

AWSNA 2008 Northeast-Quebec Regional Conference
***Intentionality in Action A* CONFERENCE FOR EDUCATORS OF ADOLESCENTS**

Conference Schedule 2008

<i>Friday October 10</i>	<i>Saturday October 11</i>	<i>Sunday October 12</i>	
<p style="text-align: center;">10:00 to 3:00 Delegates Meeting All Northeast/Quebec and Mid-Atlantic AWSNA Affiliated Schools invited (Lunch Provided: \$10 donation)</p> <p>IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ THIS LECTURE IN PREPARATION FOR THE CONFERENCE</p> <p>Preparatory reading for the Conference: Rudolf Steiner, <i>The Human Heart</i> Dornach, May 26, 1922</p>	<p>8:30 to 9:15 Observations and questions related to the conference theme <i>Moderation: Jon McAlice</i></p>	<p>8:30 to 9:00 Eurythmy <i>(Tari Steinrueck)</i></p>	
	<p>9:15 to 10:00 Eurythmy <i>(Tari Steinrueck)</i></p>	<p>9:00 to 10:30 <i>(Douglas Gerwin)</i> Beyond “Either” and “Or” High school is about learning to form sound judgments. In making our own judgments, we transcend available options rather than choosing between them. How do we help teenagers exercise this crucial and uniquely human capacity?</p>	
	<p>10:00 to 10:30 Break & snack</p>	<p>10:30 to 11:00 Break & snack</p>	
	<p>10:30 to 12:00 <i>(John Wulsin)</i> “HOW DO YOU DO? I AM A...” How can a noun do, or be? The relationship between noun and verb forms the primary dynamic of polarity in our language. How can our perception of these simple elements become a basis for understanding the mysterious rhythms of our soul-life?</p>	<p>11:00 to 12:15 Plenum <i>(Presenters)</i> & Closing Remarks <i>(Jon McAlice)</i></p>	
	<p>12:00 – 12:30 Forum</p>		
	<p>12:30 – 2:00 Lunch</p>		
		<p>2:00 – 2:45 Spaceball</p>	
	<p>5:45 – 6:30 Registration</p>	<p>3:00 – 6:00 The afternoon will be dedicated to subject-specific working sessions, giving colleagues the opportunity to explore questions concerning their own disciplines in depth including Humanities, Foreign Language, Math, Sciences, Movement, Music the Arts and Upper Grades (7th & 8th) <i>(Please state your preference for a group on the registration form)</i></p>	
<p>6:45 – 8:30 Introductions & Lecture: <i>(Jon McAlice)</i> “I will” The Signature of the Self in the Astral</p>	<p>6:00 – 7:00 Supper</p> <p>7:15 – 9:00 <i>(Michele Starr)</i> Study/Conversation based on the lecture by Rudolf Steiner The Human Heart, May 26, 1922 (Please come prepared having read this lecture.)</p>		

AWSNA Northeast-Quebec Regional Conference: October 10th, 11th and 12th, 2008
Hartsbrook School, Hadley, Massachusetts
Registration Form

Please PRINT clearly:

Name: _____ Daytime Phone: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

E-mail address: _____

School _____ Position _____

List the subject section in which you wish to participate:

First Choice: _____ Second Choice _____

In order to best use our time together, please list questions or topics you'd like to discuss during the subject section time:

(Feel free to add more on another piece of paper.)

Conference Fee (check the appropriate box):

_____ **\$150 collected at the door**

_____ \$125 if you register and include payment by October 9th.

_____ Discounted rate of \$100 if registration form **and payment** are mailed by September 26th.

Limited scholarship assistance available before September 26th. Call Michele at (802) 985-2827 ext. 46 or email at starr@vtnaturalmed.com to request. (Although we are not able to offer refunds, your registration is transferable to someone else if you cannot attend.)

Make checks payable to Lake Champlain Waldorf School. (Although registration is through LCWS, the conference is hosted at the Hartsbrook School in Hadley, MA.)

Housing: Call the hotel directly to reserve and pay for a room. There are several motels and hotels in the area, suggestions listed below. Please know that this is "foliage season" in Massachusetts and housing might be difficult to get and might be priced higher than usual; we strongly suggest you book as soon as possible in order to secure housing with a lower rate. You are welcome to arrange your own housing; we will not be organizing private arrangements.

Mail registration form and full payment to:

Michele Starr, Lake Champlain Waldorf Grade School, 359 Turtle Ln, Shelburne, VT 05482

(For questions either email starr@vtnaturalmed.com, or leave a message at 802-985-2827 ext. 46.)

Presenters:

Douglas Gerwin Director of the Center for Anthroposophy and Co-director of the Research Institute for Waldorf Education has taught history, literature, German, music, and life science at the Waldorf high school level since 1983. He presently divides his time between preparing high school teachers and mentoring North American Waldorf Schools. Douglas is the founder of the Waldorf High School Teacher Education Program at the Center for Anthroposophy in Wilton NH and editor of several books related to Waldorf education.

Jon McAlice has worked in the international Waldorf school movement for over 20 years as a teacher and lecturer. He has been involved in teacher training institutes throughout Europe and in the United States, focusing primarily on questions of human development and the psychology of learning. For many years at the Goetheanum in Switzerland he headed up research projects on curricular development, collegial leadership, and the relationship between Waldorf education and today's work world. At present he lives in Ghent NY.

John Wulsin grew up in Cincinnati, Japan, and Switzerland, and worked as an Instructor with Outward Bound on Hurricane Island, Maine, and in the Austrian Alps before discovering Waldorf Education. After completing his Waldorf training at Emerson College, England, he prepared further to become a Waldorf High School teacher by completing his B.A. in English at Harvard College. For twenty-five years he has been teaching English and Drama at Green Meadow Waldorf School. He teaches high school pedagogy at Sunbridge College, and he teaches often in the summer at the Waldorf High School Training at Rudolf Steiner College in Sacramento.

Subject Section Facilitators: Each subject section will have a point person to help facilitate conversation. Your questions and comments will be forwarded to the point people in order to maximize the time together. These groups will include the above presenters and others including but not limited to:

Patrick Stolfo (M.A. in Waldorf Ed.; B.F.A.; independent study/teaching assistant Emerson College, England, in the sculpture program 1977-81) Patrick has been a subject teacher since 1981, primarily at Hawthorne Valley School, Ghent, N.Y., in upper grade and high school sculptural arts [clay, wood, stone, etc.] and high school history of art and architecture, as well as various humanities electives. Currently active in the Antioch New England Teacher Training Program, the Center for Anthroposophy, N.H., and the Alkion Center for Adult Ed. at Hawthorne Valley in N.Y.

Keith Badger has over 18 years experience developing and implementing outdoor wilderness programs and environmental education experiences for adolescents at the secondary school level. He is currently the Life Science teacher at High Mowing School in Wilton, NH. He has extensive experience in backcountry travel and wilderness excursions throughout the North American continent and Europe.

Roberto Trostli has been active in Waldorf education for the past 27 years as a class teacher, high school teacher, adult educator, and lecturer. He is the author of *Physics is Fun—a Sourcebook for Teachers*; he compiled *Rhythms of Learning and Teaching Language Arts in the Waldorf School*, and has written many articles and a dozen plays for children. Roberto currently teaches biology and chemistry at the Hartsbrook High School in Hadley, MA.

Michele Starr has over 20 years experience as a class teacher, currently teaching grade 8 at the Lake Champlain Waldorf School in Shelburne, VT. She is the Leadership Council representative for the Northeast/Quebec region of AWSNA.

Dan Marsch started his Waldorf teaching career at the Chicago Waldorf School where he taught high school math and other subjects. He currently teaches at the Rudolf Steiner School in New York City.

David Sloan, a graduate of Harvard College, completed his Waldorf teacher training at Emerson College. After a long career at the Green Meadow Waldorf School teaching English and drama, David and his wife Christine relocated to Maine. David is currently working at the Merricogneag Waldorf School as a lead teacher in the high school. He is also completing a MFA program in Creative Writing at the University of Southern Maine, has written two books on teaching drama and literature, and is a member of the Center for Anthroposophy summer teaching faculty.

Tari Steinrueck for the last nine years has been teaching Eurythmy in grades 7-12 at the Green Meadow Waldorf School. She previously toured with Eurythmy Spring Valley before having three daughters, who are all currently in adolescence.

Important Conference Information

Location:

The Hartsbrook School, Elementary School building, 193 Bay Road,
Hadley, MA 01035. Tel. 413 586-1908

Date: October 10, 11, 12 2008

Directions:

From the North:

I-91 South to Exit 20; At end of ramp, merge onto "Rt. 5 South" and get into left-hand lane.

Turn left at the stoplight onto Damon Road. Follow Damon Road approximately 1 mile to the intersection of Route 9 (stoplight). Turn left onto Route 9 east.*

From the South:

I-91 North to Exit 19; From end of ramp, turn right onto Route 9 east.*

From the East:

On the Mass Turnpike from both east and west, take Exit 4 onto I-91 North (towards Holyoke) to Exit 19; right on Route 9*

From Route 2, go west to Amherst exit (Exit 16) onto Route 202 South. Go about 14.5 miles to flashing yellow light at the well-marked sign for Amherst Rd. and turn right (west). Take this 6.5 miles to the center of Amherst where you will turn left at the light on the Common. Go to the next light; go right (west), onto Route 9 for about 4.3 miles. Follow this until you come to the light at Route 47 (Middle St.), go left to the blinking light at Bay Rd.; Turn left. Follow directions at the asterisk.*

* Go over bridge. At the first traffic light turn right onto Bay Road (Route 47) Follow Bay Road to the blinking light and take the second left (still Bay Road). Elementary bldg. is 1/2 mile on the right.]

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- Amherst Motel, 408 Northampton Rd. (Route 9), Amherst -413 256 8122; www.amherstmotel.com.
- (Few rooms) \$ 69+/night
- University Lodge, 345 North Pleasant St., Amherst 256 8111;
- www.virtual-valley.com - (413) 256-8111 \$109+/night
- Howard Johnson Inn, 401 Russell St (Route 9), Hadley 586 0114; * \$ 94+/night
- EconoLodge, 329 Russell St., Hadley (413) 582 7077; \$114+/night
- Holiday Inn Express, 400 Russell St, Hadley- www.ichotelsgroup.com
- (413) 582-0002 *\$128+/night
- Lord Jeffery Inn - www.lordjefferyinn.com (413) 253-2576
- Allen House Victorian Inn - www.allenhouse.com (413) 253-5000
- Black Walnut Inn - www.blackwalnutinn.com (413) 549-5649
- Campus Center Hotel at UMass Amherst- www.aux.umass.edu (413) 549-6000
- Hotel Northampton - www.hotelnorthampton.com - (413) 584-3100