

The Olive Branch

Week of September 27, 2013

Neonatal Tetanus Prevention

In the midst of our hectic lives, it is sometimes difficult to know how we, as peace workers, can truly make a difference in the world. Often, this difficulty is magnified by the fact that our contributions sometimes seem insignificant to us in light of the world's vast number of problems. Over one billion people in developing countries survive based upon \$1.25 per day or less. These people face medical problems, hunger, and much more. In light of such a vast problem, what should our response be to improve the global situation?

Although there are many answers to this question, the Kiwanis International Foundation and UNICEF have found one in their support of The Eliminate Project, which combats maternal and neonatal tetanus (MNT), a deadly disease which killed 58,000 new-



borns in the World Health Organization's most recent figure. MNT is a disease that occurs when tetanus spores make contact with a child during childbirth. This often happens due the lack of sterilized tools while cutting the umbilical cord. MNT is an extremely painful and typically fatal disease. It renders the infant sensitive to both light and touch, as well as causes the child to suffer convulsions. Once the disease is acquired, survival is extremely rare, and it is made worse by the fact that the infant's sensitivity to touch means that it cannot be held by

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mother without experiencing extreme pain.

This tragic disease is highly preventable. Caused by the same tetanus spores many of us in Western countries are routinely vaccinated against from birth, MNT can be prevented through the usage of a series of three shots which then transfer their protection to the unborn child. The three shots, costing a total of \$1.80, can be used to vaccinate the mother and protect her future children for several years. The goal of The Eliminate Project is to eliminate this disease by providing vaccinations for mothers across the globe. For half the amount of a typical specialty cup of coffee from Starbucks, the life of a mother and her future children can be spared. By vaccinating one woman at a time, The Eliminate Project has accomplished a re-



markable task – the systematic elimination of the disease in 20 countries. Although approximately 40 countries remain, the impact of the project has been profound, and all through a series of shots that cost less than a morning cup of coffee.

This raises the question: for what are we willing to give up our morning coffee (or other non-essentials)? Further, what should

our response as peace workers be to global problems, such as the existence of MNT? While we many not choose to donate specifically to The Eliminate Project, there are many projects that deserve our attention. Through carefully searching for these and examining their impact, we have the option to contribute our resources to a meaningful cause.

Reference: <http://sites.kiwanis.org/Kiwanis/en/theELIMINATEproject/home.aspx>

Ashli Godfrey

Spotlight:

Jane Addams



In our twenties, many of us struggle to find the direction in which we are destined to go in order to maximize our potential. Such was the case for a young Jane Addams, fresh out of college, wondering where to go next. She went to medical school for a bit because she knew she wanted to help the poor but was forced to drop out due to health concerns. Discouraged by her failure, Ms. Addams sought a way to use her passion for outreach in a profound way. She was eventually inspired by her brother-in-law to travel, thus beginning young Jane's journey into her peacemaking efforts.

When she went to London, England for her second time in the summer of 1886, Jane Addams visited the world's first "settlement house."

A settlement house is a sort of community center at which the underprivileged are invited to come and take advantage of social programs such as daycares and kindergartens, free baths, hot meals, legal advice, and other various services. While these programs are carried out, academics and future community leaders are invited to volunteer and study at the houses in order to better assist the urban poor. Addams visited this house, called Toynbee Hall, which still operates to this day. While she was able to learn a great deal from her time spent there, Addams began to feel a growing sense of guilt for acting as an observer rather than a volunteer. She realized that she had to leave and achieve her dream of building her own settlement house in the United States.

Upon her return in 1889, Jane Addams founded Hull House in Chicago with her close friend Ellen Gates Starr.

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According to the Hull House Museum website, the center “provided kindergarten and day care facilities for the children of working mothers; an employment bureau; an art gallery; libraries; English and citizenship classes; and theater, music and art classes... Hull-House supported...clubs and activities such as a Labor Museum, the Jane Club for single working girls, meeting places for trade union groups, and a wide array of cultural events.” It catered to multiple groups of immigrants in the area, including Germans, Jews, the Irish, Italians, and eventually African-Americans and Mexicans. Addams and Starr developed the three governing principles that remain the standard for all settlement houses, which are “to teach by example, to practice cooperation, and to practice social democracy, that is, egalitarian, or democratic, social relations across class lines.” Addams strove to keep families safe, uplift the community, and improve society. She invited rich philanthropists, often housewives, to contribute time and money to the House by classifying the work as “civic housekeeping.” She argued that since women were raised and trained to care for children and keep things tidy that they would be the ones to do such things on a larger scale. This idea proved very successful, and she was able to attract enough donors that she didn’t have to foot the bill herself any longer.



Addams was also a peace activist, for which she won the Nobel Peace Prize, being the first woman to do so. She was, like many activists throughout American history, branded as unpatriotic in the many speeches she gave against engaging in World War I. Addams spoke out against the use of poisonous gas, and was a strong force behind its discontinuation under the Calvin Coolidge administration. She was also a prominent sociologist, pioneering the practice of statistical mapping and frequently contributing to the American Sociological Society.

Jane Addams and her sociological ideas continue to influence society today and settlement houses continue to exist today, often in the form of community centers.

On Homeland Security

On Homeland Security is an upcoming art show, scheduled for the month of February at The Cup (The Village of Muncie), that will focus on the instability and fear accompanying the still expanding War on Terror. The show strives to highlight the many faces that insecurity takes at home and abroad. Possible themes include: surveillance, extrajudicial detention centers, drones, and suspension of civil rights here and around the world.

Local artists, writers, and performers of any media who are interested in participating in this exhibition or the associated video and website are welcome to submit pieces by **October 15th, 2013**.

For more information or to make a submission, contact Mary Ogle (ogle.mary@gmail.com).



On Campus Events

International Conversation Hour (ICH)

This program is designed to help international students practice English, learn studying skills and classroom culture, and make American friends. We recruit both domestic and international students from the BSU campus.

Time: Every Tuesday, 6-7:30 pm

First three meeting Location: 8/27, 9/3, and 9/10 will meet at the Studebake East, Multipurpose Room

Please feel free to bring your friends to join us. If you have any questions, please email Pei-Yi Lin, at plin@bsu.edu.

The Adult Physical Fitness Program is collecting for the "Coats Against The Cold Weather Collection"

Needed are new or gently used coats, mittens, hats and scarves for children, adult women and men in our community.

Please help us help those in need by bringing your contribution to the Adult Fitness Center located in the Student Recreation & Wellness Center - Room 135 right by the rock-climbing wall. You may also drop off your contribution in our Program office.

Hosted By: BSU Adult Physical Fitness Program

Fitness Center Hours: Monday thru Friday: 5:30-8:45am, 11:30-1:15pm & 3:30-7:00pm and Saturday from 7:30-10:30am

Program Office Hours: Monday thru Friday: 7:30-4:30pm. Located in the Human Performance Lab - Room HP 230

When: Now thru Tuesday, October 1st

Questions? Call Lynn Clark 285-1140 or laclark2@bsu.edu

On Campus Events continued...

Indiana Blood Center Blood Drive and Be The Match Bone Marrow Match Registry

Start: October 11, 2013 9 a.m.

End: October 11, 2013 3 p.m.

Location: Pruis Hall

Contact Details: Michelle Johnson, 765-285-1080

Save a life on Friday, October 11, 2013, from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at the Student Center Multi-purpose Room! Homecoming Pride Points can be earned for donating!

Don't want to wait? Appointments will be available online soon! Walk-ins are also welcomed.

For more information, visit the Homecoming Blood Drive page.

Perspectives Discussion: 'Mass Incarceration in the US: Justice or Jim Crow?'

Date: 10/16/2013

Time: 3:00-4:00 PM

Location: Multicultural Center

Perspectives is a discussion series that exists to give students, faculty, and staff an opportunity to discuss current events and important topics. The Multicultural Center extends an invitation to all students, faculty, staff, and individuals not associated with Ball State to bring their perspectives and participate in our discussions.

Heritage Film: Not Just a Game

Date: 10/23/2013

Time: 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Location: Arts and Communications Building, Room 114

The Heritage Film Series features various films throughout the spring semester. These films present historical and social perspectives from various cultures. Each month, a different culture is featured.

Off-Campus Events

The 15th Annual Yoder Dialogues on Nonviolence, Religion and Peace: Building Just Peace in Colombia

Thursday, October 3, 2013

11 a.m., Hesburgh Center for International Studies Auditorium, University of Notre Dame
Featuring Ricardo Esquivia, founding director, Justapaz

Ricardo Esquivia is a Colombian Mennonite who has dedicated his life to building peace in Colombia, a country with one of the longest-running civil wars in the western hemisphere. In 1990, Esquivia founded Justapaz, the Colombian Mennonite Ministry for Justice, Peace and Nonviolent Action, which he directed for 13 years. More recently, on the Caribbean Coast, he founded Sembrandopaz (Planting Peace), a regional inter-denominational organization that works with displaced communities in the process of returning to their land and seeking reparation.

Poverty Warriors: Tales from Britain's War on Poverty - Professor Susan Brin Hyatt

CE – Campus Center room 307

420 University Blvd., Indianapolis, IN 46202

Inspired in part by the U.S. War on Poverty, in 1969, the British government funded 12 Community Development Projects in impoverished communities across Britain. By 1978, this experiment came to an end amidst a great deal of political turmoil. Come hear how some of the original community development workers reflect on that tumultuous time.

RSVP: libarsvp@iupui.edu with Brin Hyatt talk in the subject line.

Off-Campus Events continued...

Special Exhibition, Art Interrupted: Advancing Art and the Politics of Cultural Diplomacy

September 15, 2013 - December 15, 2013

Venue: Indiana University Art Museum

Address: E. 7th St., Bloomington, IN 47405

Phone: 812-855-9647

Times: Noon - 5 pm

Recurrence: Recurring weekly on Sunday

Admission: Free

2013 4th Annual Harvey Milk Dinner

Thursday, October, 10, 2013. IUPUI Campus Center 4th Floor

6:00 p.m., Reception (CE 4th Floor Terrace)

7:00 p.m. Dinner (CE 450)

\$20 - IUPUI Students; \$45 - All Others

Register online at myiupui.com/2013milkdinner by October 4.

Keynote: iO Tillet Wright - iO is an artist whose photography project showcases people who identify as something other than 100% straight has spawned countless conversations on the issues of gender and sexuality. In 2012 iO presented Fifty Shades of Gay on TED.com, which has been viewed by nearly 900,000 people.

Grants and Fellowships

United States Institute of Peace Annual Grant Competition

This Grant Program supports peacebuilding projects such as educational or research institutions and civil society organizations that are managed by nonprofit organizations. Every year, the USIP awards 20-25 grants ranging from \$50,000 to \$120,000. USIP may provide grant support to nonprofit organizations and individuals—both U.S. and foreign—including the following: institutions of post-secondary, community, and secondary education; public and private education, training or research institutions, and libraries. The next deadline for the annual grant competition is October 1, 2013.

Visit <http://www.usip.org/grants-fellowships/annual-grant-competition> for more info.

The Jennings Randolph Senior Fellowship Program (USIP)

These are awarded to scholars, practitioners, policy analysts, policy makers, and others to spend 9-10 months in residence at the USIP during which time they will reflect and write on international peace and security challenges. Citizens of any country are able to apply. The program beginning in October 2014 is now open. Visit <http://www.usip.org/grants-fellowships/jennings-randolph-senior-fellowship-program> to learn more.

Rotary Peace Fellowships

The Rotary Foundation provides these fellowships to fund master's degree or professional development certificate study at one of the six Rotary Peace Centers. Recipients of this fellowship promote peace, cooperation, and successful conflict resolution on both the national and international levels. Visit <https://www.rotary.org/en/peace-fellowships> to learn more.

Conferences

INTERNATIONAL TEACHER EDUCATION CONFERENCE 2014

Dubai / UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

February 5-7, 2014

www.ite-c.net

Call for papers

The main goal of International Teacher Education Conference is to provide a multinational platform where the latest trends in education can be presented and discussed in a friendly environment with the aim to learn from each other. Prospective presenters are encouraged to submit proposals for papers and posters/demonstrations that offer new research or theoretical contributions. Presentations should be in Turkish, English and Arabic and should address both theoretical issues and new research findings.

Furthermore if the presenter is unable to attend the oral presentation, video presentations are available. For further information on how to submit, please refer to the Paper Submission section on our website. For paper guidelines, please refer to the Paper Guidelines section.

Deadlines

Proposal & Abstract Submission Deadline : January 24, 2014

Full Paper Submission : January 26, 2014

Registration : January 24, 2014

Conference : February 5-6-7, 2014

Conferences continued...

Evolutionary Approaches to Peace Science

Oct. 24-26, 2013

University of Tennessee, Knoxville

The Society holds conferences annually within North America and periodically in other parts of the world. These bring together leading researchers scientifically investigating questions related to conflict and peace from all over the world.

For more information, see <http://pss.la.psu.edu/2013program.pdf>

Hope Resource Center Conference

Oct. 26, 2013

PO Box 1084

Bedford, IN 47421

Marcy Pederson

855-HOPE-HELP

For more information, see <http://www.hoperesourcectr.org/>

Notre Dame Student Peace Conference

The annual Notre Dame Student Peace Conference, which takes place during the spring semester, attracts undergraduate and graduate students from across the U.S. and abroad who want to change in the world and who are committed to a rigorous, multi-disciplinary academic work on peacebuilding. Students present original research and showcase innovative peacebuilding practices.

For more information, see <http://kroc.nd.edu/undergraduate/notre-dame-student-peace->

Peace Organizations

Social Justice League

I am Morgan Ulyat, the president for Social Justice League this year. Below is a short description of our organization:

The Social Justice league strives to better the world through awareness, local involvement, and fundraising for worthy causes. We aim to bring greater awareness of social justice issues to Ball-State and the community. Join us to explore both domestic and international issues and to confront and combat injustices.

Our club meets every Thursday at 5 p.m. in the Center for Peace and Conflict Studies. We can be reached at either sjl@bsu.edu or bsu.social.justice@gmail.com.

Timmy Global Health

Timmy Global Health is a nonprofit organization based out of Indianapolis that seeks to eliminate healthcare disparities worldwide. At Ball State, our chapter works through the academic year to raise awareness, money, and medical supplies for our annual trip to Ecuador during spring break.

Contact Info: bsutimmy@gmail.com

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/BSUTimmy>

Meetings: Tuesday @ 7pm. Education Resource Room 1 in the Bracken Library Basement

Delivering Educational Support to Kenya

Delivering Educational Support to Kenya (DESK) is a student-led organization designed to assist students in Kenya. In Kenya, all students are required to have a school uniform to attend school. Unfortunately, some families are not in a position to buy school uniforms or school supplies for their children. To help these families, DESK organizes various fund raising activities to raise money to buy school uniforms and supplies. Some of these activities have been bake sales, calendar sales, and boxed lunch sales.

Peace Organizations continued...

Contact email: desk@bsu.edu

Fall 2013 Meeting Dates & Times:

September 23, 6-7pm in TC 542

October 28, 6-7pm in TC 542

November 25, 6-7pm in TC 54

Ball State TOMS

Our club is directly affiliated with the TOMS company. Our main goal and focus as a club is to raise awareness about the company and what they do. We do this through sponsoring and holding several events throughout the school year. We meet every Wednesday night at 9 PM in Bracken, room 401.

Contact info: TOMSCLUB@bsu.edu

Taylor Cardini, President

Students for Responsible Consumerism

Students for Responsible Consumerism aims to educate consumers about their relationship with products and the corporations that make them. Our mission is to make students aware of the socioeconomic and environmental influence of their purchases. We foster consumer activity that promotes ethical products that avoid exploiting labor or the environment.

Our club meets Tuesdays at 5 p.m. in the Student Center, Room 308. We can be reached at the following emails: src@bsu.edu or responsible.consumerism.bsu@gmail.com. This is our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/responsibleconsumerism>, and we also have a tumblr page: <http://responsibleconsumerism.tumblr.com/>.

Peace Organizations continued...

Ball State Circle K

Circle K International (CKI) is the premier collegiate community service, leadership development, and friendship organization in the world. CKI blends community service and leadership training with the opportunity to make friends. Our motto is: "Live to Serve, Love to Serve!" Our club offers weekly service opportunities and larger service events for those who wish to become involved.

Our club meets every Tuesday evening at 7:30 in WB 136.

Club email: ballstatecki@gmail.com

Club Website: <http://ballstatecki.weebly.com/>

Vegan Association

The Vegan Association is a judgment-free zone for Ball State students, employees, and alumni who are vegan and wish to positively promote a life free from animal products. We are a campus-affiliated network dedicated to the support, promotion, and education of people regarding veganism.

Meeting information can be found on our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/354765237926317/members/>

Email: jlgilbert3@bsu.edu



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The Center for Peace and Conflict Studies is an interdisciplinary knowledge unit devoted to conducting research on various forms of structural and direct violence and conflict, and also dedicated to implementing projects that employ nonviolent strategies to resolve conflict.

Our programs include:

- Mediation training and services
- Meditation classes
- The Brown Bag lunch speaker series
- The Muncie Interfaith Fellowship
- The Social Justice League on-campus organization

To get all the latest updates on activities and news from the Peace Center, follow us on Twitter @bsu4peace or “Like” our Facebook page!



If you or your organization would like to submit content or information about an event to be included in our newsletter, please email Tacianna Oliver at tpoliver@bsu.edu or Katie Munn at ksmunn@bsu.edu.