

WORLD CITIZEN



Annual Report

2018

Empower communities to educate for a just and peaceful world



FIVE PEACE ACTIONS

SEEK peace within yourself and others

REACH OUT in service

PROTECT the environment

RESPECT diversity

BE a responsible citizen of the world

A MESSAGE FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The powerful mission of World Citizen holds true and is timeless. "To empower communities to educate for a just and peaceful world" must never stop. The two World Citizen programs; Peace Education and International Peace Sites are the tools that stay in place for World Citizen to carry out our mission.

It is the hope of World Citizen that the Five Peace Actions become an integral part of your life. The only constructive way to peace is to actively engage ourselves in positive action. The Five Peace Actions will continue to guide the work of World Citizen.

Please travel with us on our road to peace!



Kathy Millington, Executive Director

WORLD CITIZEN BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND STAFF



L-R: Karen Johnson, Marta Goldenman, Cathy Manning, Flora Tsukayama, Holly Circle, Martha Roberts, Kathy Millington, Lonnie Strand, Kevin McGee

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2018 REVIEW

A PEACE CONCERT

In collaboration with MN Non Violent and 10 Days Free from Violence 2018, World Citizen Board member Holly Circle and her husband, Jimmy Steffen along with special guest, Shawn Hockett performed songs of Peace on September 21 at Unity South Church in Bloomington. They chose

18 songs that fit perfectly into each one of our Five Peace Actions and they wish to share their selections with you.

• SEEK peace within yourself and others

I am Light.....India Arie
Sailing.....Christopher Cross
Heart of the Matter.....Don Henley
Secret of the Sun.....Shawn Hockett

• REACH OUT in service

Fly Like An Eagle.....Steve Miller
Last Day.....Marilyn Scott
Reach Out and Touch.....V. Simpson / N. Ashford
Testify.....The Judds

• PROTECT the environment

What A Wonderful World.....B. Thiele / G. Weiss
Back to the Earth.....Jason Mraz

• RESPECT diversity

Imagine.....John Lennon
Give Peace A Chance.....John Lennon
What's Goin' On.....Marvin Gaye
A Life Uncommon.....Jewel
May All Children.....K. Guilmartin

• BE a responsible citizen of the world

At the Same Time.....B. Streisand
The Long Way Home.....M.C. Carpenter
Love Can Build A Bridge.....The Judds



Holly Circle (Board Member) with Jimmy Steffen & Shawn Hockett



Holly delivering a beautiful message of Peace in song

AMERICAN MONTESSORI SOCIETY CONFERENCE

2018 & 2019

World Citizen had the opportunity to attend the American Montessori Society Conference in Denver, CO March 22-25th, 2018. Marta Goldenman, President and Martha Roberts, Past President were able to attend and represent World Citizen. They were supported by Lisa Krupp and Cheryl Cox who are Montessori educators from our Peace Site, Crystal Lake Montessori in Woodstock Illinois.

This year we have been given another opportunity to attend the 2019 AMS Conference in Washington, D.C. Marta Goldenman, President; Karen Johnson, Board Member; Lisa Krupp, Board Member; and, Kathy Millington, Executive Director will be attending from March 20-24th. This presents a great opportunity to network and share the opportunities World Citizen has to offer to the American Montessori Society. We will be setting up an exhibit in the largest Exhibit Hall in AMS history! The current projection is for 4,000 total attendees, which will be a sell-out. We are very excited to share World Citizen's two programs (Peace Education and Peace Sites) at this event!



L-R: Lisa Krupp, Cheryl Cox, Marta Goldenman, Martha Roberts

SOULFUL PRAIRIES

DEDICATES AS A
PEACE SITE

In their efforts to "Peace It Forward" and assist another location in becoming an International Peace Site, Crystal Lake Montessori School Staff held their August 2018 inservice at Soulful Prairies, located in Woodstock, Illinois.

World Citizen board members, Kathy Millington, Marta Goldenman and Martha Roberts left Minnesota in the early morning hours of August 16th to arrive at Soulful Prairies in time to attend the the monthly "Feed Your Soul" women's group event. This unique experience in the powerful presence of horses set the tone for an exciting adventure that included an overnight stay in the onsite cabin.

Soulful Prairies dedication the following morning on August 17th included a farm tour, inspirational quotes read by staff, huge burlap banners hung in the horse arena highlighting quotes related to our Five Peace Actions in addition to blessings and chants from local Blue Lotus Temple monks. This heartfelt morning was followed by a delicious pot luck meal and enthusiastic networking.

World Citizen looks forward to working with Soulful Prairies and Linda Bruce whose uplifting, constructive, and healing vision brings this property to life!



Crystal Lake Montessori staff and new found World Citizen friends attending Soulful Prairies Peace Site dedication

L-R: Lisa Krupp, Marta Goldenman, Linda Bruce, Martha Roberts & Kathy Millington



PEACE EDUCATION

2018 - 2019

The first session of Peace Education was on October 23, 2018. Our main presenter was Amy Anderson, Executive Director at MN Civic Youth www.mncivicyouth.org Amy led us through Respectful Conversations through her presentation and hands-on activities for the participants. Additionally, we heard from attorneys representing Zimmer Law Group www.zimmigration.com as they walked us through both the family based and the employment based immigration processes. They explained humanitarian processes; defining asylum, visas, and temporary protected status for all of us. Green Card Voices Operations and Communications Associate, Anna Zeisel talked to us about the stories that American Immigrants have recorded and shared to put human faces on immigration. www.greencardvoices.com



L. Amy Anderson,
Executive Director , MN Civic Youth
Developing The Next Generation
of Engaged Citizens



R. Hands on participation
"Respectful Conversation"

REGISTER ONLINE

www.peacesites.org

FEBRUARY 19

**"THE SCHOOL &
NATURE CONNECTION"**

with Professor Dennis Yockers, Professor Emeritus of Natural Resources and Environmental Education, and Randall Gage, the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum's Youth Education Manager

APRIL 9

**"Softening Hearts &
Changing Minds"**

With Wing Young Huie,
Street Photographer

A NEW INITIATIVE PROJECT to REACH OUT IN SERVICE

To "walk the walk" of our Peace Actions, we are asking participants of Peace Education to bring new or gently used children's books that would support one or more of our Five Peace Actions to be donated to **Reading Partners Twin Cities**. This organization provides free tutors to children in Minneapolis and St. Paul who may benefit from extra help and support to acquire the reading skills needed to be proficiently reading by the end of third grade. As part of their program they provide books to children through the 'Take a Book Home' initiative. Reading Partners' leaders understand that in order for students to improve their reading skills they must continue to practice at home and throughout the summer. Therefore the students they tutor are invited to bring donated books home.

Thank you for considering this act of kindness and good deed!



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