

The Military Industrial Complex

Bad for the Economy

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"The [Military Industrial Complex] has its roots in the corrupt and deceitful practices that have long characterized the high command of the Armed Forces, civilian executives of the armaments industries, and Congressional opportunists and criminals looking for pork-barrel projects, defense installations for their districts, or even bribes for votes."
Chalmers Johnson

Wednesday, March 18

7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Room 134, Driscoll Hall

Villanova University

Speakers

Bal Pinguel: Program Analyst, Peacebuilding and Prevention of Conflict, AFSC

Bob Smith: Co-Founder and Staff Coordinator, Brandywine Peace Community

Bal Pinguel has worked for AFSC for almost 17 years. He also serves on the National Steering Committee of United for Peace and Justice and the International Coordinating Committee of the global organization "No Foreign Military Bases Network." Prior to obtaining political asylum in the U.S., Bal was imprisoned and tortured by the Marcos regime in his native Philippines where he was a leader in the peace and justice movement. He has a degree in political science.

Bob Smith and other Vietnam era war resisters founded the Brandywine Peace Community in 1977. A major focus of their efforts has been their campaign of nonviolent resistance to General Electric (now Lockheed Martin), the world's largest weapons producer. Bob has been active in justice and peace organizing all his adult life as an activist and nonviolent resister to war. Over the years, he has authored books and articles and lectured widely on nuclear weapons policy, the corporate war economy, and the practice and spiritual roots of nonviolent resistance.

The event is free and open to the public.

There is free parking at the main Villanova University parking lot at the southwest corner of Ithan and Lancaster Avenues.

The event is sponsored by the Bryn Mawr Peace Coalition. Cosponsors include PennAction, the Green Party of Delaware County, the Brandywine Peace Community, Mainline Peace Action, the Bryn Mawr and King of Prussia Councils of MoveOn, Central Baptist Church Peacemakers, the Main Line Unitarian Church Peace and Justice Task Force, PRAWN, Delaware County Wage Peace and Justice and Granny Peace Brigade Philadelphia.

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