

# PRACTICING RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

**PEACEMAKING  
CIRCLE TRAINING**  
NOV. 14 - 15, 2018  
WITH KAY PRANIS

**CONFERENCE**  
NOV. 16, 2018  
3 KEYNOTES SPEAKERS  
8 BREAKOUT SESSIONS

## Who should attend?

Educators, Practitioners, Researchers, Clergy, Social Workers, Counselors, Mental Health Providers, Students, Community Members. **All are welcome.**

Training and Conference will be held on campus  
at Minnesota State University - Moorhead



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The Peacemaking Circle training is an opportunity for anyone interested in conflict resolution, community building, restorative justice or restorative practices in schools to increase their skills and knowledge for having important conversations. The peacemaking circle is a dialogue process useful for increasing understanding among different perspectives and for creating effective solutions to long-standing issues of conflict or disconnection. The circle strives to create an environment safe for every participant to express their point of view and nurtures the possibility of finding win-win solutions for the benefit of all. Circles have been used in schools, families, workplaces, neighborhoods, faith communities, social services and the justice system.



Kay Pranis teaches and writes about the dialog process known as 'peacemaking circles.' Kay learned about peacemaking circles in her work in restorative justice in the mid-90s. From 1994 – 2003 Kay held the position of Restorative Justice Planner at the MN Dept of Corrections, the first government position in the US related directly to the framework of restorative justice.

Her initial teachers in the circle work were Barry Stuart, a judge in Yukon, Canada, and Mark Wedge and Harold Gatensby, First Nations people of Yukon. Since that initial exposure to the use of peacemaking circles in the justice system Kay has been involved in developing the use of peacemaking circles in schools, social services, churches, families, museums, universities, municipal planning and workplaces.

Kay has authored or co-authored several books about circles: *Peacemaking Circles - From Conflict to Community*; *The Little Book of Circle Processes – A New/Old Approach to Peacemaking*; *Doing Democracy with Circles – Engaging Communities in Public Planning*; *Heart of Hope – A Guide for Using Peacemaking Circles to Develop Emotional Literacy, Promote Healing & Build Healthy Relationships*; *Circle Forward – Building a Restorative School Community*.

Kay works primarily as a trainer in the peacemaking circle process. She is also an adjunct professor at Eastern Mennonite University.

Kay has a particular interest in the use of circles to support social justice efforts addressing racial, economic, class and gender inequities. That interest includes the use of peacemaking circles to understand and respond to historical harms to groups of people. The peacemaking circle process has been a source of energy, inspiration and continuous learning for Kay. for the past 20 years.

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\*Agenda subject to change

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7:30am-8:00am: Registration/Light Breakfast

8:00am-8:15am: **Welcome/Announcements**

Joel Friesz, Conference Chair  
Lutheran Social Services of North Dakota

8:15am-8:45am: **Opening Ceremony**

Michael Gabbard, Buffalo River Dancers & Singers

8:45am-9:45am: **Perfect Does Not Make Good Practice: How To Be Your Authentic Self In Your Restorative Justice Work**

Sheryl R. Wilson  
President, National Association of Community and Restorative Justice (NACRJ)



Sheryl Wilson

9:45am-10:00am: Break

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10:00am-11:15am: Breakout Sessions

**Is There A Conflict Between Restorative Justice And Due Process?**

Bruce Ringstrom, Ringstrom Law  
Karen Kringlie, North Dakota Juvenile Court  
Nick Thornton, Fremstad Law

**Introduction to STAR: Becoming Trauma-Informed, Resilience-Oriented, and Restorative Justice Focused For Individual And Community Empowerment**

Donna Minter, Minnesota Peacebuilding Leadership Institute

**Restorative Practices In Schools**

Kelli Adams, Lutheran Social Services of North Dakota  
Russ Riehl, Bismarck Public Schools

**The Power Of Knowing**

Megan Price, MSW, LCSW  
Desiree Price

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11:15am-11:45am Lunch (provided)

11:45am-12:15pm: Michael Gabbard, Buffalo River Dancers & Singers

12:15pm-1:15pm: **An Indigenous Understanding of Justice**

Dr. Edward Valandra  
Native Studies Senior Editor, Living Justice Press  
Community for the Advancement of Native Studies (CANS).



Dr. Edward Valandra

1:15pm-1:30pm: Break

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1:30pm-2:45pm: Breakout Sessions

**Restorative Practices within the Juvenile Justice System**

Clay County Restorative Justice Program and System-Based Stakeholder's Panel

**Re-Routing The Birth To Prison And School To Prison Pipeline**

Tamara Uselman, Moorhead Public Schools

**Considering The Power Of Restorative Practices In The Workplace**

Janell Regimbal, Lutheran Social Services of North Dakota

**Incarcerated Families: A Story Of Relationships, Recovery, And The Concept Of Refresh**

Adam Martin, F5 Project  
Kristy Johnson, F5 Project

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2:45pm-3:00pm: Break

3:00pm-4:00pm: **We Are All Connected: Restorative Practices And The School Community**

Nancy Riestenberg  
Restorative Practices Specialist, Minnesota Department of Education



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4:00pm-5:00pm: Closing Circle