



WOMEN’S INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE FOR PEACE AND FREEDOM

WILPF Fresno, P.O. Box 5114, Fresno, CA 93755

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WILPF Fresno SLATE OF CANDIDATES

All members in attendance at our September monthly meeting on 9/11/25 will vote for our Branch Executive Board positions.

Committee Chair positions are not voted on.

Note: Nominations accepted up to the time of the vote. Please consider taking an active role in our Branch by filling any of the OPEN positions.

WILPF Fresno Branch Board Positions

Executive Board:

Branch Chair—OPEN

Branch Co-Chair—OPEN

Recording Secretary—Leni Villagomez Reeves

Corresponding Secretary—Nancy Hatcher

Membership Chair—OPEN

Membership Co-Chair—Kyla Mitchell

Treasurer—Teresa Castillo

The following Issue Committee and functional positions are listed for informational purposes only; these positions are not voted on.

Issue Committee Chairs:

Advancing Human Rights:

Library: OPEN

Unpacking Racism: Dr. Jean Kennedy

Homeless: OPEN

Rudy’s Soup Kitchen: Dr. Jean Kennedy

Teatro de la Tierra: Patricia Wells-Solorzano

Comité de la Defensa del

Pueblo/Committee for the

Defense of the People: LVR

Cuba and the Bolivarian Alliance:

Leni Villagomez Reeves

Disarm: Carol Goiburn

Earth Democracy: Jean Hays & Kyla Mitchell

Legislative: Jean Hays

Middle East: OPEN

Functional positions:

Women in Black: Sue Kern

Raging Grannies: Nancy Hatcher

Crafts Faire and Fundraising: OPEN

Listserve: Kyla Mitchell

WILPF International: Jan Slagter

Community Alliance WILPF Page: LVR

Stir It Up KCFR Radio show: Jean Hays

Valley Voices for Peace

Podcast: Carol Goiburn

OCTOBER 4 WILPF FRESNO RETREAT AT WOLK FOLK GARDEN!

Dear Fresno WILPF Members, We are excited to announce that we have secured a venue for our Fall Planning Retreat! With many thanks to Fresno WILPF member Pat Wolk, our retreat will be held at her home on Saturday, October 4. We are hopeful that all of you will be able to attend.

Your attendance will be especially valuable and important as we move forward into our new year with many issues to address. We are actively seeking Board members to fill leadership positions and request your involvement and input. Also, your leadership experience in Fresno WILPF will help our branch in moving forward. As well, sharing your experience with those in attendance will help strengthen our organization in a time when our mission is more important than ever.

For this retreat to be successful, we need your help! Please reach out if you are interested in

- planning the logistics of the retreat
- bringing a potluck dish
- setting up and taking down our materials
- providing leadership in breakout topics and discussions

We are eager to have you join us on Saturday, October 4!

Please contact kyla.noelle@gmail.com if you have any questions or would like to help us make this event a success!

—In Peace, Nancy Hatcher, Jean Hays, Kyla Mitchell

Save the Date

WILPF Fall Retreat

Saturday, October 4th
10am–3pm

Do YOU have:
Ideas for the program?
A potluck dish you'd like to share?

Please email Kyla at kyla.noelle@gmail.com

WILPF FRESNO NEEDS A NEW CHAIR!

No, not the kind you sit on. After many years of devoted service, of representing us well at demonstrations both in speech and in action, of hard work as both Fresno Branch chairperson and, for many years, also treasurer, Teresa Castillo has decided to “only” serve as our treasurer.

We are deeply grateful for Teresa’s work and dedication over the years, and that is partly what this article is about. It’s also about you: Do you feel you might have the skills to lead this branch? We’re a bunch of sincere folks with love for our community, our environment, peace, social and racial justice, international mutual respect with an end to neocolonial exploitation. We give our time and support each other. In these times, it’s good to have sisters (and some brothers) around.

Often in the past, we have had several co-chairs to share the work and decision-making. Do you—or “you plural” as two or three colleagues—feel you can work on helping us move forward as a group? We need you!

AND TO TERESA CASTILLO—THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE!



WILPF Fresno Chair Teresa Castillo
Photo courtesy of Teresa Castillo



Teresa Castillo and Sukaina Hussain
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RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP NOW! HERE’S HOW:

Send dues to WILPF Fresno, P.O. Box 5114, Fresno, CA 93755.

WILPF-US membership is \$35/year. WILPF-Fresno sponsors a low-income rate of \$20.

E-mail questions and information updates to Nancy Hatcher at nhatcher46@gmail.com or Kyla Mitchell at kyla.noelle@gmail.com.

WILPF MEETING

Aug. 14 (second Thursday), 6:30 p.m. Via Zoom (and usually also at the Fresno Center for Nonviolence, 1584 N. Van Ness Ave.). This meeting is open to all. Watch your e-mail for an announcement. To check the in-person option, contact Teresa at taca_03@yahoo.com or 559-360-8054.

STIR IT UP—WILPF ON KCFR 88.1 FM

Aug. 27 (fourth Wednesday), 3 p.m. Jean Hays highlights people and events important to our WILPF community.

Listen to our new monthly podcast! “Valley Voices for Peace” can be found on SoundCloud and YouTube, thanks to host Carol Goiburn and a mini-grant from WILPF US.

WOMEN IN BLACK

First Wednesday. 11 a.m.–1 p.m. We are now joining Raza Against War’s protest in front of the Federal Building at 2500 Tulare St., Fresno. Check with Sue Kern at skern@netptc.net or 559-349-3777.

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