sunday, Father’s Day
June 15, Sunday, 6:30 P.M. HOWL: Women’s Open Mic at Nightbird Books, Old Mill Building, Corner of School and 6th Streets, Fayetteville - HOWL happens the third Sunday of each month at Nightbird Bookstore. At HOWL, women are invited to read poems (their own or another woman writer's), share short prose or sing at an open mic forum hosted by Mendy Knott. So come read, sing or play your work to a really receptive audience. It’s a great place to “try out” new work, share your masterpieces, or read for the very first time. Men and women are warmly invited to attend this celebration of women’s words. Nightbird Books is located in the old mill buildings at the corner of School and 6th ST. Their phone number is 443-2080. Reading starts at 6:30 but come early to sign up to read, browse the books and enjoy the good company. For HOWL questions or to join our mailing list, email howl@herwords.org. HOWL is a collaboration between Herwords and the Omni Center, supported Nightbird Books in Fayetteville, AR.


June 19, Thursday, 5:30 p.m. Potluck, 6:00 p.m. Omni Steering Committee Meeting, Deep End of United Campus Ministries, 902 W. Maple, Fayetteville, AR

June 22, Kid’s Club Family Potluck, Walker Park

It’s a fun time to be a scout! We’re going to coordinate a time to go to CAT and record the kids singing their song to do a PSA. Family hiking/camping trips will pop up, too. Earth Scouts Kids, ages 2-15, and their families will have a blast earning badges and learning about saving the earth and the creatures that live on her - including humans. More info contact Sara at sara@everydaysimple.org

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS—UPCOMING EVENTS AND MEETINGS

June 27, Friday 7:00 p.m. The NWA GLBT Community Center Fundraising Gala—The NWA GLBT Community Center is gearing up for its 2nd Annual Fund Raising Gala. “A Star Studded Night” that will be held at the Clarion Inn in Fayetteville. The evening will be an exciting “night among the stars” as Gala guests, our “celebrities” of the night enjoy a lavish Prime Rib, Chicken or Vegetarian buffet dinner and lively entertainment, along with guest speakers, a Silent Auction, live music and much more! It’s a Hollywood evening that will create a memory that will last a lifetime. Tickets for the event are $50.00 and will be on sale soon. There will be an opportunity to make someone the “Star of the Night” by casting a $1.00 vote into the ballot box. The Ballroom will be delightfully decorated resembling the glitz and glamour of a Hollywood party. This is a black-tie event and costumes of your favorite Stars are welcome.

Will you join us in making this year’s event the best it can be? Our goal for this year’s fund-raising event starts at $8,600. We are in need of people with various backgrounds and abilities to help in making this event a tremendous success. Would you or your organization like to help? If you are interested in learning more about the event please contact me directly at the number listed below or you may respond directly to this email address. In addition, you may visit the Community Center’s web site for additional information. The information on the web is limited at this time, however, more information will be added and updated as we go along.

I look forward to hearing from each you and look forward to seeing you and your organization at the Gala. Thank you for your consideration and time, Michael Burks, C.I.D., Event Coordinator, NWA GLBT Community Center, Cell: 479-466-6453, Fax: 479-442-2019 www.nwaglbtcc.org

June 28, 2008 NWA Pride Parade — A Celebration of Diversity and Community, will be held on Saturday, June 28, 2008 in Fayetteville, Arkansas. Parade organizers invite GLBTs and Straight allies to come together in solidarity in support of equal rights for all.

It is NWA Pride’s great pleasure to honor Chris Hannon as this year’s Grand Marshal. Chris has been an unsung hero as founder of the NWA POSITIVE LINKS BUDDY PROGRAM and is currently a board member of the NWA GLBT Community Center.

The Buddy Program provides information and much needed peer-to-peer support for people living with HIV and AIDS. Chris and Program volunteers maintain a food bank, make personal visits, help with chores, transportation and provide many other resources for living a positive life.

Parade participants and spectators are encouraged to be artistic, have fun and show your pride. (Kid friendly and appropriate for public locations) Paint your face, wear costumes, dress up your pets, horses, bicycles, vehicles and especially this election year, proudly wave rainbow and American flags.

The parade lineup will start at 10 AM on Meadow Street, next to the Arvest Bank. Parade will start promptly at 12 Noon. A brief Pride rally will be held at the end of the parade in the Walton Arts Center Parking Lot.

For more details, float and/or speaker applications, please go to NWA Pride’s web site at nwapride.org.
WHAT'S GOING ON?---CURRENT EVENTS and INFORMATION

LOCALLY:

(New Items will have Green Heading)

CARBON CAPS TASK FORCE NEWSLETTER: 350 PPM

A primary purpose of this newsletter will be to alert the reader to the impending catastrophic concentration of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases in the earth’s atmosphere. It is now imperative that CO2 is capped and that we commence reducing the concentrations in the atmosphere. This will require an immense undertaking by all the peoples and governments of the world.

The title, 350 PPM, refers to 350 parts per million concentration of carbon dioxide in the earth’s atmosphere. This is the level at which many scientist now believe is the maximum atmospheric concentration if we are to maintain an earth environment as we now know it. Unfortunately current levels are over 385 PPM. Therefore we must cap and reduce CO2 levels to 1988 concentrations (the time when atmospheric carbon dioxide was at 350 PPM).

It is the desire of the editors that this newsletter goes beyond "preaching to the choir" and get them to act in dramatic and meaningful ways.

The editors welcome contributions on all aspects of this topic. Please send your contributions, suggestions, etc. to CAPCO2350PPM@aol.com.

MASKS FOR CHANGE: A PERSONAL GROWTH GROUP WORKSHOP LED BY JO ANN KAMINSKY

Are your ready to recreate your life through art? Here is your hands-on opportunity to make your own MASK OF CHANGE. We use the metaphor of the Mask to look at our lives, see what we need to do and find the courage it takes to make the changes. Jo Ann has created a supportive, non-judgmental setting, where creativity and search are welcome. You will work with a varied array of art materials, journaling, sound and movement to develop your own “spirit” mask to bring forth transformation in your life. Weekend groups for the summer:

June 27th- 7-9 pm, 28th- 9-3, and 29th 1-5 pm $130
August 8th-7-9 pm, 9th-9-3 and 10th 1-5 pm $130

Highlights: Visual arts experience; Movement; Drama; Personal exploration in a supportive group

The workshop is led by Jo Ann Kaminsky, Art Therapist, Play Therapist, Counselor, Artist In Education, artist and puppeteer. She has led classes, public art projects, workshops and groups for all ages in a variety of settings, for over 15 years. Her masks and puppets have been seen in First Night Fayetteville. She enjoys working with people on issues of healing and change, using the expressive arts.

For more information or to register, contact Jo Ann Kaminsky 479-442-0557

OMNI CENTER’S NWACC STUDENT CHAPTER SUMMER FILM FESTIVAL

The NWACC student chapter of the OMNI Center for Peace, Justice, and Ecology presents its Summer Film Festival: GETTING INVOLVED, SPEAKING FREELY, AND WORKING FOR PROGRESSIVE CHANGE. They will all be shown from 6:30-9:00 p.m. in White Auditorium (Burns Hall 1080), NorthWest Arkansas Community College, Bentonville, Arkansas (just off I540 at Exit 85.) Admission is free and a discussion will follow each film. For more information about any of the films, contact Edrene McKay at EdreneMcKay@cox.net or 479-855-6836.

The film festival will continue with four interviews from the SPEAKING FREELY series, which deliver insights on the important issues of the day:

- JUNE 11th - SPEAKING FREELY: JOHN PERKINS ON GLOBALIZATION. This film features business executive, author, and lecturer John Perkins, who developed economic forecasts of third world countries for major U.S. engineering firms to obtain funding from the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund.

- JUNE 25 - SPEAKING FREELY: SUSAN GEORGE ON NEO-LIBERALISM, This film introduces Susan George, political scientist, author, and chair of the planning board for the Transnational Institute, who
discusses neo-liberalism, the roots of world poverty, and empire-building.

- **JULY 9 - SPEAKING FREELY: RAY MCGOVERN ON U.S. INTELLIGENCE**, This film presents veteran CIA-analyst Ray McGovern who discusses the inner-workings of the intelligence agency and its role in the Iraq War.

- **JULY 23 - SPEAKING FREELY: CHALMERS JOHNSON ON U.S. HEGEMONY**, This film reveals the wisdom of former naval officer and consultant to the CIA Chalmers Johnson who explains why empire-building and democracy do not mix.

**SENSIBLE FAYETTEVILLE NEEDS YOUR HELP**

Sensible Fayetteville needs your help collecting signatures in May, June, and July to make misdemeanor amounts of marijuana a lower priority for Fayetteville Police. Sensible Fayetteville currently has around half of the 7000 required signatures needed to be on the ballot. Please consider collecting signatures this summer. Workers will receive $1.00 per signature. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Ryan at 479-685-4348. To learn more about Sensible Fayetteville, visit [www.sensiblefayetteville.com](http://www.sensiblefayetteville.com)

**TABLE AT FARMER’S MARKET: IT'S FUN**

If you haven’t volunteered, yet, get in on the fun. You’ll have a chance to chat with old friends, make new ones, sell bumper stickers, buttons and peace poles and distribute free educational literature, recruit new Omni members. If you have an upcoming Omni event, this is where you can spend some time publicizing it. Come down, hand out flyers, talk to people about your event.

Farmer’s market overflows with community, energy, music and joy. Spend some time there this summer by staffing the Omni Table. If you’d like more information or to volunteer, contact Barbara Jaquish [jaquish@uark.edu](mailto:jaquish@uark.edu) (479) 582-5495 If you’ve already signed up to work, we thank you. (See message from Barbara Jaquish at top of Newsletter)

**OMNI NEEDS A COUNTER-RECRUITING COORDINATOR**

"I believe the best chance we have of keeping the current wars from eclipsing the 10-year length of Vietnam would be if groups put much more emphasis on cutting off the flow of human resources, i.e., through counter-recruitment work and school demilitarization work. That’s something that the media, Congress and the next president would not be able to ignore...."  Rick Jahnkow, Coord., Project on Youth and Non-Military Opportunities (YANO). Read his essay: [http://www.projectyano.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=40&Itemid=1](http://www.projectyano.org/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=40&Itemid=1)

If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Gladys Tiffany 973-9049 or gladystiffany@yahoo.com

**JULY BOOK FORUM**

The Book Forum for July is **WORSHIPPING THE MYTHS OF WORLD WAR II: REFLECTIONS ON AMERICA’S DEDICATION TO WAR** by Edward Wood, Jr. We will meet at 6:30p.m. at Nightbird Books. This book is short, clear, and significant. The book will hopefully end the fraudulent exploitation of WWII to promote and defend all the wars of aggression by the US since WWII. There is still an opening on the panel, and a publicist is needed. For more information, contact Dick Bennett 442-4600 or [jbennet@uark.edu](mailto:jbennet@uark.edu)

**LATEST BIBLIOGRAPHY**

Biblio #28 compiled by Dick Bennett contains annotated books ranging from the subjects Abu Ghraib, Activism, Animal Rights, Bicycles, and Bush, to Water, Whistleblowers, Women, Workers Rights, and World War II, and many other topics, with special attention to Books for Children, Control of Information, Global Warming, Hope, and Iraq War. Go to [www.omnicenter.org](http://www.omnicenter.org) and click on Bibliographies.
NATIONALLY AND INTERNATIONALLY

ENTRIES FOR PEACE MOVEMENT DIRECTORY INVITED

The United Nations proclaimed the first ten years of the 21st Century the Decade of Peace and issued a Manifesto for a Culture of Peace. The peace and justice movements in Mexico, the United States, and Canada have striven to make that envisioned future possible. This second edition of PEACE MOVEMENT DIRECTORY continues the work of the first edition (McFarland 2001)--enabling organizations, programs, museums, and publishers to share ideas for peace and justice and to increase their connections and coalitions. Each Entry with links and the detailed cross-referenced Index will encourage building a Culture of Peace for a North American peace movement. Peace places (monuments, parks, gardens) are also included. Contact Dick Bennett 442-4600 jbennet@uark.edu

VIETNAM VETERANS AGAINST THE WAR

Viet Nam Veterans Against the War (VVAW) began as Vets coming home to tell the truth about the war in Viet Nam. Now VVAW consistently oppose the war in Iraq and have called for a different "war" against "terrorism." Add them to your list of anti-war heroes. www.vvaw.org; vvaw@vvaw.org

CONTACT CONGRESS MEMBERS TO SUPPORT DEPARTMENT OF PEACE

Cosponsors in the House to Cong. Kucinich’s Department of Peace bill has now reached 70. Cong. Boozman is unlikely to support it, but our Democratic House members might be influenced by your call even though we’re not in their home district. Contact them. (Even Boozman ought not to be written off. Sara and Casey Milford and their children led a "Peace of the Pie" delegation to visit his office last year. You be the follow-up?) Marion Berry: 202-225-4076; Mike Ross: 202-225-3772; Vic Snyder: 202-225-2506; John Boozman: 202-225-4301

Submitted by Dick Bennett

HUNGER STRIKE TO PROTEST WEAPONS IN SPACE

From United for Peace and Justice

On May 13th, Jan Tamas and Jan Bednar began a hunger strike in Prague. They are asking for respect for the expressed will of 70% of the people of the Czech Republic and that a democratic referendum be held to determine whether or not to install a U.S. military base on Czech territory. "We have tried almost everything, but our government has failed to listen to us," says Tamas.

The U.S. government, as part of its global so-called "Missile Defense" initiative, is planning to install a radar base in the Czech Republic, despite the opposition of the overwhelming majority of the Czech people. Although it is presented as a defense system against possible attacks from non-existent Iranian missiles, the "Missile Defense" system is, in fact, a first strike weapon. It is a tool for global dominance which represents the first step towards U.S. weaponization and control of space. It is seen by the Czech Republic’s neighbor and former Cold War ally, Russia, as a threat and a provocation, which is spurring Russia to engage in a new arms race with the United States.

For over 2 years, citizens in the Czech Republic have repeatedly expressed their opposition to the proposed base through mass demonstrations, opinion polls, and petitions, yet the Czech government has refused to allow a public debate on the issue. Time is now running out, as Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice is expected to travel to Prague in June to sign the agreement between the two countries.

We can show our support for the hunger strikers as we call upon our own government to end its plans for the "Missile Defense" project, which endangers the peace and co-existence of people worldwide. While a military base in the Czech Republic would be located thousands of miles away from the U.S., it would have major implications for people around the United States and the world.
Here's what you can do:

1) Add your name to the more than 87,000 people who've already signed on online petition - and then encourage others to sign on as well: http://www.nonviolence.cz You can also read messages of support that have come in from around the world at http://www.nenasili.cz/en/723_messages-of-support

2) Throughout Europe groups have been demonstrating their support for the hunger strikers - as well as their opposition to the U.S. “Missile Defense” initiative. Find out more about these activities: http://nenasili.cz/en/1081_campaign-in-europe

3) Make sure your member of Congress knows about your opposition to the radar base in the Czech Republic, and to the whole “Missile Defense” initiative.

4) Forward this message to others in your networks!

**BRUCE GAGNON, COORDINATOR OF GLOBAL NETWORK AGAINST WEAPONS IN SPACE, GOES ON HUNGER STRIKE IN SOLIDARITY**

From Bruce Gagnon, May 26, 2008

We had seven folks on the windy street today in Brunswick, Maine holding signs and handing out flyers. It was easy to tell that most people passing by knew nothing about U.S. deployments of Star Wars technology in Poland and the Czech Republic. They knew even less about a hunger strike that began in Prague on May 13 and has slowly grown to involve more people, including myself.

And that is just the reason why I joined the hunger strike on May 24. The time has come for the American people to hear about this new arms race that our government is creating in Europe. We are going to pay for it, in more ways than one. We ought to know something about it and should be talking about it in our communities.

To read the entire article by Bruce Gagnon, visit http://www.space4peace.org or http://space4peace.blogspot.com (Blog)

**PETITION THE NEW PRESIDENT**

The Nuclear Age Peace Foundation is collecting signatures to present to the new President on Inauguration Day in January 2009. The petition presents 7 steps, each of which makes the world one step safer. The key is the US taking the lead to work with other nations towards abolishing nuclear weapons. Go to www.wagingpeace.org/appeal

The first 4 steps: De-alert all nuclear weapons; commit to NO first use; No new nuclear weapons; ban nuclear testing.

Submitted by Dick Bennett

**THE 11TH ANNUAL 2008 INTERNATIONAL PEACE PALS™ ART EXHIBITION & AWARDS**

Deadline for entry is June 30th
Awards Gala and Event scheduled on September 20-21
To learn more visit: http://www.wppspacelpals.org/

**THE CENTER FOR SCIENCE IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST**

HOLDS FOURTH NATIONAL INTEGRITY IN SCIENCE CONFERENCE
Save the Date! July 11, 2008, The Center for Science in the Public Interest will be holding its Fourth National Integrity in Science Conference. Titled Rejuvenating Public Sector Science, it will be held at the Ronald Reagan International Center, 1300 Pennsylvania Ave, NW, Washington, DC 20004. Become part of the growing movement to reinvigorate public sector science and end corporate and political influence over the scientific process. Conference details and registration will soon be available at: http://www.cspinet.org/integrity/conflictedscience_conf.html If you wish to co-sponsor and help build the conference, please contact kstade@cspinet.org.

FRESH MEDIA OFFERINGS TO CHECK OUT

DRUMBEAT TO WAR RESONATES ACROSS THE U.S.

Check out the video at http://www.truemajority.org/dontbombiran

The drumbeat to war with Iran is getting louder. With only a few months left in the Bush Presidency, it’s tempting to sit back and wait until November. But belligerent rhetoric and fear mongering about Iran is on the rise. In the latest example, George Bush’s mouthpiece, General Petreas, claimed that Iran’s involvement is “the greatest long-term threat to the viability of a democratic Iraq.”

Our progressive friend, House Judiciary Committee Chairman John Conyers, is so worried that he is now circulating a letter to his Congressional colleagues “to register our strong opposition to possible unilateral, preemptive military action against other nations by the Executive Branch without Congressional authorization”.

Chairman Conyers isn’t taking any chances and neither should we.

Submitted by Dick Bennett

WEBSITES FOR SOLAR, WIND, RENEWABLE ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES IN ARKARKANSAS

www.arkansasrenewableenergy.org/

ArkansasRenewableEnergy.org is your Internet portal for information on solar, geothermal, and other renewable energy technologies in Arkansas! Explore these pages to find the latest renewable energy news, information on planning and designing your renewable energy systems, activities for the classroom, links to other useful sites, and more.

Renewable Energy News

Submitted by Chris Delacruz

LOCAL CONNECTIONS

Email your Public Service Announcements 2 weeks in advance to KUAF radio’s Pete Hartman at phartma@uark.edu. PSAs should be about 15 seconds in length.

Submitted by Chris Delacruz

Link Carries Interactive Calendar of Events in Northwest Arkansas—
http://northwestarkansasevents.blogspot.com/

- Fayetteville Society of Friends (a.k.a. the Quaker...
- Northwest Arkansas Sustainability Center
- Northwest Arkansas Buddhists
- Omni Center for Peace, Justice and Ecology
- Interfaith and Astronomical
- Combined Northwest Arkansas Event Calendar

Original and gathered articles from Dick Bennett are at http://jamesrichardbennett.blogspot.com/
Mike Tramill has an email network (list) on political issues, including the latest developments on possible war or invasion with Iran. You may contact Mike at wheeler65@gmail.com if you want to be on the list.
Richard Drake continues his Fayetteville blog, street jazz, at http://www.arktimes.com/blogs/streetjazz/
Fayetteville Freethinkers website/forums can be found at http://fayfreethinkers.com/forums/
OMNI/COMMUNITY ACCESS TELEVISION (C.A.T.) CONNECTIONS  www.catfayetteville.com

OMNI Month In Review:

*Omni Month in Review* will be live on a first showing; the repeats will be thru the month on Sunday at 12:30.

Repeats of May’s OMIR can be viewed on Sundays, June 1 and June 8.

Democracy NOW! Schedule:

* Omni Book Samplers:*

Book Samplers give a five minute book report or read a five minute excerpt from a book. Omni Book Samplers include Dick Bennett, Tom Kennedy, and Claire Detels.

Short Takes: Taping at C.A.T.

Taping Schedule:

Every Monday night, from 5:00p.m.-6:00p.m., C.A.T. will be doing Short Takes live. This will be a great opportunity for time sensitive material, live entertainment, or anything else that is expressive. For the folks who don’t want to go on camera live, you can still record your short take from 6:00p.m.-6:30p.m Mondays, and on Tuesdays from 12 noon - 1:30p.m. Both the live and recorded short takes will air the following week as usual. If anyone has any comments or questions, please feel free to contact C.A.T.

Viewing Times: 11:00a.m., 5:00p.m., 11:00p.m.

Omni News and Current Events featured on Short Takes:

Presented by Cliff Hughes, Dick Bennett

Other Viewing Opportunities:

Bill Moyers Journal on PBS, Fridays, 9:00p.m.  

For More Information about the US/Iran status, you can visit  
[http://www.buzzflash.com/search/?Query=iran](http://www.buzzflash.com/search/?Query=iran) or BBC at  
[http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/middle_east/default.stm](http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/middle_east/default.stm)
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The Human Cost of Occupation
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IRAQI CIVILIAN BODY COUNT

Civilians reported killed by military intervention in Iraq

MIN.  MAX.
84,218  91,889

Source of Iraqi Civilian Body Count: http://www.iraqbodycount.net/

*A body count of Iraqi civilian deaths was published in the medical journal The Lancet in 2006; its estimate at that time was 600,000 (min) to 650,000 (max). Some sources estimate the death toll of civilian deaths today is over 1,000,000

Cost of the War in Iraq

$524,000,000,000 and counting

Source of Cost of War: http://nationalpriorities.org
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