

We are lucky that the peace movement is composed largely of women.

War is often seen as a thing caused by men - men's greed, men's politics, men's imperialism, men's paranoia. ~~True or not, it is quite obvious~~

Oh no - not all men, not really - just a few, ^{those with} ~~at~~ the power to finance, encourage and wage wars.

True or not, it is quite obvious that wars are being fought, men, women and children killed, and weapons have progressed to the point that they could easily kill all of us, including our planet. A Mother Earth. Strange to think of our planet as our mother, but she does nourish us and essentially give us life. But, not being a tangible being, Mother Earth can't protect us - she can't lift her skirts and hide us until danger has passed, and she can't

call the bullies' mother and tell her what his up to. For one thing, the Bullies are mother Earth's children too, even though they don't know it.

So mother Earth is pretty sad - what with her kids threatening to destroy her and her weakened condition due to their other activities - she's feeling used and abused. But she is powerless.

We are not. Being tangible beings, we have more leeway than Mother Earth. We make up more than half our world's population, and we have children, husbands, lovers and friends besides.

Roughly speaking, if half the women in Kamloops walked for Peace on Apr. 25,