

Workers World Party

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National Conference Oct. 8-9 The Global Capitalist Economic Crisis: What it will take to fight it

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Dear Sisters and Brothers,

We know that you, like us, are deeply concerned about the economic crisis leveling the lives of workers in this country and around the world.

The statistics on long-term and youth unemployment, foreclosures, evictions, hunger and other gauges of economic conditions get worse every day. Moreover, workers of color, including millions of immigrants as well as African-American, Latino/a and Native peoples, are not only poorer because of institutionalized super-exploitation but also face racist police violence and state repression. Women and lesbian, gay, bi, transgender and queer people have to deal with the added burden of sexism and gender oppression.

If it was not clear before, workers of all backgrounds now see more clearly every day that the politicians of both parties in Washington are allocating trillions of dollars of government money not to rescue the people from this crisis but to prop up the billionaire capitalist class and their irrational system.

The recent debacle of the debt-ceiling debate demonstrates for all to see that the ruling class and the government are both on a disastrous one-way course to bring down the standard of living of workers and oppressed in an unprecedented manner.

But we can do something about all of this. We can grapple with this global economic crisis and develop strategies to fight back. It is more urgent than ever: We can and must build an independent movement that fights for jobs and social programs, needed now more than ever by the workers and oppressed.

Workers World Party has a long history of anti-capitalist struggle based on the revolutionary views of Karl Marx and V.I. Lenin, as well as of our founding chairperson, Sam Marcy, who applied this scientific socialist outlook to understand the modern imperialist era. This year the Party's National Conference will be held on Oct. 8-9, at the Paul Robeson Complex in the Bronx, N.Y.

Entitled "The Global Capitalist Economic Crisis: What it will take to fight it," the conference will use Marxist analysis to show why the system of globalized capitalism is making the present crisis so severe for the workers. It will discuss how imperialist wars are hastening the capitalist decline and how workers increasingly are demanding the government spend their tax money on jobs and human needs, not the Pentagon.

As always, supporting the rights of the oppressed for self-determination -- whether it be in Libya where U.S./NATO bombs are attempting regime change, in the hellholes of U.S. prisons, or fighting for immigrant rights will be a key part of the conference. Finally, it will raise the call to abolish capitalism and fight for socialism, the only system that can end all forms of exploitation and oppression by breaking the stranglehold of private ownership that monopolizes the tremendous wealth created by the working people of the world.

Young activists in Workers World Party are organizing a panel entitled "Rebel Against Capitalism." Clearly, the role of youth in fighting against the economic crisis, the dire austerity measures and repression, whether in

Egypt, Greece, Wisconsin, and New York City or in the recent, heroic youth rebellion spreading through Britain is giving a revolutionary boost to the class struggle.

You don't want to miss this conference of revolutionaries. Put the weekend of Oct. 8-9 in your calendar and make your travel plans now!

Now more than ever, workers and oppressed people need a fighting program and a workers' party to organize the resistance. The assaults from the ruling class will only get worse, as they have no other solution for the crisis they have made than to put it on the backs of the workers.

We say no! We say the solution is to build a movement independent of the two capitalist parties to demand what is ours and what has been stolen from us. Building that kind of movement requires a class analysis. Get it in New York City on Oct. 8-9!

We hope to see you at the Paul Robeson Auditorium,

In struggle,

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P.S. You can use the enclosed coupon to register for the conference and to donate to help with its many expenses – hall rental, sound equipment, childcare, transportation, and more. Or see **www.workersworld.net** to pre-register; donate; and view schedule, logistics updates and political materials readied for the conference.

This year we will popularize the anti-capitalist, pro-socialist struggle by organizing, outreach, and with a strong campaign to get Workers World newspaper out from coast-to-coast. **We need your help to do this!**

Join us the struggle! We need your ideas, involvement and participation.

2011 Fall Fund Drive—We ask if you can join in this fundraiser to help cover the increasing costs of publishing this workers' newspaper and to help us maintain and provide a political center with an action-oriented perspective. We appreciate whatever you can donate; the goal of this collective effort is \$60,000.

Supporter Program—The WW Supporter Program raises funds for our activist newspaper and to maintain its popular, globally read website www.workers.org

WW subscription—Subscribe, renew or give a gift subscription to our weekly newspaper. Full of news from organizers around the country, and chock full of international developments, it provides a pro-struggle and working-class analysis and perspective.

Help insure that the struggle goes on—Consider adding Workers World newspaper to your will.

Conference schedule: Saturday, Oct. 8, 8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 9, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. at Paul Robeson Auditorium, 140th Street and Morris Avenue, Bronx, N.Y.