

Wisconsin Network for Peace & Justice

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2025 Annual Report

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WNPJ continues to grow – we currently have [92 member organizations](#), of which 6 are new this year, and many more individual and family members and donors. Our mission as a network is to connect, engage and strengthen member groups and serve as a catalyst for community organizing and education. Here's what we've done toward that end in 2025.

Highlights

- We sent weekly **e-mail News & Action Alerts** to 1,108 email subscribers around the state, offering news from our members, including actions, events and information on voting and statewide issues.
- We produced and distributed **2 Network Newsletters** by mail and email to members and allies across the state, highlighting the peace and Justice work of our members and others. They can also be found on our website.
<https://www.wnpj.org/newsletter>
- We posted action alerts and news items in Spotlights on the WNPJ **website**:
<https://www.wnpj.org/blog>
- We averaged over 20 postings a week of **Facebook** listings highlighting the action alerts and work of our member groups on: [facebook.com/WisNPJ](https://www.facebook.com/WisNPJ). We have 2,292 followers on our site.
- We held monthly **Environmental Justice meetings**, bringing together members of frontline communities, activists and environmental groups across the state, to resume in 2026.
- We hosted a “Weaving the Web” **virtual noon drop-in hour** on the first Thursday of every month January through August, an invitation to come together in community for conversation, connection and sometimes offering guest presentations.



Major Events

May Spring Assembly, Connecting the Dots - March 24 – 27, 2025



Wisconsin Network for Peace and Justice members gathered from all corners of the state for our annual Spring 2025 Assembly, each evening focusing on a different topic: Coalitions and Community; Immigration & Palestine-The Connection; Protecting All Our Rights; and Environmental Justice. Learn more and watch the videos from all 4 evenings at <https://www.wnpj.org/post/2025-spring-assembly>

October Fall Assembly , Shaking the Roots - Oct 20 – 23, 2025

Members and allies joined WNPJ for a series of 4 evenings of online events – “Shaking the

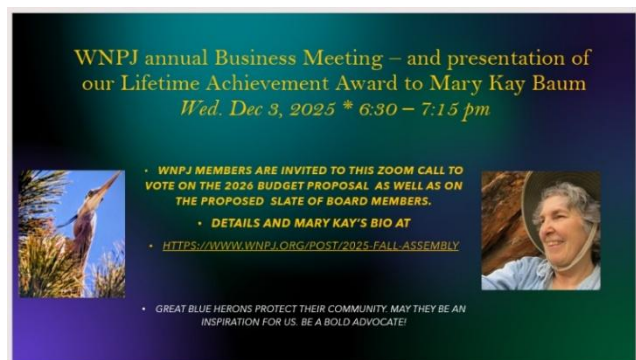


Roots” as we explored the interconnectedness between our member groups – in community, environment, peace and justice issues - all in our collective and conscious transition towards a culture of peace.

Visit wnpj.org/post/2025-fall-assembly for details about the sessions and look for recordings here, including an

[introductory video about WNPJ](https://www.youtube.com/@wisconsinnetworkforpeacean544) by young filmmaker, Nadja Nordstrom - <https://www.youtube.com/@wisconsinnetworkforpeacean544>

Dec 3rd – Business Meeting and Presentation of a Lifetime Achievement Award to Mary Kay Baum, 2025



Mary Kay Baum holds a special place for us as a longtime WNPJ board member and years of activism for justice, democracy, peace and environmental healing, working with frontline communities in Wisconsin and globally.

Outreach

WNPJ maintains a **table space at the Dane County Saturday Farmer's Market (Capitol Square)**, downtown Madison. Tabling space is available for outreach use by members. This year we saw the mobilizing efforts of World Beyond War, Madison Area Democratic Socialists of America, Interfaith Peace Working Group, and United Faculty and Staff Local #223. If you are in the area, stop by any Saturday when the [Farmer's Market](#) is in progress April through Nov. You'll find sign-up information to table and other member benefits at wnpj.org/what-we-offer.

We tabled at the “**We Are the Guardrails Now!**” - 16th annual Grassroots Festival - [McFarland](#) Saturday, May 10.

We tabled at the August 6 **Lanterns for Peace event in Madison sponsored by Physicians for Social Responsibility** Wisconsin, commemorating the lives lost in the Hiroshima and Nagasaki bombings 80 years ago, working to ensure that nuclear attacks never occur again.

Operations

WNPJ has a healthy reserve. Our budget is small, receiving approximately \$17,000 annually in membership dues, donations and grants, including a \$2,500 grant from the Yip Harburg Foundation, to fund our operating expenses. We have no staff and contract with various individuals to handle special tasks including social media, newsletter production, e-news layout and distribution, video production and accounting.

Members of the Board set priorities, oversee WNPJ operations, and volunteer for other activities if they are able.

Officers: Tynnetta Jackson (Chair), Erika Bach (Secretary), Vicki Berenson (Treasurer),
Other Board members: Dena Eakles, Debra Gillispie, Christine Olson, John Peck, Shahzad Hussain, Judy Miner and Mary Kay Baum. <https://www.wnpj.org/board>