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To: Peter Hamilton <peterh@nor.com.au>
Date: Tuesday, 5 September 2000 19:29
Subject: Update

Hi Peter

Just to let you know I have left a message this morning with the Community Legal Centre asking Steve Bolt to telephone me to discuss the appeals. I'm still waiting to hear from him. I understand he is going to be back in the office some time this afternoon.

I have been reading that report prepared by David Kanaley. It is really interesting. I like the sound of Damanhur in Italy. I had a look at their web site. You can look at the photos of the temple they have carved out of the mountain. It is quite beautiful. If you click on the photos they expand to full page size so you can see more of the detail. Its really worth a look. Here is the site if you are interested: <http://www.damanhur.org/info/home.htm>

I think I could live in a place as beautiful as Damanhur.

Talk to you as soon as I hear back from Steve.

Andrew Taylor

7/09/00

From: Penny Watson <pennywat@email.com>
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Date: Thursday, 18 May 2000 17:41
Subject: social change

Dear Friends,

thanks to everyone for making the Strategic Questioning workshop such an inspiring and successful event. I personally feel that there is so much we could share and learn from each other, that a day or weekend or ongoing time just spent together to do that, would be useful, enjoyable and sustainable. Any thoughts about that? I would be willing to organise such an event if there was interest from enough people. Please let me know if you are and I'll begin some dialogue about it. peace and love, PENNY

H/Benny we this

ALSO - below are details about two ACE courses which may be of interest. Please feel free to spread the word about these in your own networks.

One is about the Creating Community course which Gayle mentioned. Because of lack of time to really explain it, we decided to send out more details to you.

The other is about Writing for "Australian Positive News"

FIRST: To set up a few protocols about this email list which was created at the SQ workshp, please take note:

PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF THIS TYPE OF INFO IS NOT RELEVANT TO YOU, IE: YOU LIVE TOO FAR AWAY, NOT INTERESTED, OR CHANGED YOUR MIND

ABOUT BEING ON THE LIST etc If this is the case please reply to me with this email with NO at the top, thanks

IF YOU ONLY WANT TO KNOW ABOUT ONE OFF WORKSHOPS, please reply with ONE OFF at the top, thanks.

ALSO would you would like to be on the Australia Connects email list? This type of info plus general social change activities and ideas are sent around on it. It is not deluges of info. If YES please email this back to me with a big YES on the top, thanks.

NO REPLY means to me, hopefully, that you're either happy to recieve this sort of email, or can deal with it yourself.

WRITING for "AUSTRALIAN POSITIVE NEWS" SHORT COURSE
 "Instead of cursing the darkness, why not light a candle?" (Eleanor Roosevelt)

Explore constructive ways of expressing your concerns about the world that "stand for the good, rather than against the bad" (R. Theobald). This course

27/05/00

will first look at ways of developing awareness that HOW we communicate is just as important as WHAT we communicate. Learn to write strong, uplifting articles of a high editorial standard. It is hoped that this course will help to get together a local stable of contributors to the "Australian Positive News".

Concerned about the negative effects of our mass media, Cathérin Baker, an experienced editor and teacher, is involved in plans to develop an Australian version of the British quarterly "Positive News". The publication will focus on action, not opinion, not theory, and certainly not on personalities or party politics. It will be an information and networking organ, with articles about the successes of both individual and groups who have enhanced their local communities in terms of the economy, agriculture, health, education, the environment, alternative technology, etc, etc...

COURSE DETAILS

6 Tuesdays 23rd May to 27th June (POSSIBLE starting date a week later) at Mullumbimby, 10am-12.30pm, concession: \$70. Full fee: \$78. BOOKINGS through ACE Mullumbimby Ph. 66843374

CREATING COMMUNITY/ ACTION LEARNING COURSE for people wanting to:

explore ways of working in community,
share and gain new insights and skills in a supportive group learning environment
have opportunities to work together on projects and/or
bring along ideas and challenges about their existing projects

This course: Creating Community - Stage 2, is designed to be useful to all levels of community workers from the novice to the sage. Stage 2 will extend over ACE Terms 2 and 3 starting on May 26 and finishing on September 10. The cost is \$95 (\$85 concession) per term. It is held in Myocum, (between Byron and Mullum) For additional information please contact the coordinator:
Gayle Cue on 6684-7095 or gaylecue@mullum.com.au

INVITATION

> Creating Community, an initiative of Australia Connects, has room to
> invite six new participants for Stage 2. Creating Community is a year
> long course being offered through ACE Mullum. In Term 1 the
> participants experimented in ways of learning about ourselves, each
> other and how communities can work creatively with the processes of
> change. Because the course is designed to take place over the entire
> year, Term 1 included introductory sessions in different and new ways of
> learning. The participants then decided which of these they wanted to
> explore more thoroughly in the remainder of the year.
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Stage 2 will focus around three interwoven themes: Group Process and
> Facilitation, Learning to Learn in Action and Building Creative
> Communities. Small Action Learning groups will be involved in a real
> life "project" of their own choosing. Your project can be as ambitious

- > or as modest as you wish. It can be something you will be doing anyway
- > or it can be a new initiative that you plan and implement over the four
- > months. Projects can be undertaken individually or collaboratively.

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- You will be provided with a course manual designed to support your
- > learning during Stage 2 and to provide you with community building tools
 - > of lasting value. An email discussion list will also be established to
 - > enable easy communication between the Action Learning groups throughout
 - > the course. New participants will be offered an introduction session on
 - > the morning of the first day.

- > Over the two terms the whole group will meet for a total of ten days:

- > 3 days May 26, 27, 28
- > 2 days June 30 & July 1
- > 2 days August 4 & 5
- > 3 days September 8, 9, 10

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- > Between these whole-group workshops, participants will meet in their
- > Action Learning groups at times and places of their own choosing.
- > Participants in the course range from experienced community workers to
- > those just starting out. This course offers the opportunity to network
- > with others involved in community work and to share experiences and
- > skills while participating in a collaborative learning environment.
- > Creating Community offers a combination of coherent structure and
- > maximum flexibility.

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