

Kentucky’s Pension Plunder — A Web of Corruption Update

By **Randolph Wieck**

Dry swimming pools? Locked libraries? Fewer police?

For years, many Kentuckians have carried on with our daily lives and not really taken notice of the titanic financial iceberg rising on our horizon: the plundered public pensions of teachers and government workers. Our eyes glazed over; now, perhaps the scales begin to fall away.

As of June, 2019 Governor Matt Bevin and the state legislature are racing the clock to arrange a special legislative session to prevent the July 1st fiscal hammer from falling on what are called the “quasi” governmental agencies which will be required to pay some 80 percent (!) of their annual budgets into the pension funds – pension funds that suffer the results of years of deliberate funding shortages by the state, and the continuing burden of secret, no-bid, high-fee private equity investments, which investments are an inherently illegal use of public money.

But in 2015, didn’t Governor Bevin promise to address pension plunder? In

reality, when the numbers are examined, he has only made it worse by claiming—falsely—that he has fully funded the pensions.

Names swirling in the press and the public arena are the Mayberry lawsuit; Judge Pamela Goodwine, who oversaw the vacating of the Mayberry transparency suit; Judge Gregory van Tatenhove and Bevin cabinet member Christy Trout van Tatenhove (forever linked in a major judicial conflict of interest in the Wieck v. Bevin lawsuit); Tim Longmeyer, former Assistant Attorney General, now a federal prisoner; Neil Ramsey, who sold Governor Bevin a \$3-million-dollar-Anchorage, KY home for half-price, and then was named by Bevin to the Board of Trustees of the Kentucky Retirement System after having invested \$300K in a

company the Governor partly owns; and Brent McKim, eternal JCTA president who counter-intuitively thwarts teacher pension transparency. A can of worms indeed, roiling with corruption with which Governor Bevin has been complicit.

Another name in the public arena is Attorney General Andy Beshear (now a primary candidate for Governor) who has twice sued Governor Bevin—and prevailed—over the Governor’s attempts to
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Dark clouds gather over the Kentucky state capitol building. Photo by Jonathan Meador

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Over 200 Allegations of Abuse of Migrant Children; 1 Case of Homeland Security Disciplining Someone

By **A. C. Thompson, ProPublica**

From 2009 to 2014, at least 214 complaints were filed against federal agents for abusing or mistreating migrant children. According to the Department of Homeland Security’s records, only one employee was disciplined as a result of a complaint.

The department’s records, which have

alarmed advocates for migrants given the more aggressive approach to the treatment of minors at the border under the current administration, emerged as part of a federal lawsuit seeking the release of the names of the accused agents.

Last month, attorneys for DHS argued before the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals
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Just south of San Diego, California, at the Pacific Ocean. From the U.S. side of the border, facing south. Photo by Tony Webster (Creative Commons)

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LMPD Lean Right On Out Of West Louisville

By Chanelle Helm

The LMPD policy changes that Chief Conrad announced on Thursday, May 9 will do nothing to mitigate police violence against Black and Brown people in Louisville, nor will any cursory trainings to teach officers to conduct their duties “without bias.”

The changes only reflect how militarized our police are, reminding officers, “Merely being nervous or in a high-crime area are not sufficient factors, by themselves, to conduct a pat down search. Pat downs will not be conducted as a matter of routine.”

This language confirms for officers that their racial bias is understandable. This is unacceptable.

Statements like these throughout the updated policy document serve as illustrations that “being nervous” around Black people, or being in a “high crime,” (read non-white) area are not reason enough to treat anyone those police may encounter as if they are a criminal. Meanwhile, LMPD’s prolific presence in the West End is daily physical proof that residents are suspect.

Those of us with disabilities are at much higher risk. These updates completely fail to address the real danger Louisville residents feel, and the fear many of us have



Louisville Metro Police Department Chief Steve Conrad addressing media in 2018.
Photo by Jonathan Meador

for ourselves, our children, our friends, and loved ones.

All of Chief Conrad’s new guidelines require the same thing to even begin to be effective -- officers who are cognizant of racial bias in their perceptions and are working against them. These hypothetical officers would have the training and resources to help people who are trau-

matized, people with disabilities, people unable to comply with orders because they are neurodiverse or because they are deaf.

We demand that LMPD stop criminalizing and profiling Louisville residents and that the Ninth Mobile Division be disbanded. There is no excuse for the terror this unit spreads within our neighborhoods. Assign those officers to other divisions, so they become known to and familiar with the communities in which they work. “We can never gauge how much crime has been prevented,” Ninth Mobile Division Commander Hibbs said.

We can know how much the 9th Division and this kind of policing has cost, financially, but there is no way to quantify the pain they have inflicted, the lives forever changed or lost.

We demand outside accountability on LMPD’s new training procedures. We have a Citizens Commission on Police Accountability for a reason. We would like to hear how officers are instructed to proceed “without bias.” LMPD has never admitted bias to begin with, let alone how they wield that bias against Black families in the schools and in the streets.

Begin reparations now. Correct the hyper-criminalization of Black and Brown people from cradle to grave. End cash bail so people can tend to their jobs and families. Invest all that police money into affordable housing and into meeting people’s basic health, transportation and grocery needs. These strategies actually stabilize neighborhoods and families, and reduce stress and crime.

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Trump Is Not Above the Law

By Gracie Lewis

On May 8, 2019, President Donald Trump exerted “executive privilege” on advisement from the pro-Trump U.S. Attorney General, William Barr. Congress is doing their job, they represent the people of the United States. The Attorney General is the personal lawyer for this so-called president. Trump is not above the law, but Congress is literally allowing this man to overstep and strip them of their Constitutional powers.

Article 2 of the United States Constitution states that Congress has oversight responsibilities—that is, maintaining “checks and balances” on any sitting president. There are three co-equal branches of government, and Trump is controlling both the executive and the judicial branches.

Trump took an oath of office vowing to uphold the Constitution of the United States and the laws of our country. Trump, by exerting executive privilege, is engaging in a full scale, full blown cover-up, and so is the U.S. Justice Department. Our pro-Trump Attorney General is now the personal lawyer for the President and he is acting not for the people of the United States, but for Trump.

This Administration’s strategy is to “Just say no,” the GOP is guilty of Obstruction of Justice, and this pro-Trump Attorney General should be fired! This fight is not about politics, it’s not about whether you or a Democrat or a Republican, and it’s not about the Mueller report; it’s about whether not or we are interested in maintaining a democratic form of government. The Mueller report is not the issue; the issue

here is “upholding the U.S. Constitution and the law of the land.”

On May 7, 2019, when Congress allowed floor speeches, Republican Senate Majority Mitch McConnell tried to slam the door on the Mueller Report and just move on because he is trying to maneuver a deal with Republican Kentucky Governor Matt Bevin and Russian businessmen to invest in a \$200 million aluminum plant in eastern Kentucky.

In response to McConnell’s comments, Democratic Senator and presidential hopeful Elizabeth Warren stated that we don’t need to move on: The issue at stake is what type of government the American people want. Do they want to live under a “dictatorship,” or do we want to live under a “democracy?”

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., said “the ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in times of convenience, but where he stands at times of controversy.”

Warren’s blistering speech included direct readings from the Mueller report, called to initiate impeachment proceedings against President Trump and argued that the events described in the special counsel’s findings amounted to a crime.

“There is no political inconvenience exception to the United States Constitution,” Warren said. “If any other human being in this country had done what is documented in the Mueller report, they’d be arrested and put in jail.”

She continued: “We took an oath not to try and to protect Donald Trump, we took

an oath protect and serve the Constitution of the United States of America, and the way we do that is to begin impeachment proceedings.” Warren added that Congress needs to start articles of impeachment against Trump now.

Over 700 federal prosecutors who have served under both Republican and Democratic administrations at different levels of the federal system—including line attorneys, supervisors, special prosecutors, United States Attorneys and senior officials at the Department of Justice—Said in a statement, “each of us believes that the conduct of President Trump described in Special Counsel Robert Mueller’s report would, in the case of any other person not covered by the Office of Legal Counsel policy against indicting a sitting President, result in multiple felony charges for obstruction of justice.”

To be sure, the Mueller report describes several acts that satisfy all of the elements for an obstruction of justice charge: conduct that obstructed or attempted to obstruct the truth-finding process (Congress), as to which the evidence of corrupt intent and connection to pending proceedings is overwhelming; these include:

- The President’s efforts to fire Mueller and to falsify evidence about that fact;
- The President’s efforts to limit the scope of the Mueller’s investigation to exclude his conduct; and
- The President’s efforts to prevent witnesses from cooperating with investigators probing him and his campaign.

The report also describes how the President repeatedly pressured then Attorney General Jeff Sessions to reverse his legally-mandated decision to recuse himself from the investigation. The president wanted Sessions, an early Trump supporter, to “protect” him, including from Mueller’s investigation.

The prosecutor’s statement also said that the Special Counsel’s report established that the President tried to influence the decision of both Michael Cohen and Paul Manafort with regard to cooperating with investigators. Some of this tampering and intimidation, including the dangling of pardons, was done



Steven Mnuchin, current U.S. Treasury Secretary. Photo courtesy of the U.S. Department of Treasury

in plain sight via tweets and public statements; other such behavior was done via private messages through private attorneys such as Trump counsel Rudy Giuliani’s message to Cohen’s lawyer that Cohen should “sleep well tonight, you have friends in high places.”

The statement continued: “As former federal prosecutors, we recognize that prosecuting obstruction of justice cases is critical because unchecked obstruction—which allows intentional interference with criminal investigations to go unpunished—puts our whole system of justice at risk. We believe strongly that, but for the [1973 Office of Legal Counsel] memo, the overwhelming weight of professional judgement would come down in prosecution for the conduct outlined in the Mueller Report.”

Another reason why Congress should start impeachment proceedings is that Trump has instructed members of his administration to just say no—as this is, again, obstruction of justice!

Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin on Monday, May 6, 2019, denied a request from House Democrats for access to six years of President Donald Trump’s personal tax returns.

Mnuchin responded by saying “I am informing you now that that the Department may not lawfully fulfill the Committee’s request,” written in consultation with this tainted Justice Department.

The fight over Trump’s tax return is escalating just as the President has exerted executive privilege and has made it increasingly clear that he expects the officials in his administration to deny any requests from the opposing party. Attorney General William Barr denied to testify last week in the House about special counsel Robert

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Another Kind of ‘Green’ New Deal: House Bill Would Create Equity with Fuel Tax

By RuthAnn Retenneller

Can we address climate change and increase spending money for American households at the same time?

The short answer to this question is “yes.”

House Bill HR 763—known as the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act—was introduced in Congress in January. It would create a trust fund to pay all Americans a monthly, equitable, taxable dividend to use however they see fit as the prices of consumer goods rise due to the rising costs associated with fossil fuels.

Economists say that this monthly dividend (a full share going to each adult and a half share to each child under 19) will increase personal spending and create jobs. Both will stimulate the economy while aiding people as they cope with higher prices.

Where is this money going to come from? Is it going to increase the national debt or increase government?

The short answer to this last question is “no.”

The money will come from a fee placed on fossil fuels at their first point of sale, including coal from the mines, oil from the wells and gas from the ground. The fee will start at \$15 per metric ton of potential carbon dioxide equivalent emissions, and increase by \$10 per metric ton each succeeding year. The increase will continue until we have decreased our carbon emissions by 90 percent.

This is going to generate a huge trust fund! The fund is expected to generate about \$3,456 in annual income for a family of four. No restrictions are tied to the monthly dividend, and although it is taxable,

that income cannot be used to determine eligibility for mean-tested social programs.

Earth’s mean temperature has already increased by more than 1 degree Celsius since 1880. We’re enduring longer droughts, fiercer fires, hotter temperatures and more devastating floods and hurricanes. A Yale study shows that 93 percent of Americans believe that something is happening to our climate. More than 50 percent of these Americans understand that humans are the biggest cause of these changes while over 95 percent of scientists say that climate change is human caused. So it is imperative

that humans do something about this now before it’s too late.

HR 763 will force businesses and industries to reduce waste, look to research and innovate solutions to make products which use fewer fossil fuels.

As companies undergo this transition, prices will go up, and the dividend to households will be needed to help defray these higher prices. A study known as the REMI study (Regional Economic Models, Inc., a company that has performed studies for government agencies as well as fossil fuel companies) found that most Americans in the lower and middle income brackets will come out ahead after receiving the dividend and paying the higher prices.

It is projected that if the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act is passed, 295,000 lives will be saved through the year 2030. As of now 114,000 lives are lost each year due to air pollution. A similar law was enacted in British Columbia a few years ago, and the medical field there experienced a remarkable consequence of such a carbon fee and dividend law: Simply put, people had money to go to the doctor sooner.

The bill is a market driven solution to a critical world problem. It does not grow government, increase the budget or add to the national debt. It looks out for those who can least afford to pay any more for day-to-day living expenses.

Most importantly, it will work: Projections indicate that a 40 percent reduction in carbon emissions will be achieved within the first 12 years of its enactment. Studies also predict 2.1 million local jobs will be created, as well. Given the positive expectations for

the bill expressed by both sides of Congress, the bill is known as a “bridge” bill, not a “wedge” bill. Climate change affects all of us no matter how we vote, and reaching for a solution that bridges the divide we’ve experienced the last few years is good for us as well as for the climate.

HR 763 was not born overnight. It’s the result of over ten years of study, research, education and persistence by the members of Citizens Climate Lobby (CCL). Although HR 763 does not totally match the original CCL proposal, Citizens Climate Lobby totally supports it.

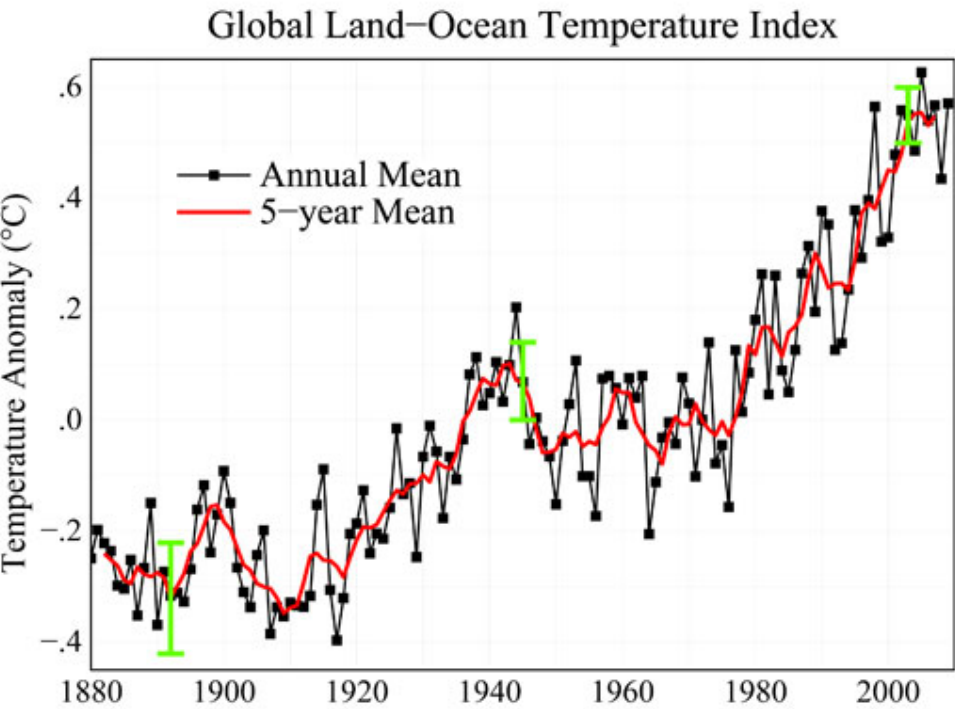
CCL was founded in 2007 with the intent to create the political will for climate solutions; that respectful, non-partisan, educated relationships rooted in integrity would provide the means to solving the dire problem of global warming.

In 2016 a bipartisan study caucus, Climate Solutions Caucus, was formed in the House of Representatives, and by the end of 2018 it had grown to 90 members—45 Democrats and 45 Republicans. In 2018, CCL conducted a media relations outreach campaign, made visits and wrote letters to members of congress, sought endorsements from citizens and organizations, and continued studies to find the best solution to climate change which resulted, finally, in a bill presented to Congress. In 2019, that original bill was reintroduced as HR 763.

The task is not yet complete, however; HR763 has been assigned to three committees in the House: Energy and Commerce, Foreign Affairs and Ways and Means. And the Senate’s version of the bill has not yet been introduced. Letters to the editor (see GREEN NEW DEAL, page 7)



Melting sea ice. Photo courtesy of National Park Service



Except for a leveling off between the 1940s and 1970s, the surface temperature of Earth has increased since 1880. The last decade has seen global temperatures rise to the highest levels ever recorded. This graph illustrates the change in global surface temperature relative to 1951-1980 average temperatures. As shown by the red line, long-term trends are more apparent when temperatures are averaged over a 5-year period. The green error bars represent the uncertainty in measurements. Graphic courtesy of NASA.

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in San Francisco that disclosing the names of the federal agents would infringe on their right to privacy. A district judge had earlier ordered the department to make the names public.

The fact that only a single case of discipline apparently resulted from more than 200 complaints of child abuse clearly worried the district judge, John Tuchi, of Arizona, who ruled on the matter in the spring of 2018. In his order demanding the release of the names, Tuchi faulted DHS for failing to vigorously investigate claims of misconduct, stating that “completed investigations were almost nonexistent.”

DHS declined to comment for this story.

The ongoing legal battle stretches back to 2014, when American Civil Liberties Union chapters in Arizona and Southern California began seeking details about the alleged mistreatment of minors apprehended and detained by Customs and Border Protection, an agency within Homeland Security. Using the Freedom of Information Act, attorneys with the ACLU approached DHS with a request for copies of all records regarding the verbal, physical and sexual abuse of minors by Customs or Border Patrol personnel.

The ACLU’s fact-finding initiative came as the federal government struggled to deal with a massive spike in the number of children — many from violence-plagued

Central American countries, many unaccompanied by parents — crossing the southern border into the U.S.

Hoping to speed the release of the documents, the ACLU later filed suit. While the federal government eventually turned over some 30,000 pages of heavily redacted records, including 214 allegations of child abuse by agents, it has balked at disclosing the names of the Border Patrol and Customs personnel alleged to have harmed minors.

ACLU attorney Mitra Ebadolahi said that without the names of Customs and Border Protection employees — or some other way to identify them, such as tracking numbers — it’s impossible to divine basic facts about the agency’s handling of children. “We don’t know the total number of complaints submitted by a child or on behalf of a child,” Ebadolahi said in an interview, noting that there are likely far more than 214 complaints. “We don’t know the number of agents implicated. Is it a handful of agents? Are they clustered in a certain sector? Were any of those agents disciplined?”

The single disciplinary record released by DHS involved an employee with Immigration and Customs Enforcement who verbally abused a minor.

DHS maintains that the records it has already shared offer a detailed picture of the abuse allegations — including date, location

and the substance of the complaint — as well as the government’s efforts to investigate them. For the public, there’s little value in “knowing the names of specific individual agents who have been subject to allegations of misconduct,” said DHS attorney Laura Myron during oral arguments before the 9th Circuit on May 16. Myron stressed that the privacy rights of Border Patrol and Customs employees would be violated by the release of their names in connection with the abuse complaints.

Myron disputed Tuchi’s view that DHS had failed to thoroughly investigate the allegations, saying his statement was not supported by the evidence presented in the case, or the documents turned over to the ACLU.

In court, Judge Sandra Ikuta expressed concern that the ACLU would “harass” the employees and endanger their lives by publishing their names.

“We would accept some alternative [to the release of the names] that would allow the public to look at the records that we’ve obtained and make sense of them, Ebadolahi responded. “There are cases where agencies have done that.”

The complaints unearthed by Ebadolahi and her colleagues, though redacted, offer glimpses of troubling patterns of behavior within the ranks. One boy told investigators “that during his apprehension by Border Patrol agents he was hit on the head with a

flashlight. ... He sustained a laceration to his scalp that required three (3) staples.” The boy’s story was buttressed by the fact that he had three clearly visible staples closing a fresh wound on his head. Other children reported being punched, shocked with Tasers, and denied food and medicine. Many described being bludgeoned with flashlights.

In one memo, from June 2014, a DHS investigator suggested shutting down an investigation into a minor offense because the department was deluged with a “huge amount of more serious complaints.”

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The Death and Life of Aida Hernandez

BOOK REVIEW

by Kate Cunningham

If you want to read a gritty story about the life of undocumented girls and women in an Arizona border town, this is a riveting book. Douglas, Arizona—adjoining Agua Prieta, Mexico—is the scene of much of the action. The book begins with the emergency medical evacuation of Aida, 19, from Agua Prieta, where she had been mercilessly attacked with a knife, to a hospital in Tucson.

Aida had just worked one lousy shift at a bar two blocks from the U.S. border, in Mexico, in order to get a single \$20 bill so she could pay for birth records and other papers that would accompany her application for legal status in the U.S.

She had lived undocumented in the U.S. since the age of seven but was, due to a community agreement, able to be airlifted to Tucson for treatment. Aida had lost so much blood that she, in her mind, actually died and was brought back to life at the U.S. hospital—hence the title of the book, beginning with her “death” and then detailing her life in a border town.

This is a nonfiction book that not only tells a compelling personal story but also explains part of the background of how we got where we are today with the militarization of our “southern border.” Since the 1990s, U.S. immigration policy with regard to our southern neighbors has been “prevention through deterrence.” Make it hard enough on people, and they will stop trying to come to the U.S.

The author details how the small town of Douglas—once a company mining town—has become so “secure” that one in every nine people in the town works for the Border Patrol or related policing efforts. It turns out,

by Aaron Bobrow-Strain
(Farrar, Straus and Giroux, 2019)
340 pp plus Notes and Glossary

however, that security and insecurity are two sides of the same coin: just as Prohibition made alcohol harder to come by and more expensive, it also brought in criminal gangs who would profit from the trade.

Now, the author explains, human traffickers have stepped in to assist immigrants who need to come to the U.S. and who previously came on their own, unaided. Now the route is more perilous, five times more expensive and more dangerous—especially for women.

Focusing on one teenager, Aida, and her family, Bobrow-Strain describes the violence that besets some girls from an early age. Aida’s father physically abused her mother; her mother eventually left him and took up with another abusive man, who dominated her and struck fear in her daughters. Aida’s mom, undocumented and living in Douglas for years, was helpless: both her former husband and her boyfriend could report her to Border Patrol at any time and she and her kids would be whisked away, torn from the community where she had eked out an existence and had a meager support system.

Aida grew up as a poor American child, with curly dark hair, a sunny personality, and speaking standard American English. She feared the Border and the Border Patrol until one night, after having been ejected from Douglas by Border Patrol, she figured out a way to get back into the U.S. to be with her six year old son. Her younger sister phoned a documented boyfriend in Douglas and arranged for him and another boy to meet Aida and a friend at bar in Agua Prieta on a Saturday night.

After last call at the bar, when they drove through the border to go “home” to Douglas,

the documented boys showed their IDs. Aida’s younger sister was very drunk, so Aida spoke up, in her best American valley girl voice, and said, “We had kind of a rough night, officer, and we lost our IDs,” rolling her eyes, appearing to be disgusted with herself and what happened. The officers let them roll on through the border.

That one incident was the first time that Aida felt like she belonged to the world and could navigate it as her own person: She was not an “illegal,” she was not just another teenage Latina mom, she was autonomous and responsible for her life.

Really, Aida’s life reads like a “telenovela,” full of drama, violence and fierce family love. Whenever she turned up on her Mom’s doorstep in Douglas or her Dad’s doorstep in Agua Prieta, no matter her condition or story, she was taken in and taken care of, to the best of her family’s ability.

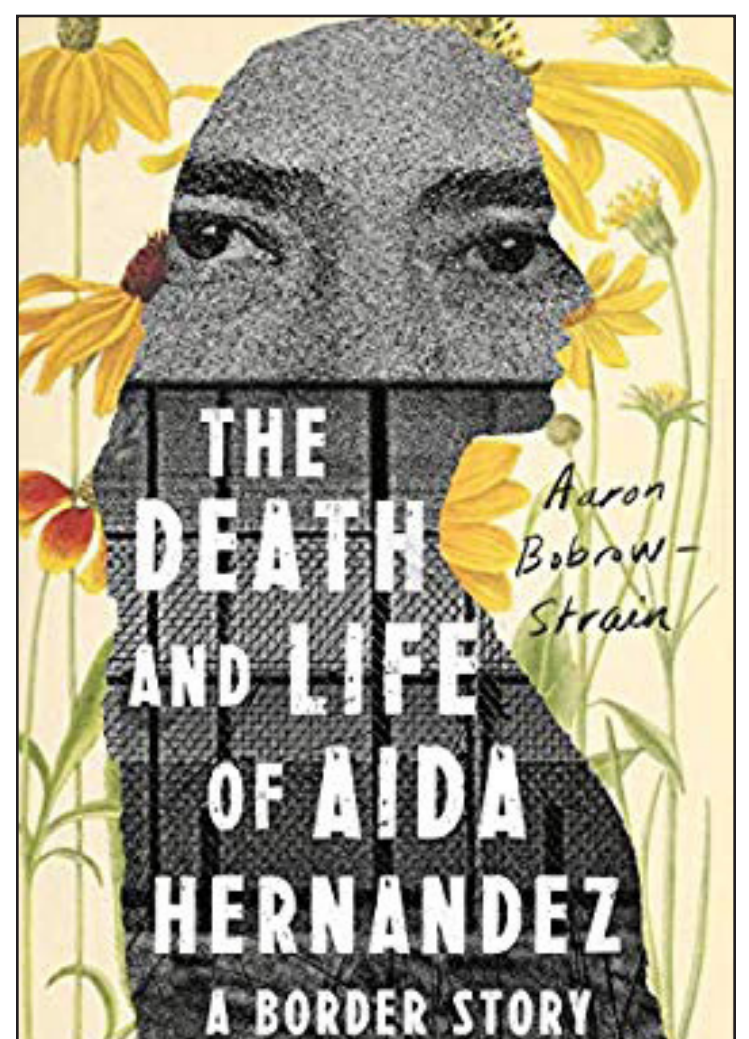
It turns out that Aida’s father was a hero of the Mexican land reform movement of 1966—an interesting history included here which will be news to most U.S. readers. He was imprisoned after the woefully unsuccessful attack on a government barracks and learned, finally, to meditate to deal with the hardships of a Mexican prison. As life happens, Aida’s dad had the chance, years later, to teach yoga breathing exercises to his daughter when she suffered PTSD after the nearly fatal knife attack and her later imprisonment

(“detention”) while waiting interminably for a hearing on her legal status in the U.S.

The Death and Life of Aida Hernandez is a worthwhile book that *FORsooth* readers will want to read for essential background on what is happening now on our own U.S. soil.



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Mueller’s report, a day after appearing in the Republican-controlled Senate.

On Monday, May 6, Mnuchin notified House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Richard Neal that he couldn’t release his tax returns because of privacy purposes, which is unconstitutional. Neal said that Secretary Mnuchin notified him that the IRS will not provide the documents he requested under Section 6103 of the Internal Revenue Code.

The New York Times reported on May 8, 2019, that Trump lost \$1.7 billion in his businesses from 1985 to 1994. Trump, the con man in charge, was able to avoid paying income taxes for eight years. This is why he should not be signing off or making any type of deals like the one he made a year ago, altering the tax code to benefit the wealthiest 1 percent which own more than 90 percent of the working people in this country, who have to pay their taxes. He has his name on buildings that are not his, but instead leases his name as a brand. With this kind of record, he should not be engaged in anything involving the Treasury Department, IRS nor our taxes.

Trump’s mantra of “No collusion! No obstruction!” is misleading the public. In essence, Barr is obstructing justice by undermining a central purpose for which the Justice Department is supposed to achieve: Assuring full public confidence in the outcome of the investigation. This has not happened.

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and letters from constituents to their representatives are urgently needed to keep this excellent solution to an excruciating problem front and center so that the bill will become law as quickly as possible.

Our children and our children’s children and their children’s children deserve a world of breathable air. They should not have to face a world where strife is exacerbated by a food shortage caused by drought, excessive heat and other natural catastrophes. They each and every one are worthy of the opportunity to live a good life where they can play outside, sleep with the windows open and—as every previous generation has done—expect that tomorrow will be good.

Let’s not let them down.

For more information about Citizens Climate Lobby go to citizensclimatelobby.org.

Go to congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/763 to learn more about HR 763, the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act.

For a quick easy link to contact your senators and representative about climate solutions:

- Visit citizensclimatelobby.org
- Click the link to the *Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act*
- Click the green button called “Write a Letter”

Congress needs to stop delaying and start impeachment proceedings, even if it only is passed in the House. They should then work to bring it to the Senate, and if Senator Mitch McConnell obstructs such a vote in his body, he should be moved out of that position, for McConnell, too, is not above the law.

Let your views be known by making a phone call to your representative (202) 224-3121; write a letter; send a fax, call your Representative or Senator’s office and get their fax number. Send an email or social media message to the President.

RECLAIM OUR DEMOCRACY.
DUMP TRUMP.



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- Enter your address and click the “Go” button
- Select the person, modify the sample letter that appears, (copy it if you want)
- Click the red “Send” button or click the blue button “Print and Mail”
- You’re done!



RuthAnn Reten-neller has wondered about the health of our planet since she was in high school, and learned that

“dominion” as used in Genesis means that humans are to take care of the Earth. She has been married to Jim for 48 years. They have two grown daughters, Natalie and Jennifer, and two grandchildren. RuthAnn retired from Jefferson County Public Schools five years ago; she was a computer training specialist.



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You can also send submissions for the Peace Calendar to the FORsooth editor.

Regular Meeting Times for
Area Organizations

- AMERICANS UNITED FOR SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE—Third Friday at noon at Sullivan University, www.au.org. Contact Paul Simmons at 608-7517, pdsimmons14@gmail.com.
- AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL—Contact Sharon at 637-8951
- APPAP [American Palestine Public Affairs Forum]—www.appaf.org, 664-2761
- AUDUBON SOCIETY OF KENTUCKY—www.audubonsocietyofky.org
- BECKHAM BIRD CLUB—2nd Saturday, 7PM, www.beckhambirds.org
- BLACK LIVES MATTER—Every Sunday, 3PM, 3208 W. Broadway, chelm416@gmail.com
- BREAD FOR THE WORLD—Last Monday every other month, 239-4317
- CAPA [Citizens Against Police Abuse]—2nd Thursday, 778-8130. Meet at Braden Center, 3208 W. Broadway
- CART [Coalition for the Advancement of Regional Transportation]—3rd Wednesday, Union Station, TARC Board Room
- CEDAW [Convention for the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women]—2nd Tuesday, 6:30 PM, Bon Air Library, rosieblue1941@gmail.com
- CLOUT [Citizens of Louisville Organized and Working Together]—583-1267
- COMMITTEE FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST—2nd Monday, 456-6586
- COMMON CAUSE—Ad hoc discussions. Continuous engagement. www.commoncause.org/ky
- COMMUNITY COALITION ON THE HEALTHY HOMETOWN—Every Monday, 5:30PM, 574-6209
- COMMUNITY FARM ALLIANCE OF KENTUCKY—(859)351-4508, cfaky.org
- COUNTER RECRUITMENT, “Aim Higher”—1st Sunday, 7PM, 899-4119
- EARTHSAVE POTLUCK —2nd Saturday, 6PM, 299-2520, www.LouisvilleEarthSave.org
- EVOLVE [Electric Vehicle Owners of Louisville]—Join us on facebook, stuartungar@icloud.com
- FAIRNESS CAMPAIGN—Quarterly community dialogues and volunteer opportunities, 893-0788
- FDR/LINCOLN LEGACY CLUB—1st Thursday, papajohn15@bellsouth.net
- FOR [Fellowship of Reconciliation]—2nd Thursday, at 7:30PM, Louisville Presbyterian Seminary, Nelson Hall, www.louisvilleFOR.org, 609-7985 or 899-4119
- 15 THOUSAND FARMERS—15th day each month, www.15thousandfarmers.com
- FOOD IN NEIGHBORHOODS COMMUNITY COALITION—2nd Tuesday, 6:30PM, 819-2957
- FORWARD RADIO PROJECT —296-1793, see page 5 for more info
- FRIENDS FOR HOPE—Support Group for Adult Cancer Survivors, 4th Wednesday, 6:30PM, 451-9600
- FRIENDSHIP FORCE OF LOUISVILLE—2nd Tuesday, 893-8436
- GREATER LOUISVILLE SIERRA CLUB—3rd Tuesday, 7PM, 644-0659
- GREEN CONVENE—2nd Tuesday, 6:30PM, www.greenconvene.org
- HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION ADVOCACY BOARD—1st Monday, 9AM, 574-3631
- HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION ENFORCEMENT BOARD—1st Monday, 9:30AM, 574-3631
- HUMANISTS OF METRO LOUISVILLE—2nd Monday, 7PM, 896-4853
- INTERFAITH PATHS TO PEACE—3rd Wednesday, every other month, 214-7322
- IRFI [Islamic Research Foundation International]—Sundays at 6PM, 423-1988
- JEWISH VOICE FOR PEACE—3rd Wednesday, 7PM, 553-6451, barbaraberman2@gmail.com
- JUSTICE RESOURCE CENTER—www.louisvillejrc.org, 774-8624
- KENTUCKIANS FOR SINGLE PAYER HEALTH CARE—1st and 3rd Thursday, 5:30PM, Board Room in the Mezzanine of the Main Public Library, www.kyhealthcare.org, 636-1551
- KFTC [Kentuckians for the Commonwealth]—2nd Monday, 589-3188
- KTAG [Kentuckiana Taskforce Against Genocide]— www.facebook.com/KYAgainstGenocide, 553-6172
- KY ALLIANCE AGAINST RACIST & POLITICAL REPRESSION—1st Tuesday, 6:30PM, 778-8130
- KY COALITION TO ABOLISH THE DEATH PENALTY —www.kcadp.org, 636-1330
- KITLAC [KY Interfaith Taskforce on Latin America & The Caribbean]—kitlac@mailforce.net, 435-3265
- KRCRC [KY Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice]—www.krcrc.org, (866)606-0988
- KY WATERSHED WATCH—Volunteer water quality monitoring and training around the state every month. Call 1-800-928-0045
- LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS—3rd Monday, Sept-May, www.lwvlouisville.org, 895-5218
- LOUISVILLE COMMITTEE FOR ISRAELI/PALESTINIAN STATES—3rd Sunday, 451-5658
- LOUISVILLE COMMITTEE FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST (LCPME)—First Monday, 7PM, 264-2437
- LOUISVILLE FORUM—2nd Wednesday, Noon, www.louisvilleforum.org, 329-0111
- LPAC [Louisville Peace Action Community]—www.louisvillepeace.org, 456-6914
- LOUISVILLE SHOWING UP FOR RACIAL JUSTICE (LSURJ)—Monthly meetings for learning and action, 558-7556
- LOUISVILLE WOMEN CHURCH—Meditation every Sunday, 473-8435
- LOUISVILLE YOUTH GROUP—Friday nights, 587-7755, www.louisvilleyouthgroup.com
- LOUISVILLIANS IN FAVOR OF EQUALITY (LIFE)—4th Sunday, 384-3875
- METRO SWEEP FOR ACCESS—3rd Tuesday, 895-0866 or 899-9261
- METROPOLITAN HOUSING COALITION—4th Wednesday, 584-6858
- MIGHTY KINDNESS—mightykindness@gmail.com, 235-0711
- MOMS DEMAND ACTION FOR GUN SENSE—(571)278-2255, www.momsdemandaction.org
- MUHAMMAD ALI INSTITUTE FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE—U of L, 852-6372
- NAACP [National Association for the Advancement of Colored People]—3rd Monday, 776-7608
- NAMI [National Alliance for the Mentally Ill]—588-2008, www.namilouisville.org
- NATIONAL ACTION NETWORK, LOUISVILLE METRO CHAPTER—4th Sunday, 5PM, 778-8624 or (470)362-0317
- PARENTS, FAMILIES & FRIENDS OF LESBIANS AND GAYS (P-FLAG)—233-1323, www.pflaglouisville.org
- PEACE EDUCATION PROGRAM—www.peaceeducationprogram.org, 589-6583
- RESULTS (a hunger lobby)—2nd Saturday, 451-4907
- SICKLE CELL ASSOCIATION—3rd Saturday, 569-2070
- SIERRA CLUB INNER CITY OUTINGS—2nd Thursday, 7:30PM, 558-0073
- LOUISVILLE SHOWING UP FOR RACIAL JUSTICE—Learning, support and action, 558-7556.
- SOCIAL CHANGE BOOK CLUB—3rd Monday, www.greenlistlouisville.com
- SOWERS OF JUSTICE NETWORK—www.sowersofjusticenetwork.org, sowersofjusticenetwork@gmail.com
- STAND UP SUNDAY/STAND UP LOUISVILLE—Every Sunday, 3PM, 3208 W. Broadway, chelm416@gmail.com
- URBAN LEAGUE YOUNG PROFESSIONALS—2nd Monday, 6PM, 561-6830
- VETERANS FOR PEACE, Louisville Chapter 168—500-6915, CRawertTrainer@twc.com
- WOMEN IN TRANSITION (WIT) – Every Wednesday, 6-8 PM, 636-0160

Note: If your group would like to be added to this list, or if information needs to be updated, please let us know by emailing calendar.peace@gmail.com

CALENDAR FOR PEACEMAKERS - JULY/AUG 2019

Meeting times are subject to change for some of these events. Please email us information about your peace and justice events to jonathan.p.meador@gmail.com.

Jul 1 to Nov 10—**SHINING A LIGHT**—The Muhammad Ali Center. See photographs from countries all over the world on human rights and social justice. This year’s focus is the daily lives of homeless women. alicenter.org

Jul 1 to Aug 31—**SACK LUNCHES FOR THE HOMELESS**—Wayside Christian Mission. Open every day. Help assemble sack lunches for men and women who are working and away from the Mission at mealtimes. Sack lunches are also used by our Good Samaritan Patrol. Visit waysidechristianmission.org/volunteer.html for this and other opportunities.

Jul 1 to Aug 31—**TEA IN ASIA**—The Crane House. Discover the history and traditions of tea throughout Asia. cranehouse.org

Jul 2 (Tues)—**CONSOLING PARENTS**—First Lutheran Church, every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. Meet others who know the loss of miscarriage, stillbirth and newborn death. Call 629-2103 for more information.

Jul 3 & Aug 7 (Wed)—**VOLUNTEER FOR REFUGEE FAMILIES**—Catholic Charities, 5:30pm. First Wednesday every month. Learn more about the refugee & immigration settlement program and family assistance efforts. cclou.org

Jul 3 & Aug 7 (Wed)—**THE LOUISVILLE SUSTAINABILITY FORUM**—Passionist Earth & Spirit Center, the Barn at 1924 Newburg Road. Every first Wednesday, 12 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. Sustainability and relationships that create a community for change. Bring your lunch.

Jul 3 & Aug 7 (Wed)—**KENTUCKY REFUGEE MINISTRIES LUNCH & LEARN**—12 p.m. First Wednesday every month. Learn about the immigrant and refugee resettlement program, as well as volunteer for citizenship tutoring classes. Kyrm.org

Jul 4 (Thurs)—**KENTUCKY SINGLE PAYER HEALTH CARE**—Main Public Library. Every first & third Thursday at 5:30PM. Call Kay Tillow at 636-1551.

Jul 5 to Aug 16—**ORGANIC GARDENING**—Garden Common, University of Louisville. Every Friday. Learn to grow hyper-local vegetables, herbs and fruits with hands-on practice. louisville.edu/sustainability

Jul 6 & Aug 3 (Sat)—**INTERFAITH SILENT MEDITATION**—Passionist Earth & Spirit Center, the Barn at 1924 Newburg Road. Every first Saturday at 9:30 a.m. Brief meditation instruction and longer periods of silence, interspersed with opportunities for walking meditation. Call 502-452-2749 for information, or visit earthandspiritcenter.org

Jul 6 (Sat)—**LOUISVILLE COMMUNITY AGRICULTURE**—Twenty-six farmers’ markets across the city, from the California neighborhood to Norton Commons. Every Saturday morning, but time and dates vary. Visit <https://louisvilleky.gov/government/mayors-healthy-hometown-movement/services/healthy-eating>

Jul 6 (Sat)—**PRESERVE OUR URBAN FORESTS**—Olmsted Parks Conservancy. Tasks include invasive plant removal, mulching, painting and general park beautification in our various Olmsted parks and parkways. Gloves, tools and guidance provided. Be sure to sign-up before coming out. olmstedparks.org

Jul 6 (Sat)—**HELP BUILD A HOME**—Habitat for Humanity of Metro Louisville. Work alongside “sweat-equity” families. Ask about our non-construction opportunities too. louisvillehabitat.org

Jul 6 (Sat)—**CANVASS NEIGHBORHOODS FOR FRESH FOOD**—Saturdays and Sundays. Join us any time. Fresh Stop Project volunteers take orders door to door for locally grown fruits and vegetables. newrootsproduce.org

Jul 7 (Sun)—**COMMUNITY COMPOSTING**—University of Louisville Belknap Campus. Every Sunday, 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. Help turn trash to treasure, and haul home some rich compost for your garden. Dress to get dirty. Tools provided. louisville.edu/sustainability

Jul 7 & Aug 4 (Sun)—**AIM HIGHER**—Every first Sunday at 7 p.m. Focusing on military counter-recruitment, with discussions on conscientious objection, military recruitment and the possibility for high school students to “opt out” of having their names given to recruiters. Call Jim Johnson at 262-0148, or email FORnonviolence@gmail.com

Jul 8 to 12 / Jul 15 to 19—**KONNICHIWA SUMMER**—World Affairs Council of Kentucky and Southern Indiana. Learn more about Japanese traditions, practice cultural arts and make friends. worldkentucky.org

Jul 9 & Aug 13 (Tues)—**MOVIMENIENTO DE MUJERES LATINA (LATINA WOMEN’S MOVEMENT)**—La Casita Center, Every second Tuesday, 5:30 p.m. Network, mentor, find friends and share. Call 322-4036.

Jul 9 & Aug 13 (Tues)—**AMERICANA COMMUNITY CENTER**—Volunteer orientation every 2nd Tuesday, 6 p.m. Help bridge the gap for our refugee and immigrant neighbors. Call 366-7813 to RSVP.

Jul 9 to 11—**TEEN LEADERS DIVERSITY CAMP**—Peace Education Program. Learn more about others and practice communication and conflict resolution skills. peaceeducationprogram.org

Jul 10 & Aug 14 (Wed)—**Y-NOW CHILDREN OF PRISONERS MENTORING**—2nd Wednesday each month. Join us for a tour of YMCA Safe Place, and learn how you can help break the cycle through mentoring and encouragement. Call 635-5233 to RSVP.

Jul 12 & Aug 9 (Fri)—**A GLIMPSE OF ETERNITY**—The Louisville Astronomical Society. Tom Sawyer Park. Every second Friday (weather permitting). Dusk. Peer through telescopes upon planets, the moon, stars, double stars, the Orion nebula and other cosmic wonders. louisville-astro.org

Jul 12 to Aug 6—**HAND IN HAND MINISTRIES**—Various trips. Work side by side with people who live and work in vulnerable communities. myhandinhand.org

Jul 13 & Aug 10 (Sat)—**EARTHSAVE OF LOUISVILLE**—Crescent Hill Ministries. Every 2nd Saturday. 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Discuss healthy food and behaviorial change. Bring a plant-based dish and share your recipe as you mingle to music. Call 299-9520 for more information.

Jul 13 & Aug 10 (Sat)—**CITIZENS’ CLIMATE LOBBY**—Crescent Hill Public Library. Every second Saturday. 12 p.m. Help plan efforts to lobby for state legislation to combat climate change. For more information contact Jean at jmchri@gmail.com, or call 502-634-3114.

Jul 14 & Aug 11 (Sun)—**VIGIL FOR PEACE**—Louisville Peace Action Committee (LPAC) and Veterans for Peace Chapter 168. Bardstown Rd. at Douglas Blvd. Every second Sunday. 4 p.m. to 5p.m. Remember those suffering from conflicts in the Middle East. Bring a sign. For more information call Harold Trainer at 502-419-4083.

Jul 14 & Aug 11 (Sun)—**THE NONVIOLENT CITIES PROJECT**—Peace Bene Nonviolence Service. Every second Sunday. 2:30 p.m. Help spread and apply the principles of nonviolent action here and now. Call 812-280-0665, or email rodwsm@gmail.com for more information.

Jul 15 (Mon) & Aug 15 (Thurs)—**GROWING FOOD AND COMMUNITY**—15 Thousand Farmers at Dismas Charities. St. Ann’s on Algonquin Pkwy. The 15th of every month. Share ideas and experiences about growing your own food, and taste samples. 15thousandfarmers.com

Jul 16 & Aug 19 (Tues)—**WEST JEFFERSON COUNTY COMMUNITY TASK FORCE**—NIA Center. Every third Tuesday. 6 p.m. Help examine and assess community environmental concerns. Call 852-4609 for more information.

Jul 17 & Aug 20 (Wed)—**JEWISH VOICE FOR PEACE**—Highlands-Shelby Park Public Library. Every third Wednesday. Help plan for the future and assess the organization’s accomplishments. Call 502-553-6451, or email barbaraberman2@gmail.com.

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Jul 18 (Thurs)—DEADLINE TO CONTRIBUTE ARTICLES TO THE SEPTEMBER ISSUE OF FORSOOTH. Please email jonathan.p.meador@gmail.com

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Jul 18 & Aug 15 (Thurs)—**CHAT WITH POLICE**— Every third Thursday. Open dialogue with police officers. Meeting places rotate month to month. Visit louisville-police.org/475/Youth-Chats-with-the-LMPD and check their event calendar for locations.

Jul 18 & Aug 15 (Thurs)—**MENTAL ILLNESS SUPPORT & ADVOCACY**—NAMI Louisville. Every third Thursday, as well as Saturdays and Sundays. 3 p.m. namilouisville.org

Jul 18 & Aug 15 (Thurs)—**COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN (CASA)**—Orientation. 12 p.m to 1 p.m. Learn how you can help defend the rights of abused and neglected children in Jefferson County. Call 595-4911 to RSVP

Jul 18 & Aug 15 (Thurs)—**LEARNING DIFFERENCES SUPPORT & ADVOCACY**—Learning Disabilities Association of Kentucky. Every third Thursday. 7 p.m. Support for individuals and families. Call 473-1256 for more information.

Jul 23 to 25—**TRAINING FOR EDUCATORS IN CONFLICT MEDIATION AND PEER MEDIATION**—Learn and practice the essentials. peaceeducationprogram.org

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Aug 1 (Thurs)—DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS TO THIS CALENDAR IN THE SEPT ISSUE OF FORSOOTH. Please email jonathan.p.meador@gmail.com

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Aug 8 (Thurs)—**“EVERYONE READS” TRAINING**—JCPS VanHoose Education Center. Every second Thursday. 4 p.m. Join our community-wide effort to improve reading skills. apps.jefferson.kyschools.us/vounteer

Aug 14 (Wed)—**LOUISVILLE FORUM**—Vincenzo’s Downtown. Every second Wednesday. 12 p.m. Speakers on current public issues, and non-partisan discussion. For details, call 502-329-0111.

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Aug 15 (Thurs)—FORSOOTH LABELING PARTY—Presbyterian Seminary, Winn Center. Every 3rd Thursday. 6:30 p.m. We need volunteers! Many hands make light work, and the opposite is also true! So please join us if you can. Call 451-5658 for more information.

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Aug 28 (Wed)—**REAL PEOPLE, REAL CHALLENGES, REAL SOLUTIONS**—Volunteers of America Family Emergency Shelter. Morning and evening sessions. One hour interactive tour of VOA’s work and programs for self-determination. Call 636-4660 to RSVP.

Aug 30 to Sep 2—**WORLDFEST**—The Belvedere. All days. Music, stories, history and food. louisvilleky.gov/government/city-events/worldfest

OUT OF TOWN

Jul 1 & Aug 5 (Mon)—**KENTUCKY MIGRANT NETWORK COALITION**—Lexington, KY, at the Cardinal Valley Center. Every first Monday. 12 p.m. Get better acquainted with Kentucky’s immigrant and refugee families. For more information call 859-258-3824

Jul 3 to Aug 27—**FAIRNESS MEETINGS**—ACLU of Kentucky. Promote LGBTQ+ Rights in Kentucky and join our meetings in Versailles, Georgetown, Frankfort, Bowling Green, Berea and Shelbyville. aclu-ky.org

Jul 4 (Thurs)—**INTERFAITH PRAYER VIGIL FOR PEACE**—Lexington, KY, at West Main and Broadway. Every Thursday. 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. For more information call 859-327-5514.

Jul 7 to Aug 31—**WATERSHED WATCH OF KENTUCKY**—Various sites. Join our volunteer monitoring effort to maintain and improve water quality. kywater.org

Jul 18 (Thurs)—**ORGANIC AGRICULTURE WORKING GROUP**—Frankfort, KY. KSU Research Farm. Every third Thursday. Participate in efforts to develop local food economies with the Community Farm Alliance and others. ksyu.edu/academics/cafsss/organic-agriculture-working-group/about-organic-agriculture-working-group/

Jul 27 & Aug 24 (Sat)—**CHRISTIAN-MUSLIM DIALOGUE**—Lexington, KY. Meeting places rotate. Every fourth Saturday. 10 a.m. Explore moral, cultural and social issues together. For more information call 859-2772-7891.

Aug 2 to 4—**KFTC ANNUAL MEETING**—Kentuckians For The Commonwealth. Berea College. Join us as we reflect on our work, celebrate and make plans for the coming year. kftc.org

Sep 7 & 8—**TRAIL OF TEARS POW WOW**—Hopkinsville, KY. Every year on the first weekend after Labor Day. Celebrate Native American heritage with dances, lore and crafts. Visit visithopkinsville.com

AT THE LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Visit www.lfpl.org for more information.

Jul 6 (Sat)—**ENGLISH CONVERSATION CLUB**—Iroquois Public Library. Every Saturday. 3 p.m. Also at the Main Public Library on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. and the Shively Public Library on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.

Jul 18 & Aug 15 (Thurs)—**WOMEN’S BOOK DISCUSSION**—South Central Library. 7 p.m. Call 634-3515 for this month’s title.

Jul 18 (Thurs)—**APOLLO 11 LUNAR LANDING**—South Central Library. 4 p.m. Celebrate the 50th anniversary of the historic human spaceflight with lunar and planetary activities.

Aug 4, 11 & 18 (Sun)—**BHARATANATYAM SHOWCASE**—South Central Library. 3 p.m. Indian dance by the Guru Vandana Arts Academy.

Aug 6 (Tues)—**THE BASICS OF BHARATANATYAM**—South Central Library. 3 p.m. Learn and practice this Indian dance.

Aug 7 (Wed)—**TA KA DA MI, INDIAN RHYTHM**—South Central Library, 3 p.m. Learn the beat patterns and explore the rhythm of this rich artform.

Aug 12 (Mon)—**TEATRO TERCERALLAMADA**—Newburg Public Library. 6:30 p.m. Obra teatral bilingüe (Ingles-Español) para niños. Also, Iroquois Public Library on Aug 22, South Central Library on Aug 24, and Main Public Library on Aug 31.

Aug 21 (Wed)—**BOOKS ON GLOBAL SOLIDARITY**—Main Public Library, 12 p.m. Discuss contemporary books by authors from all over the world.

