



Wyden Biscuit Throw Day

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Friday, August 6th, 12:00pm

Wyden's Portland office - 700 NE Multnomah Street
Phone Contact: (503) 326-7525 (Wyden's Portland Office)

Senator Ron Wyden has successfully adopted the strategy of Mark Hatfield. It is, plainly put, 'two steps forward and one step back'. Two steps forward to increase logging and one step back to preserve wilderness. The latest example of this strategy is Wyden's writing and passage of the Healthy Forest Restoration Act (HFRA), which allows cutting of millions of acres of our forests (two steps forward) followed by his Mount Hood Wilderness Bill (one step backward). The HFRA is responsible for the largest timber sale in US History: the Biscuit Sale. If it succeeds it will effectively destroy the remaining wilderness of the Siskiyou Forest. To avoid effective condemnation by the environmental community, he countered in an election year with the Mount Hood Wilderness Bill. This Bill would protect wilderness areas around Mount Hood but the bill also encourages logging and establishes a reserve for mountain biking. It is time to hold Ron Wyden accountable. Back 2 the WALL announces Wyden Accountability Week. There will be a full week of up close and personal activities to hold Wyden accountable starting Monday 8/2 and ending Friday 8/6. The activities are:

Monday 8/2: Wyden Email Day - As Wyden's congressional email doesn't accept attachments, we are sending our emails to Josh Kardon, Wyden's Chief of Staff (josh_kardon@wyden.senate.gov). Pick a suitable Subject line and write a short message.

Tuesday 8/3: Wyden Fax Day - Wyden has five offices in Oregon. Each has a fax number. Please send the caricature [below, right] with any comment you like to the office nearest you. The office fax numbers are: Portland (503) 326-7528; Medford (541) 858-5126; Eugene (541) 431-0610; Bend (541) 330-6266; Salem (503) 589-4749

Wednesday 8/4: Wyden Call In Day - Please call Wyden's Portland office ((503) 326-7525) and let him know what you think. Wyden should be in Portland this week.

Thursday 8/5: Wyden Waka Day - The Wyden Waka has been adapted from the Maori 'Haka' a traditional ritual to dis-empower an opponent before going into battle. It is very powerful. The Wyden Waka will be held near Wyden's home at 7pm. Folks are gathering at the end of the 2300 block of SW Park Place which terminates at the beginning of the Rose Garden at a small amphitheater.

Friday 8/6: Wyden Biscuit Throw Day - At 12pm Noon, gather at Wyden's Portland office located at 700 NE Multnomah Street. A life size caricature of Wyden has been created with a hole next to his head. Folks will attempt to throw biscuits through the hole. If successful, they win a 'Wyden Weenie'. Please participate in any and all these events. Feel free to create your own events. Pass this message along to everyone that has been frustrated by Wyden over the years and would like to hold him accountable. It's about time, don't you think? Some interesting facts about Ron Wyden:

1. Wyden is the sixth highest recipient of logging industry contributions in Congress.

2. Wyden was the most influential senator in the passage of the HFRA

3. Wyden ignores 70% of Oregonians who want more protection for old growth forest.

4. Wyden ignores scientists who stated that removing the larger, more fire resistant trees only worsens the threat of forest fires.

5. Wyden ignores the GAO report that legal appeals and litigation do not delay forest fuel reduction projects.

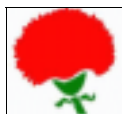


Hollywood Neighbors For Peace

Sunday, August 1st, 4:00pm - 5:00pm
NE Sandy and 39th

Sponsor Hollywood Neighbors For Peace
Hollywood "neighbors" (both literal and figurative) have been gathering every Sunday on Sandy with Peace signs/flags for about a year & a half. Our numbers are down. Please help build them up again. Bring signs or use ours. Reception from passing drivers/riders, cyclists, & walkers has grown more & more positive with time. This has been a positive location for Peace visibility. Increase the consciousness. Join us.

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"ADVENTURES IN TELEVISION" PREMIERE SCREENING

Saturday, August 14th, 2:00pm - 4:00pm
Hollywood Theatre, 4122 NE SANDY BLVD
Contact: (503) 288-1515 ext. 19
Fifty at-risk youth from the Boys and Girls Clubs of Portland Metropolitan Area have spent a week at an intensive television production camp at Portland Community Media, where they script, videotape and edit public service announcements for area nonprofits. Celebrate their work – and the fifth anniversary of ADVENTURES IN TELEVISION – at this free public screening. Refreshments served! Free! The public (and kids) welcome!

<http://www.pcmtv.org>

The Socialist Party of Multnomah County meets Sunday, August 22, 1-3 PM, in the Community Room of the Belmont Library, 1038 SE 39th Ave., most easily accessed by the #15 Belmont bus line, or by the #75 (39th Avenue). For more information, call the Socialist Party at (503) 289-3511.

PORTLAND FOR PEACE

Women's International League for Peace and Freedom

Weekly vigil on Wednesdays, 12 noon, Pioneer Courthouse Square
(503) 224-5190

Women in Black

Weekly vigil on Fridays, 12 noon, at Terry Schunk Plaza, in front of Federal Building
(503) 288-8958

Portland Peaceful Response Coalition

Rallies every Friday at 5pm at the Southwest corner of Pioneer Courthouse Square
(503) 471-1535

(Other PPRC events can be found on the Internet at <http://www.pprc-news.org>)

Buddhas Not Bombs Meditation Vigil

Fridays at 4pm, Peace Plaza, South Park blocks (45 minutes). Participants then have the option of joining the Friday rally (by PPRC) at Pioneer Square
Contact: portlandbpf@yahoo.com

Hollywood Neighbors' Stand for Peace

Every Sunday, 4-5pm, NE 39th and Sandy Boulevard
Contact: Hollywood4peace@yahoo.com or (503) 493-0348

A Critical Mass Is Building

August 27th, ~6:00pm (last Friday of every month)
Critical Mass bike ride starts at 6pm at Pioneer Square.

Bagdad Peace Protest

Every Saturday, 3pm - 4pm
Oppose the Bush regime's imperialist actions and plans weekly on Saturday evenings at the Bagdad at SE Hawthorne Blvd and SE 37th.

Mt Tabor Montavilla Peace Walk

Every Sunday, 4:30pm. Meet neighbors in the SE at Mt. Tabor Viewpoint that looks west for a peacewalk down the SE side of Mt. Tabor and into the Montavilla commercial district.

The Mourning Project

August 5 (every 1st Thursday), 7:00pm. Gather to mourn the dead on all sides, in the present war or those previous.
Waterfront Park just North of Burnside. (503) 869-8794

**First Atomic Bomb Mission: Hiroshima
August 6, 1945**

**Second Atomic Bomb Mission: Nagasaki
August 9, 1945**

Portland Indymedia TV News August 2004

Portland Indymedia breaks new ground, continuing to reclaim the media, this time through TV. Their weekly show covers local, national, and international news stories from a perspective that the corporate media has done its best to spin, censor, and bury. While incorporating familiar elements - newscasters, street reporters, and commentary - Indymedia news will go a step farther to challenge the paradigm of TV news as a one-way channel of ideas. Viewers will be encouraged to think critically about the issues, examine the ways the mainstream media crafts "our reality," and look at how and why the corporate media maintains an audience of passive and disengaged spectators.

1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th,

Channel 11 at 9:00 PM - Portland Indymedia TV News
Channel 22 at Midnight - Portland Indymedia TV News

9th

Channel 23 at 6:30 PM - Portland Indymedia TV News
Channel 11 at 9:00 PM - Portland Indymedia TV News
Channel 22 at Midnight - Portland Indymedia TV News

11th, 13th, 15th, 17th, 19th, 21st, 23rd

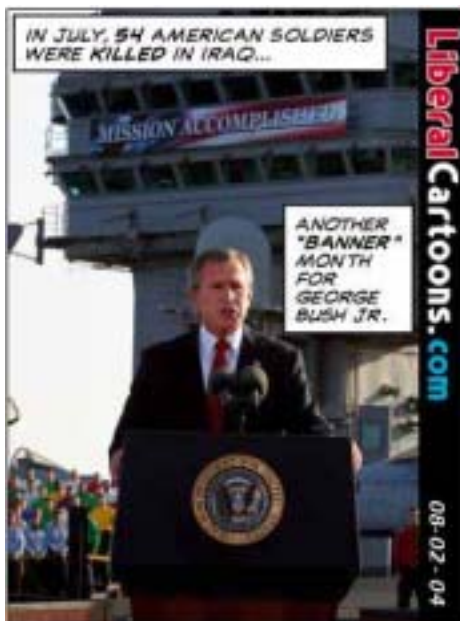
Channel 11 at 9:00 PM - Portland Indymedia TV News
Channel 22 at Midnight - Portland Indymedia TV News

23rd

Channel 23 at 6:30 PM - Portland Indymedia TV News
Channel 11 at 9:00 PM - Portland Indymedia TV News
Channel 22 at Midnight - Portland Indymedia TV News

25th, 27th, 29th, 31st

Channel 11 at 9:00 PM - Portland Indymedia TV News
Channel 22 at Midnight - Portland Indymedia TV News



The Shadow Project And Hiroshima Memorial

Submitted by Eric Bagai

Hiroshima, August 6, 1945

Human shadows are burnt into sidewalks and walls in the first nuclear war.

The Shadow Project 2004

We paint shadows on the streets of Portland to remember, so that the blinding light of nuclear war is never seen again. Come to a Training Session - join us in an act of commemoration.

Sunday, August 1 at 1PM, Laurelhurst Park, SE 37th & Oak, tennis courts.

Wednesday, August 4 at 6PM, Shemansky Park, SW Park and Salmon.

- You must attend a training session to participate.

The Shadow Project is part of Portland's annual Hiroshima Day Memorial, which will be held at Waterfront Park in the Japanese-American Historical Plaza, just north of Burnside, at 6PM on Friday, August 6.

Please join us.

For information on the Shadow Project or the Memorial call Shirlee at (503) 235-6189 or sageiger@earthlink.net

Are You Working for Peace ...And Paying for War?

Mondays, August 16th, 23rd, 30th, 7:00-8:00pm

Laughing Horse Books, 3652 SE Division (503) 238-0605

Sponsor: Portland chapter War Resisters League

An introduction to redirecting war taxes. Remember what General Haig said: "Let them march all they want - as long as they pay their taxes."

www.nwrtcc.org

Boycott War! An Introduction to War Tax Redirection

Sunday, August 15th, 1:00-3:00pm

Belmont Library, 1038 SE 39th (503) 238-0605

Sponsor: Portland War Resisters League

Are you tired of working for Peace - and paying for War?

This workshop is an introduction to redirecting war taxes as a direct statement of conscience. You CAN boycott war!

No To Torture, War Yes to Love, Peace

Fridays, August 6th, 13th, 5:30-7:15pm
28th and Burnside, Wild Oats Parking Lot.

Truth about the Torture,
Truth about the War,
Truth about the Soldiers,
What are we fighting for.

We call for Impeachment of all war criminals in the White House. Bring love and good, thoughtful, deep, heartfelt signs, drums etc. We will form a chant from all sides of the intersection by Laurelhurst

Clackamas Socialists Hold Convention in Lake Oswego

Submitted by Walt Brown

Sunday, August 8, 2-4pm

Lake Oswego Library, 706 SW 4th Street (4th and 'B')
The chartered Clackamas County Local will be convening at the Lake Oswego Library to discuss the 2004 elections in Oregon. Carpool from SPO office, 1720 NW Lovejoy, at 1:30pm.

Black Cross Health Collective Training

Saturday, August 7th, 10:00am - 6:00pm

Augustana Lutheran Church, 2710 NE 14th Ave.

Sponsor: Black Cross Health Collective

Black Cross Health Collective will conduct an 8-hour first aid training in Portland.

Bring: your own lunch.

For more information about our trainings, see

<http://blackcrosscollective.org/gettraining>

Organic Food and Wine Festival 2004

Saturday, August 14th, 12:00pm - 5:00pm

9480 SW Grabhorn Rd., Beaverton

Phone Contact: (503) 649-0027

Purpose: Raise at least \$5000 for the Oregon Food Bank.

Contributions will come from the \$10 entrance fee (100%), and vendors will donate at least 10% of their profits from the day's sales. Raise awareness and educate public on organic agriculture. Stimulate organic purchases throughout Portland metro. Strengthen the cohesiveness of organic food/wine producers and sustainable organizations.

Entry: \$10 per person. A CMV staff member will take tickets and welcome guests at an entry point on the driveway up to the vineyard. Signs will also be posted to direct guests to parking and entry info in other areas surrounding the vineyard. The event is handicap

Free Introductory Performance Workshop

Sunday, August 1st, 10:30am - 1:30pm

The Brooklyn Bay, 1825 S.E. Franklin St, Bay K

Phone Contact: (503) 777-5879

Attend a free workshop directed by Scott Kelman, for those seeking to develop their own performance and creative skills from a totally original perspective. The workshops have provided inspiration to hundreds of artists, performers and all others seeking more creativity and presence in their work and life.

A recipient of many directorial and performance awards, Scott's workshops contain influences as diverse as The Marx Brothers to The Living Theater and Eastern culture to Western jazz. The LA Times once wrote about Scott's work "...for anyone hungering for artistic integrity, vitality and a touch of the bizarre."

Must Reserve/Limited Enrollment - CALL (503) 777-5879 or e-mail skmarkit@comcast.net

More info on Scott and The Brooklyn Bay see:

<http://www.brooklynbay.org>

<http://www.kelmangroup.com/scotbiog.htm>

<http://www.geocities.com/carnaljazz>

DIRECTIONS TO BROOKLYN BAY

1. At Powell and SE 21st head South (you're almost there)
2. At Lafayette make a right to 20th
3. At 20th make a right to Pershing
4. At Pershing make a left to 19th
5. At 19th make a right and street park anywhere along there. At the end of 19th (it overlooks Powell), there are a series of white bay warehouses on your left. We are in Bay K (1825 SE Franklin, Bay K)
Please don't park in the parking areas of the bay warehouses without special permission.

OR

1. Park anywhere north of Powell around SE 21st
2. Cross Powell to the south side of street
3. At Powell & SE 20th there is a walkway (sidewalk) heading west.
4. Walk along walkway for a little over a block and you'll see a series of white bay warehouses on your left.
5. We are in Bay K (1825 SE Franklin, Bay K).

If you're biking find the walkway at SE 20th and Powell (see above). Chain bike to the railing at SE 19th by the walkway.

accessible.

Live music:

12:30-2:30pm: Davis Cain and The Lowdown

Sophisticates, rockabilly

3-5pm: Higher Ground, bluegrass

Why a *Portland Socialist*?

by Michael C. Marino

With all of the publications out there, many of them just as free as *Portland Socialist*, with all the cost and effort involved with having a newsletter, why does the Multnomah County Local produce this newsletter? I started *Portland Socialist* in/about April 2003 with the intention of having it be solely an online publication. The current style of the articles, with their frequent references to on-line sources for more information, is a holdover from those beginnings. Socialists were quick to point out that not everybody has electronic mail, and that we would do well to have it be printed as well as distributed electronically.

As an enthusiast of political campaigns, non-mainstream news, and other forms of troublemaking, I have been an avid reader of a great many publications, and an editor of some.

Perennial critic and renowned malcontent that I am, I have often been critical of the stuff that other people write, let alone the criticisms which I reserve for my own writing. The most glaring fault I frequently found with many political publications was their perpetual use of hyperbole and self-aggrandizing propaganda. Propaganda, of course, really means writing in such a way as to make your side sound great, but it need not be done in such a way that it causes the reader to puke — this you would not have guessed from reading the generalized and formulaic prose of the common boilerplate political rag, as evidenced in the March, 2004 issue of *Blackberry Party News*¹ (I am using a made-up example, because if I use a specific example and do not credit it, I shall get complaint letters from about fourteen different organizations), which reads (in the article, “Blackberry Party Argues War is Bad for Children”, p. 7), “The Blackberry Party is the only party which opposes war. We are at the forefront of the anti-worker, anti-environment invasion of Arabania², since we think the war is classist, racist, and imperialist. We demand that the US government cease its bombing runs and call on people of all colours to support our Party as the only Party working for a lasting peace in a just world that nurtures its children and rejects hegemony.”

What a load of bull.

That kind of boilerplate is best used to put naughty children to sleep. It doesn't tell you, for example, the following:

1) What does the Blackberry Party *propose*? What a political party proposes is far more significant than what

it opposes. “We oppose...” is too easy; people want to know what you are *for*.

2) What can you do here and now to help silence the guns of war? “Standing in solidarity” can take a long time to achieve anything.

3) Is the Blackberry Party unaware of the other anti-war organizations or just dismissive of them?

One could go on.

I thought it would be best (if not novel and revolutionary and all that) to create a publication based on functionality rather than hype. Sure, there's hype, but, for the most part, it's in snippets here and there. The main purpose of the publication is not self-promotion, but news and activism.

Why there are notices of educational events:

To promote opportunities for activists to become more involved and informed in important issues.

Why there are notices of activist demonstrations:

To promote participation in “movement”-based action.

Why there are notices of community activities:

To promote a society in which neighbors get out and know each other by doing things together.

Why we run photos and cartoons:

Both tend to prompt people to keep reading.

Why there are occasional news articles:

Sometimes, one comes across news which is not being covered elsewhere. When an exclusive lands on your desk, you publish; it's in the blood or something.

Why there is Socialist Party hype:

We *do* have bills to pay and a need to do outreach; I try to keep things light on self-promotion, but I can't justify eliminating it entirely.

The real goal remains: to be functional.

Footnotes

[1] The Blackberry Party is not affiliated with H. Ross Perot. Either.

[2] Arabania is located “over there” between “that country with the oil” and “that country with all those camels”. No, really.

Opinions expressed are those of the Editor and not, necessarily, those of the Socialist Party of Oregon.

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The Landless Workers' Movement (MST) and Struggle for a New Brazil

Sunday, August 1st, 7:00pm
Liberty Hall, 311 N. Ivy St. Portland
Speaker: Ramao Aldo da Silva, MST Political Education Committee.
Phone Contact: (503) 236-7916
Join PCASC / CBLOC for a visit from: Ramao Aldo da Silva, MST Political Education Committee.
Brazil's Landless Workers' Movement is the largest social movement in Latin America. Since their first victory in 1985, MST land-takeovers earned land titles for 250,000 families living on more than 15 million acres of farmland. In 1999 alone, 25,099 families occupied unproductive land. The MST also battles Free Trade Agreements, like the FTAA, which subsidize corporate agriculture while destroying the ability of small farmers to produce their own food. The Brazilian social movement arguably serves as the biggest counterweight to US imperialism in Latin America today.

Benefit Show for RNC Protesters

Saturday, August 7th, 8:00pm - 12:00am
Back to Back Cafe/IWW Hall
A benefit show to pre-emptively raise legal defense funds for Portlanders travelling to New York to protest the Republican National Convention. Because you know we will need it.
With: Book of Maps, Miriam, and others TBA
8 PM
\$3 to \$7 suggested donation

It Happened in the Korean War

"Defense" of Pusan/Naktong Perimeter began: August 4, 1950
Battle of Bunker Hill began: August 12, 1952
Battle of Bloody Ridge began: August 18, 1951
Korean War's Largest Air Raid: August 29, 1952

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