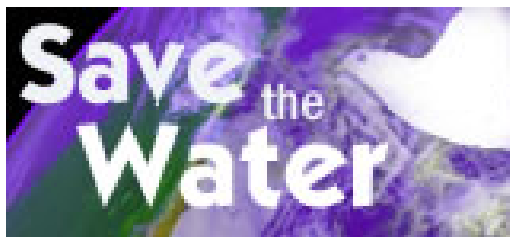




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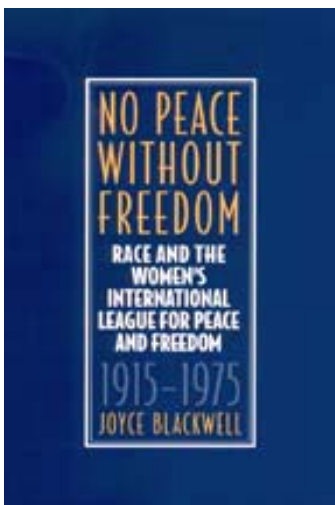


Special Event!

Triangle WILPF will have its monthly meeting at a special time and place for **September**, with a special guest.

Our guest will be Hope Taylor, **Executive Director of Clean Water for N.C.** She will inform us about water as a justice issue, and water supplies and quality in the Triangle, as we prepare to celebrate Blue October month for our national WILPF water awareness program.

The meeting will be September 13, 2008 in the Education Building at the rear of the Church of Reconciliation, at 2:00 p.m. The Church of Reconciliation is at **110 Elliot Road, Chapel Hill.**



Another Special Event!!

Triangle WILPF will have its monthly meeting at a special time and place **for October, as well**, with another special guest presentation.

Dr. Joyce Blackwell, Professor of History and head of the Department of History and Political Science at St. Augustine's College, Raleigh, will discuss her book *No Peace Without Freedom*, about the early years of women of color in WILPF.

The meeting will be October 11, 2008 in the Conference Room of the Chapel Hill Public Library, **Estes Road near Franklin St., Chapel Hill.**

WEEKLY ONGOING VIGILS

Corner of Franklin and Elliot, Chapel Hill, by Whole Foods, Fridays 5:00-6:00.
Stop the Iraq War, Impeachment, Stop Torture, No Iran War.

Corner of Gregson and Main, Durham, by Brightleaf Square. Noon-1 P.M., Saturdays.
Impeachment and Peace in Iraq (GRIM and others.)

Fridays, 7:30 a.m.-8:00 a.m.: WILPF's RADIO SHOW on 103.5 FM-WCOM in Carrboro and Chapel Hill. Also available on the internet by going to <http://www.communityradio.coop/> and clicking on the box in the upper right hand corner. Contribute! This is your community radio station!

Sat., Sept. 13, 2:00-4:00, Triangle WILPF monthly meeting, Church of Reconciliation, Chapel Hill. See P. 1 for details! (929-1786).

Vigil at Aero Contractors near Smithfield: 2-4 PM, September 13, NC 70B at Swift Creek Road. Join NC Stop Torture Now. Carpool from Chapel (942-2535) or Durham (403-2712).

Joint Town Hall Meeting with Congressmen David Price and Brad Miller: Question and answer period, 2-4 PM, Sept. 20, Glenaire Retirement Center, 4000 Glenaire Circle, Cary. Sponsored by Western Wake Democrats (851-4367).

What Is NC Legislative Climate in Providing Rights to Immigrants? NC State Senator Ellie Kinnaird and Marty Rosenbluth of the Southern Coalition for Social Justice address Orange County Bill of Rights Defense

Committee, 7 PM, Tues., Sept. 23, Orange Water and Sewer Authority Meeting Room, 400 Jones Ferry Road, Carrboro. (942-2535).

Fri., Sep. 26, 7:00-9:00 p.m. WILPF Book Club To discuss Naomi Klein's *The Shock Doctrine*. Dan Pollitt's house, 1018 Highland Woods Rd., Chapel Hill (929-5983).

Sat., Sep. 28, 9:00-10:00 a.m. Triangle WILPF monthly Steering Committee meeting. All are welcome! Weaver Street Market, Weaver Street, Carrboro (929-5983)

Thu., Oct. 2, 7:00-? HKonJ Local Assembly for planning the implementation of the 14-Point People's Agenda. Location TBA. (929-5983)

Sat., Oct. 11, 10:00-noon, Triangle WILPF monthly meeting, Chapel Hill Public Library Conference Room, See P. 1 for details! (929-1786)

Fri., Oct. 24, 7:00-9:00 p.m. WILPF Book Club To discuss Naomi Klein's *The Shock Doctrine*. Dan Pollitt's house, 1018 Highland Woods Rd., Chapel Hill (929-5983).

Membership Renewal Time

We are indeed living in time filled with the need for our voices and our action. As members of WILPF, we are fortunate to be part of an international family, a membership which makes our small voices more vocal, more visible, more informed.

Rising costs — postage and the newsletter, generous support to local initiatives and the U.S. Section (national), and a regularly-updated website — are placing a strain on our budget.

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Since a new membership year began September 1, I appeal to you to renew as soon as you can. With Jane Addams, let all of singly and together, try to make our lives worthy every day of the splendid opportunity we have to make our world a better place for our children and grandchildren.

Peace!
Ann Powers

Triangle WILPF Supports Local Workers



Woodworkers Local Lodge W369 of International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers have been on strike at the Moncure Plywood Plant (Eastern Chatham County) for over 50 days. The strike is to show resistance to the new contract demands by the company:

- A mandatory 60-hour work week
- 300% increase in worker costs for health care plan.
- Abolition of seniority.

This is the first strike in the local's history of almost 40 years in representing workers at the plant. It comes at a time that the new owners of the company, which seem to have been consolidating its strength and finding the right managers, want to remove the union from the plant.

Triangle WILPF members, along with Green Party

and Community Church Peace and Justice Committee members, have been supporting the workers and their families by joining the picket line (see photo above left.) We have also been providing material support in the form of food and drink for the pickets and contributions to the strike fund.

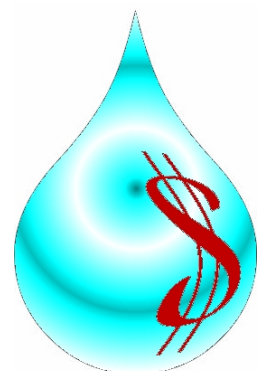
Another significant contribution was provided by our questioning the county board as to why the Sheriff's Department was allowing off-duty deputies in uniform and with the Sheriff mobile van on site (see right-hand picture, above) remote from its normal station. The result was the removal of such intimidation from the plant grounds.

Photos by Gayle Ruedi



Misleading "CEO Water Mandate" Threatens Global Commons

On March 20, a letter was delivered to United Nations Secretary General Ban Ki-Moon in New York urging him to withdraw his support from the CEO Water Mandate - a voluntary initiative promoted as a way for corporations to make progress toward protecting water resources. Laura Roskos of US WILPF was among leaders from more than 125 environmental, public health, water justice, human rights and corporate accountability organizations in 35 countries who signed the letter. The Letter was delivered by Tony Clarke of the Polaris Institute (Ottawa, CA) and others to coincide with the U.N.'s World Water Day on March 22 to call attention to the threats posed by corporate control of public water resources.



More at: <http://wilpf.org/node/712>

"We have made but the merest of beginnings in the highest of human arts, that of living and working together on the plane of consent and cooperation without coercion."
--Emily Greene Balch, WILPF's first

