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Plowshare Announces Recipients of 2017 Peacebuilder Awards

Plowshare's Annual Peacebuilder Award is presented to groups and individuals who have made significant contributions to peace and/or social justice in Southeastern Wisconsin by enhancing understanding and cooperation among people from diverse ethnic, religious, racial and/or socioeconomic backgrounds. The Peacebuilder Award, named in honor of peace and social justice advocate and Plowshare co-founder Kate Delaney Jolin, was initiated in 2014. In conferring this award, Plowshare seeks to enhance community awareness of the work that is being done by local groups and individuals to "make peace relevant to the world around us."

The recipients of the 2017 Peacebuilder Awards are:

Individual award: Iva Richards – involved in Ventures in Peoples with Haiti, SOPHIA, and Ascension Lutheran Church's refugee resettlement and Mission Outreach programs

Group award: The Women's Center – their mission is to provide safety, shelter, and support to women and their families affected by domestic violence, sexual assault and abuse, and to facilitate their development.

We will also be recognizing all of the amazing work of Sally Jo Michalko, our Board President who passed away on November 20, 2016.

This year's Peacebuilder Awards will be presented at Plowshare's 28th Anniversary Celebration to be held in the ballroom of Carroll University the evening of Friday, March 10, 2017. The event begins at 5:00 pm with a social hour, silent auction and cash bar. Attendees will enjoy an ethnic buffet prepared by Chef Moe, followed by the presentation of the Kate Delaney Peacebuilder Awards.

Tickets may be purchased at Plowshare Fair Trade Marketplace, 219 W. Main Street, in downtown Waukesha. Tickets are $50, $25 of which is a charitable donation to Plowshare's educational outreach on issues of peace and social justice. Ticket sales end Friday, February 24, 2017.