

Ground Zero

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A Fragment of the Apocalypse: Reflections on September 11 and Trident

By Stephen V. Kobasa

*Nothing beside remains. Round the decay
Of that colossal wreck, boundless and bare
The lone and level sands stretch far away.*

- from Shelley, "Ozymandias" (1818)

The vocabulary of "ground zero" is a misnomer as applied to the site of the World Trade Center. Sixteen acres of ruin register as dramatic enough from a human perspective, coupled to the statistics of death and trauma which ripple endlessly from it. But those familiar with the reality of Trident recognize the need for more substantial geographical scales to measure the effects of nuclear weapons. For all its horror, this was a miniature of destruction, a fragment of the apocalypse.

Yet it is not in a comparison of physical effects that the incomprehensibility of Trident has its greatest resonance. Clearly the protocols of emergency response were revealed to be largely inadequate for the damage that the city of New York suffered. Specialized fire and rescue units were almost entirely decimated; communications and transportation massively disfigured; commuters of the morning became the refugees of the afternoon. The implications here are clear enough as soon as one posits the use of a single 475 kiloton warhead.

But it is in the definitions of terrorism that the terrible gift of September 11 is most obvious. We are now freed from the limits of our fantasies in imagining the dimensions of chronic fear. Trident has always been the essence of terror, holding as it does all creation at risk. Our defense against it was to render it abstract, unthinkable. But we are now faced with the paradox of judging the lesser terror of a suicidal crime as being unacceptable, while the immeasurably greater threat of Trident remains to be tolerated, even celebrated, as a source of our illusory security.

Anthrax is Trident in an envelope, at least in regard to the sense of instability it produces. Like the box cutters of the hijackers, the ordinary turns fatal in a single moment. There are no limits to the fragility of things, memories as well as lives. What

does the archivist live for when there will be no one to read the documents she preserves? And how does one register a death toll when almost all the bodies have vanished? There is a yearning to see the corpses lining a morgue, an assurance of their reality, a justification for our madness.

Trident will not allow for posted lists of the missing or the grief of survivors. There is a warning in the dimensions of sorrow that September 11's events created. A nuclear holocaust will erase even that painful trace of human response. There will



USS Georgia Trident Submarine on the surface of Hood Canal. Each Trident submarine is powered by a nuclear reactor and is loaded with 24 submarine-launched ballistic missiles (SLBMs). Each missile is armed with 8 nuclear warheads, which are either 100-kiloton or 475-kiloton, depending on the warhead. *US Navy photo.*

be no occasion for distant sympathy or condolences or charity. An actual ground zero by definition renders all things void.

How are we left, then? As our society evolves into an Orwellian state of permanent war for which there are no announced boundaries, we accumulate further justifications for resistance to Trident as both machine and perception. The weapon has already done its work. What remains is to reconstruct a human community in which all terror is abjured, whatever its source. If not, we risk realizing T.S. Eliot's prediction of the world's whimpering end: no bang will be necessary.

Stephen V. Kobasa is a husband, parent, teacher and member of the Trident Resistance Network living in New Haven, CT. This article first appeared in the Nuclear Resister.

A ritual of love: "I smile into the dark and hold out my leaflet..."

Leafleting Outside the Gate at Subase Bangor

By Joy Goldstein

We start at 6:00 AM. Wearing orange safety vests or jackets, we stand between the lanes, as close to the gates as the security personnel will let us. The cars have to stop at the gate and the drivers have to roll their windows down for a "hands-on ID check" which means the security personnel have to *touch* each ID card for each person in the car.

Some of the people in the cars say, "If it weren't for what we do, you couldn't be out there doing what you do." And there is this much truth in it: the "hands-on ID check" gets the windows down for us.

I look at the faces, one at a time, I say, "Good morning!" and hold out the leaflet. One out of five or six takes one; once I had twenty in a row and thought a miracle had happened, but then there was an empty long stretch when no one took one.

Six months out of the year it's either really great or at least pretty good, when there's light and you can see faces as the cars drive up. I try to make eye contact or at least to look at faces. "My fellow Americans," as LBJ used to say: male and female, young and old, and uniformed and in business or work clothes—my fellow human beings, my brothers and sisters. Each one with a complete LIFE—a history and a family and their own favorite recreations and their own reasons for being here, today, this morning. I want to protect them; to keep them safe not only from the holocaust of being a target, but also from the moral disaster of having been part of it, if the subs go out and the missiles are fired.

We are all bound together around the base—ultimately, around the terror of the missiles on the subs, and the huge numbers of human beings who in some way must support those weapons. What we have in common is that none of us want to the missiles to be launched.

For me, it is a ritual of love.

Mostly, even if they don't take a leaflet, people either say, "Good morning" back or smile or nod. Maybe 20% lock their faces and drive past without looking at me, as if just seeing me there was—what? Threatening? Offensive in some way? Too ridiculous to even notice?

A few used to say, "Get a job!" but that doesn't seem to happen any more. Many say politely, "No, thanks!" One woman once took a leaflet and asked, "Ground Zero?" When I nodded brightly, she tore the leaflet in half and handed it back to me. One woman said, "Get your own job and leave ours alone!" "I have a family to feed and provide for," a man said. I would like to dialog with them, but there's no time.

On October 4, 2001 as the ID check and vehicle inspection was going particularly slowly, I asked a woman what she liked best about her job. She gave it a long thought and then said, "I think my country needs me." I would like to ask that question of all of them, if I could.

The ones who take leaflets sometimes say, "Thank you!"

"Thanks you for doing this!" or even, "God bless you." These folks often come in the stream of cars just as my arm begins to droop or my smile begins to fade. These messages of thanks come just in time to remind me why I'm here.

I often say that to them, even to those who refuse. Some will ask, "What's this?" and I tell them, "something from the Ground Zero Center for Nonviolent Action." You try saying that fast! Sometimes they take a leaflet and sometimes they don't.

In the winter, when it's cold and dark, it's harder to leaflet. I remind myself what the Navy and Marine personnel have to endure for hours and days in their training; surely I can honor their sacrifice for an hour and a half once a month! Standing under the light, I smile into the dark and hold out my leaflet.

Joy Goldstein lives on Vashon Island, WA in an adorable beach house. She works as the Ground Zero intern one day a week and can be found making clay pots, reading, or writing most other days.

HELP!

Leafleting presence at Bangor needs you!

Help continue the leafleting tradition! Please get your calendar right now and choose one Thursday in the next year when you'll come leaflet with us.

We leaflet at 2 of the 3 gates at Subase Bangor on the first Thursday of each month (except for July). The leafleting dates for 2002 are: February 7, March 7, April 4, May 2, June 6, July 11, August 1, September 5, October 3, November 7 and December 5.

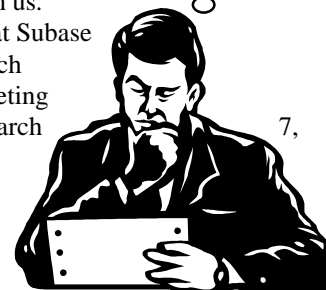
Here's what you can do:

1. Look at your calendar pick one first Thursday sometime during the year that you'd be willing to come to Bangor and leaflet.
2. Let us know which first Thursday you've chosen.
3. Come to Bangor on that Thursday and leaflet!

We provide leaflets, safety vests, and an interesting cultural experience.

Please fill out and return the response form on p. 7 of this newsletter, call us at 360-377-2586, or email us at info@gzcenter.org with the first Thursday you'd be able to leaflet. THANK YOU!!!

Hmmm...another good leaflet from Ground Zero.



“Nuclear weapons? What nuclear weapons?”

Navy response to environmental lawsuit is ‘disturbing’

Merit of lawsuit now before judge; decision on lawsuit’s future expected soon

By Brian Watson

The future of the environmental lawsuit filed by a coalition of peace and environmental groups is now in the hands of US District Court Judge Franklin Burgess.

On October 29, 2002, the Navy officially responded to the lawsuit, asking the judge to throw it out. “We believe the lawsuit is completely without merit,” said Lt. Kevin Stephens, spokesman for the Trident submarine fleet at Bangor.

The lawsuit charges the Navy with violating the Endangered Species Act (ESA) and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) with its activities to convert four Bangor-based Trident submarines to carry the larger, longer-range, and more accurate Trident II (D5) missile.

Using a bizarre form of reasoning, the Navy argued in its motion for dismissal that none of the lawsuit’s charges about the effects of an accidental or intentional Trident II missile or nuclear warhead detonation can be brought to trial because the Navy is forbidden to either “confirm or deny” the presence of nuclear weapons at the Bangor Trident Submarine Base.

“Clearly these allegations depend on the assumption that nuclear weapons are in fact present at Submarine Base Bangor,” said the Navy. “The Navy is not obligated to disclose the existence of a proposal to transport, store, handle, load or unload nuclear weapons at Submarine Base Bangor and plaintiffs cannot establish the existence of such a proposal.”

Dave Mann, the attorney representing the coalition bringing the suit, called the Navy’s argument “disturbing.”

It is widely known that Bangor, as the Pacific base for the Trident nuclear weapons system, is the home base of some 1,760 nuclear warheads, one of the biggest concentrations of nuclear weapons on Earth. It is also no secret that in order to complete the Trident II (D5) missile conversion, that nuclear weapons will have to be transported, stored, handled, loaded, and unloaded.

The evidence of such a proposal, which the Navy says the coalition has no evidence of, is actually in the public domain through government documents, Congressional statements, the internet, magazines, newspapers, and newsletters (like this one).

The Navy’s motion for dismissal aims at a major part of the lawsuit, which challenges the Navy for failing to address the

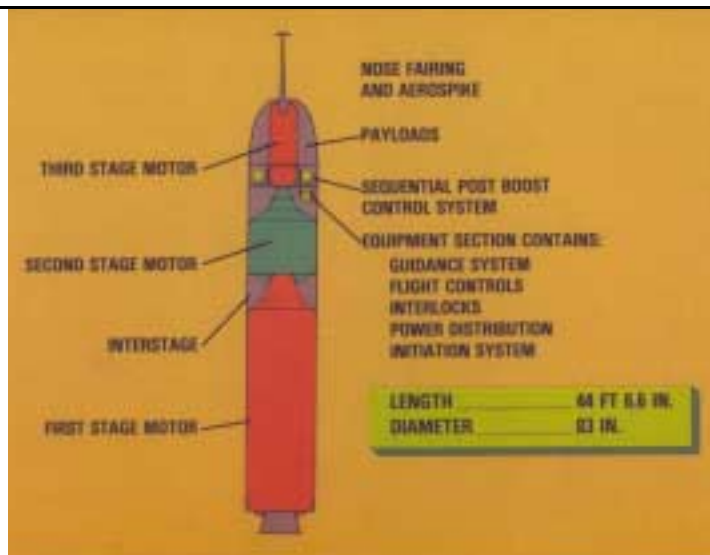


Diagram of a Trident II (D5) missile. Note the location of the third stage motor, which is surrounded by “payloads,” aka nuclear warheads. This design puts the Trident II missile at higher risk for accidental detonation.
Lockheed Martin Diagram

environmental impact of an accidental or intentional detonation or explosion involving Trident II (D5) missile components and/or nuclear warheads while being transported, stored, and handled. The missile fuel in one Trident II (D5) missile has the Net Explosive Weight of 155,000 pounds of TNT, which has twice the explosive potential of the currently-deployed Trident I (C4) missile. The Trident II missile also has many safety problems, which a Congressional panel identified as putting it at heightened risk for accidental detonation. In addition, the nuclear warheads for the Trident II missile (W76 and W88) have a greater risk of unintended nuclear detonation.

When all these risk factors are combined—and when the very real possibility of one missile detonation setting off other missile detonations is taken into account—it is clear that the Navy is violating the law, and putting environmental and public safety at risk.

The Navy’s strategy of “neither confirming or denying the presence of nuclear weapons at Bangor”—and its argument that there is no evidence of a plan to handle nuclear weapons—does not change the reality that there are nuclear weapons at Bangor, and that they *do* pose a catastrophic risk to the environment and the public, especially when combined with the risks of the Trident II missile. Nor does it change the reality that their obfuscation will not fool the public, and (we hope) will not fool a Federal judge.

Donations are still welcome & still needed for the lawsuit

Although your generosity exceeded our fundraising goal for the environmental lawsuit, your financial donations to help the lawsuit against the Navy would be most welcome! Please donate by making your check out to Ground Zero and noting it for the Bangor Environmental Defense Fund (BEDF). All donations for the lawsuit go to pay our attorneys and other costs of our suit against the Navy. With your financial assistance we can continue to hold the Navy accountable to the law. Thank you!!

Brian Watson lives in Bremerton, WA. In addition to his work for peace, he works as an artist. He and his wife, Elizabeth Roberts, are hoping to adopt a child.

2002 Hiroshima Flame Interfaith Pilgrimage to visit Ground Zero, Bangor

“We must act peace, live peace, and march in peace”

Seattle to New York City, Jan. 15 – May 12, 2002

Beginning January 15, 2002, people from all over the world will walk across the US carrying a flame left from the embers of the bombing of Hiroshima, Japan. We will be walking for world peace, disarmament, to end the Star Wars Missile Defense Program, and to save mother earth from further destruction.

In 1945, after the US bombed Hiroshima, a man named Mr. Yamamoto collected some of the embers left from the bombing and took them back to his home. Mr. Yamamoto was filled with hostility because of the bombing. His grandmother preserved the embers and kindled a flame which was used to illuminate the family's Buddhist altar. While the fire symbolized for Mr. Yamamoto anger, for his grandmother it symbolized love, and the memory of her son who had died. Over the next twelve years Mr. Yamamoto's grandmother tended the fire. During this time Mr. Yamamoto underwent a complete change of heart and the flame transformed into a flame of love for him as well. In 1968

a Peace Monument Flame was inaugurated in the village of Hoshino. Mr. Yamamoto's flame became a symbol for world peace and other flames were kindled from it and set up across Japan. From these original embers of Hiroshima a fire will be carried across the US.

The 2002 Hiroshima Flame Interfaith Pilgrimage wishes to bring together people from all communities, walking with a prayer of hope to end war and destruction. By walking and praying for peace we connect with all peoples and our mother, the earth.

The route of the 5-month walk traverses the deadly trail of militarism and the nuclear age, beginning at Chief Seattle's grave in Suquamish, WA, and continuing on to the Bangor Trident Submarine Base, WA; Hanford, WA; Lawrence Livermore Laboratory, CA; Nevada Test Site, NV; Big Mountain, AZ (Uranium mined here); Colorado Springs US Space Command, CO; Los Alamos Laboratory, NM; Stennis Missile Center, LA; Marshall Space Center, Huntsville, AL; Oak Ridge, TN; Washington DC; and the United Nations in New York City.

With a goal of walking 16-18 miles per day [Ed. Note: whew!], you are welcome to join the walk for any amount of time you would like.

For more information contact: Jun Yasuda, Nipponzan Myohoji, Grafton Peace Pagoda, 87 Crandall Road, Petersburg, NY, 12138; 518-658-9301 (8:30pm-10pm); www.dharmawalk.org; rusami@email.msn.com

Hiroshima Pilgrimage to visit Ground Zero

Jan. 15, 2002

***Join us as we welcome the peace
walkers and vigil at Bangor***

We have the honor of being able to participate in the Hiroshima Flame Interfaith Pilgrimage on Jan. 15, when the peace walk comes to Ground Zero and Bangor.

We invite you to join us in welcoming the peace walkers to Ground Zero and joining together for a short walk from Ground Zero to vigil at Bangor.

We will gather at Ground Zero for fellowship over soup, bread, and salad, and then walk to Bangor. Call 360-377-2586 for the specific times.

This visit to Ground Zero is particularly special because the Buddhist order sponsoring the Pilgrimage (Nipponzan Myohoji) was very active in Ground Zero in the late 1970s and early 1980s. The stone monument at Ground Zero was built by them and is inscribed with the prayer: *Na Mu Myo Ho Ren Ge Kyo.*

Poetry

I pledge allegiance

I pledge allegiance
To Mt. Rainier,
High, white and beautiful,
And to the earth on which it stands:
One planet, full of God,
Holy and indivisible,
With spirit and substance for all.

I pledge allegiance
To all green plants;
Their infinite variety,
Their amazing cellular and molecular processes,
And to the earth where they are rooted:
One planet, full of life,
Holy and indivisible,
With spirit and substance for all.

I pledge allegiance
To this small child
Eyes wide, beginning to walk,
And to the earth, her only home:
One planet, full of wonder,
Holy and indivisible,
With spirit and substance for all.

— Joy Goldstein
October 11, 2001

Here, there, and everywhere! Nonviolence in action

Trident Ploughshares Campaign wins 2001 Alternative Nobel Peace Prize

While the UK courts continue to punish its activists for upholding international law by nonviolent direct action against nuclear weapons, the Trident Ploughshares (TP) campaign, based in Scotland, has achieved international recognition as one of the four winners of this year's Right Livelihood Awards.

Founded in 1980, The Right Livelihood Awards are presented annually in the Swedish parliament and are usually referred to as "Alternative Nobel Prize," having been introduced "to honor and support those offering practical and exemplary answers to the most urgent challenges facing us today."

The TP campaign is represented for the award by the "Trident Three," Angie Zelter, Ellen Moxley and Ulla Roder, who were famously acquitted in October 1999 in Greenock Sheriff court in Scotland after disarming a Trident-related research barge. Ulla Roder was recently sentenced to 3 months in prison and will likely be deported to her native Denmark after her jail time is done. The Right Livelihood Award honors the campaign as "a model of principled, transparent and nonviolent direct action dedicated to rid the world of nuclear weapons. Their imaginative campaign highlights the illegality of these weapons."



Do your gifts promote peace on earth? Our annual nonviolent toys vigil in Silverdale the day after Thanksgiving was blessedly sunny. A dozen or so Ground Zero folks were joined by a dozen or so students from Olympic High School's group, Students Against Violence Everywhere (SAVE). We received a lot of positive responses from people passing by, as well as a few negative ones (go figure!) Pictured left to right: Rosemary Russell, Mary Gleysteen, Mack Johnson. *Photo by Brian Watson*

The TP campaign was initiated in 1998. Since then there have been 1350 arrests of its activists, 1351 days have been spent in prison, there have been 171 trials and fines totaling £25,274 have been imposed by the courts. The British government has consistently refused to meet the campaigners to discuss the disarmament

Trident Ploughshares is part of the Trident Resistance Network, using nonviolence to confront the British Trident nuclear weapons system. Find out more about Trident Ploughshares: www.gn.apc.org/tp2000/

Get toasted! Take nuclear weapons off alert with Toast Cards!!!

The movement to remove nuclear weapons from hair-trigger alert is growing fast across the US and the world!!

Do your part to de-alert nuclear weapons by filling out and mailing in the enclosed "Toast Cards" to your representative and senators. Postage is \$.21 each.

You can order up to 100 Toast Card sets FREE for yourself, your family & friends, and/or your organization.

Contact the Back from the Brink Campaign at 202-545-1001, fax them at 202-545-1004, or e-mail them at bradm@backfromthebrink.net. Visit www.backfromthebrink.net to send a de-alerting e-mail to Congress and join the campaign!

What to say when someone tells you:

"The reason we're at war is so you can have the right to protest."

By Joyce Katzberg

Whenever I am standing on a corner holding a sign protesting the slaughter of innocents and the poisoning of the planet, someone invariably will walk by and tell me how someone fought for my right to protest like that. What they are really trying to tell me is to shut up. I stand in their honor whenever I find the courage to risk the scorn, the spitting, the name calling, the threats, the scary phone calls and nasty letters, the surveillance, the possibility of being hurt, not to mention the extremes of weather one often has to endure while publicly demonstrating a protest.

I will never dishonor my father or any other veteran of this country's struggles by holding my tongue when I see injustice. I will stand my ground and

hold firm to my commitment to protect the people of this planet from all war, all terrorism, all exploitation and plunder. Until I breathe my very last breath, I will seek the abolition of all weapons of mass destruction. I will dedicate myself tirelessly to active non-violence and to building a better and different world where there is no quarter for policies of mass repression. If that takes me into confrontation with my own government, so be it. If that makes me a traitor, I guess I'll make the most of it. It is the best way I know to honor the soldiers who have paid so

Joyce Katzberg is singer-songwriter and a member of the Trident Resistance Network and lives in Warren, Rhode Island. This article is excerpted from a letter to the editor of the Cape Cod Times.

A page of ways you can help Ground Zero

THANK YOU

For your generosity!

Our sincere thanks go out to you all who have responded to our annual appeal letter with your generous financial contributions. Your generosity is what keeps the nonviolent work and vision of Ground Zero alive. THANK YOU!!!

If you haven't done so yet, you can easily contribute to Ground Zero by enclosing your check in the return envelope included in this newsletter.

Donations for the lawsuit still welcome *(and still needed!)*

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Send a message to Congress:

Keep space for PEACE

Send a message to your US Representative and Senators to keep space for peace.

HB 2977, the "Space Preservation Act," sponsored by Rep. Kucinich (D-OH) would "preserve the cooperative, peaceful uses of space for the benefit of all humankind by permanently prohibiting the basing of weapons in space by the US." HB 2977 would also "require the President to take action to adopt and implement a world treaty banning space-based weapons."

Contact your elected officials:

- 202-224-3121 Congressional switchboard, or toll-free 1-888-832-4246

- Rep. ____, House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515
- Sen. ____, US Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Join the Ground Zero e-mail alert network

Every now and then we send out notices to folks who have given us their e-mail address. This allows us to keep in touch with folks more regularly than our quarterly newsletter permits.

Give us your e-mail address so we can keep you in touch with Ground Zero events and action alerts.

We are very careful about what we send out and promise to only send such notices on occasion. We pledge to send no spam! E-mail info@gzcenter.org.

Ground Zero newsletter available by e-mail

The Ground Zero newsletter is available on-line, both on our website (www.gzcenter.org), and by e-mail.

If you would like to receive the Ground Zero newsletter by e-mail, please let us know by contacting us. You'll save us money and paper as well!

Ground Zero Wish List After "World Peace," of course

- High-power, quality, portable 2-way radios (walkie-talkies)
- Portable, public-address system, with speaker(s), amplifier, and microphone(s)
- A sea-worthy, small boat with working motor and trailer
- People to pass out leaflets at Bangor once a month (see article p. 2)
- Letting us know what skills you'd be willing to give to Ground Zero.

Call 360-377-2586, email info@gzcenter.org, or send back the response form on p. 7 if you can help make any of these wishes come true!

Peace forces of Ground Zero need you for task forces

At a recent Ground Zero planning retreat, we had a great brainstorm to help deepen the involvement of our supporters in the work of nonviolence.

We decided to begin forming task forces to help plan the vigils/direct actions we sponsor at the Bangor Submarine Base on Martin Luther King Day, Mother's Day, and Hiroshima/Nagasaki Day.

We know that you all are creative people with great ideas for how to demonstrate our common love for life and our common desire to abolish nuclear weapons.

If you've ever wanted to deepen your involvement in planning actions at Bangor, please contact us and let us know what you'd like to do. We will then coordinate these task forces.

Experience is not needed. Just a desire to make a difference.

Volunteers needed for light-duty hard labor *(or is it hard-duty light labor?)*

Ground Zero is more than a group. Ground Zero is a place, as well.

Ground Zero is 3.5 acres right next to the Bangor Trident Submarine Base, with a small house for meetings, events, and retreats.

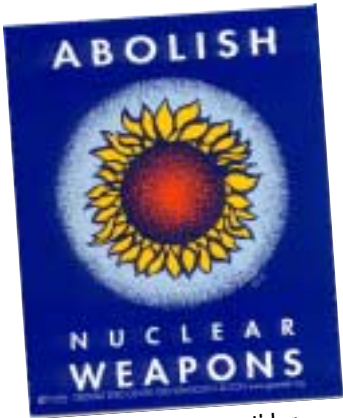
As with any piece of property, then, there is much to do around Ground Zero that involves basic maintenance.

We need volunteers to help take care of this special place, which is sacred to many people around the region, and indeed, around the world.

Specifically, if you'd be willing to come to Ground Zero for a day or two per year to help clean gutters, mow the lawn, cut back brambles, split wood, dust, mop, vacuum, and/or wash windows, PLEASE let us know.

We'd greatly appreciate your help!

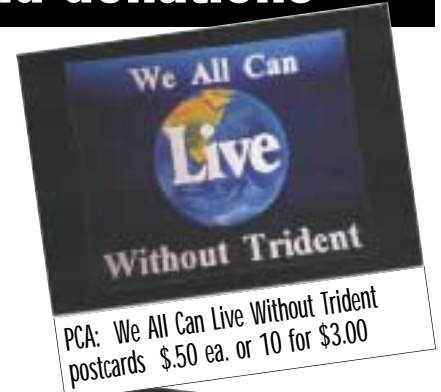
T-Shirts, bumperstickers, postcards, and donations



BS: 4"x5" vinyl bumpersticker; white lettering on dark blue background with yellow sunflower in the middle. Price: \$.25ea., 10 for \$2, or 50 for \$10.



TSC: Hefty T's -Purple with white lettering
 Front: We All Can Live Without Trident
 Back: Nobody needs a nuclear weapon
 Sizes: S, L, XL
 \$14 ea., 2 for \$25, or \$10 ea. for 5 or more



PCA: We All Can Live Without Trident postcards \$.50 ea. or 10 for \$3.00



TSD: Hefty T's -White with black lettering
 Front: Resist Trident-Abolish Nuclear Weapons
 Back: Sow the Seeds of Peace
 Sizes: S, M, L
 \$14 ea., 2 for \$25, or \$10 ea. for 5 or more



PCB: Abolish Nuclear Weapons-Resist Trident postcards \$.50 ea. or 10 for \$3.00

Your orders and donations to the Ground Zero Center for Nonviolent Action are helping build the Trident Resistance Network and a growing movement to resist Trident and abolish nuclear weapons. Each dollar you send to Ground Zero helps build this movement: by paying for phone calls, postage, printing, networking expenses, utilities, and much more.

Item #	Quantity	Size	Description	Price Each	TOTAL
Shipping: please add \$3.00/shirt, \$.50 for each set of 10 postcards and/or bumperstickers =					
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- _____ Enclosed is my contribution toward the nonviolent work of Ground Zero. \$ _____
- _____ Enclosed is my contribution to the Bangor Environmental Defense Fund (BEDF) \$ _____
- _____ Please call me; I want to start leafleting at Bangor on the first Thursday of these months: _____
- _____ Please send me _____ free Trident Campaign Organizing Packets.
- _____ Please contact me about having a Ground Zero speaker come to speak to my group, church, school or union.
- _____ I have these skills I'd be willing to share in the work of Ground Zero: _____

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Mail orders and donations to Ground Zero at 16159 Clear Creek Rd. NW, Poulsbo, WA 98370
 Phone: 360-377-2586 E-mail: info@gzcenter.org Website: www.gzcenter.org

January 21, 2002, the Ground Zero Center for Nonviolent Action presents:

“Love is the only way:” Putting King’s Vision into Action

Join us for nonviolence training, discussion, lunch, vigil, and direct action at the gates of Subase Bangor.

“Hate for hate only intensifies the existence of hate and evil in the universe. If I hit you and you hit me and I hit you back and you hit me back and so on, you see, that goes on ad infinitum. It just never ends. Somewhere somebody must have a little sense, and that’s the strong person. The strong person is the person who can cut off the chain of hate, the chain of evil. And that is the tragedy of hate, that it doesn’t cut it off. It only intensifies the existence of hate and evil in the universe. Somebody must have religion enough and morality enough to cut it off and inject within the very structure of the universe the strong and powerful element of love.”

—Martin Luther King Jr.

Martin Luther King Jr. Day MONDAY, JANUARY 21, 2002

On the day we remember Martin Luther King, we invite you to come to Bangor to put King’s vision into action. We invite you to proclaim the truth of King’s vision of a just and loving “beloved community” at this site of nuclear death, the Pacific home of the Trident nuclear weapons system.

WHEN: 9am to 3pm, Monday Jan. 21, 2002

Light breakfast and nonviolence training begin at 9am

Lunch at 12 noon

Procession to Bangor from Ground Zero at 1:30pm

WHERE: Ground Zero Center for Nonviolent Action, 16159 Clear Creek Road NW, Poulsbo, WA

See insert for map

Call 360-377-2586 for directions

WHY: Trident is terrorism too. MLK Day gives you an opportunity to live out King’s radical call to love one another and live without threatening nuclear violence on other people. Resist Trident for love & for life.



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The date on your mailing label is the date of your last known contribution to Ground Zero since **July 2000**. Please consider giving a contribution if you haven’t done so in a while. Your donations keep the work of Ground Zero alive!

THANK YOU!!!

