

# Fresno Center for Nonviolence 2022

June 2022

Happy 30<sup>th</sup>. We are still standing  
We're still standing, Yeah, yeah, yeah.  
We're still standing, Yeah, yeah, yeah.

– Elton John.



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Richard Gomez.

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Award-winning author,  
activist, educator,  
Bill McKibben  
to speak at the Unitarian  
Universalist Church in  
Fresno on Saturday,  
June 11<sup>th</sup> from 2-4pm.

AT THE DOOR.

Entrance fee \$20,

\$10 low income.

Seating is limited. COVID

Mask required.

Vaccinated Only Please.

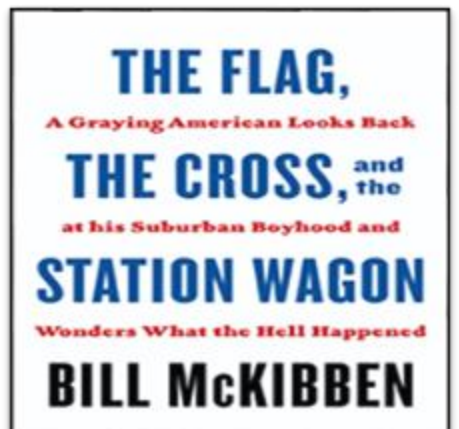
Bill McKibben speaker for FCNV 30th Anniversary  
*Special Introduction by Nayamin Martinez: Executive Director  
of the Central California Environmental Justice Network.*



The Ragin' Grannies will perform

Our Way of Peace Awardees:

Co-sponsored by  
Earth Day Fresno, Climate  
Citizen Lobby and the Women's  
International League of Peace  
and Freedom.  
His latest book will be  
available for sale.



**Ron Martin:** Born an anti-war activist, Conscientious Objector to the Vietnam War, strong advocate for nature, environmental ethics, and philosophy Ron leads our list of Way of Peace Awardees. This former librarian is a member of the local Sierra Club, founder, and President of "Fresnans Against Fracking," fighting for our life as well as his. We are honored to present him with this award.



**Ann Carruthers:** She retired from teaching in Bay Area and moved to Fresno in 2006 where she became a longtime activist for Women's International League for Peace & Freedom (WILPF) 2019 Ann helped establish & became Chair of WILPF Fresno Library Committee. She expanded annual gifts of sets of Jane Addams Peace Association books to four County libraries. (Downtown, Gillis, West Fresno, Betty Rodriguez) She would eventually establish a library of 800 books for after-school program. Over the years, we probably visited the Center a dozen times, becoming involved in their activities such as Fiesta Day.

**Youth Award - Pratham Hombal** - an incoming freshman at Stanford University. He is the co-founder and Executive Director at The Ecolibrium Project. He co-leads the Youth Action Team at the Citizens' Climate Lobby and serves as a representative on the National Youth Action Team where he has helped organize lobbying projects and speak to local officials regarding climate change. Pratham has been awarded the Yale Bassett Award Honorable Mention, Presidential Volunteer Service Award, and the General Motors and Ashoka STEM for Changemaking Award.

**Andrew Wong** - a senior at Buchanan High school and is a cofounder of the Ecolibrium Project where he has helped coordinate events and donation drives. He co-leads the CCL youth action team where he has worked to lobby Congressional members staff about a carbon fee and dividend. Andrew also attended the Fresno County Leadership Summit organized by the Civic Education Center is fervent about environmental issues and is working towards a career in business and environmental science.



Pratham Hombal, Andrew Wong, Adam Staley

**Adam Staley** - a senior at Buchanan High school and is a cofounder of the Ecolibrium Project where he has helped connect with local environmental clubs and coordinate volunteering. He also attended the Fresno County Leadership Summit organized by the Civic Education Center. He is passionate about climate change but also hopes to pursue a career in finance. He hopes to continue his education by majoring in economics at UC Berkeley in the fall.

**Organizational Award** – The Climate Citizen Lobby is one of the leading groups in the Central Valley fighting for action on climate change. They are busy promoting public events and raising community awareness about the existential crisis we are facing because of Earth's rapidly changing climate. The focus of CCL in recent years has been on a bipartisan proposal for a revenue-neutral Carbon Fee and Dividend, which they believe would effectively address carbon emissions without relying on a complex regulatory approach. Disastrous changes in the earth's climate are happening now at an accelerating pace. Since 2014 local CCL members have had 225 letters to the editor published in The Fresno Bee. They frequently contact our elected leaders, promoting their message that we must act now.



KFCF 88.1 FM

Stir it, UP!

Wednesday June 9<sup>th</sup> at 3 pm



Our June radio show will be hosted by Josh Shurley whose guest will be Ron Martin, Ann Carruthers, and other Way of Peace Awards recipients. For more information call on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at (559) 237-3223 or check our website at [www.centerfornonviolence.org](http://www.centerfornonviolence.org)

In May, our radio show will be hosted by Joshua Shurley with his guest Nayamin Martinez of the *Central California Environmental Justice Network*. To hear it again:

<https://soundcloud.com/user-32180140/051122-fcnv-stir-it-up>.