



INSPIRING
& PEACE
& JUSTICE

FOR 65 YEARS IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST



**American Friends
Service Committee**

Quaker values in action



AFSC's Mission

The American Friends Service Committee is a practical expression of the faith of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers). Committed to the principles of nonviolence and justice, it seeks in its work and witness to draw on the transforming power of love, human and divine.

We recognize that the leadings of the Spirit and the principles of truth found through Friends' experience

and practice are not the exclusive possession of any group. Thus, the AFSC draws into its work people of many faiths and backgrounds who share the values that animate its life and who bring to it a rich variety of experiences and spiritual insights.

This AFSC community works to transform conditions and relationships both in the world and in ourselves, which threaten to overwhelm what is precious in

human beings. We nurture the faith that conflicts can be resolved nonviolently, that enmity can be transformed into friendship, strife into cooperation, poverty into well-being, and injustice into dignity and participation. We believe that ultimately goodness can prevail over evil, and oppression in all its many forms can give way.

AFSC's Values

We cherish the belief that there is that of God in each person, leading us to respect the worth and dignity of all. We are guided and empowered by the Spirit in following the radical thrust of the early Christian witness. From these beliefs flow the core understandings that form the spiritual framework of our organization and guide its work.

We regard no person as our enemy. While we often oppose specific actions and abuses of power, we seek to address the goodness and truth in each individual.

We assert the transforming power of love and nonviolence as a challenge to injustice and violence and as a force for reconciliation.

We seek and trust the power of the Spirit to guide the individual and collective search for truth and practical action.

We accept our understandings of truth as incomplete and have faith that new perceptions of truth will continue to be revealed both to us and to others.

AFSC's Work

We seek to understand and address the root causes of poverty, injustice, and war. We hope to act with courage and vision in taking initiatives that may not be popular.

We are called to confront, nonviolently, powerful institutions of violence, evil, oppression, and injustice. Such actions may engage us in creative tumult and tension in the process of basic change. We seek opportunities to help reconcile enemies and to facilitate a peaceful and just resolution of conflict.

We work to relieve and prevent suffering through both immediate aid and long-term development and seek to serve the needs of people on all sides of violent strife.

We ground our work at the community level both at home and abroad in partnership with those who suffer the conditions we seek to change and informed by their strength and vision.

We work with all people, the poor and the materially comfortable, the disenfranchised and the powerful in pursuit of justice. We encourage collaboration in social transformation towards a society that

recognizes the dignity of each person. We believe that the Spirit can move among all these groups, making great change possible.

Seeking to transform the institutions of society, we are ourselves transformed in the process. As we work in the world around us, our awareness grows that the AFSC's own organizational life must change to reflect the same goals we urge others to achieve.

We find in our life of service a great adventure. We are committed to this Spirit-led journey, undertaken "to see what love can do," and we are ever renewed by it.



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Our Beginning

“...It is time Friends had a definite answer to give these young men who are earnestly desirous of doing the right thing, but unless something active is forthcoming will be drawn into military service...”

Dear friends, allies, supporters,

With these words, spoken at a meeting on April 30, 1917, the American Friends Service Committee was born. The words give voice to the urgency that Quakers felt to provide, as long time AFSC clerk Rufus Jones later described it, “a conscientious service of love for humanity in wartime.” Who could have known that from these modest beginnings, the AFSC would become the most enduring and far reaching social justice and peace organization in the United States?

The AFSC repertoire of good works is vast, encompassing most of the struggles for equality and peace of this century. These works stand as testament to the profound beauty and promise of Quaker belief in the power of love to overcome violence and injustice.

Here in the Pacific Northwest, we trace our beginnings back to the all too small movement to protest the internment of

Japanese Americans during World War II, and to the desire to provide material assistance to people in need. For 65 years we have served as a backbone for resistance to militarism and oppression, sometimes at the forefront and sometimes behind the scenes, but always with the force of quiet thunder. You will see in this program a snapshot of AFSC’s presence in the Pacific Northwest and around the world. Through it all the AFSC continues to learn and grow, striving to live out its ideals both within and without, pushing beyond the limits of our imaginations to witness and inspire.

The theme of AFSC’s 75th anniversary celebration in 1992 was “Faith, Risk and Change.” Faith in the Light we seek to find in each person and place. Risk - taken by people of courage who walk alongside us in order to realize a more just, reconciled and peaceful human community. Change—social, political and economic—that fuels our commitment to nonviolence, and is a source of renewal for our dedication to partnership with those whose human rights and dignity are violated. These simple truths remain our touchstone as we uphold our vision of a better world in these frightening times.

When the sweep of history grows to encompass the next 90 years, the record will show that AFSC is still here, still strong and still steadfast in its belief that goodness can prevail over evil, and oppression in its many forms can give way.

Thank you for celebrating our past and future here tonight, and for standing with us on this long, remarkable journey.

Susan Segall

Regional Director, AFSC Pacific Northwest





Dear AFSC Friends and Family,

Since April of 2003, I have had the fortunate opportunity to be on staff here at the AFSC regional office in Seattle. I've met literally thousands of wonderful human beings who work every day in pursuit of justice, peace and self determination for others. I've worked closely with hundreds of my peers, elders and youth who continue to teach me wise and thoughtful methods of being and working.

I've learned of the great, rich history of the Friends and others who stood fast against injustice through this office. I've learned of their contributions and their sorrows.

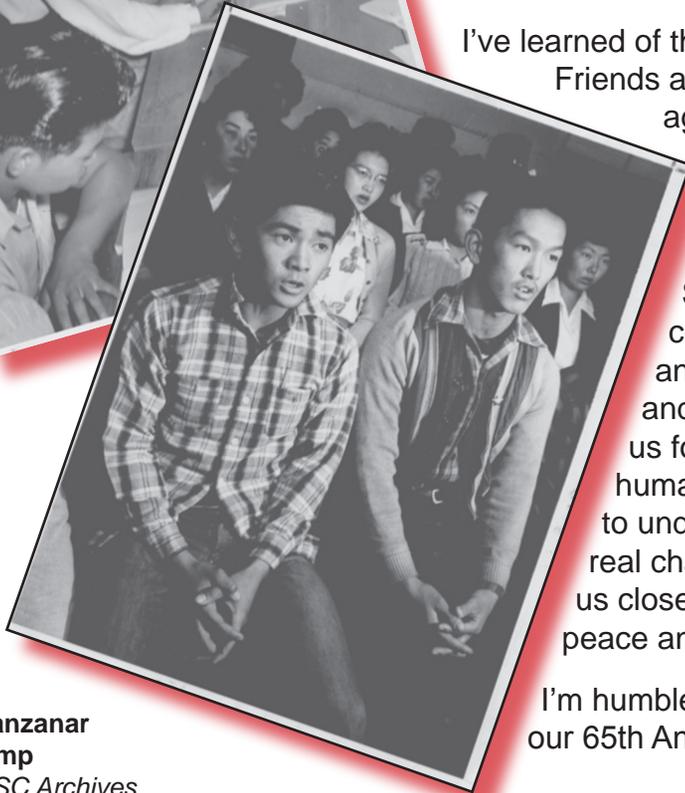
Still, each day, I come in contact with those brave and relentless; those mindful and tireless; those who bring us forward to an evolved humanity; a humanity destined to understand and experience real change, real justice that bring us closer toward a universe of peace and understanding.

I'm humbled by your presence at this, our 65th Anniversary in the Pacific

Northwest and our 90th year around the world. I honor those who came before me and those who are no longer on this earth.

Thanks to all of you, from the past and from the present, who make our efforts worthy.

Associate Regional Director



Japanese American Students at Manzanar Internment Camp
Courtesy of AFSC Archives







AFSC Pacific Northwest Region Programs

Seattle Regional Office

Peace and Community

The Peace and Community effort is dedicated to engaging the community on the issues of peace and social action. We work to mobilize and educate youth and adults of the Seattle metro area about military



Solidarity March for Human Rights and Economic Justice 2006

a Speaker's Bureau and support events to promote global peace and social justice.

The Regional Indian Program

The Indian Program supports Northwest tribes by fostering a grassroots movement that promotes healing, culture, civil society, community and leadership. We support a variety of programs, including the annual Intertribal Canoe Journey, an indigenous Film Festival, and a number of speaking

engagements on Tribal Sovereignty and Treaty Rights with regard to gaming and fishing in

the Pacific Northwest. We are here to provide strategic technical assistance and material support to progressive leadership, build organizational capacity, and strengthen and affirm cultural and political identities of Native Americans.

Inter-tribal Canoe Society in the Pacific NW region

The Intertribal Canoe Journey is an exciting experience which involves



recruitment in the schools. We are developing leaders and speakers who can inform the public about the alternatives available and to support those who choose to object to militarism. We maintain



Puyallups paddling



thousands of Native men, women, elders and youth from dozens of tribes across the Pacific NW, British Columbia and beyond who travel hundreds of miles with traditional cedar canoes to reclaim their traditions, songs, friendships and to create new leadership.

"...Keep up the good work in Indian Country. Your work touches many and doesn't go unnoticed. It is people like you who strive to make a difference that makes our world that much better."

- Charlene Krise,
Executive Director,
Island Squaxin
Museum
Library
and



**We offer free training for the
GLBTQ Youth**

Research
Center

Gay/Lesbian/ Bisexual/ Transgender and Questioning Youth Program

The Gay, Lesbian,
Bisexual,
Transgender and
Questioning (GLBTQ)

Youth program believes that youth leadership is essential to ending the oppression of all people. We support the empowerment and leadership of GLBTQ youth and their allies in undoing oppression to create a more peaceful and just world.

Our focus constituency is gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender or questioning youth between the ages of 14-22, and those who work with this population, including school personnel, counselors, foster parents, and faith communities. We emphasize working with youth who are often under-served, disenfranchised and/or experience multiple oppressions, e.g. homeless youth, school drop-outs, youth of color, low income youth/families.

What's Happening and How to Get Involved
The GLBTQ Youth Speakers Bureau, working closely with the Safe Schools Coalition and others, brings panels of GLBTQ youth to the broader community to help educate others

about their lives. Panels address issues such as homophobia, school bullying and violence, transgender youth, homelessness and other issues of concern to queer youth. Panels can be designed to address specific audiences (e.g., teachers, counselors, elementary school-aged children, homeless youth service providers, etc.)

"It really made me change the way I act when I pass gay/lesbian people on the



**Freedom School Group
Exercise**

street. It makes me think about how I would feel if I were in their position."

Program Participant





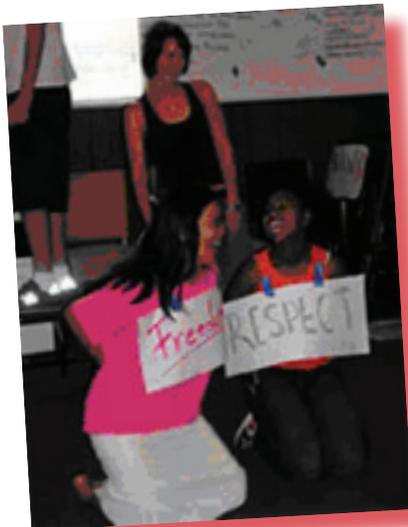
Community Justice Program

The Community Justice Program was established to build a multicultural and



multigenerational movement in the Seattle metro area focused on addressing racism, militarism, and poverty. The program operates from an anti-racist perspective, incorporating spirituality, culture, history, and leadership development.

We sponsor the Tyree Scott Freedom School which is a nine day summer educational program for



Anti-Racism Training

young people aged 15-21, designed to expose them to social justice issues, teach them about the history of community organizing in Seattle, and nurture their own community organizing skills.

Every summer in collaboration with the People's Institute Northwest, we sponsor two Undoing Racism trainings for over 80 youth. We support the organizing work of the Black Prisoners' Caucus at Monroe Correctional Complex. We organize film showings, set up info tables, and do presentations at local area events, high schools, colleges, and churches, focused on encouraging youth to question what they are hearing from military recruiters, and consider alternatives to military service. Internships provide young people with hands-on, practical experience in anti-racist community organizing. We currently provide organizing and anti-racism training and support to students at Chief Sealth High School, Marysville High School, University of Washington, and Western Washington University.

In collaboration with the AFSC National Criminal Justice Program, we are working to end the disproportional mass incarceration of African-American and youth of color and the impact of the so called "drug war" on our communities. We host community-based forums, workshops on racism in the criminal justice system and are currently conducting a "listening project" on the impact of incarceration on African-American families.

In collaboration with the Village of Hope, we present a series of workshops on restorative justice, cooperative economics, reconciliation, Dr. King's message of non-violence, and internalized racial oppression. We coordinate ongoing liberation spirituality discussions in collaboration with the Church Council of Greater Seattle, the Village of Hope, Freedom Church of Seattle, and the People's Institute Northwest.

"In 2001, the summer before my senior year of high school, I participated in the first Seattle Freedom School organized by the AFSC Community Justice Program. This experience completely changed my life. I have been involved with anti-racist organizing through the Community Justice program ever since, and I know this work is something that I will continue to do in one way or another for the rest of my life."

- Megan Wilbert



AFSC Pacific Northwest Region Programs

Portland Area Program Office

Project Voice

Project Voice is a nationwide AFSC effort to enhance the capacity of immigrants to affirm their human rights and impact public policies that affect their communities.



AFSC in the crowd at Immigrant Rights March.

Project Voice conducts Know Your Rights training with immigrants in Oregon and Washington focused not only on civil rights, but on human rights as articulated in the UN Declaration of Human Rights. Using popular education methodology, workshops draw upon the knowledge and experience of immigrants, while incorporating up to the minute practical and legislative information. Through this initiative hundreds of immigrants—documented and

undocumented—have gained deeper insights into their rights and are empowered to act on them.

Developing New Leaders

In-depth training for established immigrant groups who are seeking to develop their strategic planning, organizing and media skills is available through Project Voice. Adapted to the specific needs of the group, technical assistance and workshops lay a strong foundation for immigrants seeking to take center stage in mobilizing their communities, educating the public and



Participants picnic.

advocating with public officials.

Building Alliances

Educating the broader public about the concerns and



Immigrants Rights March, March 2006.

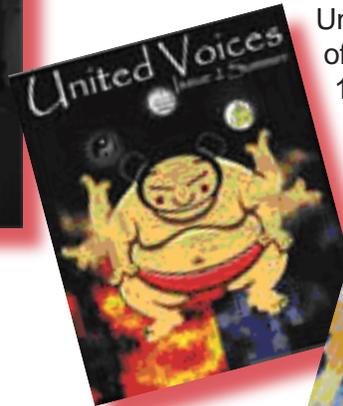
perspectives of immigrants is an important step in creating welcoming communities as well as allies who will stand up to punitive and divisive policies that hurt immigrants. Utilizing AFSC-produced media and immigrants' stories; Project Voice educates



AFSC Human Rights Gathering- Molalla, Oregon

taller muy dinámico y emotivo.”
- Itahi Diaz, Juventud Faceta, July, 2004

United Voices



United Voices is a program of youth (currently ages 14-26) in the Portland Metro Area. We are youth of color; we are queer youth; we are immigrant



Tina and Alfredo, Beats for Peace.

youth;
we are young men, women, and gender variants. We come together to make

connections, share our experiences, learn from one another, educate ourselves on issues of oppression and take peaceful action toward a more just world. We publish a magazine titled “United Voices” that analyzes current events and our own experiences critically, examining the power, privilege, and oppression we see throughout our society. We also put sponsor Beats for Peace events, support the youth arts and activism community

and challenge the military recruitment of youth.

Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual/Transgender Rights Project

The Portland Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual/Transgender (GLBT) Rights Project works to create a society which supports full civil and human rights for GLBT persons. We use a variety of educational and activist methods to bring diverse perspectives to the social, political and cultural debates of the day. Through workshops, vigils, demonstrations, educational events, dialogue, and retreats, the GLBT Program engages both GLBT persons and the larger community. Equality, discrimination, hate-crimes, marriage and family issues, and GLBT participation in faith communities are among the concerns we address.

the public to build bridges between settled communities and their new neighbors.

Advocating for Change

Whether by mobilizing large numbers for demonstrations, speaking out in the media, facilitating immigrant participation in public forums or advocating directly with legislators, Project Voice puts a human face on the immigrant experience, advocating for just and humane policies that uphold the dignity of immigrants and us all.

“Primero que nada quiero dar las gracias por permitirme ponerle una pagina de conocimientos, alegría y emociones a mi libro. Y para mi el libro es mi vida. El taller fue algo muy bonito e interesante. Conocí muchas cosas que desconocía. Me gusto como fueron organizadas cada parte del



Turiya Autry (visiting artist) giving students instructions for a writing assignment at the Jefferson Writing Project.



The Queer Films in Color is a film series creating awareness for LGBT/queer communities of color. These social events create bridges within the LGBT, people of color, and progressive communities. Opportunities are available for community response and dialogue in an atmosphere which is entertaining, lively and respectful. Volunteers from all backgrounds are needed to help in the planning of future events.



Christian to Christian Dialogue group dinner.

We offer leadership development with GLBT religious/spiritual communities. Through gatherings, workshops and retreats, participants learn new skills, develop leadership abilities, and create community-building experiences which will strengthen the community.

In believing that “there is that of God in each person,” we have created Christian to Christian

Prayer and Dialogue Groups with people from a range of theological and political views on “gay rights.” Some favor allowing same-sex marriage, others oppose, and others are undecided. The small groups of eight to twelve people come together for three 2-hour sessions. Each gathering begins with worship and dinner fellowship. In the first session participants develop basic ground rules which include respecting each other and speaking out of our own story and experience of God. Session one is an opportunity for each person present to share his/her own spiritual/faith journey; the second session is dedicated to exploring attitudes toward family and marriage; the third and final session includes exploring the Bible, case study discussion and summary of the experience together. The experience of praying and sharing stories together in an atmosphere of respect leads to transformation and new ways of relating and responding personally and in the community.

“I participated because I desired a space where Christians of differing faith perspectives could enter into serious civil and loving discourse on a difficult subject.”

- Dialogue group participant

Youth Leadership and Movement Building



Participant family during preparation of the Freedom School.

The Youth Leadership and Movement Building effort empowers Portland area Latino and other youth to be a positive force for change in their community and the world. Special emphasis is placed on supporting opportunities for youth from a range of backgrounds and



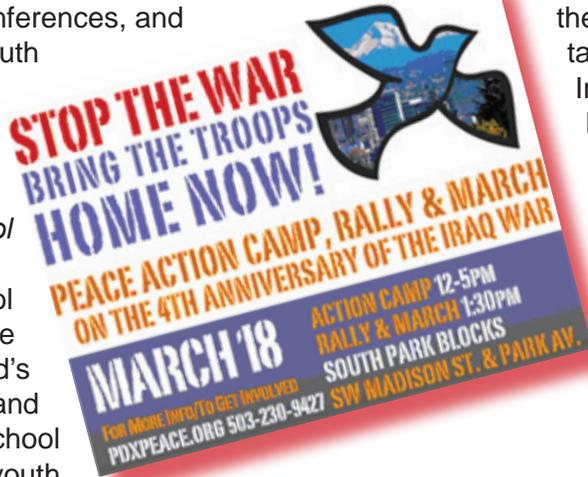
Manuel, Victoria and Albert holding the AFSC banner during the March for Truth and Justice on June 18, 2005.

experiences to connect with each other to build a broader youth movement for social justice and peace. In collaboration with AFSC’s Project Voice and other local organizations devoted to immigrants’ and workers’ rights, we mobilize the immigrant community for marches and public forums.



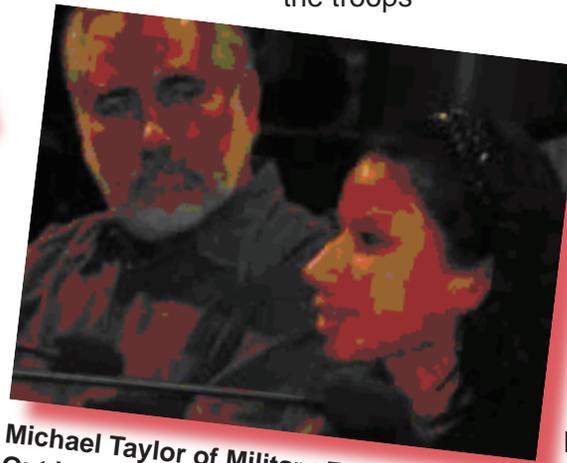
SAY (Social Activist Youth) youth organize student mobilizations for immigrant rights, conduct outreach to widen the circle of diverse youth activists, participate in community training and conferences, and advocate for youth concerns in the public arena.

Freedom School
Born out of the Freedom School movement in the 1960's, Portland's youth planned and led Freedom School brings diverse youth together to explore issues such as militarism and war, immigrant rights, oppressions, nonviolence, and economic justice, as well as to sharpen their leadership and organizing skills.



On Thursday, November 30, 2006, the Portland City Council voted unanimously to support the resolution that AFSC launched with others who are making the link between the more than \$419 million Portland taxpayers have spent on the war in Iraq and the lack of funding for vital human services

The resolution calls for bringing the troops



Michael Taylor of Military Families Speak Out looks on as Jessica Acosta, an Iraq war veteran testifies at the city council hearing

home from Iraq and redirecting resources used on war to address the urgent needs of the most vulnerable portions of our population, including education, health care, and full benefits for returning veterans.

What is next? Let's take this message to our state and federal elected officials.



Oregonians choose how to use their tax dollars at the penny poll.

Eyes Wide Open Oregon: the Human Cost of the War in Iraq
Dozens of Oregon military personnel have lost their lives in the war in Iraq and hundreds more have been wounded. More than 600,000 Iraqis have been killed. This traveling exhibit honors their lives and explores the human and economic cost of the war to Oregon. With our partners, Military Families Speak Out-Oregon and the Rural Organizing Project, AFSC is bringing the exhibit to interested communities around the state. Write to kcampbell@afsc.org to request the Oregon Eyes Wide Open exhibit in your town.

Cost of the War in Iraq as of April 19, 2007 9:34 AM = \$418,467,829,101 from the National Priorities Project, <http://www.costofwar.com>.

Budgets for Peace and People

Why spend billions on war while we short change education, healthcare and other essential services? AFSC's Budgets for Peace and People campaign advocates for shifting use of our tax dollars away from wasteful military spending and towards meeting basic human needs.



Timeline

1917

AFSC founded in Philadelphia as an alternative to military service for Conscientious Objectors during WWI

1919

AFSC feeds one million children in Germany and Austria

1929

AFSC helps striking textile workers in North Carolina survive the winter

1937

AFSC provides relief to refugees on both sides of the Spanish Civil War

1938

AFSC arranges emigration for Jewish families in Nazi Germany and sends a delegation to remonstrate with the Gestapo

1942*

AFSC Seattle founded to assist Japanese Americans and protest their internment

1943*

Seattle Office begins assistance to WWII Conscientious Objectors

1944

AFSC joins in post-war relief and reconstruction efforts in Europe

1947

AFSC awarded Nobel Peace Prize with British Friends Service Council on behalf of Friends worldwide

1947*

Portland Office opens, focusing on a clothing distribution center

1947*

AFSC works with Indians at Celilo Falls who are displaced by a dam

1948*

AFSC Institute of International Relations established in Seattle, Portland and Spokane



From top:
Bodine,
Schmoe and Shipley
in front of Friends
Center, Seattle
Courtesy AFSC Archives

1961 - Marie Gilstrap at early
Indian Committee Meeting
1961 - Indian School Youth

* AFSC Pacific Northwest Region specifically



1949

AFSC provides relief for displaced and refugee Palestinians in the Gaza Strip at the request of the United Nations

1963

AFSC publishes Dr. Martin Luther King's "Letter from a Birmingham Jail"

1953*

AFSC has work camp at Kake, Alaska established in the Tlingit Community to save village from erosion

1965

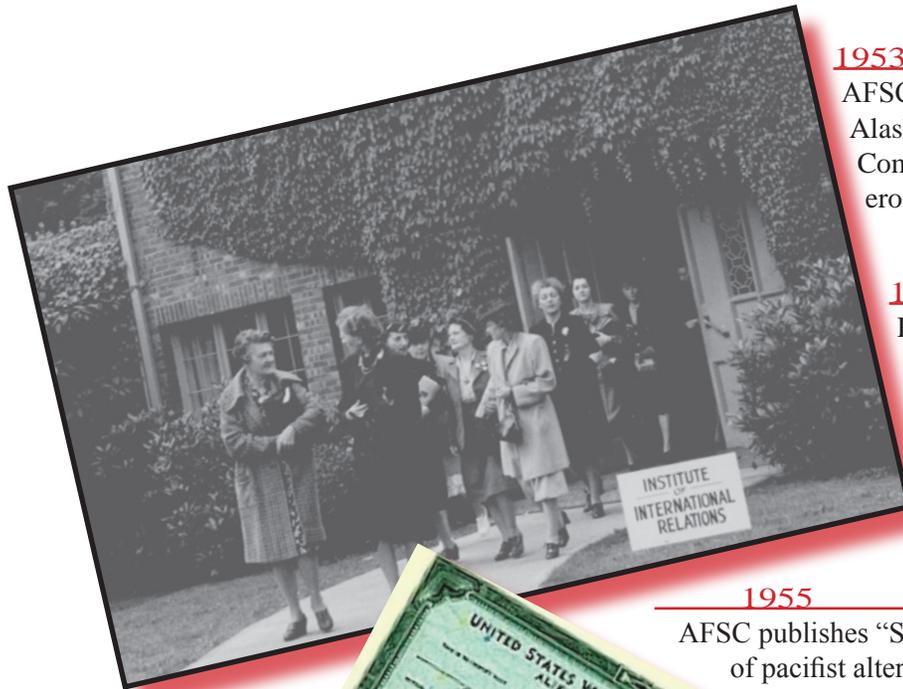
AFSC helps place 7,000 African-American children in previously all white southern schools

1954*

Regional Indian Program established, focuses on education, work camps on Reservations, inter-tribal relations and sovereignty issues

1966*

Portland Peace Caravan is organized and AFSC participates in Vietnam War demonstrations in Seattle and Portland

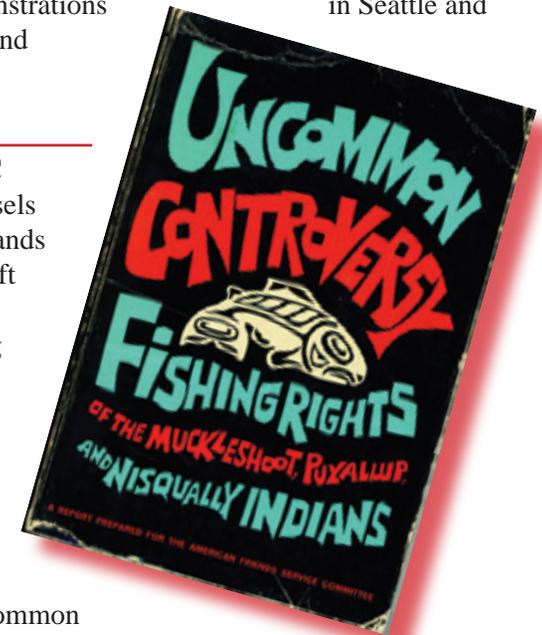


1970

AFSC Counsels thousands of draft age young men

1955

AFSC publishes "Speak Truth to Power," a study of pacifist alternatives to the arms race



1970*

"Uncommon Controversy," AFSC's pivotal book about tribal fishing rights, is published

1960*

AFSC sends relief funds to Butte, Montana for families suffering extreme hardship in the Anaconda Mine Strike

1962*

Merger of Seattle and Portland Regions into Pacific Northwest Region



Top: Institute of International Relations - 1947

Bottom: "Alien's Indefinite Leave" card, Minidoka. Special Collections, UW Libraries, UW14752



1970*

Seattle Office supports establishment of the United Construction Workers Association for workers of color in the building trades

1972*

Seattle Cable Video Program is established to explore and advocate for uses of cable public access and newly developed small format video

1973*

Portland Neighborhood Options in Childcare formed to provide childcare services in a racially mixed, low income neighborhood after a large reduction in state funding for childcare

1974*

Seattle Campaign to Stop the B-1 Bomber is launched to focus on Pacific Northwest companies with B-1 contracts, and human needs that could be funded instead

1976*

Portland Study-Action Group on the rise of the military industrial complex focused on analysis and strategy

1976*

Seattle Justice Program undertakes a Court Monitoring Project, producing a guide for defendants detailing their rights

1977*

AFSC helps launch and staff the National Coalition to Support Indian Treaties

1977*

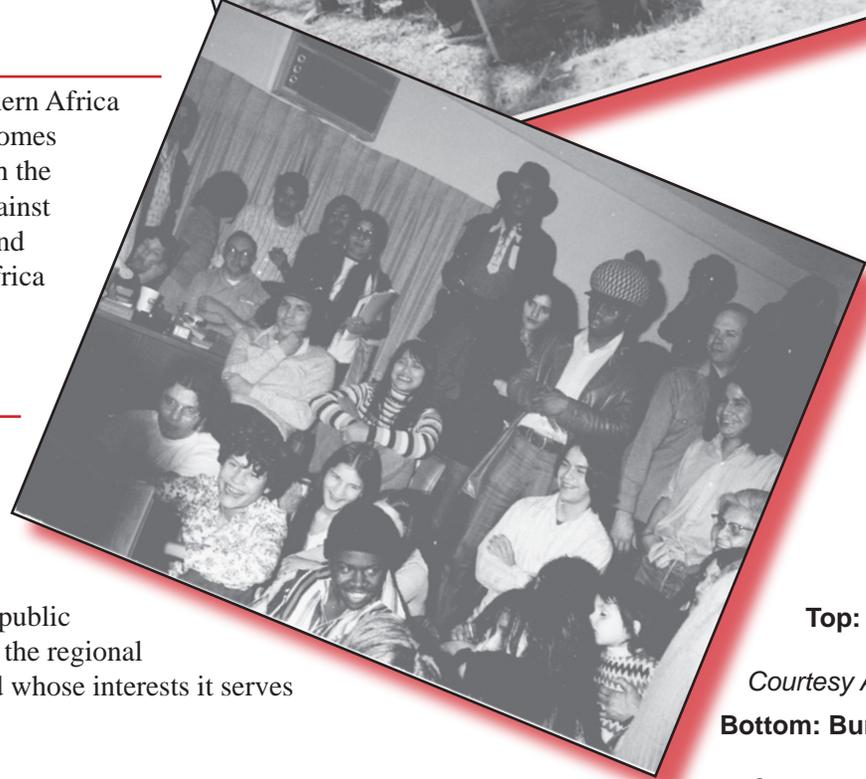
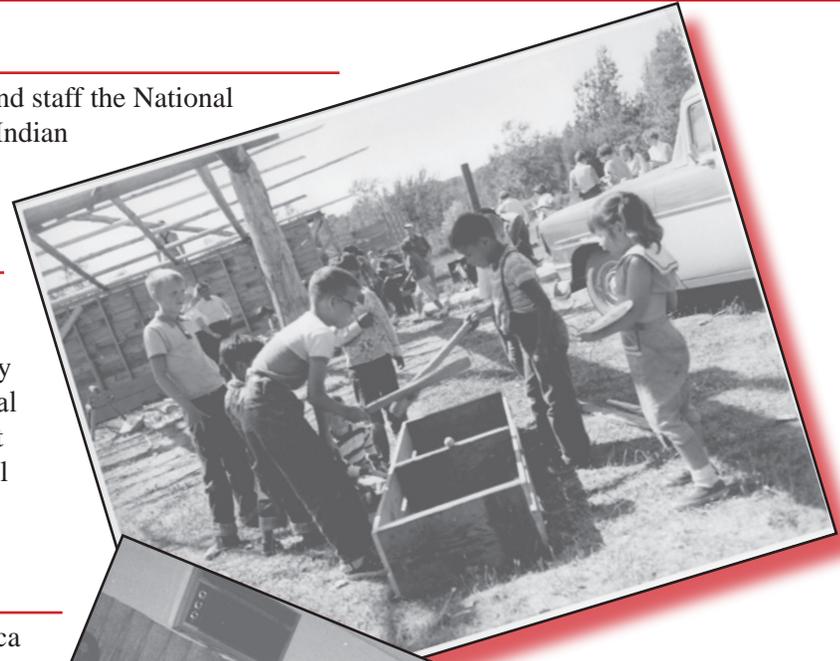
Seattle Education Program is founded to advocate for quality education for all, equal disciplinary treatment of students and school desegregation

1977*

Seattle Southern Africa Program becomes involved with the campaign against the Krugerrand and South Africa divestment

1978*

Pacific Northwest World Economy Program educates the public by analyzing the regional economy and whose interests it serves



Top: 1956 - Lummi Work Camp
Courtesy AFSC Archives
Bottom: Bureau of Indian Affairs Sit-In
Courtesy AFSC Archives



1979*

Japanese American Citizens League honors AFSC with an award “in deepest appreciation to the AFSC for their kindness, generosity and commitment to human rights and dignity for the Japanese Americans during their exile and imprisonment in 1942-1946”

1985*

Yakima Valley Immigration Program begins to support the needs of migrant workers



1979*

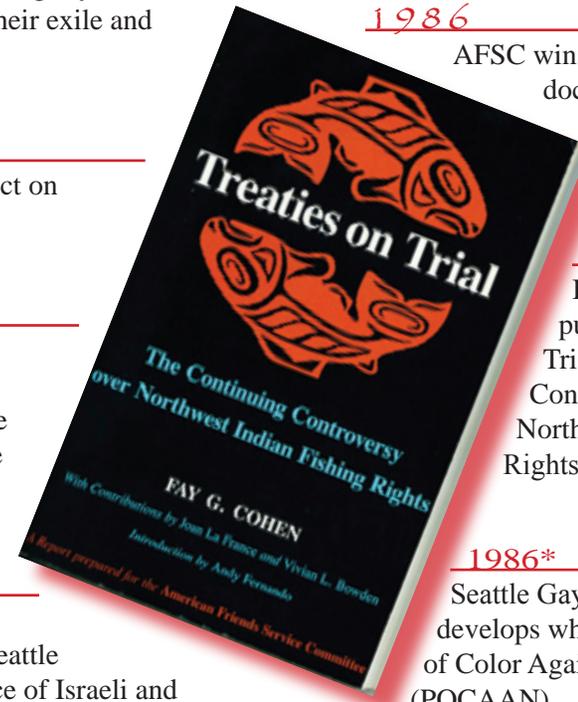
Portland Research/Action Project on School Suspension begins

1986

AFSC wins an Oscar for its documentary “Witness to War” on the war in El Salvador

1982

AFSC publishes “A Compassionate Peace,” focused on a just peace in the Israel-Palestine conflict



1986*

Indian Program publishes “Treaties on Trial: The Continuing Controversy Over Northwest Indian Fishing Rights”



1982*

AFSC co-sponsors the Seattle joint appearance of Israeli and Palestinian leaders, and hosts an off the record dialogue among local Jews and Palestinians

1986*

Seattle Gay-Lesbian Program develops what will become People of Color Against AIDS Network (POCAAN)

Portland Gay-Lesbian Program begins

1984*

AFSC Asia-Pacific consultation hosted in region to develop AFSC’s effectiveness and involvement in Asia-Pacific concerns

1989

AFSC sponsors “Voices of Hope and Anger: Women Speak for Sovereignty and Self-Determination” speaking tour, hosted in Seattle among other cities

1984*

Portland Central America Program begins to challenge US intervention in Central America

Top: UCWA Organizers c. 1971 (including Tyree Scott)

Center: UCWA Members (Milton Jefferson, Pres.; Julius Pinchback) at an Vietnam War March 1971



1989*

AFSC establishes H.O.N.O.R. Chapter with other like-minded organizations to stop anti-Indian movement's "Treaty Beer" sales in Washington state

1991

AFSC counsels military

1991*

AFSC founds ALANA (Asians, Latinos, Africans, Native Americans for Justice and Peace) to oppose the Gulf War in Portland

1992*

Latin America-Asia Pacific Youth Program founded in Portland

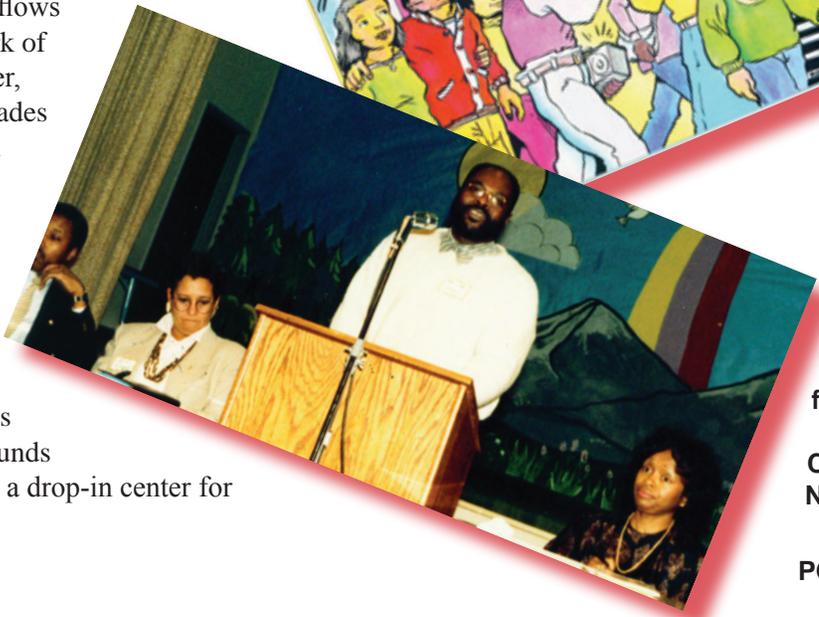
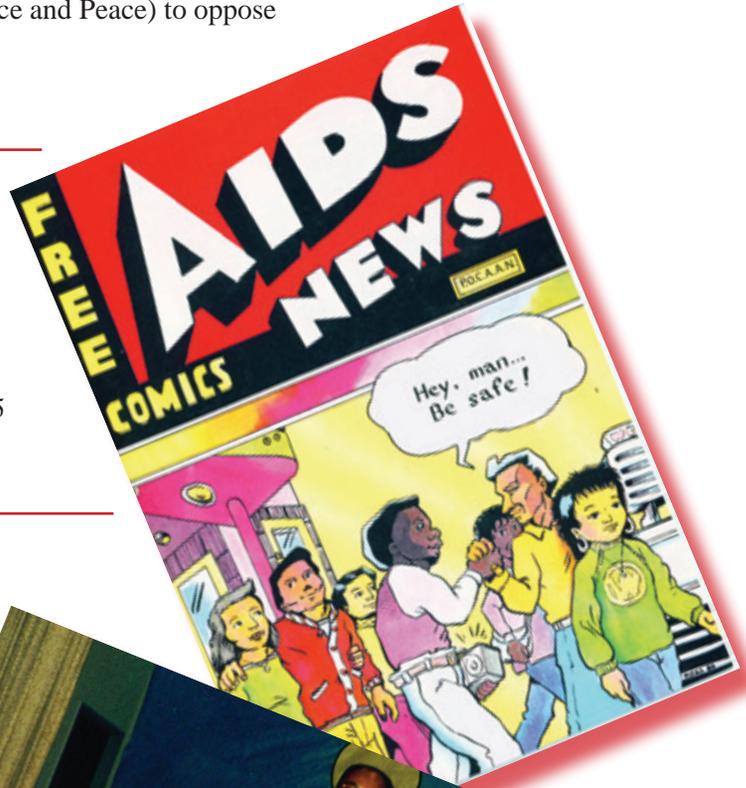
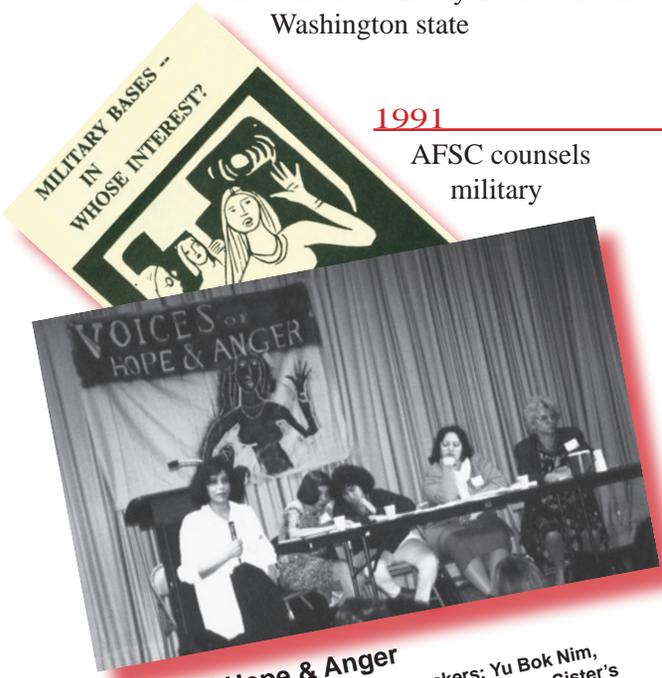
LAAP evolves into the United Voices and Youth Leadership and Movement Building initiatives in 2005

1993*

Indian Program begins support of Skokomish Tribe to restore flows to the North Fork of Skokomish River, diverted for decades by the Cushman Dam

1993*

Seattle Gay-Lesbian Youth Program initiates coalition that founds Lambert House, a drop-in center for LGBT youth



Voices of Hope & Anger Speaking Tour 4/28/89. Speakers: Yu Bok Nim, Seoul, Korea – Founder & Resident Director of My Sister's Place; Maria Socorro I. Diokno, Philippines – Secty Gen'l of the Philippines Anti-Bases Coalition; Maria Isabel Fidalgo, Puerto Rico – Caribbean Project for Justice & Peace; Lilo Klug, Germany – Political activist & founder - "German-American Peace Embassy"; Marta Isabel Sandoval, Honduras – Secty of the "National Peasants & Workers Central" and Suzuyo Takazata, Okinawa – Chair of the Okinawa Christian Peace Center

resisters to the Gulf War and helps with relief and reconstruction for Gulf War victims

Top: Comic book for AIDS education by People of Color Against AIDS Network (POCAAN)
Bottom: 1980-POCAAN's 1st AIDS Conference



Top: 1991- Youth at an Anti-Gulf War Demonstration



Bottom: 1997 Seattle: AFSC receives an organizational leadership award for the GLBTQ Youth Program from the Pride Foundation (Ricardo Leyva-Puebla, former GLBT and EC Committee member and Arlis Stewart, former staff member)

1995*
AFSC staff and volunteers offer support to Intertribal Canoe Journey

1995*
Community Economic Development Program launched in Portland to promote sustainable economic projects with and for Latinos

1995*
Seattle Office hosts first delegation from North Korea

1998*
Alaskans Listening To Alaskans about Subsistence, a Compassionate Listening project focused on bridging divides around hunting and fishing rights in Alaska, is launched

1999*
July 7th Coalition is launched to address racist incidents and hostilities around the Makah whaling controversy; Compassionate Listening project instituted to bring peace to people and groups with opposing interests

1999*
Cross-Cultural Youth Leadership Development (CCYLD) Program launched in Seattle to develop multi-cultural youth leadership

2002*
AFSC supports West Seattle High School students who changed Indian mascot; the work continues at Marysville-Pilchuck High School to change that Indian mascot

2001*
CCYLD founds the annual summer Tyree Scott Freedom School

2003*
Project Voice launched nationally to widen the circle of immigrants who are prepared to advocate for their concerns

Portland based Regional Project Voice Organizer is hired in 2004

2003*
Women of Iraq Tour sponsored with Fellowship of Reconciliation, University Friends Meeting and Seattle Non-violent Opponents of War

2003*
Military Out of Our Schools Coalition is launched and conducts counter-recruiting activities reaching thousands of youth in Puget Sound High School



2004*

CCYLD evolves into the Community Justice Program

2005*

GLBTQ Youth Program conducts a series of events and trainings on racism, public speaking and safety for youth

2005*

Pacific NW Offices host delegation of Indigenous and Afro-Colombian grassroots leaders from Colombia

2005-2006*

Community Justice Program holds community forums and youth speakouts on racism in the criminal justice system

2005-2006*

With the help of hundreds of local volunteers, AFSC's Eyes Wide Open Exhibit comes to Seattle, Oregon, Montana and Idaho

2005*

AFSC joins the Hate to Hope Coalition to defeat anti-immigration legislation in Washington State

2005*

With Quakers from around the Region AFSC-PNW organizes "Swords Into Plowshares" Quaker Conference at Gonzaga University, Spokane

2005*

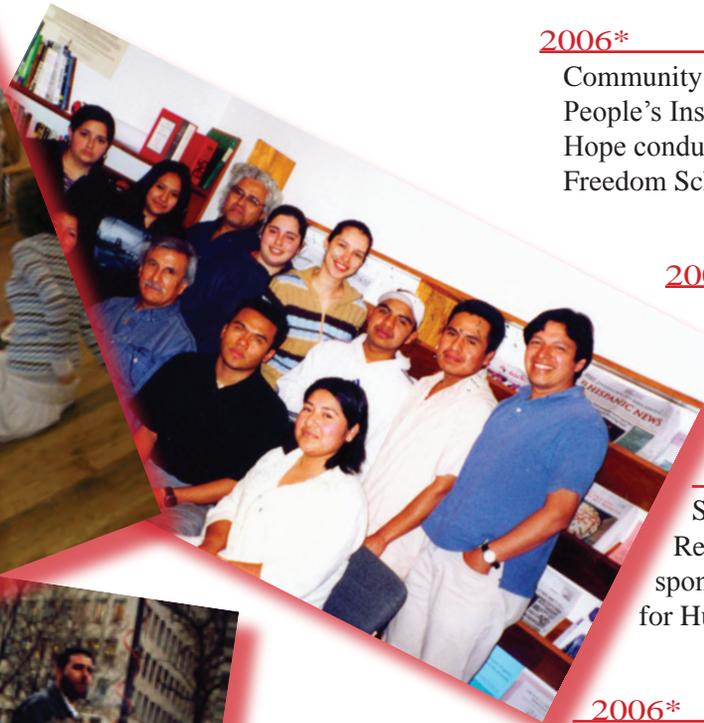
Budgets for Peace and People initiative in Portland launched to advocate for less military spending and more human needs spending

2006*

AFSC-PNW participates in Declaration of Peace Actions



From the top:
2003 - Anti-Mascot Rally
1999 - Portland LAAP Youth Participants
2003 - The crowd at the Anti-Mascot Rally
2003 - Intertribal Canoe Journey



2006*

Community Justice Program along with the People's Institute of Seattle and the Village of Hope conduct the first Winter-Break Tyree Scott Freedom School

2006

AFSC PNW becomes a founding member of the Washington Fair Trade Coalition

2006*

Seattle Peace and Community Relations helps organize and co-sponsors the first Seattle Solidarity March for Human Rights and Economic Justice

2006*

Staff participates in Dialogue On Neoliberalism and The Women's Movement with South Korean workers and farmers in Seattle to demonstrate against the Korea-US Free Trade Agreement

* AFSC Pacific Northwest Region specifically

From Top Left:

2006 WWU, Whatcom Community College students, parents and community members meet in groups to discuss strategy to organize against racism

2002 - LAAP youth and Portland staff meet with Mexican Filmmaker

2002 - Peace Rally in Portland (Taylor Brelsford, now our EC clerk)



65th Anniversary Program

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Dinner Served

Music

Fortune Nyondo

Presentation about AFSC

Taylor Brelsford, clerk, AFSC Pacific NW Regional Executive Committee

Presentation of Pillar of Peace Awards

Honoring individuals and groups who are models of action and vision for a more peaceful world

Geneiva Arunga

AFSC Freedom School Organizer, Spoken Word Artist

Peace and Justice Tours Live Auction

Martin Friedman

Sam Hamill

Founder, Poets Against War

U.S. Army 1st Lieutenant Ehren K. Watada

Closing



Fortune Nyondo

Fortune Nyondo, a native of Zambia, Africa, got his start in music when he made his first guitar at age 12. Since then, he has put out 3 albums and is currently working on his 4th. Fortune is one of Zambia's top male artists and his music is very popular there as well as other regions of the continent such as Zimbabwe, South Africa, Tanzania, and many others. Fortune has won many awards for his music. In 2002, at the Azami Awards, he won Best Video, Best Recorded Song, and Best Song Writer. And at the Ngoma Awards, he won Best Male Vocalist and Best Vocal recording. Both of these award shows are Africa's equivalent to America's Grammy Awards. Fortune moved to America 3 1/2 years ago and currently resides in Renton, WA, where he is working on two albums. Fortune's music is very versatile and can be enjoyed by everyone.

Geneiva Arunga

Geneiva has been a participant and a youth organizer with the AFSC Tyree Scott Freedom School for several years. She is member of African Youth United and Freedom Church of Seattle. She has traveled, lived and attended school in Kenya. A high schools student, Geneiva is a talented spoken word artist on the topics of racism and social justice.

Sam Hamill

Sam Hamill is author of 14 volumes of original poetry including *Almost Paradise: Selected Poems & Translations* (Shambhala, 2005), *Dumb Luck* (2002), *Gratitude* (1998), and *Destination Zero: Poems 1970-1995* (1995.) He has also published 3 collections of essays, including *A Poet's Work* (1998), and two dozen volumes translated from ancient Greek, Latin, Estonian, Japanese, and Chinese, most recently, *Tao Te Ching* (2005), *The Essential Chuang Tzu and The Poetry of Zen* (with J.P. Seaton), *Narrow Road to the Interior & Other Writings of Basho*, and *Crossing the Yellow River: Three Hundred Poems from the Chinese*. He is editor of *The Gift of Tongues: Twenty-five Years of Poetry from Copper Canyon Press*, *The Erotic Spirit, Selected Poems of Thomas McGrath*, *The Complete Poems of Kenneth*

Rexroth (with Bradford Morrow), and *Selected Poems of Hayden Carruth*.

Hamill has taught in prisons for 14 years, in artist-in-residency programs for 20 years, and has worked extensively with battered woman and children. He has been the recipient of fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts, the Guggenheim Foundation, the Woodrow Wilson Foundation, the Mellon Fund, the U.S.-Japan Friendship Commission, two Washington Governor's Arts Awards, the Stanley Lindberg Lifetime Achievement Award for Editing, and the Washington Poets Association Lifetime Achievement Award for poetry. He is Founding Editor of Copper Canyon Press and was Editor there from 1972 through 2004. In January 2003, he founded Poets Against War, compiling the largest single-theme anthology in history, and editing a best-selling selection, *Poets Against War* (Nation Books, 2003.) His work has been translated into more than a dozen languages.

US Army 1st Lieutenant Ehren K.

Watada

Ehren K. Watada was born in Honolulu, Hawaii to Robert Watada and Carolyn Ho. Robert Watada served for 10 years as executive director of Hawaii's Campaign Spending Commission and he refused to serve in the Vietnam War. Ehren Watada attended Punahou School, then transferred in his sophomore year to Kalani High School, where he played quarterback on the varsity football team. Watada is an Eagle Scout, graduating from Hawaii Pacific University in 2003 with a Bachelor's degree in Finance.

He joined the US Army after the war in Iraq had begun, stating that he was motivated "out of a desire to protect our country" after 9/11. He was commissioned by the Army's Officer Candidate School, on November 20, 2003, at Fort Benning, Georgia as a Second Lieutenant of Field Artillery. Watada served one year in South Korea and was promoted to First Lieutenant. He was subsequently reassigned to Fort Lewis, Washington.

Soon after reporting to Fort Lewis, Watada discovered that his unit would be deploying to Iraq, in support of ongoing operations there. In preparation to deploy, he began conducting research on the country, its culture, and

the reasons for the U.S. involvement in Iraq. After reading several books and articles about the history of Iraq, international law, and the evidence used to justify the war, and speaking with veterans returning from Iraq, he ceased to believe in the legality and morality of the war.

In January 2006, he attempted to resign his commission. The Army denied his request because he had not fulfilled his eight year military service obligation. He used as justification for his request that the war violated the Constitution and War Powers Act which "limits the president in his role as Commander in Chief from using the armed forces in any way he sees fit". He also cited the UN Charter, the Geneva Conventions, and the Nuremberg Principles, which "bar wars of aggression." He argued the command responsibility would make him personally responsible and liable for legal challenges for violating international law. Further, he asserted that the war was based on misleading or false premises such as the existence of weapons of mass destruction in Iraq and links between Saddam Hussein and al-Qaeda, and that the occupation itself did not follow the Army's own legal rules of conduct for occupying a country.

In June 2006 Watada publicly refused to deploy to Iraq for his unit's assigned rotation to Operation Iraqi Freedom. Watada said he believed the war to be illegal and that, under the doctrine of command responsibility, it would make him party to war crimes. Ehren is the first commissioned officer in the U.S. armed forces to publicly refuse deployment to Iraq. His court-martial ended in a mistrial on February 7, 2007. A second court-martial is scheduled to begin July 16, 2007.



Pillars of Peace

Juan Bocanegra

Jobs with Justice

'Boca', is an organizer for Jobs With Justice, Seattle, and has led the efforts for both immigration marches and countless anti-war marches in Seattle. He has partnered with AFSC on issues of the war, immigration, workers rights and trade.

Juan Jose Bocanegra was born in Reynosa, Tamaulipas, Mexico and grew up in Corpus Christi, Texas. After attending Texas A&I University in Kingsville, TX from 1967-71, he moved to Seattle to get a graduate degree in social work from the University of Washington. He has been a prominent Seattle-based activist ever since. During the 1970s, he played an active role in the Chicano movement and broader Third World Peoples' movements. He helped lead a successful campaign to diversify the UW School of Social work and create its multi-ethnic practice program. He was active with the group that occupied the Beacon Hill School and founded El Centro de la Raza in 1972.

Active in the AFSC's Third World Coalition, Boca served on the Regional Executive Committee in the 1960's. During the early to mid-'70s, he became involved in solidarity work with local American Indian struggles—including the American Indian Movement (AIM), Frank's Landing demonstrations with the Nisqually tribe, the Puyallup tribe's takeover of the Cascadia Center in 1976, and the 1976

Trail of Self-Determination. More recently, Boca has been active with the Downtown Human Services Council, the YMCA, and his own consulting business, the Northwest Empowerment Institute. Bocanegra is an active and respected leader in our community.

Rita Zawaideh

Arab American Community Coalition

Founding member of the Arab-American Community Coalition, we at AFSC know Rita Zawaideh as a tireless worker for immigrants and their families incarcerated by the "War on Terror", and a persistent advocate for peace. Rita is an Arab-American who has lived in the United States since emigrating here at an early age with her family. Rita, an international business woman, small business owner and certified travel counselor, owns a travel agency, Caravan-Serai Tours, and has received Top Travel Awards for Middle East and North Africa. She holds a Masters in Arabic Studies from the University of Washington. Since graduating, she has written extensively on the Middle East and North Africa, and has lived and traveled in many countries. Rita participates in activities which educate the public about the Middle East and North Africa, particularly their cultures. She founded Arab Film Distribution and Salaam Cultural Museum. She frequently lectures to schools, organizations, business and travel groups.

After the 9/11 tragedy, Rita founded the Arab-American Community Coalition, which brings together Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO's) and Arab-American interest groups to educate Americans on Middle Eastern issues.

The Arab American Community Coalition seeks to:

- Actively reach out to institutions in the Greater Puget Sound area to build partnerships;
- Represent the Arab American community in the State of Washington when meeting with public officials and other personnel in positions of authority
- Provide speakers and resources that will highlight Arab and Arab American culture in the Greater Puget Sound area; and
- Provide an avenue for the Arab American community to communicate their concerns about personal safety, report attacks and harassment, and to obtain information about their options for dealing with such incidents.

Black Prisoners' Caucus

Monroe Correctional Complex

Supported by AFSC's Community Justice Program, the Village of Hope and the People's Institute NW, The Black Prisoners' Caucus is an independent body that works for Prisoner's



rights and for family members of those incarcerated at Monroe Correctional Complex. The Black Prisoners' Caucus is primarily made up of Black men who are committed to organizing for antiracist social change. They seek to promote and work towards collective healing within the prison system and the communities that they come from.

The Black Prisoners' Caucus has held several community forums inside Monroe, including a forum on the failures of the education system. This forum revealed first hand accounts of prisoner experiences in being targeted and tracked into "special education" programs and fed into the prison system. They spoke about how the present curriculum in schools didn't speak to them, their history, nor that of their communities.

Another forum focused directly on the criminal justice system where prisoners spoke out about gang violence, racial bias crimes and racism in juvenile incarceration. They conducted another session for incarcerated fathers on parenting from prison. They have sponsored an array of speakers and cultural workers at prison events, including Dr. Joy Leary, Dr. Edwin Nichols and Ron Chisolm. For the past three years, our AFSC Community Justice Program Director, Dustin Washington, has assisted in facilitating ongoing undoing racism and community organizing trainings with the BPC.

The current focus of Black Prisoners' Caucus work is analyzing and working to change repressive laws that contribute to the disproportional incarceration of Blacks and People of Color in the Washington State prison

system. They strive to serve as community role models of healing justice.

Judy and Bill Matchett

Active with AFSC since 1954, Bill and Judy Matchett come from a long line of active Quakers and supporters of AFSC. Bill's father worked with the maligned German immigrant community in Milwaukee after World War I, which led to the formation of the AFSC office in Chicago. Judy's father, Edward Wright, headed the European Work Camp program in Philadelphia from its inception in 1945 for more than 20 years; her mother, Elizabeth Cox Wright, served as co-commissioner of the Paris office. Bill and Judy continue the family tradition of Quaker activism and live their Quaker beliefs fully.

When World War II broke out, Bill became a conscientious objector. They reared three children in the Quaker tradition as members of the University Friends Meeting. Just some of the work they have helped coordinate through our office: started the first Indian Committee; helped to organize weekend work camps, college-bound support and the first nursery school on the Lummi Reservation. Bill was directly involved in supporting the development of *Uncommon Controversy*, AFSC's book on Indian Treaties of the NW tribes, and personally took the book to the University of Washington convincing them to publish. He also supported the formation of the first AFSC Gay and Lesbian Committee in 1984. Through the AFSC School Affiliation Committee's program in the 1950's, Judy arranged exchanges between

high schools in the US, Germany, France, England, and later Japan to build relations between the nations.

After retiring in the '80s, the Matchetts moved to a home on Puget Sound but life didn't slow down. They found themselves in the midst of a longstanding dispute between four Native American tribes and waterfront property owners over land and water rights. Despite a 30-year effort through the Western Washington Indian Committee, a federal court ruling and a contract, the dispute continues. Between frequent travels, time spent with their children and three grandchildren, the Matchetts keep up their volunteerism with AFSC. They serve on many local and national boards and committees working for peace and community change. "We're just two of many people involved," Bill said. "I suppose there's some sense of duty, but we really don't feel that, it's been so much fun."

Safe Schools Coalition

The Safe Schools Coalition has worked with AFSC since its inception in 1989 to make schools in Washington and around the world "safe places where every family can belong, where every educator can teach, and where every child can learn, regardless of gender identity or sexual orientation." They are an international public-private partnership of over 80 member organizations - with some services specifically for Washington State members.

The Safe Schools Coalition role is to reduce bias-based bullying and violence in schools



and to help schools better meet the needs of sexual minority youth, and children with sexual minority parents/guardians locally, nationally and internationally, by:

- Providing resources to schools (posters, publications),
- Raising parent/guardian, student, educator and community awareness (listserv, website, public speaking, media),
- Providing skill-based training for educators (administrators and other professional and paraprofessional staff),
- Serving as a technical advisory resource (to researchers, policy-makers, educators and activists - students, parents/guardians, community members),
- Conducting and disseminating research (to educators, policy-makers and activists),
- Intervening and advocating on behalf of individual students, educators and families experiencing sexual orientation/identity-based harassment and violence,
- Holding legislators, school boards and school administrators accountable for making schools safe and free of bias-based bullying and violence, through community organizing and principled activism,
- Assisting the Seattle School District in training staff,
- Contributing technical assistance that results in policy changes,

- Consulting with other King County school districts.

Safe Schools provides testimony to legislators regarding potential impacts of bills and technical assistance regarding their wording, and sponsors training events for educators and community groups, including workshops on “coming out” for educators, the Bullyproof curriculum, and “anti-gay harassment and violence and schools.” They published a first-of-its-kind Safe Schools Resource Guide to assist educators in making appropriate community referrals and in accessing resources such as books, videos, websites, posters, theater troupes and curricula. In the late ‘90’s they conducted a landmark five-year qualitative study entitled the “Safe Schools Anti-Violence Documentation Project,” documenting incidents of anti-gay harassment and violence in Washington schools (K-12).

Rachel Corrie Foundation for Peace and Justice

Members of Rachel’s family and community established the Rachel Corrie Foundation for Peace and Justice to continue work that she began and hoped to accomplish, carrying out that work with her vision, spirit, and creative energy in mind. Rachel Corrie was killed in the Gaza Strip in Palestine on March 16, 2003, trying to prevent demolition of the home of a Palestinian pharmacist, his wife, and three young children. The Foundation conducts and supports projects that educate for peace and justice and foster connections and

understanding between peoples on global and local levels, with initial and continuing emphasis in the Middle East. A few of the Foundation’s projects include: the Rachel Corrie Memorial Lecture, an annual forum for analyzing war, racism, global economic inequality, oppression of women, and other forms of injustice, formulating a hopeful vision of a world community that responds constructively to its inhabitants’ rights, needs and aspirations; an Evergreen State College Rachel Corrie Memorial Scholarship awarded annually to an Evergreen State College student dedicated to gaining better understanding of the Middle East and working locally or internationally to further Middle East peace; and the Sister City Support project which supports the Olympia-Rafah Sister City Project, sister city organizations, and other delegations that foster connections between communities involved in conflict. In June 2005, they co-sponsored The Nasrallah Rebuilding Alliance educational and fundraising tour with members of the family whose home Rachel Corrie was defending when she was killed. This effort supports Palestinian families as they rebuild their homes during continuing occupation and siege. It connects the local Palestinian community, supportive Israelis, and people around the world in grassroots rebuilding efforts. The Rachel Corrie Foundation has sponsored an array of local and national educational peace and justice events that foster dialogue and understanding. They also provide ongoing education about the role that Caterpillar, Inc. has played in the Occupation of Palestine.





We honor two guiding lights...

Dr. Floyd Schmoe



Dr. Floyd Schmoe (1895-2001) was a sixth-generation Quaker, and a conscientious objector in World War I, serving as an ambulance driver on the battlefields of France.

From 1924 to 1928 he was the first official naturalist at Mount Rainier National Park. He took a teaching position at the University of Washington, and spent several summers with his family in the San Juan Islands while he did research for an advanced degree. He gave up his position at the University of Washington during World War II to help Japanese Americans. He befriended Gordon Hirabayashi and other Japanese American students and encouraged them to challenge the curfew and evacuation and internment that were unjustly and unconstitutionally imposed on them.

He helped Japanese American residents of Seattle who were forced to move to Minidoka Relocation Center in Hunt, Idaho. It was Floyd with the help of other Quakers who petitioned the American Friends Service Committee and gained their support to open an office in Seattle at the University Friends Center in 1942.

Floyd opposed the atomic bombing of Hiroshima. In 1948, three years after the bombing, he organized volunteers including Aki Kurose and Dolly Dawson and Jean Walkinshaw, to rebuild homes in Hiroshima. He continued his peace work in later years, helping to build orphanages and hospitals, dig ditches, and repair wells in Korea, the Middle East, and Africa. He also wrote, authoring over a dozen books in the course of his life, including *A Year In Paradise*, about his time on Mount Rainier, and *For the Love of Some Islands*, about a summer spent exploring the natural history of the San Juan Islands with his family.

The nuclear bombing of Japan and its aftermath remained with Floyd and at the age of 95, he created the Seattle Peace Park to commemorate those who died. He not only applied for permits, raised funds, and organized volunteers, but also did much of the bulldozing, raking gravel, planting trees and mowing grass from a wheelchair. The small park, located at the north end of Seattle's University Bridge overlooking Lake Union, and across from AFSC's Seattle office, contains a bronze statue of Sadako, a Japanese girl who died of leukemia 12 years after the bombing. We fondly remember Floyd Schmoe for his clear thinking, initiative, action and perseverance.





Akiko Kurose

Akiko Kurose (1925-1998) is known for her integral involvement in the life of the Pacific Northwest Region of the AFSC. Aki and her family were interned during World War II at Minidoka, Idaho. A bright high school student, Aki was eligible for AFSC's Student Relocation Service, which arranged for her to go to Friends University in Wichita, Kansas. Floyd Schmoie, then active in the newly established Seattle AFSC office, was instrumental in these arrangements. When, after the war, Aki returned to Seattle, she assisted Floyd in running the Seattle office. She also accompanied Floyd on his mission to Hiroshima after the war to rebuild houses. She married Junelow ("Junx") Kurose and they had six children: Hugo, Ruthann, Rolland ("Rollie"), Guy, Marie and Paul. Aki worked energetically in preschool programs, later returning to the University of Washington for a Master's in Education and beginning an extraordinary career in the Seattle public schools.

Aki joined the Religious Society of Friends in 1967 and remained a member of University Friends Meeting. In 1975, Aki joined AFSC's Education Task Force and helped develop Seattle's Education Program, which emphasized the involvement of students in the development and implementation of Seattle's desegregation plan. One of her many contributions to the Task Force were her insistence that "bilingual/bicultural education" as it was known was too limited a concept; what was needed was multilingual, multicultural education. In her years teaching kindergarten, she implemented this concept by teaching her five and six year olds greetings and expressions of peace in many languages. While participating in long AFSC task force meetings, Aki made full use of her time preparing individual reading pamphlets for her kindergarten children, sitting in a big chair surrounded by piles of materials, never losing track of the discussion. Aki played an active role in the AFSC Education Project called SAFE (Student Action Force for Education) and the national Title I Advisory Committee. She developed, used and worked hard to promote adoption at the state level of a K-12 Peace Curriculum.

In the late 1970's Aki was an active initiator in the movement for redress for Japanese Americans who had been interned during WW II. She brought this concern to the Seattle office of AFSC and secured its sponsorship of a series of forums, funded largely by the Washington Commission for the Humanities, called Contemporary Perspectives on the Internment. These forums, held in Seattle, Tacoma, and Spokane, provided the first public forums in which the Nisei communities looked at this historical experience together in public, reflected on its impact on their lives, those of their children, and of the community at large. At these forums the impulse to organize for redress was developed and nurtured.

During the 80's and 90's, Aki was an active member of AFSC's Peace Committees and brought her activist Quaker values to bear on program work. Aki's life and work and that of the AFSC are intertwined. The relationships have been reciprocal. Aki was sometimes impatient with AFSC, but she stayed with us. AFSC is fortunate that we were one of her many priorities, even during the many years when she struggled against the cancer that finally took her life. The AFSC recognizes this remarkable life and influence with love and gratitude. A violence-saturated society would do well to heed Aki Kurose's simple, life-long lesson of peace: "If you don't have peace within yourself, learning cannot take place."





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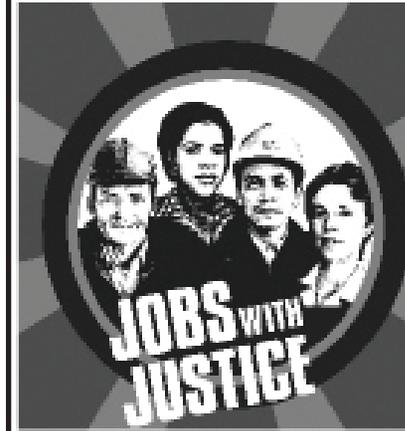
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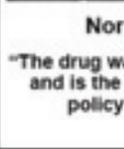


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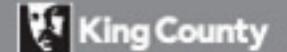


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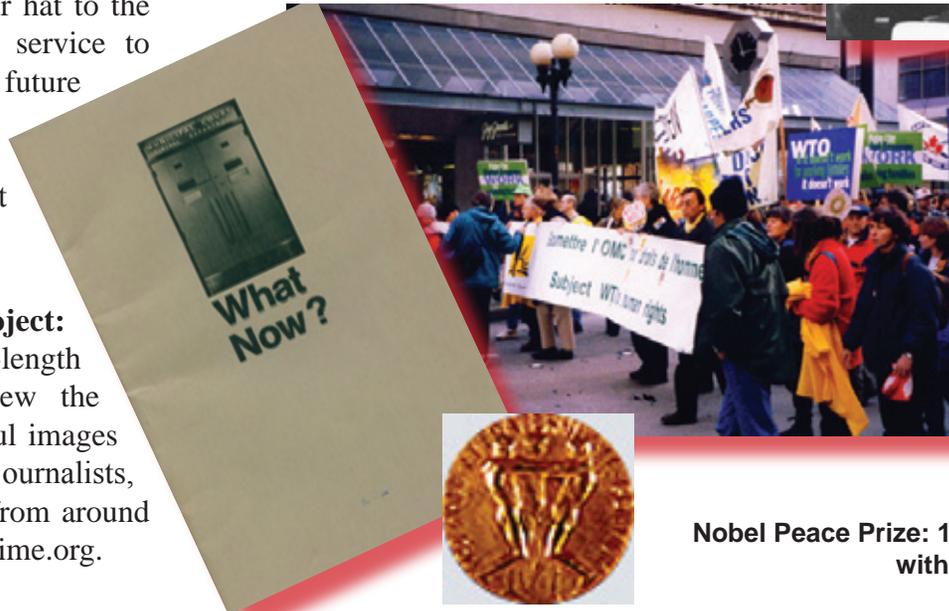
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AFSC Indian Program staff Jeff Smith (far left with son Ravi) and Sweetwater Nannauck (center rear) attend Intertribal Canoe Society planning meetings throughout northwest Washington and southwest British Columbia to support annual Intertribal Canoe Journey. This group photo was taken with participants of October, 2006 meeting at Lummi. Muckleshoot tribal members shared wisdom gained from hosting over 5,000 in 2006 with canoe leaders and youth. Photo by Al Johnny



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