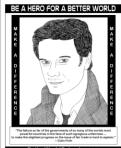


BetterWorld Issue:

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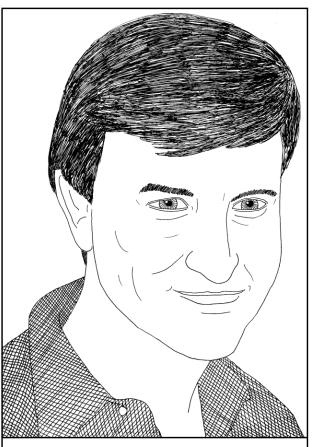








WHAT'S YOUR BETTERWORLD ISSUE? FAIR TRADE



"Fair Trade is a market-based, entrepreneurial response to business as usual: it helps third-word farmers developing direct market access as well as the organizational and management capacity to add value to their products and take them directly to the global market. Direct trade, a fair price, access to capital and local capacity-building, which are the core strategies of this model, have been successfully building farmers' incomes and self-reliance for more than 50 years."

— Paul Rice, FairTrade USA

In the 1940s, some churches raised funds for poverty-stricken communities by selling the handicrafts created by the poor communities. This was the start of the Fair Trade movement. Now, Fair Trade goods, like coffee, tea, cocoa, wine, nuts, clothes, handicrafts and jewelry, amount to \$500 million in annual sales! The Fair Trade movement is growing as people realize that they can help alleviate poverty and protect the environment by choosing Fair Trade products.

Fair Trade means that the item has been made or grown by workers who work in safe conditions and are paid a livable wage. Fair Trade promotes gender equality and safe environmental practices. Workers are often part of a co-op, benefiting the entire community, and there is no middleman to take a cut of the profits. So, Fair Trade goods are generally not more expensive and are of equal or better quality than conventionally produced goods.

In the late-1980s, a "certified Fair Trade" label made it easy for consumers to identify fair trade goods. Today there are more than 3000 Fair Trade grassroots organizations in 60 countries working with over a million small-scale workers. Fair Trade products are sold in thousands of Fair Trade shops and in a growing number of traditional supermarkets, shops and restaurants.

Fair Trade Day, on the second Saturday in May, is an opportunity to educate your community about Fair Trade products, and the Fair Trade movement's goal to create a more equitable, just and sustainable model for ALL international trade.

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- Participate in an event to raise about the Fair Trade movement. to clean water for all.
- Buy Fair Trade products whenever possible.
- Ask your supermarket to carry Fair Trade Products.
- Share DO ONE THING Cards to inspire others.

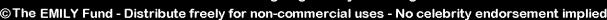
Fair Trade Links

- Equal Exchange (equalexchange.com)
- Fair Trade Federation
 (fairtradefederation.org)
- Fair Trade Resource Network (fairtraderesource.org)
- Global Exchange (globalexchange.org)
- International Fair Trade Assoc. (ifat.org)
- TransFair USA (transfairusa.org)
- World Fair Trade Day (wftday.org)



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"What made traditional economies so radically different and so very fundamentally dangerous to Western economies were the traditional principles of prosperity of Creation versus scarcity of resources, of sharing and distribution versus accumulation and greed, of kinship usage rights versus individual exclusive ownership rights, and of sustainability versus growth." -- Rebecca Adamson

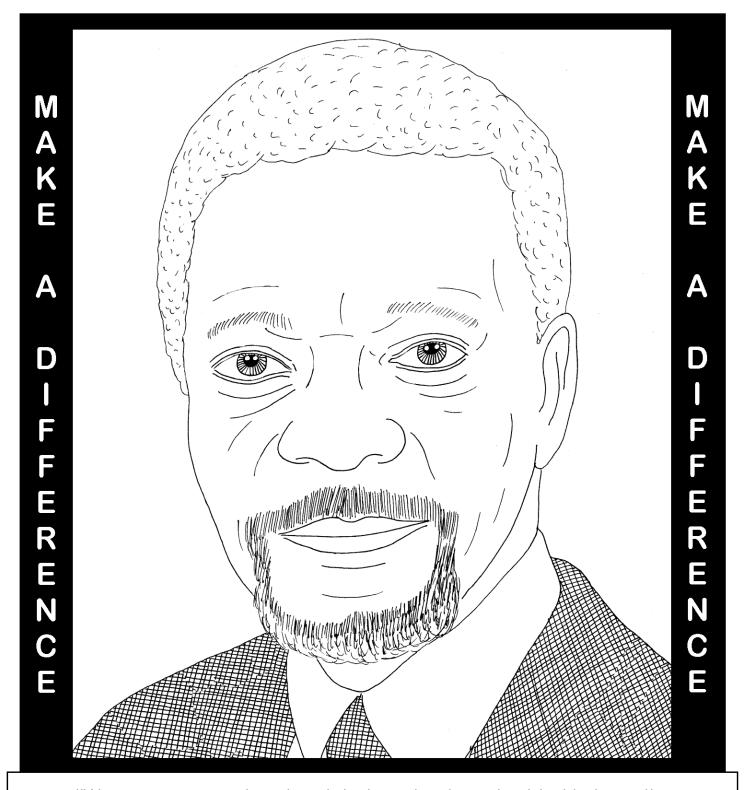
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"...Any definition of a culture of peace must address the problem of achieving justice for communities and individuals who do not have the means to compete or cope without structured assistance and compassionate help."

-- Mahnaz Afkhami

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"We must ensure that the global market is embedded in broadly shared values and practices that reflect global social needs, and that all the world's people share the benefits of globalization."

-- Kofi Annan

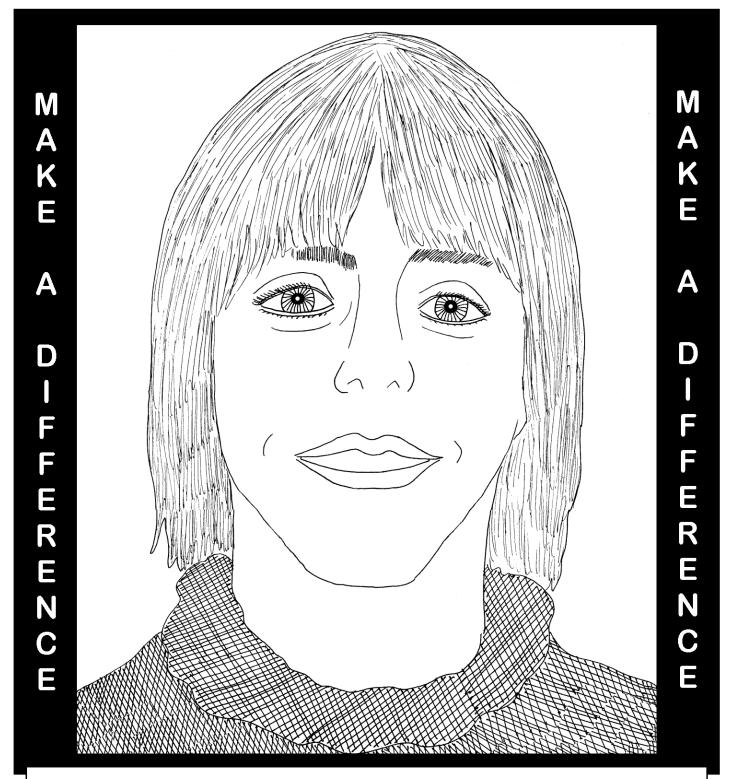
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"We are committed with our lives to building a different model and a different future for humanity, the Earth, and other species. We have envisaged a moral alternative to economic globalization and we will not rest until we see it realized."

-- Maude Barlow

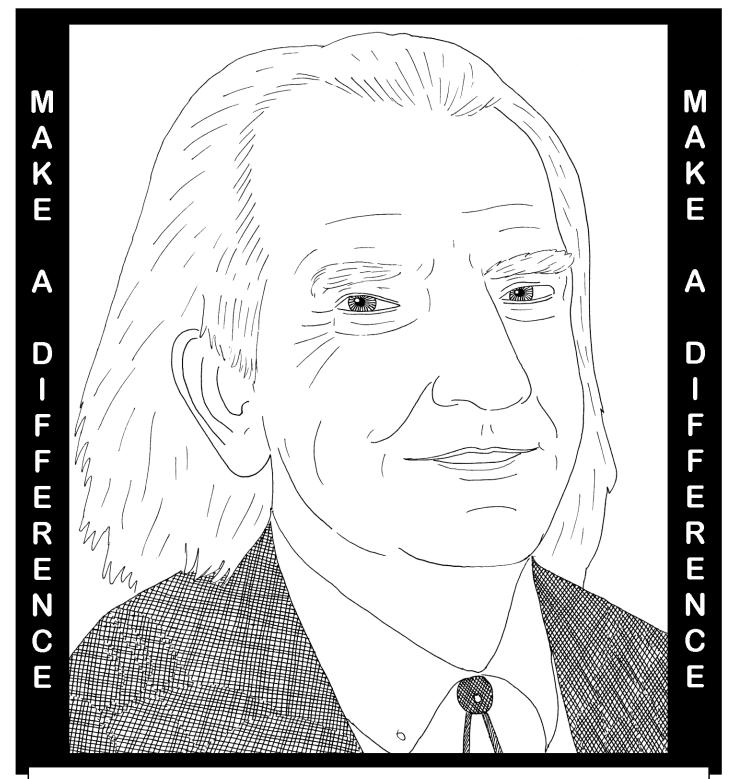
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"In Fair Trade, we see ourselves as this infinitesimal part of the world economy. But somebody's got to come up with an alternative model that says children eating is No. 1."

-- Medea Benjamin

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"Economics has been incurably growth-oriented and addicted to everybody growing richer, even at the cost of exhaustion of resources and pollution of the environment."

-- Kenneth Boulding

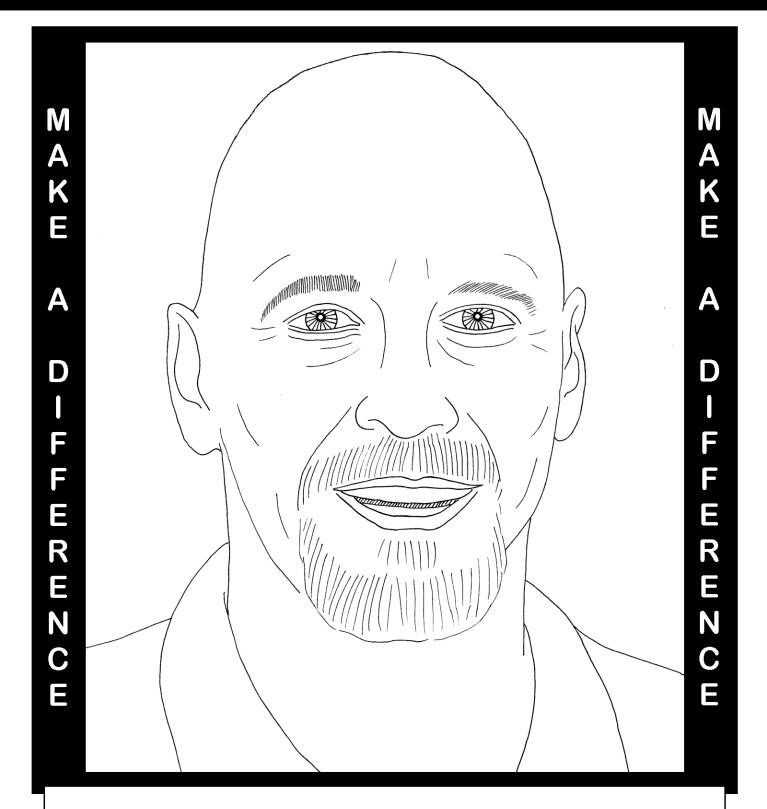
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"If the corporations have their way, the Earth will be killed, and that's in your lifetime. It's revolting to me that students are being trained to work in corporations. It's obscene to me that the corporations are running the world."

-- Dr. Helen Caldicott

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"The global economy works for about twenty percent of the world, for about eighty percent it doesn't."

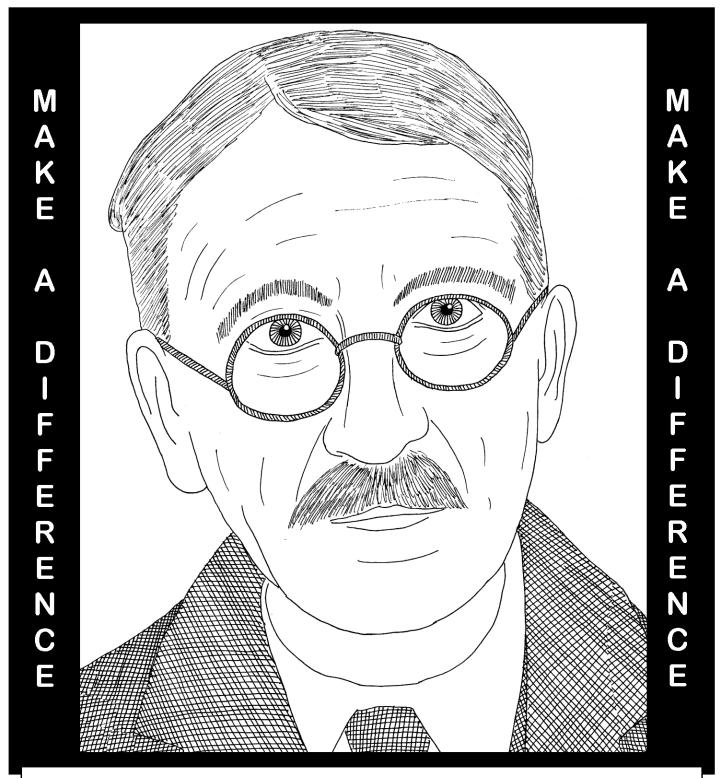
-- Kevin Danaher

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"We want a system in which the worker shall get what he produces and the capitalist shall produce what he gets."
-- Eugene V. Debs

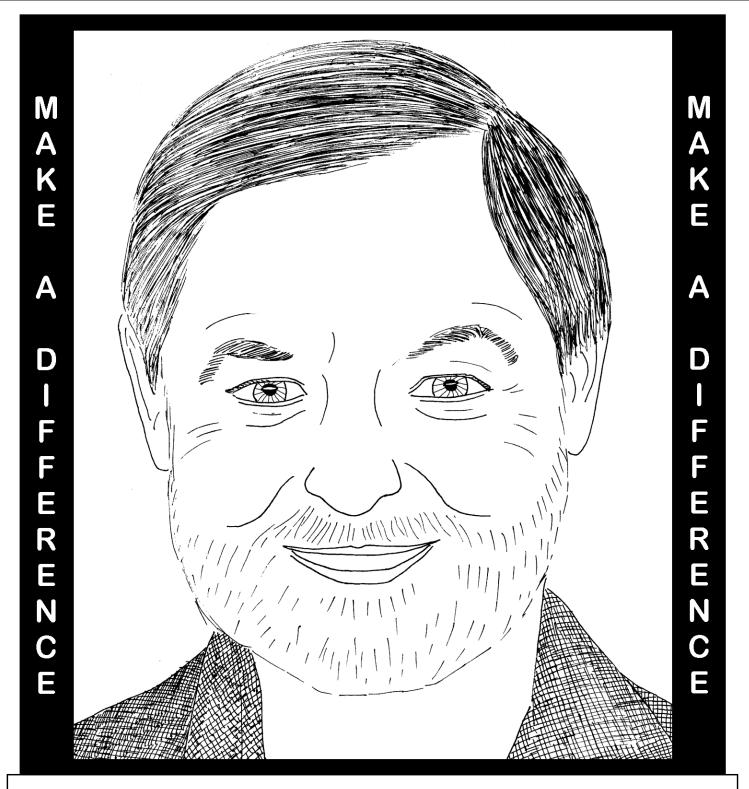
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"The ultimate aim of production is not production of goods but the production of free human beings associated with one another on terms of equality."

-- John Dewey

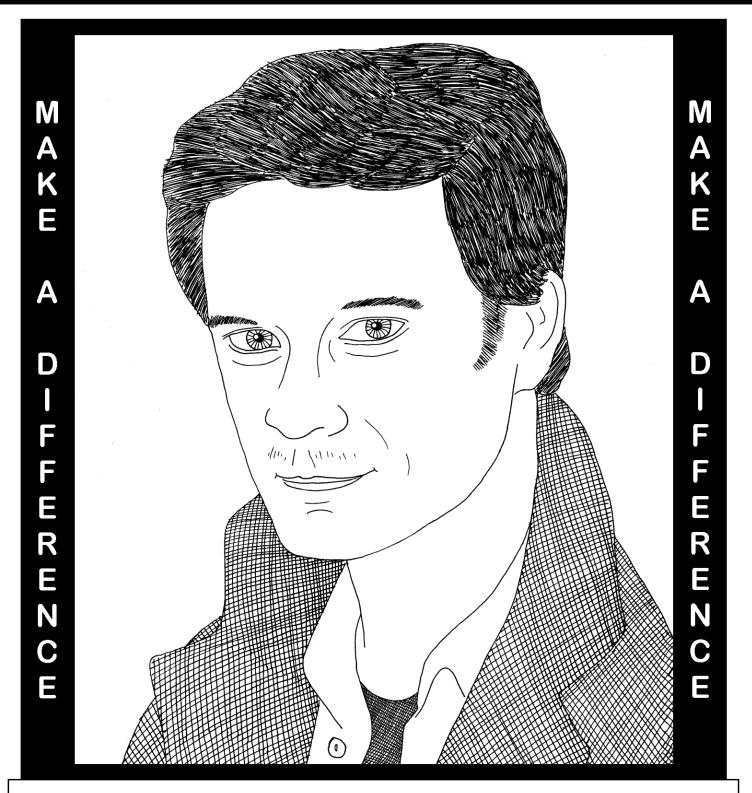
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"The intention of this way of life [voluntary simplicity] is not to dogmatically live with less. It's a more demanding intention of living with balance. This is a middle way that moves between the extremes of poverty and indulgence."

-- Duane Elgin

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"The failure so far of the governments of so many of the worlds most powerful countries in the face of such egregious unfairness ... to make the slightest progress on the issue of fair trade is hard to explain."

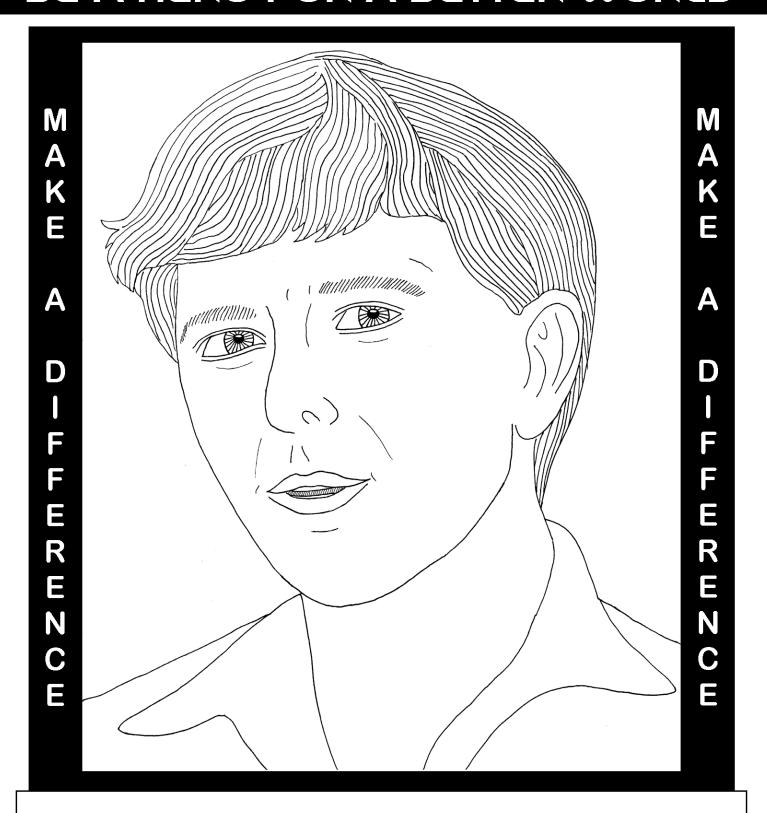
-- Colin Firth

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"I feel more confident than ever that the power to save the planet rests with the individual consumer."
-- Denis Hayes

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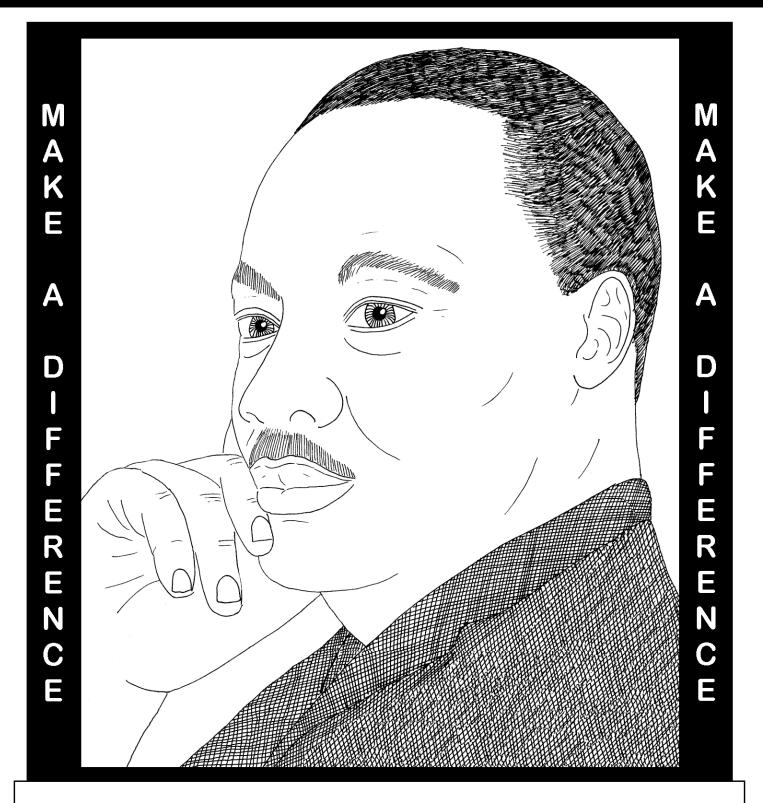
"Economic policy turns out to be the most important environmental policy."
-- Randy Hayes

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"Concern for the public good must become the animating force of our economic order." -- Marjorie Kelly

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"We must recognize that we can't solve our problems now until there is a radical redistribution of economic and political power..."
-- Martin Luther King, Jr.

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"It's a measure of the depth of our consumer trance that the death of the planet is not sufficient to break it."
-- Kalle Lasn

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"Many Americans hunger for a different kind of society -- one based on principles of caring, ethical and spiritual sensitivity, and communal solidarity. Their need for meaning is just as intense as their need for economic security."

-- Rabbi Michael Lerner

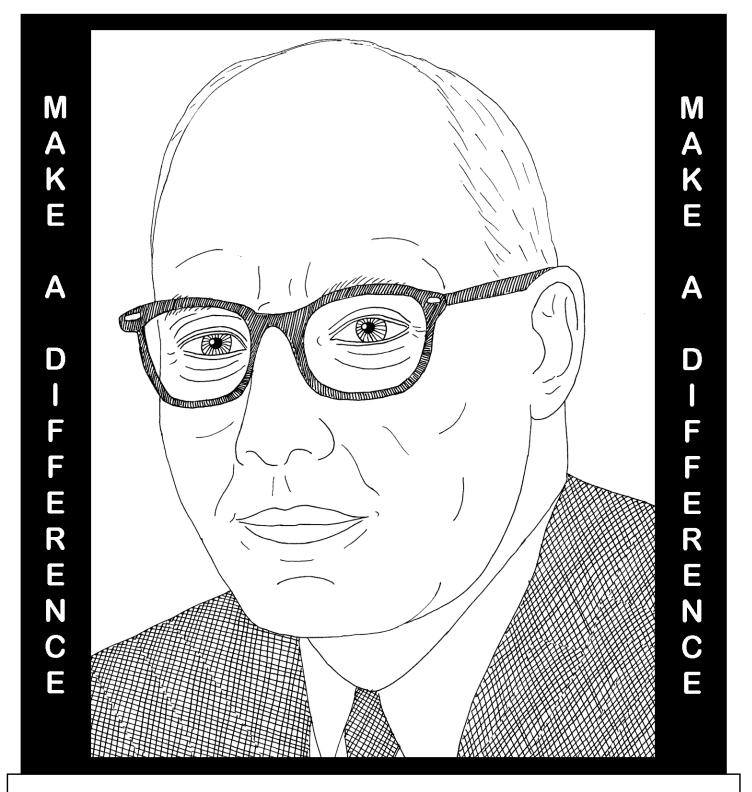
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"The political system is not for the people. The people are secondary to the economy. It's about what generates money, not about what benefits the people."

-- Ziggy Marley

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"The basic goal of labor will not change. It is -- as it has always been, and I am sure always will be -- to better the standards of life for all who work for wages and to seek decency and justice and dignity for all Americans."

-- George Meany

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"Our motto is to work for peace based on social justice.
Our mandate is to improve the condition, health and
safety of workers, and our mission is universal."
-- David A. Morse

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"The essence of globalization is a subordination of human rights, of labor rights, consumer, environmental rights, democracy rights, to the imperatives of global trade and investment."

-- Ralph Nader

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"...we've got a lot of work to do economically in this country to bring about a more just and fair economy."

-- Barack Obama

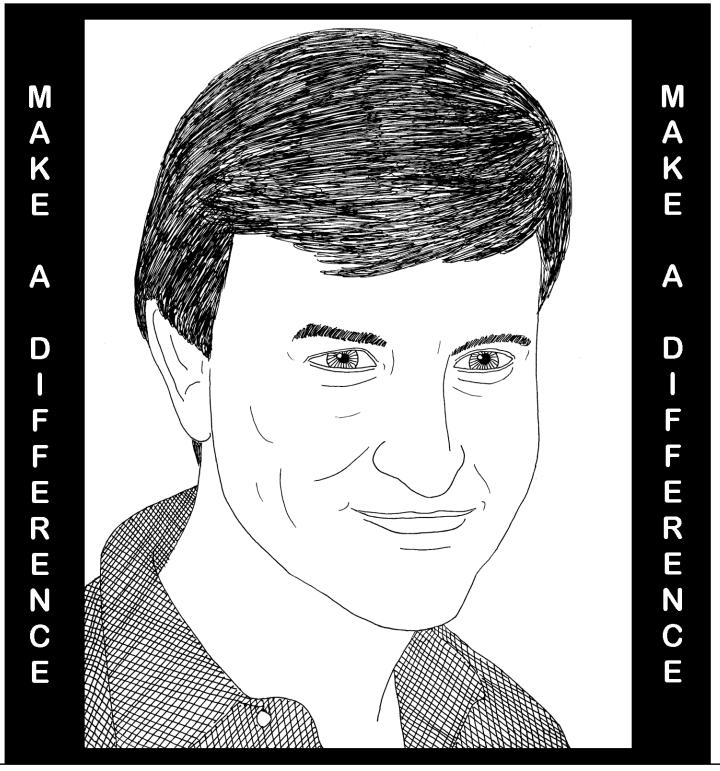
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"Out of our first century of national life we evolved the ethical principle that it was not right or just that an honest and industrious man should live and die in misery. He was entitled to some degree of sympathy and security. Our conscience declared against the honest workman's becoming a pauper, but our eyes told us that he very often did."

-- Frances Perkins

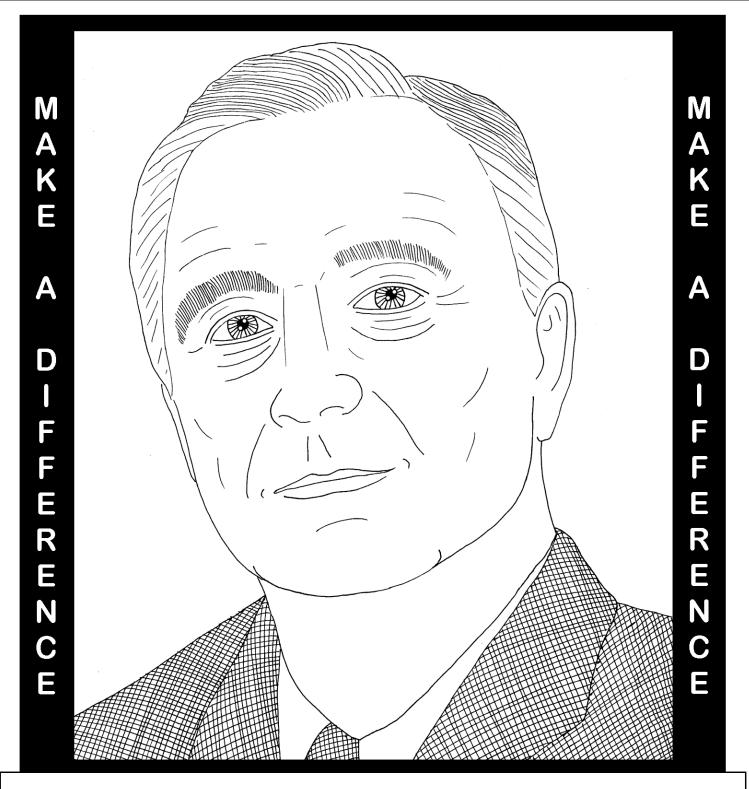
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-- Paul Rice

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"No business which depends for existence on paying less than living wages to its workers has any right to continue in this country. By living wages I mean more than a bare subsistence level -- I mean the wages of decent living."

-- Franklin D. Roosevelt

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"The Globalization of humanity is a natural, biological, evolutionary process. Yet we face an enormous crisis because the most central and important aspect of globalization - its economy - is currently being organized in a manner that so gravely violates the fundamental principles by which healthy living systems are organized that it threatens the demise of our whole civilization." -- Elisabet Sahtouris

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"We need new proactive policies that focus directly on how authorities in the public and private sphere can blend economic and social policies with an enabling environment for private initiative to create market opportunities for Decent Work."

-- Juan Somavia

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"When you buy Fairtrade products you can guarantee that the farmers who have worked hard to grow them get a minimum price. Fairtrade is a way of giving regular support – and enjoying delicious high quality foods at the same time."

-- Emma Thompson

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"It is absolutely sure that if globalization is not founded on moral values not only will fail but will bring about global calamities."
-- Dr. George Vithoulkas

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"Business is beautiful when it's a vehicle for serving the common good."
-- Judy Wicks

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