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Peace means more than just opposing war

The Peace Coalition of Monterey County is celebrating its 25th anniversary. The coalition brings together representatives from a variety of local civic organizations, all with an interest in pursuing international peace under a unifying umbrella.

During its history Peace Coalition of Monterey County has sponsored demonstrations, held educational events, hosted visiting speakers and met with elected representatives. The coalition has spoken out against wars regardless of the political party occupying Congress or the White House. A program of the Monterey Peace and Justice Center located in Seaside, the peace coalition monitors how United States foreign policy impacts the Monterey Peninsula.

But peace means more than opposing war. Please join the anniversary celebration from 6 to 9 p.m. Feb. 12 in the McCone Auditorium at the Middlebury Institute of International Studies Monterey. This event, “Moving Beyond War,” is free and will feature speakers and an opportunity for community input.

— *Thomas F. Lee, Monterey*