



Camphill California's monthly
Community VOICE

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New Friend, Giving Tree, Fare Thee Well, Halloween and a Conference!



Welcome Carleigh!

Camphill California is excited to welcome our new friend, Carleigh, who joined the community at the beginning of October. Carleigh is getting to know all ten of her new housemates in Ishi House, and with the recent arrival of volunteer Tom from Germany, she has already gained seniority over one of them! At age 21, Carleigh is one of the youngest members to join Camphill California. Moving out from living with family to living in a community of peers is a big step. Carleigh is handling her transition into community life well and stepping into a full schedule of new activities with an open mind, and full steam ahead. The support of her family and her new housemates at the house of Ishi have made Carleigh's transition to community life successful. Her arrival in Ishi compliments the vibrant house community. We are pleased to welcome Carleigh and hope to see her thrive in the many gifts community life has to offer.

by, Johannes Schlitz

Giving Tree: The Tree that keeps on Giving!

The first Christmas Trees were decorated with edible things, such as gingerbread and

gold covered apples. In Camphill, we hang fresh red apples on the Christmas tree, along with candles and other handmade decorations. We also have a newer tradition called the "Giving Tree". This tree is put up for the Holiday Fair and shared with Camphill's family and friends. We hang our Wish List items on handmade tags with a description and its cost. Wish list items come from each of the house communities, the workshops and crews and the Camphill Academy. There is usually something for everyone, anything from a basket to organize our weaving studio and baking supplies, to garden umbrellas or a new couch. Choosing an item or two to contribute from the Giving Tree helps provide things we need in our community, and every donation is tax deductible. Items can be purchased, or the amount can be donated the day of the Holiday Fair. Contributing an in-kind gift is also a great way to take part in end of year giving.

Best Wishes for the holidays,
Anya Hobley

Giving Tree Wish List Items:

- Coffee Maker for Sunrose
- 2 Belgian Waffle Irons for Marimi
- 2 new Miele Vacuum Cleaners for Aulinta and Marimi
- Magic Bullet Blender for Marimi
- Hammock for Marimi
- Enjo mop with pad. No chemicals needed, machine washable pad
- Beeswax candles
- State Park Passes for all the houses
- Gift Cards (Costco, Amazon, etc.)

Please contact Anya directly if you would like to gift an item before the Holiday Fair. giving@camphillca.org



Our Community would like to sincerely thank Doug and Sabrina Langstraat for all their years here, we wish them all the best in their next chapter. We will miss you!



Halloween is very special to Camphill. It's a night in which we find nourishment through all the spooky foods creatively done by the houses such as the skeleton meat and cheese plate, witch's snack plate, pumpkin's brains, spooky fingers, spider muffins,

and eye's punch. We dance to the most elaborate Halloween soundtracks with our friends trying to recognize each other under scary or funny costumes. We live the joy of being "unrecognizable" for one night and treating ourselves – if we don't get tricked first!

A Spooky Friend
A spooky night I planed
For you, my friend, to pretend
That you were Dracula, so pale and starving
That you had to join the pumpkin carving
To find your own nourishment.
But don't worry and don't stop striving
'Cause you should always be able to find encouragement
Where you have a spooky friend.

Article and photos by Gabi Sarkis



Autumn Conference, Social Therapy and the Social Initiative Forum: Anya Holey, North American Council Delegate to the International Council

The annual meeting of the International Council for Inclusive Social Development (inclusivesocial.org), which takes place at the Goetheanum near Basel, Switzerland, began on October 5th 2020 with a brief introduction of the international delegates, with names, countries and each delegates' roles. There were over 60 individuals from 40 countries represented from various Camphill places, schools and other organizations that work out of Curative Education and Social Therapy. There are six different working groups working in various areas as Social Therapists and Curative Educators. The focus areas include Training, Medicine and Therapies, Social Therapy, Organizational Leadership, Research, and Emerging Leaders. The scope of the International Council includes not only Camphills, but all initiatives worldwide working with children and adults with disabilities and other soul care needs using Curative Education and Social Therapy training and practices.

New delegates joined this year from Ukraine, Russia, Colombia, Sweden and Switzerland. Joan Sleight, member of the leadership group for Anthroposophy worldwide, was there as a representative of the Goetheanum's Social Section. Joan spoke about the future work of the Social Initiative Forum (socialinitiativeforum.org) to implement international social change projects worldwide, and the wish to collaborate with the international Council and the work of Social Therapy. Social needs to address on the worldwide level include addressing poverty, marginalization, climate change and displacement of individuals due to war and other community risks and vulnerability. Jan Goeschel (Treasurer and Council co-leader) gave an extensive

update to us all regarding the website and new publications. The Anthroposophic Council for Inclusive Social Development website is now available in four languages: German, English, Spanish and Russian: inclusivesocial.org

The next international conference will take place in October 2020, and will be inclusive of everyone in our movement. The theme of the next conference is "Education Always: Developing What Lives in Me and Moves the World". Bryan Z. and Sasha V. will join Anya as participants, along with over 600 people of all abilities.



Camphill Recipe Corner ~ Enjoy! Pecan Pie, by Ronja Szymanski

Pie Crust

2 1/2 cups flour (normal or whole wheat)
2 sticks butter
A pinch salt
Some ice cold water

Put flour in bowl.
Put butter in walnut sized pieces and mix under flour. Don't over-knead. Add salt and enough water for the dough to come together. Form two discs, wrap in plastic and Leave in fridge over night.

Pecan Pie

1 cup honey
3 beaten eggs
3 tbsp butter
1 tsp vanilla extract
1 cup pecans
1 pinch nutmeg

Preheat the oven to 325 degrees. Bring the honey to boil. Add eggs and stir in. Then, add butter, vanilla, nutmeg and pecans. Pour into pastry crust. Bake for 25 minutes, or until set.



If you haven't had a chance to read our Annual Newsletter, we warmly invite you to do so here:

Upcoming Events:

Holiday Fair and Sale, December 20th

2020 A Space Odyssey Gala

February 29th, 2020

Details coming soon!





December 3rd is Giving Tuesday -

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