

STEP UP TO BE A CROP HUNGER WALK RECRUITER

RECRUITER RALLY

Saturday, February 22, 10 a.m.

First United Methodist Church

1224 Legion Way SE, Olympia

CROP Hunger Walks are community-wide, volunteer events to raise funds to end hunger at home and around the world.

We need YOUR help to make our 34th Annual walk a success! Thurston County's CROP Hunger Walk is a 10K walk around Capitol Lake on the first Sunday in May (May 4 this year).

Step up and be a recruiter -- organize your community, congregation,



(Top) Walkers and wheelers begin the 10K route at the State Capitol Campus. **(Bottom)** Refreshments and entertainment await at Tumwater Historical Park, half-way point.



friends, co-workers or neighbors to do good

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GETTING TO KNOW YOUR HOMELESS NEIGHBORS

as a Volunteer with the Interfaith Works Women's Shelter

We have Volunteer Opportunities at the Women's Shelter, located at First Christian Church, in February, 2014.

Please contact Meg Martin by e-mail at meg@thepeopleshouseoly.org to sign up. Thank you for engaging in this vital program!

Evening Greeters: Greeters arrive (ideally in teams of two) at the shelter at 6:30 before the guests arrive at 7:00 p.m. Greeters have the nightly list of women who have signed up for the shelter. The greeters welcome guests, get them signed in and help with setting up the food, beverages and sleeping mats for the evening. The greeters leave between 9:00 and 10:00 p.m., when the women have settled in for the night.



Overnight Hosts: Teams of two overnight hosts arrive each night at 6:45 p.m. and set

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CROP Recruiters

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and walk together. You can pick up recruiter packets and all kinds of outreach materials (including promotional t-shirts and caps). New or first-time recruiters can learn more and get all their questions answered. Experienced recruiters can check in to learn about specific plans for May 4 and how to promote on-line giving to this year's Walk.

More information is available at our website,

www.interfaith-works.org/CROPWalk.php

and

www.cropwalkonline.org/olympiawa

Call our office at 357-7224.

CROP STEERING COMMITTEE

Perhaps you would prefer to work behind the scenes? We need some special leaders to serve on our 2014 CROP Hunger Walk Steering Committee. The Steering Committee coordinates all the different facets of the Walk – from **planning** to **publicity** to **arrangements** on Walk day. If you have the interest and time to serve, we welcome you. No expertise needed – just a willingness to be creative and work on a team to make the 2014 CROP Hunger Walk a real success! Contact Interfaith Works for more information.

OUR 40TH YEAR!

SAVE THE DATE!

SATURDAY, MAY 10, 2014

In 2014 Interfaith Works is celebrating Forty Years of Love Action with a series of celebrations and a fundraising goal of \$80,000! Encourage your friends and family show their gratitude for IW's service to Thurston County by participating in these upcoming events:

- Four evenings of conversation on the last Wednesdays of March, April, May and June, designed around the themes of *Food and Hunger, Justice, Shelter, and Intercultural Relations.*
- 40th Anniversary Fundraising Brunch on the morning of Saturday, May 10.
- Our 6th World Sacred Music Festival, at South Puget Sound Community College, commences immediately after the Brunch, highlighting the beauty and genius of spiritually focused musicians and the fruitage of forty years of Interfaith Works programs.

Details will continue to be announced!

Shelter Volunteers

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up food and beverages for the women. Hosts help set up the bed mats if someone needs assistance, and ensure that the night passes peacefully. Hosts sleep overnight at the shelter, wake the women up to be out by 7:00 a.m., help them gather belongings and clean up.

In-kind support: We are always looking for food, healthy snack and non-perishables for the shelter. We are able to store milk, cheese and other small perishables but that is all. Cup-a-soups, almond butter, peanut butter, crackers, cereal, pretzels and other snacks are great! Paper cups, plates, bowls and plastic utensils are an ongoing need. Feminine hygiene supplies, dental hygiene supplies and general hygiene supplies are an ongoing need as well.



More Calendar Events!

There are many more events than could fit in this month's print newsletter. Please see our website calendar

www.interfaith-works.org/Calendar.php

for additional interesting classes, concerts, lectures, volunteer opportunities and more.

Have an event you would like listed?

We have an on-line form that makes it easy to add your event. Go to:

www.interfaith-works.org/SubmitEvent.php

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

A listing of some of the activities and events of Interfaith Works members, and of general interest. IW does not necessarily endorse these events. More details and events at www.interfaith-works.org. Submit your event at www.interfaith-works.org/SubmitEvent.php

Jan 25-30 Sat-Thurs varies	"Black Nativity" - Film. Inspired by the Langston Hughes "gospel song play", a teenager is sent to live with his grandfather, a strict Baptist preacher, and his wife, pillars of the Harlem community. Classic gospel songs and original compositions. \$5.50-\$8.50, Capitol Theater, 206-5th Ave SE, Olympia 98501. www.olympiafilmsociety.org
1/20,27;2/3,10 Mondays 7-9 pm	Questioning the Death Penalty. Is the death penalty the best we can do in responding to unspeakable violence, caring for grieving families, and living up to our moral and religious principles? Videos, readings, discussion. \$10 class fee. Olympia Unitarian Universalist Cong. 2300 East End St NW, 98502. 786-6383; www.ouuc.org/pages/adultEd.html
Jan 27-31 Mon-Fri 8 am—5 pm	Mediation Training. Do you want to improve your work environment? Help your family solve conflicts? The concepts and skills taught in this fun and interactive 40-hr training are designed to improve communications in all settings. \$675. Dispute Resolution Center, 956-1155; mschubert@mediatethurston.org. http://www.mediatethurston.org
January 27 Monday 6:45-9 pm	Nonviolent Communication—Introductory Workshop. NVC helps people interact in their daily lives, in families, the workplace, and even within ourselves. Learn basic intentions and immediate tools for reducing criticism & misunderstanding. Free, donations appreciated. Lincoln School Cafeteria, 213-21st Ave SE. livmonroe@gmail.com; 357-4503
January 30 Thursday 9 am - 3 pm	Interfaith Advocacy Day—"Dismantling the Culture of Violence". Faith Action Network helps brings our voices of compassion and justice to our elected leaders. Don't miss this opportunity! Includes keynote speaker, workshops, appts. Cost: \$20. The United Churches of Olympia, 110-11th Ave SE. fan@fanwa.org; 206-625-9790 http://fanwa.org
January 30 Thursday 11:00 am	Runners (& Walkers) for Background Checks. Part of Interfaith Advocacy Day, runners and walkers of faith will "cross the finish line" to make background checks on gun sales a reality. 5K run/walk begins at Olympia Unitarian Universalist Cong. to Legislative steps! Volunteer greeters needed too. Contact Rev. Carol McKinley, cdmckinley@earthlink.net
January 30 Thursday 7:30 pm	Innocence & the Death Penalty with Jason Baldwin. As a teenager (one of the "Memphis 3"), Jason Baldwin was wrongly convicted of murder and spent 18 years in prison until his release in 2011. Also speaking is Holly Ballard of the WCADP. Free. Olympia Timberland Library, 313—8th Ave SE. http://www.olympiafor.org/death_penalty.htm
February 1 Saturday 9am-3pm	Beauty: Our Connection to the Infinite. Author John O'Donohue suggests that beauty calls us to our highest selves. This is a day of "beauty immersion" - in nature, art, music. Find what kindles your soul and connects you with the infinite. Cost: \$60. Priory Spirituality Center, 500 College St NE, 98516, 438-2595; prioryprograms@gmail.com; www.stplacid.org .
February 1 Saturday 1-4 pm	Stewards of Children. A nationally recognized training to help adults understand and protect children from sexual abuse. Includes live and video presentations, plus Q&A. \$10 class fee + \$10 materials. Olympia Unitarian Universalist Cong. 2300 East End St NW, 98502. 786-6383; www.ouuc.org/pages/adultEd.html
February 4 Tuesday 6:30 pm	Amahoro House Volunteer Caregiver Open House. A project of Hospice Without Borders to provide end-of-life care for people without a home. You'll be part of the team that includes doctors, nurses, social workers and others, & receive 20 hours training. 1618 E 4th Ave, Olympia 98506. 338-0107; volunteercoordinator@hospicewithoutborders.com
2/4, 3/4, 4/1 Tuesdays 7-8 pm	Singing the Hu. HU is a love song to God. In singing it or holding it in your mind in time of need, it becomes a prayer. HU can be sung by anyone. It isn't meant to change your religion, just enhance it. \$10 class fee. Olympia Unitarian Universalist Cong. 2300 East End St NW, 98502. 786-6383; www.ouuc.org/pages/adultEd.html
February 8 Saturday 9 am - 3 pm	God is...I am...Affirmative Prayer. Affirmative prayer helps us to turn to God, to lift awareness of Spirit moving within us, to be open to accepting God's gifts for us. We will practice developing personal affirmative prayers. Cost: \$50. Priory Spirituality Center, 500 College St NE, 98516, 438-2595; prioryprograms@gmail.com; www.stplacid.org .
February 9 Sunday 2 pm	Electra Ensemble in a Benefit Concert for St. Placid Priory. With a rich, varied repertoire for recorder, violin & harpsichord, this Seattle-based trio is engaging & playful for audiences of all ages. Program includes Corelli, Handel etc. Tickets: \$25 Adult/\$15 Senior (kids free w/adult). St. Placid Priory, 500 College St NE, 98516, 438-1771; www.stplacid.org .
February 9 Sunday 3 pm	An Afternoon of Love Songs: Chanson D'Amour. Jerome Kern to Noel Coward, Aaron Copland to W.A. Mozart: You'll feel the love! Soprano Danielle Munsell Howard and pianist Christine Fuoco. Artist reception to follow. Child care available. Cost: by Donation; St. John's Episcopal Church, 114 - 20th Ave SE, Olympia 98501
February 12 Wednesday tba	Lobby Day to Repeal the Death Penalty. Sponsored by The Washington Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty. People from around the state are needed to come and talk to their elected officials about death penalty repeal. Info & registration: http://abolishdeathpenalty.org/



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INTERFAITH ADVOCACY DAY
THURS, JAN 30, 2014

Join workshops that will break down the issues. Get current best practices on how to advocate in today's legislature. Learn how to prepare for briefings and hearings. And an appointment will be made for you and others from your district to speak directly with your state legislators.

United Churches of Olympia
110 11th Ave SE, Olympia, WA 98501

Registration: 8:00 am
Worship and Program: 9:00 am



Ensemble Electra

Sun., Feb 9, 2 pm

St. Placid Priory
500 College St NE

With a rich, varied repertoire for recorder, violin, and harpsichord, this Seattle-based trio's energetic, spontaneous style makes for playful and engaging concerts for audiences of all ages.

Today's program includes works by Corelli, Handel, Barsanti and others

Tickets: \$25 Adult/\$15 Senior
Kids & teens free with adult

Call Dorene at 438-1771 or see <http://stplacid.org>

This is a benefit concert for the Benedictine Sisters of St. Placid Priory and their ministries

2014 LEGISLATURE SEEKS CHAPLAINS

January 13—March 13, 10 am

The Washington State House of Representatives is seeking local chaplains to deliver the opening prayer for the 2014 Washington State Legislature.

Recognizing the diversity of faiths among those present, the prayer or meditation should be interfaith, and about 1-2 minutes in length.

For anyone interested in participating, contact Patty Moore in the Chief Clerk's office. Call 360-786-7176 e-mail patty.moore@leg.wa.gov.