An Evening with the Arts

Murray Hall, on the campus of the College of St. Thomas, was the site of FNVW's first Evening with the Arts fundraiser. Organized by Bob Peiffer, Betty Firth and other FNVW board members, the event brought together nearly seventy people who enjoyed an evening of bidding on over 75 beautiful pieces of art donated by local artists. Fine food was followed by entertainment provided by musicians Charlotte Kasl, Dennis Dietzel, Brian Humphrey and Bob Hughes, and mime Steve Budas. Background music was provided by Emily Slowinski and Marlys Lund, and the trio of Brian Humphrey, Bob Hughes and Robin Fox provided music for dancing. Art sold throughout the evening included paintings, pottery, sculptures, photography and weaving. Funds raised by this event wili go to the ongoing work of FNVW. Many thanks to all of the artists, performers, volunteers and attenders who made this evening a success.

Walk/Run of Remembrance: An Event of Mixed Blessing

On Saturday August 5th, FNVW and INFACT -'G.E. Boycott Campaign presented the Ninth Annual Run of Remembrance and Hope. New this year at the same place and time was the First Annual Walk of Remembrance and Hope. The run used the Lakes of the Isles Parkway while the walk was on the walking path near the lake.

The run this year drew 243 runners, skaters and wheelchair persons, much less than the 400 or more in previous years. Organizers and staff of the run are evaluating whether to offer the run next year. Given the high cost of the park and equipment rental and the diminishing interest in this type of event it may be time to put it aside and focus on the Walk of Remembrance.

The walk had 78 participants and was called a considerable success. People of all ages walked the 5K or 10K course around beautiful Lakes of the Isles. Many walkers and a few runners raised pledges for the sponsoring groups.

People Camp '89

Consider The Earth and Our Lives Within It was the theme of this year's August gathering. Over 140 persons came together to look at various parts of our environmental crisis. The week was full of workshops, singing, good food, games, nature walks, swimming, boating and much serious discussion. All enjoyed excellent weather and beautiful sunsets.

Next year all are encouraged to register early since this year the committee had to close registration a month before camp began when camp capacity was reached. If you wish to be part of the planning for next year's people camp, please contact the FNVW office at 870-1501.

Notabilia

A great deal of thanks is given to Dhaivyd Hilgendorf for serving as FNVW's Interim Office Manager and Volunteer Coordinator from May 22nd to August 1st. Dhaivyd did a tremendous amount of work in helping to organize both the Legs Against Arms Run/Walk and People Camp. In addition to office work, Dhaivyd also served as director for this year's People Camp. For all of your efforts, Dhaivyd, and for your commitment to FNVW, thanks!

Bravo to Kathy Booth, FNVW's summer intern! In reflecting on her experience, Kathy says,"...the best way to summarize what I've learned and experienced is to say I have been empowered. I was so discouraged before I started working for FNVW; I felt the peace and justice community didn't want my help because of my age and that I couldn't make a difference anyway. Now I feel I have some of the basic concepts, personal contacts, and confidence to take on many issues, in my own life and as part of a group." Kathy is attending Wesleyan University in Middletown, Connecticut, this fall. Our best wishes and heartfelt thanks go with her.

On October 8, Grace Gibas, one of the "Founding Mothers" of FNVW, was honored at a reception hosted by FNVW board members, staff and volunteers. Grace has been an integral part of FNVW since its inception. To honor her in this way was just one small token of our appreciation. While Grace no longer serves on the FNVW board, she will continue to volunteer time with FNVW. Grace, for your many, many gifts shared with the FNVW community, we extend our deep, deep thanks.

The FNVW office continues to seek a computer and a photocopier. If you can donate either of these machines or money to help us purchase them, please contact John Martinson or Kim Hill Smith at 870-1501. If you know of other contacts with whom we should be in touch regarding these items, please let us know. Thanks!

In the coming months, the FNVW board will be examining its program and developing long range planning goals. If you have concerns or issues of which you would like the board to be aware in this process, please share your concerns with board members or contact the FNVW office.

Mark Your Calendar

Wednesday October 25	**"Converting the Minnesota Economy for Peace"** - Charles Sugnet, University of Minnesota Professor of English and author of "Military and the Minnesota Economy," will bring the issues found in this report out of the files and to the public for action. 8:00 AM, St. Martin's Table, 2001 Riverside, Mpls. Cost for breakfast is $3.00. For more information, call Myron Schragg at 722-7524 or Eleanor Yackel at 784-5177. Sponsored by People of Faith Peacemakers.
Wednesday November 8	**"Women, Work and Welfare"** - Polly Mann and a welfare mother discuss the struggle for survival of unskilled workers and the Up and Out of Poverty Program. 8:00 AM, St. Martin's Table, 2001 Riverside, Mpls. Cost for breakfast is $3.00. For more information, contact Myron Schragg at 722-7524 or Eleanor Yackel at 784-5177. Sponsored by the People of Faith Peacemakers.
Friday-Sunday November 10-12	**"End of the Cold War: Fund Human Needs!"** - National Peace Council 10th Anniversary Conference, Boston.
Saturday November 11	**"We Are Manna People: A Mini-Retreat"** - Will examine "wilderness spirituality," a contemporary response to grace. 9:00 AM - 12:00 noon, Meridel Le Seuer Center, 1929 South 5th Street, Mpls. For more information, contact Heartland classes at 341-0871. Cost is $10.00.
Sunday November 12	**NOW March for Choices**, Washington, D.C. For more information, call (202) 331-0066.
Wednesday November 22	**"Sharing Our Stories"** - People of Faith Peacemakers, a resource and support group for those concerned about communicating peace with justice issues, will discuss and reflect on current concerns and successes. 8:00 AM, St. Martin's Table, 2001 Riverside, Mpls. Cost for breakfast is $3.00. For more information, call Myron Schragg at 722-7524 or Eleanor Yackel at 784-5177. Sponsored by People of Faith Peacemakers.
Saturday December 2	**FNVW Annual Craft Sale**, Minneapolis Friends Meetinghouse, 44th and York Avenue South. (See article on page 5 for more information.)
Wednesday December 13	**"Empowerment: The Process Continues"** - John Martinson, FNVW Director, will facilitate a mini-workshop to help empower people in peacemaking. 8:00 AM, St. Martin's Table, 2001 Riverside, Minneapolis. Cost for breakfast is $3.00. For more information, contact Myron Schragg at 722-7524 or Eleanor Yackel at 784-5177. Sponsored by People of Faith Peacemakers.
Friday-Sunday January 12-14	**Weapons Facilities Conference** - Sponsored by the National Mobilization for Survival at Camp Challenge, Orlando, FL. $55 affiliates; $75 non-members. For more information, call (212) 385-2222.
Friday-Saturday January 26-27	**"Empowering Ourselves"** - Workshop for people concerned about the Global Environmental Crisis, facilitated by John Martinson, Kay Grinland and Will Pipkin. 7-9 PM Friday eve, 9-4 Saturday. Fee is $25 if registered by the Friday before; $30 if registered during the week before. The workshop will be held at the Richardson Nature Center, 8737 East Bush Lake Road, Bloomington, MN. For more information call (612) 941-7993 or (612) 870-1501.
	Honor a Vet, Stop a War - ongoing vigil at Lake Street Recruiting. For more information, call 922-4176.