

The Peace Booth at the North Carolina State Fair

Bringing the message of Peace to North Carolina fairgoers for over fifty years

Volunteer Instructions

Our theme this year is: *Imagine Peace*

Welcome and thanks for the gift of your time in the interest of peace. The Peace Booth is the most effective use of our time to bring the message of peace to the most people.

The Peace Booth is located in the Education Building, near the corner of Blue Ridge & Hillsborough Streets. If you enter at gate 12, the entrance between Buildings 2 and 3, and turn left into the first door; the Peace Booth will be down the aisle on the right. See you there!

Because of the crowds, allow at least an hour to get to the fairgrounds. Please arrive at least 15 minutes before your scheduled time so you can acquaint yourself with the booth and relieve the previous shift on time. Remember there is a long walk from the free parking areas. Parking can cost \$10.00 if free areas are full. The CAT bus runs shuttles to the fair. and drops you off right at the education building. There is a one way or round trip fare for the CAT buses; see the NC State Fair transportation web page, the News & Observer or call Capitol Area Transit at 890-3430 for details of routes and costs.

Our message this year is Imagine Peace. We have a wide variety of literature about peacemaking. Please encourage visitors to take the literature. The children's activities include coloring sheets. We also have <http://www.ncpeacebooth.org/documents/bookmarks.pdf> to hand out (the bookmarks include the Peace Booth website address, www.ncpeacebooth.org) and stickers to wear at the Fair.

We will have three petitions this year (work in progress)

Anyone who can read and understand the petitions can sign them, no matter what their age. Each petition has background information stored under the table. You can hand these out if people want more information before or after they sign. Please read the petitions and the background information so you are familiar with their content and can answer questions about them.

The petitions are on clipboards with attached pens. Please keep the signed petitions on the clipboard. This often encourages others to sign. They are removed each day. Extra petitions are stored under the tables.

If people ask for stickers to use with other children groups, please feel free to give them some of the past years stickers. They are located under the table.

There are church statements on peace and other informative literature. Encourage visitors to explore the literature and take what they wish. We have stickers for children.

A Red Volunteer Instruction Book is on the Table. It contains the master sheet of volunteers with phone numbers, additional and more detailed instructions, and blank paper. Please read this book and record any concerns or ideas. Please sign your name and phone number if you make a suggestion.

Patrick O'Neill checks the booth each night. Leo and Judy check the booth each morning. If you have questions first call your coordinator. If you cannot reach them you may call Judy and Leo at 782-0667 or Patrick O'Neill 779-1912

Please ask your replacement to read the Red Volunteer Book. Please stick around long enough for the person to look over the material and ask any questions.