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Civil rights group joins Iraq protest walk, links to domestic 'war' on immigrants

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Immigrant rights activists in Racine and Milwaukee will be opposing both the war in Iraq and a domestic 'war on immigrants' when they join with a 450 mile peace walk currently making its way through Wisconsin and due to arrive August 31st at the Republican National Convention in St Paul.

The 'Witness Against War' walkers will set out from Milwaukee on Monday, July 21st and will be joined by a delegation of Voces de la Frontera supporters as they cross the 6th Street Viaduct en route to an 8.45 a.m. press conference at Zeidler Union Square Park.

Christine Neumann-Ortiz, Director of Voces de la Frontera, explained: "We oppose the Iraq war just as we oppose the current war on immigrants being waged by the Bush Administration. A majority of Americans recognize that this is an illegitimate war and is draining our economy."

The Latino community suffers disproportionately from the mounting casualties in Iraq; at the same time, more families are being torn apart by a surge in raids and deportations.

"Amid the pain, big military contractors like Boeing and Halliburton are enjoying the spoils of an expanding budget for the militarization of immigration policy", says Neumann-Ortiz, who points to the vast sums being sunk into the border wall and the building boom for detention centers. Halliburton offshoot KBR has a \$385 million contract to build new immigration prisons, while Boeing has an estimated \$2 billion contract for fortifying the border.

For Voces de la Frontera, the walk will kick off a new effort to press the next President to pass humane immigration reform in the opening weeks of his administration. This summer, pro-immigrant groups will be mobilizing supporters to deliver the message of "First 100 Days", the key theme of the May 1st marches, directly to both the Republican and Democratic National Conventions. The two actions are being coordinated by the Fair Immigration Reform Movement (FIRM).

WALK SCHEDULE - Monday, July 21st

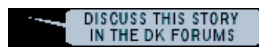
7:30 a.m. - Breakfast at Casa Romero, 423 W. Bruce St.

8:15 a.m. - Supporters from Voces de la Frontera join the walk, which crosses 6th Street Viaduct on way to Zeidler Union Square Park (4th and Michigan).

8:45 a.m. - Press conference at Zeidler Union Square Park, 301 W. Michigan, featuring local supporters, including Peace Action-Wisconsin and Voces de la Frontera.

9:00 a.m. - Walkers leave for Brookfield. Route will follow Wisconsin Ave. and then Blue Mound Rd., ending at Franklin Wirth Park (on North Ave. just beyond Pilgrim Rd).

7:00 p.m. - Program featuring Kathy Kelly at Unitarian Universalist Church West, 13001 W. North Ave., Brookfield.



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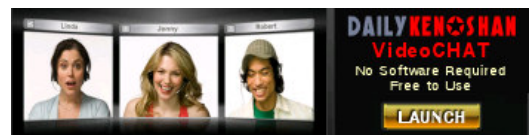
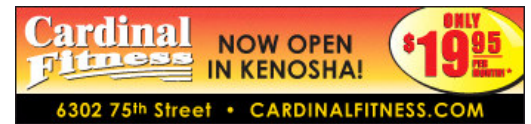
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- [Beach Closing Days Reach Second Highest Level in 18 Years, Says New Report](#)
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DK TV INTERVIEW



Woman struck by car crossing 60th St



UPDATE-The woman struck by a car while crossing 60th St. has been identified as 39 year old Stephanie Curry, who remains hospitalized for her injuries. 18 year old Robert Sherrod was arrested and is being held on charges on causing injury by intoxicated use of a motor vehicle.

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KENOSHA CITY NEWS DESK

Beach Closing Days Reach Second Highest Level in 18 Years, Says New Report

Wisconsin 3rd worst in Nation, Kenosha on list

WASHINGTON (July 29, 2008) - The water at American beaches was unsafe for swimming last year with the second-highest number of beach closing and advisory days ever, according to the 18th annual beach water quality report released today by the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC).

[Growing violence, gang problems in older neighborhoods of Kenosha](#)

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[Kehl may have to repay Kenosha County](#)

KENOSHA POLICE/SHERIFF/FIRE

Child Dead After Left in SUV by Daycare Driver

Milwaukee- A four month old boy was found dead inside the day care SUV that picked him up last Thursday morning. The driver of the Kuddle Kare Day Kare vehicle has been called in the state district attorney's office for questioning.

[Kenosha teen held for firing gun at supermarket](#)

[Milwaukee violent crimes drops by double digits](#)

[PRESS CONFERENCE SCHEDULED TO DISCUSS VIOLENT CRIME IN THE CITY OF RACINE](#)

THE ARTS

ExposeKenosha! Issue 44



Help us increase the positive buzz surrounding the artistic community and bringing more awareness to all Kenosha has to offer. If you know

someone that needs to be exposed, send an e-mail to

info@exposekenosha.com.

["Monster" by Artworks!](#)

[Upcoming Starving Artists fair in Racine](#)

[New international film festival announced for](#)

PAT HEGEWALD

A Request of God



PAT HEGEWALD

Having spent 12 years journeying through Catholic schools, it is safe to assume that I

believe in a higher power. That being said, I would like to make a request of the God I believe in, and that is this. "Please leave the St. Joseph High School class of 1981 alone for a while".

[Favreless Fun](#)

[Favre In South Beach?](#)

[I Told Ya So](#)

YOUR TURN (COMMENTARY)

Jim Huff will represent all people of the 64th District

Dear Editor, Kenosha needs a leader in Madison who is not afraid to do what is right for this city - even if that means he works with people on both sides of the political aisle. Of the three candidates in the race for the 64th Assembly seat, only Jim Huff has displayed a willingness to represent all of the citizens of the district in an aggressive, bipartisan way.

[Kerkman Mute about Environmental Issue](#)

[DNR Prison](#)

[Media bias- they are not even trying to hide it anymore](#)

AROUND KENOSHA

Durkee Elementary - Last Chance to Stroll Back in Time



KUSD is giving us the "opportunity" to visit a Historic Landmark, before its given away to be made into a PARKING

GARAGE. All this in order to build a "new school" on a toxic waste land they call "The Brass".

[Racine Mayor holding neighborhood meeting](#)

[Pleasant Prairie Family Days!](#)

[New Episode of Diving In Kenosha](#)

EVENTS CALENDAR

		July								
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	29	30	1	2	3	4	5			
	6	7	8	9	10	11	12			
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LATEST EVENTS

Wed, Jul 30th

[DJ at the SOS Club](#)

Wed, Jul 30th

[Bicycle Races at the Washington Park Velodrome](#)

Wed, Jul 30th

[Karaoke at Shenanigan's](#)

Wed, Jul 30th

[Civil War Museum Special Exhibit: "The Maple Leaf"](#)

Wed, Jul 30th

[Aquanut Water Shows, Inc.](#)

Wed, Jul 30th, @6:00am - 12:00PM

[Farmer's Market](#)

Wed, Jul 30th, @11:05am - 07:05PM

[Ride the Streetcar](#)

Wed, Jul 30th, @7:00pm - 09:59PM

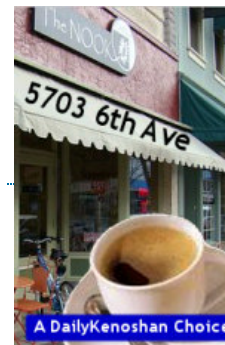
[Kenosha Pops Concert Band - Pops Ahoy! Nautical Night at the Pops](#)

Wed, Jul 30th, @7:00pm - 09:59PM

[Kenosha Pops Concert Band - Pops Ahoy! Nautical Night at the Pops](#)

Wed, Jul 30th, @8:00pm - 12:00PM

[Karaoke at The Boathouse Pub](#)



[Milwaukee](#)**LOCAL BUSINESS****U.S. Sen. Kohl: Column - Housing bill a first step in tackling foreclosure crisis**

Recently, President Bush signed into law a housing bill to restore stability to the housing market, and help businesses and communities recover from this crisis. I supported this landmark legislation, which was passed in the House and Senate by wide margins of Democrats and Republicans alike, to prevent more Americans from losing their homes and to combat falling property values.

[Working America and Wisconsinites tackle economic crisis](#)

[Midwest Airlines Warns E-Mail Users to be](#)

[Wary of Phony E-Mails](#)

[Security Flaws in Online Banking Sites](#)

[Found to be Widespread](#)

THE NATION**An Open Request to Shia LaBeouf from Mothers Against Drunk Driving****MADD**

To protect the safety of his family and the citizens of his

community, Mothers Against Drunk Driving calls on Shia LaBeouf to voluntarily install ignition interlock devices on all vehicles registered in his name, in addition to completing the official punishment/sanctions that may be levied in the event of his conviction for DUI.

[Fourth Quarter Bank Robbery Statistics](#)

[Show Slight Increase](#)

[FBI: ARMY LIEUTENANT COLONEL PLEADS](#)

[GUILTY TO PARTICIPATING IN WIRE FRAUD](#)

[SCHEME ARISING OUT OF IRAQ](#)

[Program Combating Nursing Shortage](#)

STATE & REGION**Coalition to testify at U.S. Senate hearing, will urge Congress to pass Great Lakes protections**

U.S. House Committee Expected to Approve Compact Today

WASHINGTON, D.C. (July 30, 2008)—At a Senate Judiciary Committee today, the Healing Our Waters-Great Lakes Coalition will urge the U.S. Congress to act quickly to pass a water management agreement to protect the Great Lakes from depletion.

[Test results show VHS fish disease hasn't spread in Wisconsin](#)

[Radio ads urge action on gas prices](#)

[Want to know where lane closures are?](#)

[WisDOT's web site can help](#)

PUBLICHEALTH**Study Shows Exposure to Bad Air Raises Blood Pressure**

Newswise — The air people breathe while walking in the park, working in the garden or

EDUCATION**KUSD School Board Special meeting and executive session Notices**

Listed below are links to notices for an upcoming special meeting and executive session.

7/30/08 Executive Session Notice

<http://www.kusd.edu/media/pdf/boe/exec/073008exec.pdf>

7/30/08 Special Meeting Notice

<http://www.kusd.edu/media/pdf/boe/smn/073008smn.pdf>

[Wisconsin Web Academy now open](#)

[Back to School: Parents, Read Aloud to Your](#)

[Kids, Say Experts](#)

[STUDY: NO GENDER DIFFERENCES IN MATH](#)

[PERFORMANCE](#)

POLITICS**\$50 mil spent first 2 months of Election on Ads**

Candidates out-advertising their counterparts over comparable time period in 2004

McCain TV ads more negative than Obama

Not much has changed in advertising targets –

Midwest battleground states still receiving huge numbers of ads

[Will Denver '08 Prove as Unconventional as Chicago '68?](#)

[Wisconsin's Vote Education Summit informs public about voter rights](#)

[State Bar of Wisconsin: Asks Governor to adequately fund prosecutors and public defenders](#)

SPORTS**RACINE RAIDERS HOST LITERACY NIGHT SATURDAY**

Team will collect childrens' books, award scholarships, and have mobile library onsite



The Racine Raiders continue their 56-year mission of supporting the Racine community Saturday, August 2, 2008, by hosting "Literacy Night" at

Historic Horlick Field. The team has several promotions planned to support this special evening.

[Packers-Leaders Confident, Excited For Upcoming Season](#)

[DiGiorno Named Official Pizza Of Packers, Lambeau Field](#)

[Raiders Shutout for First Time Since 2001](#)

MILESTONES**New Feature: "Kenosha Milestones"**

The Daily Kenoshan is pleased to announce the addition of a new news section called "Kenosha Milestones". This section will feature

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