



Guide to the Physicians for Social Responsibility, Nassau County Chapter (1982-1997) Collection, 1948-2000.

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Physicians for Social Responsibility,
Nassau County Chapter

The Nassau County Chapter of Physicians for Social Responsibility (PSR-NC) was an organization which protested nuclear war in the 1980's and 90's. The group gave lectures, held fundraisers, led protests, as well as other things, in order to educate the general population on the topic of nuclear war and promote world peace. Physicians for Social Responsibility is affiliated with the International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War (IPPNW), which earned the Nobel Peace Prize in 1985.

The Nassau County Chapter was founded in 1982 and remained active until 1997. The founding members held meetings in the various homes of chapter associates. They proceeded to hold meetings in various places including Hofstra University. Dr. Herbert Perr is the donor of the collection and the organization's first vice-president. He also went on to be the president.

The collection contains organizational records such as, bylaws, meeting minutes, outreach information, news releases, advertisement information, and membership information. Another part of the collection contains a large quantity of correspondence written to and from the presidents of PSR-NC. There is also a considerable amount of printed materials on various topics in regards to nuclear war.

The Physicians for Social Responsibility collection is organized in nine series:

1. Founding Records - arranged in ten sub-series
2. Membership - arranged Chronologically
3. Outreach - arranged in fourteen sub-series
4. Nuclear War Information - arranged in fourteen sub-series
5. Consequences of Nuclear War - arranged in three sub-series
6. Media - arranged in four sub-series
7. Printed Materials - arranged in two sub-series
8. Audio-Visual Materials - arranged alphabetically by title and by format
9. Oversized Memorabilia

Physicians for Social Responsibility Collection
Box and Folder Listing

Box 1

Folder #	Description
1	PSR, Nassau Chapter: Incomplete records of local activities, 1980's-'90s
2	By-laws of the chapter Functions of the director Executive Board minutes; attendance Tax-exempt certificate
3	News releases
4	Fund raising
5	Lobbying
6	Political and organizational contacts
7	Networking

Box 2

1	Legal guidelines for non-profit organizations
2	Meetings sponsored by chapter
3	Membership; officers
4	Correspondence
5	Writing invitations 1991-92
6	Advertisements and clippings
7	Program presentations 1982-83
8	Program presentations 1984-86
9	Program presentations 1987-89

Box 3

1	Speakers' Bureau
2	Curricula
3	<u>PSR Reports</u> , 1984-98
4	Media advertising
5	Soviet physicians' visit, 1988
6	Symposium, Hillside Hospital, 3/07/86
7	IPPNW
8	Nuclear testing: CTB

Box 4

- 1 Nuclear/war issues: Articles, directives, correspondence
- 2 Nuclear weapons production and proliferation
- 3 Subcriticals
- 4 Nuclear power dangers
- 5 Nuclear waste
- 6 Conversion: Melkonian paper
- 7 Children and the nuclear threat
- 8 Hiroshima Day
- 9 Medical students outreach

Box 5

- 1 Medical and psychological aspects
- 2 Arms control verification
- 3 Low dose radiation
- 4 Weaponry
- 5 Space weapons
- 6 Military-industrial complex
- 7 Environmental hazards
- 8 Gun control; torture; violence

Box 6

- 1 Brookhaven National Laboratory; Ramirez vs. BNL; other reactors
- 2 Legislative update
- 3 Nathene Ruskin Audio-Visual Fund
- 4 Outreach correspondence
- 5 Herbert Perr: Correspondence
- 6 Herbert Perr: Writings, speeches
- 7 Update copies
- 8 Resources
- 9 PSR National
- 10 Meetings, regional and national
- 11 LIA
- 12 Postal forms

Box 7

- 1 F.A.S. Public Interest Report: 3/84–6-7/86
- 2 F.A.S. Public Interest Report: 9/86–12/88
- 3 F.A.S. Public Interest Report: 1/89–5-6/92
- 4 F.A.S. Public Interest Report: 7-8/92–11-12/99
- 5 IEER reports
- 6 Council for A Livable World newsletters

Box 8

- 1 Science for Democratic Action newsletters, 2/97– 5/00
- 2 The Defense Monitor newsletters, Vol. XIII, number 8–Vol. XV,
number 6
- 3 The Defense Monitor newsletters, Vol. XV, number 7–Vol. XIX,
number 6
- 4 The Defense Monitor newsletters, Vol. XIX, number 7– Vol.
XXIII, number 5
- 5 The Defense Monitor newsletters, Vol. XXIV, number 6–Vol.
XXIX, number 6

Box 9

Book, pamphlet and journal collection

Briefing Book on Peacekeeping, 1994
Dead Reckoning, 1992
Fear & Hope, 1992
Fear, War and the Bomb, 1948
First Steps to Peace, 1985
How Peace Came to the World, 1986
Introduction to World Peace through World Law, 1984
Last Aid, 1982
Looking the Tiger in the Eye, 1985
The Making of the Atom Bomb, 1986
Missile Envy, 1986
Mobius, 1/84, 1984
No Reason to Talk About It, 1987
Nuclear Ambitions, 1990
Nuclear War Quotations, undated
Nuclear War: What's in it for You?, 1982
The Nuclear Waste Primer, 1985
Nukespeak, 1982
On Nuclear War and Peace, 1988
Peace or Atomic War?, 1958
The PSR Quarterly, (journal, 9 copies, incomplete) 3/91–3/93
The Price of Peace, 1986
Psychological Aspects of Nuclear War, 1985
The Secret Government, 1988
Seventh World Congress of IPPNW, 1987
Star Wars: Defense or Death Star?, 1985
The Trimtab Factor, 1984
With Enough Shovels: Reagan, Bush and Nuclear War, 1982
World Military and Social Expenditures, 1989

Box 10

Audio-Visual Materials

Ampex video tapes:

“The Last Epidemic”
“The Nuclear Arms Race and the Media” 1
“The Nuclear Arms Race and the Media” 2
PSR LI Public Service Announcement
“Weapons in Space,” 1984

VHS Video Tapes:

“America’s Defense Monitor,” 1990
“Building Bombs,” narr. Jane Alexander, 1991
“Chernobyl,” 1990
“The Edge of History”
“Full Circle Toward Nuclear Test Ban”
“Health, Wealth and Nuclear Security”
“The Last Epidemic”
“The Nuclear Shadow and Children”
“Preventing Nuclear War,” narr. Paul Newman, 1985
Public Service Announcements, narr. Herbert Abrams, 1987
Public Service Announcements: W. Cronkite, P. Newman,
O. Winfrey, J. Woodward
“Star Wars: A Search for Security,” narr. Ed Begley, Jr., 1986
“ ‘We the People:’ Preventing Nuclear War”
“Threads”
“Women - For America.. The World”
“What about the Russians?”

Audio Tapes:

“Working with The Media 1”
“Working with The Media 2”
“PSR Radio Spots”
“War of Ideas - Role of the Media 1”
“War of Ideas - Role of the Media 2”
“Preventing Accidental Nuclear War”
“What About the Russians”
“Myth & Orality of Civil Defense”
“Prescription for Survival”
“Overcoming Psychological Obstacles to Arms Control”
“Strategic Defense Initiative”

Box 11

Photographs, 1986-93

Box 12

Preparing For Nuclear War: The Psycho- Logical Effects (9 copies),
1982., The Atlantic (Mag) 2 copies, 1989., Who Will stop the
Bomb?, 1985

- Box 13 Peace Resource Book, 1986., Nuclear Accident Aboard A Naval Vessel Homeported at Staten Island, New York(Paper), 1988., Organizing Manual, 1983., No Safe Harbor, 1988., Cutbacks in Defense Spending; Outlook and Options for the Long Island Economy (2 copies) 1989., Treaty Between The United States of America and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, 1987
- Box 14 The Fate of the Earth, 1982., Protest and Survive, 1981., Star Wars: Defense or Death Star? 1985., Defense Sense, 1983., Missile Envy, 1985., The Strategic Defense Initiative, 1985., Sanity and Survival in the Nuclear Age, 1967
- Box 15 The Final Epidemic (5 copies) 1981., The Hundredth Monkey (2 copies), 1982
- Box 16 Nuclear War: What's in it For You? (5 copies), 1982., How Peace Came to the World (3 copies), 1986.
- Box 17 Speaking Out on the Threat of Nuclear War(2 copies), 1982., The Soviet Union and The Arms Race, 1983., Preventing War in The Nuclear Age, 1984., The Effects of Nuclear War, 1979., Text of Treaty Banning Nuclear Weapon Tests in the Atmosphere, In Outer Space and Under Water, 1963., Commencement address, John F. Kennedy, 1963., Nuclear War Prevention Kit (3 copies), 1982., 12 Articles on the Nuclear Threat from The Lancet July - October, 1988., 1 Black "Nuclear" Umbrella, Full - Size.