

Community Church of Boston
A Peace and Justice congregation since 1920

sunday forums

May 2009
Sundays at 11:00a.m.

May 3rd -- CENTRO PRESENTE

"Giving Voice to Immigrant Workers"

Legal Sea Foods and the Cheesecake Factory are exploiting immigrant workers! We will be joined by workers who will tell their stories of working under a contractor who withholds wages and writes bad checks while providing no benefits. These workers have teamed up with Centro Presente and Chelsea Collaborative to gain wages back and develop a campaign that empowers immigrant communities to fight back and forces employers to do right by their workers.

Established in 1981, Centro Presente is a member-driven, state-wide Latin American immigrant organization dedicated to the self-determination and self-sufficiency of the Latin American immigrant community of Massachusetts.

May 10th -- Mothers' Day

AUDREY COULTER

"A Journey toward Political Consciousness"

Church member Audrey Coulter, mother of four, will speak on "her" day about the many lives she's lived: hippie wanderer, wealthy New Orleans matron and impoverished divorcee. Abused by the court system and attorneys, she became homeless, lived in a shelter and subsidized housing, ultimately graduating university at 53! Hers is a mother's story of survival, courage and determination in the face of a society dedicated to putting up barriers to success.

May 17th -- SHAHID BUTTAR

"New Threat to the Constitution: Domestic Intelligence Collection"

Shahid Buttar is a civil rights lawyer, non-profit leader, independent columnist, community organizer, hip-hop m.c., singer and poet. He is the new executive director of the Bill of Rights Defense Committee, based in Northampton and dedicated to promoting, organizing & supporting a national grassroots movement to restore and protect civil liberties guaranteed by the Bill of Rights--especially those which have been compromised by "War on Terror" policies.

May 24th -- COMMITTEE IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE PEOPLE OF EL SALVADOR (CISPES)

"Change Comes to El Salvador"

On Sunday March 15, Salvadorans headed en masse to the polls to cast their ballots for the future president; by 9:30 pm Mauricio Funes, presidential candidate of the Farabundo Mart' National Liberation Front (FMLN), pronounced himself president-elect of El Salvador -- the very first leftist head of state in the country's history.

CISPES is a nationally networked grassroots organization dedicated to supporting the Salvadoran people's struggle for self-determination and social and economic justice.

May 31st -- PROF. JOHN MILLER

"Recession, Depression, Repression: What's in a Name?"

The global economy is mired in its worst crisis since "The Great Depression". How bad is it? What should we call it? And how do we get out of it?

John Miller has taught at Wheaton College for 30 years. He is a contributing editor to "Dollars & Sense", a popular economics magazine, as well as author of many books, chapters and articles. He has been active in a Nicaragua Sister City Project, United for a Fair Economy and Bikes Not Bombs; also he's an avid cyclist.

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