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UPC 30th Anniversary & Annual Meeting

by Sr. Judi Clemens, SNDdeN IJPC Board Chair

Do you remember how you celebrated your 30th birthday (if you are beyond that special milestone)? Do you remember how we celebrated together the 25th anniversary of IJPC? Were you with us at Purcell Marian on that glorious night? I was a relative newcomer to Cincinnati and to IJPC and I know what the occasion meant to me personally. I was thrilled to be with so many justice seekers in the same hall. It was a very impressive evening. Well, can you believe that aiready five years have passed and here we are poised to celebrate the 30th anniversary of IJPC?

Each of you has been a vital

World Peace Festival

The Right of all Children to Peace is the theme for this year's <u>World Peace Festival</u>. The festival program will include readings from the book "For Every Child: the rights of the child in words and pictures," by Caroline Castle.

This family friendly event will include music and art, celebrat ing the International Day of Peace. The festival takes place on Saturday, September 26th

part of who UPC has become.
If you have been following all the exciting news from UPC you are aware that we have been blessed with Allison Revnolds-

Berry's leadership since Decem

We are on solid ground for the future and we want to invite you to join with us on Thursday. September 17° at St. Joseph Church planning to gather to share stories as we look back at photos from years past and hear reflections from key leaders over the years. We will have marimba music highlight UPC's programs, and eat good food. We hope you will all join us in remembering and celebrating as we truly welcome this new "coming of age" of UPC.



from 12:00 noon to 4:00pm at the Peace Bell in Newport, Kentucky. Leaders from different faith traditions will gather in prayer and support of Peace as a potential and continuous way of life.

Human Trafficking

As a result of research and revisioning conducted early this year, IPC has added Human Trafficking as a primary focus area. Sisters Against Human Trafficking is being reorganized and expanded to become the UPC Committee on Human Trafficking. The committee will support other organizations addressing this issue in the city and state through collaboration.

The Committee supports End Slavery Cincinnati in its efforts to raise awareness about the potential increase in sex trafficking that occurs in locations hosting large sporting events like the MLB All-Star Game. Members of the committee have made contact with local businesses alerting them to the problem, making them aware of signs for identifying participants and victims.

Others have assisted with the SOAP (Save Our Adolescents from Prositution) project, started by a former victim of sex trafficking. Bathrooms are often the only place victims have privacy away from the people controlling them. A sticker is placed on small bars of soap and left in hotel bathrooms with a special message for victims or witnesses of prostitution and the National Human Trafficking hottline number: 1.888.373.7888.

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The Intercommunity Justice and Peace Center educates and advocates for peace, challenges unjust local, national and global systems, and promotes the creation of a nonviolent society. IJPC is supported by faith-based organizations and individuals who work together to educate around justice issues, take collaborative action and do public witness. We address local, national and international concerns focusing on the death penalty, immigration, human trafficking and peace and nonviolence.