Annual Peace Conference

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Nebraskans for Peace
& UNO School of Social Work

Saturday October 16, 2010
9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

First United Methodist Church • N. 69th & Cass Streets in Omaha

Celebrating 40 Years of NFP

Double Feature Speaker Presentation

Mike Moore
Author of the award-winning Twilight War: The Folly of U.S. Space Dominance
“The New StratCom’s De Facto Motto: ‘Warfighting Is Our Vocation.’”*

Heidi Beirich
Director of Research
Southern Poverty Law Center
“The Role of ‘Hate Groups’ in the Immigration Policy Debate.”

*Mike Moore’s talk will be accompanied by analysis and commentary from Loring Wirbel of “Citizens for Peace in Space”

Annual Conference Registration Form

Name(s) ________________________________
Address ________________________________
City/State/Zip ____________________________
Phone H: (_____)____________________ W: (_____)____________________
Email: __________________________________

Payment method: ☐ Check ☐ Cash ☐ Credit Card
(Make checks payable to Nebraskans for Peace)
☐ Visa ☐ Mastercard # ________________________
Expires __________________ Signature __________________

Early Registration Deadline – October 12, 2010

Registration fee (includes lunch):
$25 per person in advance ($30 at the door)
$10 for Student/Low-income registrations
$___________ amount enclosed
(Enclosed is my special contribution of $___________ for registration scholarships.)

Meal Preference ☐ Vegetarian ☐ Non-vegetarian

Child Care: $5 per child (includes meal)
Advance registration required.
Age of child(ren) _______________________________________
☐ I can provide a ride for others. ☐ I need a ride.
☐ I need overnight housing. ☐ I need information on motel accommodations.

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2010 Annual Peace Conference Schedule of Events

8:30 – 9:00 a.m.  Registration with CoFeC & Rolls
9:00 – 9:20  Welcome and Introductory Remarks with NFP President Paul Olson
10:05 – 10:50  Q&A with Mike Moore and Loring Wirbel (author of *Star Wars: U.S. Tools of Space Supremacy*)
10:50 – 11:00  Break
11:00 – 12:00  First Workshop Set
12:00 – 1:30 p.m.  Lunch (catered by Valentino’s) and NFP’s 40th Anniversary Celebration and ‘Peacemakers of the Year’ Award Presentations
1:15 – 2:45  Keynote Address by Heidi Beirich, Director of Research for the Southern Poverty Law Center speaking on “The Role of ‘Hate Groups’ in the Immigration Policy Debate”
2:45 – 2:55  Break
2:55 – 3:55  Second Workshop Set
4:05 – 4:30  Annual Membership Business Meeting

Religious Movements & Modern Peacemaking
Paul Olson, NFP President; Roger Farrer, former international human rights observer; Mel Beckmann, former director of the Catholic Peace Center in Omaha

Organizing for a Just Immigration Policy
Heidi Beirich, Director of Research, Southern Poverty Law Center

International Violence Against Women Act: Will It Help the Women Being Victimized by War?
Marsha Fangmeyer, NFP Vice President, and Suzy Prenger, legislative coordinator for Amnesty International Nebraska

“Black-White Dialogues” – A Model for Increasing Multi-cultural Communication
Elaine Wells, founder of the Omaha “Black-White Dialogues” project

Time’s Up: Facing Up to the Climate Emergency
John Pollack, retired meteorologist with the National Weather Service, and Richard Miller, Assistant Professor of Systematic Theology, Creighton University

The Rise of Islamaphobia in the U.S.
Ramsey & Ragda Karute, Palestinian-American Muslims from Omaha

New Economic Realities
Hank van den Berg, UNL Professor of Economics

The War in Afghanistan & Pakistan
Loring Wirbel of “Citizens for Peace in Space”

Human Budget Priorities & the Economics of War
Henry D’Souza, UNO Professor of Social Work

Citizenship 101: A Primer on Becoming Politically Active
Terry Werner, former Lincoln City Council member & lobbyist for the National Association of Social Workers, Nebraska Chapter

Water and Development in the Arab World
Kyle Foster, former Peace Corps volunteer in Yemen and current Yemeni resident

Stopping Violence Against Women in Whiteclay
Kerry Baldin, Assistant Professor, The Grace Abbott School of Social Work, UNO, and Mark Vazina, Documentary Filmmaker

Helping Chapter Activists Utilize NFP’s Web Resources
Justin Kemering, Webmaster, www.nebraskansforpeace.org

PLUS two family peacemaking workshops for kids (ages 5-18) and accompanying adults, one led by the children and the other by the grown-ups (coordinated by NFP State Board Member Deirdre Routt)

As an officially sponsored event of the University of Nebraska School of Social Work, up to four-and-one-half Continuing Education Units (CEUs) are available to all certified Masters Social Workers and Licensed Mental Health Practitioners in Iowa and Nebraska.

For more information, contact the Nebraskans for Peace State Office at 402-475-4620.

Directions to First United Methodist Church from I-80: Take the I-680 Exit and travel north several miles to the Dodge Street East Exit. Take a right onto Dodge, and head east to 72nd Street. Turn left and go north one long block to Cass Street. Turn right on Cass, and travel two blocks east to 70th Street. The parking lot is behind the church on the north.

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