



NUCLEAR ABOLITION, CLIMATE PROTECTION, AND OUR CITIES' FUTURE

Thursday, October 23, 2008
Sheslow Hall, Drake University, Des Moines

-- SCHEDULE --

8:30 – 9:00 Registration, Coffee

9:00 – 9:30 Welcome – Chet Guinn, Progressive Coalition of Central Iowa; Jacqueline Cabasso, Mayors for Peace and Western States Legal Foundation

Morning Session: **THE CASE FOR PEACE AND SUSTAINABLE ENERGY**

9:30 – 11:00 Panel I Nuclear Weapons, Climate Change, and Positive Alternatives

Moderator: TBD

- Climactic effects of use of nuclear weapons
 - Steven Starr, MT, Senior Scientist, Physicians for Social Responsibility
- Good-faith international cooperation on nuclear abolition and climate protection
 - Dr. John Burroughs, Lawyers' Committee on Nuclear Policy
- Climate change & protection: sustainable energy paths
 - Dr. Jürgen Scheffran, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

11:00 - 11:30 Coffee Break

11:30 – 12:30 Panel II Nuclear Power and Energy Alternatives

Moderator: Dr. Maureen McCue, President, Iowa Physicians for Social Responsibility

- Nuclear power: risks and alternatives
 - Dr. Brice Smith, State University of New York, Cortland
- Wind power: an emerging alternative
 - Pat Spears, Intertribal Council on Energy Policy

12:30 – 2:00 Lunch on your own at Drake cafeteria or nearby restaurants

Convened by

Mayors for Peace, the Office of the Mayor of the City of Des Moines, and Drake University



Admission

Mayors and other local officials, community organizers, students and faculty, and the public invited
\$20 admission; \$10 evening only
no charge to students; no one turned away

Organizers

Lawyers' Committee on Nuclear Policy, Western States Legal Foundation, and Global Action to Prevent War, in association with Mayors for Peace; Progressive Coalition of Central Iowa

Afternoon Session:
SOCIAL CHANGE AND THE ROLE OF CITIES

2:00 - 3:30 Panel III Social Change and Cities

Moderator: TBD

- Cities: an effective, sane voice for peace
 - Wilson Riles, former Oakland city council member; former director of Pacific office of American Friends Service Committee
- Converting the militarized economy: a fresh look
 - Mary Beth Sullivan, Global Network Against Nuclear Power and Weapons in Space
- The broader context of changing urban priorities
 - Andrew Lichterman, Western States Legal Foundation

3:30 – 4:00 Coffee Break

4:00 – 5:30 Panel IV The Role of Cities

Moderator: TBD

- Frank Cownie, Mayor of Des Moines
- other mayors

5:30 – 5:45 Closing

5:45 – 7:30 Dinner on your own at Drake cafeteria or nearby restaurants

Evening Program:
**NUCLEAR ABOLITION AND CLIMATE PROTECTION:
WHYS AND WAYS**

7:30 – 9:00

Welcome: Frank Cownie, Mayor of Des Moines

Moderator: TBD

Speakers:

- Dr. Arjun Makhijani, President, Institute for Energy and Environmental Research, and author, *Carbon-Free and Nuclear-Free: A Roadmap for U.S. Energy Policy* (2007)
- Jacqueline Cabasso, North American Coordinator, Mayors for Peace; Executive Director, Western States Legal Foundation; contributing author, *Nuclear Disorder or Cooperative Security? U.S. Weapons of Terror, the Global Proliferation Crisis, and Paths to Peace* (2007)

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