

# A world free from war is goal

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A world without war. The changing of antiquated social norms by non-violent means.

The West Valley Peace Center has dedicated itself to the realization of these ideals.

**THE PEACE CENTER** operates from the hub of the West Valley region of the Santa Clara

Valley. The newly organized Center opened its office at 354 Village Lane in Los Gatos March 1.

Chairman Wes Cummins explained that the Peace Center is an independent, incorporated organization supported and staffed by volunteers. Some 250 persons are on the Center's mailing list, and Cummins said 900 others were "gleaned from the San Jose Peace Center."

Cummins, a history instructor at West Valley College, extended an invitation to all persons in the area to help run the Center and/or to take advantage of the services it provides. He commented that De Anza students could particularly contribute to and benefit from the operations of the Center.

**FIVE FULL-TIME** draft counselors — four women and one man — are available at the Center, which is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday from 12 to 4. Cummins said 15 to 20 young men capitalize on the free draft counseling each week.

Cummins noted that 85 per cent of those who apply for conscientious objector status achieve it if they have enlisted the aid of a draft counselor.

The Center also offers a wealth of information covering such relevant topics as birth control, ecology, the draft and non-violence. Forums, marches, classes and other events planned are on the Center's information board.

**BEFORE THE** Center moved into its current office, many of its members participated in the demonstration against the Internal Revenue Service on April 15. Cummins said they joined other demonstrators in picketing the IRS office in San Francisco.

This spring the Center plans to hold a series of peace forums. Cummins mentioned the forums will discuss the problems of achieving peace in the Middle East and in Viet Nam and President Nixon's foreign policies. These rap sessions, Cummins hopes, will break down the prejudices of the participants so they will be open-minded to learning and understanding the problems.

Eliciting support for the Vasconcellos, McCarthy and Sieroty Assembly bill, A. B. 1674, is the current project of the Center. Members are circulating petitions which encourage the Assembly and Gov. Reagan to pass this bill.

**THE BILL STATES** (Section 600, Div. 2.5 of the Military and Veterans Code) ". . . No resident of this state shall serve in the armed forces of the United States in any area of any foreign country in which area there is armed conflict unless the Congress of the United States has declared a war in that area."

In a letter to the West Valley Peace Center, Assemblyman John Vasconcellos explained that the bill will require the State Attorney General to bring suit in the federal courts to prevent a California serviceman from being sent to a war zone under such conditions.

Vasconcellos noted that California suffers 10 per cent of all combat loss in the U. S.

Petitions can be obtained from any member of the De Anza Peace Committee.



To promote their dance which is being held tonight, the International Club erected this 18-foot balloon in the Campus Center. The dance will last from 9 p.m. until 1 a.m. with Xantheus playing. (La Voz photo by Dennis Dunham)

The Foothill College Planetarium will present two different programs on Fridays at 7:15 and 8:45 p.m. The observatory will be open from 9 a.m. to noon the first Saturday of each month.

## Everywhere Else

### Methadone use examined

Editor's note: All activities are open to the public. There may be an admission charge in some cases.

#### Television —

Gary Cooper Film Festival, May 3-9, featuring "High Noon," "Northwest Mounted Police," "Beau Geste," "Unconquered" and "For Whom the Bell Tolls," 9 p.m. each evening, KGSC

channel 36.

"KPIX Reports: Methadone," examining one approach to treating heroin addiction, Tuesday, 10:30 p.m., KPIX channel 5.

"The Trail of Tears," Johnny Cash makes his acting debut in a story of Cherokee Indians' forced removal from their homeland in Georgia; their tragic journey to the Oklahoma Territory during the winter of 1839; and the resulting civil war that ravaged the Cherokee Nation, tonight, 8:30 p.m. on KQED channel 9.

"Witness for the Prosecution," Tyrone Power, Marlene Dietrich, Charles Laughton and Elsa Lanchester star in suspenseful courtroom drama based on Agatha Christie's story, Saturday, 9:30 p.m., KTVU channel 2.

#### Events —

Lecture on chicanos and education, led by P. Mesa, principal of San Jose High School, May 7, 7:30 p.m., Sunnyvale First Baptist Church, 415 S. Mary, Sunnyvale.

#### Art Exhibits —

San Francisco Women Artists' Third Annual Photography Exhibit, May 1 through June 7, De Young Museum, San Francisco.

#### Music —

Ike and Tina Turner, Country Joe and the Fish, Canned Heat, Albert King and others at Spartan Stadium, 10th and Alma, San Jose, May 16, noon. Call 294-6414, extension 916, for ticket information.

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## Asians feel prejudice, success

Asian-Americans in California have "succeeded like the proverbial Chinese bandit" but have at times not had "what miners liked to call a Chinaman's chance in Hell," Assemblywoman March K. Fong said at De Anza April 25.

Speaking to an audience of students and community citizens

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as part of De Anza's Asian Week activities, the 15th District assemblywoman said that while Asian-Americans have been the victims of discrimina-

tory legislation and economic prejudice, they have enjoyed "disproportionate" success in higher education and professional occupations.

**A FORMER UC** Berkeley department chairman and the holder of a doctoral degree in education, Mrs. Fong gave the audience an account of mistreatment of Asians ranging from the Chinese Exclusion Act of 1822 to the "relocation" of Japanese-Americans during World War II.

Declaring that animosity toward Asians existed for "two decades into this century," Mrs. Fong said Chinese-Americans today are "largely forgetting about yesterday in hopes of a

better tomorrow."

However, she noted that "some of the younger Chinese and Japanese are in search of a yellow identity." She recommended that Asian militants seek their identity in the organizations they are criticizing.

**DECLARING THAT SHE** is "not an ethnic politician," Mrs. Fong told the audience that "no yellow power movement is going to find me at its head." She added, however, that she would be

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willing to lead a movement for justice and equality for all people.

Noting that only about 100 families of her 200,000 constituents are Chinese, Mrs. Fong said that from her observation, "ethnic background is not the criterion for getting elected to office." She said that in a 1960 study she made of Chinese-Americans, most of those responding said they would not vote for a candidate solely on the basis of his ethnic background.

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