

## Coordinator Report for May 2020 CC meeting 15 October – 15 April 2020

### General

- Weekly staff meetings with Chrissy to plan out NWTRCC work.
- Worked with Chrissy, Bill, Kima, and Sue in planning of November meeting in Oregon.
- Worked with Chrissy, Su Casa, Kathy Kelly, #LetUsBreathe Collective, Rosalie Riegle and other for a Chicago conference that did not happen. Then worked with Chrissy to organize our first online conference.
- Answer daily emails concerning regular NWTRCC business or WTR questions.
- Make weekly (usually) deposits of donations & send out thank you letters with NWTRCC updates.
- Making sure software is up-to-date for our webpage with help from our web tech support folks.
- Reach out to potential AdComm nominees and gather info for May 2020 meeting.

### Outreach

- Editorial responsibilities for NWTRCC newsletter, *More Than a Paycheck*, which is published six times per year.
- Write a post for the blog about once per month or find a WTR to do so.
- Worked with Chrissy to organize an online Tax Day 2020 demo (April 15) with hashtags #NWTRCC & #NoTaxes4War.
- Composed report for November 2019 meeting in Oregon, which was posted on the blog & newsletter.
- Fill lit orders and getting lit out to folks willing to spread the work (e.g., Chrissy at SOAWatch / Kings Bay Plowshares 7 trial, Peter Smith for South Bend event in January, NYC for WTR 101 session in March, San Francisco for WTR session).
- Connected an American WTR (living in Canada) with Conscience Canada to talk about American WTR at their World Beyond War session.
- Coordinating monthly Outreach Meetings. The group worked on a Survey Monkey survey, sent to current WTRs in our Network, Facebook, MTAP, and Twitter (Thanks to Chrissy for her work on this!).
- *WTR at Glance* has been translated into Spanish and is now available.
- Facilitated interviews for article on WTR published *San Francisco Bold Italic*: “Meet the People Who Refuse to Pay Their Taxes”
- Facilitated interviews of WTRs under 40 for an article being written for [wagingnonviolence.org](http://wagingnonviolence.org).

- Worked with Outreach to update Earth palm card & Peace Tax Return.
- Keep the office stocked with current NWTRCC literature, having literature printed as needed.
- Post on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram when appropriate.

## **Fundraising**

- Coordinating fundraising committee with monthly conference calls. Main focus on NWTRCC finances & grant opportunities.
- Submitted grant applications for Samuel Ruben Foundation for operating expenses (rejected), Muste Foundation for additional Youth Focus Groups (approved for \$2K in 2020), Barrett Foundation for general operating expenses (accepted for \$7K for 2019 and \$7K for 2020).
- Working with Outreach Committee (esp. Jim Stockwell and Carlos Steward) for an online Art Charity Auction for NWTRCC that is happening right now.
- Completed November fund appeal by Justin Becker and mailed it out.
- Completing the May 2020 fund appeal by Frida Berrigan
- Composed 2020 budget for Fundraising Committee & AdComm, which was approved at the CC meeting in Corvallis.
- Sent out affiliate dues forms separately from the May/November appeals, which has been successful in getting more affiliates to pay.

## **Technical Assistance**

- Compose Counseling Notes for newsletter.
- Have taken several of calls/emails on passports, a wage garnishment, frivolous warning letters, FASFA, social security & an IRS home visit. When appropriate, I also connect callers and emailers to local people and groups.
- Continued the quarterly Counselors' Conference Call. The October & January meetings were well attended (about 8 folks on the line & 2 or 3 listen to recording afterward).
- Updated all of our W-4 lit with the release of the new W-4 in Jan 2020.
- Led the very first online WTR Counselors' Training on Saturday 25 January 2020. Two long-time WTRs joined the session with four people who were trained (two additional folks signed up, but did not show up).
- Providing guidance for Mennonite USA Church Peace Tax Fund as they discern how it will work best for their church.