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We chose Jefferson's portrait because it goes with the quote. (We like to think his pout is a response to the military budget.)  
Extra Credit: On which U.S. bill does this portrait appear? (Answer Page 6)

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# Peace Tax Fund *Update*

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## Peace Tax Fund Bill: H.R. # ? ? ? ?

The only thing we know about the Religious Freedom Peace Tax Fund Bill number in the 109th Congress is that it will have four digits. The bill will receive its new number when Rep. John Lewis (D-GA) introduces it into the House of Representatives. We expect this to happen by April 15, Tax Day. As soon as it's introduced, we'll let you know on [www.peacetaxfund.org](http://www.peacetaxfund.org).

## Lobby For Conscience, May 16

NCPTF and Center on Conscience and War will host a joint lobby day for conscience on May 16, 2005. We invite you to come to D.C., or to lobby in your representative's local office. Call us or visit [www.peacetaxfund.org](http://www.peacetaxfund.org) for more info and to sign up.

## Annual Meeting, May 13-14

Prior to Lobby Day, the NCPTF Board of Directors will meet on Friday and Saturday. This is our annual meeting, which means that all NCPTF members are welcome to attend. Please let us know if you are interested in coming to the annual meeting.

## War Spending to Rise in '06 \$64 Billion Cloaked as "Supplemental"

The Bush administration plans to spend \$419 billion on the Department of Defense in Fiscal Year 2006 – not counting the cost of the war in Iraq. This is a \$19 billion increase over the 2005 Dept. of Defense budget. The President's 2006 budget proposal, released in February, must be approved by Congress before it takes effect on October 1, 2005.

Congress is also being asked to approve a \$64 billion "emergency" supplemental spending request for the war in Iraq. The intended purpose of supplemental requests is to respond to unforeseen circumstances, like relief for natural disasters. The practice of paying for the continuation of war in Iraq through supplemental measures obscures the cost of the war by keeping it outside

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## Legislate Nationally, Resolve Locally

By TIM GODSHALL | Last winter, the New York City Campaign for a Peace Tax Fund started the first local campaign to pass a city council resolution in support of the Peace Tax Fund. The NYC Campaign has generated much support from New York peace, justice and religious organizations by focusing on the economic impact of military spending on their city.

Observing the successes in New York, NCPTF is promoting local organizing as a new focus in the effort to protect the rights of conscience. Using resources available online, such as [www.nationalpriorities.org](http://www.nationalpriorities.org), activists can easily develop materials that show the actual costs of war in their communities. Such materials are convincing to those who feel the cuts in education, healthcare, environmental, or housing programs. For those who are not conscientiously opposed to paying for war, seeing the dramatic numbers can help them to understand why someone would have convictions against paying for war.

We have been impressed by the way in which lobbying a city council can add life to the work of lobbying Congress. This follows from one of the basic tenets of organizing: start off small and build larger with each success. Enacting the Religious Freedom Peace Tax Fund, while not the ultimate goal of most peace activists, is certainly a significant step and a long-term struggle. Along the way, smaller victories, such as a city council resolution of support for the Peace Tax Fund, can energize those already involved, bring in new people, and add the voices of this nation's cities and towns to the chorus calling for freedom of conscience.

For many communities where discontent over federal spending priorities is high, a Peace Tax Fund resolution campaign may be something that is just waiting to happen. For other communities, while a resolution might not pass, such a campaign can raise awareness of the issue and gain more supporters for the national legislation. Whether or not a local campaign is "successful," it can yield benefits. The educational effort in New York City has already brought in more support for the national movement, regardless of City Council's vote on the resolution.

- Interested in starting a local campaign? Contact Tim Godshall ([timgodshall@peacetaxfund.org](mailto:timgodshall@peacetaxfund.org), 202-483-3751)
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BY MARIAN FRANZ  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

# Trumping the Numbers

'Tis the season... budget season, that is. The cold numbers were sent to Congress. The president is asking for a \$2.5 trillion budget for the year which begins in October. There's a record deficit of \$427 billion. Where do they get all that red ink?

Oh yes, and the administration's "tough" budget doesn't even include the long-term costs of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, or the costs of his Social Security plan. Much is off-limits for cuts. "When domestic human needs are discussed," said one congressional staffer, "there is an elephant in the room -- the military budget." Why is security talked about only in military terms?

Revenues are the lowest they've been since 1959 due to tax cuts (figures adjusted for inflation). So just how is this budget supposed to work? The president says that we must be prepared to "sacrifice in a time of war."

What I worry about is the involuntary sacrifice forced on so many. The heaviest load will be carried by those already most disadvantaged. There will be fewer government services and increasing disparity in wealth, incomes and opportunities between the haves and the have-nots. The major entitlement programs -- Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, and aid to needy families -- will be slashed. \$60 billion is to be gouged out of Medicaid alone over the next decade.

Also making an involuntary sacrifice will be future generations who have no voice in the current debate but on whose shoulders will drop the swelling trillions of government debt. The debt will balloon even faster at the end of the president's term because of hidden price tags. Not only that, future generations will have to cope with the cumulative and foreboding degradation and depletion of our environment and natural resources.

## A trump card

I was listening to staff from the Congressional Budget Office explain the budget numbers. "Remember," one said, "stories trump the numbers." It was startling, but hopeful. These folks are calling for help from the various

churches and agencies to translate these cold budget numbers into stories of warm people with real faces. We should not assume members of Congress have first-hand knowledge about how the national budget affects the poor and future generations. We should also note that members of Congress are not heartless. They will respond to ways the numbers affect real people, real families, and real future generations.

These critical domestic needs are the focus of growing local support for passage of the Peace Tax Fund bill. The New York City Council Resolution in Support of the Religious Freedom Peace Tax Fund bill states that advanced weapons perpetrate violence not only due to their incredible destructive powers, "but also due to the devastation they cause in our communities by draining essential financial resources needed to address basic human needs..." Conscience is based on this side of military spending also.

There are many stories that wait to be told. People in cities large (San Francisco) and small have expressed interest in working on similar city or state resolutions. We have received a grant to do this work in Rhode Island in order to hold hearings with a variety of witnesses (see page 4). As we learn from these experiences, we'll pass them on to you. Stay in touch with our web site.

There are many ways to tell stories: write letters to the editor of your local newspaper, hold local hearings, invite TV stations to cover stories of those in poverty, visit with your member of Congress (bring stories and faces), write letters to members of Congress (you can send letters directly from our web site). Come on May 16 to our lobby day (see page 1). To find specifically how your own state and city are disabled by military expenditures, contact the National Priorities Project at [www.nationalpriorities.org/budget](http://www.nationalpriorities.org/budget). Let's swap our stories with each other.

Hunger is a weapon of mass destruction. So is war. So is abuse of the environment. These are moral issues. Our mandate is to seek a remedy in tax law and to trump the numbers with our stories.

You can now purchase Peace Tax Fund Materials at NCPTF's online store.

[www.peacetaxfund.org](http://www.peacetaxfund.org)



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# Burrowing Nukes Defy Sanity, Conscience

The following article was written last fall just before Congress voted against funding research into earth-penetrating nuclear weapons. Unfortunately, the Fiscal Year 2006 request again includes funding for these weapons - \$8.5 million between energy and defense departments. David Headly has been involved with NCPTF since 1992. He has a Ph.D. in nuclear chemistry and teaches high school science in Richmond. He can be reached at [dheadly@comcast.net](mailto:dheadly@comcast.net).

By DAVID HEADLY | The Bush administration wants to develop a new class of nuclear weapons called "bunker busters" - nuclear weapons designed to penetrate deep into the ground, and then explode, with the goal of (a) destroying hardened command centers or military targets and all those inside, and/or (b) to sterilize (via heat and radiation) stockpiles of chemical or biological weapons in underground bunkers. This is a case of politicians approving a plan, knowing that the general public does not have access to the scientific evidence demonstrating that it will not work.

There are supposedly about a thousand known military-related targets in underground bunkers in about 70 countries around the world, many as deep as 300 meters (about 1,000 ft) underground and under solid rock<sup>1</sup>. The terrible problem with trying to destroy such targets using nuclear weapons is what the military calls "collateral damage" - civilian deaths from exposure to radioactive fallout from dirt and rock that are simultaneously irradiated and blown into the atmosphere from the underground explosion. The ability to destroy deeply buried targets without also causing massive loss of life depends on two things: (a) how far underground the missile can penetrate before detonation while still remaining intact, and (b) how far down it must detonate to avoid the release of the fallout.

An article in the monthly periodical *Physics Today*<sup>3</sup> lays out some very clear conclusions based on years of research at national laboratories. The facts are these: first, our "best" earth penetrating missiles can go no deeper than 15 to 20 meters into solid rock before detonation. Second, the destructive energy from a so-called low-yield device, at 0.1 kilotons, would reach no deeper than about 30 meters!

Not until about 100 kilotons (over 7 times as powerful as the Hiroshima bomb) does the weapon's destruction

extend downward to just over 100 meters. For a blast of any yield, though, the minimum safe depth to avoid the fallout (to contain the blast) is much deeper than missiles can ever hope to penetrate. For example, a 100 kiloton warhead would have to reach over 400 meters underground! The data clearly show that it is simply not possible to destroy deep underground bunkers except with very powerful (several megaton) nuclear weapons - but this will without question result in massive loss of civilian life. In the words of Robert Nelson<sup>3</sup>, "For a typical third-world urban population density of 6000/km<sup>2</sup> ... a 1-kt weapon would kill tens of thousands and a 100-kt weapon would kill hundreds of thousands of people."

The goal of sterilizing biological weapons meets the same fate. The nuclear blast, unless a direct hit on a very small (3-5 meters) batch of weapons, would not generate high enough temperatures to destroy the target. Instead, as Robert Nelson states, it is more likely that "the cargo of still lethal chemical and biological toxins" would enter the environment<sup>3</sup>.

But even if these weapons were able to do what is desired of them, the resulting destabilizing effect on nuclear proliferation would more than likely be traumatic. According to Drell and Goodby, "If the United States, the strongest nation in the world, concludes that it cannot protect its vital interests without relying on nuclear weapons in limited war situations, whether against biological weapons or deeply buried targets, it would be a clear signal to other nations that nuclear weapons are necessary for their security purposes... Diplomatic operations, in the context of a policy of defensive last resort for nuclear weapons, offer the best hope for preserving and strengthening a non-proliferation regime in the years ahead<sup>2</sup>."

The administration is requesting \$8.5 million dollars to test these weapons in Fiscal Year 2006. I cannot imagine a more insane use of my tax dollars.

Sources:

1. Private communication with Sidney D. Drell, professor emeritus of Stanford University and Hoover Institution Fellow
2. Sidney Drell and James Goodby, *The Gravest Danger: Nuclear Weapons* (Hoover Institution Press, Stanford, 2003).
3. Robert Nelson, *Nuclear Bunker Busters, Mini-Nukes, and the US Nuclear Stockpile*, *Physics Today* (November 2003), pg. 32-37.

Answer to question from back page: Jefferson's face appears on the rare \$2 bill.

# My Taxes as Fuel for His War

This Op-ed appeared in the *Austin American-Statesman* on January 19, 2005. Andy McKenna, an Austin resident, volunteers for NCPTF. He can be reached at [peacetax-tx@ev1.net](mailto:peacetax-tx@ev1.net).

By ANDY MCKENNA | President Bush recently said of Osama bin Laden: "His vision of the world is one in which there is no freedom of expression, freedom of religion and/or freedom of conscience." But in Bush's fervor to export democracy at the end of a gun barrel, he has denied many people these very freedoms. From Guantanamo to Abu Ghraib to Muslims and anti-war protestors in the United States, the Bush administration has run roughshod over civil liberties. And although I am not being detained or tortured, I am also paying a price for freedom.

As another tax year ends, many wage earners start preparing their 1040 forms for the Internal Revenue Service. Meanwhile, I and other members of Austin Conscientious Objectors to Military Taxation (ACOMT, [www.acomt.org](http://www.acomt.org)) are preparing to suffer the consequences of our principled refusal to pay taxes that finance war.

In 2004, our group's members saw an increase in IRS seizures of our wages and bank accounts. A state worker had a bank account seized twice and recently received more garnishment notices from the IRS. A Quaker emergency-room physician, whose car was seized in 1991, was recently visited at her home

by an IRS agent and faces possible seizure of her wages and another car. A housecleaner and artist continues living intentionally below the taxable level to legally avoid paying war taxes. In the fall, after 11 years of inaction, the IRS garnished my wages by taking all but \$662.50 - the monthly federal poverty level - from my paychecks.

The \$465 billion-a-year war machine has caused the deaths of more than 1,300 U.S. military personnel and as many as 17,000 Iraqi civilians. According to the National Priorities Project, the Iraq war has cost Austin families \$375 million to date.

I and other war-tax resisters want to pay our taxes, but we cannot in good conscience pay others to kill in our names. We regularly redirect thousands of our tax dollars to humanitarian and peaceful causes. Last April 15, ACOMT gave money to the American Friends Service Committee's relief efforts in Iraq and to Austin's Nonmilitary Options for Youth. Just before Christmas, we made a donation to Casa Marianella and La Posada, two East Austin immigrant shelters.

This is a drop in the bucket, but it is one drop less for the barrelsful of blood being shed in Iraq. And it means a lot to the nonprofit groups struggling to fill the canyon in human services funding left by the massive Pentagon budget.

There ought to be a law - since the First Amendment apparently does not apply to us - that would enable us to direct our taxes to a Treasury Department fund dedicated to non-military purposes. Our group believes that the Religious Freedom Peace Tax Fund Bill is a win-win solution. It would grant civil liberties to our minority class of taxpayers by extending to war-tax resisters the legal protections that the Military Selective Service Act gave conscientious objectors. It would increase tax revenues and decrease the IRS's collection burden - without reducing the military budget or "opening the floodgates" to other taxpayers.

More than 1,000 Central Texans have signed a petition supporting the bill, and dozens of Austin clergy, community groups and statewide organizations such as the American Civil Liberties Union of Texas have endorsed it. Many national secular and religious organizations - even Bush's own denomination, the United Methodist Church - support the National Campaign for a Peace Tax Fund. The

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## National Campaign for a Peace Tax Fund & The Peace Tax Foundation



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Membership in the NCPTF costs \$35 annually. Since NCPTF advocates for the legal recognition of conscientious objection to military taxation, membership dues and gifts to NCPTF are not tax-deductible. Tax-deductible contributions can be made to the Peace Tax Foundation, which educates the public about issues of taxes and war.

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## PTF Gets Grants for R.I. Work

The Peace Tax Foundation, the educational sister organization of NCPTF, recently received two grants to educate in Rhode Island on conscientious objection to military taxation. The project plan includes holding a hearing at which conscientious objectors will testify, holding several educational events, networking with religious, peace, civil liberties and educational organizations, and increasing the profile of conscientious objection to military taxation in that area. NCPTF will work with the Peace Tax Foundation to encourage local organizing in Rhode Island cities and towns.

Rhode Island is a strategic place to focus for several reasons: 1) It has a rich history of protecting religious freedom and the separation of church and state, ideas which are foundational to the cause of conscientious objection, 2) it has many religious and educational institutions with which we could partner, 3) it is small enough and close enough to be a manageable location, and 4) since none of its congressional delegates have cosponsored the Religious Freedom Peace Tax Fund bill, it is an ideal area for growth.

### NCPTF Seeks Field Organizer

The NCPTF seeks to hire a field organizer to manage educational and outreach efforts in Rhode Island (see above article). Paid position beginning in June, 2005, will last 6 months (first 3 months part time, last 3 months full time). Strong organizational skills, self-motivation, and interest in the Peace Tax Fund are necessary qualifications. We prefer a resident of New England but encourage others to apply as well. To inquire, call NCPTF office. To apply, send résumé with references to NCPTF office.

### My taxes fuel his war, from page 3

bill has the bipartisan backing of 44 members of Congress, including three representatives from Texas. Despite such support, it has not had a hearing in a decade, while conscientious objectors around the country have endured many civil liberties violations by the IRS.

The Jan. 30 election in Iraq is a supposed step toward freedom. But in Austin, some of us are still struggling to enjoy freedoms such as no taxation without representation. "Freedom has been attacked. Freedom must be defended," Bush once declared. He should make a New Year's resolution to follow his own advice.

## Positive Action = Positive Feeling

By CAROL WALD I'm a 51-year-old white woman who's been an activist most of my adult life. I've worked in Affirmative Action/Equal Employment Opportunity, have done anti-war work since Vietnam (so many wars ago!), have established community based alternatives to psychiatric hospitalization in various cities of the U.S., have done AIDS/HIV support service work, went to Nicaragua in 1984 as a solidarity worker during the Contra war, have committed to 8-10 Amnesty International Urgent Action cases per month for the past 18 years, etc., etc.

I decided to become more politically active following the recent elections. I learned about the Peace Tax Fund from the United for Peace and Justice website. In addition to talking with people about the resolution, (I work in a busy store and have lots of opportunities!) and representing the Peace Tax Fund in coalition meetings, I'm looking forward to doing press outreach here in NYC and talking with members of our city council about it.

Unlike many of the people working on the Peace Tax Fund, I'm not a religious person, and don't belong to any religious faith per se, though I identify as Jewish. I do have strong moral and ethical values, was raised with 'em, and am sustained by a conviction that, as Martin Luther King Jr. once said, "the moral arc of the universe tends toward justice."

The Peace Tax Fund is a wonderful tool for educating people about current American "values" -- as defined by where our tax dollars actually go -- without coming across as anti-American or as yet another naysayer. To those folks who say that the idea of a Peace Tax Fund is utopian, I can readily respond with many historical examples of social justice ideas that may have seemed hopeless or too naïve at one time that have since come to be! I do believe that people want to do right, want to help the sick and the needy, want to have their hard-earned wages go to better the world, and that talking with them about the Peace Tax Fund gives them a way to put those wonderful sentiments to use.

It's so good to be actively involved with good folks working for social change on a deep level. When I hear people complaining about the lack of money for public schools, housing, and other essential human needs (rights?!), I'm all the more grateful to be among people who are actually doing something to address the issue. There's a positive feeling that comes with taking action! I have rarely encountered someone who doesn't think the Peace Tax Fund is a wonderful idea.

## Military Budget, from page 1

of the budget. Congress has already approved over \$150 billion of supplemental spending for the war in Iraq. Some newspapers have reported that the President will request more supplementary spending for the Iraq war in the fall.

By including supplemental spending plus military expenses charged to other departments (such nuclear weapons charged to the Department of Energy), War Resisters League estimates the U.S. will spend \$643 billion on the military in 2006. This amount equals roughly 30 cents out of every U.S. income tax dollar. An additional \$314 billion (15 cents per income tax dollar) will be spent to pay interest that has accrued on debt from past military spending ([www.warresisters.org](http://www.warresisters.org)).

For more analysis on the U.S. military budget, visit [www.peacetaxfund.org](http://www.peacetaxfund.org) and click on "military spending".

Another way of looking at military spending can be found at [www.nationalpriorities.org](http://www.nationalpriorities.org). This site calculates that 56% of *discretionary* spending will go for the military in 2006. Discretionary spending is the part of the budget that the President proposes and Congress debates each year. It comprises about 1/3 of federal spending. The remaining 2/3 is comprised of mandatory programs and spending from trust funds such as Social Security.

To see how U.S. military spending matches up with the rest of the world, visit [www.armscontrolcenter.org](http://www.armscontrolcenter.org). The U.S. military budget of \$419 billion (not counting the war on Iraq or the DoE nuclear program) is equal to the combined total of the next 16 countries' military budgets.

## 2005 Peace Tax Fund Sample Letter - Let Your Conscience Speak!

Dear (Congressperson's Name),

I am trying my best to obey both the duties of citizenship and the demands of my conscience. I am conscientiously opposed to participation in war, yet I am required to fund the military every time I pay my federal taxes. My conscientious conviction against paying taxes for military purposes is not based on mere personal or political preference. It is grounded in deeply held beliefs based on universally recognized moral, ethical, and religious teachings.

My conscience must deal with the double violence of our military expenditures. Advanced weapons do violence not only by their incredible destructive powers. They also cause devastation in our communities by draining essential financial resources needed to address basic human needs. Approximately 30 cents out of every federal income tax dollar will pay for current military purposes in Fiscal Year 2006. It staggers my mind to contemplate what this amount, over \$600 billion, could do to alleviate human suffering and thus reduce the likelihood of future wars.

Please do not misunderstand — I am not opposed to paying taxes. I seek a way to pay 100% of my taxes without violating my deeply held beliefs against participation in war. I urge you to enact the Religious Freedom Peace Tax Fund Bill. (*Note to letter-writer: check [www.peacetaxfund.org](http://www.peacetaxfund.org) to see if the Peace Tax Fund Bill has a new number yet, otherwise refer to it as "H.R. 2037 in the 108<sup>th</sup> Congress."*) This bill would allow sincere conscientious objectors to military participation to pay their federal income, gift, and estate taxes into a fund earmarked for nonmilitary governmental purposes only.

Since 1940, U.S. law has allowed conscientious objectors to military participation to perform alternative service rather than be conscripted into the military. This law should be extended to allow alternative service for my drafted dollars.

Thank you for considering my request.

Sincerely,  
  
(Your Name)

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