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Citizens for Peace 2020 Activities & Accomplishments

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**Citizens for Peace
2020 Activities & Accomplishments**

Monthly Membership Meetings:

**Second Tuesday of each month: 7-9 pm at the Livonia Senior
Center/**

On Zoom from June- December

Jan. 14: Presentation by Tada Gunter on "Creating Peace with Integral Consciousness".

Feb. 11: Presentation by Colleen Mills on "Nonviolence: The Way to Peace".

March 10: Presentation by Angela Ryan on "100 Years of Suffrage: What's Next?".

April 14: Cancelled due to Covid 19.

May 12: Cancelled due to Covid 19.

June 9: Presentation by Nick Schroek on "Environmental Justice, Climate Change and Public Engagement". Zoom

July 14: Presentation by Kim Korona and Tom Progar on "Creating a More Compassionate World for all living Beings and the Planet"

August 11: Presentation by Keith Gunter and Paul Gunter on "Equal Protection Under the Plume? Potassium Iodide and Nuclear Emergency Preparedness: and "The False Promise of Small Nuclear Reactors". Also, Kim Bergier did a tribute to Motoko Huthwaite.

Sept. 8: Presentation by Dr. Saeed Khan on "America and the World After Covid -19: Coping With Disruption."

Oct. 13: Presentation by Bob Podzikowski on "Thomas Merton and the Cold War Letters."

Nov. 10: Presentation by Chuck Kesner on "What Brings Inner Peace and Serenity" Plus our 18th Anniversary Celebration.

Dec. 8: Presentation by Dr. Peggi Tabor on “**Today’s Africa Through American Eyes**”.

Education Committee

Members planned and implemented the Season for **Nonviolence Random Acts of Kindness Campaign**. Members committed and recorded many acts of kindness.

Donations of clothing were collected at our meetings for the local **Foster Closet**. Donna Jean Leider submitted the donations.

The greatest need was for underwear for 5-8-year old’s.

Peace Collections & Bibliography

The **2019 Peace Bibliography** was donated to the **Oak Park Public Library** at a cost of **\$2905.82**.

Bob Podzikowski (Oak Park resident) has been the contact person for this donation. The library appreciates the donation.

This brings our total **Peace Book Bibliography** donations to **\$12,575**.

The Libraries who received our donation since 2007 are **Livonia, Commerce Twp., Redford Twp., Westland, Farmington Hills, Canton, Marygrove, Dearborn Heights, Schoolcraft Community College, Adam Cardinal Maida Alumni Library at the Saints Cyril & Methodius Seminary, and Oak Park**.

Since 2007, the Education Committee has been working on a **Nonviolence and Peacebuilding Bibliography for children and adults**. It now lists over **1200 titles**.

Since June of 2007, there have been **3,201 downloads** of the bibliography in **over 100 countries**.

This bibliography is shared with public libraries, so they can select titles and the Citizens for Peace then donates the materials.

Livonia, Westland, and Redford public libraries have added a link to their homepage to the **Citizens for Peace website**, so their patrons can easily access the Bibliography. **Through MelCat, Michigan's Electronic Library**, these books are available to all Michigan residents.

Online Outreach

Monthly newsletters sent using **Constant Contact**

Website: www.citizens4peace.com

Facebook: **CitizensforPeaceLivonia**

Due to the pandemic, we have not attended any events supporting other peace groups. Individual members have attended **Zoom meetings** sponsored by other peace groups, such as the **Alliance to Halt Fermi 3, Gray Panthers,**

Huntington Woods Peace Group, the Michigan Coalition to Prevent Gun Violence, Pax Christi, and Peace Action.