

Dear Friend of MREC,

Welcome to our 2012 Annual Fund letter. This year we mark a year of new beginnings. As we see changes around the world, we also look with hope towards changes within ourselves and within our local communities. Here in Royalston at our home, Camp Caravan, we continue our cooperative approach with a listening and learning ethos. As we listen to each other, ourselves, and the external world, we also listen for the silence behind the noise, within and without. Help, clarity, purpose, and decision can become real in these moments.

Last year's outreach through our first Annual Fund letter brought a heartwarming response from friends old and new, near and far. The significant support received enabled us to fund the building of access stairs for the Auditorium and sheetrocking the interior of the Dormitory building. See our website and monthly e-news for details of the history of the Dormitory building and the renovation project.

Last year we hosted over seventy-five people for Work events, and this year the number looks to exceed one hundred and fifty. The opportunities made possible by this property show us the practical need to continue to upgrade and develop the site. **This year we are looking to raise \$35, 000 to complete the interior of the Dormitory building and to begin funding a new septic system.** The interior work required includes finishing electrical work, plumbing, carpentry, and flooring. When complete the Dormitory building will be able to hold up to thirty people over three floors.

Our program of events for 2012 includes our Annual Summer Seminar, a series of Movements programs led by Margit Martinu, a two-week course aimed at beginners led by George Bennett and others, and two Guitar Craft seminars. We have also been fortunate to see the Thomas de Hartmann Project increase in scope and reach under the MREC umbrella.

We hope you can contribute to this year's Annual Fund for the Dormitory project, as we seek to serve people who come to the Work in this time of global significance. Stay in touch or visit - your support and participation are living witness to this practical endeavor in the Work.

Yours sincerely,

John Richardson

President

Martin Brown

Member