



# 2010 Annual Report



... promoting peace and social justice through education and dialogue inspired by nature.

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## **Letter from the Chairs and Co-Directors**

As the World Fellowship Center completes 70 years of unique service to the progressive community, the feeling that arises most in us is one of gratitude.

We are grateful for the loving dedication of so many people over so many years, from our farsighted forebears to those who carry the baton forward today. The efforts of current and past Board and committee members, and the selfless work of those who bang the nails, scramble the eggs and mop the floors are the basis for our improbable durability. This is a community that faces challenges with grace, humor and principle, offering a nicely-calibrated balance between the comfort of tradition and the freshness of innovation.

We are proud of steps we have taken towards improving governance, and our physical plant, and connecting with our community.

Accomplishments in 2010 include:

- Completion of a Life Safety Report and implementation of Year One Recommendations
- Completion of Facilities Assessment with Recommendations for Major Repairs
- Community Survey and Board/Committee discussions toward draft Campus Plan
- Complete construction and adaptation for egress from some Lloyd Lodge rooms and dining hall
- Complete installation of Lloyd Lodge and Uphaus Lodge fire alarm system
- Cleared additional land for growing organic vegetables; tractor purchased
- Children's Fellowship and Playground Upgrade
- Farmhouse deconstruction completed in April
- Successful summer educational program with Recreation, Arts, and Body Movement offerings
- Positive hospitality measures received in evaluations from summer guests
- Implementation of Development Initiatives and completing one of the best fundraising years
- New Database Management Software developed for purchase in 2011
- Hired year-round Administrative Assistant/Office Manager with plan to increase to full-time
- Board of Trustees training and professionalization
- Gatherings held each weekend of the summer for Board members to Meet & Greet guests
- Initiate Financial Review process to be conducted by independent Certified Public Accountant

We are excited about the opportunities before us. Critical decisions and actions will be necessary over the next few years. With the Board and Co-Directors collaborating closely with our community, we are poised to transition World Fellowship to an increasingly solid foundation both in terms of the physical space and meeting our mission. Continuing forward with fundraising and outreach we expect to be able to make significant gains in strengthening our facilities. What a joy it will be to know that Lloyd Lodge and Uphaus will be secure for the next 100 years and that all of our buildings will offer more dependable comfort for our guests. The work is hard but within our grasp.

We draw great strength from all who have served and those that will be serving on the Board of Trustees and who serve our community in other important ways. We look forward to adding new board and committee members each year as we strengthen our team even more.

As always, we are proud to be part of and to serve the World Fellowship community. Now more than ever we need the generous support of people who care about our uniquely inspiring beloved World Fellowship Center. We are looking to you for continued support - in pledging funds, in serving on committees of the Board of Trustees, in bringing new people to experience World Fellowship, and in general, spreading the word about this remarkable place and our mission.

Best wishes as we all work to create more peace and justice in the coming years.

Thank you,

Jessie Schnapp and Jake Geller  
Board of Trustees Co-Chairs

Andrea Walsh and Andy Davis  
Co-Directors

## Educational Program highlights

Our 2010 program was one of our most successful. Guests, staff members and members of the local community joined educational presentations and discussions held each day.

### *Progressive Educational Program*

*...promoting peace and social justice*

Since 1941 summer program offerings at World Fellowship have served to provide participants with an opportunity to learn about current issues and how global and United States citizens can work to improve living conditions for all people. Presentations with discussions are held each day at 7:30pm or 10am.

#### **2010 Program included:**

- Rights and Red: Cold War in NH
- Two Years with a Mid-wife in Mali
- Haiti
  - o Haiti in a Regional Context
  - o Current Issues in Solidarity
  - o Through Haitian-American Eyes
  - o Does Haiti Need Us?
- Capitalism in Crisis
- The Saffron Revolution /Burma Today
- Iraq: What's Next after the Combat Forces Withdrawal?
- Sustainability in Harlem
- US-Israeli Partnership and Its Impact on Palestine
- How to Elect Progressives and Influence People
- Candidates and Issues: Preparing for a Fight
- Progressive Dollars: Raising Money
- Media Matters: Framing the Issues
- Field Operations: Empowering the People
- What is a 'Progressive' Position on an Issue?
- What the Mountains Teach
- Why Fungi Matter
- Fixing School Food
- Iran in Crisis
- Single-Payer Health Care 101
- Healthcare Reform: What the Hell Happened
- Peace in Israel/Palestine: The Imperative of Forceful US Diplomacy
- Youth Organizing for Justice and Peace
- Human Rights vs. Corporate "Rights" and What You Can Do
- Beyond Binary Gender
- El Salvador: New Hope and New Challenges
- Harvesting the Future

*... through education and dialogue*

### *Cultural Program*

- International participation included staff and guests from: Niger, U.K., Germany, Belarus, Poland, France, Belgium, Ireland, Canada, Spain, and more.
- Each weekend includes a Friday night opportunity for guests and staff to present on stage –whether a song, poem, skit, or dance – Fun Night lets everyone's light shine.
- Saturday evening performances ranged from dance bands to storytellers and balladeers.

### *Arts Program*

- Artists in Residence facilitate exploration and creativity through mixed media each week. Art on the Porch sessions give people of all ages a chance to share in creating beauty at Lloyd Lodge. Projects ranged from collage and paper making to fabric and yarn creations.
- Intensive workshops allow participants to develop their passion with skilled leadership:
  - o Early Music Week
  - o Mt. Chocorua Writing Workshop
  - Photography Workshop
  - Traditional Roots Music
  - Choral Singing Week
  - Poetry Workshop
  - Labor Day Music Weekend
  - Art of Presenting Oral Histories Workshop

## ***Recreation Program***

*... inspired by nature*

Our Recreation Program flourished with Howie Fain's leadership, generating great enthusiasm and rave reviews. Howie consistently provides just the right amount of encouragement and coordination for people of all abilities and experience levels. Daily hike outings on White Mountain National Forest trails along the Kancamagus Highway and throughout Carroll County, complemented with daily bicycle outings and occasional swims, provide people much-appreciated access to nature.

Additional Recreational offerings:

- Soccer Week
- New in 2010: local coach Maury McKinney offered Three B's of Swimming at Whitton Pond

## ***Body Movement Program***

Many opportunities to stretch and breathe were offered by professionals throughout the summer. We are grateful to all of the teachers who skillfully share their experience in a supportive, inclusive, encouraging manner.

Offerings included:

- Feldenkrais Intensive Retreat
- Capoeira Angola
- Yoga's Transformative Power
- Qi Gong
- T'ai Chi

## ***Youth Program***

World Fellowship has been working to provide inspiring programming for youth to complement the time young people enjoy 'chilling' in the wonderful woods and at Whitton Pond.

2010 Highlights include:

- Capoeira Angola
- Soccer Week

***2010 Summer Activities*** also featured:

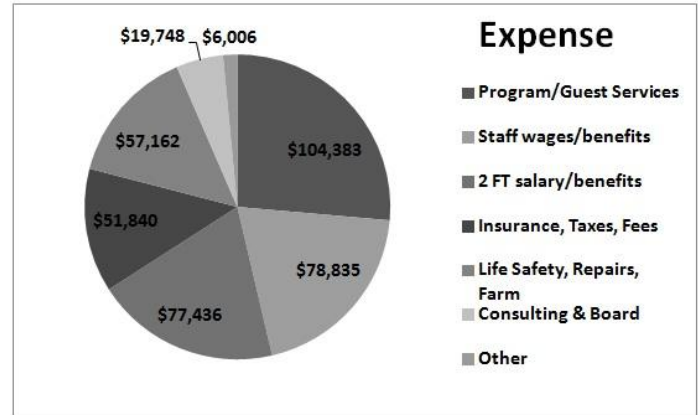
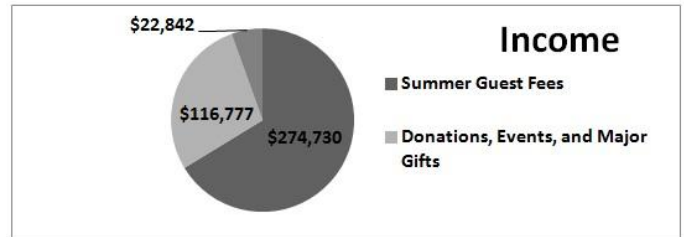
- Co-Housing Workshop - We hope this will become an annual event for people to join the movement to live the "World Fellowship" way year-round.
- Clamshell Alliance Reunion
- Palestine Education Network Retreat
- Memorial Services for Andre Elizee (a.k.a. Daniel Simidor) and Abe Cotton
- Weddings of Bailey Whiteside and Paul Azakian; and Amy Willenbrock and Brian Cunningham
- Two intergenerational, international family reunions
- And a first attempt at a World Fellowship Center staff reunion

Providing people engaged in good work with a supportive setting for rest, rejuvenation, recreation, and renewal is an honor World Fellowship will continue offering for decades to come.

# 2010 Financial Overview

## World Fellowship Income & Expenses

	2010
Summer Guest Fees	\$274,730
Donations, Events, and Major Gifts	\$116,777
Other (conferences, sales)	\$22,842
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$414,349</b>
Program/Guest Services	\$104,383
Staff wages/benefits	\$78,835
2 FT salary/benefits	\$77,436
Insurance, Taxes, Fees	\$51,840
Life Safety, Repairs, Farm	\$57,162
Consulting & Board	\$19,748
Other	\$6,006
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$395,410</b>
<b>Assets</b>	
Land, buildings and equipment	\$560,388
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$73,803
Investments	\$19,658
Inventory	\$11,109
Accounts Receivable	\$2,053
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$667,011</b>



## Income

A financial highlight of 2010 was that we received a record \$116,777 in generous response to fundraising efforts to meet our organizational needs. From Major Gifts and Memorial Wall contributions to brick purchases and Round-Up donations, this community generosity is greatly appreciated and continues to be greatly needed. We have significant Life Safety modernization projects planned for the next 3-5 years. In addition we have scheduled many necessary Major Repairs to keep our buildings functioning properly.

Guest fees met expectations for the year. We continue to reach out to build the numbers of people committed to peace and social justice education and to invite people to join the World Fellowship Center community and experience our living mission during the summer months. We encourage supporters and friends to help bring one new individual, a family or group each year.

## Expense

From an Expense perspective our largest costs are related to delivering program and guest services. 2010 Staff expenses include salaries, wages, benefits, and payroll taxes for 2 full-time year-round co-directors, 1 half-time office administrator, and approximately 45 seasonal staff and volunteers. Our next largest expenses include insurance, real estate and rooms taxes, and state fees. Professional consultants have provided information and guidance on bringing facilities into full repair and compliance with life safety regulations. The board has been grateful for professional assistance for these major initiatives. Investment expenses include Life Safety improvements, major repairs/maintenance and expansion of our organic farm capacity.

## Assets

Current assets include our cash-on-hand and receivables. Our largest non-current assets are in the value of the land (455 acres) and the buildings. As of the end of 2010, World Fellowship carries no debt. The low and no-interest community loans to finance the building of 'The Cape/Directors House' were repaid in full in October.

Of course, our greatest asset of all is the priceless community that surrounds, believes in and continues to support the World Fellowship Center and our mission to promote peace and social justice through education and dialogue inspired by nature.