

*The Golden Rule:
Do Unto Others as you would
have others do unto you*

***Golden Rule Sails Again for
a Nuclear Free Future!***

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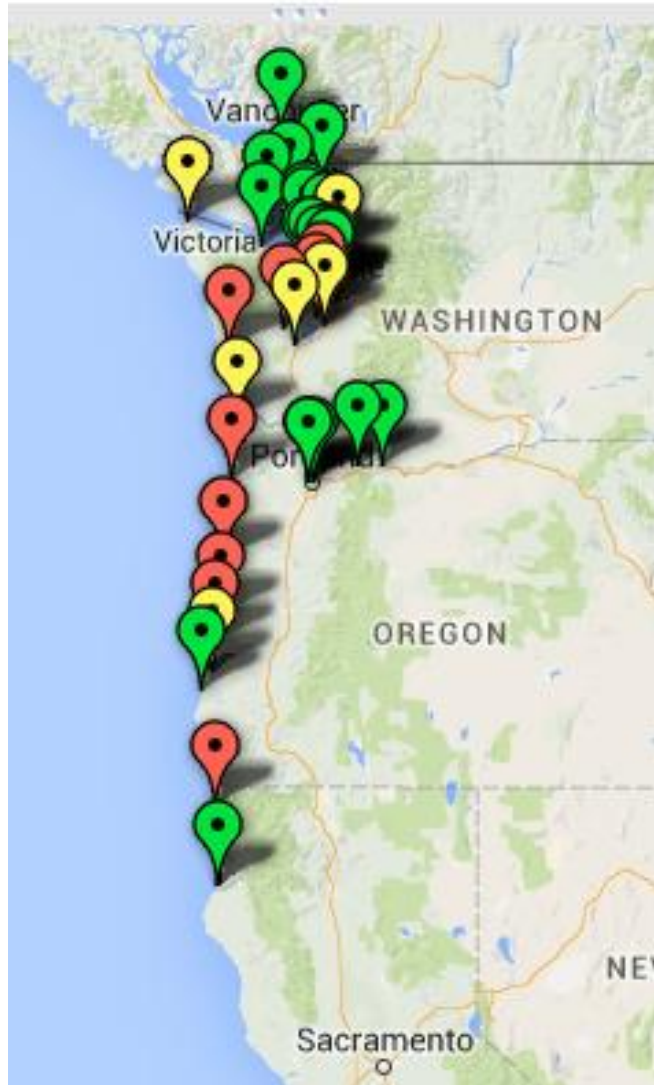
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Golden Rule Project implements Veterans For Peace Statement of Purpose

- To restrain our governments from intervening, overtly and covertly, in the internal affairs of other nations
- To end the arms race and to reduce and eventually eliminate nuclear weapons

2016 Voyage



2015, 17-19,22



2019-21:

22 months in the Hawaiian Islands



“The Great Loop”

Minneapolis Aug '22 - Chicago Sept '23



- **10,300 miles**
- **102 Cities or Towns visited**
- **350 presentations - reached 10,500 people directly**
- **100,000s of people reached through press**

VFP Chapters

22 Chapters donated a total of \$23,652 in 2022-23.

39 Chapters anchored GR GL Events







2023 Started with the voyage to Cuba!

Six Golden Rule
representatives went by sea
and five by air to Cuba for an
“Arts & Cultural” visit
Dec 31 - Jan 10

VFP Board Member Enya Anderson at the helm of
the Golden Rule as it came into
Hemingway Marina





The Entire Cuba Delegation (from land and sea!)

Golden Rule Reps joined Miami activists to call for the end of the





January - Miami, New Smyrna

The Raging Grannies sang and Citizens welcomed the Golden Rule

We interacted with many **groups of faith**:

Friends Meetings, Soka Gakkai Buddhists, Buddhist Mahayana sect from Vietnam
Retreat Center,

Activists: Hands Off Cuba!, Raging Grannies, CodePink

February: Jacksonville, FL, coast of Georgia

Nuclear Watch South, Sail-by and Protest at Kings Bay Nuclear-Armed Trident Submarine Base!



Black high school students visit the Golden Rule



Peace picnics in the park!



Commemorating March 1, 1954 Castle Bravo destruction in the Marshall Islands



Activist Joanne Sweeney entertained us
with peace folk music



We fly the sails whenever possible!



Over 40 Mayors and City Councils gave the Golden Rule a warm Proclamation of Welcome!



Beautiful Unique flyers

WORLD AND A PEACEFUL, SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

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SAILING FOR A NUCLEAR FREE

GOLDEN RULE PEACE SAILING TOUR 2023



A WEEKEND OF PEACE COMMUNITY & EDUCATION


FEB 25TH: Crew Reception + Documentary @ Tin Roof, 6-8 PM

FEB 26TH: Peace Picnic + Open Mic @ Cannon Park, 12-3 PM

FEB 27TH: Q&A w/ Crew + Friends @ Chs Main Library, 5:30-7:30 PM

FOR MORE INFO VISIT:
<https://tinyurl.com/GoldenRuleCHS>

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THE GOLDEN RULE PEACE BOAT

July 16 2023 5:00pm

Brewerton, NY

VETERANS FOR PEACE

SYRACUSE PEACE COUNCIL

Brewerton Center for the Arts
9660 Brewerton Road, Brewerton, NY

The Golden Rule Peace Boat Dockage CALENDAR OF EVENTS - July 16, 2023

- 5 to 6 pm - Gather at Brewerton Center for the Arts for children's art activities, food
- 6 to 7 pm - Welcoming Ceremony at Riverfront Park (2 blocks from the Arts Center)
- 7 to 9 pm - Return to Brewerton Center for the Arts for music, food, and speakers



Fleet Week Parade of War Ships, Hudson River, NYC



New Haven, Connecticut welcomed the Golden Rule - several groups sailed by Groton Electric Boat, manufacturer of nuclear-armed submarines.



Norfolk, Virginia - home to all branches of the military
The Golden Rule with a huge navy ship in the background



The ship of peace sails in protest of Bath Iron Works, makers of nuclear-capable war ships

Alexandria, VA and Washington, DC
March 26 - April 16

On April 12 & 13 Golden Rule crew and representatives walked the halls of Congress!

Every member of Congress and the Senate received a VFP Nuclear Posture Review!



VETERANS FOR PEACE
NUCLEAR POSTURE REVIEW



January 2022





Sun. April 16
1:30 - 4:30

All Souls Unitarian Church
1500 Harvard St NW
Washington, DC 20009

The Crucible of Hope: The "Golden Rule" of Love as Inspiration for a New World Order

Tour of the Hiroshima Children's Drawings Exhibit Panel featuring Dr. Vincent Intondi, Professor and Author "African Americans Against The Bomb" and his new work "Saving the World from Nuclear War" and Joe Rothstein, Author of the Trilogy "The Latina President", "The Salvation Project", and "The Moment of Menace"



Sun. March 26
7-9 pm

Welcome Webinar
Marshall Islanders & The Golden Rule Crew 65 years on!
Featuring Marshall Islander Benetick Maddison, historian Glenn Alcalay and the Golden Rule crew.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81434501675>



Sun. April 2
12-4 pm

Potluck Picnic
Feast with Veterans For Peace & the crew of the Golden Rule

And celebrate the Indigenous peoples who are the original stewards of this watershed.

Fort Hunt Park
Camp site D-1
8999 Fort Hunt Rd, Alexandria VA
King Street Metro Station (blue line); call Mike for ride from station: 301.542.9867
Please bring your own plates and cups



Thurs. April 13
6-7 pm

"Golden Rule" Comes to the Library
Featuring VFP's Helen Jaccard and Gerry Condon about the dangers of nuclear war.

Southwest DC Public Library
900 Wesley Pl SW
Washington, DC 20024

Golden Rule Events DC, VA & MD!

Veterans For Peace is sailing around Turtle Island in the historic "Golden Rule" to buoy our collective consciousness of the nuclear threat; to cascade our resolve toward clean water for Mother Earth & All Her Children.

You're invited to board this extraordinary 39-foot wooden ketch, celebrate adventure-tales from the crew, and discover your Water community.

Alexandria Marina April 3-6
DC Wharf April 8, 9, 11, 13, 14
11 am to 4 pm
Metro and parking information

Open Boat Days
Come aboard the Golden Rule & visit the crew



Sun. April 2
6-9 pm

Meet & Greet the Crew
Bus Boys & Poets
150 K St SE 3rd St. NW
near Gallery Pl Metro



Mon. April 10
5:30-7pm

Channeling Outrage abOut Polluted Waters
Creative Resistance with the Golden Rule's crew:

- nuclear consciousness
- environmental justice
- social justice



Wed. April 5
5:30pm

Friends Meeting of Washington
Featuring local anti-nuclear groups, crew, and Madison Rose from Back from the Brink

211 Decatur Pl NW
Washington, DC 20008



Tues. April 4
1 pm

Mayor's Proclamation in Alexandria: Golden Rule Days!
Celebrate with Poet Laureate, Zeina Azzam

Alexandria Wharf
Pier AB
outside Torpedo Factory
Arts Center

\$25
1811 14th St NW
Washington, DC 20009

Click [here](#) for the full schedule.

More info:
Helen Jaccard, 206-992-6364

Potomac River, Piscataway Creek, Chesapeake Bay - Military Poisons tour

- Julie Tayak Yates talks about the poisoning of her ancestral lands by the US military

The Golden Rule sailed past the Calvert Cliffs NPP, just 3 miles from an LNG export facility



Public Emergency INFORMATION

This area is located within the Emergency Planning Zone of Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant. During a potential or actual emergency condition, local officials will sound a steady siren tone for approximately three minutes or use public address system announcements on loudspeakers. The sirens tell the public to turn on Emergency Alert System radio or TV stations.

Maryland officials may close affected parks, forests and recreational areas and direct you to evacuate using designated routes. (In the event of a nuclear power plant emergency, special routes to reception centers will be provided.)


Turn on an Emergency Alert System (EAS) station for official information and instructions.

Primary EAS Radio Stations

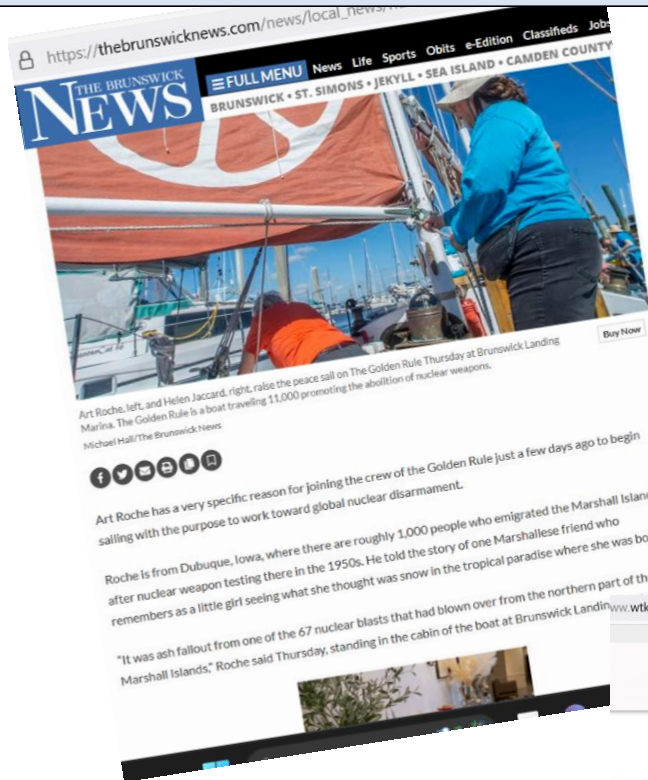
WPTX 1690 AM Mechanicsville	WYRX 97.7 FM Lexington Park
WSMD 98.3 FM Mechanicsville	WTOP 103.5 FM Frederick
WKIK 1560 AM La Plata	WKIK 102.9 FM California
WPRS 104.1 FM La Plata	WCEM 1240 AM, 106.3 FM Cambridge
WKHZ 1460 AM Easton	WCEI 96.7 FM Easton

1. Stay calm.
2. Gather your group together.
3. Go to your vehicle.
4. Tune in an EAS station.
5. Follow official public safety instructions.

Prepared in cooperation with the Department of Public Safety, Emergency Management Division



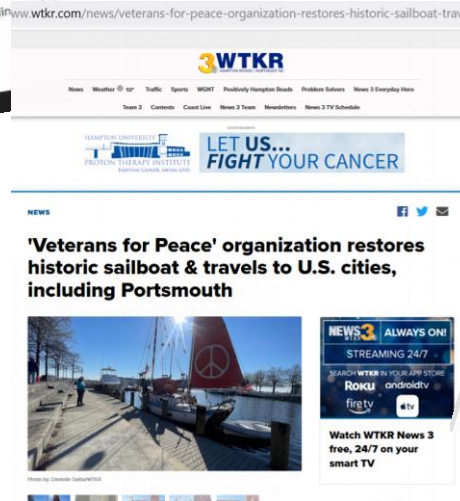
Media Coverage - EVERYWHERE!



The Virginian-Pilot



The Golden Rule & Veterans for Peace The Golden Rule, a historic sailboat, is docked at the High Street Landing in Portsmouth on Monday, March 20, 2023. Since 2015, Veterans For Peace has sponsored the boat on voyages calling people to action to abolish nuclear weapons, war and to work for an environmentally sustainable future. (Kendall Warner/The Virginian-Pilot)



Medium	Count
Paper	40
TV	22
eNews	21
Radio	7
Magazine	4
Blog	1
Podcast	1
Radio, YouTube	1
Total # Articles	97

**Baltimore Sun,
Philadelphia Inquirer!**

United Nations Missions!



Veterans For Peace and the Golden Rule team met with twelve UN missions, including New Zealand, Malaysia, Vietnam, Cuba, South Africa, Austria, Indonesia, Ireland, Costa Rica, Kiribati, and the Vatican



Veterans For Peace delegation visited with the Permanent UN Representative from the Republic of the Marshall Islands. Ambassador Amatlain Elizabeth Kabua gave a very warm welcome in her cozy UN office and spoke with the group for over two hours.

Rhode Island: Providence, Bristol



(l-r) Golden Rule crew members Steve Baggerly, River Pember, Bristol Town Councilman Aaron Ley, crew member Bill Good and Councilman Tim Sweeney pose with a doctrine that states Bristol is in favor of a ban on nuclear weapons.



Golden Rule crew are greeted by members of the Pokanoket tribe.



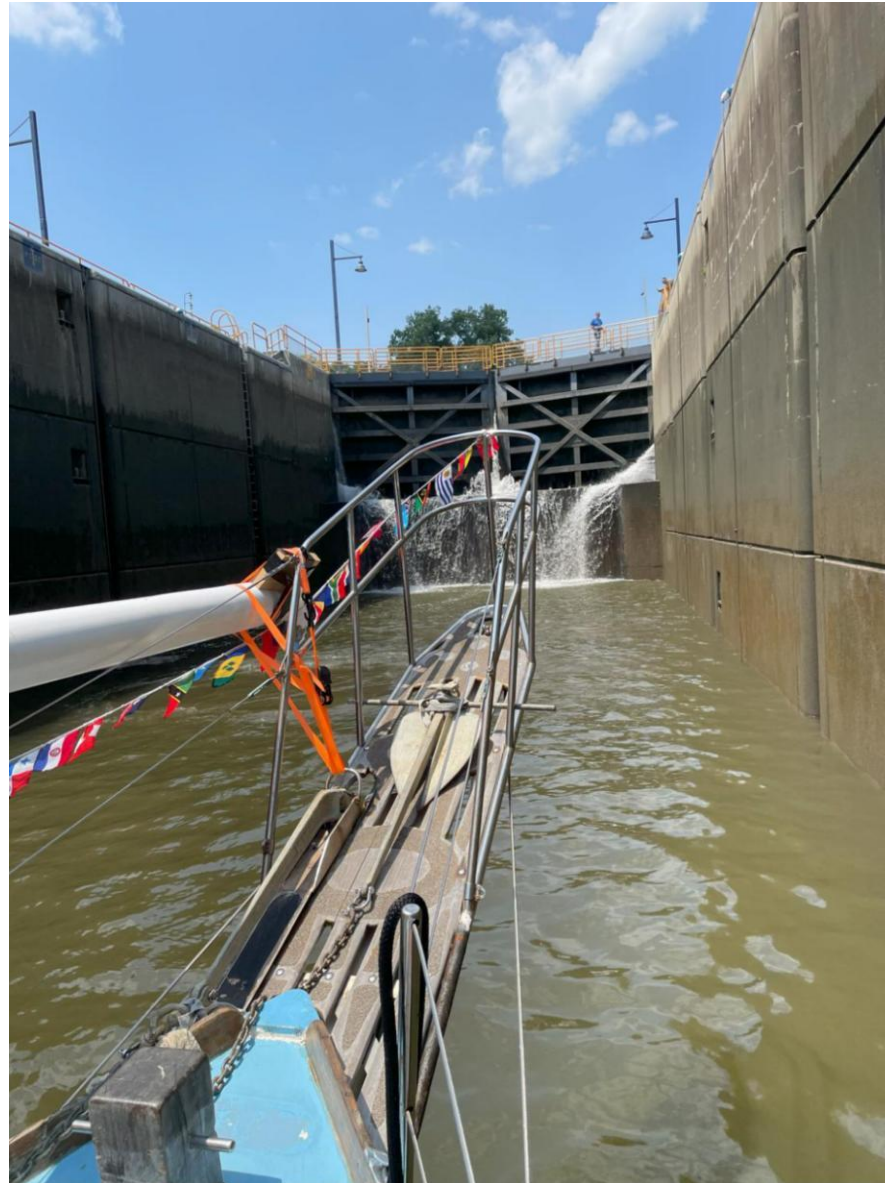
The Extraordinary Rendition Band played rousing music on the dock!







Erie Canal



LOCK E3

Waterford, NY

UPSTREAM ELEVATION	83.25 feet
DOWNSTREAM ELEVATION	48.75 feet
LIFT	34.5 feet



Erie Canal
Saratoga Co.

NEXT LOCK:

WESTBOUND LOCK	E4	.62 miles
EASTBOUND LOCK	E2	.28 miles















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Toronto





The Great Lakes 2023
 Veterans for Peace
 Golden Rule sail route
 for a nuclear-free world

Lake Superior

Michigan UP

Wisconsin

Michigan Lower Peninsula

Illinois

Indiana

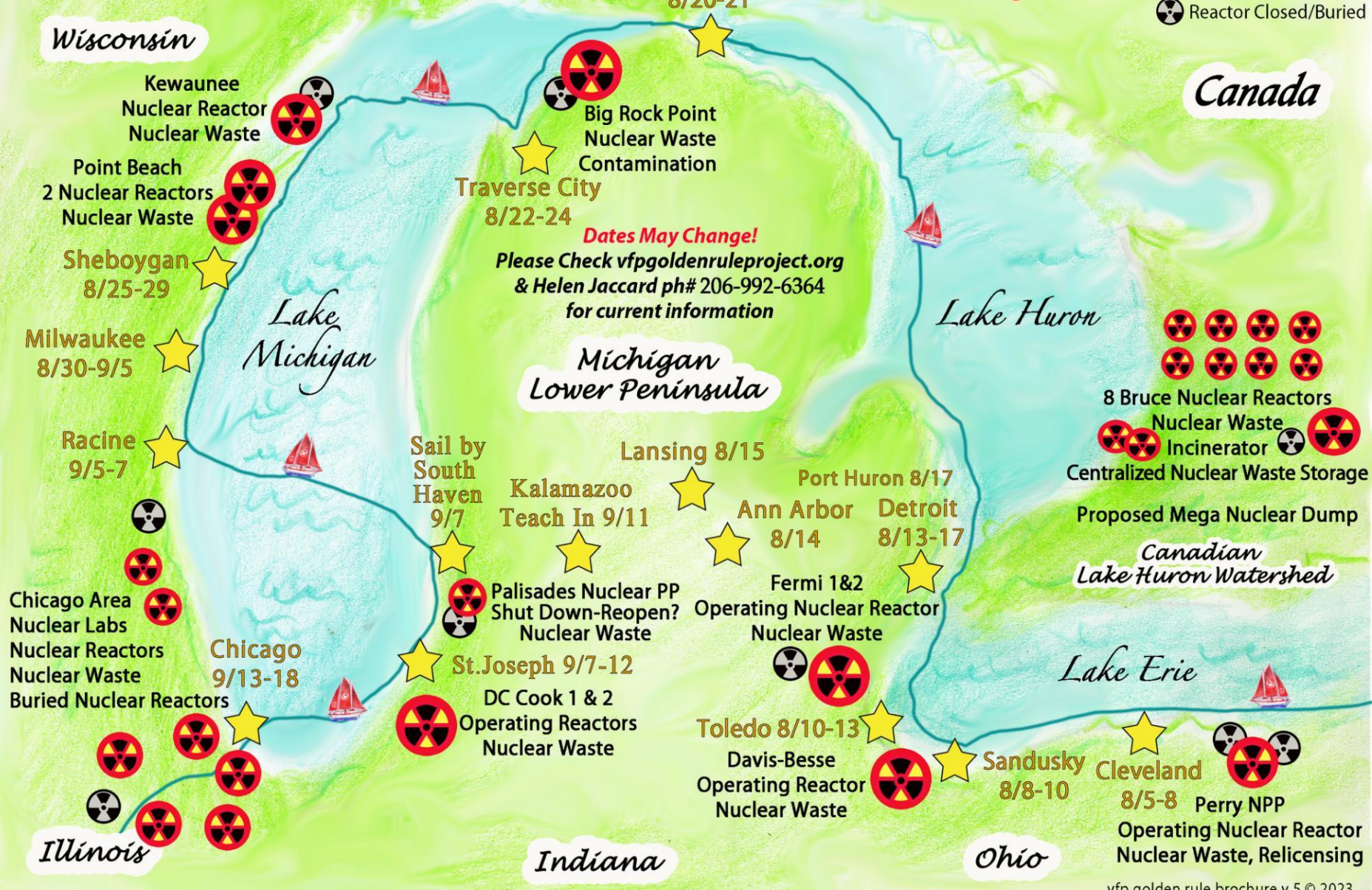
Ohio

Canada

200 million tonnes
 of radioactive uranium
 mine tailings in the
 Serpent River
 Watershed

KEY

- ★ STOPS/ACTIVITIES
- ☢ Nuclear Hot spots
- 🚢 Golden Rule Sail Route
- ⦿ Reactor Closed/Buried









William G. Milliken

State

Harbor





Great Loop Voyage Co-Sponsored by:

CodePink Women for Peace

Back from the Brink

World BEYOND War

RootsAction

Earth Quaker Action Team

Women's International League for Peace & Freedom

NuclearBan.US

United for Peace & Justice

And supported by many local chapters of:

Physicians for Social Responsibility

Raging Grannies

Quakers

Unitarian Universalists

Catholic Workers

2024 Sailing Plan (Preliminary) to Pacific Northwest



Mon 7/15 Eureka, CA

Departure Press Conference

Sat 7/27 – Sat 7/27 Bangor, WA

Protest Nuclear Submarines

Mon 7/29 – Mon 8/29 Puget Sound

8/6-11 Fleet Week in Seattle

Fri 8/30 – Wed 9/04 Victoria, BC

Victoria Classic Boat Festival

Fri 9/06 – Sun 9/08 Port Townsend, WA

Port Townsend Wooden Boat Festival

Fri 9/13 – Wed 9/18 Vancouver, WA & Portland, OR

9/14 Vancouver Peace Fair

Mon 9/30 Eureka, CA

Welcome Home Party, Press Conference

Program: 200 Presentations



Program: Fleet Week Protests

Bringing a message of Peace in contrast to the Machines of War, Inspiring Activists!
Fleet Week in Seattle, Portland, San Francisco, Los Angeles, San Diego



Program: Protest at Nuclear-Armed Submarine Base

First water-based protest since 1982 was with Golden Rule in 2016



Program: Day Sails



Program: Boat tours



Program: Guest Crew



Solidarity with Marshall Islanders



The Golden Rule

A Weapon of Mass Education

- Past nuclear weapons tests, use, lasting effects on people and environment
- Nuclear weapons are already used in war through threat of use
- Effects of a nuclear war
- Current dangers
- Actions
 - UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and other treaties
 - Bills before Congress
 - VFP No Nukes Working Group and Nuclear Posture Review
- Organizations (mentioned as Great Loop sponsors above)

Nobel Peace Prize Awarded to Anti-nuclear Activists

The 2017 Nobel Peace Prize was awarded to the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN) for its work to support the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (TPNW).

Veterans For Peace and the Golden Rule Project are members of ICAN



UN Votes to Ban the Bomb!

On July 7, 2017 the United Nations overwhelmingly passed the historic **UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons**. Approved by 122 countries - the UN Treaty makes it illegal to possess, use, deploy, transfer or threaten to use nuclear weapons.





Organizing Locally To Prevent Nuclear War

**A PRESENTATION
FOR COMMUNITIES**



**WE CALL ON THE
UNITED STATES
TO LEAD A
GLOBAL EFFORT
TO PREVENT
NUCLEAR WAR.**

- 1 PURSUE GLOBAL ELIMINATION**
- 2 END SOLE PRESIDENTIAL AUTHORITY**
- 3 END HAIR-TRIGGER ALERT**
- 4 CANCEL ENHANCED WEAPONS**
- 5 RENOUNCE FIRST USE**

TAKE ACTION

- 1. Engage on social media**
- 2. Urge your elected officials to endorse the campaign**
- 3. Spread the word via local media (letters, Op Eds, radio)**
- 4. Work with other groups and leaders in your community**
- 5. Pass a resolution in your local government**

Take Action!

VFP Nuclear Posture Review: www.tinyurl.com/VFP-NPR

- share it widely, and use it as a tool in your own anti-nuclear activities.

1. The Nuclear Ban Treaty Collective has resources to help with your actions, including banners. nuclearban.us
2. If you are participating in MLK events, highlight his opposition to nuclear weapons!
3. Ask your Congressional Representatives to support federal legislation to:
 - Embrace the Goals and Provisions of the TPNW, H. Res. 77
 - Maintain Congress' constitutional authority to declare war or a nuclear strike, H.R. 669
 - Redirect military spending to meet human needs, H.R. 1134
 - Redirect nuclear weapons spending to clean energy and human needs, H.R. 2775
5. As your member of Congress to join the Parliamentary Pledge of the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons (ICAN) <https://pledge.icanw.org/>.
6. Enroll your City or State in the ICAN Cities Campaign. <https://cities.icanw.org/> and Mayors For Peace.