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Israeli Peace Activist speaks at U-M

ANN ARBOR—On September 15, Israeli peace activist Gideon Spiro spoke to a packed conference room in the Rackham Building on the University of Michigan campus.

According to opening remarks by Deborah Ehrlich of the New Jewish Agenda, one of the sponsors of the event, Gideon Spiro was formerly a paratrooper in the Israeli Army who fought in 1956, 1967, and 1973. In 1982, he decided that Israel's invasion of Lebanon was unacceptable and refused to serve. He was one of the founding members of Yesh Gvul, an organization of reserve soldiers who refused to fight in Lebanon.

Most recently, in April of this year, he was found guilty of public criticism of Israeli policy. As a result of the verdict he was fired from his 13-year job at the Ministry of Education, lost his entire pension, and is prohibited from returning to a government position for five years.

The case is the first of its kind in the Israeli state and is based on a 1959 law aimed at preventing government employees from criticizing the government. The charge is based on some publications, including nine letters to the editor which he sent to Israeli newspapers. In the letters he

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expressed criticism of the Israeli invasion of Lebanon and the Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip. The case is being appealed to Israel's Supreme Court.

Spiro has been to the United States a number of times before this trip. In 1967-68, he was a correspondent for the Israeli newspaper, "Al HaMishmar." In 1972, he came on a lecture tour sponsored by the B'nai Brith Hillel Foundation. He was brought to the country then, as now, because he is a major peace activist. He has been very active in the Israeli peace movement through the years. Today, he is a spokesman for the "Committee Confronting the Iron Fist."

Gideon Spiro: First of all I would like to emphasize that my English is not Shakespearean English. It is Israeli English. You might hear a lot of mistakes, but I ask

you to concentrate on the content of my words and not on the grammatical mistakes. I hope I will convey my message in an understandable way. I prefer the question and answer system because I believe that by answering questions you can uncover the subject which is better than having a monologue which some people might feel is boring. So, I would really like to make some short opening remarks, then I hope that questions and answers will cover the rest.

I want to emphasize that even though my colleagues and I are labled often by other Israelis as "Arab lovers," which is today quite a curse in the Israeli language. I consider myself an Israeli patriot who would like to see his country live in peace and
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BAKER IN HOMESTRETCH

by Ron Shore

ANN ARBOR—Hoping to take part in what some national Democrats see as a "populist revolt," local progressives are enthusiastic about their own unique and historic opportunity to send committed peace activist, Dean Baker to a seat in Congress.

Buoyed by recent endorsements, a scheduled debate with incumbent Carl Pursell, and their own projections showing victory within reach given a healthy but attainable victory in Ann Arbor, the Dean Baker for Congress campaign is putting hundreds of volunteers on the street.

Congressional Democratic strategists, stressing the "populist appeal," are finding that foreign policy issues like aid to the Nicaraguan contras and "Star Wars" spending are particularly powerful when juxtaposed with issues of direct economic importance to voters.

The *Washington Post* cited recent Democratic polling results finding that 84 percent of respondents chose funding for public education over "military aid to the 'anticommunist' contra forces in Nicaragua." Safer airports, airlines, and roads were given priority over "Star Wars" spending by a 60 percent to 28 percent majority.

The Baker campaign is getting a positive response to such a framing of issues, particularly in working class areas like Jackson where concern about frequent plant closings has economic issues foremost on voters' minds. The strategy allows Baker to continue carrying his message against U.S. intervention in Central America to such areas while pointing out Pursell's votes to cut Social Security and Medicare.

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Enough is Enough

by Ken Garber

There were 1.3 million square feet of vacant office space in Ann Arbor as of February.

How much growth is desirable?

As much as can fit, apparently.

ANN ARBOR—Even the most distracted Ann Arborites who come back to town after the summer months notice the changes. Tally Hall, Sloan Plaza, One North Main, and "Belcher's Building" on Liberty are just some of the new structures that didn't exist two years ago in our downtown. New apartment complexes, office buildings, hotel expansions, and shopping centers appear on the city's periphery.

We are in the middle of a building boom. After commenting on the relative attractiveness of some of the buildings (Tally Hall deservedly reaps most of the abuse), we adjust to the new

surroundings and vaguely wonder what's to come. We don't realize that we have the ability—and the responsibility—to influence the coming changes to our city.

Vital battles are underway right now. On Monday, Sept. 16, several hundred angry city residents jammed City Hall to protest the proposed rezoning of 27 acres on Plymouth Road from research to commercial. The reason: a proposed "regional" shopping mall named University Center meant to compete with Briarwood, Arborland, and downtown. Opponents of the mall, which was just about

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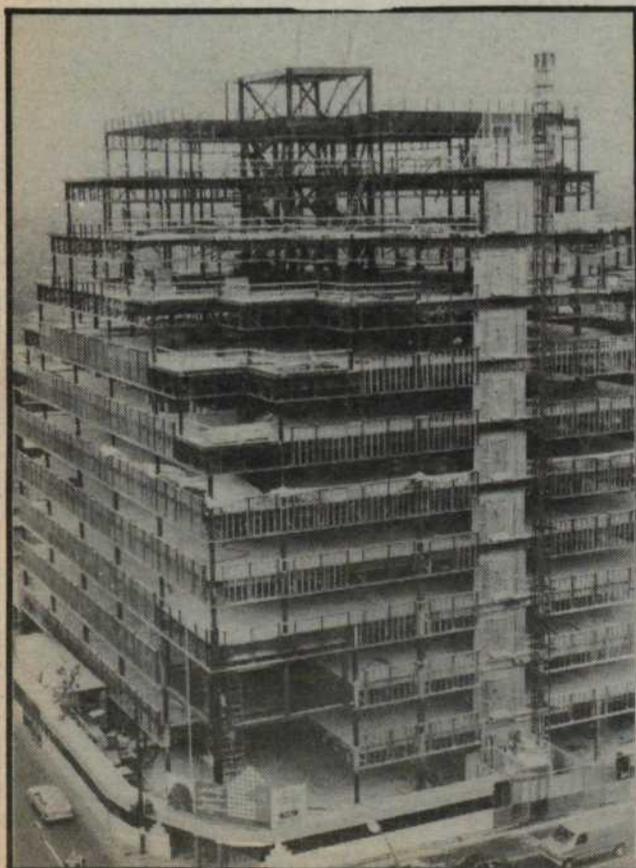


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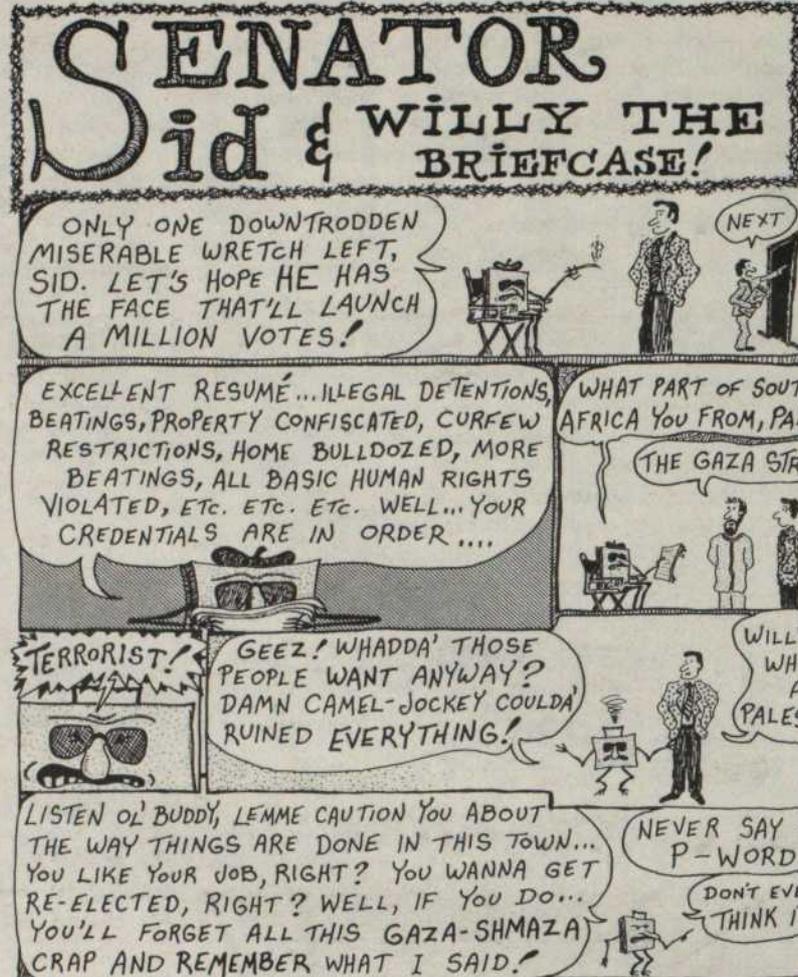
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IN AN EFFORT TO CAPITALIZE ON PUBLIC CONDEMNATION OF APARTHEID - WILLY DECIDES TO PREPARE A PRESS RELEASE, INCLUDING SOME GLOSSIES OF THE SENATOR WITH ACTUAL BLACK SOUTH AFRICANS. TOGETHER, THEY SEARCH FOR THAT ELUSIVE, PHOTOGENIC VICTIM TO IMPRESS THE FOLKS BACK HOME.....

I wanna commend you on the improvement apparent in AGENDA. When it first came out I thought "Oh no, not another ho-hum moderate-liberal newspaper," but the articles have gotten more in-depth and informative even if the political slant is generally the same.

In number 6 I was really impressed to see one of my favorite pieces by the late Gerry Reith, "The Roots of Modern Terror," and Steven L. Berg's "Drunks Make Poor Revolutionaries." Bob Black's "Left Rites" is another favorite of mine, but I don't understand why you stuck it in your letters page since it's been reprinted a number of times over the past few years.

Your Community Resources Directory is a great service, but for the most part the groups listed are mighty mainstream. Let's see more 'alternatives.' In your Poverty and

LETTERS

To be critical for a moment, I found "Bored for Peace" boring...

Hunger section, besides informing folks on how to feed the world, maybe you'd wanna list the local Food Coalition project to feed Ann Arbor's hungry. I found it interesting that you listed two plainly political groups under Social Justice, but relegated Amnesty International and PIRGIM under "Other."

You could accuse me of self-serving motives on this one, but some reviewers around the country seem to think that Ann Arbor is the Marginal Press Capital of the U.S. Maybe you could do a list of locally

published alternative papers and books in your Community Resources Directory.

To be critical for a moment, I found Bored for Peace boring. I suppose it's to be expected in a community as affluent as Ann Arbor, but Locke Anderson's belief that one must "shed your respectability" to communicate with people "with a minimal stake in the existing order" simply reveals his elitism. If he really has any pretense of talking politics with such he should contact me and I will give him a tour of a good number of public places where I'm sure he'll be quite amazed by the viewpoints of the disaffected.

I guess that's all the spewing I'll do for now. Keep improving. I look forward to each issue.

David Crowbar
Ann Arbor

VOTER REGISTRATION: OCT. 6 DEADLINE

Requirements: 1.) You must be at least 18 years old on or before November 5, 1986; 2.) You must be a U.S. citizen (born or naturalized); 3.) You must be an Ann Arbor resident (residence is defined as the place you eat, sleep, and keep your belongings); 4.) You must be registered to vote within 30 days of the next election.

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Where to Register: You may register at the City Clerk's Office (City Hall), the Secretary of State Office, or by a Deputy Registrar of Ann Arbor. There are many Registrars floating around the city this time of year. A good place to find them will be at movie lines, Farmers Market and Zingerman's Deli, grocery stores, the Fishbowl, U-M Student Union, and various campus classrooms. If you are handicapped or over the age of 55 you may register by mail. Call the City Clerk's Office (994-2725) to have your absentee registration sent to you.

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If you are an out-of-state resident and want to vote in the upcoming election, you may do so without establishing formal residency. If you are concerned about losing representation in your home state by registering here, you may want to consider registering in Ann Arbor for the time that you are in school and then re-registering in your home state when you return.

DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER BY OCTOBER 6, 1986

Naughty, Naughty

Dear AGENDA,

As you are well aware, Pat Robertson is making a serious shot at the Presidency. If you think the Reagan/Bush clique is disgusting, wait until Pat accumulates power.

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This game has driven Mr. Falwell into debt, and we can do the same for Pat Robertson! Call 24-hours a day!

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Miriam Roth: I really believe in what the Peace March is doing. I've been very impressed with what the March has done and what the women's collective has done. The energy of what they're doing—I can't do it; I can't take the time in my life now to set aside nine months but I really support what they're doing. Hopefully the support I'm doing here will be complementary, so I'm supporting them and I really believe that they're supporting all the work that we're doing too.

Doug Price: I'm here because I'd read that the people who are having the March would be here today and I wanted to hear what they have to say and because I remember reading about the March when it was first forming. I'm glad that they were able to keep up the March. It fell apart in Nevada and I think it's

good that they were able to get this far when it looked like everything was going to fall apart and they lost so much support.

Ilene Segar: I'm here to support the cause. I feel very strongly that the people of the United States basically want to bring about more peace-like activity and I think it's important that they take a stand behind those feelings. There seems to be a real sense of enthusiasm and oneness with the speakers here.

Anne MacFarlane: I'm here for a really special reason, because New Zealand is nuclear free and so there's a great impetus for New Zealanders to try to persuade, particularly America, to at least start reducing with the aim of going nuclear free. It's all very well New Zealand going nuclear free but we don't have any missiles so if we can encourage you to go nuclear free then we'll be safe as well.

Cathy Cohen: I think that peace is probably the most important issue that's facing everyone right now. I'm here in support of the women who are walking across the country and also to participate and make it more real to myself that I'm part of the peace issue too.

Tim Scannecchia: I'm here to hear the women from the Great Peace March. I believe in their cause and that they're doing a good job, and I want to support them.

Denah Bookstein: I'm here because I heard that Margie Winkleman had organized a whole Ann Arbor happening around the Great Peace March. I know Margie Winkleman and I had corresponded with her when she first went on the Peace March and she's been sending back very inspiring, wonderfully written letters to her supporters in Detroit. I think the rally's nice but I don't know why they had it here (by the cube) and not on the diag. I think that it's a little out of the way. It's not something that you would happen on, it's something you would have to know about. I think you have to really put yourself in the middle of things, you have to carry the message into the dorms and into the

sororities and fraternities, you know. Some young men walked by and said as an aside, "Why don't they move to Russia?" They are so locally ignorant and so unknowing of how they would really be feeling if they found themselves with a gun in their hands storming the shores of Nicaragua.

Michael Corral: I'm here because I oppose the Reagan administration's arms policies and I think that this administration is not really serious about peace. I think that the people in this country have to do something to pressure Reagan to accept the Soviet peace proposals.

Jen Heitman: I'm here because I want to work for peace and I want to find out about the Peace March. I think the rally's wonderful. It's great to see all the friends and new faces here. I feel like there's a lot of

staying here because I like it. I do know what the March is and what the people are doing here and I really like the rally and I think this music they're playing is something really new because the feeling coming out of it is very different from the normal kind of pop stuff. There isn't any kind of aggression that comes from the normal, stereotypic performance that you'd ordinarily see in this sort of situation, so this is really nice.

Carrie Bruck: I'm here because I think it's very important for the people of this community to know that nuclear war is unacceptable to us and it should be unacceptable to them, and that something has to be done about it. I think this rally's terrific.

Gretchen Bellmaier: I'm here because I'm really supportive of the women. I didn't realize that in the Peace March there's a whole kind of women's solidarity and I really like that, and I'm also liking that women from the Peace March are talking, but local women are talking too, kind of tying local concerns in with national ones.

Erica Wolfson: I'm on the March. The reason is that when I first heard about it I thought, wow, who could do that for nine months, and then I realized that nine months now will mean a lot more than nine months later, that the time to act is now. And besides, the whole experience has been incredible as far as the self growth and the chance to see the country. The March has been great. It's really made its impact on the one-to-one level. People cry that there aren't that many people, like at this rally, but I feel that the efforts of this March should be at the one-to-one level, because we are so many people marching. When I stop in cafés or I'm invited into people's homes and I'm able to talk with people

and educate them and teach them about the test ban treaty or how to empower themselves it really seems worthwhile.

Jim Ringwold: I'm here because it's an opportunity for me to take part in the Peace March which is something I'd really have liked to do and really respect and is really important to me.

Win Abernethy: Well, I've come from Australia. I'm alarmed at the expansion of U.S. bases and U.S. influence in our area. So I've come to protest about that and I hope to tell a lot of Americans what is happening outside of your own borders. And even on the Peace March people don't really know what's going on in Australia, never mind about the average American person. I also have a great feeling for the environment, I love the earth, the trees and the birds and the animals, so I feel in a sense that I'm walking for the environment, and walking through it is a good way of doing it.

good energy here.

Susan Pfoutz: I think the rally's going really well but I'm a little disappointed that there aren't more people here considering the size of our great campus. I was hopeful that there would be more students and really hopeful there would be more faculty and other people as well.

Ken Weine: Well, I heard that the women's collective from the Great Peace March was coming and I wanted to hear what they had to say. Well, I guess that's not true. I guess I knew what they had to say, but I wanted to see them and be part of it. I think it's a really amazing thing that they're doing. Seeing the energy makes me feel good and I like to give them my support because they're helping me out. I think the rally's going really well. It's a contribution to the community. They're contributing to every community they pass through.

Colin Mace: I'm here by chance but I'm

The Great Peace March comes to Ann Arbor



Photo by Peggy Novelli

The Great Peace March, with 750 marchers at last count, has been walking since last March from California to Washington D.C. Thirty-five women from the women's collective of the March were in Ann Arbor from Sept. 6-8 for a rally, march and community activities. AGENDA was at the rally with a tape recorder asking "Why are you here?" and "How do you think it's going?"



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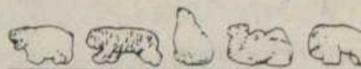
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ANN ARBOR—On the evening of September 23, 180 graduate students engaged in an emotional two hour discussion about their displeasure with the University of Michigan's handling of teaching assistant contract negotiations. The meeting culminated with a near consensus vote (greater than 90%) granting the steering committee of Graduate Employee Organization (GEO) the authority to call a strike vote if the mediation scheduled on September 26 was unsuccessful.

During the noon hour of September 25, more than 75 graduate students picketed the administration building to protest the University's arrogance and insensitivity to their needs. Graduate students toted signs and chanted such rhymes as: "1, 2, 3, 4, push us and we'll walk out the door." Where did this motivation originate? What is the current status of the GEO contract? Are the T.A.s going on strike?

Graduate student teaching assistants have lost buying power over the last five years. While the cost of tuition, housing, and living for the average T.A. has increased by 33%, 31%, and 35%, respectively, T.A. salaries have risen only 22%. The net result is that disposable income for T.A.s has decreased 26%. Furthermore, T.A. pay and benefits at the U. of M. currently ranks 7th among Big 10 universities.

While the University continues to work down the pay of its T.A.s. It has generously rewarded the members of its bargaining team. For example, the salary of Colleen Dolan-Greene, the University's Chief

GEO Set to Strike

Negotiator, has increased from \$38,500 in 1980 to \$58,000 in 1985, a five year increase of 51%. Such funding priorities illustrate the University's anti-labor activities.

The University has consistently pursued a negotiating strategy designed to prevent a fair settlement. Over seven months of negotiations, they have made only microscopic changes in their offer—from the initial offer of a 3 percent pay increase and no increase in tuition waiver to a 4.7% pay increase and a 3% increase in tuition waiver. This offer is not nearly enough to cover the increases graduate students have experienced this year in tuition, rent, and food.

GEO, meanwhile, has moved from an opening position of 9 percent pay increase and a 20 percent increase in the tuition waiver to a 5.7% pay increase and a 10% increase in the tuition waiver. The University can afford to meet GEO's offer. Only \$500,000—a mere .025% of the University's budget—separates the two sides. Furthermore, the University has flatly rejected any effort to pay T.A.s for teacher training, demonstrating their lack of commitment to improving the quality of

undergraduate education at U-M.

The University has tried to split the membership of GEO by offering a higher tuition waiver to T.A.s with larger appointments. With such an offer the University hopes to separate the interests of different parts of the GEO to weaken the future bargaining strength of the union as a whole.

Clearly, GEO needs to demonstrate strength before the University will take it seriously. Thus far, GEO has taken a stand through membership support of the strike authorization vote and the September 25 demonstration. On Friday, September 26, the University and GEO met in mediation. During the previous mediation the University refused to move from their position. If this event is repeated the GEO steering committee will call a strike vote.

When looked at in isolation the current plight of Michigan's graduate students is just an unfortunate event. The saga gains significance in light of national trends in education and labor relations. With the declining standard of living of T.A.s, graduate study will become even more of a privilege of the well-to-do. This is consistent with national trends in college education of the decreasing availability of financial aid, increasing tuition, and declining recruitment of minorities. Furthermore, the University's union-busting stance is consistent with what seems to be a national anti-organized labor policy.

by Jim Bever

Demonstrators Unwelcome Reagan

DETROIT—"The best crowd I've seen since Martin Luther King was here in 1963," said Riva Gruich, 86, a member of the Downtown Nuclear Weapons Freeze. Adjusting her sunhat over her grey-white hair, she continued, "I've seen years and years of protests. Still, people are too silent. There should be more here, but this is a good showing, a good beginning. We must keep fighting against injustices. That's why I am here."

Ms. Gruich and approximately 2,000 other activists were in Detroit Wednesday, September 24, to unwelcome President Reagan. Reagan was in Detroit to show his support for Republican candidate for Governor, William Lucas.

The demonstrators were represented by diverse groups including organizations for woman's rights, anti-apartheid, anti-Reagan, and peace and justice for Central America.

U.A.W. member Wendy Thompson of Local 235 had taken off work with fellow members Tommie Hooks and Ron Allen. "We're here to take a stand on apartheid and jobs. These issues are very important to us. But we're also here to support the other groups, whether it's for peace or nuclear disarmament," Thompson said. Hooks added, "Local 235 cares." He held aloft one side of a large yellow banner which proclaimed FREE SOUTH AFRICA.

Though the different activist groups supported one another, not everybody was happy to see the protestors. It seems that the Republican Party could not fill up Cobo Hall for Reagan's visit, so some 3,000

school kids were bussed in, complete with cheerleaders and marching bands. The young people, ranging in age from 11 to 18, and armed with tiny American flags came streaming out of Cobo Hall high on the American Dream. Young as they were, many of them took their American ideas very seriously.

Greg Brock, 16, of University of Detroit High School, was involved in a shouting match with some of the demonstrators, which the police quickly halted. I asked what he thought of the

demonstration. "They're all garbage," he said, straightening his black tie. "They're all communists. Why do they care about apartheid? Why don't they care about the 20,000 aborted babies?"

Another group of youngsters chanted, "Kill Nicaragua, kill Nicaragua."

Dicken Kirchen, a reporter for the *National Journal*, was inside Cobo Hall and saw the Reagan show. Kirchen said, "They must have bussed every kid in the state. What is this, a holiday?" He added that the whole affair was "all pomp and pageantry."

"They know what they're doing," he said, "it's a lot of show business."

by Barry Scanlan

Local Minister back from Chile

ANN ARBOR—Ann Marie Coleman of Guild House was part of a seven person church delegation sent to learn about human rights in Chile. She returned after living 14 days under the state of seige. In Chile, the group met with human rights organizations, church groups, social action agencies and government officials in the capital, Santiago, as well as in Concepción and other cities and villages. The consensus of the people with whom they met was grateful appreciation for the strong stand the United States has taken in support of Chilean human rights and a request that the U.S. government implement this policy by opposing international bank loans to finance the bankrupt military dictatorship.

The delegation sent by the 1.8 million member United Church of Christ arrived in Santiago on Sunday, September 7. That

same evening an assassination attempt was made on General Augusto Pinochet Ugarte, leader of the ruling junta. Immediately the junta declared the nation to be under a state of seige, closed the opposition press and prohibited meetings. On the following day, some of the persons with whom the delegation were to visit were either in hiding or detained by the national police. A U.S. Embassy official commented to the delegation that they could not have picked a worse time to visit Chile.

They were in La Victoria población while Catholic and Protestant leaders sought to calm an angry crowd protesting the deportation of Fr. Pierre DuBois and two other French priests. After attending an evening worship service in another población, they narrowly escaped because streets were blocked, either by protesters

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burning rubber tires, or by police barricades. In a pro-government demonstration, they saw people standing apathetically as loud-speakers boomed, "Pinochet, Pinochet, Pinochet!" Marchers, after passing before the general's reviewing stand, dispersed into side streets where they were taunted by anti-government protestors. Sporadic fighting broke out with the exchange of stones and dirt.

Among the people the North Americans met were coal miners, fishermen, and peasant farmers. They experienced the warm Chilean hospitality and the people's courageous commitment to freedom and democracy. On September 18 and 19, as Chileans celebrated their independence from Spain, flags flew from even the humblest homes of the poblaciones. As one Chilean said, "We have a history of 177 years of democracy. A military dictatorship cannot restore democracy to us. Only democracy can lead to democracy. Pray for us."

Others warned the delegation that further support of the Pinochet regime can only lead to polarization and increased communist armed resistance. "The overwhelming majority of Chileans want nonviolent return to democracy by political means."

The extensive news black-out currently in effect in South Africa has made it difficult for those of us outside of the country to keep abreast of events inside. What we have managed to discover, however, is likely to be only the tip of the iceberg in terms of the extent of government violence and repression. At the same time, despite the reluctance of Western countries to impose stringent sanctions against Pretoria, the people of South Africa seem more determined than ever to defeat the savage system of Apartheid.

Rent strikes are widespread in South Africa's black townships as a form of protest against government policies since the government is the principal landlord in these areas. Such protest strategies have been quite effective and costly. Therefore police have begun to crack down on rent strikers with unannounced and often violent evictions of entire families. When hundreds of residents in Soweto helped to resist one such eviction the police turned their guns on the unarmed crowd killing several people. At a mass funeral for the victims several days later, mourners were harassed, beaten and teargassed by the police who insisted that they disperse. Similar incidents have been repeated throughout the country since June.

In addition, the Detainees parents Support Committee reports that at least 8,000 persons: students, ministers, nuns and trade union leaders from ages 8 to 80

South Africa Update

have been detained since the most recent State of Emergency was instituted in June. Hundreds of people are on trial in various parts of the country for their opposition to Apartheid. Most recently three young men, alleged supporters of the African National Congress, were hung by the Pretoria regime. These were the first such hangings since the legal murder of poet and activist Benjamin Moloise last fall. Overall, more than 1500 have been killed unceremoniously in the streets, back alleys and prison cells of South Africa since last year. In its desperate attempts to suppress all government opposition, black, so-called vigilantes have been employed to divide and intimidate black anti-apartheid activists. This strategy has had its most devastating effect in the Crossroads squatter camp near Capetown where 30,000 of the 100,000 residents have been left homeless by the fighting. Sections of the media have tried to represent this situation as evidence of widespread disunity among South African blacks. However, a paper recently smuggled out of Crossroads, written by a group of religious leaders working there, documents how the South African police actively encouraged, financed, and fueled much of the violence. Some government complicity was less subtle. When so-called vigilantes would burn a family's home, within 24 hours the government would erect a barbed wire fence around the lot and offer the family bus tickets to relocate to a rural and desolate "homeland." These callous policies

are carried out by a regime which President Reagan has described as "a great friend of the West," led by a tyrant, P. W. Botha, who Reagan described in July as a "very sincere man."

Despite the refusal of western leaders like Reagan and Thatcher to take forceful action against black South Africa, the people remain determined and undaunted. Efforts to combat Apartheid from within have been widespread and diverse. Activists have employed numerous tactics and are fighting on many fronts. Young people, in particular, have been in the forefront of the struggle for freedom in South Africa. In August, more than 30,000 students participated in school boycotts against the State of Emergency and police intrusions into the school grounds. Students in Soweto, Alexandra and Sobantu burned their newly-issued identification cards as yet another act of protest and defiance. In townships throughout the country adults are demonstrating similar defiance by engaging in rent strikes. Rent boycotts in 38 townships have involved over 300,000 households and has cost the government significant revenue. Workers actions have been widespread as well. On June 16th, the tenth anniversary of the Soweto uprising, 90% of South Africa's black workforce participated in a one-day general strike. Subsequently, there have been a series of work stoppages and short strikes at several South African diamond and gold mines. In fact,

the National Automobile and Allied Workers Union is threatening to take a strike action against General Motors for refusing to grant full pay to detained employees. Finally, 601 detainees at Modderbee prison began a hunger strike on August 14th to protest their incarceration and the State of Emergency.

In sum, South Africa's civil war continues and the death toll continues to rise. At the same time our own government persists in its policy of collaboration with the Apartheid regime. In fact, Reagan is so committed to his racist policy of constructive engagement that he is prepared to punish those who dare to criticize it in the international arena, especially when that critic happens to be a poor, black-led Third World nation. (The U.S. recently withdrew a promise of \$33 million in humanitarian aid to the struggling nation of Zimbabwe because one of the country's officials criticized "constructive engagement.") This action reflects not only the Reagan administration's commitment to its current policy toward South Africa, but also its refusal to respect the autonomy and independence of Third World countries such as Nicaragua and Zimbabwe. This reality makes it imperative that we build an even bigger and stronger anti-apartheid and anti-racist movement in this country so that we can let the world know that Ronald Reagan, George Shultz and Chester Crocker do not speak for us and so that we can also make it increasingly difficult for these corrupt policies to be carried out in our names.

by Barbara Ransby

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Teletalking for Peace

by Judy Brown

There are many means of communication in our technological society. Communicating via computer systems is an increasingly important one. It is also very exciting due to its great potential. Various formats are still being developed and new forms of expression are evolving.

During the past month I've been introduced to the M-NET system of communication. This is a "computer conferencing" system which is run on a computer owned and operated by Mike Myers of Ann Arbor. The software for the program was developed by Marcus Watts.

Computer conferencing is a system whereby users with the right equipment can select topics and discuss them over a period of time via their computers with participants over a wide geographical area. Topics are generated and logged onto the system. Users can scan available topics, previous discussion generated over time, and then respond to—or comment on—items at their leisure and without interruption.

In order to obtain access to a conference, one needs a personal computer terminal, a modem, and a telephone. Through the modem (a small unit that hooks onto the phone receiver) one can obtain access to the large computer that runs the conference program. A phone call to the computer coupled with the appropriate log-in information (there is an instructional handbook) gives one access to a great deal of information on the computer screen. Input is through the computer keyboard.

The M-NET system provides lists of conferences available. There are presently 85 areas for discussion. Current offerings include a peace conference regarding world peace and a conference entered by Perry Bullard to discuss state government. There are also many less serious topics including the "flame" conference, where you can "flame away to your heart's content."

The possibilities for discussion are limitless, although there are guidelines for appropriate behavior, including prohibitions against obscenity and offers to sell illegal materials. Anyone found to be in violation of the guidelines may have his or her privilege to use to the system revoked. Regular users inform me that, though it often happens that users never meet in person, those sharing access to the system become a peer group and acceptable behavior is reinforced through peer pressure as it is in any other group.

As responses are added to the discussion they're numbered chronologically. Each response is headed by the user's name. When users enter the system, the computer remembers which items they've already reviewed and scans ahead to the more recent items they've not yet seen. It is, of course, possible to go back to any point in the discussion which one desires. The computer can also "link" items which are mutually relevant—i.e., it lets users know when there are other conference items which contain information of possible interest.

One question I considered in learning about M-NET was how such a system might be useful for work in the peace community. I found that it is already being

used to disseminate information and to generate discussion about political issues. David Allan, a member of the Michigan Alliance for Disarmament's steering committee, began a peace conference in May with the intention of bringing together groups and individuals who are working toward mutual political goals. Its goals are much like those of AGENDA—to provide a format for various groups to discuss projects and coming events and to help them coordinate their efforts. The portion of this conference which I read was broadly focused. It included brief information about several organizations, general discussion about issues, a lengthy statement of philosophy by a group called "Beyond War," and a table listing "Public Corporations with the Greatest Prime Contract Funding for Primary Nuclear Warfare Systems." It also mentioned Peacenet, a conferencing system in another part of the country devoted to peace activism.

In order to familiarize myself with the system, I added a conference item asking users to give their input regarding political journalism in Ann Arbor. This item was linked to the general conference listing as well as to the peace conference. My item included questions about the kind of coverage people would like to see, whether they're satisfied with current coverage, whether they are familiar with AGENDA, and what their opinions are regarding the coverage it provides.

One of the initial responses stated that AGENDA is a left-wing paper which is "pro-communist revolution" and went on to suggest that other users tell the owners of stores distributing it that they will no longer shop at those stores. This generated a lengthy discussion, primarily regarding free speech and the motives of those offering the paper for consumption. There were also more positive responses and compliments to the paper's content and format.

There were relatively few specific suggestions for expanded coverage. There was some talk of including more diverse viewpoints, perhaps with the assumption that the editors expressly agree with all of the articles included. There were also suggestions to include more economic analysis and to include reviews of theater and film events.

I would tend to agree with one user who suggested that conferencing is a "better focus for controversy than any focused, goal-oriented discussion." However, I do see some more practical potential uses for it. The peace conference, as previously mentioned, has already undertaken to disseminate information regarding political events, much in the style of AGENDA. It's also possible that a more focused discussion could result if a format were agreed upon at the outset or if someone were given the task of periodically signing on to re-focus the content. Given the very broad possible audience, many ideas could be generated. In terms of implementing specific planning meetings, it's not clear how practical a conference system might be unless those exist that are more narrowly available to a specific audience. M-NET is donor support-

ed and is available to all. A conference system could also be used to publicize campaigns and to give specific instructions, re: political activism. For example, letter-writing campaigns to individual politicians might be organized with specific letter formats suggested and outlines included.

One way that conferencing is markedly different from other means of communication is in the amount of anonymity it provides. Users are identified by name, but it is not necessarily possible to discover personal statistics about other users unless they care to provide them. This has several results. One is that users might tend to be more direct or confrontive in their discussion than they would be in a face to face conversation. This, coupled with the fact that users get to consider their responses and enter them at their leisure, can result in more clearly stated and well thought out ideas. Another result is that people who would not interact under more common social conditions can do so. I was told of one ongoing discussion of mutual benefit and enjoyment where the participants ultimately turned out to be an EMU professor and a 13 year old student.

There are several computer conferencing systems in Ann Arbor. They reportedly vary in terms of their users and have varying focuses and political leanings. Some of them are available by subscription such as ArborNet, and some users felt that this resulted in more "serious" and focused content.

Teleconferencing continues to evolve and has clearly become an important format for much social and intellectual interaction. (Another positive aspect is that it promotes literacy as the communication is written.) As the technology expands, computer conferencing may well become a major form of communication. Access to M-NET is obtained by dialing 994-6333. There are 13 telephone lines and it's an extremely popular system. Keep trying.

TOO MUCH

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just about everyone at the public hearing, fear commercial strip development along Plymouth, believe research is more appropriate there, and that we have enough shopping areas already. City Council postponed a decision until October 27.

Whatever the fate of University Center, many general questions remain unresolved by the developers, politicians, and bureaucrats orchestrating the building boom. How much of the construction is speculative and not fueled by real demand? There were 1.3 million square feet of vacant office space in Ann Arbor as of February; home costs and rents have risen much faster than the pace of new housing construction. How much growth is desirable? As much as can fit, apparently; the City Council has turned down only one major project in the last few years. Mayor Ed Pierce says that rapid general growth is inevitable. Planning Director Martin Overhiser has stated publicly that the city needs to compete with surrounding townships for projects.

The attitude of city officials is in sharp contrast with that of the general public. Although no poll has been taken, everything indicates that most Ann Arborites are alarmed at the current pace of new construction and would like to see slower growth. The election of Seth Hirshorn as the first Democratic councilperson ever from the solidly Republican Second Ward sends a clear



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message that citizens want these concerns heard by their representatives. Hirshorn, besides opposing University Center, is also promoting a measure which could save what's left of our valuable wetlands and woodlots: a natural features protection ordinance.

The ordinance, which would put restrictions on developers' abilities to alter or destroy our remaining "urban wilderness," is now stalled in the city Planning Commission. Meanwhile, plans to build on 77 acres in the northeast corner of the city, land containing sensitive wetlands and mature hardwood forest, are rapidly proceeding.

The Ann Arbor Chamber of Commerce has publicly opposed the ordinance (which doesn't even exist yet), claiming that it could "unfairly restrict development." The Chamber is devoting much money and energy towards defeating a natural features protection ordinance, seeing the issue as a test case for its new policy of direct political lobbying.

Support for the ordinance among other key players is lukewarm or nonexistent. Planning Director Overhiser claims the current process "has worked." That is, developers must indicate large trees on a map before tearing them down. The city Planning Commission is also in no hurry.

"A year and a half or two years is not an unreasonable time to get something like this in front of City Council," states Charles Cremin, one of two commissioners on a subcommittee charged

with coming up with an ordinance. "You've got to introduce the subject gradually, get people warmed up to the thing."

Unless the public rallies around an ordinance soon it will either die, emerge hopelessly watered down, or come too late to save anything.

Citizens have some access to decision making about city planning, but few choose to participate, leaving power to the moneyed interests, entrenched bureaucrats, and elected officials (who may or may not act as their constituents would have hoped.)

Effective public hearings like that of September 15 are rare, but even rarer are measures like the natural features ordinance. We should get involved in planning issues, as individuals and through organizations.

For now, stopping an unnecessary and oversized shopping mall—which could put downtown retailers out of business—is the immediate concern. To see how the process works—or doesn't—attend the public hearing at City Hall on Monday night, October 27.

BAKER

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Says co-campaign manager Mark Weisbrot, "The most inspirational thing about the campaign is the potential national and international impact. If we win, few people in Congress will be willing to vote for contra aid. This is a historic event—the peace movement electing one of its own activists to Congress."

Pursell will be forced to confront the issue himself when a Witness for Peace program on October 4 brings two women recently widowed in Nicaragua to the area. One of the women is a Swiss national. The women are expected to visit Pursell's office in Plymouth.

Recent developments indicate increased interest in the Second District Congressional race since Baker's stunning victory in the Democratic primary. These include incumbent Pursell's agreement to debate Baker and the endorsements of several key forces previously aligned with Baker's primary opponent, Don Grimes.

Local activists have been seeking a dialogue with Pursell for many months, particularly regarding his votes for aid to the contras. Pursell promised a public meeting to discuss the issue back in August of 1985. The Baker organization had been collecting signatures on petitions calling for a debate between Pursell and Baker.

Baker attributes Pursell's change of heart to the bad publicity the petitions would have created had Pursell refused. The debate is scheduled for October 21 and is being coordinated by the League of Women Voters. The exchange will be televised on Ann Arbor television station WIHT, channel 31 and heard on radio station WEMU-FM (89.1).

The Baker camp is also happy about receiving the endorsements of former Grimes supporters including the UAW, AFL-CIO, and the Michigan Federation of Teachers. Senator Carl Levin is

also providing help with a fundraiser scheduled for October 14. Baker had difficulty obtaining these endorsements in his earlier race primarily because of his late entry into the contest. Previous endorsers included AGENDA, the Latin America Solidarity Committee, the Free South Africa Coordinating Committee, and others.

Analysis of past congressional races has provided the Baker campaign with figures projecting the number of votes to win. These numbers show that with a 60 percent to 40 percent margin of victory in Washtenaw County, Baker could withstand a loss in Wayne County of the same proportions and slightly smaller losses in all four other counties in the district.

The Democrats are counting on a higher voter turnout than occurred in 1982 when only about 43% of eligible voters went to the polls. In addition, Baker is expecting help from the wide margin of victory anticipated for Democratic Governor Blanchard, due to straight ticket voting.

Implementing a strategy that eschews expensive advertising campaigns, volunteers are taking their quest door-to-door, often in territories unfamiliar to them. It is this type of direct contact that will be unstoppable by Pursell, according to Weisbrot. Because such a strategy relies heavily on person power, Weisbrot emphasizes that any small amount of time people can make a tremendous difference. Volunteers for November 3 and 4 (Election Day) are particularly important. Also needed are volunteers to get

the word out (around the district) all day Oct. 21, on how to catch the debate.

Reaching unregistered voters is also integral to the strategy, and at least 100 new registrars have been deputized in Ann Arbor since the campaign began. Baker's people will be registering potential voters in low-income housing complexes, movie lines, student dorms and other campus locations.

The deadline for registering voters who will be eligible to go to the polls on November 4 is October 6.

Meanwhile, Baker has been busy pushing his candidacy by travelling throughout the district speaking to progressive farm, labor, peace, and church groups. He has spoken to farmers in Springport, UAW members in Hillsdale, and many others outside the Ann Arbor area. He is scheduled to appear at the Ecology Center later this month.

Those interested in volunteering for the Baker campaign can reach the Democratic Party Headquarters at 211 North Main Street by calling 747-8211.

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Reaganigma

To many Americans one of Ronald Reagan's most endearing aspects is his seeming transparency. They consider him an open book, a man who speaks his mind; that his stands on the issues are distinct and resolute. This is the image he wishes to display to the world: a man of profound beliefs, who will not sacrifice his ideals to adversity or expediency.

Such a simplistic view of the Reagan persona is often at odds with the reality of his statesmanship. With the passage of time these deviations increasingly perturb and confound ally and enemy alike. To them the Great Communicator has become the unfathomable enigma.

Reagan's descent into ambiguity is a study. He built up quite a tough-guy image in the 1980 presidential campaign, and at his inauguration he served notice to America's enemies that from then on they would misbehave at their own peril. As a result, our European allies particularly viewed his ascendancy with trepidation, imagining him a sort of nuclear-armed cowboy, riding herd over the globe, ready at the slightest Commie malfeasance to unholster his ICBM's. Once in office, however, between his words and his actions there appeared a startling discrepancy.

Consider how this administration handles emergencies. The eruption of a crisis usually catches the White House staff wholly unprepared, the President often out of town or asleep. Therefore, the staff members left on watch have to decide on the initial response. The prudent thing to do would be to call the President and his advisors in and carefully consider all the facts before taking action; but this administration believes that such was the making of Carter's Iran Hostage downfall, and so one of them picks up the nearest ideological bone and runs with it like a mad dog. By the time the administration pulls itself together its initial tactics are well past the point of no return. As more details filter in, the staff starts to realize that its rhetoric is painting itself into a corner, but they feel that to pull back at all would constitute renunciation of their ideals, and so their fulminations become even more inflexible. Eventually they conclude that their rantings

aren't getting them anywhere, and begin looking for a face-saving compromise. So a deal is made, Reagan declaring himself the winner and going on vacation, leaving the rest of the world baffled as to what all the fuss was about.

Take the Daniloff affair. The governments of western Europe agree that Daniloff has been crudely framed by the Soviets, but by no means consider it wholly unprovoked. They believe that the decision by Reagan administration ideologues to start prosecuting Russian spies instead of expelling them was a significant change in accepted procedure, sure to raise the ire of the Kremlin. Still, European editorial writers sided with Reagan, only to be utterly nonplussed when he cut a deal for Daniloff's release. As one U.K. newspaper put it, "They gave away the points of principle that they had formerly declared sacred."

The U.S. war on terrorism is another good example. Reagan talks a tough line here, painting the issue in high-contrast black and white, expressing bewilderment at the lukewarm reception given his anti-terrorist proposals by the rest of the world. Other nations don't view it quite as simply as he does; the prevailing opinion is that until the root causes are addressed, terrorism will continue. Some wonder that Reagan has the gall to say anything at all on the subject, as he tolerates the most egregious acts of barbarism perpetrated by his pals in Central and South America.

On to Reaganomics. The Administration's constantly changing economic "theories" are not taken seriously by economists in other countries, especially current ideas on deficits. The President has come to the conclusion that the solution to his deficit-induced domestic economic problems is for our trade partners in Europe to stimulate their economies by increasing their money supplies (a.k.a. inflation), providing financial windfalls for their workers which they will run out and spend on U.S. goods. This is not likely to happen, as economists overseas view the rising U.S. national debt with alarm, and feel no need to risk their own economies in order to help Reagan delay the inevitable. A Deutsche Welle (Voice of Germany radio) commentator described Reagan's suggestions as "arrogant," and the BBC has interviewed financial advisors who are now telling their

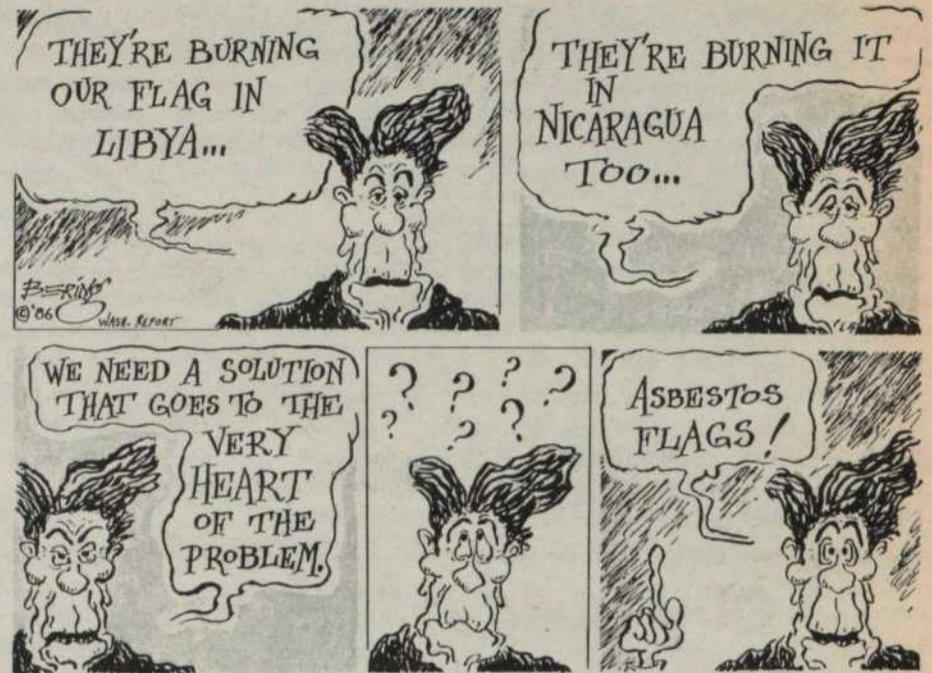
clients to curtail investments in the U.S. Other trading partners are quite upset with the current agricultural trade war being waged by Washington, Canadian and Argentine officials complaining that after years of bluster about free trade, Reagan is "changing the rules in the middle of the game."

The upshot of these performances is that our allies have no idea of the depths of his convictions. Thus when he asks their support they are reticent to join his cru-

sades, fearing that when push comes to shove he may well grab the only parachute, and bail out, leaving them still on board and going down in flames.

President Reagan must realize that as the nominal leader of the free world, he sets the tone of international relations. Whatever his policies, they must be coherent, so that the U.S. and her allies can deal with problems efficiently.

by John Brinck



Costa Rica: U.S. Trojan Horse in Central America

by George Tower
translation by Cinder Hypki

Escalating efforts by the Reagan administration to destroy the Nicaraguan revolution have put neighboring Honduras in a key role as a training ground for the contras and a conduit for military aid and supplies. More recent reports reveal the Salvadoran military's role in training contra forces as well. However, the North American press says little or nothing about Costa Rica. The role of Costa Rica in the Reagan administration's war against Nicaragua deserves attention. Not only does it shed light on the changing tactics of that war, but it reveals the bitter trade-offs for the Central American nations involved.

Costa Rica, Nicaragua's neighbor to the south, encompasses an area roughly the size of West Virginia with 2.5 million

inhabitants. It has one of the highest per capita debts in the world - \$5 billion - on which it can pay only the interest. "Soft" loans and donations account for an additional \$5 million a day in U.S. aid. The country suffers from a sharp, irreparable but well hidden socio-economic crisis partly due to a weak agricultural base and an insipient pseudo-industrial sector.

This tiny nation is a strategic territory for Washington, which has gradually drawn it into a circle that is rapidly closing in on the Sandinistas. By Constitutional mandate, Costa Rica has not had an army since 1948. Although traditionally allergic to warlike activities, it is slowly being militarized by the U.S.

Over a year ago, the United States sent approximately 20 military advisors to train Costa Rica's police and security forces. Two months ago, under the guise of combating

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drugs and tuna pirating, construction began on two naval bases, the first in Costa Rica's history. One is located on the Pacific and the other on the Caribbean coast, both very near the Nicaraguan border. In addition, the Reagan administration has delivered large shipments of military material each year including four "push and pull" airplanes suitable for bombing missions.

The presence of U.S. military advisors has been carried out under the pretext of preventing terrorism in a country where the few acts of terrorism in recent times have been committed by right-wing elements in the military and the contras, who are tied to the CIA.

The pretext for establishing the naval bases and providing military equipment and advisors is not convincing. Not a single case of tuna pirating in Costa Rican waters has been reported in over 8 months. In fact, tuna exploitation has been turned over to North American

transnational corporations in recent questionable contract negotiations.

At the same time, the paramilitary forces in Costa Rica now number over 20,000. Although the majority lack adequate training for all out warfare with another nation, they are prepared to act as shock troops against union and student groups, to combat armed groups that might emerge in a crisis situation, or participate in a joint operation of several nations against another.

The country's few decimated progressive and pacifist groups have denounced the strategic and military route that Washington has imposed on Costa Rica, but there is little or nothing that the political hierarchy can do—even if it had the political will to resist this course. Occasionally, objections are raised on the issue, and it is suggested that

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City Bosses Harrass City Worker

by Jeff Ditz
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City worker Ray Ayer, a rental housing inspector at the Ann Arbor Housing Inspection Bureau (HIB), is under public attack from his bosses. Ayer, a housing expert, has been employed by the City for seven years. He is a homeowner and his wife rents out the duplex they used to live in. Ostensibly, Ayer is being disciplined for having alleged housing code violations in that duplex. In the discipline action, the City is claiming apparent electrical work was done sometime at the Ayer owned duplex without a proper permit.

The inspections of the duplex were done by several City employees including Assistant City Administrator Leigh Chizek and Housing Inspection Bureau supervisor Bill Yadosky in an apparent violation of the union-management agreement between the City and AFSCME. The vigor and thoroughness applied to inspecting Ayer's duplex are not used by the City on other rental properties. This action against Ayer may be the most severe penalty ever imposed by the City for Housing Code violations.

News of the discipline proceedings was leaked to the Ann Arbor News and a page one story appeared on August 25, 1986. Ayer has since filed a union grievance through the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), the city workers union.

Real Reasons for Disciplining Ayer

Throughout his employment Ayer has attempted to deal with problems at the Bureau from within the bureaucracy. The Bureau, according to observers, has been in a state of decline for several years. Twice in the past six months Ayer has publicly broken ranks with the policies of that bureaucracy.

First, it was Ayer's testimony before Housing Board of Appeals hearing last winter. At that time, the Ann Arbor Tenants Union appealed to the Housing Board for correction of errors committed by Building Department

officials in relation to a campus area rooming house. Ayer's testimony at that hearing was integral to due process, eventually blocked by Chizek, and is part of the reason City Administrators now want to silence him.

A second reason for punishing Ayer is his willingness to act as receiver of a rental building in Ypsilanti. Incentives of the housing and development tax and finance system encourage "milking" properties in some sub-market like the campus area. Such deterioration can be highly profitable to landlords but it does the neighborhood, building or students little good.

Receivership is a process where the local Circuit Court appoints an expert third party to collect rents and use the money to repair the building. Receivership allows for tenants to stay and the building to be rehabilitated. The receivers costs become a lien against the property and in most cases ownership eventually moves out of the slumlords hands.

Condemnation and decay do not benefit the tenants, building or neighborhood. Condemnation displaces tenants (punishing the victim) and may mean destruction of housing stock. Ignoring the problem perpetuates building decay and housing problems for tenants and neighbors.

The Ann Arbor News reported this summer that Ayer was willing to serve as receiver of a slumlord building in Ypsilanti. City Administrators told Ayer not to accept the receivership. A successful receivership in Ypsilanti would be inconvenient to City Administrators who avoid using the receivership mechanisms in the Ann Arbor law even when receivership may be the best solution.

Conflict of Interest?

The Tenants Union questions the intent of City policies. There is no apparent conflict of interest between Ayer's work as an Ann Arbor Housing Inspector and acting as receiver for an Ypsilanti slum building. Yadosky, on the other hand, advertises his son's construction company to landlords on a City bulletin board in the Housing Inspection Bureau. The implications of advertising the William Yadosky (the son)

construction company in a Bureau supervised by William Yadosky (the father) are questionable at best.

Memos released by the City in response to a Freedom of Information Act request late last year revealed Housing Inspection Bureau supervisor Yadosky's attacks on City process and tenants' rights. Yadosky, with approval from his boss, Building Department Director Jack Donaldson, has issued several policies which weaken the law to the point of ineffectiveness. Department procedures used when tenants call the Inspection Bureau seeking help inhibit tenant access to the code enforcement services of the City. Work orders to inspectors prohibit the inspectors from using the Housing Code as the standard which they enforce.

In March of this year Assistant Administrator Chizek provided insight into how one of the improper City policies developed. Responding to an Ann Arbor Tenants Union appeal of Building Department errors Chizek defended specific errors by reference to more general problems. In a March 13, 1986 memo Chizek wrote "in early 1983, one or more members of the Housing Board of Appeals gave verbal direction to Mr. Yadosky to refrain from citing undersize rooms." The City has refused to reveal who gave such direction and why Yadosky and Donaldson followed it. The Ann Arbor Tenants Union has filed a Freedom of Information Act request to find out more about the 1983 intervention in the bureaucracy by Housing Board of Appeals members.

Whose Town is It?

The Collins-Chizek administration's message to City employees is that the City Administrators will not tolerate criticism for within. City employees who know of mismanagement, fraud, and corruption jeopardize their employment if they seek reforms from within the City bureaucracy. If city government is to develop in Ann Arbor the standards will have to be raised from outside the bureaucracy.

This is part of a struggle within City Hall over who the City should serve.

Chizek, the son of a buildeer and brother to Chizek Builders, is leading the forces which want to keep City government subservient to landlords, developers, construction companies and bankers. These forces were dominant throughtout Mayor Lou Belcher's administration. Citizen reaction to their excesses is partial reason for the current control of Council by Democrats.

Many citizens believe the City can and should serve the diverse interests of its citizens and not just the few who benefit from current bureaucratic policies. These citizens actively work for many diverse things in City politics such as a Nuclear Free Zone, decent affordable housing, a sister city in Nicaragua, producer and consumer coops, and rape prevention. In a very real sense citizens are articulating and building a vision of a better community.

Editors note: Mr. Ayer was called about the city charge and harassment and he responded that although he wanted to speak out, he must defer comment at this time due to legal advice and the current, ongoing Union complaint against the city.

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Israeli Peace Activist speaks at U-M

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and harmony in the Middle East.

Secondly, I would like to emphasize that universal values, humanist values, democratic values, should be applied equally in every country. Jewish oppression should not be judged differently than any other oppression in any other place in the world. As an Israeli who has democratic values, and humanist values, an Israeli who takes seriously the international universal declaration of human rights, I believe that if my country—the government of my country—is wrong, it is my duty to protest and to speak out against it.

And since the government of my country is controlling another people for twenty years and there is one and one-half million people who don't enjoy the same civil rights enumerated I still enjoy, I think it is my duty to speak out against it as it is my duty to speak out against every oppression which occurs everywhere in the world.

I protest the neglecting of the human rights of the Palestinians in the Middle East and I protest against the oppression and the neglecting of human rights in South America, in the Soviet Union, in Syria, wherever it takes place. I don't think Israel has a special place. Israel should be judged under the same criteria as any other state and government in the world.

I believe that the present course of the Israeli government is a collision course which might bring it to catastrophe which will be disastrous not only to Israel but to the whole Middle East. Israel is a nuclear power. Israel is the only country in the world who has nuclear weapons, is engaged in an active military conflict, and did not sign a non-proliferation treaty. I am afraid that the nuclear race in the Middle East, will with time, break the Israeli nuclear monopoly and it is only a question of time until one of the neighboring countries will have an atom bomb. This is a matter which every human being should be worried about because the Middle East is today the only place in the world which faces the danger of a nuclear conflict.

I believe that Israel can live in the Middle East only if in peace with its neighbors. An eternal war is a disaster. We cannot fight the Arab world forever. And I believe that to finish the war in the Middle East, there must be negotiations between enemies. This is the wisdom which, unfortunately, a large number of Israelis don't understand, including the Israeli government. In order to finish the conflict you have to negotiate with your enemy. You don't have to like him. You don't have to love

him, but you cannot appoint the leaders of your enemy. You have to negotiate.

The United States understood after a long involvement in Vietnam, that if the conflict is to be ended you have to sit with your enemy who was killing you, and while he was killing you. That's the reason that finally the United States sat with North Vietnam and with the Viet Cong and negotiated. And finally the French, after a long war with Algeria which caused over one million casualties, understood that if she wants to stop the war, she has to sit with the enemy and negotiate. The Israeli refusal policy to negotiate with the enemy is, in my judgement, disastrous in the long run.

In Israel there is now a generation which was born during the occupation. Twenty years of occupation has left a very ugly mark on Israeli society. People who are born today to their adversaries don't know anything else but the situation where 1.2 million Palestinians are living under military rule and don't enjoy civil human rights.

I don't love the Palestinians, but I don't hate them. I only believe that they have the same rights as I have, not more and not less. And therefore I advocate that we should negotiate with them. I advocate that his rights should be recognized as well as my rights should be recognized.

I fear that a continuous occupation, which has already brought a dangerous wave of racism in Israeli society, which has transformed a sizeable part of Israeli society to a colonial society, might bring to an end the Israeli democracy which exists today for Jews only.

Me and my friends, we believe that Israel should withdraw from the East-West conflict. We believe that Israel should not play any role of assisting oppressive regimes around the world, that Israel should come back to its natural size of a small country of four million people (which is a very respectable size of a country). But it has its limits. I think it is very important that everybody should know these limits.

For twenty years Israel has been pursuing a policy of guns and butter and it is possible because Israel is the most heavily financed country in the world. We are getting this year a \$5 billion grant from the United States. And if you take \$5 billion from the United States, you can in the same year invade Lebanon, and have 800,000 Israelis go abroad for a journey. So you have a war and *la dolce vita* side-by-side.

The question is, is there a chance for a change as long as

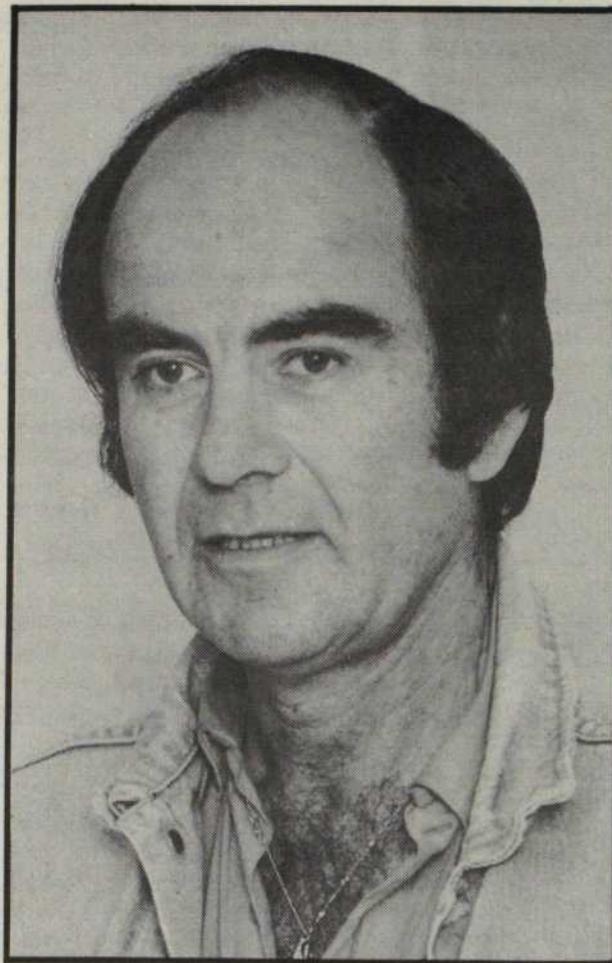


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this dual policy can continue? It is important to have aid from other countries, but for the well-being of the people, for economic controls, for social improvement, not for the build-up of a huge military machine which is far beyond the defense needs of the country.

We believe that the way to peace in the Middle East could be decided not only in the Middle East, but since Israel is actually the 51st state of the United States, it will be very much decided here as well.

The *Washington Post* put it very accurately a few months ago when they published a series of articles about Israel. The journalist who wrote it said that Israel is the only state of the United States which has the support of all 100 senators.

There is something which bothers me: How come the politicians in the United States differ on so many subjects, liberals and conservatives who are from different positions on many many things, how come that when it comes to Israel they compete with each other over who will give more support to Israeli refusal policy for peace?

Senator Kennedy, who is a liberal, and Senator Helms, who is a conservative, have a lot of discussion among themselves, on a lot of issues, but both of them come with strong support for Israeli policy which refuses to negotiate with its enemy. I have to admit that as an outsider I don't have an answer. This is a puzzle and maybe you can help me to

solve it.

But as an Israeli who lives in the Middle East, an Israeli who will have to pay the price of the future wars, I feel it is my duty to do whatever I can in order to direct the present disastrous course to a different one which will lead us to peace. This is actually the main reason why I am here in the United States, to try and convince more and more Americans that they should give a hand to the Israeli peace movement.

Q. Frequent criticism of a negotiated resettlement of occupied territories being returned to Arab control is that the area before 1967 would be too narrow to be secure from any attack from Arabs that weren't satisfied with the agreement. I was wondering if the speaker could comment on the security if Israel returned to its pre-1967 borders?

A. In Israel you can find generals who will swear that Israel, under the 4th of June borders of '67, one day before the Six Day War started, was not defensible. It is all a question of your political beliefs to find an answer to this question. I believe that the only secure border is a peace border. Every border which is a war border is not secure. That's number one.

Number two, in '67 Israel had compared to today a very small army. I think it was a thin army—and now it is muscles. But it was far from being as big as it is today. Today we have a huge big army: super-duper modern (as we

say in Hebrew). We have a larger army, I think, than Britain because of our reserve system. And we have the most modern weapons possible. Even though, in '67 Israel won a war on three fronts with a small army, it lost a war on one front against guerilla fighters in Lebanon with a huge army, a HUGE army. The army which invaded Lebanon was greater than the army which fought the Six Day War. And we lost.

Another example is in the '73 war. In '73, the war started on what is in Israel considered the most defensible borders. It was quite a setback to us. We paid a very heavy price in the Yom Kippur War. And the army of the Yom Kippur War was much bigger than the army of the Six Day War.

And I am afraid that the next war will be still more disastrous because now there is a very very strong build-up of the Syrian army. And they are seeking what Assad is calling "strategic balance" with Israel. And he is already today able to muster a large number of missiles which can reach Tel Aviv and Haifa. So I am afraid that the next war will be the first war in Israel which will have very heavy civilian losses. So we will destroy Damascus too. But they will destroy half of Tel Aviv and a third of Haifa and who knows what else. And after this war, I am afraid, Israel will give up what it is unwilling to give up

Now to remind you that before the Yom Kippur War there was a United Nations ambassador, a Swedish diplomat, who was shuttling in the area to try to negotiate peace. In '72, he was travelling between Cairo and Jerusalem, and he succeeded to bring a declaration from Sadat that if Israel will withdraw from the whole Sinai, Egypt will conclude peace with Israel.

Golda Meier, who in those days was Israel's Prime Minister, said "Never!" Israel will not withdraw to the borders of '67, because Israel already started to build settlements on the Sinai and because the Sinai became already a part which Israel was very interested in. It was a place for military maneuvers, it was a place for Israeli tourism (the wonderful shores of the Sinai), it was oil. So we said "never" but of course the reason was defense: 'This is the only defensible border.'

So we fought the Egyptians, actually, to wage a war—in order to break the paralyzed situation. And the Egyptians proved to the Israelis that those are primitive dreams—that always for the next 100 years every war will be a journey like the Six Day War—the Egyptians proved that they have the capacity to study, to learn from their own mistakes, to improve, and we saw the results after six years.

Israel believed that after the Six Day War the Arabs would not recover for the next 100 years. So this '73 War was a terrible shock to the Israelis because it

was completely against their assumption about the capacity of the Arab armies.

After the Yom Kippur War, with 3,000 Israelis killed—3,000 Israelis killed mind you is comparable to over a half a million casualties in the Vietnam War for the Americans, and I think that America had 40,000 and look what it caused here in the United States. With 3,000 killed, close to 10,000 wounded, this was a terrible shock to the Israeli future. After the Yom Kippur War, finally the Israelis gave up the Sinai. So I try now to tell the Israelis: "Learn from your own history. Don't repeat the same mistakes. Don't wage a terrible war against Syria and then give back the Golan Heights. Lets negotiate now. Lets at least declare that you are ready to negotiate."

So, "defensible borders" is a very tricky expression. Every General and every politician can play with it the way he wants. I believe that Israel, with the borders of the 4th of June, living in peace with its neighbors, is the most secure borders possible under present circumstances.

Q. First of all, I want to say welcome to Ann Arbor. The first part of the question, actually a comment, concerns the actual peace that we have with Egypt right now. When Israel made peace negotiations with Egypt, we expected a two way peace.

In other words, Egyptian tourists would be able to come to Israel, Israeli tourists would be able to go to Egypt, and people could travel in the Sinai and the Southern part of Israel without being afraid. It has become a sort of one way peace. Israelis go to Egypt and visit, but Egyptians don't come to Israel. There have not been the cultural exchanges that we all expected and it has been a sort of a cold peace. And I remind you that almost a year ago seven Israelis were massacred by an Egyptian soldier that supposedly went crazy.

The question I want to address is that here we are talking about negotiations with our enemy, but a week and a half ago the so called representatives of the Palestinian people on the West Bank and all over the world, the PLO, claimed responsibility for the murder of 21 people who were praying in a synagogue in Istanbul.

I would like to pose a question to you asking how can we negotiate with a people such as the PLO, that represents the views of the Palestinian people in the West Bank, and here they go and murder 21 innocent people who were not even living in Israel and who were not living in occupied territories? How are we, without them even recognizing the right to existence of the State of Israel, how can we negotiate with a terrorist organization and why should we have to go to them without them even recognizing the right of Israel to exist?

A. I want to thank you for your question. It is a very important question. As you can imagine I was shocked about another human being involved in a massacre.

Q. And your Arab friends, were they shocked too?

A. I don't speak in the name of my Arab friends, only in my name. I don't know what my Arab friends are thinking about every problem but I can tell you that I met a lot of Arabs—because I was out of Israel a few weeks—so when the massacre occurred I was already abroad. So I met in Germany, and in Holland, and now here, a number of Arabs and all of them—all of them—were shocked by the massacre in Istanbul.

Q. In public?

A. I want to make one thing clear. I am not a representative of any Palestinian organization and I am speaking as an Israeli citizen where there I have my share. So I am

trying to tell you what my reaction was. Since you have asked the question whether my Arab friends have expressed sorrow and shock, my answer is yes, they expressed it. Not everyone of my friends is a public figure, so I don't know what they did in public. To me, they expressed their sorrow. And I can tell you something else which you might find interesting.

I was talking in front of a group a few days ago in Milwaukee. Among this group were Arabs and the chairman of the committee asked everybody to stand silent for one minute to memorialize the victims of the massacre in Istanbul and not one Arab demonstrated against it. This just for the record. But again, you are not going to hear from me one word of defense if an Arab, any Arab, or any human being, expresses joy at this massacre.

First of all I want to tell you that I was shocked like any human being and I want to tell you another fact. I just recently came back from Auschwitz. I visited Poland, and I visited Auschwitz, where I saw it as a pilgrimage to honor the victims of facism and racism, Jews and non-Jews. Don't forget that there were non-Jews among them too. This was my way to do it. But when I heard the news about the massacre I thought of it as an act which reminded me of the darkest period of the Jewish people. This is what I think of what happened in Istanbul.

Now I want to ask you a question. When Israel was bombing Beirut for three months, day after day, and thousands of innocent people—women, children and old people were killed and wounded, with hospitals and countless other buildings destroyed, did you demonstrate against it?

This is my question. I demonstrated against it and I demonstrated against what happened in Istanbul—both of them. Jewish blood is not more red than Arab blood. This is what I want you to remember.

Q. Are we to deal with the Palestinians when their representative organization, the PLO, a terrorist organization, as a policy does not recognize the right of the state of Israel to exist? How can we negotiate with people that don't even recognize Israel?

A. I will answer you very simply. I think that first of all you have to agree with me on the principle that in order to make peace you must negotiate with your enemy. That is the basic assumption. You want to negotiate with the one who is your enemy; but the Israelis want to negotiate with all other parties and not with the Palestinian people. We are not at war with the others. We are at war with the Palestinians, this is the enemy.

"So this man," as Begin once said, "this man, unshaved, who doesn't shave his face," that's the way he referred once to Arafat, this is a man who is your enemy. This is the man who in the end we must negotiate with, if not him, tomorrow somebody else. But this is the man you have to negotiate with and this is what most Israelis do not understand.

Now, whether he recognizes me or not, doesn't change my desire to finally force him to negotiate with me. Suppose that you are right and he really doesn't want to negotiate—that he wants to destroy Israel and to push all the Jews out—suppose this is true. Even then I will make every effort to maneuver him to negotiation. For me the peace is like a beautiful woman I would like to marry. If she once says no, I will try another way. If a second time no, I try a third time. I don't give up so quickly.

But mind you, I don't share your evaluation of the readiness of the PLO to negotiate. My evaluation is different. I think

that when Arafat was ready to meet Israeli Zionists, including an Israeli General who is a declared Zionist, it was more than a hint to the Israeli government: "Please recognize our rights and we will talk." That is how I interpreted it. But whether it is the correct interpretation or not we will only know when Israel declares that she will recognize the rights of the Palestinians to self-determination, that she is ready to talk with the PLO and hear what the PLO has to say. If they say "no" what is lost? But if they say "yes"? I think we are afraid of what would happen if they said "yes." Then you will have to negotiate and when you are negotiating you will have to give up territory.

This is today a sign that Israel does not want to give up the control of the territories of the West Bank and Gaza Strip. When I criticize Israeli policy, it does not mean I think the conflict is divided between angels and devils. I don't think that the Israelis are angels and I don't think the Palestinians are the devils or vice-versa. I think if I were a Palestinian I could give you an ugly criticism of the Palestinian leadership. But I'm not a Palestinian, I'm an Israeli.

What I ask myself now is "did my government do everything possible to promote or advance peace so I can say 'now we did everything—now the other side has to come.'"

According to my judgement, my government did not do everything possible to advance the peace process. That is the reason why I first concentrate there where I live, there where I am a citizen, there where I have a share in the society.

Q. I would like your perception about state terrorism that Israel has supported for I think longer than 20 years and to bring it to recent history—Shatilla and Sabra. Although I have no facts, I am convinced there were Israeli soldiers in there when the Christian Lebanese slaughtered the Muslim Arabs in Shatilla. I feel that the terrorism and killing that was going on in Vietnam was not stopped by the peace negotiations, but by the student and peace movements. I am just hopeful that the same thing can come about in Israel.

A. With reference to Sabra and Shatilla, the facts today are widely known. It is known the massacre was done by the Phalangists. It is known that it was done with the help of the Israeli army which was surrounding the place. This was very clearly established in the findings of Kahn committee, which investigated. But I want to say something about why I refused to go to war in Lebanon. I refused to go to war in Lebanon because I could see that the invasion of Lebanon, from the first day, was an illegal war.

And in this war there was more than one instance of war crimes. That is the reason why I and my colleagues demonstrated and did everything in order to stop this terrible and senseless war. But there was one moment in this war that I was proud to be an Israeli. I have to admit that Israel did not give me a lot of reason to be proud in the last 20 years. But when there was a demonstration in Tel Aviv where 400,000 people demonstrated against the massacres in Sabra and Shatilla, and it was the only country in the Middle East and in the world where such a sizable demonstration took place, this was a small moment when I was very proud.

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

1 Wednesday

Beans and Rice Dinner: Central America Education/Action Committee

6 to 7:30 pm at Guild House, 802 Monroe. All proceeds beyond the costs of the dinner go towards material aid projects in Central America. Sponsored by LASC and Guild House. \$2/adult and \$1/child age 6 to 12 suggested donation. 663-1870

The Connection Committee meeting: Michigan Alliance for Disarmament (MAD)
7:30 pm at the Michigan Union. Anyone interested in writing, graphics, or journalism should come. 995-5871

"A Wife's Tale": Alternative Action Film Series

7:30 pm in E. Quad, room 126. A documentary following the political awakening of a group of women in Quebec as they form a support group for their striking husbands.

General Meeting: Latin American Solidarity Committee (LASC)

8 pm at the Michigan Union. Ask for the room number at the front desk. 665-8438

"A Streetcar Named Desire": Hill Street Cinema

8:00 pm and 10:15 pm at 1429 Hill St. Vivien Leigh, a Southern gentlewoman who cannot face her present impoverished state attempts to capture the dreamy past and nearly destroys herself. 663-3336

"Salt of the Earth": Alternative Action Film Series

8:45 pm in E. Quad, room 126. A classic movie of worker's and women's struggles.

2 Thursday

General Meeting: HAP-NICA
5:30 pm at the Michigan Union. 769-1442

Groundwater Demonstration Display Construction Workshop: Ecology Center

7 pm at Leslie Science Center. Advance registration required, \$5 materials fee. 662-7802

General Meeting: Ann Arbor Central America Sister City Task Force

7:30 pm in the 2nd Floor Conference Room, Fire Station, 111 North 5th Ave. 994-2766 or 769-5051

General Meeting: FLOC

7:30 pm in Room 4318 of the Michigan Union. 764-1446

General Meeting: Peace and Justice Committee

7:30 pm in 3909 Michigan Union. 936-2456 or 763-3241

3 Friday

Tag Days: Ecology Center
Bucket drive to raise funds for the Ecology Center. 761-3186

Noon Forum: Guild House

Noon at Guild House, 802 Monroe. Ann Marie Coleman: "A Visit to Chile in the Fall of '86." Lunch available for \$1.00 (home-made vegetarian soup and sandwich). 662-5189

General Meeting: N29

5 to 6 pm in the Union. Ask at the information desk for the specific location.

General Meeting: Assn of Arab American Grads

6 pm in the Union. Ask for room number at front desk. 769-2776

Rosh Hashanah Celebration: Jewish Cultural School and Society

7:30 pm at the Campus Inn. \$3. Reservations 668-7919

Rosh Hashanah (the New Year): New Jewish Agenda (NJA)

9 pm at 1516 E. Park Pl. Bring something sweet to eat and we can begin a good and sweet year together. 994-5171

"Feminist Friday": National Organization for Women (NOW)

Time and place to be announced. Monthly get-togethers to meet other feminists and discuss whatever is on your mind in an informal atmosphere. 662-6429

4 Saturday

Tag Days: Ecology Center
Bucket drive to raise funds for the Ecology Center. 761-3186

Garage Sale for Central America: The Unitarian Universalists Church Social Concerns Committee

9am to 3pm at 1308 Birk St. Proceeds go to Nicaragua Medical Aid Project and Sanctuary Fund. Donations needed. 769-0316 or 769-3095

Household Toxics Collection Day: Ecology Center

10 am to 4 pm at Shadford Field, 1779 Packard, Ypsilanti. 994-2492

Speakers Florentina Peres and Chantal Bianchi: Witness for Peace

12 noon at Plymouth Square, downtown Plymouth. A visit by a Nicaraguan and a Swiss woman widowed by the contras followed by a march to Congressman Pursell's office at 134 North Main Street.

"Willmar 8": East Quad Film Series

7 pm in East Quad Aud. Story of eight women bank workers in a small Minnesota town who formed a union to protest sex discrimination.

Introductory talk: Zen Buddhist Temple-Ann Arbor

7 to 8 pm at 1214 Packard. Topic: "Zen Buddhism in North America: History, Philosophy, and Practice." 761-6520

5 Sunday

Vegetarian Potluck: Women's Crisis Center

12 to 2 pm at St. Andrew's Church, 306 N. Division (at Lawrence). 994-9100

Meditation Service: Zen Buddhist Temple-Ann Arbor

5 pm to 7 pm at 1214 Packard Road. 761-6520

General Meeting: A2MISTAD Construction Brigade

7:30 pm in the Michigan Union. Ask for the room at the information desk. 761-7960

6 Monday

General Meeting: South African Political Prisoner Bracelet Program

5 pm at 2501 Braeburn Circle. Please call 973-2016 to confirm the location.

General Meeting: Industrial Workers of the World (IWW)
6 pm in Room 4304, Michigan Union. 483-3478

General Meeting: World Hunger Education-Action Committee (WHE-AC)

6:30 pm at the Michigan Union. Ask at the front desk for the room location. 663-3560

General Meeting: FSACC

7 pm in Room 111, West Engineering Bldg (corner of S. University and E. University). 971-7994 or 769-8549

"The Business of Hunger": Bullard Film Series

7:30 pm in Aud. A, Angell Hall. The systemic political and economic causes of hunger and potential solutions.

"Controlling Interest: The World of the Multinational Corporation": Bullard Film Series

8 pm in Aud. A, Angell Hall. The effects of multinational corporations on the world.

Writers Series: Guild House

8 pm at Guild House, 802 Monroe. Richard Tillinghast and Tish O'Dowd Ezekiel (poetry). 662-5189

Lecture Series: "Reflections on Liberation Theology"

8 to 10 pm in the Modern Languages Building, Aud. 3. Lectures by Rev. Gustavo Gutierrez, father of Liberation Theology and Professor in the Dept. of Theology and Social Sciences at Catholic Pontifical University in Lima, Peru. 764-4475

7 Tuesday

Shop Ann Arbor Days: Ecology Center

When you shop at participating stores, 10% of your purchase price will be donated to the Ecology Center. 761-3186.

General Meeting: National Organization for Women (NOW)

7:30 pm at 1917 Washtenaw. 995-5494

8 Wednesday

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Beans and Rice Dinner

(see 1 Wednesday)

The Connection Committee meeting: MAD

(see 1 Wednesday)

"Free Voice of Labor: Jewish Anarchists": Alt Act Film Series

7:30 pm in E. Quad, room 126. Combining old footage and interviews with anarchists.

Planning Meeting: Democratic Socialists of America

7:30 pm in the Fourth Floor Conference room at City Hall. 662-4497

General Meeting: LASC

(see 1 Wednesday)

"The Godfather": Hill St Cinema

8 pm at 1429 Hill St. An epic vision of an Italian-American family featuring Marlon Brando as the Corleone Patriarch. 663-3336

"The Aquarian Conspiracy": New Dimensions Study Group

8:30 pm at the Yoga Center, 205 E. Ann. The program begins with a taped New Dimensions Radio interview with Marilyn Ferguson, author of the 1980 book on the "New Age" movement, a discussion of Ferguson's ideas and the idea of a "New Age" movement in general, moderated by NDSG coordinators Tom Lincoln and Steve Modell. 971-0881

"Anarchism in America": Alt Act Film Series

8:30 pm in E. Quad, room 126. Barry Goldwater (sort of), The Sex Pisols... It's enough to give anarchists a good name!

9 Thursday

General Meeting: Peace and Justice Committee

(see 2 Thursday)

Annual Meeting: Huron Watershed Council

7:30 pm at Lawton School. "Role of Local Government in Protecting Wetlands," by Dr. Jaworski. 769-5123

Candidates Night on Environmental concerns: Sierra Club and Ecology Center

7:30 pm at Ann Arbor City Council Chambers, City Hall, Huron at Fifth. 668-0365

General Meeting: FLOC

(see 2 Thursday)

General Meeting: Bread for the World

7:30 pm. In Ann Arbor (2nd District) meetings are held at the First Presbyterian Church, 1432 Washtenaw. For information call Jim Rutz at 668-4064. In Ypsilanti (15th District) contact Robert Krzewinski at 487-9058

Meeting: Sister City Task Force
7:30 pm place to be announced. 994-2766 or 769-5051

RSVP Yom Kippur Breakfast: NJA
662-7649

10 Friday

Rally: Free South Africa Coordinating Committee (FSACC)

Noon on the diag. National day in solidarity with South African political prisoners. Anti-Apartheid events will take place across the country and in seven foreign countries. At 1 pm our time, there will be a moment of silence to be followed by a massive "breaking the chains" ceremony at Regents (Peoples) Plaza. 971-7994 or 769-8549

Noon Forum: Guild House

No program in support of "National Protest for South-African Divestment and Sanctions."

General Meeting: N29

(see 3 Friday)

Meeting: Assn of Arab American Graduate Students

(see 3 Friday)

"The Trip to Bountiful" Alt. Act, WCC 7 and 9 pm in MLB. Bountiful is the tiny Texas town where Carrie Watts, an aging woman grew up, married, bore her children, and left. Before she dies, she wants to return to validate both her memories and herself. \$2.50. 994-9100

Conference Series: "Policy of Oppression: Critiques of U.S. Intervention in Central America, South Africa, and the Middle East": LASC, FSACC, N29, NJA

7:30 pm in Rackham Amphitheater. Keynote speakers: Dr. Marable will speak on "Racism in America: the Legacy and Contemporary Reality" and Alexander Cockburn will discuss "U.S. Foreign Policy Today". 995-1080

11 Saturday

Conference Series: "Policy of Oppression...": LASC, FSACC, N29, NJA 9:30 am to 5:30 pm in Rackham Amphitheater. Panel discussions will include the histories of the regions, media coverage, current crises, and solutions. 995-1080

General Meeting: Gray Panthers of Huron Valley 2 to 4 pm in the 2nd floor conference room, Ann Arbor Fire Station, 107 North Fifth Avenue. Choosing a focus for the coming year. 663-0786

Goddess Consciousness Workshop: Women's Crisis Center
2 to 4 pm and 7:30 to 9:30 pm at Tower Plaza, 555 E. William #10L. Self awareness workshops and information for those actively seeking the Goddess. Presented by Mary Wolf (Metis), pagan feminist and local counselor. \$2 donation, call to register 761-9475

"In Cold Blood": Hill St Cinema

7:45 and 10:00 pm at 1429 Hill St. Based on the Truman Capote novel, the film vividly recounts the senseless slaughter of an upstanding family in a small Kansas town. 663-3336

12 Sunday

The 12th annual CWS/CROP Hunger Walk: WHE-AC, ICP
12:30 at Zion Lutheran Church, 1501 W. Liberty. Funds raised will go to local programs, such as Peace Neighborhood Center and Ypsilanti Hunger Coalition, and to development projects in Zimbabwe, Honduras, and Guatemala. For more information. 663-1870.

Goddess Consciousness Workshop: Women's Crisis Center

(see 11 Saturday)

Bid for Peace and Construction Auction: A2MISTAD Construction Brigade

3 pm at the Unitarian Church, 1917 Washtenaw. Proceeds will benefit the Ann Arbor-Managua Initiative for Soil Testing and Development. 761-7960

General meeting: Wellness Networks, Inc-Huron Vall

3:30 to 5:30 pm at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center. 662-6134

Meditation Service: Zen Buddhist Temple-Ann Arbor

(see 5 Sunday)

General Meeting: WAND
7:00-9:30 PM at St. Aidan's Episcopal/Northside Presbyterian

Church, 1679 Broadway. A videotape featuring Helen Caldicott, founder of WAND, called "Working for Peace". 761-1718

General Meeting: A2MISTAD

(see 5 Sunday)

13 Monday

Deadline for News and Feature Articles: Agenda

By mail to P. O. Box 3624, Ann Arbor, 48106. Hand deliver to 1 Jefferson Ct. or call 996-8018.

General Meeting: South African Political Prisoner Bracelet Program(see 6 Monday)

General Meeting: IWW

(see 6 Monday)

General Meeting: WHE-AC

(see 6 Monday)

General Meeting: Free South Africa Coordinating Committee (FSACC)

(see 6 Monday)

Writers Series: Guild House

(See 6 Monday). Liza Field and Paula Gover (fiction).

Break the Yom Kippur fast: NJA
8 pm at 839 Mt. Pleasant. Bring a veggie dish to pass. 662-7649

Lecture Series: "Reflections on Liberation Theology"

(see 6 Monday)

14 Tuesday

General Meeting: National Organization for Women (NOW)

7:30 at the Unitarian Church, 1917 Washtenaw. Free child care is available during the meeting. 995-5494

U.S. Group 61 meeting: Amnesty International (AI) 7:30 pm at Michigan Union. Ask for room number at front desk. 761-1628 or 761-3639

Lecture by Senator Carl Levin: B'nai Brith Hillel Foundation
7:30 pm Hillel, 1429 Hill St. "Shooting straight from the Hill" 663-3336

"Broken Rainbow": Big Mountain Support Group

7:30 and 9:30 pm in the Natural Science Building. An account of the Navajo experience at Big Mountain. 663-9119

15 Wednesday

Deadline for Ad space reservations: Agenda

By mail to P. O. Box 3624, Ann Arbor, 48106. Hand deliver to 1 Jefferson Court or call 996-8018.

Beans and Rice Dinner

(see 1 Wednesday)

Grape Boycott Education Meeting: Ypsilanti Food Co-op
7 pm at Depot Town's Freight House, Ypsilanti. Sister Jean Schicklin from the Detroit Farm Worker Ministry will talk about the international grape boycott to protest the toxic pesticide poisoning of farm workers. A movie "The Wrath of Grapes" will also be shown. 483-1520

Deadline to RSVP for Sukkot/Shabbat potluck: NJA
7 pm at 328 S. Seventh. 994-8052 or 769-1714

"Squatters: The Other Philadelphia Story": Alt Act Film Series
7:30 pm in E. Quad, room 126. Portrait of a young woman leader of the squatters movement.

Contract Negotiations: Graduate Employees Organization (GEO)
7:30 pm in the Anderson Room of the Michigan Union. 995-0221

"The Heart of Loisaida": Alternative Action Film Series
After "Squatters" in E. Quad, room 126. Tenants on the Lower East Side of NYC occupy their homes after landlords abandon them.

The Connection Committee meeting: MAD

(see 1 Wednesday)

General Meeting: LASC

(see 1 Wednesday)

Dr. Joseph Collins: "Why Hunger in a World of Plenty?": WHE-AC
8 pm location to be announced. Dr. Collins, co-founder of the Institute for Food and Development Policy, will be speaking on the causes of hunger here in the United States and throughout the world. (evenings) 663-3560

"The Godfather, Part II": Hill Street Cinema
8:00 pm at 1429 Hill St. 663-3336

Thami Sendelo: Democratic Socialists of America
Times and places to be announced. Thami Sendelo of the African National Congress, will speak on the struggle in South Africa. 662-4497

16 Thursday

General Meeting: HAP-NICA
5:30 pm at the Michigan Union. 769-1442

Famine in Sudan: Dr. William Stapp 7:30 pm at Leslie Science Center. 662-7802

General Meeting: Big Mountain Support Group 7:30 pm at 2619 S. Main Street. 663-9119

General Meeting: Peace and Justice Committee
(see 2 Thursday)

General Meeting: FLOC
(see 2 Thursday)

17 Friday

Open House for Highschool Seniors: U-M School of Natural Resources 7:30 pm at 764-0448

Noon Forum: Guild House
(See 3 Friday). Buzz Alexander: "A Journey to Nicaragua."

General Meeting: N29
(see 3 Friday)

General Meeting: Assn of Arab American Graduate Students
(see 3 Friday)

Beginner's Retreat with Zen Master Samu Sunim: The Zen Lotus Society
6:30-8:30, Friday through Sunday at Zen Buddhist Temple, 1214 Packard Road. \$140. 761-6520

Monthly Shabbat potluck: NJA
7 pm at 1302 Gardner. Join us to celebrate this holiday of the fall season and freedom. We hope the Celaya family, who are in sanctuary in Ann Arbor, will be able to join us again this year. Bring a veggie dish to pass. 994-8052

18 Saturday

Annual State Meeting: WILPF
10 am-1:30 pm at Wayne State's McGregor Conference Ctr. Lunch and discussion of ideas between Mich. Branches. 971-4702

General Meeting: Ann Arbor War Tax Dissidents/U.S. Peace Tax Fund
Noon to 3 pm at Wesley Foundation Lounge, 602 E. Huron. "Coping with the Three-Cornered Catch-22: You, Your Bank and the Internal Revenue Service." Brown bag lunch, beverages provided. 663-2655

Jane Addams Day Celebration: WILPF 2 to 4:30 pm at Walter Reuther Library, Detroit. 971-4702

"The Lorax": East Quad Film Series 7 pm in Room 126, East Quad. Dr. Seuss presents this animated tale as a plea to clean up the environment while there is still time.

"Say Goodbye": East Quad Film Series With "The Lorax" in Room 126, East Quad. Examines the role of humans in driving species to extinction and exploiting the earth's resources.

San Francisco Mime Troupe: Performance Network, Brecht Company 8 pm at Lydia Mendelssohn Theater. The Mime Troupe will present their newest play, *The Mozambique Caper*, a farce-cum-musical, comedy-cum-spy/thriller which examines the United States' role in Africa. Produced by the Performance Network, and performed by the San Francisco Mime Troupe (this nation's best known ensemble of political satirists). 663-0681

19 Sunday

Deadline for Community Resource Directory (CRD) and Calendar listings: Agenda
By mail to P. O. Box 3624, Ann Arbor, 48106. Hand deliver to 1 Jefferson Ct. or call 996-8018.

Solar Homes Tour: Ecology Center An information packet will be available at the Ecology Center, and Leslie Science Center on the 19th. Tickets \$5, all proceeds benefit the Ecology Center. 761-3186

Monthly Meeting: New Democratic Movement
4 pm at the Michigan League, check listing in lobby for room number. 996-8408

Meditation Service: Zen Buddhist Temple-Ann Arbor
(see 5 Sunday)

General Meeting: A2MISTAD
7:30 pm (see 5 Sunday)

"Silkwood": Bullard Film Series 7:30 pm and 9:45 pm in Aud. A, Angell Hall. \$2.50 admission.

Panel discussion: ICP 7:30 pm, call for location. Local clergy will discuss how to broaden the peace and justice movement within the religious community. 663-1870

Israeli Folk Dancing: B'nai Brith Hillel Foundation
8 pm at Hillel at 1429 Hill. One hour of instruction followed by open dancing. 663-3336

"The Diary of Ann Frank": Hill Street Cinema
8:00 pm at 1429 Hill St. The diary of a young Jewish girl living in Nazi occupied Holland conveying the tension, claustrophobia and intense hardship suffered by two fugitive families. 663-3336

20 Monday

Meeting: Bracelet Program
(see 6 Monday)

General Meeting: IWW
(see 6 Monday)

General Meeting: WHE-AC
(see 6 Monday)

General Meeting: FSACC
(see 6 Monday)

Writers Series: Guild House
(See 6 Monday). Edward Morin and Laurence Pike (poetry and songs).

21 Tuesday

Deadline for camera-ready ads: Agenda
By mail to P. O. Box 3624, Ann Arbor, 48106. Hand deliver to 1 Jefferson Ct. or call 996 8018

Volunteers Needed: Dean Baker Campaign Anytime throughout the day meet at 211 N. Main. Help distribute leaflets announcing the Baker-Pursell Debate. 747-8211

Baker-Pursell Debate: League of Women Voters 8 to 9 pm on WIHT channel 31 and WEMU-FM. A debate of election issues, among them contra aid. 665-5808

22 Wednesday

Beans and Rice Dinner
(see 1 Wednesday)

"Crow Dog": Alternative Action Film Series
7:30 pm in E. Quad, room 126. A film about a Sioux Medicine Man, the recent struggles of the Sioux, and the birth of the American Indian Movement.

The Connection Committee meeting: MAD
(see 1 Wednesday)

General Meeting: LASC
(see 1 Wednesday)

"Women in Love": Hill St Cinema
8 pm at 1429 Hill St. The wit, passion, scope and pure sensuality of D.H. Lawrence is captured in a film which explores the range of sensuality that made Lawrence one of the most controversial figures of his day

"Paradigm Shifts: A Philosophical Perspective": New Dimensions Study Group
8:30 pm at the Yoga Center. U-M graduate philosophy student Joel Richeimer offers a layman's introduction to historian of thought Thomas Kuhn's theory that scientific revolutions arise from relatively sudden alterations in world view, or "paradigm shifts." 971-0881

"Home of the Brave": All Act Film Series 8:45 pm in E. Quad, room 126. A look at the current genocide aimed at Indians of the Americas.

23 Thursday

Making Halloween Costumes and Party Ideas: Ecology Center

5 to 8 pm Workshop 7 to 8 pm at the Scrap Box, 900 S. 7th. All ages 4 to adult. Cost of supplies will run about \$1 to \$2. 994-4420

Beginners' Class: The Zen Lotus Society
6:30 to 8:30 pm for six Thursdays at Zen Buddhist Temple, 1214 Packard Road. \$120. 761-6520

Group Facilitation Workshop: Women's Crisis Center
7 to 10 pm at WCC, 306 N. Division, Lawrence St. entrance. A two-part workshop for women with counseling experience. The first session will cover theory in group process and communication, the second will cover different types of decision making, setting agendas, and facilitating discussions. entrance, \$5 donation. Second session Nov 6, 7 to 10 pm. Call for registration. 994-9100

Membership meeting: NJA
7:15 pm at Temple Beth Emeth, 2309 Packard. We will be making some important decisions concerning the structure of the organization. Plus, it will be a dessert pot-luck, so bring something to share. 971-5382

General Meeting: FLOC
(see 2 Thursday)

General Meeting: Michigan Alliance for Disarmament
7:30 pm at the Michigan Union. Professor Daniel Axelrod and Janis Michael, MAD's chair, will give keynote talks and fall activities will be discussed. 995-5871

General Meeting: Peace and Justice Committee
(see 2 Thursday)

General Meeting: Sister City Task Force
(see 2 Thursday)

24 Friday

General Meeting: N29
(see 3 Friday)

General Meeting: Assn of Arab American Graduate Students
(see 3 Friday)

Barbara Ehrenreich: Democratic Socialists of America
7:30 pm in the Residential College Auditorium. DSA's national Co-Chair, Barbara Ehrenreich will be speaking in connection with a meeting of the Union for Radical Political Economics. 662-4497

U.N. Day Observance: WILPF
7:30 for refreshments, 8 for program at Ann Arbor Public Library. 971-4702

25 Saturday

The 3rd Annual Organizing Conference: National Tenants Union—Midwest Region

First Unitarian Church. Workshops include sessions on rent control, housing economics, women and housing, legislative reform, tenant control of housing, and needs of tenant organizations. If you join Ann Arbor Tenants Union before the 25th you can attend the conference and dinner for \$5.00. A good deal for the Rose Martin and Friends catered dinner alone! The dinner will be followed by a showing of the movie "The Wobblies." 763-6876

Contra contra contra dance: A2MISTAD
8 pm call for location. Contra dancing is a kind of square dancing and this particular dance is anti-contra! 761-7960

26 Sunday

Meditation Service: Zen Buddhist Temple-Ann Arbor
(see 5 Sunday)

General Meeting: A2MISTAD Construction Brigade
(see 5 Sunday)

Bullard Film Series: 3 films
7:30 pm in Aud. A, Angell Hall. "Personal Decisions": Reveals the complexities women face in deciding whether or not to have an abortion. "The Silent Scream," the controversial indictment of abortion that

professes to depict an abortion through ultrasound imaging, 8 pm. "Planned Parenthood's Response to 'The Silent Scream,'" medical experts rebuttal to the misinformation and inaccuracies of "The Silent Scream," 8:30 pm.

Israeli Folk Dancing: B'nai Brith Hillel Foundation
(see 19 Sunday)

"Slaughterhouse 5": Hill Street Cinema
8 pm at 1429 Hill St. Based on the Kurt Vonnegut novel, the film centers around the life and predicament of Billy Pilgrim; how he survives one disaster after another: a passenger-plane crash, the Dresden, Germany fire-bombing; and how he goes on to enjoy the sexiest night in outer space with a beautiful Hollywood starlet, and lives. 663-3336

A "Roll Back the Rents Party": Ann Arbor Tenants Union and New Democratic Movement
At Rick's American Cafe with the Sun Messengers. Proceeds will go to the Ann Arbor Tenants Union and New Democratic Movement. 763-6876



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27 Monday

General Meeting: South African Political Prisoner Bracelet Program
(see 6 Monday)

General Meeting: Industrial Workers of the World (IWW)
(see 6 Monday)

General Meeting: World Hunger Education-Action Committee (WHE-AC)
(see 6 Monday)

General Meeting: Free South Africa Coordinating Committee (FSACC)
(see 6 Monday)

Writers Series: Guild House
(See 6 Monday). M.L. Liebler and Jerry Perrine (poetry).

Middle East Interest Group: NJA
662-8760 or 662-9217

28 Tuesday

Billi Gordon Comedy Show: Gay Liberation
11 pm at the Nectarine Ballroom, 520 E. Liberty. Former U-M student and Hopwood Poetry Award winner, Billi Gordon, now a sought after Hollywood stand-up comic, character model, and author. 763-4186

Hill Street Forum/Guest Writers Series: B'nai Brith Hillel Foundation
8 pm, Hill Auditorium. The guest writer will be Kurt Vonnegut, Jr. Tickets are available at Ticketworld in the Union and at Hudson's, \$12, 10, 8, 5. 663-3336

29 Wednesday

The Connection Committee meeting: Michigan Alliance for Disarmament
(see 1 Wednesday)

General Meeting: Latin American Solidarity Committee
(see 1 Wednesday)

"Key Largo": Hill Street Cinema
7 pm at 1429 Hill St. Edward G. Robinson, Humphrey Bogart, and Lauren Bacall play what are unquestionably three of the most memorable characters ever created. 663-3336

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Regional Meeting: Society of American Foresters
"Forestry and Society: An Evolving Partnership." 763-4570

General Meeting: HAP-NICA
5:30 pm at the Michigan Union. 769-1442

Feminist Interest Group: NJA
7:30 pm at 1208 Chapel Ct. Get to know us and help set goals for the year. 665-2825

General Meeting: FLOC
(see 2 Thursday)

General Meeting: Peace and Justice Committee
(see 2 Thursday)

General Meeting: Ann Arbor Central America Sister City Task Force
7:30 pm place to be announced. 994-2766 or 769-5051

"Top Girls": The Brecht Company
8 pm at the Residential College, East Quad. An all-women cast performs this popular comic/tragic play by Britain's leading feminist playwright, Caryl Churchill. Tickets available at the door. Special preview price \$3. 995-0532

"CIA and Central America": LASC
Call for time and place. Former CIA analyst, David MacMichael, who had access to all Central American data during the period of supposed arms smuggling by Nicaragua will speak. 665-8438

31 Friday

Noon Forum: Guild House
(See 3 Friday). W.H. Locke Anderson and Johnathon Ellis: "Going to Jail as a Political Act."

Regional Meeting: Society of American Foresters
"Forestry and Society: An Evolving Partnership." 763-4570

Book signing by Billi Gordon: Gay Lib
1 pm at Middle Earth. Billi's cookbook *You've Had Worse Things in Your Mouth* has become a camp classic. 763-4186

General Meeting: N29
(see 3 Friday)

General Meeting: Assn of Arab American Grad Students
(see 3 Friday)

"Top Girls": The Brecht Co.
(see 30 Thursday). Opening night tickets \$6, student \$4.

COSTA RICA

Costa Rica's proclaimed neutrality should conform to the Statute of Absolute Neutrality officially approved 3 years ago, by which the country cannot intervene nor lend its territory for military purposes against any other nation. If the issue of neutrality is seen as a rock, then the debt crisis with its related ties to the U.S. is the hard place, and Costa Rica is clearly caught between the two.

Despite its highly touted military neutrality, Costa Rica's territory is travelled regularly and without problem by the diverse factions of the contras.

Occasionally, for appearance' sake, Costa Rican authorities detain a few members of the contra or dismantle one of their hospitals or training camps. But in San José the capitol city, and in the zones of San Carlos and Upala on the Nicaraguan border the armed contras move with ease.

Periodically, these contra groups attempt to create problems in southern Nicaragua after crossing the San Juan River which forms the border between Nicaragua and Costa Rica. It is only the armed confrontations they have suffered and the strong Sandinista opposition they encounter which curbs these incursions and forces them to await the day of a total invasion.

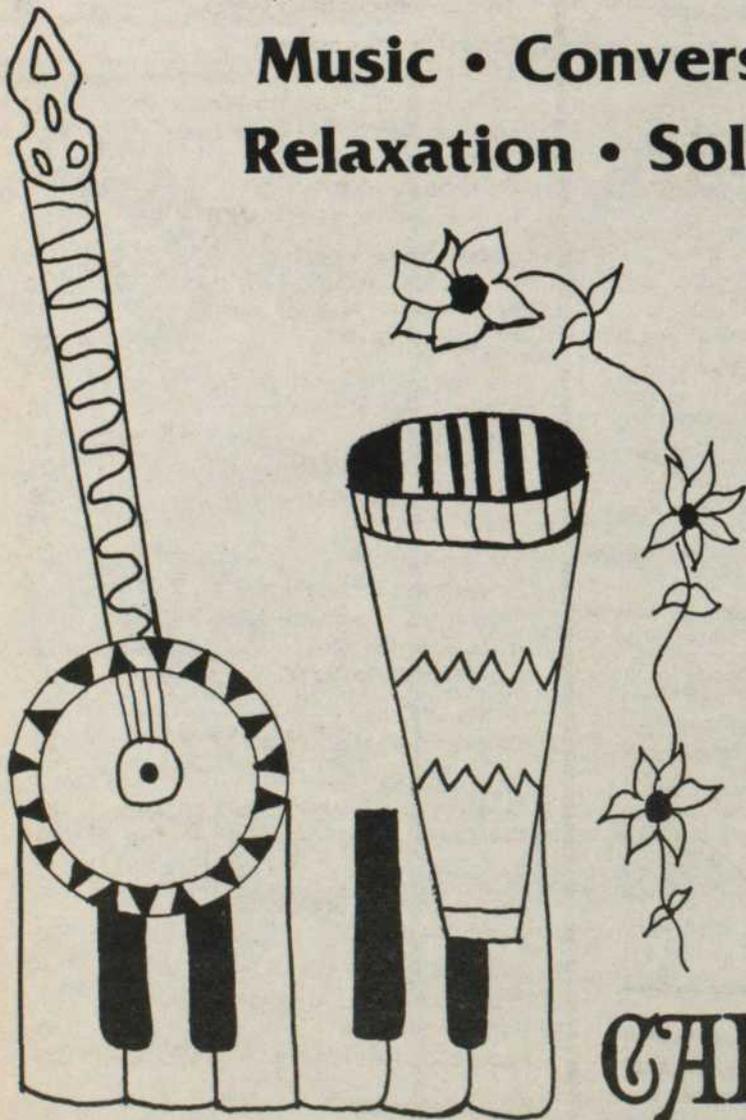
Costa Rican authorities admit, in a rather low voice, that if the U.S. decides to invade Nicaragua, all the military apparatus erected on Costa Rican territory will not only serve as support but will act as a vital tool in such a high-scale military action.

For the moment, in its chess game played on the Central American board, Washington has been able - far more successfully than Ulysses in ancient Troy - to prepare Costa Rica as its war horse for the final checkmate.

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Purpose

Agenda is a monthly newspaper that focuses on the concerns and activities of grassroots organizations in the Ann Arbor/Ypsilanti area. The largest section of the paper, the "Community Resource Directory" (CRD), provides local community action organizations the opportunity to give basic information on their background and current work. The "Calendar" emphasizes meetings and community events and the "Readers Write" section is a forum in which individuals or groups can write in-depth about a concern or topic. *Agenda's* news and feature articles provide coverage of events that do not find their way into the local media on a regular basis.

We welcome students, activists and community residents to help us with this enormous effort and are especially in need of: advertising representatives (commission paid), typists, distributors to take half-hour to one hour routes every month, writers, proofreaders, photographers, business experts, and fundraisers. If you are a student, you can receive credit through an independent study or a field work assignment. Volunteers do not have to come to *Agenda* skilled. They just need to come with a desire to learn and we will train.

Current News

In September we sent out a letter to CRD contacts which should be shared with respective organizations as

soon as possible. The mailing includes our new CRD guidelines, a proposal for suggested monthly donations, and general information on *Agenda*. All organizations should review this material in-depth and put our proposal for a monthly donation to a general vote. One thing that we want to make very clear is that paying for a listing in the CRD is NOT mandatory. Some organizations simply do not have money. *Agenda* is well on its way to becoming a financially healthy publication through increased advertising revenues so we expect the need for these donations to decrease in the near future. Until then, we hope that organizations can see that *Agenda* is worthy of their investment.

However, we also want to stress the importance of another kind of investment in *Agenda*—an investment of time and resources from your organization to make your allotted space in the paper something that will truly be informative to the community. For the Directory to be a viable and contemporary source of information about your organization, one that readers will want to check out every month, the material must be as fresh as possible. Please make sure that enough time and resources are committed to this task. If you need suggestions on how to do this, we would be happy to help. Just call 996-8018 and ask for Laurie or Ted.

November Issue Deadlines

- Oct. 13: Deadline for Feature/News drafts.
- Oct. 15: Deadline for ad space reservations.
- Oct. 19: Deadline for CRD for November issue. If hand delivered, please call 996-8018 for our new address. Deadline for photos and graphics. Deadline for Calendar listings.
- Oct. 21: Camera-ready ads due. (3028)

ARTS AND CULTURE

Performance Network

408 W. Washington
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Purpose

The Performance Network of Ann Arbor is a collectively run, intimate theater including additional shop, storage, and workshop space. It is designed to promote the development, production, and presentation of politically committed experiments and original work in all the performance arts. The Performance Network is available to other arts organizations or individuals for rent at a nominal fee as a performance space, shop, or work-shop. We provide resources to the community in the form of space and equipment, outreach and educational programs, and creativity in the various media

We exist to provide an arena for artists to do the work they love and to share their vision with the public. Ultimately, we hope—as our name implies—to function as a liaison for artists, political organizations, and the community.

Pinkertons Street Theater Troupe

P. O. Box 7682
Ann Arbor, MI 48107
764-0175

Purpose

The Pinkertons are a group of individuals from the

University and Ann Arbor community. We use the medium of theater as a means of exploring social and political issues which affect people both at home and abroad. We use the street as our stage so that we may confront people in their daily routines and effectively interact with them. It is our hope that through a combination of entertainment and shocking drama, we can bring people to think about pressing issues and come to view them in a new light.

Current Activities

Several community arts groups will use the Performance Network facility to present a wide range of theater and dance events including *September Dances in Exile* (Oct. 3 to 5) featuring several well known local dancers and choreographers; the musical play *Worksong* (Oct. 10 to 12 and 17 to 19) produced by Common Ground Theater Ensemble; the light opera *Chapter and Worse*, produced by Comic Opera Guild; and Ann Arbor Dance Works' multi-media dance production of *Night Turns* (Oct 30 to 31 and Nov. 1 to 2)

October Special Event

The Performance Network of Ann Arbor, in collaboration with the Brecht Company and U-M Residential College, is proud to sponsor the return of the nationally known San Francisco Mime Troupe to Ann Arbor. Two years after their successful production of *Steeltown*, the Mime Troup will present their newest play, *The Mozamgola Caper*, a farce-cum-musical, comedy-cum-spy/thriller which examines the United States' role in Africa. Produced by the Performance Network, and performed by the San Francisco Mime Troupe—this nation's best known ensemble of political satirists—*The Mozamgola Caper* will be at Lydia Mendelssohn Theater on Saturday, October 18 at 8:00 pm. See you there! (2114)

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The Pinkertons (from last page)

Background

The Pinkertons were formed in the spring of 1985 in response to the union-busting and other unfair practices which resulted when the State Theater was bought out by the Kerasotes Corporation. The Pinkertons responded with theater actions in front of the State Theater to draw attention to this problem. Other actions include a piece performed last spring, featuring Representative Carl Pursell and the Contras.

Current News

The Pinkertons are now discussing ideas for actions this fall. We welcome any suggestions. We would also like to cooperate with other groups, to help draw attention to issues which they are working on. As of now, we have no regular meeting time. Please call 764-0175 if you would like information about meetings, have ideas for actions, or would like us to work with your group. No acting ability is required in order to join our troupe. New people are always welcome! (1527)

ENVIRONMENT

The Ecology Center of Ann Arbor

417 Detroit Street
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
761-3186

Purpose

The mission of the Ecology Center is to channel community resources into meaningful action on environmental issues. The Center pursues its broad aims through education, advocacy, demonstration, and service, all the while maintaining a balance between involvement at the local level and involvement on a broader scale.

Meetings of Ecology Center groups, the Issues Steering Committee, Pesticides Task Force, Environmental Education Committee and others, take place at 3 to 5 week intervals. New volunteers are invited.

Community Services

Environmental Information and Referrals: By phone, Mon. to Fri., 9:30 am to 5 pm, and Sat., 9:30 am to 1 pm. The Environmental Library and Resource Center is open Mon. to Fri., 1 pm to 5 pm and Sat., 9:30 am to 1 pm.

Recycle Ann Arbor: The Center provides scheduled monthly pick ups of recycleables on every city street. Trucks pick up newspapers, glass, tin cans, aluminum, used motor oil and batteries. Special pickups may be arranged for local businesses and institutions wishing to recycle. The Center also operates a drop-off station at 2050 S. Industrial for non-residents and those who just can't wait for their pick-up day (or missed it). The station is open Fri. and Sat., 9:30 am to 4:30 pm.

Home Energy Works: The Center's Energy Team offers free home visits to income-qualifying renters and homeowners. A home visit is a two to three hour weatherization and energy education session in a resident's home. These services are also offered on a for-fee basis for renters, homeowners, and property managers.

Environmental Policy Programs: Involve research, policy analysis, and lobbying. Programs are primarily carried out by volunteers. Current project areas include: Household Toxics, Pesticides and Herbicides, Community "Right to Know" About Toxics, and the Environmental Education Outreach program.

Volunteer Opportunities: All program areas at the Ecology Center utilize the involvement of the local community. Individuals who would like to lend a hand, should contact the Ecology Center.

October Events

Oct. 2: Groundwater Demonstration Display Construction Workshop, Leslie Science Center, 7 pm. Advance registration required, \$5 materials fee, 662-7802.

Oct. 3 and 4: Tag Days (bucket drive to raise funds for the Ecology Center), 761-3186.

Oct. 4: Household Toxics Collection Day. Shadford Field, just east of Ypsilanti High School, 1779 Packard, Ypsilanti, 10 am to 4 pm, 994-2492.

Oct. 7 and 8: Shop Ann Arbor Days. When you shop at participating stores, 10% of your purchase price will be donated to the Ecology Center, 761-3186.

Oct. 9: Huron Watershed Council Annual Meeting on the "Role of Local Government in Protecting Wetlands," by Dr. Jaworski at Lawton School, Ann Arbor, 7:30 pm, 769-5123.

Oct. 9: Candidates Night on environmental concerns: Sierra Club-Huron Valley Chapter and the Ecology Center, Ann Arbor City Council Chambers, City Hall, 7:30 pm, 668-0365.

Oct. 12: Crop Walk: Interfaith Council for Peace raises funds for the hungry, 662-7802.

Oct. 16: Famine in Sudan, Dr. William Stapp, Leslie Science Center, 7:30 pm, 662-7802.

Oct. 17: Open House for Highschool Seniors: U-M School of Natural Resources, 764-0448.

Oct. 19: Solar Homes Tour. Tickets \$5 for access to the tour sites and an information packet will be available at the Ecology Center and Leslie Science Center on the 19th. All proceeds benefit the Ecology Center.

Oct. 23: Making Halloween Costumes and Party Ideas at the Scrap Box, 900 S. All ages 4 to adult. Open 5 to 8 pm. Workshop 7 to 8 pm. Cost of supplies will run about \$1 to \$2, 994-4420.

Oct. 30: Grand Opening New Recycling Facilities, at Recycle Ann Arbor Processing Facility, Ellsworth and Platt, between Swift Run Park and the landfill.

Oct. 30 and 31: Regional Meeting Society of American Foresters, "Forestry and Society: An Evolving Partnership." Call Karen Frey, 763-4570. (4150)

Meeman Archive

1535 Dana Building
University of Michigan
Ann Arbor, MI 48109
763-5327

Purpose

Established by the School of Natural Resources and the Scripps-Howard Foundation in 1982, the Meeman Archive preserves and makes available to the public outstanding newspaper journalism concerning conservation, natural re-

sources, and the environment. Its computerized data base, using over a hundred subject and geographical keywords covering a wide variety of topics and articles from many different newspapers, is available to anyone. It is of particular value to natural resource professionals, environmental groups, teachers, students, journalists, and the public at large.

The Archive receives articles from a variety of sources. The principal source is the national Meeman Awards sponsored by the Scripps-Howard Foundation, which honors outstanding coverage of environmental topics. Articles are selected from other sources as well. New articles on subjects such as hazardous waste, endangered species, energy conservation, water policy, soil erosion, Native Americans, occupational health, transportation, among others, are constantly being added to the Archive, thus expanding the available collection of environmental information.

Community Services

As a nonprofit information service, the Archive responds to information inquiries from all across the country. To find out if the information you need may be found within

the Archive, phone, write, or visit. The data base allows us to search for articles, abstracts, or copies of the articles in our files. The only charge for the service is for postage and reproduction costs.

New series of articles added this month are: (1) on the problems of unbridled growth in Florida; (2) on the severe water shortages in Kansas; (3) on the use of California's rivers to supply hydroelectric power; (4) on the Three Mile Island nuclear site, from the accident to the present; (5) on groundwater contamination from TCE in the Tucson, Arizona area.

Note also that the Fall 1986 staff has been selected and is ready to help you in your search for information on conservation and the environment. We are open most of every day except Wednesday, and a message can always be left. Feel free to call, write, or visit.

The staff of the Meeman Archive will be attending a conference in Detroit on Sept. 18 on media reporting of hazardous materials related stories. Information from this event will be available at no charge. Also, the Archive has copies of "Being Heard: A Guide to Media Use in Southeast Michigan" available for \$4 (cost). (2692)

GAY RIGHTS

Gay Liberation
 4117 Michigan Union
 Ann Arbor, MI 48109
 INFO: 763-4816
 HOTLINE: 662-1977

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

Meetings

Our meetings vary according to purpose; we do most of our work in sub-committees (counseling, groupwork, education, civil rights). Call for time and place.

Community Services

Hotline: Crisis intervention, peer counseling, referral.

Education: 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 Organization: Information and help on organizing groups, setting goals and objectives, addressing conflict, linking to other groups and resources.

Current News

In June, the U.S. Justice Department took the position that federal law does not prohibit prospective employers from refusing to hire people with AIDS if the employer offers in explanation "a fear of contagion whether reasonable or not" (note

that AIDS is not transmitted through casual day-to-day contact.)

The ruling is binding on Federal agencies but individual states may, under their own laws, grant broader protection to people with AIDS and related diseases or ailments.

A number of states have, despite the ruling of the Justice Department, adopted policies prohibiting discrimination against people with AIDS. Among such states are: Connecticut, Florida, Illinois, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, New Mexico, New York, Oregon, Washington and Wisconsin.

Late in August the Michigan Department of Civil Rights adopted a permanent policy of nondiscrimination covering persons with AIDS. The Department had been working with a temporary policy that the Michigan Civil Rights Commission ultimately approved on a permanent basis. Commission Chairperson Dorothy Haener is quoted as saying "We felt it essential that the Commission make public its position on complaints from people suffering from AIDS."

The law now in force prohibits discrimination in employment, housing, public accommodations, public services, and education.

People with actual or possible complaints or people who would like more information are encouraged to call 763-4186 (leave message if no answer) or 869-MOHR.

October Events

Oct. 28: Comedy Show with Billi Gordon at 11 pm at the Nectarine Ballroom, 520 E. Liberty. Former U-M student and Hopwood Poetry Award winner, now a sought after Hollywood stand-up comic, character model, and author. Sponsored by Gay Liberation. 763-4186.

Oct. 31: Book signing by Billi Gordon at 1 pm at Middle Earth, 1209 S. University. Billi's cookbook, *You've Had Worse Things in Your Mouth*, has become a camp classic. Sponsored by Gay Liberation. 763-4186.

Nov. 1: Halloween Costume Ball: An Evening in Oz with M.C. Billi Gordon at 9 pm at the U-M Law Lounge, State at S. University. Sponsored by Michigan Gay Union and Gay Liberation. 763-4186. (3950)

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Statement of Purpose

WNI-HV aims to educate the general public about Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) as well as to provide support and direct care to people with AIDS (PWA's), people with AIDS-Related Complex (ARC), and individuals concerned about AIDS. Our service area encompasses the greater Huron Valley area.

Ann Arbor Tenants Union

4001 Michigan Union
Ann Arbor 48109
763-6876

Community Services

The Ann Arbor Tenants Union educational and counseling services are available to individuals and groups in the Ann Arbor/Ypsilanti area. AATU's central service office is located in the Michigan Union. Tenants who work with neighbors towards a collective solution to shared problems have more strength than individuals. These tenants form Tenants Union locals where they live in order to bargain collectively with the landlord. AATU provides back up services for locals including research, graphics production, organizational and negotiating assistance and networking with other tenants.

Counseling services: Phone counseling is available Monday and Thursday afternoons. In-person counseling is available Wednesdays at 1 pm and 7 pm at the office in the Michigan Union (other times by appointment please). Please bring photocopies of leases, letters, anything on paper.

Literature: "How to Evict Your Landlord," a manual of basic tenants rights is available for \$3. "Fight Back! How to defend yourself in court when you're being evicted," helps you through the courtroom without an attorney. This book costs \$4. Add \$1 per booklet for mail order.

Membership

AATU memberships are available on a

Amnesty International (AI) U. S. Group 61

Ann Arbor, MI
761-1628 or 761-3639

Amnesty International (AI) is a strictly nonpartisan worldwide movement of people working for the release of prisoners of conscience, for fair and prompt trials for all political prisoners, and for an end to torture and the death penalty in all cases. AI defines prisoners of conscience as men, women, and children who are detained any-

HEALTH ISSUES

Membership and Meetings

Any individual is welcome to work with the organization as a volunteer and/or board member. Current membership includes men and women from all walks of life: health care professionals, educators, therapists, members/representatives of high risk groups, and individuals from the general public.

General meetings are held the second Sunday of every month and are open to all. The next meeting is October 14, 3:30 to 5:30 pm at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Education Center, Ann Arbor. (Enter through outpatient entrance.)

Community Services

Education: Speakers available to address

any group on all aspects of HTLV-III infection: transmission, testing, psychosocial issues, safe sex, etc. Written materials available.

Support Groups: Currently available for: those who have AIDS, ARC, or a positive antibody status; friends, family, partners of the above; high risk individuals concerned about HTLV-III infection. Others will be formed as needed.

Direct Services: Transportation, assistance with errands, home or hospital visitation, coordination of health care/social service benefits, whatever else is necessary for the person with AIDS.

Referral: To other health care, educational, or social service agencies. (1603)

HOUSING

sliding scale to any tenant in the area. Membership is not mandatory to receive counseling but all contributions are needed and welcome. AATU is a member organization of the National Tenants Union, the Community Housing Coalition (Ann Arbor), and the Michigan Ad-Hoc Committee on Housing.

Current News

In the 1950's, nearly 70% of North American families could afford single-family housing. In 1986, that number has dropped to fifteen percent. In Ann Arbor, Ypsilanti and the surrounding townships rent increases approach nearly 50% in the past two years.

Around this county and across the country people are working together to take control of their own communities and housing. This means cooperatives and Rent Control, rent strikes and community development.

The third annual organizing conference of the National Tenants Union—Midwest Region will be held in Ann Arbor on Saturday, October 25th. A "Roll Back the Rents Party" with the Sun Messengers, from Detroit, will be held at Rick's American Cafe the following evening. The Sun Messengers are annual participants in the Ypsilanti Depot Town Jazz Festival. Proceeds will go to the Ann Arbor Tenants Union and New Democratic Movement.

If you join the Ann Arbor Tenants Union between now and the conference you can attend the conference and dinner for only \$5.00. Five bucks is a good deal for the Rose Martin and Friends catered dinner alone! The dinner will be at the First Unitarian Church of Ann Arbor. The dinner

will be followed by a showing of the movie "The Wobblies." Tenant Union organizers, legal aid attorneys/paralegals and local tenants from throughout the Great Lakes states will be in attendance.

Rent Control, the hottest political issue in the Detroit suburbs of Warren and Southfield, will be the subject of a session moderated by Michael Apple, local Rent Control expert; featuring Dennis Keating, nationally recognized expert on Rent Control; and Ann Teache, Southfield Tenants Union organizer. Given the current rent-angry mood of Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti tenants this session is sure to be well attended. Rent Control will be presented as a feasible alternative to exorbitant rents and run down buildings.

Local tenants will also find the ten o'clock session's "Basic Tenants' Rights" and "Basic Organizing" useful. Tenant advocates will give a fast-fact, tactic-packed hour Long session. Come to this session and reduce your rent. We guarantee you will find a way to make your landlord pay the cost of your new AATU membership and conference registration fee.

Members of organizations listed in the CRD are encouraged to participate in the roundtable session where Tenants Union organizational staff and volunteers will be sharing dry but absolutely useful information about the centralized tasks of organizing and service work.

Workshops include sessions on rent control, housing economics, women and housing, legislative reform, tenant control of housing, and needs of tenant organizations. (4268)

HUMAN RIGHTS

where because of their beliefs, color, sex, ethnic origin, language or religion provided they have neither used nor advocated violence. AI is independent of all governments, political factions, ideologies, economic interests, and religious creeds. Its mandate is based on the United Nations' Universal Declaration of Human Rights. For its work, AI was awarded the 1977 Nobel Peace Prize.

One of several ways in which individuals become involved in AI's activities is to join an adoption group. Among its other activities, an adoption group writes letters and does other work on behalf of individual

prisoners whose cases have been researched by AI's International Secretariat. Ann Arbor's adoption group, AIUSA Group 61, is currently working on the cases of a Soviet woman, Tatyana Velikanova, and a Turkish man, Ahmet Isvan. It is also working provisionally on the case of a Sri Lankan man who the AI International Secretariat believes is a prisoner of conscience and whose case is being further investigated.

Ann Arbor's Group 61 also works on a wide variety of other AI projects. In addition to paying group dues to AI's national organization, it must decide to which AI programs—such as the AI treatment

Amnesty International

program for victims of torture—or AI-related concerns to give financial assistance. Group 61 raises funds for these purposes at its Farmers' Market, Art Fair, and Fishbowl booths, at which it sells items from T-shirts to buttons, to doughnuts and coffee.

Group 61 also participates in the AI national organization's decision making process. In this regard, one of the general issues that the local group has been confronting in recent months—and will undoubtedly continue to address—is whether some of AI's national or local initiatives or positions reflect any political orientation. Given the considerable social

awareness and commitment to effective action of many AI members, it is not surprising that political considerations sometimes enter into AI discussions. These considerations must not, however, compromise in any way AI's strict policy of political neutrality when any action is taken or when any information or statement is issued by AI. This neutrality is a foundation of the respect the organization has won around the world and a key to its effectiveness.

Current Events

Group 61 holds its meetings at the University of Michigan Student Union on the second Tuesday of every month at 7:30 pm.

Big Mountain Support Group

2619 S. Main Street
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
663-9119

Statement of Purpose

Plans for relocating 10,000 to 15,000 Navajo people in the Big Mountain area (Arizona) are still underway; the relocation is scheduled for completion a year and a half from now. The Navajo people are being removed from their land to accommodate the perceived energy needs of the U. S. government, which is in the process of destroying the land, air and water of Big Mountain and ultimately the lives of the Navajo.

Faced with the physical and psychological trauma of strip mining, pollution from radon gas and other poisons, and relocation to hostile cities 75 and 100 miles from their homes, the Navajo people have united in resistance to the Relocation Act (P.L. 95-531) and ask our support.

Our local group is one of many around the nation and the world responding to requests from the people at Big Mountain, with the primary goals of publicizing facts about the relocation, writing letters to senators and representatives (two of whom have responded by introducing moratorium bills), and raising funds for the people at Big Mountain. The local group is steadily growing and expanding its activities as its resources increase. We need the support of everyone concerned.

The November 29th Committee for Palestine (N29)

c/o MSA
3909 Michigan Union
Ann Arbor, MI 48109

Statement of Purpose

N29 is a national American organization dedicated to work for the rights of the Palestinian people, to help them in their struggle for self-determination. We believe it is important to see the Palestinian situation from a global perspective. We are critical of American foreign policies around the world and we believe it is important to work in support of the struggles of other oppressed peoples. Our goals are to educate Americans about the Palestinian people, their history and aspirations; and to work to

change the U.S. government's policies regarding the Palestinian people and their rights to self-determination.

Meetings and Membership

We meet every Friday at 5 pm for one hour in the Union. Ask at the information desk for the specific location. Members must agree with the position outlined in N29's platform. We do not discriminate on basis of gender, race, or religion. The Ann Arbor chapter elects officers yearly. Decisions are made consensually. Committees form around specific projects.

Community Services

N29 sponsors educational events such as films, speakers, and slideshows. We will also provide speakers on request. Subscriptions to our newsletter, "Palestine Focus," are available. Copies of the Focus are available at our events, as is other literature on Palestine, the Middle East, etc.

The group will devote the majority of its October 14 meeting to a commemoration of AI's 25th anniversary.

To learn more about AIUSA programs, contact the national headquarters at AIUSA, 322 8th Ave., New York, NY 10001, (212) 807-8400. To join the U.S. Urgent Action Network, contact AIUSA, Urgent Action Office, P.O. Box 1270, Nederland, CO 80466, (303) 440-0913.

There is an urgent action group in Ann Arbor which works on Latin American cases; call 668-0249 for more information. For further information on Ann Arbor's Group 61 call 761-1628 or 761-3639. (3402)

Meetings

All are welcome and encouraged to attend. The next meeting will be Thursday, October 16, 7:30 pm at 2619 S. Main Street, Ann Arbor.

October Events

The movie, "Broken Rainbow," an account of the Navajo experience at Big Mountain will be shown Tuesday, October 14, 7:30 and 9:30 pm in the Natural Science Building. The slide show, "Trouble on Big Mountain" and a video of a PBS documentary are available for showing. A benefit is planned for late October. Buttons and T-shirts will be on sale throughout the year and other fundraising activities are planned. (1864)

Past Events

N29 sponsored slide shows on Palestinians under occupation and on Palestinian culture. We arranged an exhibition of the works of Naji El Ali, a Palestinian political cartoonist. As a national organization we participated in a tour with the African National Congress, and brought speakers from the ANC and N29 to Ann Arbor. We have also participated in demonstrations supporting progressive groups in Ann Arbor, and we have organized demonstrations in memory of the Deir Yassin massacre, the Sabra and Shatila massacres, and condemning the 1982 invasion of Lebanon.

Current Events

We are working with LASC and FSACC on a conference entitled "Policy of Oppression: Critiques of U.S. Intervention in Central America, Southern Africa, and the Middle East," to be held on October 10th and 11th. (2246)

INTERGENERATIONAL ISSUES

Gray Panthers of Huron Valley

1209 Island Drive #103
Ann Arbor, MI 48105
663-0786

Statement of Purpose

The local network, part of a national organization encompassing thousands of members in approximately two-thirds of the states in this country, works to alleviate social injustice and to change present policies from militaristic to peaceful ones. Members come from all ages, young and old, pooling their efforts and energies to implement a national health service, and working to eliminate nursing home abuses, remove employment barriers based on

ageism, and many other similar issues. Local concerns are also addressed and supported as they arise.

Meetings

The Gray Panthers of Huron Valley meet on the second Saturday of each month, September through June (no July or August meetings) in the second floor conference room, Ann Arbor Fire Station, 107 North Fifth Avenue, 2 pm to 4 pm. Meetings are open to the public at all times and any interested person is invited and welcome. Occasional extra social events also take place.

Community Services

Primarily in coalition with other organizations, we pursue actions for peace, nuclear weapons elimination, decent housing, public consumer advocacy, both as

individuals and as an organization. We participate in various efforts of local groups dealing with services to older adults as well as educational programs to initiate or promote public awareness of deficiencies and prejudices which need to be eliminated from the social and economic scene.

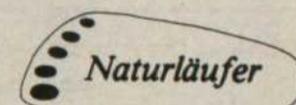
Current News and Events

We are taking a new directions approach for the local network in terms of content of meetings and structural changes for more effective action concentrated on vital issues.

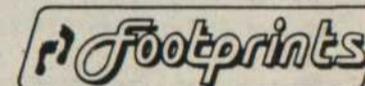
The Doctors Directory has received additional public recognition via presentation at state and national conferences. The Covenant for a World Free of Nuclear Weapons, continues to evoke widespread interest from all parts of the country. This is a program for boycotting consumer goods

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Oct. 11: Open meeting: Gray Panthers of Huron Valley, choosing a focus for the coming year, second floor conference room, Ann Arbor Fire Station, 107 N. Fifth Ave., 2pm to 4 pm. (2596)

Ozone House

**608 N. Main
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
662-2222**

Ozone House is a volunteer-staffed collective which provides crisis intervention services and short-term counseling to youth and families free of charge. We advocate for youth and recognize the need to support parents, families, and larger systems, all of which influence the lives of young people. Our confidentiality policy creates an environment in which clients can be comfortable seeking the help and support they need to help themselves.

Community Services

Ozone House offers the following services free of charge:
Crisis Counseling: 24-hour counseling by telephone for the community at large.

Non-Crisis Counseling: Walk-in and ongoing for run-aways, youth, families, and adults with family issues. Available 11 am to 11 pm.

Foster Care: Short-term emergency placements.

Independent Living Program: Program to help homeless youth find jobs, housing and acquire skills for independent living.

Community Education: Presentations to schools and community about issues related to adolescence and families.

Support Groups: Presently, a gay/lesbian youth support group exists and we are planning a group for teens of divorced/separated parents.

Food: Emergency kitchen for youth.

Referrals: Information about other resources.

Status of Emancipated Minors

The idea of emancipation stands in stark contrast with our society's expectations of the relationship between parents and children. Emancipation is defined as the termination of the parents right of custody, control, services, and earnings of their children. It gives youth under the age of 17 the rights of 17 year olds. However, most laws, social norms, and institutional policies define children as needing parental care, protection and control until they are 18 years old. Emancipated youth, like 17 year olds, become caught in a zone between youth and adulthood.

Emancipation may occur by marriage, active duty in the armed services when parent(s) terminate rights, abandonment, through a court order, by mutual agreement between parent(s) and child, or when an individual reaches the age of 18. Parent(s) may emancipate a child by filing with the county clerk—no court action is required. This provision allows parents to throw their children away, even though subsequent provisions in the state statute say that a parent may not emancipate a child who is in need of financial support. Minors who do not wish to be emancipated receive no instructions in the statute, nor is there a procedure defined for fighting a county clerk's decision to emancipate. After emancipation young people typically do not receive guidance regarding their rights and responsibilities as legal adults.

Ozone House offers counseling and support to emancipated minors. In response to the needs of homeless youth, Ozone House also offers an Independent Living Program which includes counseling, housing and job search assistance, financial help, and other services. (2970)

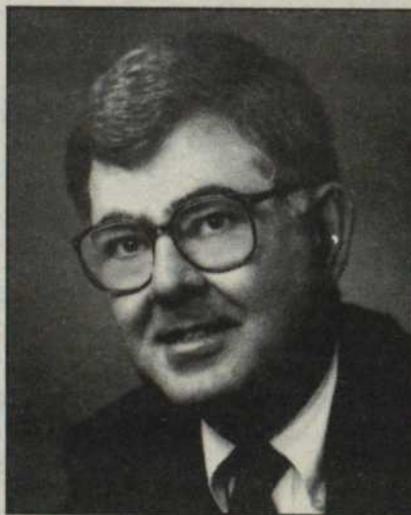
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F.L.O.C. Farm Labor Organizing Committee 4318 Michigan Union Ann Arbor, MI 48109 764-1446

Statement of Purpose

The Farm Labor Organizing Committee (FLOC) is devoted to securing collective bargaining agreements between area pickle and tomato processing companies

and farmworkers of the Midwest. In February of this year, FLOC signed precedent-setting contracts with Campbell's Soup Company against whom they had been striking since 1978 and against whom they had led a nation-wide boycott since 1979. Although a good beginning, the contracts covered only 559 workers in Michigan and Ohio, a small percentage of the 60,000 farmworkers in the Midwest. Negotiations are now being carried out with Heinz.

Meetings and Membership

Ann Arbor FLOC meets every Thursday at 7:30 pm in Room 4318 of the Michigan Union. All are welcome.

Community Services

FLOC holds numerous benefits and bake sales,

donating all proceeds to FLOC's Toledo headquarters. We sponsor local presentations and other outreach events in an effort to educate the community about the struggles of farmworkers.

Current News

The local group is reorganizing away from the its old strike and boycott strategies to focus on FLOC research interests. Hazards of pesticide use and misuse is an issue of long concern and one that Ann Arbor FLOC has addressed in the past. We also hope to help put together some new post-boycott literature for FLOC. The easy access to University facilities should facilitate these efforts. (1520)

Graduate Employees Organization (GEO) American Federation of Teachers/Michigan Federation of Teachers Local #3550 802 Monroe #3 Ann Arbor, MI 48104 (313) 995-0221

Office hours: 12:30 pm to 4:30 pm MF,
9:30 am to 1:30pm TWT.

Statement of Purpose

The Graduate Employees Organization (GEO), is the legally certified bargaining agent for Graduate Student Assistants at the University of Michigan. The bargaining unit consists of teaching assistants (TAs) and staff assistants (SAs). GEO is affiliated with the Michigan Federation of Teachers, the American Federation of Teachers, and the AFL-CIO as Local 3550.

The broadest goals of GEO are essentially two-fold: to represent all Graduate Student Assistants in collective

bargaining with the University concerning terms and conditions of employment; to offer a campus wide organization whereby graduate employees from different schools and departments can get together to discover and pursue common concerns.

These abstractions can better be understood by reviewing the more limited and concrete goals of GEO. A) Our foremost concern is to protect TA's against deterioration in economic compensation, real wages, benefits, and working conditions. B) Of equal importance is our commitment to quality education. GEO will continue to face the problem of excessive class sizes at the University seeking for contractual limits of 23 students per section taught by TA's. C) We have pushed for a University funded TA training program to improve the teaching skills of teaching assistants. D) Believing the primary function of the University is to educate, GEO holds that the increasing share of the University budget that is consumed by administrative overhead is abhorrent. Our goal is to reallocate funds to those who do the actual teaching. E) GEO's commitment to the ideals of non-discrimination and affirmative action are manifested by the inclusion of a memorandum of understanding on affirmative action in our current contract and we will seek

to get this included as a clause of our contract. F) Finally GEO seeks to continue in its tradition of democratic unionism by actively encouraging input from the membership at all times.

Meetings

Regular membership meetings are held monthly. Times and places will be announced ten days in advance and posted on GEO bulletin boards and published in the University Record.

Current News

As of publication time, the GEO and the University of Michigan are negotiating a new contract. Primary points of contention center around financial issues. For complete update on progress contact the GEO office at 995-0221, 12:30 pm to 4:30 pm MF, 9:30 am to 1:30 pm TWT.

New GEO officers are: Alice Haddy, President; Marilyn Vance, Vice President; Melanie Gumz, Secretary; Wally Genzer, Treasurer.

October Events

Meeting: Oct. 15, 1986, 7:30 pm in the Anderson Room of the Michigan Union. Agenda: Contract Negotiations. (2908)

Industrial Workers of the World (IWW) Southeastern Michigan General Membership Branch 42 S. Summit Ypsilanti, MI 48197 483-3478

Statement of Purpose

To promote the ownership and control of all means of production and distribution by the working class which creates all social wealth through its labor. In the short run, the IWW helps workers organize for increased democracy in the workplace, as well as for increased wages and benefits. The Union promotes its purposes through workplace organizing and education with an emphasis on direct action as the most effective means for workers to achieve their goals.

Meetings and Membership

Every Monday (except holidays) 6 pm, Room 4304,

Michigan Union, 530 S. State, Ann Arbor. Observers are welcome.

Area membership includes the majority of the employees at: Ann Arbor Tenant's Union, People's Warehouse, University Cellar, and several other employees, both employed and unemployed, homemakers and students who are in agreement with the Union's principles. The IWW has approximately 110 members in this area. The initiation fee is \$5. Dues are \$5 per month for workers making more than \$300 per month, \$2 per month for anyone making less than \$300 per month.

Community Services

Labor-organizing: Members of the IWW are available to advise and assist anyone engaged in organizing which will promote worker control, regardless of whether the organizers ultimately desire affiliation with the IWW.

Current News

The IWW contract at the People's Warehouse expires at the beginning of October. Negotiations are underway, but presently a substantial disagreement exists over

wages and benefits. The Union's negotiating team has been authorized to call a strike vote if the employer makes no significant movement before the contract expires. Donations and pledges of financial support have been forthcoming from delegates at the recent IWW convention and from IWW branches around the country. Food Co-op members can help by urging their representatives to the Michigan Federation of Food Cooperatives to direct management at the People's Warehouse to offer a reasonable settlement to the workers so that a disruption of services may not prove necessary.

Thanks to exposure in *Agenda* we have recently made contact with a couple more groups of workers needing assistance in dealing with their bosses. We again encourage any worker experiencing problems with his/her working conditions to visit one of our meetings or give us a call. We want to help. While new members are always welcomed, there is no pressure on people asking our assistance to join our Union. We will help you explore your options for dealing with your work situation. The decision about which course of action to take will be left entirely up to you. (2772)

Michigan Farm Unity Coalition (MFUC) P.O. Box 506 Howell, Michigan 48843 Phone 1-800-MI-FARMS

Michigan Farm Congress delegates approve farm policy resolutions at United Farm and Rancher Congress in St. Louis: Thirty-eight delegates elected in caucuses of farmers across the state of Michigan travelled to St. Louis September 11 to join more than 1500 grassroots delegates from all parts of the United States at the United Farmer and Rancher Congress. These delegates met for three days to define the severity of the current farm crisis, and develop the

resolutions that will be used as a platform for a campaign to modify national farm policy.

Resolutions concerning parity in farm prices, moratoriums on farm foreclosures, tax incentives for sustainable agricultural practices and soil/water conservation, conservation and the protection of the environment, special land reform measures, importing and exporting farm products, rural community services and public education on agricultural issues were approved by the general assembly on Saturday September 13. These resolutions will be incorporated in the "Save the Family Farm Act," a new grass-roots bill that was introduced in September in Washington by Senator Tom Harkin (D-I), Rep. Richard Gephard, (D-MO) and other pro-farmer members of Congress.

Delegates from Michigan returned to their constituents with the full text of the resolutions for

disbursement in their own communities and with plans for community organizing and action to save the family farm.

Purpose

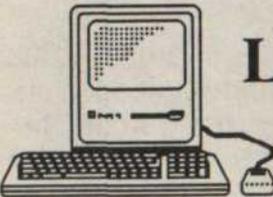
The Michigan Farm Unity Coalition was organized for the purpose of returning economic stability to the family farm system of agriculture, through a farm program based on parity pricing with supply management.

The Coalition supports alternative agricultural legislation which provides parity pricing for a wide range of commodities, including dairy, with mandatory supply management.

The Coalition supports no proposal which would require farmers to produce any commodity for any market at below the cost of production. Due to farm foreclosures of epidemic proportion, the Coalition supports a credit program which provides for debt-management with a moratorium on foreclosures and repossessions. This

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Michigan Farm Unity

would help stabilize land values until the pricing legislation would allow troubled farmers to become economically viable.

Because of the severe financial problems prevalent throughout rural America today, many farm families are without the bare essentials. The Coalition supports legislation which would provide survival assistance for those who need food, clothing, shelter or health care but do not qualify for programs already in place.

In order to achieve these goals, members of the Michigan Farm Unity Coalition have been actively organizing grassroots membership groups for the purpose of educating and activating farm families in the art of changing agricultural policy.

The coalition has opened a hotline

number for Michigan farmers in need of assistance.

The number is 1-800-MI FARMS.

Member Organizations

American Agriculture Movement, Michigan Agenda, Michigan Catholic Conference, Michigan Community Action Agency, Michigan Democratic Agriculture Committee, Michigan Education Association, Michigan Farm Borrowers Association, Michigan Farm Justice Coalition, Michigan Farmers' Union, Michigan Land Improvement Contractors, Michigan League of Rural Voters, Michigan Organic Growers Association, Michigan State AFL-CIO, Save America's Farming Environment, National Farmers Organization, Oakland-Livingston Human Services Agency, United Auto Workers, Women for Survival of Agriculture in Michigan. (3666)

LATIN AMERICAN ISSUES

A2MISTAD Construction Brigade
 802 Monroe
 Ann Arbor, MI 48104
 761-7960

Purpose

The A2MISTAD Construction Brigade, a project of HAP-NICA, was organized for the purpose of building a soil and water analysis facility on the campus of the Autonomous University of Nicaragua. By working with Nicaraguans to help build a stronger, more independent agricultural economy, the Ann Arbor-Managua Initiative for Soil Testing and Development (A2MISTAD) hopes to create lasting ties between Nicaragua and Ann Arbor, showing solidarity with the Nicaraguan people as they attempt to implement the goals of their revolution.

A2MISTAD is part of an international effort involving not only the Ann Arbor-based group, but modern equipment donated by the Italian government, a \$20,000 donation from the Dutch government, and training provided by Canadian technicians. The brigade, which will begin construction in January, is currently raising \$20,000 to \$30,000 for the purchase of materials. Other current foci include recruiting skilled workers to assist in the project and collecting

needed tools from the community.

Meetings and Membership

A2MISTAD's meetings are open to all, Sundays at 7:30 pm in the Michigan Union. Ask for the room at the information desk. A2MISTAD is composed of 20 to 30 community members and students. The group would like more women to become involved. Although some skilled workers are already involved with the brigade, experienced plumbers, masons, electricians, and carpenters are still needed for the construction project in Nicaragua. In addition, a health care worker and fluent Spanish speakers are needed.

Current News

A2MISTAD's September canvass was very successful, raising \$2,600--thanks to all who helped out. Also in September, a benefit concert was held for the brigade at El Azteco in Lansing. The event was also a farewell party for Eduardo Vera, A2MISTAD's advance person, who will be coordinating the project in Managua.

October Events

Oct. 12: Auction at 3 pm at the Unitarian Church, 1917 Washtenaw, Ann Arbor.
Oct. 25: Contra contra contra dance at 8 pm. Contra dancing is a kind of square dancing and this particular dance is anti-contra! Call A2MISTAD for location. (2228)

Ann Arbor Central America Sister City Task Force

c/o City Clerk, City Hall
 100 North Fifth Ave.
 P.O. Box 8647
 Ann Arbor, MI 48107

Purpose

Ann Arbor's Central America Sister City Task Force came into being through the passage of Proposal A, an ordinance establishing local initiatives for peace in Central America. By a vote of 61.5% to 38.5%, Ann Arbor voters expressed overwhelming support for peaceful initiatives in Central America, opposing U.S. military policies in the region.

The proposal established the Sister City Task Force to establish sister city relationships with cities in Central America, to continue the community education effort begun by the campaign to pass Proposal A in an effort to increase public understanding of conditions in the region and of the U.S.

role there, and to work with community groups to facilitate educational and cultural exchanges, as well as encourage material aid assistance to the war torn communities of Central America.

Meetings and Membership

The Task Force has seven official and four ex-officio members, appointed by City Council. But participation doesn't stop there. All interested persons are encouraged to join the work of the Task Force and to fully participate in its meetings and deliberations. If you would like to work with the Task Force or be kept informed about its work, please write to the above address.

The Task Force meets every Thursday evening at 7:30. Every effort will be made to meet in the second floor conference room in the Fire Station, across from City Hall, 111 North Fifth Ave. Sometimes, we are unable to secure the conference room. Call Mayor Pierce's office (994-2766) to confirm the location. Call Jim Burchell at 769-5051 as a last resort.

Current News

Since the selection of the Nicaraguan city of Jalapa as the Task Force's first

choice in the region, much has been happening. Several Ann Arborites currently living in Nicaragua have travelled to Juigalpa to meet with city officials and look over the city. Juigalpa's response to our invitation to become sister cities has been an enthusiastic "of course!"

The Task Force presented its selection to City Council on Sept. 22. The Council passed the formal resolution establishing the sister city relationship on a 10 to 0 vote.

An Ann Arbor delegation will leave for Juigalpa on November 1 for a ten day visit. The delegation will be led by Ed and Mary Lee Pierce, our Mayor and his wife. Work is underway to select the other members from applications received by the Task Force. For all those who would like to go on such a delegation be assured there will be many

more going down to Juigalpa in the next few years as our relationship grows and prospers. In late October we will hold a send off party for the delegation at which people are asked to bring small items for the folks to bring down (pencils, aspirin, vitamins, etc.)—look out for the time, place and other particulars. We hope to have a Nicaraguan delegation visit Ann Arbor this spring.

Coming Events

Oct. 2, 16, 23, 7:30 pm—Task Force meeting, 2nd Floor Conference Room, Fire Station, 111 North 5th Ave.

Oct. 9, 30, 7:30 pm—Task Force meeting, place to be announced.

Weekend of Oct. 25—Send-off party for the Ann Arbor delegation leaving for Juigalpa: look out for details. (3296)

**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 perpetuating these, and to pressure our government to change its military, political, and economic policies toward Latin America.

Meetings

Meetings are every Wednesday at 8 pm in the Michigan Union. Stop at the information desk for room number or call 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 and speakers. The outreach committee also sends people to University or high school classes or any place else they're invited to talk about the issues. The LASC newsletter *La Palabra* is sent to about 800 subscribers and contains a summary of local activity, upcoming events, and some national and international news.

Recent News

LASC's role in the community has changed over the year to include an outreach effort in the area of electoral politics. Although some members were concerned about the group being viewed as co-opting with the Democratic party, most felt it was an opportunity to illuminate Central American issues in and outside of Ann Arbor. There had been discussion in LASC for some time on how to reach beyond the Ann Arbor community to areas like Jackson, Plymouth, Hillsdale, and Adrian.

The victory in the Democratic Party primary for the Second District congressional seat by LASC activist Dean Baker has forced the U.S. role in Central America to become a major issue in the rest of the Second Congressional District. Dean's stand on other important issues gives him a good chance of winning the election. LASC has endorsed Dean Baker's campaign and much of our outreach effort will focus around it in October.

October Events

Sat. 4: Visit by a Nicaraguan and a Swiss woman widowed by the contras. The visit will take place at the Plymouth office of contra supporter, Congressman Carl Pursell, at 134 North Main Street. Call LASC's recorded message for car pool and other information on this event.

Fri. 10-Sat. 11: Two day conference entitled: "Policy of Oppression: Critiques of U.S. Intervention in Central America, South Africa, and the Middle East." Keynote speakers on Friday will be author, scholar, and activist Dr. Manning Marable, and columnist for *The Nation*, Alexander Cockburn (see *Agenda*, 6/86). Dr. Marable will speak on "Racism in America: the Legacy and Contemporary Reality."

Cockburn will discuss "U.S. Foreign Policy Today," 7:30 pm, Rackham Amphitheater. On Saturday, panel discussions will include the histories of the regions, media coverage, current crises, and solutions. 9:30 am-5:30 pm. (LASC is co-sponsoring this conference with the November 29th Committee for Palestine, the Free South Africa Coordinating Committee, and the Rackham Student Government).

While still tentative, former CIA agent David MacMichael may be present in Ann Arbor in October to discuss or debate the role of the CIA in Central America. He is a former CIA contract employee who had high-level classified intelligence data related to Central America during a time when the Reagan Administration claimed there was a "massive" and "continuing flood" of arms from Nicaragua. MacMichael denies there was any such evidence. He is also recognized as an expert military analyst.

LASC is planning to participate in the National Pledge of Resistance (POR) "Stop the Lies" campaign. POR is dedicated to stemming the increasing military intervention by the U.S. in Nicaragua. "Stop the Lies" is a media action aimed at exposing the fallacies that fuel the war in Central America. Each week in October certain lies created by the U.S. government about Central America will be highlighted in various media publicity actions. This will begin an ongoing outreach to editors and news directors from print and electronic media by LASC. Media contacts are needed to spend a couple hours a week corresponding with one or two news sources.

We need a lot of help to realize these actions. Call us if you are interested or if you have other ideas about activities coming up. Any participation will be welcomed. (4440)

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The Alternative Career Center (ACC) was founded to educate students about the full range of available career options by providing them with counseling, informational resources, and support. Information is kept on file regarding internship and employment opportunities with nonprofit, community-based educational and charitable organizations throughout the United States and abroad.

By informing students about a wider and more

comprehensive range of career options, the ACC overcomes the limitations of traditional counseling programs. The ACC thus serves as a channel through which committed and self-motivated students may find challenging and meaningful employment.

The ACC provides literature and counseling about graduate programs, internships and careers in the following fields: Peace and Disarmament, Natural Resources and the Environment, Media and Mass Communications, Health and Human Services, Appropriate Technology, Union Organizing, Creative Expression, Alternative Education, Women's Issues, Agriculture, Vocational Ministries, and Community Organizing and Social Change.

Current News

The ACC office is now operating Mondays, 8 am to 12 noon and Wednesdays, 1 pm to 4 pm. We are located in room 130 Tyler, East Quad (in the Residential College Counseling Center). We encourage people to come and look through our resource library. In addition to career information, we have available job bulletins, career guides and progressive literature. At present, our four committees (Programming, Fundraising, Outreach and Publicity, and Faculty & Course Guide Compilation) are working on respective projects. We are in great need of a work study student, volunteers, contributions, and office help. Call Phillis at 764-0175 for more information. (1828)

New Dimensions Study Group

P.O. Box 2664
Ann Arbor, MI 48106
971-0881

Purpose

The New Dimensions Study Group is a volunteer, nonsectarian organization dedicated to helping people in their search for deeper meaning in life. It operates without formal structure, charges no dues and follows no master. Rather, it functions as a forum for the presentation and discussion of ideas, information and techniques, and as a networking resource for those who want to put those ideas, information and techniques into practice. The group hosts speakers, mini-workshops, round table discussions, and from time to time, taped lectures or videos. The range of topics involved is broad, but generally concerned with the development of human consciousness and with

the expression of human spirituality. Thus, the group has presented material ranging from a lecture on "Quantum Physics and the Human Mind" to an evening workshop on "Native American Medicine Wheel Spirituality." Topic schedules are compiled quarterly, and the scheduling meetings are open to all. If you have material to present, or know someone who does, please feel free to attend the scheduling session, or send any relevant information to the address above.

The NDSG draws its inspiration from a nationally broadcast radio program, "New Dimensions," produced by the New Dimensions Foundation of San Francisco. The program airs locally on WUOM, 91.7 FM, Sundays at 7 pm and on WDTR, 90.9 FM, Wednesdays at 6 pm and Saturdays at noon.

Meetings

The group meets at the Yoga Center of Ann Arbor at 205 E. Ann, Ann Arbor, every other Wednesday night. The building becomes available at 8:05 pm and programs start by 8:30 pm. Meetings are open to all interested parties and are free, although small donations are welcome to help

defray the nominal cost of the meeting space.

October Events

Oct. 8: "The Aquarian Conspiracy." The program begins with a taped New Dimensions Radio interview with Marilyn Ferguson, author of the 1980 book on the "New Age" movement, *The Aquarian Conspiracy*, then moves into a discussion of Ferguson's ideas and the idea of a "New Age" movement in general, moderated by NDSG coordinators Tom Lincoln and Steve Modell. Free, doors open 8:05 pm, program begins 8:30 pm, Yoga Center, 205 E. Ann St.

Oct. 22: "Paradigm Shifts: A Philosophical Perspective." U-M graduate philosophy student Joel Richeimer offers a layman's introduction to historian of thought Thomas Kuhn's theory that scientific revolutions arise from relatively sudden alterations in world view, or "paradigm shifts." Kuhn's work has been of major importance in awakening people to the role of subjective factors in the development of modern scientific thought. Free, doors open 8:05 pm, program begins 8:30 pm, Yoga Center. (2864)

PEACE AND DISARMAMENT

Ann Arbor War Tax Dissidents/U.S. Peace Tax Fund

c/o Mary Lou Kerwin
1427 Broadway
Ann Arbor, MI 48105
662-2838

Purpose

Ann Arbor War Tax Dissidents (AAWTD) works for passage of the U.S. Peace Tax Fund bill (a law permitting people morally opposed to war to have the military portion

of their taxes allocated to peacemaking), and provides counseling and information resources for persons conscientiously opposed to payment of war taxes.

AAWTD is affiliated with the National War Tax Resistance Coordinating Committee (NWTRCC) and with the National Campaign For a Peace Tax Fund (NCPTF). AAWTD is of an informal nature with a diverse membership and a volunteer coordinator.

Meetings

AAWTD generally meets the third Saturday of each month in the Pine Room, Wesley Foundation, 602 E. Huron, Ann Arbor.

Community Services

AAWTD provides the community with a speakers

bureau, workshops, forums, information hotlines (contact appropriate number listed below), and "Taxes for Peace" (a slide show). For information, contact:

Mary Lou Kerwin at 662-2838 for general information about AAWTD.

David Bassett at 662-1373 about the U.S. Peace Tax Fund bill.

Fran Eliot at 663-2655 about war tax resistance.

October Events

Oct. 18: General meeting topic: "Coping with the Three-Cornered Catch-22: You, Your Bank and the Internal Revenue Service," noon to 3 pm at Wesley Foundation Lounge, 602 E. Huron. Brown bag lunch, beverages provided, everyone welcome. For information: 663-2655. (1518)

Michigan Alliance for Disarmament (MAD)

410 W. Washington
Ann Arbor, MI 48103
313/995-5871

Talking about My G-G-Generation

[From the September *Connection*.]

"Hope I die before I get old," sang Pete Townsend of The Who for a generation of youth, to the shocked incomprehension of its elders, many of whom were feverishly working—in the inner cities, in Vietnam, and in the secret labs and air conditioned offices where the arms race is directed—to make a grim reality of that expression of contempt for the world youth was to inherit. The times they have a-changed, but not quite as the mass media would have us believe. Young people are no less likely to die before they get old, but they have not been transformed into mythical 1950oids.

Our society makes adolescence far more painful than it needs to be. It cannot be painless. Establishing an

identity for oneself as a person necessarily involves struggle, rebellion, and agony: without obstacles to overcome, there is no growth. But in America today, young people face obstacles they cannot by themselves overcome: grinding, inevitable poverty for minority youth, bleak and empty competitiveness, and over everything the threat of war.

It is not surprising that many young people submit, turning to drugs, say, or banking. But we find it reassuring that some do not. These far more, perhaps, than their elders point the way to something better. Having less in the way of jobs or respectability to lose, and with the fire of unjaded idealism to drive them, young people worldwide are at the forefront of change. Today's revolution in South Africa was started by the Soweto youth in 1976 and Sandinista leaders began their political careers in their teens. In our country, young people brought down a President and ended a war. We are told (with some glee) that it's all over now, but from Capetown to Community High, young people are still the ones who most frighten the powers that be.

Far more significant (for the long run) than the turnout at demonstrations is the way that the self-created music,

fashions, and cultures of young people pervades our culture. Corporations can co-opt and commoditize it, but they cannot create it or entirely purge its subversive content. From the dissonant anger of hardcore punk to the hip beat of rap to the eloquent bitterness of Springsteen, the rebellion of the young fuels what is best in our own society—the refusal to accept the intolerable—and affects in some way even the most apathetic and conformist. Youth culture is culture as rebellion. And who would dare say that it is rebellion without a cause?

The Connection is the journal of the Michigan Alliance for Disarmament, and recently received national recognition in *The Nation*. If you would like a copy of September's issue on youth and social change in America (from which this article is excerpted), or to subscribe, write to MAD (at above address). Subscriptions come with memberships in MAD, which are \$10 per year, \$5 for students and low income.

Connection meetings are every Wednesday, 7:30 pm, usually at the MAD office. Call 995-0183 to check the location. All are welcome.

Who We Are. MAD is a four year-old Ann Arbor group working on disarmament, nonintervention, and

Michigan Alliance for Disarmament

social justice. Our 500 members include students, professors, University staff, and many members of the Ann Arbor community, and share a commitment to breaking the deadly connections among nuclear war,

U.S. intervention, and social oppression. MAD is the Ann Arbor affiliate of the national Mobilization for Survival.

Collected Works, 325 E. Liberty, carries an assortment of MAD buttons and bumperstickers as well as a lot of neat clothes. (3696)

SANE, National Committee for a Sane Nuclear Policy

1416 Hill Street
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
663-3913
M-F 10 am to 4 pm

Goals and Policies

SANE is a nonpartisan, grassroots organization dedicated to the reversal of the nuclear arms race, the promotion of a peacefully oriented U.S. foreign policy, and the conversion from a military to a civilian economy. Originally founded in 1957, SANE's national membership has grown to over 225,000, much of this due to the huge success of the canvass program begun in 1983.

To further our goals of educating both the public and our elected officials regarding peace and disarmament issues, SANE's strategy includes congressional lobbying, door-to-door canvassing, phone-banking, a national newsletter (Sane World), and an award winning National Public Radio show called "Consider the Alternatives".

While focusing primarily on community outreach and fundraising efforts, the Ann Arbor office also has an active membership development program and is working to strengthen the local peace community through coalition building.

Current News

SANE is still working on legislation to eliminate non-military and military assistance to the contras in and out of Nicaragua, a drastic reduction in military funding for the government of El Salvador, and the promotion of U.S. participation in the Contadora peace process.

In mid-August the House of Representatives voted by sizable margins for a series of binding measures on arms control. They are: (1) to halt nuclear testing above 1 kiloton, as long as the Soviets don't test (234-155); (2) to continue the current moratorium on anti-satellite (ASAT) weapons (222-197); (3) to withhold funds for weapons that would exceed the major limits set by the unratified SALT II treaty (225-186); (4) to cut by more than 40% the Reagan request

for Star Wars funds from \$5.3 billion to \$3.1 billion (239-176); (5) to ban production of binary chemical weapons (210-209).

These were major victories but the struggle is not over. We will still be pushing for the negotiation of a Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty, and for the Senate to adopt House language during the conference committee on appropriations.

Locally, SANE is involved with the Second District Coalition for Arms Control urging concerned citizens to write Senators Levin and Riegle to work for passage of House language on the above issues. SANE is also part of the Sister City Task Force which is currently organizing the first delegation of Ann Arbor residents to Nicaragua. If you are interested in being part of this historic first peace delegation, call the SANE office.

Statewide, SANE has two new chapters in Alpena and Traverse City. In Kalamazoo and Lansing, SANE has been educating residents about the voting record of Congressman Howard Wolpe, a consistent supporter of peace and justice issues, and a recipient of an endorsement from SANE's Political Action Committee. We are also working in Okemos and East Lansing educating those residents about the record of Congressman Bob Carr, also a SANE PAC endorsee.

Coming Events

We are heading into the home stretch of the fall election. We will continue to educate people about consistent supporters of peace issues such as Congressmen Wolpe and Carr. We are also working to open a new chapter in Plymouth, and in preparing a Second District Candidate Comparison flyer. In 1985 Congressman Carl Pursell had a 29% voting record with national SANE; voting for a cap of 40 on the MX Missile program, for a \$2.1 billion funding level on Star Wars, and for a moratorium on ASAT weapons tests. This past month Congressman Pursell voted with the SANE position on the five measures listed above. Candidate Dean Baker has come out strongly for peace and social justice issues. As one local resident said: "Everyone knows Dean would be with us 100% if elected to office."

If you can help volunteer for any of these campaigns, please contact us at the above address and number. (3982)

and to broaden the constituency of individuals who are working towards the elimination of nuclear weapons.

Washtenaw County WAND was formed in December 1984 by 12 individuals and became affiliated with the national WAND organization which was founded in 1980 by Dr. Helen Caldicott. The local group currently has around 400 members and affiliates; there are more than 20,000 national members.

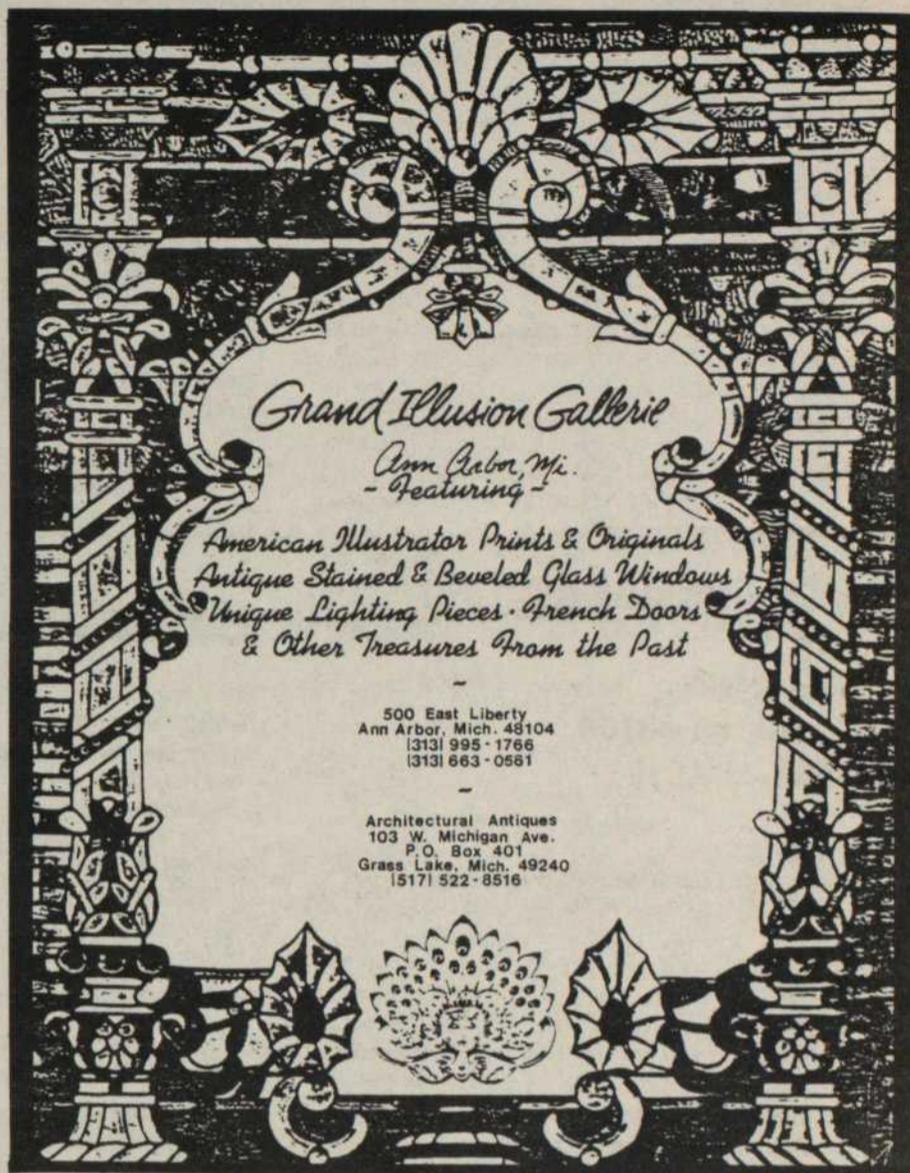
The local WAND includes an Executive Committee, a Coordinating Committee, and 10 active committees which reach out to others with public speaking, lobbying, sales, publicity, coalition-building, and political action, while strengthening the group with educational programs, fundraising, a newsletter, and membership services.

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

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

Purpose

WAND's primary purpose is to educate ourselves and the public about the dangers of continued weapons production and to influence our congressional representatives by informed lobbying. An overall goal is to empower women personally and politically,



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Women's Action for Nuclear Disarmament

Anyone can call our Information Hotline at 761-1718 to hear a 3-minute message announcing important lobbying information, meeting times, and upcoming community events.

Our Speaker's Bureau provides trained speakers who will address small informal groups, classes, and public forums and rallies on a variety of issues. Contact Jean Carlson at 426-2232.

Meetings and Membership

Meetings are on the second Sunday of the month at St. Aidan's Episcopal/Northside Presbyterian Church, 1679 Broadway, Ann Arbor. Doors open at 7 pm for conversation and sales of WAND items, the meeting begins at 7:30, the program at 8:30 and discussion follows at 9 pm. At this meeting, we will show a 20-minute

videotape featuring Helen Caldicott, the stirring and inspiring founder of WAND and past president of Physicians for Social Responsibility, called "Working for Peace." The film will be followed by a discussion period. Babysitting is provided. All are welcome.

Membership is open to anyone interested in stopping the arms race. Current paid membership is around 200. Men are welcome and encouraged to join. Membership fees are \$25 per year with scholarships available for those unable to pay the entire amount. Membership benefits include the local monthly newsletter and the national quarterly WAND Bulletin, voting rights at the annual meeting, and alerts from the coalition phone bank as key votes come up in Congress which require immediate lobbying. For more information: 971-9249.

Current News

In early August, WAND and other groups lobbied actively to influence Congressman Pursell to vote against

three important defense issues, SDI funding, adherence to SALT II, and a ban on nuclear testing. He voted with a minority of Republicans to oppose the President's defense plans and vote in favor of our position.

After being trained at the Speaker Training workshop, which was sponsored by the National Office in Boston, WAND member Ginger Owens went to train speakers at WAND's third Michigan affiliate in Marquette.

Sarah Peterson from WAND was one of the speakers at the U-M Regent's Meeting on September 18 speaking against SDI research on campus.

Members are still appearing at the Farmer's Market every week to hand out lobbying materials, the WAND brochure, and the flier with Congressman Pursell's voting record. (3446)

POVERTY AND HUNGER

Bread for the World 706 Dwight Street Ypsilanti, MI 48198 487-9058

Purpose

Bread for the World (BFW) is a citizen's lobbying organization that deals with hunger and health related legislation. It is a national group with chapters in the local area. Although it does not send any direct aid itself, BFW, 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

Bread for the World is organized by Congressional Districts. In the Ann Arbor/Ypsilanti area there are two chapters. In Ann Arbor (2nd District) meetings are held at the First Presbyterian Church, 1432 Washtenaw, Ann Arbor, on the second Thursday of the month at 7:30 pm. For information call Jim Rutz at 668-4064. In Ypsilanti (15th District) contact Robert Krzewinski at 487-9058.

Current Events

Every year BFW sets many goals, with one major

project that, if successful, would help millions of people who are affected by hunger throughout the world. In 1986 the major project is passage by Congress of the Universal Child Immunization Act which would attempt to immunize all the world's children by 1990 working through programs established by UNICEF. At the same time, BFW is working to pass other legislation such as a national nutrition monitoring program, famine-relief reserves for Africa, tax relief for the very poor, and various other hunger related concerns. For more information about programs, BFW can also be contacted at their national office: Bread for the World, 802 Rhode Island Ave. N.W., Washington, DC 20018. (1772)

World Hunger Education-Action Committee (WHE-AC) 4202 Michigan Union Ann Arbor, MI 48109 663-3560

Purpose

WHE-AC is a campus-based organization whose focus is on educating the community on the causes of—and solutions to—world hunger. Our goal is to understand the complex social, political, economic, and environmental forces that both create and promote world hunger. We recognize that true development can only be achieved by empowering people on a grass roots level. We organize projects with this perspective in mind. Consequently, we work with Oxfam America and the Institute for Food and Development Policy.

Meetings

All are welcome to come and be a part of WHE-AC. General meetings are on Mondays at 6:30 pm in the Michigan Union (check at the front desk for room). Project meetings will be held during the week. If you are unable to attend on Mondays but would like to be involved, contact WHE-AC.

Current News

In early September the Treasury Department denied Oxfam America a license to ship \$41,000 worth of agri-

cultural tools, training manuals, and construction materials to its development projects in Nicaragua. The funds for these items were raised as part of Oxfam's Tools for Peace and Justice campaign.

The U.S. Trade Embargo, issued May 1, 1985, prohibits the export of most goods from the United States to Nicaragua without a license granted by the Treasury Department. While it took five months to come to a decision regarding Oxfam's license, in April a U.S. group was granted a license in only four days to send a helicopter to the contras. The U.S. justified its expediency in approving this license on "humanitarian" grounds.

This raises a question about the Reagan Administration's definition of "humanitarian." According to the Geneva Conventions, humanitarian aid is defined as items necessary to relieve human suffering. It is to be provided only to civilians and wounded or sick combatants. Under the Conventions, assistance to military forces cannot be designated humanitarian. Clearly, a helicopter which can be used to transport troops is not humanitarian.

Oxfam is in the process of appealing the Treasury Department decision. It is asking people to write their Congresspersons and urge them to support Oxfam's application. A nationwide petition drive is also getting underway. WHE-AC will be circulating them.

The Hunger Relief Act of 1986 (Bills HR4990 and S2495) which would enact \$1 billion in domestic food assistance program improvements is in need of more co-sponsors. Contact your senators and representative and

urge them to co-sponsor the act.

WHE-AC is expanding its work on domestic hunger issues. In cooperation with PIRGIM, WHE-AC is planning a Hunger Watch. We will be documenting hunger in Washtenaw County and the effectiveness of programs designed to assist the hungry. This major research effort is just getting started. Anyone who is interested should contact Cindy at 662-9765.

October Events

Sun. 12: The 12th annual CWS/CROP Hunger Walk. Funds raised will go to local programs, such as Peace Neighborhood Center and Ypsilanti Hunger Coalition, and to development projects in Zimbabwe, Honduras, and Guatemala. For more information, call 663-1870.

Wed. 15: 8 pm, location to be announced. Joseph Collins "Why Hunger in a World of Plenty?" In commemoration of World Food Day, Dr. Joseph Collins will be speaking on the causes of hunger here in the United States and throughout the world. Collins and Frances Moore Lappe co-founded the Institute for Food and Development Policy, a not-for-profit educational center dedicated to exploring the root causes of and solutions to world hunger. The two wrote *Food First: Beyond the Myth of Scarcity* which documented that scarcity and overpopulation are not causes of hunger, but symptoms. This month their new book *World Hunger 12 Myths* will be published. (3875)

PROGRESSIVE RELIGION

B'nai Brith Hillel Foundation 1429 Hill Street Ann Arbor, MI 48104 663-3336

Purpose

Hillel is a central cultural and educational resource for both the Jewish and non-Jewish communities of Ann Arbor. Programs range from cultural arts series to political

series to a Jewish Learning Center. Counseling is provided for anyone on an appointment basis. Call Hillel at 663-3336 for more information.

Community Services

Hillel's extensive cultural arts program, including the Celebration of Jewish Arts and the Hill Street Forum lecture series, brings some of the best music, drama, writers, singers and lecturers to the University of Michigan campus. Already booked for the 1986-87 season are writers Kurt Vonnegut, Amos Oz and Joseph Heller, as well as San Francisco's Traveling Jewish Theatre and

singer Chava Alberstein. Hillel's student-run film co-op, Hill Street Cinema, presents feature length films three evenings a week and features an Israeli or Jewish interest film every other Sunday. The Hill Street Players, Ann Arbor's newest student-run theatre program, will be staging one production each semester in the Hillel auditorium.

Hillel sponsors a wide array of speakers throughout the year and also coordinates the Israel Conference Day and the University's annual Conference on the Holocaust. Its Jewish Learning Center offers afternoon and evening courses open to the entire community on subjects ranging

from Bible and Talmud to Jewish ceramics, Hebrew, Yiddish, Jewish history and Jewish thought. Hillel also houses the Jewish Elderly Outreach Program which pairs University students with Jewish elderly in the community. Israeli dance instruction is offered Sunday evenings, followed by two hours of open dancing.

Hillel provides housing and support for over 20 independent student organizations. These range from the United Jewish Appeal to the Progressive Zionist Caucus to the Soviet Jewry and Ethiopian Jewry Action groups. This year will also see the formation of a Jewish feminist group, as well as a speaker series entitled "Women in Judaism." Consider, founded by Hillel in 1983, is the University's weekly issues forum dedicated to presenting opposing viewpoints on a variety of topics.

Hillel offers Reform, Conservative, and Orthodox services during all of the major holidays as well as every Friday night during the academic year. For more information on any of Hillel's programs, please call 663-3336.

October Events

Tues. 11: Lecture by Senator Carl Levin: "Shooting Straight from the Hill." Free and open to the public. Please join us and have a chance to speak to Sen. Levin. 7:30

pm, Hillel, 1429 Hill St.

Sun. 19, 26: Israeli Folk Dancing. One hour of instruction followed by two hours of open dancing. 8:00 pm, at Hillel, 1429 Hill St.

Tue. 28: Hill Street Forum/Guest Writers Series presents Kurt Vonnegut, Jr., 8 pm, Hill Auditorium. Tickets are available at Ticketworld in the Union and at Hudson's, \$5-12.

Hill Street Cinema Schedule

Films shown at 1429 Hill St., Ann Arbor. All films are \$2.

Wed. 1: "A Streetcar Named Desire" (Elia Kazan, 1951). 8:00 pm and 10:15 pm. Vivien Leigh, a Southern gentlewoman who cannot face her present impoverished state attempts to capture the dreamy past and nearly destroys herself.

Wed. 8: "The Godfather" (Francis Ford Coppola, 1972). 8:00 pm. An epic vision of an Italian-American family featuring Marlon Brando as the Corleone Patriarch.

Sat. 11: "In Cold Blood" (Richard Brooks, 1967). 7:45 and 10:00 pm. Based on the Truman Capote novel, the film vividly recounts the senseless slaughter of an upstanding family in a small Kansas town.

Wed. 15: "The Godfather, Part II" (Francis Ford Coppola, 1974). 8:00 pm. The saga of the Corleones continues interweaving the story of Don Vito's rise to

power with the story of what son Michael does with that power.

Sun. 19: "The Diary of Ann Frank" (George Stevens, 1959). 8:00 pm. The diary of a young Jewish girl living in Nazi occupied Holland conveying the tension, claustrophobia and intense hardship suffered by two fugitive families.

Wed. 22: "Women in Love" (Ken Russell, 1970). 8:00 pm. The wit, passion, scope and pure sensuality of D.H. Lawrence is captured in a film which explores the range of sensuality that made Lawrence one of the most controversial figures of his day.

Sun. 26: "Slaughterhouse 5" (George Roy Hill, 1972). 8:00 pm. Based on the Kurt Vonnegut novel, the film centers around the life and predicament of Billy Pilgrim; how he survives one disaster after another: a passenger-plane crash, the Dresden, Germany fire-bombing; and how he goes on to enjoy the sexiest night in outer space with a beautiful Hollywood starlet, and lives. The film is shown in conjunction with a talk by Kurt Vonnegut, presented by Hill Street Forum on Tuesday, October 28.

Wed. 29: "Key Largo" (John Huston, 1948). 7:00 pm. Edward G. Robinson, Humphrey Bogart, and Lauren Bacall play what are unquestionably three of the most memorable characters ever created. (5014)

Guild House

802 Monroe

Ann Arbor, MI 48104

662-5189

What is Guild House? Guild House is an ecumenical campus ministry supported by seven denominations. The ministry was started in 1894 by the women of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

The ministry responds pastorally to the problems and struggles of individual students and faculty. Historically, however, our most noted role is to be in the forefront of ethical and moral issues.

Philosophically, we affirm the importance of not being neutral observers of the higher education scene but seek actively to be involved in taking sides on issues and concerns where matters of social ethics and justice are involved. We join in partnership with all who share this common passion for justice.

October Events

Guild House Noon Forums: lunch available for \$1.00 (home-made vegetarian soup and sandwich).

Fri. 3: Ann Marie Coleman: "A Visit to Chile in the Fall of '86."

Fri. 10: No program in support of "National Protest for South-African Divestment and Sanctions."

Fri. 17: Buzz Alexander: "A Journey to Nicaragua."

Fri. 31: W.H. Locke Anderson and Johnathon Ellis: "Going to Jail as a Political Act."

Guild House Writers Series: 8 pm

Mon. 6: Richard Tillinghast and Tish O'Dowd Ezekiel (poetry).

Mon. 13: Liza Field and Paula Gover (fiction).

Mon. 20: Edward Morin and Laurance Pike (poetry and songs).

Mon. 27: M.L. Liebler and Jerry Perrine (poetry).

Beans and Rice Dinners every Wed., 6 to 7 pm for \$2.00. Proceeds go for solidarity work in Central America. (1530)

Interfaith Council for Peace (ICP)

604 E. Huron

Ann Arbor, MI 48104

663-1870

Office Hours: 9:30-5, M-F.

Purpose

Interfaith Council for Peace (ICP), a nonprofit 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 and agriculture 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 are gratefully accepted at the above address.

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. Drop in and visit us soon. The ICP office is located in the basement of the First United Methodist Church (corner of State and Huron).

October Events

Sun., 12: The 12th annual Washtenaw County CROP Hunger Walk, 12:30 pm, Zion Lutheran Church, 1501 W.

Liberty. Six hundred walkers raised \$25,000 during last year's walk for local free meal programs and overseas self-help and development projects. Both ten mile and ten kilometer routes are planned. Call or stop by the office to pick up a sponsor sheet. 25% of proceeds from this year's walk will go to the following local agencies: Arbor Haven, Peace Neighborhood Center, Northside Community Center, Catholic Social Services, SOS Crisis Center, and Ypsilanti Hunger Coalition. 65% of proceeds will go to these overseas projects: Honduras (Emergency Seeds for Food Production Project); Zimbabwe (Women's Lay Training Program); and Bangladesh (Agricultural Development/Seeds for Food Production Project).

Oct. 16 to 24: Peace With Justice Week will be observed locally and nationally.

Sun., 19: There will be a panel discussion among local clergy about how to broaden the peace and justice movement within the religious community at 7:30 pm. The panel will include Rev. Virginia Peacock (Church of the Incarnation), Rabbi Robert Levy (Temple Beth Emeth), Rev. Robert Wallace (First Baptist), Rev. Harvey Guthrey (St. Andrews). For location call 663-1870. (3326)

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Purpose and Activities

New Jewish Agenda (NJA) is comprised of Jews from a variety of backgrounds and affiliations who are committed to progressive human values and the building of a shared vision of Jewish life. Our history and tradition inspire us.

We believe that Jewish experience and teachings can address the social, economic and political issues of our time. Many of us find inspiration in our people's historical resistance to oppression and from the Jewish presence at the forefront of movements for social change. Many of us base our convictions on the Jewish religious concept of *tikkun olam* (the just ordering of human society and the world) and the prophetic tradition of social justice.

We are committed to building an inclusive Jewish community and therefore place particular importance on addressing issues which traditionally exclude many Jews.

NJA sponsors and participates in a wide range of activities. A talk by Israeli Peace Activist Gideon Spiro, which we organized and co-sponsored with a number of

other groups, is printed in this month's edition of *Agenda*. A glance at the October events will illustrate the pride and joy we take in celebrating our Jewish heritage.

Of Special Note

Ann Arbor's own Jewish Gay/Lesbian Group is now forming. It is for men and women, community residents and students. Please help us form a group that meets your needs. For information call, call Nancy at the U-M Human Sexuality Office (766-4186).

NJA Platform

We believe that to be successful and lasting, a comprehensive settlement must embody the following principles: (1) The Jewish people's right to national self-determination in the State of Israel. (2) National self-determination for the Palestinian people. (3) Mutual recognition and peaceful relations among Israel, the Arab states and the Palestinians. (4) Withdrawal by Israel from territories occupied since June 5, 1967. (5) Guarantees for Israeli security with recognized borders and mutually agreed-upon provisions responding to the fears and real security needs of all concerned parties (excerpted from NJA's national platform: "Principles of Peace").

October Events

Fri. 3: Join us and celebrate Rosh Hashanah (the New Year). Bring something sweet to eat and we can begin a

good and sweet year together. 9 pm, 1516 E. Park Pl. Info: Evelyn 994-5171.

Thurs., 9: RSVP due for Yom Kippur Breakfast on Mon. 13. 662-7649.

Mon., 13: Break the Yom Kippur fast with NJA. Bring a veggie dish to pass. 8 pm, 839 Mt. Pleasant. Info: Rubin / MaryAnn 662-7649.

Wed., 15: RSVP for Sukkot / Shabbat potluck on Oct. 17. 994-8052. NJA Steering Committee meeting, 7 pm, 328 S. Seventh. Info: Gwynne 769-1714.

Fri., 17: Our monthly Shabbat potluck will be held in the Sukkah. Join us to celebrate this holiday of the fall season and freedom. We hope the Celaya family, who are in sanctuary in Ann Arbor, will be able to join us again this year. Bring a veggie dish to pass. 7 pm, 1302 Gardner. Info: Lynn 994-8052.

Thurs., 23: NJA membership meeting. We will be making some important decisions concerning the structure of the organization. Plus, it will be a dessert potluck, so bring something to share. 7:15 pm, Temple Beth Emeth, 2309 Packard. Info: Gary 971-5382.

Mon., 27: NJA Middle East Interest Group. See article about Gideon Spiro. We are locating a central place to hold these monthly meetings. To get the details, call Dianne at 662-8760 or Ben at 662-9217.

Thurs., 30: NJA Feminist Interest Group. Get to know us and help set goals for the year. 7:30 pm, 1208 Chapel Ct. Info: Judy / David 665-2825. (3698)

The Poseidon Project

c/o Shaman Drum Bookshop
313 S. State Street
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
Poseidon telephone 665-0248

October Events

Two Poseidon classes are now scheduled to begin in October and end before Thanksgiving. The first class is on "Politics and Spirituality" and is for people who would like to find deeper resources within themselves for collective political action. It is offered for those who are already involved, or want to become involved, in political activities

and are also seeking a way to express their spirituality outside of any one particular religious tradition.

The second class, called "Imagination and Intuition," will give people a chance to use their imagination to develop their intuition. Most people have only a vague idea of what intuition is, but we know what it means to imagine something. So the imagination can become a doorway to that other way of knowing, intuition.

Both classes are led by Johnathon Ellis and meet for two hours once a week, for six weeks at a weekday evening time to be arranged. For more information about how to join these classes call 665-0248. There is no set fee for the classes but an optional donation will be asked.

The Poseidon Project sponsors talks, workshops,

classes, publications, and service groups, and also makes resource referrals. These activities are of interest to people who are seeking one or more of the following: opportunities for service as a spiritual path; a connection between politics and spirituality; integration of their masculine and feminine dimensions; a spirituality outside of any one religious tradition; a worldview which is more personally and socially enriching than our present culture offers.

The foundation is directed by Jonathan Ellis who has worked on such issues for the last 17 years on the University of Michigan campus and elsewhere. For more information, you may write to the Poseidon Project at the address above, or call Jonathan Ellis at 665-0248. (1982)

The Zen Lotus Society

Zen Buddhist Temple-Ann Arbor
1214 Packard Road
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
761-6520

To straighten the crooked
You must first do a harder thing—
Straighten yourself.
You are your only master.
Who else?

Subdue yourself, and discover your master.

The Zen Lotus Society, a nonprofit religious organization and North American Buddhist Order, was

founded by Samu Sunim in the late summer of 1967 in his flat in Manhattan, New York City. It was established with a view to spreading Buddhadharma in America through teaching the practice of Zen and promoting Buddhist culture.

Zen Buddhist Temple-Ann Arbor was established in 1981 and now serves as the U. S. office of the Zen Lotus Society.

Programs

The Meditation Service at the temple each Sunday from 5 pm to 7 pm is open to the public and is an opportunity to sit quietly in meditation, to try Buddhist chanting, to hear a reading from the Dhammapada, the Sayings of the Buddha, and also to hear a talk. Some guidance is given to newcomers. This Service is a good

opportunity to become acquainted with Zen and Buddhism.

Tuesday evening chanting from 7 to 8 pm is also open to the public, and visitors are welcome at the temple Monday through Sunday during the day.

October Events

Each Sunday: Meditation Service, 5 to 7 pm. Zen Buddhist Temple-Ann Arbor, 1214 Packard Rd. For information, call 761-6520.

Sat. 4: Regular Monthly Introductory Talk; Zen Buddhism in North America: history, philosophy, and practice. 7 pm to 8 pm. Zen Buddhist Temple.

Fri.-Sun. 17 to 19: Weekend Beginner's Retreat with Zen Master Samu Sunim. \$140, Zen Buddhist Temple.

Thu. 23: Beginners' Class-six Thursday evenings, 6:30 to 8:30 pm. \$120, Zen Buddhist Temple. (1704)

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IATA is a student chapter of an organization once called the International Association for the Advancement of Appropriate Technology in Developing Countries (IAAATDC). The organization was founded by a group of international students and professors who were concerned about the impacts of Western technologies in other parts of the world.

We define "appropriate technology" as the technology which is best suited to the cultural, economic, environmental and social conditions at the site of application. In the past we published a journal called *Approtech* which contained articles on development projects around

the world as well as theoretical essays. Unfortunately, due to a lack of funding, we have not been able to publish an issue in over a year. On the bright side however, we have more than enough papers for two more issues and hope to have the next issue out later this fall.

We sponsor a fall and winter speaker series in which we have addressed a wide variety of issues ranging from nuclear arms in the "Third World" to solar energy in Michigan to alternative agriculture in Nicaragua. We are concerned with more than the impact of Western technology on other parts of the world. We are also concerned about the impacts of certain Western technologies in the Western world as well as the many lessons that the West could learn from "Third World Countries."

We have a library in room 4202 of the Michigan Union which contains books, newsletters and journals from all over the world which focus on development and appropriate technology. The library is available by appointment only.

Our Committee for Social Progress in Rio San Juan is

raising money to send clothing and finance construction projects in this impoverished part of Nicaragua. If you would like to be on this Committee please call Abdollah or Charo at 764-0344.

We are always looking for volunteers. If you would like to support us in any way or would like to make an appointment to use our library, please call 764-0175. (2133)

New World Agriculture Group (NWAG)

4096 Natural Science Building
University of Michigan
Ann Arbor, MI 48109
313/764-1446

Why Does the U.S. Need a "New Agriculture"?

With record high crop yields in recent years, one may

wonder what fault can be found in the U.S. agricultural system. However, the technological advances which have burdened the U.S. with "too much" food have not fattened all Americans. While agribusiness corporations have accumulated tremendous power and wealth, the needs and concerns of the people have not been addressed. The current U.S. agricultural system is not sensitive to the nutritional needs of the consumer, the quality of life of the farmers, or the ecological realities of our land.

Feeding Americans does not seem to be a primary goal of U.S. agriculture. The excess of agricultural products has not made food more accessible to the hungry people in the States. Groceries have neither become less expensive nor more nutritional due to agricultural "advances." Ironically, farming families are currently going hungry because of the "success" of the U.S. agricultural system.

These technological advances have not improved the working conditions of the U.S. farmer. Farmers endure debilitating stress during their efforts to save their land.

They work excessive hours under some of the most dangerous working conditions. Furthermore, an increasing proportion of farm labor is being done by migrant workers who live and work under notoriously inhumane conditions.

Finally, the current U.S. agricultural system is not sustainable. The system is deeply dependent on non-renewable fossil fuels for chemical inputs. These same chemicals poison our drinking water, our food, and our land. The system encourages farmers to use poor land management techniques which accelerate soil erosion.

The capital/power accumulated by U.S. agribusiness has enabled it to manipulate public institutions and our tax dollars. The current farm subsidies programs favor agribusiness not farmers. Extension agencies and agricultural and basic research at academic institutions are geared to the interests of agribusiness.

The New World Agriculture Group (NWAG) consists of social scientists, natural scientists, and activists who are dissatisfied with the direction U.S. agriculture and the dominance of big business interests. Members of NWAG

are dedicated to encouraging alternatives to contemporary agricultural production that are neither socially nor ecologically destructive. There are approximately 100 NWAG members dispersed across the continent. The largest chapters are in Ithaca, NY, Ann Arbor, MI, Berkeley, CA, and Champaign-Urbana, IL.

Local Activities

The Ann Arbor chapter of NWAG studied the farm crisis last winter. This fall NWAG hopes to deal with this issue more constructively by exposing Carl Pursell's disregard for his rural constituents and his miserable voting record on farm issues. It is NWAG's sentiment that the replacement of Pursell with Dean Baker this November would cast some hope on the otherwise bleak outlook for southwestern Michigan farmers. Interested persons are welcome to attend our meetings and should call the NWAG-Ann Arbor office (764-1446) to find out the place and time meetings occur. (3270)

HOUSING

Housing Bureau for Seniors, Inc.
990 Wall Street
Ann Arbor, MI 48109
763-0970

Community Services

The Housing Bureau for Seniors is now located in the tower building of Kellogg Eye Center, 990 Wall St., Ann Arbor. The Bureau provides peer counseling for senior citizens and their families about housing choices in Washtenaw County. Volunteers recruited from across the country can arrange to meet with clients in the main offices, or at outreach sites located in Ypsilanti, Ypsilanti Township, Whitmore Lake, Chelsea, Saline and the Burns Park Senior Center.

The Bureau emphasizes individual client needs when assisting seniors, or their families, who are looking for

senior housing. In addition to finding a new home, the Housing Bureau can also help seniors locate in-home services which may allow them to remain in their current situation.

To arrange for an interview with one of our counselors or to ask for a copy of our new housing guide *Home is Where*, contact the Housing Bureau for Seniors at the above number. Though contributions are happily accepted, Bureau services are free.

Current News

"Home is Where: A Look at Housing for Senior Citizens," a photographic slide production to be used either in conjunction with the new housing guide, or as a separate counseling tool, will be available for public viewing by mid-October. Produced with funds the Bureau received from a 1985 Administration on Aging Grant to do outreach services in Washtenaw County, "Home is Where" features slides of a number of area housing facilities currently suitable for senior living.

The slide show, is shorter than 15 minutes in duration and is designed to show, rather than tell, seniors and their families about the wide variety of facilities for senior living in this country.

Service groups, senior centers, or community activists who would like to arrange to see "Home is Where" should contact the Housing Bureau at the above number. The program may be borrowed at no charge; copies of the slide show may also be purchased at cost.

The slide show is the final major project provided for in a grant received in July, 1985 from the Administration on Aging. The grant expires at the end of November, 1986.

Project staff is currently planning for state-wide workshops offered in late October and mid-November in Rochester and Mt. Pleasant, Michigan, for professionals in the senior-housing related fields. The workshops will feature materials produced by the grant, and discuss methodologies developed during the grant time-frame. (2640)

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Democratic Socialists of America
Ann Arbor Local
P.O. Box 7211
Ann Arbor, MI 48107

Purpose

The Democratic Socialists of America formed in 1982 by a merger of the Democratic Socialist Organizing Committee, a remnant of the old Socialist Party, and the New American Movement which grew out of the New Left of the 1960's.

DSA draws its members from many Left traditions. We cultivate an open and pragmatic political style that enables us to work in and with all the main progressive movements—labor, feminist, peace, anti-racist, and so on.

We try to help the progressive forces in American society form a powerful coalition to achieve peace, economic democracy, and racial and sexual justice. We believe that this task must at least begin within the Democratic Party.

Current Projects

Planning is underway for a general meeting of the local Left to work out a common agenda for the city of Ann Arbor. The conference, originally scheduled for October 11, has been postponed until November 22, and will probably be held in the Unitarian Church, 1917 Washtenaw, Ann Arbor. We hope to give activists from many groups and movements an opportunity to sit down together and talk about common ground. The next planning meeting will be Wednesday, October 8, 7:30 pm in the Fourth Floor Conference room at City Hall.

A similar meeting will probably be held at the state

level sometime after the turn of the year. Building alliances between the labor movement and non-labor progressives is always a touchy problem. It has historically been one of the main points of weakness on the left, especially in Michigan. This meeting should help. For more about either of the conferences, call Eric Ebel, 662-4497(h), 996-5966 (w).

We will also work on a couple of speaking events in October. On Oct. 15, Thami Sendelo of the African National Congress, who is on a national tour arranged by the DSA, will speak on the struggle in South Africa. The times and places to be announced. Oct. 24, DSA's national Co-Chair, Barbara Ehrenreich will be speaking at 7:30 pm in the Residential College Auditorium, 701 E. University, A2 in connection with a meeting of the Union for Radical Political Economics.

For more on the Youth Section, our student group is doing, call Gina South, 662-2696 or Jim Blevins, 996-5952. For the next meeting of the main Local, call Greg Scott, 665-5652. (2376)

New Democratic Movement
P.O. Box 3527
Ann Arbor, MI 48106
996-8408

Our program is not a list of shrill demands or a utopian blueprint. It is a comprehensive plan of action around which local and national organizing efforts can be structured. It is transitional: it deals concretely with the trends, problems and opportunities of the present period of crisis. It is non-sectarian and pluralistic: it speaks to the majority of Americans and strives to unite members of different classes and sectors around their common

economic interests.

It is value-driven: embodied in the program is a certain set of assumptions, a set of values which anchors our specific and general political points. They are part and parcel of the program, not separate. This is certainly no new discovery. The right has a value system based on social discipline and authority. They call for discipline to counter decadence, irresponsibility and weakness. It is an easy explanation, a false explanation, but it is a self-reinforcing and coherent philosophy or value system. Keynesianism produced a liberal value system based on government-led consumer growth, charity and altruism. But as Keynesianism failed to provide economic growth and security, the liberal value system also failed. Our value system is one of empowerment. Our fight must be to empower the poor.

Democratic participation Progressives, including NDM members, will increasingly be elected to office but people's attitudes will only change as they participate in all aspects of their lives: as workers, students, parents and community residents. Our organizing work in communities, unions and service agencies must challenge entrenched power structures through mass action and participation.

Worker and community control. Public ownership of large-scale financial institutions is a lynchpin of our national economic program. In the meantime, the struggle for control over investment and planning decisions in individual factories or industries can be a means of educating, training and politicizing workers and community residents. Workers confronted with power sharing plans can get on boards of directors or planning boards and use them as stepping stones to buy out the company (as could have been done with Eastern Airlines).

As federal cutbacks increase, communities will be increasingly dumped with responsibilities. We must implement community control of all abandoned programs, investments and resources. When the public as a whole is asked to "bail-out" certain industries or corporations we

New Democratic Movement

must demand that public assets in such companies be increased. The fight for worker control over pension funds can be used tactically to target certain key investments, utilize them productively and thus develop an example for others.

Empowerment through equality Empowerment means more equality not less. In the long run it is far more effective for workers to fight for comprehensive legislation than to have individual groups of workers at individual workplaces fighting for their own security. Fighting for equality in

the schools, empowering students in their learning, and teachers and parents in the development of education is in the interest of all; not just the poor and minorities. As public schools deteriorate, even higher paid workers seek private schools which cost them dearly and further weaken the public system; a vicious circle that is a tremendous loss to society and the economy.

Empowerment through self-reliance

It is not contradictory to simultaneously oppose cutbacks in social programs, blame poverty on institutional and systemic causes, fight for reforms and also promote

the value of self-reliance. Self-reliant projects such as worker-owned cooperatives, educational alternatives, minority businesses are not only crucial aspects of a counter-cultural force but are indispensable in the struggle for survival. The attitude "we can go it alone" is utopian. But the attitude "give us back our resources so we can do it better" is both practical and empowering and doesn't let the corporations or the government off the hook.

Meetings

Meetings are the third Sunday of every

month in the Michigan League Check the listing in the lobby for room number.

We will be organizing a series of six monthly workshops from October through March. They will be action oriented and will offer activists and other interested people an opportunity to share information and analyze and advance their work. Areas covered will include: local power and electoral politics, women's economic development, affordable housing, the consumer movement, peace and anti-intervention, and cooperatives. (4688)

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

Association of Arab American Graduate Students

769-2776

Purpose

The Association of Arab American University Graduates is a student organization comprised of mostly native and Arab-Americans. We are part of the national chapter and strive to reflect the goals, aspirations, and objectives of the national AAUG Chapter. Part of those objectives are to disseminate accurate and scholarly information concerning the cultural and political realities that shape the Arab World.

Our belief is that public opinion on the Arab World here on campus as well as outside is shrouded with misinformation and distortion. Hence the caricatures of Arabs as being merely cruel and terroristic goes so far as to shape the simplistic and disastrous policies in Washington. We aim to break down such stereotypes through dialogue sessions with other groups, films, conferences, and lectures. However we also realize that the world cannot be taken too seriously all the time so we try to have a little fun along the way

Some of the events that we sponsored, co-sponsored, or endorsed last year were the Edward Said and Alexander Cockburn lectures as well as an art exhibition by the political satirist Nadgi Al Ali. We really would welcome new members and their input.

Meetings

We meet every Friday at 6 pm in the Union in one of the various rooms there. For more information call 769-2776. (1396)

Free South Africa Coordinating Committee (FSACC) c/o MSA

8309 Michigan Union
Ann Arbor, MI 48109
971-7994 or 769-8549

Purpose

Formed in the spring of 1985, FSACC is a multi-racial campus-based group which is committed to opposing the brutal system of Apartheid in South Africa as well as racism in this country. FSACC produces literature and organizes educational events which examine Apartheid and expose ways in which U.S. institutions (including the University of Michigan), underwrite that system.

FSACC is also involved in grassroots efforts to change the policies and practices of our government and university which provide direct support to the Apartheid regime or reflect insensitivity to the aspirations of the majority of the country's disenfranchised Black population.

Meetings

FSACC meets every Monday night at 7 pm in Room 111, Vest Engineering Bldg. This is the lounge of the Center for African and Afro-American Studies. Each week we have an update on the most current news from South Africa and a general discussion on the situation there. We also make plans for campus activities. We encourage anyone interested to attend.

Current News

The first week of the school year FSACC members again rebuilt our anti-Apartheid shanty on the U-M diag and since then it has been attacked yet another time. On Sept. 26th we repaired and rededicated the shanty.

Our first mass meeting on Sept. 15 was attended by about 70 people, many of them new to the organization. That same day we held a bucket drive which raised almost \$400 for our new material aid drive to send funds and supplies to the Solomon Malhangu Freedom College for South African refugees in Tanzania.

We have four major committees set up for the fall to focus on four different areas of work and if anyone would like to get involved we need your energy and ideas. The four committees are: 1) Nelson Mandela honorary degree committee, 2) Anti-racist campus agenda and petition drive to link anti-Apartheid and local anti-racist issues, 3) Material Aid Drive Committee, and 4) 2nd annual April 4th Freedom March Committee to build a broad coalition for the April, 1987 march.

October Events

Fri., 10: National day in solidarity with South African political prisoners. Anti-Apartheid events will take place across the country and in seven foreign countries. At exactly 1 pm our time, there will be a national moment of silence in memory of those who have died in the struggle thus far. The U-M rally will be held at noon on the diag to be followed by a massive "breaking the chains" ceremony at Regents Plaza (Peoples Plaza.) We hope to involve at least 500 people in the day's events.

Fri., 10: Prof. Manning Marable, an internationally known author and activist from Purdue University will speak at 7:30 pm on "Racism in America in the 1980's." Marable is the author of "How Capitalism Underdeveloped Black America" and more than a dozen other books. Journalist Alexander Cockburn will also be speaking and will focus on U.S. foreign policy toward Central America, South Africa and the Middle East. Cockburn is a former columnist for the Village Voice.

The talks will kick off a conference on "U.S. Policy of Oppression: Critiques of U.S. Policies in Central America, South Africa and the Middle East" which will consist of a series of panel discussions by local and national experts on four areas: 1) The history of the three regions, 2) The current crisis in these regions, 3) Media coverage of these regions, and 4) Possible Solutions to these complex situations. All events will take place in the Rackham Amphitheatre fourth floor of the Rackham Building on

Washington Street at U-M. The program Saturday will run from 9:30 am to 5:30 pm. Sponsors for the conference are: FSACC, Latin American Solidarity Committee, November 29 Committee for Palestine, and New Jewish Agenda. (3904)

Peace and Justice Committee (MSA)

3909 Michigan Union

Ann Arbor, MI 48109

(313) 763-3241

Jen 747-6329

Rob 996-5952

Purpose

The Peace and Justice Committee is an internal commission of the Michigan Student Assembly. The committee was formed at the beginning of the 1985 school year to formally address the questions raised on subjects of human concern not already covered by other committees of MSA. The committee's primary concern in 1985-86 was military research and what role students should have in the processes behind it. While this issue will continue to be a priority concern, this year's committee plans on diversifying to cover other areas such as Central America, apartheid, boycotts, hunger, and homelessness.

The Peace and Justice Committee often works in conjunction with other MSA committees, campus organizations, and community groups. If your organization is looking for a co-sponsor or for assistance with an event or project, feel free to contact us.

Meetings

The Peace and Justice Committee meets every Thursday at 7:30 pm in 3909 Michigan Union. Meetings are open to anyone interested in learning about—and working for—peace and justice. Call 936-2456 or 763-3241 for more information.

Upcoming Events

A conference on the issue of classified and unclassified research is being planned in conjunction with university committees and administrators for late October.

The committee will sponsor a community-campus-wide conference on hunger and homelessness in the United States. This is scheduled for sometime during Winter term. (1608)

WOMEN'S ISSUES

National Organization for Women (NOW)

Ann Arbor-Washtenaw

County Chapter

1917 Washtenaw Avenue

Ann Arbor, MI 48104

995-5494

Purpose

The National Organization for Women is committed to taking action to bring women into full participation in the mainstream of American society now, exercising full rights and responsibilities in partnership with men. NOW works to

support the private choice of every woman to control her own reproductive life, to support each person's right to be free from discrimination based on one's sexual preference, and to include the Equal Rights Amendment in the Constitution of the United States of America. The NOW Political Action Committee gathers information about political candidates and their positions on feminist issues and may choose to endorse candidates that support women's issues. Further, NOW works on many issues that affect women: fair insurance practices, nuclear disarmament, minority rights, homemakers' rights, day care, pay equity and so on; wherever women's lives are affected.

Meetings

The Ann Arbor-Washtenaw County chapter of NOW

meets the second Tuesday of each month at the Unitarian Church, 1917 Washtenaw, Ann Arbor. A topic of general interest is presented at 7:30, preceded by a social half-hour. Free child care is available during the meeting, and the public is always welcome. A portion of each meeting is devoted to writing letters of support or critique regarding current issues to the people involved and the government officials concerned with their resolution.

October Events

To Be Announced: "Feminist Friday," monthly get-togethers to meet other feminists and discuss whatever is on your mind in an informal atmosphere. Information: 662-6429. (1730)

Women's Crisis Center (WCC)
 P. O. Box 7413
 Ann Arbor, MI 48107
 Office: 306 N. Division
 Business: 761-9475
 Crisis Line: 994-9100

Purpose

The Women's Crisis Center offers peer counseling and crisis intervention for all women in the Washtenaw County area. In addition to crisis intervention we are here to listen to all women, regardless of their life situation, when they feel the need to vent anger, sadness, or strength, to explore options, or even to talk about the kind of day they are having.

WCC is a nonprofit, collectively-run organization made up of community women concerned with the needs of other women. Our motto is "Helping women help themselves." Our funding is mostly from private donations.

Meetings

WCC holds a vegetarian potluck In-Service on the first Sunday of every month, noon to 2 pm at St. Andrew's Church, 306 N. Division (at Lawrence). The next scheduled meeting is Oct. 5. WCC Coordination meetings are every other Thursday at 7:30 pm.

Community Services

The Crisis Line: 994-9100, operates every day, 10 am to 10 pm. Callers are guaranteed anonymity and can talk to a peer counsellor who is there to provide non-judgemental support.

Referrals: WCC offers over 500 referrals to agencies and individuals in and around Washtenaw County. WCC also sells low-cost, do-it-yourself divorce kits.

Current News

THANK YOU ANN ARBOR! Our Sept. 12 and 13 Bucket Drive Fundraiser was a great success thanks to everyone who swung buckets and everyone who contributed money. We raised over \$3,000--that's about 15% of our budget! Without continued community support like this, we wouldn't be able to continue providing free services to women who need them.

WCC has a new group of peer counselors who finished training at the end of last month. We welcome these women and their commitment and energy.

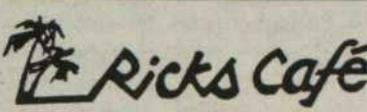
We are working to expand our newsletter to become a feminist connection for groups, individuals, art, and ideas. We need help! Articles, artwork, news, help with layout, typing, setting up calendar of events will be necessary. If you have any time, suggestions, or brainstorming give us a call.

We are looking forward to next month's Affordable Housing Month activities in conjunction with the Washtenaw Housing Resources Initiative and SOS Community Center. There will be an exciting workshop and hands-on workday in early November.

October Events

Fri. 10: Movie: "The Trip to Bountiful." (1985) Alternative Action. Bountiful is the tiny Texas town where Carrie Watts, an aging woman grew up, married, bore her children, and left. Before she dies, she wants to return to validate both her memories and herself. 7 and 9 pm, Modern Languages Building, U-M campus, \$2.50. Call WCC for questions.

Sat.-Sun., 11-12: Goddess Consciousness Workshops. Presented by Metis (Mary Wolf), a local counselor and pagan-feminist. Self awareness workshops and information for those actively seeking the Goddess. 2



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Thurs., 23 (and Nov. 6): Group Facilitation Workshop. A two-part workshop for women with counseling experience. The first session will cover theory in group process and communication, the second will cover different types of decision making, setting agendas, and facilitating discussions. 7 to 10 pm WCC, 306 N. Division, Lawrence St. entrance, \$5 donation. Call WCC for info/registration. (3444)

Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF)
 619 East University, A-1
 Ann Arbor, MI 48104
 971-4702

Purpose

Since its founding in 1915, WILPF has united countless women working for peace and freedom. Currently, there are approximately 120 members in the Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti branch. As an international organization with official representation in the United Nations, WILPF is committed to the U.N. as a strong force for settling disputes among nations. WILPF has always affirmed that peace and freedom are inseparable, two sides of the same coin. The organization continues to be a multi-issue, multi-race group, emphasizing the connections between war and poverty, racism and economic exploitation, and sexism and violence. The group stands for the equality of all people in a

world free of racism and sexism, the building of a constructive peace through world disarmament, and changing U.S. government priorities to meet human needs.

Meetings

WILPF holds monthly program and action meetings to plan events, discuss issues and determine what actions the Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti branch will take regarding those issues. Call for specific times and places.

Community Services

Since education for peace is a major part of WILPF's program, the group has a lot of literature available on the subject. Art work, T-shirts, posters, buttons and books are also available for moderate donations. Members will speak on current issues and special topics, such as U.S. policy in Central America, war tax resistance. Also available are children's books on peace, disarmament and social justice

October Events

Sat. 18: WILPF Annual State Meeting and Jane Addams Day Celebration. 10 am to 1:30 pm, including lunch. WILPF members will meet at Wayne State University's McGregor Conference Center for discussion of communication/cooperation between Michigan Branches and ideas from our 1986 Regional Conference. 2 to 4:30 pm, at the nearby Walter Reuther Library, the Detroit branch's annual Jane Addams Day program, open to members and friends, will renew our commitment.

Fri. 24: The Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti branch will observe U.N. Day with a program at the Ann Arbor Public Library's meeting room on Friday, the 24th. Refreshments at 7:30 pm precede the program at 8 pm. (2284)

A Progressive Agenda

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- Protect Social Security and Medicare
- No Cuts in Education
- End U. S. Intervention in Central America
- Job Programs for the Unemployed
- Cut Military Spending

- **YOUTH:** Jobs, education, school-based clinics, and counseling to assist children-at-risk

Pollack



- **Environment:** Stiffer and faster enforcement of environmental laws

- **Education:** Equity and adequacy of funding for educational opportunity

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