

Dear Dedicated, Delightful, Dynamic Peacemakers,

EXCITING NEWS!! We have an exciting, full day of Mothers Day events planned, culminating in AFDOP giving an award (a plant to plant "Seed for Peace") to the author of the DOP Bill - Congressman Dennis Kucinich, and one of the House co-sponsors, Congressman Bob Filner (49th District of CA). This will take place at a fundraiser for Bob Filner, at which Dennis Kucinich will be appearing in person! Many of us plan to attend.

For those of you who don't know the DOP Bill numbers in the House and Senate, here they are:
House Bill No.: H.R. 3760; Senate Bill No.: S. 1756

Below (after the quote), PLEASE NOTE OUR PLANS FOR EVENTS THAT DAY AND ATTEND AS MANY AS YOU CAN!! There may be media at one or more of our events, and we want a great turnout! We will be doing THREE THINGS:

- 1) Visiting the offices of our U.S. Congressional Representatives
- 2) Visiting with the local staffs of our U.S. Senators
- 3) Giving an award to Cong. Kucinich and Cong. Filner at the above-mentioned event.

As some of you know, Mothers Day was started by Poet/Songwriter Julia Ward Howe (who wrote "Battle Hymn of the Republic"). The purpose of her designating this special day was for "mothers" to band together to work for Peace.

The following is Julia Ward Howe's "**MOTHERS DAY PROCLAMATION**":

Arise, then, women of this day!
Arise all women who have hearts,
Whether your baptism be that of water or of tears
Say firmly:
"We will not have great questions decided by irrelevant agencies,
Our husbands shall not come to us reeking of carnage,
For caresses and applause.
Our sons shall not be taken from us to unlearn
All that we have been able to teach them of charity, mercy and patience.
We women of one country
Will be too tender of those of another country
To allow our sons to be trained to injure theirs".
From the bosom of the devastated earth a voice goes up with
Our own. It says, "Disarm, Disarm!"
The sword of murder is not the balance of justice!
Blood does not wipe out dishonor
Nor violence indicate possession.
As men have often forsaken the plow and the anvil at the summons of war.
Let women now leave all that may be left of home
For a great and earnest day of counsel.
Let them meet first, as women, to bewail and commemorate the dead.
Let them then solemnly take counsel with each other as to the means
Whereby the great human family can live in peace,
Each bearing after his own time the sacred impress, not of Caesar,

But of God.

In the name of womanhood and humanity, I earnestly ask
That a general congress of women without limit of nationality
May be appointed and held at some place deemed most convenient
And at the earliest period consistent with its objects
To promote the alliance of the different nationalities,
The amicable settlement of international questions.
The great and general interests of peace.

Here are the details for the events THIS FRIDAY, MAY 12th (the Friday before Mothers Day).

If you know in advance, please let us know, the events you will be attending.
(Especially the Filner/Kucinich event - Note: This event costs a minimum of \$100 to attend - it is a fundraiser. If you cannot afford the full \$100, they will, for a limited number of people, accept what you can afford, but please let us know in advance).

1. **Congressional Representative Visits:**

We currently have planned visits to the offices of Congresswoman Susan Davis, and Congressmen Duncan Hunter and Daryl Issa, during the morning of May 12. Any and all may attend. NO GIFT OR PLANT WILL BE GIVEN TO CONGRESSMAN HUNTER, to honor his request not to be presented with gifts. But someone from the staff will be there to greet us. We will give them a copy of the above "Mothers Day Proclamation", and speak with the staff about the DOP Bill.

Congresswoman Davis, District 53 - The group will be meeting with staff member **Deanneka Goodwin** at **10:30 a.m.** at Congresswoman Davis' office:

4305 University Avenue
Suite 515
San Diego, CA 92105
Phone: (619) 280-5353

Congressman Hunter, District 52 - The group will be meeting with designated staff member HOLLY HOUGH, Leg. Asst., at **10:30 a.m.** at Cpmgressman Hunters office: [New office address is](#)

1870 Cordell Court
Suite 206
El Cajon 92020.
Phone 619/448-5201

Congressman Issa, District 49 - The group will be meeting with a designated staff member at **10:30 a.m.**, at Congressman Issa's office:

1800 Thieobo Rd. Suite 310
Vista, CA
Phone: 760-940-4380

2. Visits With Senator Boxer and Feinstein Staff

12:00 All AFDOP'ers meet in the lobby of The Copley Symphony Hall, On "B" St., between 7th and 8th Streets, downtwon, San Diego.

12:15 Meet with Senator Boxer's aids

12:45ish Meet with Senator Feinstein's aids (short walk from Symphony Hall)

3. Fundraiser for Congressman Filner, with Cong. Dennis Kucinich, Special Guest (see below for details)..

Jill McManigal's seven-year-old daughter will present them with the awards (Plants - "Planting Seeds for Peace". We were told we must be BRIEF, so there may be time for one of us to say something quick, or not. Also, we are suggesting to them that they contact the media about these awards. PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE COMING TO THIS - FILNER'S OFFICE WANTS TO KNOW HOW MANY FROM AFDOP ARE COMING!!

Please join
Congressman Dennis Kucinich
in supporting
Congressman Bob Filner
and his 2006 re-election campaign

Friday • May 12, 2006
4:30 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. Host Reception
(includes personal photo)
5:15 p.m. General Reception

At the Veterans Museum and Memorial Center
2115 Park Boulevard, San Diego CA 92101
Host – \$250 • Friend – \$100



Congressman and former Presidential Candidate Dennis Kucinich
will discuss *"Standing up for Progressive Values and a Peaceful World."*

Please RSVP by May 11
By phone (619) 425-5047
By email to margret@bobfilnerforcongress.com
Or online to www.bobfilnerforcongress.com/kucinich.html

The campaign may accept personal contributions up to \$2,100 per individual for the Primary Election, and the same for the General Election. Contributions may be mailed to Bob Filner for Congress, P.O. Box 127868, San Diego CA 92112. To make a contribution on-line, visit <http://www.bobfilnerforcongress.com/contributions.html>

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Complete this reservation form and the information requested on the enclosed reply envelope and mail in or go to www.bobfilnerforcongress.com/kucinich.html

Please reserve the following for:

_____ (print name)

_____ Host @ \$250

_____ Friend Ticket(s) @ \$100 each.

If we are unable to attend but would like to contribute \$ _____ to help Bob get re-elected in 2006.

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