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IN THE SPOTLIGHT MATILDA GAGE

EMILY HART

atilda Gage, born in 1826, was an American author and advocate for human rights, known for her work promoting the equal treatment of women and Native Americans.

It is often said that she was "born with a hatred of oppression;" her father was an abolitionist who used Matilda's childhood home as a station in the Underground Railroad, and she was taught from an early age to value all human life equally. She was also given the unique opportunity to receive extensive education as a youth, leading her to become a prolific writer.

In her early twenties she became involved with the women's rights movement; one of her first speaking engagements on the matter was at the 1852 National Women's Rights Convention in Syracuse, New York. Here she became close with fellow suffragists Susan B. Anthony and Lucy Stone, though her views on women's rights soon became more radical than theirs. While Anthony and Stone often argued that women's votes were essential because "feminine morality" would imbue the legislative system with wholesome principles, Gage maintained that women deserved suffrage as a "natural right."

This viewpoint, as well as her devotion to women's rights beyond the right to vote, eventually led her to establish and preside over the Women's National Liberal Union, which became known as a platform for innovative, radical, free-think-

ers to express and explore their ideas.

Through her gift of writing, Gage promoted her ideals, publishing her first essay in 1868. Entitled "Is Woman Her Own?" this piece argued for women's right to sexual autonomy, especially in the context of marriage.

It was not uncommon at this time for people to assign married women an obligation to cater to their husbands' desires, regardless of their own feelings, and to have many children, whether or not they wanted to be a mother. Gage decried this practice of "enforced motherhood," calling it a "denial of a woman to herself" and lamenting that "nowhere has the marital union of the sexes been one in which woman has had control over her own body."

She led a feminist movement calling instead for "voluntary motherhood," promoting ideas of sexual consent and women's right to refuse sexual activity. She later expanded on her beliefs regarding a woman's right to herself to include divorce rights; in her essay "A Sermon against Woman," she called for the right for a woman to leave an adulterous or abusive husband and to have custody of her children in the event of a divorce.

Following the publication of her first essay, Gage became the editor of "The National Citizen," a women's suffrage journal, in which she wrote essays about equal rights and kept her readers informed about the progress of the suffrage movement.

She also made a pronounced effort to featured articles about female scientists and inventors, observing that the work of these women was often overlooked or erroneously attributed to men. This phenomenon was later dubbed, in her honor, the "Matilda Effect" by science historians over a century later.

Gage also promoted her beliefs through physical protest; in 1871, she joined a group of ten women, including Susan B. Anthony, in an attempt to vote in New York State elections. When they were turned away from the polling station and arrested for their attempts, Gage argued on their behalf and made compelling legal arguments for their cause.



IN THE SPOTLIGHT MATILDA GAGE

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When women were granted the right to vote in school board elections in the state of New York, Gage personally stood watch at the polls in order to keep men from turning away female voters.

It was around this time that Gage also became heavily involved in the movement for Native American Rights. In her essays and speeches she denounced the United States government for their brutal treatment of Native Americans; in 1878, she worked to allow the Iroquois Nation to maintain their tribe status and to deny the U.S. citizenship imposed on them by the federal government.

Gage admired the Iroquois society, especially their matriarchal traditions that followed a female lineage and offered women equal power, property, and relationship rights. This admiration led her to

ARTICLE PEACE BRIGADES INTERNATIONAL

KATE GIGLIO

The protection of human rights and the nonviolent resolution of conflict serve as a strong foundation for Peace Brigades International, a non-governmental, volunteer based organization.

Peace Brigades International sponsors two types of programs including Field Projects and Country Groups. Field Projects include the strong volunteer presence, communication with armed forces and government authorities, and outreach within the international community.

Country Groups find, prepare, and support volunteers in addition to fundraising and building support networks. Peace Brigades International has Field Projects in Colombia, Guatemala, Honduras, Kenya, and Mexico. PBI's Country Groups are located in Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the UK and the USA. Together these units protect human rights defenders and enable them to carry out their mission.

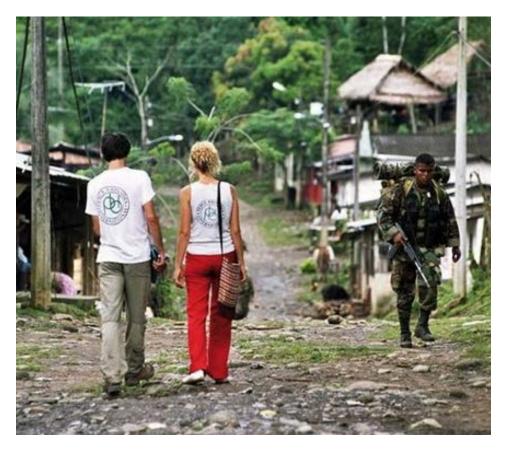
Peace Brigades International first began in 1983 in Nicaragua where 10 volunteers interposed themselves between US-backed contras and the Sandinista forces in order to deter hostilities. Also in 1983, PBI entered Guatemala serving as round-the-clock nonviolent escorts during a state of intense terror because it was believed that foreign witnesses would prevent further

assassinations. Since then PBI has expanded to become a worldwide volunteer organization. From indigenous communities in Mexico, women's groups in Colombia, to lawyers in Nepal, Peace Brigades International stands with them and helps advocate for their rights.

PBI-USA is one of the PBI Country Groups that carry out fundraising, advocacy, outreach, and volunteer recruitment and support. To become involved you can join the mailing list, make a donation, and even volunteer on a field project. In addition to these chances to become involved there is also an opportunity to intern in the office of Peace Brigades International.

FOR MORE INFORMATION,
PLEASE VISIT
PEACE BRIGADE INTERNATIONAL'S
WEBSITE:
WWW.PBIUSA.ORG





BLOG OF THE WEEK MISSY HAYES

We have encountered multiple terms thus far in class that despite having clear definitions are not always applied to real life situations.

We have seen that the Just War Theory is just that, a theory. When contemplating going to war or once in war, the criteria set out by this theory is rarely followed. There has always been a struggle to define terrorism because of the changing forms of terrorism we have seen throughout history.

As a result, there are multiple definitions that do not all necessarily agree, and we have learned that we are quick to deem some as terrorists while others we define as "freedom fighters." Now we have seen that there are similar issues when it comes to the term genocide.

In reading about the atrocities committed during the Holocaust, and in Rwanda, Cambodia, and Bosnia it has become clear that despite now having the term genocide, there is great hesitancy in applying that term. I have discussed the Holocaust, Rwanda, and Cambodia in previous posts and so for this discussion will focus on Bosnia as my main example.

As the atrocities unfolded in Bosnia the U.S. was not in the dark, we were rather well informed about what was happening. But, the term of choice to describe these atrocities was "ethnic cleansing." The most basic definition I have found of ethnic cleansing is, "the mass expulsion or killing of an unwanted ethnic or religious group in a society." The most basic definition of genocide I have found is, "the deliberate killing of a large group of people, especially those of a particular ethnic group or nation."

In my opinion these two words do not describe very different things, but rather, they seem quite similar. But, it seems to be that ethnic cleansing is permissible while genocide is punishable.

As Scowcroft explained in addressing the ethnic cleansing vs. genocide issue regarding Bosnia, "Ethnic cleansing is not 'I want to destroy an ethnic group, wipe it out.' It's 'They're not going to live with us. They can live where they like, but not with us.'... There is a proscription on genocide, but there I not a proscription on killing people." Had the atrocities been termed a genocide, Scowcroft believed that the U.S. would have been morally obligated to take action.

The fact that the application of a single word could have changed the way the U.S. approached the situation in Bosnia is, in my opinion, a little ridiculous. I understand that the politics of situations like these are delicate and not always ideal.

However, I do not understand how individuals can sit back and allow what are obviously immoral and inhumane acts to be committed. There was no denying the violence and killings taking place in Bosnia, but because the term genocide was not used to describe the situation it was okay to let it continue? Lemkin's goal when coining the term genocide was to make these atrocities recognizable so that they could be stopped before extensive damage is done. But, in reality if this term is applied at all it is often too late and so while the word exists it is often used to describe past events that we waited too long to act on as opposed to describing current situations that could be quelled if we were to act on them while they were unfolding.

Words and language are significant parts of our lives. In some cases, however, we may put too much stock in words and terminology. Instead of trying to determine whether an unfolding situation, such as what occurred in Bosnia, is genocide or merely ethnic cleansing and then acting based on the decision, maybe we should look at the situation for what it is and act based on basic morality and what we know to be right and wrong. The violence towards and killings of the Muslims in Bosnia was deplorable and should have never occurred. You can call it ethnic cleansing or you can call it genocide, but no matter what you call it the fact remains that thousands of innocent individuals lost their lives while others silently watched it happen.

EVENTS ON CAMPUS WOMEN'S WEEK

SUN 23

FIFTH ANNUAL WOMEN OF SONG CONCERT Sursa Hall 7:30-9:00pm

Kick off Women's Week 2014 with a concert featuring the Ball State University Women's Chorus and student soloists. Admission is free.

MON 24

WOMEN WITH DISABILITIES PANEL Student Center Pineshelf Room 2:00pm

Several female students with disabilities with share their life and school experiences with the audience.

SELF DEFENSE SEMINAR

Student Center Multipurpose Room 7:00-8:30pm

Join us for a comprehensive program of realistic, self-defense tactics and techniques for women presented by UPD.

TUE 25

COMING OUT AS FEMINIST Student Center Room 306 11:00am-12:00pm

Join students, faculty, and staff as they discuss what feminism means to them while also sharing their experiences.

"THE VAGINA MONOLOGUES" Student Center Ballroom 7:00pm

Join Feminists for Action and the Multicultural Center for The Vagina Monologues! Tickets are \$5 (but cash only, please).

All proceeds benefit A Better Way.

WED 26

A CONVERSATION WITH THE INDIANA WOMEN OF ACHIEVEMENT Student Center Forum Room 1:00-3:00pm

Join us for a discussion sponsored by the College of Sciences & Humanities' Task Force on the Status of Women.

WOMEN'S & GENDER STUDIES CAPSTONE PRESENTATIONS Student Center Pineshelf Room 7:00-8:30pm

Students will present on various topics relating to their studies.

"THE VAGINA MONOLOGUES" Student Center Ballroom 7:00pm

*please see details in event description above

THU 27

"WOMEN IN ART" David Owsley Museum of Art Sculpture Room 5:30-6:30m

Join us for a docent-led tour of the representation of women in fine art.

EVENTS ON CAMPUS NATIONAL NUTRITION MONTH

FRI 21

#FOODIEFRIDAY Scramble Light 11:00am-2:00pm

Stop by and grab a free: healthy snack, waterbottle, and Ball State Dietetic Association brouchure!

MON 24

NUTRITION JEOPARDY Student Center Tally 11:00am-1:00pm

Compete in categories like "Build me Strong!" to win big prizes and resources from the Ball State Dietics Association.

FUELING FITNESS HEALTH FAIR Worthen Arena Concourse 7:00-9:00pm

Free BSU Fit yoga class, games, and more--presented by Excellence in Leadership

TUE 25

"HEALTHY FOODS THAT AREN'T HEALTHY" The Atrium 11:00am-1:00pm

Peer Health Educators will be available to show you what to look for on nutrition labels and ingredient lists. Many foods we think to be healthful are not.

WED 26

WORKING WELL LUNCH AND LEARN: HEALTHY OPTIONS AT BSU Ball Communications Building, Room 129 12:00-1:00pm

BSU Dining's Wellness Nutritionist Amanda Kruse will present tips for successfully navigating BSU dining locations without breaking your calorie budget. Please register for this event online via Working Well.

Free Kale Boosts & 50 cents off Kale Smoothies are available at Jamba Juice all month!

EVENTS ON CAMPUS DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH

MON 24

WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL Student Recreation Center 7:00pm

Learn about and then play wheelchair basketball! Sport wheelchairs will be available.

MON 31

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THIS WEEK

STUDENT VOLUNTARY SERVICES DONATION COLLECTION Today until March 28

Do you have clothes that you don't wear anymore? Would you like to give back to the Muncie community?

SVS is collecting gently used clothes, un-used toiletries, and baby items to donate.

Collection barrels can be found in each Residence Hall, as well as the Scheidler main office and laundry room. You may also drop donations at the Office of Student Life.

For more information, please contact: Darren Meeker at: svs@bsu.edu or 765-285-1095.

NORTHERN IRELAND: THE GOOD FRI-DAY AGREEMENT & PEACE PROCESS

March 26 @ 3:00 pm Bracken Lbrary Resource Room 001

Speaker Alex Maskey was elected the first republican Mayor of Belfast in 2002 and was widely acclaimed for the inclusive approach he adopted in carrying out his role.

Come hear about his involvement with the peace process in Northern Ireland since the Good Friday Agreement of 1998.

Sponsored by the Department of Political Science.

For more information, please contact: Gene Frankland at gfrankla@bsu.edu

LEADING CHANGE WORKSHOP SERIES: "IDENTITY- KNOWING & OWNING WHO YOU ARE" Monday March 31 @ 7:00 pm L.A. Pittenger Student Center Cardinal Hall C

We all have an identity comprised of different components such as gender, religion, etc.

Some of those components are controllable, while others are inherent.

In this workshop, you will identify the components that define you as a person, and realize the ways in which your identity directly influences your environment.

Leading Change is a workshop series sponsored by MOSAIC, a newly formed social justice peer education program through the Office of Student Life, and is designed to engage undergraduate students in open dialogues focused on social justice topics to promote awareness, change, and intergroup understanding.

Please register for the workshop at: www.bsu.edu/forms/studentlife/leadingchange

ART HISTORY LECTURE: "WOMEN ARTISTS OF THE FLUXUS MOVEMENT" Friday March 21 @ 7:00 pm Arts & Journalism Building Room 225

Art historian Nicole L. Woods will lecture on women artists of the Fluxus Movement. Fluxus was an experimental, intermedia art movement of the 1960s which sought to redefine the boundaries of art. Women artists like Alison Knowles and Yoko Ono played a major role in the movement through their interactive performance pieces.

Muslim Peace Campaign

The Ball State Center for Peace and Conflict Studies and the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community Chapter of Indiana present:

"MUHAMMAD: MESSENGER OF PEACE"

Wednesday, March 26

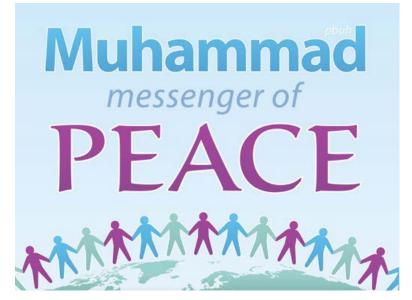
6–7:30 p.m.

Arts and Journalism Building, Room 175 (located in the Atrium)

Free and open to the public Light refreshments will be provided.

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community USA has launched a nationwide "Muhammad: Messenger of Peace" campaign within its 73 chapters to invite members of the community to learn about the Holy Prophet of Islam.

Register online at **muslimsforpeace.org/events/bsu**. For more information on the event, contact Tacianna Oliver at tpoliver@bsu.edu.





MuslimsForPeace.org 1-800-Why-Islam

The information presented here, correct at the time of publication, is subject to change. Ball State University practices equal opportunity in education and employment and is strongly and actively committed to diversity within its community. 10534-14 umc



Thursday, April 3, 2014 - Free Public Convocation 3:00pm documentary film | 4:00pm presentation Emens College-Community Auditorium

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Eva and her twin sister,
Miriam, were subjects in
Josef Mengele's infamous
Twin Studies. They were
held in a Nazi Death Camp
in Auschwitz, Poland.
Approximately 1500 sets
of twins were abused, and
most died as a result of
these experiments.



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AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT THE SEMESTER

CULTURE EXCHANGE: BRAZIL

March 26 from 12:00-1:00pm L.A. Pittenger Student Center Rinker International Center Room 102

Want to learn about the world beyond Muncie?

Join us for a culture exchange!

Each week a different country is highlighte, typically by natives that can offer an insider's look into the country and its culture.

Attendees are welcome to bring a lunch to the presentation and are reminded to show respect and prevent distraction to presenters by arriving on time.

INTERNATIONAL CONVERSATION HOUR Tuesdays from 6:00-7:30 pm L.A. Pittenger Student Center Room 310

This program is designed to help international students practice English, learn studying skills and classroom culture, and make American friends.

We hope through students' participation, domestic students will learn about different cultures without studying abroad and international students will increase their sense of belonging to BSU.

COUNSELING CENTER GROUP THERAPY SESSIONS Require appointment @ Center

CHOICES:

Group for students who are exploring changes in their relationship with substances.

JOURNEY TO WHOLENESS:

Safe, supportive place for survivors of sexual trauma to explore the meaning of their experiences and to explore effective ways of coping.

UNDERSTANDING SELF AND OTHERS:

Group members explore patterns of relating to self & others through understanding and acceptance, as well as discover common bonds through emotional experiences.

WEIGHT NOT, WANT NOT:

Suppor group for women with eating disorders or body image struggles who want to explore ways to cope.

SAFE HAVEN:

This therapy group provides a safe place for GLBQ students to explore and discuss patterns of relating to self and others.

MINDFULNESS GROUP:

Assists students in alleviating uncomfortable feelings, such as anxiety, stress, anger, and sadness. The group will practice and discuss relaxation and mindfulness techniques.

OUTREACH GROUPS Multicultural Center Library

ETHNIC/RACIAL MINORITY SUPPORT GROUP: Safe, supportive place for ethnic/racial minority students to explore and

KNOWING INTERNATIONAL STUDENT STORIES:

discuss navigating 2+ cultures.

This is designed to provide support for international students by coming together and sharing cross-cultural stories. Through sharing our stories, participants will find similarities and differences as well support from each other.

For more information, please: visit the Counseling Center or call (765) 285-1736

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FRIDAY MARCH 21

ANTI-WARFARE WEEKLY VIGIL 4:30-5:30 pm

Indianapolis Federal Building

Join our vigil to protest warfare, sponsored by the Indianapolis Peace & Justice Center.

Bring an appropriate sign or have one provided.

For more information, please contact: Gilbert Kuhn at (765) 926-3068 or Ron Haldeman at ronjane@igc.org

SATURDAY MARCH 22

CLEANING UP CRADDOCK 10:00am-1:00pm John M. Craddock Wetland Nature Preserve

Ball State's Freshman Connections and the Excellence in Leadership program invite you to "Cleaning up Craddock."

In partnership with Muncie Delaware Clean and Beautiful, this event is designed to bridge the gap between Ball State students and Muncie residents and have the two communities come together to make a difference.

In addition to cleaning, participants will have the opportunity to engage in icebreakers, nature walks, and a "unity" activity. John Craddock will speak at the event as well.

HOOSIERS AGAINST GUN VIOLENCE MEETING 10:00am

5105 N. Illinois St., Indianapolis, IN

Join us to plan a response to the National Rifle Association conference in Lucas Oil Stadium Indy this spring.

For more information, please: email Steve Dunlop at sdunlop395@aol.com

BREAD FOR THE WORLD INDIANA OFFERING OF LETTERS WORKSHOP

9:00am-12:30pm St. Pius X Catholic Church Indianapolis, IN

Join Bread Indiana's 2014 Offering of Letters Workshop. Matt Boulton, CTS president, will be the keynoter and Ryan Quinn, senior policy analyst at Bread for the World, will be one of the workshop leaders; Offering of Letters Kits will be available for purchase.

For more information. please: email Roger Howard at roger@rogerhoward.com

CITIZENS UNITED FOR REHABILITATION OF ERRANTS MEETING

10:00am-12:00pm North United Methodist Church of Indianapolis

Join C.U.R.E. for its monthly meeting.

For more information, please contact: Marilyn Reed at 352-0358 or Lela Ewers at 831-0765

"WAR IS NOT THE ANSWER!" PEACE VIGIL

4:30-5:30 pm Brown County Courthouse Nashville, IN

This vigil is sponsored by Brown County's branch of Women's International League for Peace and Freedom. For more information, please contact: Tom Hougham at 878-4210 or annntom@hotmail.com

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MONDAY MARCH 24

MEDITATION 6:00-6:20 pm Unity of Indianapolis Indianapolis, IN

Join us for our weekly meditation with Michael Wright to hold the vision of the inevitable occurrence of world peace.

Please enter the building from the parking lot behind building.

For more information, please: call Michael at 627-3225, or email Dorothy Mack at mackda@att.net

SUNDAY APRIL 5

AFGHAN WOMEN AND KIDS EDUCATION AND NECESSITIES 12th ANNUAL FUNDRAISING DINNER 5:30 pm

Unitarian Universalist Church Indianapolis, IN

Please join AWAKEN for an evening of authentic Afghan cuisine and learn about the work AWAKEN is doing for the women and children of rural Afghanistan.

All of the meal's proceeds will be used to maintain a medical clinic, open a women's vocational training and literacy program, and provide education for girls, boys, and young women in the Nangarhar Province of Afghanistan.

Tickets for this dinner are \$200 for a table of six; \$35 for one adult; \$25 for students; \$15 for children 12 & under. Please visit www.awakeninc.org or email awakenbibi@comcast.net to pre-register for this event. Reservations are due March 28.

For more information, please: call 765-282-5573 or email awakenbibi@comcast.net

SUNDAY APRIL 13

TAKING BACK APRIL: RELAY FOR NONVIOLENCE 12:30-4:30pm Muncie Fieldhouse and Track

Join the Center for Peace & Conflict Studies as we gather as a community to promote nonviolence and memorialize the victims of violent events. As April is historically a very violent month, the Peace Center organizes an event each year to promote nonviolence and memorialize the victims of violent events. This year's event, similar to "Relay for Life", is jointly organized by the City of Muncie, BSU's Peace Center, and the Social Justice League.

Opening ceremonies will begin at 12:30, with the relay from 1:00 - 4:00, where participants in teams will walk/run in honor of an organization that supports victims affected by a violent event. Throughout the event, there will be music, food, and activities for all ages, and an informational fair with social justice related organizations from Ball State and the surrounding community.

Please visit: www.bsu.edu/peacecenter/relay for more information and to register.

FELLOWSHIPS

ROTARY PEACE FELLOWSHIPS

If you are looking to make an impact by promoting cooperation and tolerance than this may be for you!

Rotary Foundation provides 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.

There are two types of peace fellowships available.

The deadline for submitting applications is July 1, 2014.

For more information, please visit: https://www.rotary.org/en/peace-fellowships

TAPIR PROGRAM

The Transatlantic Post-Doc Fellowship for International Relations and Security (TAPIR) Program is open to candidates who have recently received their doctorate in social and political sciences or economics and whose research focuses on topics of international relations and/or international peace and security issues.

Fellowships are granted for a duration of 24 months to prepare Fellows for a career in international policy-oriented research at renowned think tanks and political consulting research institutes. Fellows spend three eight-month stays at institutions participating in the program - at least one on the Eastern and one on the Western side of the Atlantic.

The TAPIR fellowship is administered by the Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik in Germany.

For more information about placements and applying, please visit: http://www.swp-berlin.org/de/projekte/tapir/call-for-applications.html

CONFERENCES

THE 19th ANNUAL BLACK SOLIDARITY CONFERENCE February Yale University New Haven, CT

Through a series of panels, discussions, and speakers, this year's conference participants will gain a historical understanding of the evolution of black art and analyze what role different forms of art play in the expression of black culture. by a student organization.

THE PEACE AND JUSTICE STUDIES ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE: "COURAGEOUS PRESENCE: SHIFTING STORIES & PRACTICES OF PEACE" October San Diego, CA

The conference will be held on the beautiful campus of the University of San Diego on a mesa overlooking the Pacific Ocean.

Proposal submission deadline is April 1, 2014.

UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS BOSTON'S 10th BIENNIAL CONFERENCE

Oct. 31 - Nov. 1 Boston, MA

The conference will be focused on conflict studies and the new generation of ideas.

For more information, please visit: http://www.umb.edu/academics/ mgs/crhsgg/conferences

NOTRE DAME STUDENT PEACE CON-FERENCE March 29-30

March 29-30 Notre Dame, IN

The Annual Notre Dame Student Peace Conference attracts both undergraduate and graduate students from all across the United States and abroad who are committed to a rigorous, multi-disciplinary academic work on peacebuilding. Students present original research and showcase innovative peace building practices.

For more information regarding deadlines for research proposals, please visit: kroc.nd.edu/undergraduate/notre-dame-student-peace-conference

NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON RACE AND ETHNICITY IN AMERICAN HIGHER EDUCATION Indianapolis, IN May 27- July 1

The NCORE conference series constitutes the leading and most comprehensive national forum on issues of race and ethnicity in American higher education. The conference focuses on the complex task of creating and sustaining comprehensive institutional change designed to improve racial and ethnic relations on campus and to expand opportunities for educational access and success by culturally diverse, traditionally underrepresented populations.

For more information, please visit: https://www.ncore.ou.edu/

ORGANIZATIONS

THE ALIVE CAMPAIGN

Wednesdays at 9:00 pm Student Center Pineshelf Room

The Alive Campaign is a student-run organization at Ball State that is dedicated to raising awareness towards suicide prevention and awareness by representing ourselves as a "life appreciation group". In the United States, suicide rates currently exceed 38,000 per year. We believe something can be done. We believe students across the nation should step up and let their voice be heard. We believe that if we stood together and gave people a reason to believe in life, a reason to be ALIVE, we can make a difference.

BALL STATE INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE MISSION

Every other Tuesday at 6:00 pm L.A. Pittenger Student Center Room 301 (though location may vary)

Ball State IJM is a group of students who are passionate about ending slavery and human trafficking around the world. We believe that through Christ we can create tangible change in the lives of slaves through prayer, educating ourselves and others, changing our behavior, and volunteering as we are able.

For more information, please email ballstateijm@gmail.com

BALL STATE 'TOMS' CLUB

Wednesdays at 9:00 pm Bracken Library Room 201

TOMS Campus Club promotes the awareness, reality, and consequences of children living without shoes, and aids in charitable giving to this cause through programming and activities in accordance with the TOMS Shoes company.

GO FOSSIL FREE BALL STATE

Mondays at 5:00 pm Bracken Library Room 201

Go Fossil Free Ball State is part of an international movement to get universities, communities, churches, and businesses to divest from the fossil fuel industry and reinvest in green technology. Through various sorts of events we inform the public and the Ball State Foundation on why it is critical to divest if we want to be seen as a sustainable campus.

For more information, please email Kourtney Dillavou at kmdillavou@bsu.edu.

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