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A Newsletter from the Guide of TCC



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International T'ai Chi Chih Teachers Conference

July 16 -- 19, 2009 Lied Lodge & Conference Center Nebraska City, Nebraska USA

Registration, vendor applications and scholarship applications www.taichichih.org/conference.php

Seijaku Accreditation

July 19 -- 21, 2009 Lied Lodge & Conference Center Nebraska City, Nebraska USA

Registration for Teacher
Accreditation
and Teacher Auditing
Information

http://www.taichichih.org/conference.php

Locate Other Local and International Events

www.taichichih.org/calendar.php

Dear T'ai Chi Chih practitioners,

It is with profound joy that I greet you through this first of monthly communications with a newsletter from the new www.TCCcommunity.net website. And a community site is just what this site is fast becoming -- one soon to host many features you'll find useful for teaching, communicating, finding resources, but most importantly for Uniting the Teachers. Uniting the Teachers is one of the three requests Justin asked me to fulfill November 23, 2003 when he asked me to become the Guide of the T'ai Chi Chih community -- hence the new www.TCCcommunity.net website.

As we enter this New Year, I encourage you to begin making your plans to attend the International T'ai Chi Chih Teachers Conference to be held at the Lied Lodge and Conference Center in Nebraska City, NE on July 16 -- 19, 2009. This site was chosen for its closeness to the geographical center of the United States in hopes that it would make it easy for everybody to attend. The event will be hosted by: Teacher Trainers Sandy McAlister and Pam Towne, plus myself -- with help of various teachers around the country. Do plan to attend as we enter into the process of creating "Connections: Nourishing, Rooting, Blooming."

Ever since Justin began training others to teach T'ai Chi Chih, our community has moved outward, teacher-by-teacher, until we now circle the globe. Once a year, during the International T'ai Chi Chih Teachers Conference, many of our world-scattered teachers choose to come back to center and meet as one community. You can be one of them!

T'ai Chi Chih Community's Website

www.TCCcommunity.net

There is a wisdom to be gleaned from being with people, an interchange, the dynamic of giving and receiving. There is wisdom to be gleaned from being with other teachers at Conference. Come to Nebraska City this year and experience our community's many interconnections. Come to Conference to connect, to nourish your practice and to root your chi. With your participation and presence, together as a community of teachers we will balance and cultivate our community's center and bloom our collective spirit. Then as individual parts of this unified center, teacher-by-teacher, we will move outward in a more intentional way -- renewed, refreshed, and revitalized. You know you want to come; you can feel it in your bones. Make your plans this year -- make them now -- to follow your chi to Nebraska.

See what Lied Lodge is like by watching this short video clip http://www.liedlodge.org/about/video.cfm or by visiting http://www.liedlodge.org

For those of you who can stay for a couple of days after the International Conference is over, there is a marvelous Seijaku opportunity you should plan for as well. If you have yet to gain your Seijaku Accreditation -- or if you have your Accreditation and wish to audit the training -- Pam Towne is encouraging you to register as soon as possible. A teaching space at Lied Lodge has been reserved, but a deposit must be paid to the Lodge to hold that space. Last year many of you who wanted Seijaku, but didn't make an early enough commitment to attend, were very disappointed when we had to cancel the Seijaku Accreditation to avoid loosing a deposit. Pam says, "If you're planning to come to Seijaku, you need to contact host Dan Pienciak no later than June 1st, 2009."

Daniel Pienciak wakeupdaniel@aol.com or phone 732-988-5573

My hope this year is that all of us will grow deeper in our T'ai Chi Chih form and energetically continue to teach it to the world. As Justin describes in many of his articles, everything in life is impermanent (cf. Spiritual Odyssey). Currently the world situation is one where many are faced with the fallout of an uncertain financial future. Experience tells us that our T'ai Chi Chih practice can and will provide the calmness and grounding necessary to carry ourselves and our students through the worry, loss, and anxiety that may be happening this year. Through each of you, may T'ai Chi Chih embrace the world -- and through each of you, may the world embrace T'ai Chi Chih!

I am hoping to meet many of you as 2009 unfolds.

Wishing each of you peace and all good,

Sr. Antonia

PS http://www.taichichih.org/calendar.php

Remember this link can be uses to locate both local and international events and do tell others about this site, especially your students!

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