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The Pacem in Terris Peace and Freedom Award was created in 1964 by the Davenport Catholic Interracial Council. Since 1979, the award has been given by the Quad Cities Pacem in Terris Coalition. The award commemorates Pope John XXIII's 1963 encyclical letter, Pacem in Terris (Peace on Earth), which called all people of good will to secure peace among nations. The Pacem in Terris Coalition is made up of the Quad City chapters of Bread for the World and Pax Christi, in conjunction with the Social Action Department of the Catholic Diocese of Davenport.

Pax Christi is an international organization of Catholics and others committed to making peace and nonviolence a central concern of the church and the community. Pax Christi Quad Cities meets on the first Monday of each month. For information contact Bill Fisher, 1227 4th Street, Moline, Illinois 61265.

Bread for the World is a nationwide Christian citizens movement which works to alleviate hunger by influencing public policy. The Quad Cities chapter meets on the fourth Monday of the month. For additional information contact Dick Guise 755-6496 or Eileen Herrstrom 788-1692.

Social Action Department, Diocese of Davenport assists the Bishop, clergy and parishes of the diocese in identifying and responding to social needs and injustice through more than twenty programs including Respect Life, the Campaign for Human Development, Immigration, Refugee Resettlement, Rural Life, Peace and Justice Education, and a free newsletter, Footsteps. Write: 2706 Gaines St., Davenport, IA 52804 or call 319/324-1911.

THE 1990 PACEM IN TERRIS
PEACE AND FREEDOM AWARD CELEBRATION

Our Lady of Victory Church, Davenport, Iowa USA

Saturday, October 6

Music	Poteen Quad Cities American Celtic Band
Welcome	Bill Fisher, President Pax Christi Quad Cities
Prayer	Ann Keefe Pax Christi Quad Cities
Award Presentation	Most Reverend Gerald F. O'Keefe Bishop of Davenport
Acceptance	Mairead Corrigan Maguire
Closing	Bill Fisher

Mairead Corrigan Maguire is the 21st recipient of the
Pacem in Terris Award Peace and Freedom Award.

Previous award recipients:

1989 Eileen Egan	
1987 Archbishop Desmond Tutu	1974 Senator Harold Huges
1986 Bishop Maurice Dingman	1972 Dorothy Day
1985 Joseph Cardinal Bernardin	1969 Saul David Alinsky
1983 Helen M. Caldicott	1968 Father James Groppi
1982 George F. Kennan	1967 A. Philip Randolph
1980 Crystal Lee Sutton	1966 R. Sargent Shriver
Bishop Ernest L. Unterkoefler	1965 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
1979 Bishop Thomas Gumbleton	1964 John F. Kennedy (posthumously)
1976 Mother Teresa	John Howard Griffin
1975 Dom Helder Camara	

THE PEACE PEOPLE

On August 10, 1976, the driver of an IRA getaway car was shot dead by a pursuing British Army patrol. The crashing car killed three young children, and gravely injured their mother, who had just picked up the eldest from school.

The sheer senseless horror of the incident cut through the apathy and mutual recrimination into which Northern Ireland had sunk after 7 years of violence and suffering. In the succeeding days and weeks tens of thousands of people took part in rallies in Northern Ireland and elsewhere to express their abhorrence at the continuing violence. They were led by Mairead Corrigan, the aunt of the dead children, by Betty Williams and Ciaran McKeown, and they became the Community of the Peace People. Their philosophy, set out in the Declaration of the Peace People written by Ciaran McKeown, is summed up as a commitment to work for the creation of a just and peaceful society by nonviolent means. Mairead Corrigan and Betty Williams were awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in December, 1977.

Mairead is the recipient of numerous honors and awards, including the Norwegian People's Prize, an honorary doctorate from Yale University, and special prizes from Trinity College (DC), St. Michael's College (VT), the College of New Rochelle (NY), and several others.

In September 1981, Mairead was married to Jackie Maguire, widower of her sister Anne, who never recovered from the loss of her children and died in 1979. In addition to the remaining three children from the earlier marriage --Mark, Joanne, and Mary Louise-- Mairead and Jackie are the parents of John Francis, born in 1982, and Luke, born in 1984.

**DECLARATION
of the Peace People**

- We have a simple message for the world from this Movement for Peace.
- We want to live and love and build a just and peaceful society.
- We want for our children, as we want for ourselves, our lives at home, at work and at play, to be lives of joy and peace.
- We recognize that to build such a life demands of all of us, dedication, hard work and courage.
- We recognize that there are many problems in our society which are a source of conflict and violence.
- We recognize that every bullet fired and every exploding bomb makes that work more difficult.
- We reject the use of the bomb and the bullet and all the techniques of violence.
- We dedicate ourselves to working with our neighbors, near and far, day in and day out, to building that peaceful society in which the tragedies we have known are a bad memory and continuing warning.

PEACE PEOPLE:

work for the creation of a just and peaceful society in Northern Ireland by nonviolent means, seeking to build such a society through the efforts of ordinary people.

bring young people together through **Youth for Peace**, summer camps and a lively sports program.

provide advice and support for prisoners and their families, and operate a resettlement program through which ex-prisoners and others can escape from the vicious circle of violence and fear.

promote dialogue among political groups, inform people about political and social issues, and support people organizing to solve local problems for themselves.

campaign for the creation in Northern Ireland of a system of justice based on the highest standards of justice and respect for human rights and human dignity.

work through an open democratic structure, with local groups and an annual assembly in which all members can vote.

publish a bi-weekly newspaper, **Peace by Peace**, reporting on work for peace in Northern Ireland and around the world and promoting discussion of nonviolent alternatives.

prove every day that Northern Irish people can work together to solve their problems peacefully.

SPECIAL THANKS

The Pacem in Terris Award celebration this year honoring Mairead Corrigan Maguire has been underwritten by a very generous contribution from the **St. Patrick Society of the Quad Cities**. We are most grateful for their contribution and participation in honoring this voice for peace in Northern Ireland.

The Pacem in Terris Coalition extends a heartfelt thanks to all who have contributed to this year's celebration, in particular, to:

Bishop Gerald O'Keefe for his continued support

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Tom Chouteau and Terry Strader for their beautiful design and calligraphy for the award itself

The Stanley Foundation, Muscatine, for their assistance on arrangements

Poteen, the Quad Cities Celtic American band, performing traditional Irish jigs, reels, hornpipes, and song

The Greatest Grains on Earth, for catering the delicious meal

Frank Monahan and the other members of the Community of the Peace People's committee in the United States

Members of the planning committee: Charlie Bleuer, Dan Ebener, Bill Fisher, Dick Guise, Loris Johnson, Anne Keefe, Marilyn Logan, Kathleen White.