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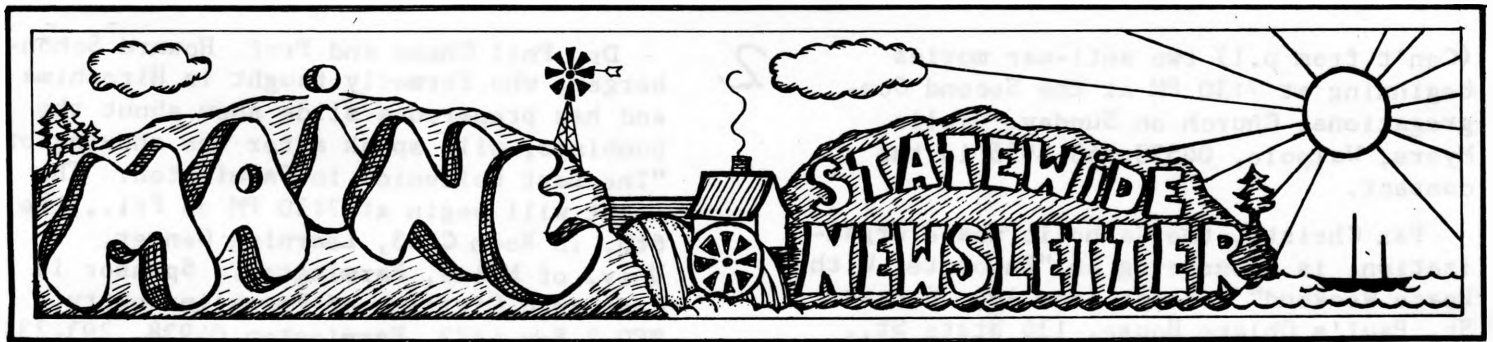


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Number 31

"All the News that Fits to Print"

August, 1982

A - BOMB Tragedies Remembered

At 8:15 AM on August 6, 1945, a great tragedy occurred. Citizens of Hiroshima, Japan, were going to work and school. Streets were crowded. Three American planes flew overhead, and the first atomic bomb was dropped. A tremendous flash lit up the sky. Suddenly thousands lay dead, thousands more were dying, and buildings were totally demolished or flattened from the tremendous force of the blast.

About 150,000 were killed immediately. Many more died later from radiation caused by the black rain which followed. And on August 9, at 11:02 AM, a second bomb was dropped on the neighboring city of Nagasaki. The bombs and their after-effects claimed an estimated 300,000 lives.

The citizens of Hiroshima and Nagasaki commemorate these infamous days every year. And these events will also be remembered during the August 6-9 period in a number of Maine cities as the importance of nuclear weapons resisting nuclear weapons becomes more universally recognized.

One of the largest events is expected to be in Kennebunkport, where a peace march on Sun., August 8, is planned. Persons will gather at the community house at 4 PM, march down Ocean Ave. past Vice President George Bush's house. They will release balloons with a message of peace there and then walk to the center of town, where there will be a program of local speakers and musicians beginning about 6 PM. A special children's program is also planned. Sponsors of the march include York County Concerned

Citizens, Women's Party for Survival, and the Kennebunk Forum. (The Forum will also sponsor "The Last Epidemic" on Aug. 17 at the Unitarian Church in Kennebunk, 7:30 PM, as part of a film series it sponsors.) Alan and Vicki Adams, 38 High Street, Kennebunk 04043, 985-7002 are local contacts.

A coalition effort, with involvement from Pax Christi, American Friends Service Committee, Physicians for Social Responsibility, Social Workers for Peace, and Portland Friends have set a vigil for 8-9 AM on August 6 and 11-Noon on August 9, both at Monument Square. A program, starting at 6:30 PM on August 8, will begin at the Square with talks and music and then a walk to the Eastern Promenade for a launching of candle boats (a Japanese tradition).

An evening candlelight vigil will be held on Fri., Aug 6 at the Maine St. entrance to the Maine Festival of the Arts in Brunswick. The vigil may continue throughout the weekend if more people come forward. To help out on Friday or the weekend: Sheila Garrett, Box 429, S. Harpswell, 04079, 833-5220.

In Lewiston-Auburn, a committee is working on plans, but none were finalized as of this newsletter's deadline. Contacts are Fred Brodeur, 41 Dunn St., Auburn 04210, 782-3808, and Rev. Richard Crocker, 340 College Ave., Lewiston 04240, 784-3898.

Citizens Concerned for Nuclear Disarmament will have a presence at the Farmers Market in Damariscotta on Fri., Aug. 6, have a display of pictures on the Main St. on Saturday, and show (cont'd on p.2)

(Con't from p.1) two anti-war movies beginning at 7:30 PM at the Second Congregational Church on Sunday. Julia Myers, Walpole, 04573, 563-3955 is the contact.

Pax Christi, the Catholic peace organization, is sponsoring an "Encounter With Peace Weekend" retreat from Aug. 6-8 at St. Paul's Oblate House, 136 State St., Augusta. The weekend will present participants with a combination of facts about the arms race, church teachings, prayer and personal reflection/discussion in encouraging participants to become peacemakers. Father Jim Gower, formerly of Maine and now the national organizer for Pax Christi, will lead the weekend.

Space is limited, but there is still room for more people. Cost for the weekend is \$45-50, or whatever you can afford. Contact Vin Burns, RFD 1 Box 3408, Wayne 04248, 685-9205 for registration.

Augusta area Clergy and Laity Concerned (CALC) will be sponsoring a Peace Breakfast on Aug. 6, 7 AM, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, near the park in Gardiner. A basic meal will be provided along with special prayers and talks to commemorate the day. At about 8:15 AM a Japanese maple tree will be planted at the Gardiner Library as a symbol of hope.

Vigils, following the bell ringing, from 8:15-9:15 AM on Friday and 11:02 AM-Noon on Monday in Castonguay Square will be part of the Waterville Commemoration, sponsored by CALC and Pax Christi groups. A third vigil, along with a candle boat launch, is planned on Sunday evening at North St. playground across from Thayer Hospital. Get details from Kathleen Flannigan, 17 Boutelle Ave., Waterville 04901, 873-2540.

Mt. Vernon will host local speakers, the Northfield Singers, and a candleboat launch from 6-8 PM on Aug. 6 next to the Methodist Church. Call Peter Devine at 293-2202 or write Box 2995, Mt. Vernon 04352.

Candle boats will also likely be part of an event sponsored by Maine People Concerned in the Rockland-Camden area during the Aug. 6-9 period. No firm plans have yet been made, but Inez Daniel, 10 Union St., Camden 04843, 236-2740 will know what is on tap.

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Dr. Phil Chase and Prof. Howard Schonberger, who formerly taught in Hiroshima and has prepared a slide show about the bombings, will speak after the showing of "The Last Epidemic" in Farmington. The event will begin at 7:30 PM on Fri., the 6th, in Room C-23, Learning Center, Univ. of Maine, Farmington. Sponsor is Concerned Citizens of Franklin County, RFD 2 Box 4122, Farmington 04938, 293-2390.

Hancock County CALC members will show Howard Schonberger's slide show "Unforgettable Fire" before the Joanna Macy workshop (see separate article) on Aug. 12, 7:30 PM, at the Blue Hill Town Hall. They have also prepared special prayers for clergy to use in their church services on August 8. Rev. David Plank, SR Box 1, Orland 04472, 469-2050 is the contact.

Finally, several events are planned in Bangor by Bangor area CALC and Pax Christi. A special breakfast will be held at 7 PM at the Hammond St. Congregational Church. People will gather and, after church bells are rung at 8:15 AM, will walk to offices of 3/4 of the congressional delegation to urge passage of a nuclear freeze. A number of people in Bangor (and in other towns/cities throughout the state) will be fasting for part or all of the three days. There will be leafletting at the Bangor fair on Saturday, and church speaking and a special event (7 PM) with candle boats, poetry, songs, and speeches on Kenduskeag Stream (off Harlow St.) on Sunday. Bells will be rung at 11:02 AM and the fast broken at lunch. Contact Greg McManus, 32 Manners, Bangor 04401, 945-3393 for details.

Most of these events will also emphasize the need for a nuclear weapons freeze to prevent another such disaster. The Maine Freeze Campaign clearinghouse has been formed to disperse information and to help people to work locally on this effort. Write to the Clearinghouse at Box 7097, Lewiston 04240, or call 772-0680.

The Freeze Campaign is hoping to make a nuclear weapons freeze an important issue in the November elections. It will help put on a conference in late October and hopes to educate people about the fallacy of the "Soviet Threat." Contact the Clearinghouse for details.

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Hidden Valley Camp in Freedom will also be the site of the Women's Healing Ritual Gathering on Sept. 10-12. Workshops and events are too numerous to mention, but workshop leaders on various subjects related to women's physical and spiritual development are needed by August 7. Costs for the weekend are \$30 (preregistration appreciated) including food and lodging. To offer a workshop or for general info: Ritual Gathering, PO Box 476, Lincoln, Mass. 01773 or call Foxfire in Maine at 342-9685.

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The Wholistic Health Resource Center of Mount Desert Island is sponsoring "Acadia Wholistic Workshops", on the island throughout the summer.

Three August specials include "Herbal Ed" Smith offering several herbs for health programs (July 31-Aug. 6), Paul Weiss on "Integral Massage" (Aug. 14-20), and two workdhops on the emotional barriers to money by Cristen White (Aug. 28-29). For details on location, costs, etc.: Wholistic Health Resource Center, 33 Ledgeawn, Bar Harbor 04609, 288-4123.

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Don't forget the HOME Co-op Craft and Farm Fair on July 31 & Aug. 1. The fair offers craft displays and demonstrations, fortune telling, clowns, and everything else needed to make a good time; Saturday only features bluegrass music with a Spaghetti Dinner from 5-7 (\$2.50). Sunday offers an ecumenical service at 11:00 with Rev. David Plank and an auction at noon. The fair will be located on Rt. 1 in Orland, 3 miles north of Bucksport. Admission is \$1.

For info concerning the Common Ground Fair
A Celebration of Rural Life, write to them
at Box 2176, Augusta 04330, 622-3188.

AURORA, the publication of Maine Women for a Nuclear-Free Future, wants to keep publishing, but more response from readers (and more \$5 donations) are needed. Do you receive AURORA now? Well, be honest and say so. Would you like to receive a copy? Then be assertive and ask. With another nuclear referendum quickly approaching (that's how MWNFF got started) and a lot of people concerned about nuclear weapons, the group is ready to leap into the limelight again. Write: MWNFF, PO Box 4118, Sta. A, Portland 04101.

Women Quest

Hardscrabble Hill has been mentioned before, but several special events in August make them noteworthy again. Their goal of bringing together ecology and feminism in a personal, social, and cultural sense for women will be realized in several August programs. They believe that earth stewardship is an important part of feminism and that people committed to feminist principles can help the earth survive the persistent threats of technology and "progress."

They will offer "Women Quest: Wilderness Expedition to Mt. Katahdin", with guide Gayle Dawn Price (August 12-16), "Psychosynthesis and the Body: A Training Workshop" (Aug. 6-10) with Margaret Pavel, and Claire Cross' "Breaking Silences: Women Writing and Enacting Plays" (Aug. 20-23).

In addition, noted author-workshop facilitator Joanna Macy will offer a workshop on "Awakening from the Nuclear Age: Women and the Power to Be" on Aug. 13-16 and will do a special presentation on Aug. 12, 7:30 PM, at the Blue Hill Town Hall on the topic, "Despair and Empowerment in the Nuclear Age" for men as well as women (cost \$3). With so many people feeling depressed or unable to act because of the threat of nuclear war, the program should have wide appeal.

Joanna Macy's Blue Hill presentation is one in the Feminist Forum series which Hardscrabble Hill offers on Thursday evenings throughout the summer. Other August presentations include "Reflections on Incest" (Aug. 5), poet Claire Cross reading from her works (Aug. 19), and feminist musician Susan Abod performing on Aug. 28 (oops, that's a Sat.). Cost of programs is \$3, or the program and dinner at Hardscrabble can be had for \$8.

For a complete schedule (Sept. events are planned also), directions or more on Hardscrabble, write to Box 130, Castine Rd., Orland 04472 or call 469-7112.

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WHOOPS-- we made a mistake. The new phone # for INVERT which was printed on the cover of last month's issue had the wrong prefix (how did that happen??). The correct new phone # is--827-3107.

Do It Yourself

The Blys and the Spencers in Tenants Harbor are offering sessions this summer on various aspects of self-sufficiency and homesteading skills. The program was developed to help people increase their confidence and ability to provide food, shelter, physical and spiritual well-being. Program facilitators will assist participants with various projects while supplying the tools and materials needed. Accomodations include a log cabin overlooking Turkeys Cove, a bunk house, or tenting.

Basic instruction will be ongoing every day from 8AM- 12 Noon. Topics covered will be gardening, stone masonry, house construction, solar drying sea vegetables, and harvesting. Afternoon instruction is planned in Astrology, beekeeping, and other areas. For more information and costs: Anna-Nur Spencer, Ridge Road Box 687, Tenants Harbor, 04860, 372-6606 or 372-8103.

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LOST OF THEIR TREES

Red Nuggett Harvesters is an association of apple pickers committed to high quality picking and individual responsibility for sharing in decision making with other crew members. The association is also loosely united by ideas of non-violence and community as well as by their work.

This year Red Nuggett has contracted to pick approximately 25,000 bushels in Wilton. It will be their 6th year working for growers in the area. Red Nuggett also operates a pruning crew, and will have pruned most of the trees they will pick this year.

Red Nuggett eages are high for this area,
60¢ per bushel with a 10¢ bonus (per bu.)
for fulfilling a full season committment.

Pickers will work 45 hours or more per week in all kinds of weather, and must commit themselves for the full season of approximately 6 weeks. Work begins around Sept. 12. If you are interested in being on this kind of crew contact Peter Armstrong, RFD 3, Porter Hill Road, Farmington 04938, 778-2407.

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Silently, drops of rain
Bring a greater destruction
Nature's deepest regret
To carry the wasteful ignorance of man back
To him, his poison. To nature, her woe.

Adrienne Turyn, Starks, Me.

JUST FOLK(S)

A workshop/meeting on the "care and feeding of Folk clubs, societies, organizations, etc." will attempt to help people who would like to organize local folk clubs to promote traditional Maine (and other kinds of) music. The gathering, beginning with a pot-luck lunch about noon, will be on Aug. 1 at the home of Anne and Ed Damm, 118 Ledge lawn, Bar Harbor 04609. Call Glen Jenks at 236-2789 for questions.

Besides a statewide group, Downeast Friends of the Folk Arts (with the statewide folk arts newsletter available for \$4 at PO Box 25, Rockport 04856), there are at least 3 local folk arts groups: One is on Mt. Desert Island (c/o Damms), Portland Folk Club, c/o Dee Demusis, 21 South St., #1, Portland 04101, 773-0847, and the Brunswick Folk Club, c/o Ellen Thomas, RFD 1, Fayette 04349, 897-6923. Contact your local group to find out what is happening in your area, or come to the Aug. 1 meeting and start your own.

Also, on Aug. 1, the Brunswick Folk Club is sponsoring clawhammer banjo picker Ken Perlman at 8 PM at the Performing Arts Center in Bath. Three bucks gets you in.

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Paganism Is Stark's Reality

Attention all PAGANS!! (you know who you are). The Second Annual Lammas Celebration will be held Sat. & Sunday, Aug. 7 and 8 at the tumbledown abode of Fred and Leigh Griffith in Starks. Non-pagans are welcome, but they must realize that this is not just fun and games and some workshops. This is a neo-pagan festival to celebrate the early harvest (peas, salad veggies). The main focus of worship is nature and protecting the earth the main concern. Fred and Leigh offer two outdoor ritual areas and welcome discussions on varying philosophies. Also, a Special Saturday Night EVENT is planned!??

To get there take Rt 43 out of Madison toward Farmington. Stop in Starks and look for Chicken Street, or even better yet, call 696-5266.

Lots of BREAD

Those same huge puppets that occasionally frequent the streets of Farmington, that helped to inspire Portland's Shoestring Theatre, that led about 1,000,000 people through the streets of New York to support nuclear disarmament will be holding their annual resurrection circus on August 28-29. The Bread and Puppet Theatre, which makes its home in Glover, Vermont (on Rt. 122 just south of Barton) will display its many talents without charge to several thousand people again this year.

Besides the afternoon circus, there will be an evening pageant, skits in the fields and pine woods, music, puppet shows, free bread and garlic butter, and social commentary. For other details about Bread and Puppet, the local contact is Mabel Dennison, Box 538, Temple 04984, 778-2513.

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HOW'S YOUR ESP?

Another exciting event coming up in August is a performance the workshop with the Paul Winter Consort in Unity, Maine. The event is described as "a gathering of groups working for social, political, economic and environmental harmony". The Consort features a variety of horns, strings, and other instruments from around the world, and considers their music a "calling for harmony aboard the planet". August 1 is set aside for non-profit groups working for social, economic, political and environmental change to participate in an all-day Consort. Groups may rent booth space to represent their particular concern during the day, and attend the concert in the evening. A residency workshop is offered Aug. 1, 2, & 3 for \$90. No previous musical experience is necessary to attend the workshop. Thanks to Energy Systems Parameters for bringing the Paul Winter Consort to Maine. For Ticket or booth info. contact Pilgrims Progress, PO Box 93, Unity, Maine 04988, 722-3655.

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"Supply and demand--If you don't make any demands, you don't get any supplies."

Common Cause takes a bath ~~X~~ OPEN-UP to a New Day

We the People, the second annual gathering sponsored by Maine Common Cause (the same people who brought you the Bath Iron Works suit) will be held on Sat., August 21 in Bath (!) at the Hyde School.

Six seminars will begin the day at 1 PM, including topics like the Middle East, Pros and cons of a Maine Yankee shutdown, radiation and health, women's issues, and the role of government in economic development. Efforts will be made to present all sides of these crucial issues. Former Independent presidential candidate John Anderson will be the keynote speaker at 4 PM. In addition, public interest groups are encouraged to have an information table to present their perspectives to those attending.

Dinner is available (reservations required) and so is childcare. Mime, juggling, and folk music will top off the day. To get a table or a complete schedule of events: Common Cause, 48 Winthrop St., Augusta 04330, 622-5798.

BEFRIEND F.O.E.

The Maine Chapter of Friends of the Earth (FOE) is investigating effects of the Reagan policies on the environment of Maine. Do you know of any detrimental effects that could have been caused as a result of recent changes since the Reagan administration took office? If so, please contact FOE, Box 4512 DTS, Portland 04112.

Potatoes, not BOMBBS

The issue of nuclear disarmament has come to Aroostook County, home of Loring Air Force Base. About 50 people attended a vigil in early July to protest continued building of such weapons, and an organization is being formed to keep the issue in the public eye. If you live in Aroostook (folks from Houlton and Ft. Kent are welcome) and are not yet involved, here's your chance.

The group meets every other Sunday (Aug. 1, 15, & 29), 4 PM, at the home of Martie and Bruce Alexander, 64 Dudley St., Presque Isle 04769. Childcare is available. Write the Alexanders or call 764-1028 for details.

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On Wed., Aug. 18 from 10:00 AM to 2 PM there will be an open house at the New Day School. Located 12 miles west of Augusta on the Belgrade-Readfield border it is one of the few remaining private alternative schools that began throughout Maine in the late 60's and early 70's. This elementary and nursery school was started in 1969 and is run by parents and teachers working closely together. Over the years New Day families have designed and built two comfortable, energy saving buildings.

The school, which has about 30 students, is approved by the Maine State board of Education and employs certified teachers. The New Day School curriculum is ungraded.

Tuition at New Day is scaled to income levels. Interested parents and prospective students as well as those who are simply curious about the successful alternative school are invited to attend the Aug. 18 open house. For info call Kathleen Rogers Wall, 495-7793, Jed Davis, 622-6339, or write New Day School, RFD1, Readfield 04355.

New Day is a member of the Small Schools Consortium, an informal network of Maine's alternative schools. Representatives usually meet about 3 times/year, including the Small Schools Festival, when students as well as parents and teachers get together. Contact Claudia Berman, c/o School Around Us, Log Cabin Road, Arundel 04046, 967-8333 for more on this.

Also, if you don't like any kind of school and are interested in home education, you may want to see "Maine Home Education" newsletter, a quarterly publication which features articles, book reviews, opinions and useful information on what is happening in the state in the area of home education. Subscription rate is 3/yr. Write Maine Home Education, PO Box 253, Winthrop, Me 04364.

While we've probably goofed a few times, your newsletter's address label should have a number (0, 1, 2, or a combination of these) or the letter "C" (complimentary). If you're not sure whether or not you've returned a subscription form for 1982, look for a "2" on the label. If you don't have one, we urge you to return the subscription form (with or without money) to INVERT some time this year (sooner is better)!!

Guess Who's Coming To Dinner?

Since 1975 approximately 1000 refugees, mostly Southeast Asian, have settled in Maine. Most of these people had to make their way through a complex international bureaucracy to find their new homes. Maine's present Refugee Resettlement Program is handled by Diocesan Human Relations Service (DHRS) in Portland. Shyla Murray, DHRS Volunteer Co-ordinator is looking for people willing to sponsor refugees. The refugees are most likely to be SE Asian or Cuban males or Polish families.

The DHRS Refugee Resettlement Program coordinates resettlement efforts using a case management process which includes four service areas: employment development; education; social adjustment support; and the volunteer sponsor program.

The Volunteer Resource (or sponsor) Program is a crucial link in making a new life for refugees. A sponsor can be an individual, group, or family who makes a commitment to the well-being of the refugee. Sponsorship is an agreement of faith, not a legal contract. Most importantly, a sponsor is a friend to the refugee. Many SE Asians have been living in camps for up to 5 years and the sponsor may be the first stable contact he/she has had for years. Sponsors do have the responsibility of assisting the refugee in many areas, including financially.

Usually a sponsor will provide temporary housing and/or help the refugee(s) locate and pay their first month's rent and deposit. Other ways a sponsor helps are: to see that food for the first few days is readily available; gather second-hand furnishings, clothing and incidentals as needed; obtain school enrollment for children and English instruction for adults; assist in applying for medicaid and a social security card; and, help locate employment.

Sponsors are not required to pay overseas travel expenses, be legally responsible for debts the refugee may incur, or be responsible for criminal activity.

The problems of cultural adjustment alone are enormous. "We recommend that somebody spend the first night or so with the new people in their apartments. They need to be shown the absolute basics, how to use a stove, electric lights, everything" says Shyla.

7 The sponsor must also be open to learning about customs and lifestyles of the refugee. Customs are varied and subtle, especially among the SE Asian peoples. The Mien tribe (mountain people from South China) does not allow a father or family to acknowledge a woman's pregnancy because it is important to conceal the matter from ever-hovering evil spirits. And, to the Vietnamese, beconing with a finger upward is considered a sign of contempt used only toward an animal or an inferior.

To soften the blow of cultural adjustment, all refugees are given a 12 week course in English Survival (ESL), trained in basic job maintenance skills, and are assigned a caseworker of the same nationality.

Refugees are automatically eligible for government assistance in the form of food stamps and AFDC payments. However, Shyla emphasizes that the goal of the Resettlement Program is to make them as independent as possible. "The ones who make it this far are the survivors, and it is very important that they become self sufficient. Our goal is to place a contributing member from one society into another, and ultimately the refugee is responsible for him or her self".

Usually the refugees are anxious to take entry-level jobs, janitorial and factory work, and employers have been happy with their new employees. Another role for sponsors is to insure that the employer-employee relationship is fair and that refugees are not exploited.

The US government does spend over \$1 billion annually on refugees, but yet the success of resettlement rests on the shoulders of private agencies such as DHRS, and volunteers. The majority of the world's 16 million refugees want to come to the United States. According to Immigration and Naturalization Service figures the US has admitted far more refugees than any other country: 595,000 (mostly SE Asian) as compared to 74,000 in Canada; 64,000 in France, and 44,000 for Australia.

The United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNCHR) administers all of the SE Asian camps. Incoming refugees are interviewed by U.N. officials, by representatives of American voluntary agencies, officials of various embassies, and finally by immigration officials. A refugee must prove religious or political (CON'T P. 8)

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Along with directly finding sponsors, Shyla is working to set up a speakers bureau, people willing to address groups statewide and inform them about the program. She is also looking for volunteers to solicit more sponsors. Also, the agency is working on a program to involve college students as ESL (English as a Second Language) instructors. If you have any interest, skills, or desire to help, get in touch with Shyla Murray, Diocesan Human Relations Services, 171 Lancaster Street, Portland, Maine 04101, 773-1444.

The reward to becoming a sponsor is purely a personal one, but it can become a tremendous opportunity for growth and well-being. "These people have been through incredible deprivation and hardship" says Shyla. "When we find out how

While programs are provided to inmates in Maine's prison and correctional centers, many residents do not feel they are given enough physical and emotional help to get back into society easily. Many see themselves losing control over their minds and bodies. They need support. They want help from the outside to get them through the hard times of survival in a correctional facility.

Center, 675 Westbrook, S. Portland
04106, 772-7434, to visit young offenders.

The only high security facility for women in Maine is the Maine Correctional Center (MCC) in South Windham, where about 20 women are housed. There are traditional (home-ec.) and non-traditional (carpentry) vocational programs offered, plus an arrangement with the Women's Exchange (Exchange St., Portland) to sell craft items made by inmates.

Inmates at Thomaston are losing a volunteer who has been leading weekly meetings of a Parents Anonymous group. Is there a person, particularly in the mid-coast area, who is interested in children and willing to keep the group going? The job offers no pay but lots of satisfaction. Contact Jo Ann Cook, Maine State Prison, Box A, Thomaston 04861 if you can help.

In spite of these programs, some women find themselves isolated and in need of support. About 25 people have been involved in prison visitation at various correctional centers, but more are needed, especially at the MCI.

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LOTS OF GOOD THINGS ARE GOING ON IN HAN-
cock County this month, so the August
newsletter collating circus is going
there also, overlooking the water in
East Blue Hill. We'll be at Jan Car-
penter's house beginning at 3 PM on
Mon., Aug. 23. Call 374-5197 for
directions.

Persons interested in visitation should write for an application. A training program and supervision is provided to those willing to do visitations on a regular or occasional basis, so it is a good learning as well. Contact Sister Mary Coffey or Rev. T. Lawrence Gilbert, MCC, 119 Mallison St., S. Windham 04082, 892-6716 for details. Or, contact Birger Johnson, Maine Youth

YIPES!! We're up to 449 subscriptions and \$1,799, but our goals for 1982 are 1,200 subs and \$4,700, and it's already August. If there isn't a "2" on your address label, you probably haven't sent us a subscription form. Why not send us one now, and avoid the rush.

Keep those articles and events coming. Our deadline is Aug. 20 for September events. Send everything to INVERT, PO Box 110, Stillwater 04489 or call stuff in to 827-3107.

Fair's Enough

Washington County will once again experience the sounds and smells of a county fair, to be held Aug. 28-29 at the Pembroke fairgrounds on US Route 1. It will be more of an old fashioned fair, with an emphasis on agricultural exhibits and educational events and not much neon or fried dough.

The fair will run from 9-6 both days, plus an evening supper and contradance on Sat. Among the events: sheep activities from 9-12 on Sat., contests and New Games throughout the day (including arm wrestling), horse pulling and theatre at noon, judging of animals, vegetables, and home-produced foods in the afternoon, and talks on farming at 4. Five PM is the bees' hour, and College of the Atlantic's "Whales on Wheels" will be there all day.

Sunday will include special events for goats, sheep, cattle, and humans, including a 5-mile race for the latter. And there's basketweaving, thanks to the Passamaquoddy Nation. There is something for everyone, and a little extra something for many.

The fair still needs help--especially in providing music (where are you, volunteer musicians?) and in helping to advertise the whole shebang. They also need pumpkins! If you can help, contact fair organizer Sue Schofield, RFD, Pembroke 04666, 726-3952, and don't miss it!

9 Enough Fairs

Ten Maine State Agricultural Fairs are scheduled for the month of August. Each features its special array of fiddlers contests, pig-scrambles, and Danger Angel Thrill Shows. A pamphlet listing all 23 fairs scheduled for this summer is available through the Maine Dept. of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources, (AFRR).

The Agriculture Dept. also publishes a weekly newsletter, "Maine-ly Agriculture" which features articles, horticulture questions and answers, a farmer's market report, livestock price listings, and a 3 page Buy, Sell, Trade or Wanted section.

The Dept. has also published a listing of farmers markets and orchards as part of its direct marketing program designed to bring farmers and food buyers together. This 60 page guide lists growers by county as well as by product. It is a well-done booklet which should be of interest to anyone involved in Maine agriculture, either buying or selling.

The Farmers Market Guide and Agricultural Fairs listing are free. "Maine-ly Agriculture" subscription is 5/yr, though they will send you a free complimentary issue. Bureau of Agriculture Marketing, AFRR, Station 28, Augusta 04333, 289-3491.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(Listings with numbers following have more details on that page number)

July 31--Kay Gardner concert benefit for New Hope for Women (domestic violence project), 8 PM, \$5, Camden Opera House. New Hope for Women, Box 642, Rockland 04841.

July 31-Aug. 1--HOME Fair in Orland (3)

Aug. 1--Folk club organizing meeting and Brunswick Folk Club event (5)

Aug. 1-3--Consort in Unity (5)

Aug. 1,15,29--Disarmament mtgs. in P.I. (6)

Aug. 3--Downeast DSA (Democratic Socialists of America chapter building meeting, 7 PM, Brewer Laobr Temple, 7 PM. Bill Stone, 431 Hancock St., Bangor, 942-9455.

Aug. 4--"The Last Epidemic," 402 Luther Bonney Hall, USM, Portland showing for Social Workers for Peace and Nuclear Disarmament, c/o Peg Morse, 227 Middle Rd., Falmouth 04105, 781-4646.

Aug. 4,11,18--COA Peace Lecture Series, 8 PM, free, Bar Harbor Club, West St. Richard Davis, COA, Bar Harbor 04609, 288-5015.

Aug. 6-7--Andover Folk Festival, Chandler Hill Farm, Andover (near Rumford). Barn/Morris dancing, clogging. Call 392-3422.

Aug. 6-9--Hiroshima/Nagasaki commemorations throughout the state (1-2)

Aug. 7--"Standing on Your Own" workshop on food, money, and career issues for women at Bouldaire Retreat (Blue Hill), \$35. Joy Hoffman, Blue Hill Falls, 359-4692.

Aug. 7-8--Chicken St. Pagans gather (5)

Aug. 8--Melanie Kaye reads her poetry at Gulf of Maine bookstore, 61 Maine St., Brunswick 04011, 7:30 PM, free.

Aug. 12, 13-16--Joanna Macy workshops (4)

Aug. 14-21--Gays and Lesbians Affirmed (GALA) IV conference. Ferry Beach, 5 Morris Ave., Saco 04072, 282-4489.

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Aug. 15--Cumberland Co. DSA lunch/discussion, 1-5 PM. Selma/Hersh Sternlieb's, 21 McKeen St., Brunswick 04011, 725-7675.

Aug. 16 (Mon.)--Benefit dance for Port. Women's Community Newsletter and Maine Women for a Nuclear Free Future at Underground, 3 Spring St., Port., 8 PM, \$1 (more if you can). PWCN, 381 Deering, Portland 04103.

Aug. 16-20--Maine Labor Summer Institute, Hilltop Conf. Center, UMO, Orono. AFL-CIO, 72 Center St., Brewer 04412, 989-3630.

Aug. 18--New Day School open house (6)

Aug. 20--"Radiation and Health" presentation by Maine State Nurses Assn., Waldo Co. Gen. Hospital, Belfast, 7:30 PM. Cris Hughes, Box 191, Belfast 04915, 338-1146.

Aug. 20--Forum on Economics of the Arms Race, 7 PM, Bandstand, Farmington. CCFC, RFD 2 Box 4122, Farmington 04938, 293-2390.

Aug. 21--We the People in Bath (6)

Aug. 22--Ninth Annual Buttermilk Hill Old Time Music Festival (off Rt. 27 between Belgrade/Belgrade Lakes), noon-sunset. John Gawler, Box 866, Belgrade Lakes, 04918, 495-2928.

Aug. 22--"Kilowatts and Waterwheels" field trip on waterpower, 1-4 PM, \$4, in Freeport. Maine Audobon Soc., 118 Old Rt. One, Falmouth 04105, 781-2330.

Aug. 23--Newsletter circus in Blue Hill (8)

Aug. 28-29--Washington Co. Fair (9)

Aug. 28-29--Bread & Puppet Circus (5)

Sept. 3-6--Healing Arts Festival (3)

Sept. 10-12--Women's Healing/Ritual Gathering in Freedom (3)

Sept. 11--La Leche League conference, Rockland High School, all day. Carol Bull, 10 Cobb Rd., Bath 04530.

Sept. 24-26--Common Ground Country Fair in Windsor. MOFGA, Box 2176, Augusta 04330, 622-3118.

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