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Peace Pagoda
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PEACE PAGODA INAUGURATION DAY - SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1985

With joy and reverence we announce that October 5th is the day set aside for the Inauguration of the first Peace Pagoda to be constructed in North America. Please mark the day on your calendar and plan to be with us for this auspicious and holy occasion.

The day will commence with a procession up Cave Hill Road to the Peace Pagoda. When we are gathered and seated, there will be a formal consecration ceremony, including the offering of prayers and blessings from different spiritual traditions. Following this ceremony, luncheon will be offered to all present -- perhaps the largest ever served in Leverett! In the evening a celebration of music and other artistic expressions will be presented in Amherst.

A formal invitation to the Inauguration will be sent soon. Details of the Inauguration and related events will be sent to those who respond to the invitation. Additional invitations set upon request.

Interfaith Convocation: Faith in Action and Dedication to Nonviolence - Friday, October 4, 1985

In preparation for the Inauguration of the Peace Pagoda there will be a major interfaith convocation on Friday, October 4 from 1 to 5 p.m. The purpose is to clarify the core spirit of non-violence. Speakers are being invited whom we feel have a profound insight into the problems of the world and the problem of one's self. We hope that this will contribut to the world-wide non-violent struggle to convert to a spiritual civilization where the sacredness of life is the preeminent value.

One of the speakers will be Fr. George Zebelka who was the chaplain to the 509th Composite Group (the atomic bomb crews) on Tinian Island in August, 1945. In 1984 Fr. Zabelka returned to Hiroshima and Nagasaki to ask forgiveness of the Japanese people.

The convocation will be held in an atmosphere of prayer. We do not know the exact form it will take, but we are seeking to hold ourselves open to that there may be a powerful movement of the spirit of justice in our lives, leading us towards offering our lives to faith in action.

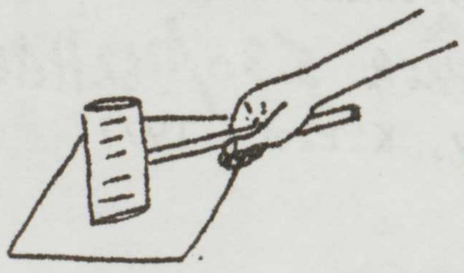
PILGRIMAGE FOR PEACE (bagginning Sept. 21st)

To walk for peace is a step-by-step committment, a prayer of the body, mind and heart for a just and nonviolent world. The Peacewalk is a unique pilgrimage, involving people of all faiths and many cultures, united toward the commom aim of world peace.

The pilgrimage will begin in Plymouth, Mass. a place of signficant history in the development of this country. the walk will proceed to Boston, gathering additional participants and spiritual strength as it moves through the city. From Boston, the Pilgrims proceed westward through the autumn countryside, making their way each day toward the beckoning presence of the Peace Pagoda in western Mass. which is being built by the joint efforts of the Buddhist order Nipponzan Myohoji and an international community of dedicated volunteers.

Arrival in the Northhampton-Amherst area is scheduled for Oct.1-2nd with many welcoming events and grateful supporters adding their spirit for the honoring of the Pilgrimage. People are invited to join in this walk for the benefit of all in the Spirit of Peace-people are also invited to help in the many stages of pagoda construction, landscaping, inauguration preporation, cooking, office tasks, etc.

If you would like information about the Inauguration(Oct. 5), pilgrimage, work camp and all related events,please write to Peace Pagoda 100 Cave Hill Rd. Leverett, Ma. 01054 or phone (413) 367-2202. In Providence, Phil Edmonds 38 Ring St. 02909.



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Kneecap Coffeehouse / Auction

Friday October 4, 1985 7:30 p.m.

Bell St. Chapel, Bell St.
Providence

$1.00 admission gives you a chance for our great door prizes!

You can help we will auction things, time and skills. anything from A to Z (a sewing lesson to a guided nature walk to carpentry work to a car wash. donate your time. donate your help with varied tasks to get the event off the ground or be a worker at the event itself. we need you.

Call Kneecap 351-6544 or Dave 521-0546