

**Provincial Peace and Disarmament Summit  
Friday, May 12 and Saturday, May 13, 2017**

**ACTIONS AND INSPIRATIONS**

**Actions I will take:**

- Write an OpEd regarding the Senate report and Sajjan's letter in the Times Colonist
- Write to MP Harjit Sajjan, Minister of Defence, about the Senate report
- I will talk to a friend about peace; I will talk to others about peace – I will carry the message
- I will learn more about defence spending and talk to my MP
- Write a letter to the editor
- Will help create more creative opportunities to build relationships in the peace, environment and social justice communities
- Work on divestment initiative – divest from weapons companies, nuclear power and fossil fuels
- Work to stop armed drones
- Create community conversation circles to discuss peace
- I will keep on raging as a Raging Granny emphasizing peace and disarmament
- I will send digitized files on CF METR, Nanoose Bay and the Nanoose Conversion Campaign
- I will read *The Vimy Trap*, I will read *Canada: The Case for Staying out of Other People's Wars*
- I will read *Refuge in the Black Deck: The Story of an Ordinary Seaman*
- I will discourage women from joining the military
- I will work for a Department of Peace in Canada
- I will circulate the Summit statement
- I will attend Ban the Bomb on Saturday, June 17 / I will promote the Ban the Bomb event / I will tell women in Vancouver about the Ban the Bomb event
- I will write a letter to the Prime Minister and to the Parliament
- I will work to link peace and environment issues
- I will try to help people in other communities to organize alternative Remembrance Day events
- I will promote links between the peace groups
- I will try to invo
- I will get in touch with Nanaimo faith community about Bill Geimer's book launch there on May 27
- I will make a t-shirt to promote a cause and learn to dialogue about it
- I will talk about how I'm unhappy about Canada's 150<sup>th</sup> celebration
- I will do workshops on Nonviolent Communication
- I'm going to keep researching and writing (<https://spencerspiderdailyblog.wordpress.com/>)
- I will walk from Mile 0 to Ground Zero from May 25-28, 2017
- Develop a questionnaire for NDP leadership candidates
- Wear a t-shirt "I'm already against the Next War"
- Put on a bumper sticker slogan/campaign
- Meet with Mayor Atwell to request Saanich proclaim Hiroshima/Nagasaki Day
- Attend board meeting of Physicians for Global Survival

- Meet with the Raging Grannies to review Hiroshima/Nagasaki Day activities
- Attend UN Ban Treaty negotiations in June in New York
- Participate in the Greater Victoria Acting Together (GVAT), it is a coalition of NGOs, faith groups and unions who work together on agreed priorities. Would be good if they made peace one of their priorities
- Raise awareness about military spending in GVAT
- Connect with Linda with the Iraq Kurdistan refugee
- Hold a peace concert
- I will help organize Ban the Bomb
- I will talk about the military's impact on the environment to green groups

### Things that inspire / Resources to share:

- Vancouver Island Peace and Disarmament Network: [www.vipdn.org](http://www.vipdn.org)
- Women's International League for Peace and Freedom: <http://wilpf.org/>
- Bill Geimer's book *Canada: The Case for Staying out of Other People's Wars*
- Nicole Peffers' book *Refuge in the Black Deck: The Story of an Ordinary Seaman*
- Jamie Swift's books *Warrior Nation: Rebranding Canada in the Age of Anxiety* and *The Vimy Trap*
- Canadian Peace Initiative: <http://canadianpeaceinitiative.ca/>
- Canadian Voice of Women for Peace: <http://vowpeace.org/>
- Council of Canadians: <https://canadians.org/>
- David Orchard's books on NAFTA and National Association Against Free Trade
- Real experiences, bringing people together
- Bernie Sander's supporters and their creative actions
- People in power who use power in constructive ways
- Nature inspires – healing, harmony and balance, non-uniform, we need to protect our natural environment
- Nobel Women's Peace Initiative: <https://nobelwomensinitiative.org/>
- Classic peace book *Book Lay Down Your Arms* by Bertha von Suttner
- Sweet Honey in the Rock: <http://sweethoneyintherock.org/>
- Canadian Peace Alliance's campaign "Peace and Prosperity NOT War and Austerity"
- Academy award winning documentary 1966 BBC "The War Game" by Peter Watkins: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The\\_War\\_Game](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_War_Game)
- Independent Jewish Voices
- Raging Grannies
- Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives Monitor: <https://www.policyalternatives.ca/>
- The Gettin' Higher Choir in Victoria: <http://www.gettinhigherchoir.ca/>
- Restorative Justice Victoria (RJ Coalition): <https://rjvictoria.wordpress.com/>
- Universalist United Social Justice group in Victoria: <http://www.unitariancongregation.org>
- KAIROS: <https://www.kairoscanada.org/>
- Peace people inspire me

- Reliving and reviewing PDD: perpetual direct democracy
- Pasifik.ca: <http://pasifik.ca/> “Non partisan, non-profit, social media, peace, nonviolence, justice, antiwar, democracy”
- Gwynn Dyer’s book “*Canada and the Great Power Game*”
- The fact that faith groups are keeping peace activism alive
- White poppies for peace and the Peace Pledge Union: <http://www.ppu.org.uk/>
- I am inspired by the willingness of the majority of states in the world at the UN General Assembly to promote common security, peace, human rights and social justice (What doesn’t inspire me: is the willingness of states to be dominated by NATO and refusing to speak truth to power)
- The classic anti-war play “The Unknown Soldier and His Wife” by Peter Ustinov: <https://www.oldlandplayers.co.uk/the-unknown-soldier-and-his-wife>
- Famous 1922 book by Jane Addams, *Bread and Peace in Times of War*: <http://www.press.uillinois.edu/books/catalog/92edd4rm9780252027833.html>
- The Greek anti-war play *Lysistrata* by Aristophanes: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lysistrata>
- *The Rise of Writing: Redefining Mass Literacy* book by Desorah Brandt: <http://licsjournal.org/OJS/index.php/LiCS/article/view/117/148>
- Seminal book by Eduardo Galeano, *The Open Veins of Latin America: Five Centuries of the Pillage of a Continent*: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Open\\_Veins\\_of\\_Latin\\_America](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Open_Veins_of_Latin_America)
- Peace One Day: <http://www.peaceoneday.org/>
- Victoria Multifaith Society
- Books by Dave Grossman: *On Killing* and *On Combat*
- Romeo Dallaire’s book *Shake Hands with the Devil*
- My family
- Mr Floatie
- Great resources for nuclear disarmament: [ican.org](http://ican.org/) / [ippnw.org](http://ippnw.org/) / [psr.org](http://psr.org/)

**More info: [vipdn.org](http://vipdn.org)**