

Community Church of Boston
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sunday forums

November 2006
Sundays at 11:00a.m.

November 5 -- DANNI WEST & JASON LYDON
"Gentrification by Genocide"

Systems of white supremacy target and displace People of Color throughout the United States and world round. We will be examining how the impacts of the human made disasters of Katrina/Rita are playing out and relate to us as North Easterners. We will also be looking at how the policies affecting People of Color and poor folks in New Orleans coincides with those here in Boston.

Danni West is a fabulously queer organizer with the Groundwork Collective and various other projects for collective liberation and is currently living in Jamaica Plain. Jason Lydon is the Congregational Director at the Community Church of Boston, has worked with the "stop the bio-lab" campaign in Boston for well over a year and works with the Groundwork Collective as well.



November 12 -- MILITARY FAMILIES SPEAK OUT
"Honoring Veterans for Peace"

Military Families Speak Out (MFSO) is an organization of people opposed to the war in Iraq who have relatives or loved ones in the military, currently over 3000 families. On November 9, MFSO members--along with Iraq veterans & veterans of other wars--will be delivering petitions to the Pentagon & to Congress calling for an end to the "Back Door Draft" and for all of our troops to be brought home NOW. On November 11 (Veterans' Day), they will be "honoring the fallen" in Washington with a display of flags representing U.S. troops who have died in the war and photographs of Iraqi children, women & men whose lives have been lost.

November 19 -- MAHTOWIN MUNRO
"Who's the Illegal Alien, Pilgrim?"

Mahtowin Munro is co-leader of United American Indians of New England (UAINE) and a longtime Native/Lakota activist. She will offer her perspective on Columbus Day, Thanksgiving, the Pilgrims, Leonard Peltier, immigrant rights and more. On Thanksgiving Day at noon, UAINE will sponsor the 37th annual National Day of Mourning on Coles Hill in Plymouth.

UAINE is a Native-led organization of Native people and their friends which supports Indigenous struggles throughout North, Central & South America. They fight back on issues such as the racism of the Pilgrim mythology perpetuated in Plymouth, the U.S. government's assault on poor people and the use of racist team names & mascots in sports. Their motto: "We Are Not Vanishing. We Are Not Conquered. We Are as Strong as Ever!"



November 26 -- EVAN HEMPEL
"Transgender Day of Remembrance"

The Transgender Day of Remembrance was set aside to memorialize those who were killed due to anti-transgender hatred or prejudice. The event is held in November to honor Rita Hester, whose murder in 1998 kicked off the "Remembering Our Dead" web project and a San Francisco candlelight vigil in 1999. Since then, the event has grown to encompass memorials in dozens of cities across the world.

Evan R. Hempel is a writer from Boston, MA. He is a transgender activist, who works in cancer health-care. He does work with Mass Trans Political Coalition, Rosa Parks Human Rights Day Coalition, and The Network/La Red. He has been published in *Pinned Down by Pronouns*. He also serves as co-chair of LGBT Affinity Group at Dana-Farber, and sits on the the Dana-Farber/Harvard Cancer Center Diversity Committee.

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