



Women's International League for Peace and Freedom Triangle Branch Newsletter

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Note from the Editor –

At first the crows tentatively hover
Over the dead remains of our Black Prince.
They must restrain their strong hunger
For a respectable period
While his righteous deeds and words
Are mushed into white store-bought pablum
That is then provided as background noise
By the Crows' media for a few years.

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We who believe in Freedom must stop the
crows.
We must play back the real Martin Luther King.
The revolutionary King.

He was not killed because He was a non-violent
pacifist.
He was not eliminated a month before He was
going to Washington because
They thought He was going to give coats to poor
people.

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He was killed because He was about to use all
His strength to bridge these troubled masses into
a long, hot summer of Resistance in Washington
D.C., The Seat of the Government, as the FBI
called it.

-- *The Crow*, Al McSurely

CONTACT US

The Triangle WILPF steering committee meets
every fourth Saturday of the month 9 a.m. at
Weaver Street Market in Carrboro. All WILPF
members & friends are welcome.

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Upcoming WILPF Meetings

Triangle WILPF has its regular meeting the 2nd
Saturday each month from 10am-12 noon.
Most months there is a speaker for the first half
of the program, followed by political discussion,
reports, and announcements. Community
members are welcome to attend. Meetings are
usually held at the Chapel Hill Friends Meeting
House, 531 Raleigh Road (diagonally across

from the UNC Institute of Government, just
east of the intersection of Country Club Road
and Raleigh Road – next to the UNC parking
lot).

MONTHLY VIGIL

This month we will hold a --- at the Peace
and Freedom Plaza in front of the old Post
Office, Chapel Hill

WEEKLY VIGILS

Corner of Franklin and Elliot, C. H., by Whole Foods, Fridays 5:00-6:00.

Impeachment (Grass Roots Impeachment
Movement), Peace (WILPF), Stop Torture
(Orange County Peace Coalition), and others.

Corner of Gregson and Main, Durham, by Brightleaf Square. Impeachment and Peace in Iraq (GRIM and WILPF.)

Calendar of Events

**Wed., August 1, 6:30 P.M., St Joseph's
Baptist Church (Roberson & Rosemary,
C.H.)** NAACP takes back the night.

**Saturday, August 4, 10:00 A.M.,
Hargraves Center, (Roberson St., C.H.)**
NAACP monthly meeting.

**Monday, August 6, From Hiroshima to
Iraq:** commemoration, 7 PM, Gene Strowd
Rose Garden, Chapel Hill Community Center
Park (off Estes Drive, opposite P.O.). Readings,
speakers, music. Orange County Peace
Coalition. Information: 942-2535

**Thursday, August 9, "US Foreign Policy
in Venezuela and Colombia"** Gail Phares
speaks at Rice and Bean Dinner, Eno River UU
Fellowship, 4907 Garrett Road, Durham. \$15
donation toward October delegation.
Information: 489-1656.

Saturday, August 11, 10:00 A.M.
Monthly WILPF meeting, C.H. Friends
Meeting, Raleigh Rd. Details below.

**Sunday, August 19, 3:00-5:00, Chapel Hill
Public Library.** WILPF presents "Iron Wall,"
a film about the Israeli wall around the
Palestinian West Bank, from the viewpoint of
the Palestinians.

Thursday, August 30, WILPF book club
continues at 7pm at Lori Hoyt's home, 119
Fidelity Street, Apt. C3, Carrboro. Robert Fisk's

The Great War For Civilization. Copies available at \$13.60 new, regular \$20.00. For directions or info about the book selection, call 968-1888.

Saturday, September 8, 10:00 A.M.
Monthly WILPF meeting, C.H. Friends Meeting, Raleigh Rd. Details below.

Saturday, September 15 and beyond.
Demonstration and March on Washington DC will be taking the anti-war movement to a new level. This will not be a typical demonstration. These will be Days of Decision as General David Petraeus issues the Pentagon and White House report on September 15 insisting that the war must drag on for years to come.

WILPF TV PLANS

Maria Darlington and Tana Hartman have been producing a wonderful monthly WILPF program for the People's Channel (Channel 8 on cable in Chapel Hill and North Chatham.)

In order for the program to continue, more people are needed to volunteer. Training is required and several WILPF members are planning to do the training. First step is an orientation session, either August 9 (Thursday) or August 23 (Thursday.) Actual training is scheduled for August 22, 23, and 25 (two hours each day.) There is a charge, which can be worked off by volunteering. If interested, please contact Lucy Lewis, llewis2001@earthlink.net 929-5983.

The WILPF El Salvador Committee needs people who are interested in helping to develop the relationship with our sister WILPF members in El Salvador. Please contact Connie Gates, conniegates@hotmail.com

Want to **write for the newsletter**? Keep the **website updated and good looking**? Help with **membership**? Take notes at the meeting? Be our publicist/media relations contact? Have other ideas re: how to further peace and freedom? **See Contact Us on page 1!**

August 11 WILPF Monthly meeting

This month the presentation will be by Ben Balderas of El Centro Latino in North Carolina. His topic is Latino women in the area, particularly in Orange and Chatham counties. One topic of business that has been selected has come out of discussion at the Straley Series on July 22 is a response to the H K on J (Honor King on Jones Street) gathering spearheaded by the State NAACP in February. The steering committee has suggested that WILPF offer support to the local and state NAACP chapters that have taken the lead in this effort. Please bring ideas for this.

WATER

Two interesting recent developments:

"Thirst", a DVD we saw last year, featured the struggle against the sale of Stockton, CA's municipal water system to a private company, Thames. The sale, the largest one west of the Mississippi, ultimately occurred, and a senior city staff member emotionally resigned. On Monday, July 23, Democracy Now! reported that after a struggle of seven years by the citizens, the city purchased the water system back from Thames.

AquaFina water labels currently have the legend "PWS". Activists have gotten the company to agree to spell out "Public Water Supply" to make the source clearer to the customer.

Renew Membership/Join WILPF

Collectively, our voices and actions are stronger! Please renew your WILPF membership/join WILPF for 2007.

Dues

\$_____ Triangle Area Branch membership: sliding scale of \$12-\$30 according to your means. Student introductory offer - \$5

\$_____ US WILPF Section dues (including international fees) \$35 per person; \$40 family, \$15 low income. Pay more or less depending on what you can afford. Includes subscription to *Peace and Freedom News*

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