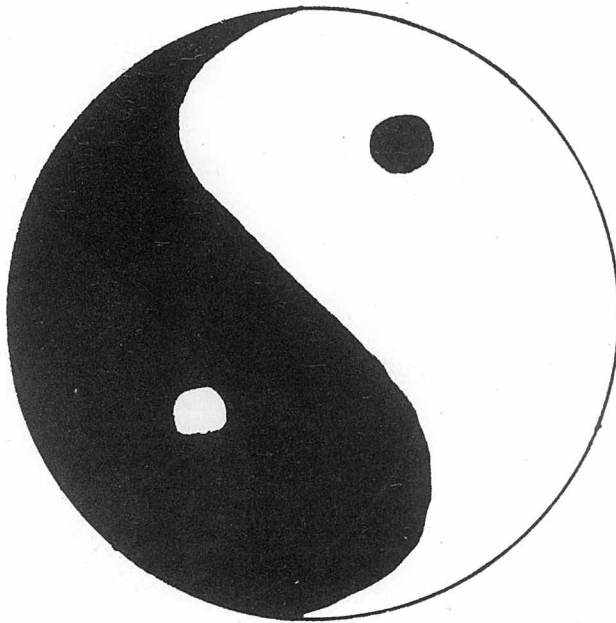


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*A non-profit organization
for the development of better
human communication, creativity,
and community growth*



THE PEOPLE'S CENTER

AN INVITATION

The People's Center begins with two assumptions:
* To be alive is to continue to search for new ways of creatively growing.
* Each individual deserves the opportunity to fulfill his or her potential for a meaningful life.

Therefore, the Center is an attempt to facilitate and encourage both self and community growth. The emphasis of the classes, activities, and experiences is to be on openness, cooperation, trust, and acceptance of each individual's worth.

The People's Center will be oriented around the belief that education and life are inseparable and together form a continual, ongoing process; and that education should include all aspects of the person -- intellectual, emotional, social, practical, physical.

WHO MAKES UP THE PEOPLE'S CENTER?

Initially, the idea for a People's Center grew out of a gathering of the following people: Ruth and Al Raebach, Trlev and Barbara Tanner, Jean Walker, Jerry Borsch, Chuck Marshall, Dot-Sue Rodal, Lois Beebie, Jack Paddock, Deane and Johanna Shapiro, Tim and Katie Locke, Barbara and Larry Newcomb, Tom Schleyer, Larry Cook, Kathie Keels, Mark Peters. Since then, the idea has been expressed to and received support from Dan Lyon, Ron Hargis, Ron Garrison, Ellen Clement, Don and Alice Littlepage, Barbara Portaro, Gerry French, and several others.

But people means everyone. From the tiniest toddler to the oldest granddaddy. The hope is that families could participate in the Center as a family. Everyone has an intrinsic worth and it is the goal of this Center to facilitate and encourage the development of a trusting, loving environment in which we will all continue to learn how to share ourselves.

PROJECTED DATES -- FALL, 1971

November 14 -- Explanatory talk and discussion about the Center at the 9:00 a.m. forum and the 11:00 a.m. service. Informational booths will be set up after the service.
November 14 - December 19 -- Feedback, informal discussions, forums etc.
January 6 -- To facilitate selection and coordination of activities, a brochure will be published, detailing courses, activities, and experiences.

POSSIBILITIES



A. Interpersonal interaction: seek the assistance of Open Door; initiate such courses as a Family Communication Workshop; youth oriented open door; a young couples workshop; Gestalt Workshop; Psychodrama and Role-playing groups; creativity workshop to encourage individuals to come into contact with their own creative processes; repetition of the live-in experience on a more regular basis.

B. Practical Services: anything from paralegal and paramedical training to courses in car repair; plumbing; and woodwork; a community workshop and equipment pool; cooking as sharing of recipes and selves; first aid in the home and the woods. Eventually this aspect of the Center could develop into a functional exchange of services; it could also lead to a community conspiracy: the buying of items (e.g., food) wholesale; a baby-sitting pool.

C. Sharing of Interests: "classes" could run the gamut from geology and physics to haiku, studying the novel, yoga, Shakespeare, a folk and blues workshop...

D. Physical Activities: folk and interpretative dance; tennis and volleyball teams; ping-pong tournaments; touch football matches; hiking expeditions... The above are only possible suggestions. The field is wide open, limited only by your concern and interest.

REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____

Phone _____

Address _____

*What classes/activities/experiences would you like to see offered? _____

*What sorts of activities would you like to lead or be involved with? _____

*What PAUC activities are you now involved with that you think others might be interested in? _____

Please either mail or bring this form to: THE PEOPLE'S CENTER

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