

# Tales from the White Dog Cafe

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## What the World Needs Now

When I was growing up in the fifties and discovered that girls weren't allowed to play softball in gym class, much less join the Little League, I figured girls must be losers. Boys played the important roles, while girls looked on cheering for the best competitors. Left out of the game, I rejected feminine values as sissy stuff, and refused to participate in doll playing, cooking and sewing, meant to prepare girls for a life of caring and sharing as mothers and wives. And of course, I would never wear pink! While we have made great strides, many women of my generation have gotten into the game by diminishing the feminine and developing our masculine qualities - learning to keep a "stiff upper lip" and compete in careers in business, politics, and even the military.

Over time, I've come to realize that having the opportunity to compete in a man's world is not enough. What the world needs now are the feminine qualities of compassion, cooperation, and generosity in transforming the values of our society and developing the character of our children, both boys and girls, with a healthy balance of the masculine and feminine. The drive to dominate other people and nature, competing for more and more wealth and power, may have won advances in economic prosperity for some of the world's people (for now). But we are left in spiritual and environmental bankruptcy with a society known for violence, greed, and the prospect of endless war to control the dwindling supply of oil, clean water, and other natural resources. For this, we are all the losers.

A society which measures success by how much we accumulate, has desensitized us to the violence and suffering that underlie materialism - the suffering of animals, of nature, of children, of other peoples, and even of ourselves. After reading about the atrocities of corporate factory farms which dominate the food industry, where pigs, chickens and cows suffer horribly for the sake of increased profit, I realized I could not build my own success on the suffering of other beings. After the White Dog converted our purchasing to family farmers who practice humane

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## This Issue's Highlights

- ☆ **Dancing in the Street** at 5 summer block parties
- ☆ **Film: Weapons of Mass Deception**
- ☆ **Ethan Nadelman** on parents, teens and drugs
- ☆ **Dr. Marie Savard** on women's' health
- ☆ **Tours of Solar Houses and Community Gardens**
- ☆ **Dinner Boat Cruises** on the Delaware River

## Party for Peace

in the **Pink Light District**

**Friday, June 17, 8pm**

In honor of

**Medea Benjamin**

and

**Code Pink: Women for Peace**

- Buffet Dinner -

Dining under tent-top on Sansom Street, featuring naturally raised foods from local family farms

### "Love is the Greatest Power"

A photo exhibit of contemporary heroines who portray feminine values of cooperation, compassion and nurturing to protect earth and its people against great odds

**9:30pm: Performances by women artists**  
**Talk and book signing by Medea Benjamin,**  
Cofounder of Code Pink and coauthor of the newly  
released book "Stop the Next War Now"

followed by

**Dancing in the Street**

to the sounds of D.J. Kim Alexander Walsh

\$38 for buffet dinner, program and dancing, tax, tip and a contribution to Code Pink - \$6 Dancing Only (10pm-2am)

**Dress: Wear festive pink!**

Dinner reservations: 215-386-9224





## Storytelling

Real Stories by Real People

À la carte dinner at 6pm. Storytelling at 7:30pm.



### Mon, June 13 - "HIV+ Women Leading Positive Lives"

Philadelphia FIGHT joins with the White Dog to welcome these inspiring stories about three women who are living positive HIV+ lives. Speakers will be transgender advocate **Jaci Adams**, prison health activist **Waheedah Shabazz-El**, and **River Huston**, a local writer, comedian, poet, activist and performance educator. Huston has written two books of poetry, *Jesus Never Lived Here* and *The Bones of Susan*. (Also see the related Breakfast Talk Series with Philadelphia Fight. -->)

**Mon, July 11 - Philadelphia Stories: "An Evening with Zack Stalberg."** Stalberg recently retired from the "Philadelphia Daily News," where he worked for 34 years, 20 of them as editor, chronicling city events with style and substance and 'always seeking to improve the lives of Philadelphians.' During his tenure as editor, the News won two Pulitzer Prizes; in 1990 Stalberg received Knight Ridder's greatest honor, the John S. Knight Gold Medal for overall excellence. He now heads the Committee of Seventy, a watchdog group dedicated to promoting good government in Phila. He will share thoughts and reflections and his vision for cleaning up the city's political environment.

**Mon, July 18 - "I Choose to Stay Here."** Hundreds of low income residents across the city are faced with forced removal from their homes and neighborhoods for redevelopment by the City through eminent domain laws and other procedures.

**Rosemary Cubas** is executive director of Community Leadership Institute, which organizes low income people of color to stop the forced 'takings' of their homes. A founder of the Norris Square Civic Assoc., Cubas lives on an impacted block in North Phila. She will be joined by others, including 82-year-old **Mary Sanders**, whose occupied homes were targeted. Two short films, "The Taking of Bodine: Never Forget" and "I Choose to Stay Here," will be shown.

**Mon, July 25 - "Corporate Responsibility & The Price of a Banana"** with **Linda Panetta** Neglectful corporate policies have caused large-scale pesticide contamination in Nicaragua causing 2,000 dead and 20,500 more to suffer from blindness, tumors, cancer, sterility and more. 6,500+ of those affected trekked 200km to establish an encampment in front of the Nicaraguan National Assembly seeking government enforcement of their successful lawsuit against Dow, Shell, Occidental, Dole, DelMonte, and Chiquita - makers and users of known-toxic pesticides. Activist/photojournalist Panetta, will share stories and photos from Nicaragua, including conversations with former Nicaraguan president Daniel Ortega, and lead a discussion about corporate responsibly and workers rights.

**Sunday, Sept 11 - "Agent Orange: Collateral Damage in Vietnam"** with **Philip Jones Griffiths**, preeminent war photographer. In his most recent compilation, Griffiths documents landscapes & descendants of people caught in U.S. warplanes' deluge of Agent Orange during the Vietnam War - made with Dioxin, one of the world's deadliest poisons. Their goal was to kill the crops and forestry that afforded civilians and enemy troops cover for their operations. They also ended up crippling generations of people. Griffiths' book provides a compelling argument for U.S. restitution to the Vietnamese victims. His visit accompanies a NY retrospective of his work.

Reservations highly recommended. 215-386-9224.

À la carte dinner 6pm (optional); Storytelling at 7:30. (Preferential seating given to those dining; remaining seats available to those with reservation for storytelling only.) Singles welcome at group tables.

## AIDS Education Month Breakfast Talk Series with Philadelphia FIGHT

Wed., June 22, 8am

### "On the Streets of Philadelphia: AIDS At Home"

with Health Commissioner **John Domzalski** and **Ricardo Tull**, Coordinating Office for Drug & Alcohol Abuse Programs  
The latest estimate of people living with HIV/AIDS in Philadelphia has shown a dramatic increase. It is now believed 30,000 people are infected. Is the number of new cases rising? What populations are affected most? Is funding going to the programs that need it most? Find out what the statistics are for Philadelphia and what is being done to prevent another rise in new cases.

Wed., June 29, 8am "The World Has HIV/AIDS"

with **Dr. David Bangsberg**, Family Treatment Fund and **Jodi Jacobson**, Center for Health and Gender Equity

AIDS worldwide is a human rights issue; it affects everyone, everywhere. Sadly, the statistics are grim: more than 45 million people worldwide are infected with HIV, 95% of whom live in developing countries. HIV/AIDS has killed more than 20 million people worldwide. AIDS is the leading cause of death in Africa and the fourth-leading cause of death worldwide. Find out what is being done to turn these figures around.

\$15 per person, includes breakfast with coffee & orange juice, tax & gratuity, speakers, discussion from 8:30-10am and donation to Philadelphia Fight. (Students & seniors, \$12 with advance notice.)

Reservations highly recommended. 215-386-9224

(Also see the related Storytelling (top left) with Phila Fight.)

## Spirit: The Seventh Fire

### Celebrating Life through Dance, Music and Theater

Thurs, June 23, 7pm at Lemon Hill in Fairmount Park

*Spirit: The Seventh Fire* tells the story of everyman as seen through the eyes of a contemporary Native American. Caught up in the daily distractions of life, he is thrown from his cubicle to begin a journey that renews him with mystery, beauty and the spirit of his ancestors. This flowing narrative is told through live style-crossing music, epic film, and Native American Dance.

We will attend *Spirit* as a group. Then, following the performance, we will gather on-site for dessert, coffee and a powwow with the performers and creators of *Spirit* who represent many different tribes across the nation.

Complimenting the show is "The Lodge," an educational resource that features displays and programming from cutting-edge local and national nonprofits whose work is closely aligned with Native traditions and wisdom. "The Lodge" will also be a thriving marketplace featuring Indigenous arts and crafts as well as *Spirit's* merchandise. The Lodge will be open from noon until 11pm.

\$60 includes ticket to performance, dessert, coffee, discussion, tax & tip. Advance reservations required by calling 215-386-9224.

(For more info on Spirit, visit: [www.spiritthe7thfire.com](http://www.spiritthe7thfire.com))

# White Dog Cafe Table Talks

*Serving Food with Thought*

## **Monday, June 6, 6pm “Resisting the Engineering of Life” with Brian Tokar,**

director of the Biotechnology Project at the Vermont-based Institute for Social Ecology. Genetic engineering and other biotechnologies have become the primary means by which global corporations are taking control over our food, healthcare, and the future of life on earth. With a goal of promoting a critical and dynamic grassroots response, Tokar will discuss the politics of GE food, current pharmaceutical scandals, and many other issues that will be featured at the upcoming Biodemocracy teach-in and festival in Philadelphia, June 18-21, to be attended by ten thousand biotech executives. (For more info, see pg. 7.)

## **Monday, June 20, 6pm “Darfur Alert: Preventing a Humanitarian Crisis”**

with **Dr. Jerry Ehrlich, Dr. Ibrahim Imam, and Lou Ann Merkle,**

The Phila. area community has some of the most active advocates in the US working to stop the genocide in the Darfur region of western Sudan, where it is estimated that at least 200,000 people have died and nearly two million have been displaced. Dr. Imam, a Darfuran active in the Western Sudanese Association, will describe the politics and history behind the crisis. A pediatrician who served in the Kalma Refugee Camp in 2004 with Doctors Without Borders, Dr. Ehrlich returned with stories and with over 100 children's drawings of life in the villages. Merkle, Coordinator of the Darfur Alert! Coalition, will talk about activist initiatives, including the Genocide Intervention Fund which is raising funds for African soldiers – the first time a humanitarian group has raised money to help field a military force.

## **Monday, June 27, 6pm “American Adventurism Abroad” with Michael Sullivan,**

professor of political science at Drexel University, where he has taught for the past 30 years. In his latest book, *American Adventurism Abroad: 30 Invasions, Interventions, and Regime Changes Since World War II*, Sullivan traces American foreign policy from the late 1940s to the late 1990s to explain how the US became the world's only superpower and hegemon of the global capitalist system. His analysis of 30 forceful interventions into developing countries foreshadows likely forms of US involvement in the future, especially in an era of greater globalization and the 'war against terrorism.' In addition to books on human rights and comparative politics, Sullivan has published several articles on nuclear arms controls.

## **Monday, August 15, 6pm “Just Say KNOW: Parents, Teens and Drugs”**

with **Ethan Nadelman and Dr. Marsha Rosenbaum**

Ethan Nadelman is founder and executive director of the Drug Policy Alliance, the leading US organization promoting alternatives to the war on drugs and advocating for drug policies grounded in science, compassion, health and human rights. Dr. Marsha Rosenbaum is a mother of two twenty-somethings and the author of “Safety First: A Reality-Based Approach to Teens, Drugs, and Drug Education,” a booklet that provides parents with the tools needed to evaluate and discuss strategies for protecting their teens from drug abuse. Together, they launched the *Safety First* project to provide parents of adolescents with honest, science-based information about drugs and drug education. (Also see Rum & Reggae fundraiser on Pg, 5)

## **Monday, September 12, 6pm “The Shape of Women's Health” with Dr. Marie Savard,**

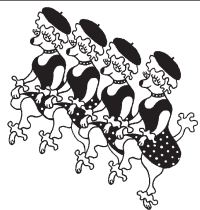
nationally known internist, women's health expert, and advocate for patients' rights. With a mission to empower every woman to take charge of her own health, Dr. Savard's earlier books, *How to Save Your Own Life* and *The Savard Health Record*, assist patients in recording, understanding, and overseeing their own healthcare. In her newest book, *Apples and Pears: The Body Shape Solution for Weight Loss & Wellness*, she explains how body shape is the most powerful predictor of one's future health. While primarily directed to women, men may also benefit by following the same dietary and exercise recommendations offered.

## **Wednesday, September 14, 6pm “God's Politics: Why the Right Gets It Wrong & the Left Doesn't Get It” with Jim Wallis,**

author, activist, founder & current Editor of *Sojourners* magazine covering faith, politics and culture. In his most recent book, *God's Politics: Why the Right Gets It Wrong and the Left Doesn't Get It*, Jim Wallis argues that America's social fabric depends on the separation of church & state - without banishment of moral & religious values. To both religious & political communities, he advocates key values -- pro-justice, pro-peace, pro-environment, pro-equality, pro-consistent ethic of life (beyond single issue voting), & pro-family (without scapegoating single mothers or gays and lesbians). Wallis helped form Call to Renewal, a faith-based movement to overcome poverty. His columns appear in the *New York Times*, *Washington Post*, and *Los Angeles Times*. (This talk is \$43 and includes a donation to Wallis's non-profit work.)

Table Talks at 6pm include a three course dinner, followed by a speaker and discussion from 7:30-9pm. \$38/person (except for 9/14 which is \$43) includes tax & gratuity. Reservations with advance payment required by giving a credit card number over the phone or sending a check. Senior citizens (over 65) and full time students: \$30 with advance notification. Student stand-by: Call between 4 - 5:30pm the day of the event for \$20 dinner at 6pm or free discussion at 7:30 (space permitting). Single reservations are welcome; you'll be seated at a group table. Vegetarian dishes always offered. New books written by speakers for sale at the Black Cat for author signing that evening. Call 215-386-9224 for reservations.

**Café  
Chien  
Blanc**



**Celebrates Bastille Day**

with our 23rd annual Bastille Day Street Party

**Thursday, July 14, 2005, 8pm**

- French Buffet -

**Saumon Entier Garnis de Citrons et D'Herbes de Provence** (Whole Baked Salmon "Dressed") • **Roti De Boeuf Sauce Moutarde de Pommers** (Hand Carved Slow Roasted Beef with Grainy Mustard & Tarragon Sauce) • **Supreme de Volaille "En Barigoule" D'Artichauts Printaniers** (Chicken Breasts with Braised Spring Artichokes) • **Salade de Pommes de Terre Nouvelles** (New Potato Salad) • **Carottes Glacées** (Glazed Carrots) • **Fenouils Braisés aux Poivrons** (Braised Fennel with Roasted Bell Peppers) • **Légumes D'été aux Senteurs de Basilic** (Summer Vegetable Salad with Basil) • **Salade de Champignons** (Mushroom Salad) • **Pain de Campagne** (Homemade country-style French bread) • **Riz Sauvage aux Tomates Séchées et au Fromage Feta** (Wild Rice with Sundried Tomatoes and Feta Cheese) • **Gratin Dauphinois** (Summer Potato Gratin) • **Tartes aux Fruits Fouettée a la Vanille** (Summer Berry Tart with Vanilla Whipped Cream) • **Salade de Fruits D'été a la Menthe Arrosée de vin Sucré du Pays** (Summer Fruit Salad with Mint & Sweet Local Wine)

**Dine, Dance, and Celebrate in the Street**

(Rain or shine - under tent top)

**Strolling Parisian-Style Accordionist**

**Singing of La Marseillaise & Storming the Bastille**

**Dancing to French & American Music:** with D.J. Jim Batty

\$45, includes dinner, dancing, entertainment, tax & gratuity.

Dancing only: \$5 - Dance music starts at 10pm.

*Suggested Dress: Red, White & Blue.*

Reservations Required. 215-386-9224.

**El Perro Blanco**

presents our 14th annual



**Noche Latina**

**Friday, July 29, 2005, 8pm**

- Latin American Buffet -

**Pastel de Chiapas** (layered casserole of tortillas, black beans, vegetables and cheese) ☆ **Guajalote en Mole Teloloapense** (braised turkey in red mole) ☆ **Pescado de Costa Rica con Perejil y Tomates** (Tilapia roasted with parsley and tomatoes) ☆ **Carne Asado** (barbecued beef brisket) ☆ **Pastelitos Rellanos de Cerdo** (spicy pork filled turnovers) ☆ **Ensalada de Arroz con Moyos y Atún de Ahi** (saffron rice salad with ahi tuna) ☆ **Tostones** (fried plantains) ☆ **Arroz con Chorizo y Frijoles Rojos** (rice with chorizo and red beans) ☆ **Ensalada Gazpacho** (garden vegetables in spicy citrus dressing) ☆ **Aguacates con Salsa Fresca** (avocado with fresh chopped tomatoes and chillies) ☆ **Torta de Chocolate** (chocolate mocha cake layered with coconut-pecan filling) ☆ **Tres Dulce de Sandía** (three melons in cinnamon syrup)

**10pm - 2am Dancing Under the Stars**

to Live Salsa & Merengue with

**Anthony Colon & Company**

\$38, incl. dinner, dancing, tax & gratuity.

Dancing only: \$5 after 10pm.

Reservations 215-386-9224. (Rain or shine, under tent top)

**Save the Magic Garden: Mosaic Tour**

with **Isaiah Zagar** - Sat, Sept 10, 9am

For more than 30 years, mosaic artist Isaiah Zagar has been using broken mirrors, bicycle wheels, bottles, tiles and ceramic objects to embellish Philadelphia including the Painted Bride Art Center, and a number of interior spaces. After meeting at the Cafe for coffee & muffins, we will travel to the landmark Magic Garden, Zagar's sculptural environment on South St., to tour it and a number of his works inside and out by foot. He considers the Magic Garden to be the keystone of his extensive outdoor art museum but it is threatened with destruction. When we return to the Cafe for lunch, Zagar will discuss his work and his vision for preserving it.

\$40 includes muffins & coffee, transportation, tour, lunch, tax & tip. Reservations required. 215-386-9224

(For mosaic workshop info or to help save the Magic Garden, visit [isaiahzagar.com](http://isaiahzagar.com), [philadelphiamagicgardens.org](http://philadelphiamagicgardens.org), or call 215-327-9911.)

**Sunset Cruises on the Delaware**

401 N. Columbus Blvd. (Delaware Ave. & Callowhill St.)

Thur, July 21, 6:45pm - **Corinne's Soul Food Buffet**

Thur, Aug 4, 6:45pm - **White Dog Summer Buffet**

Meet at 6:45pm to board The Captain Lucky, a dinner cruise boat. We will leave promptly at 7pm to cruise the Delaware River while enjoying the sunset over the Philly skyline and a sumptuous summer buffet prepared by either the White Dog Cafe or our Camden "Sister" Restaurant, Corrine's Place. Corrine is known for her delicious southern favorites like ribs, fried chicken, corn bread and collard greens. We'll be shuffling blues and classic jazz discs under the stars all evening, returning to the dock at 10pm.

\$40 for Corrine's, \$45 for White Dog - includes dinner, draft beer, tax, tip and cruise. BYO wine. Space Limited. Reservations required. 215-386-9224.



our 19th annual

## Caribbean Street Party

Benefiting the Drug Policy Alliance:  
alternatives to marijuana prohibition and the Drug War

Friday, August 12, 2005, 8pm

- Caribbean Buffet -

Jamaican Curried Goat ☆ Creole Chicken & Rice ☆  
Tilapia Broiled with Sweet Peppers, Cilantro and Lime ☆ Cuban  
Ginger & Spice Roasted Pork ☆ Coconut Rice with Jumbo Crab  
& Shrimp ☆ Golden Fried Plantains ☆ Channa ☆ Calalou  
☆ Baked Yams with Coconut & Rum ☆ Haitian Pickled Slaw  
☆ Avocado, Cucumber & Tomato Salad with Spiced Peanuts ☆  
Pan Cubano ☆ Tropical Fruits Salad ☆ Key Lime Pie

Live Reggae Music 10pm - 2am with  
**Tribal Legacy**

**Suggested Dress: Tropical Attire**

\$38, including tax & gratuity. Dancing only: \$5 after 10pm.  
Dinner Reservations 215-386-9224.  
(Rain or shine - under tent top)

(Also see "Just Say KNOW," pg 3.) (Visit [drugpolicy.org](http://drugpolicy.org) for info.)



## Dance of the Ripe Tomatoes

A celebration of sustainable & humane farming

Friday, September 16, 2005, 6:30pm

Benefiting the Philadelphia Fair Food Project

a program of the White Dog Cafe Foundation

- Farm Buffet -

featuring the harvest of local organic family farms that  
supply the Cafe including: Branchcreek, Buck Run, Green  
Meadow, Greensgrow, Greystone, Neptune, Meadow Run,  
& Overbrook Farms plus Farm Fresh for Chefs

Also featuring beer by local craft breweries including:  
Stoudt's Brewing Company, Inc., Yards Brewing Company,  
Flying Fish Brewing Company and Victory Brewing  
Company plus local wines from Chaddsford Winery.

Followed by **Dancing** to  
All-American Favorites from 8pm - 12am  
with **DJ Jim Batty**

All profits from this event will be donated to the  
Philadelphia Fair Food Project, dedicated to bringing produce  
and humanely-raised meats from family farms to the city.

Join the Ripe Tomatoes for the last dance of the  
**Summer under tent top on Moravian Court**  
(located behind the White Dog Cafe, rain or shine)

\$35, including tax & gratuity. Dancing only at 8pm: Free  
Dinner Reservations 215-386-9224.

## Community Gardens & Green Spaces Tour

Saturday, September 17, 8:30am

Have you been to the Philadelphia Flower Show? Now see how  
your ticket purchase supports the PA Horticultural Society's  
Philadelphia Green Program. We'll meet at the White Dog for cof-  
fee & muffins before leaving by trolley for a guided tour of Phila  
Green projects including bountiful community gardens; revital-  
ized neighborhood parks; high profile landscapes in Center City;  
and acres of clean and green vacant land, once abandoned and  
blighted. You will also learn how these projects are linked to  
their communities and how the PA Horticultural Society is work-  
ing to renew Philadelphia through its Green City Strategy.

\$40 includes muffins & coffee, lunch, tax & tip, tour  
and contribution to Philadelphia Green.  
Reservations required. 215-386-9224.

## 16th Annual Mural Arts Tours & Lunch

Meet for coffee & muffins before leaving on a guided tour of  
outstanding wall murals. We return to the White Dog for lunch  
and discussion with **Jane Golden**, Artistic Director of the  
Philadelphia Mural Arts Program, on the importance of murals  
to both community pride and development.

**By Bicycle:** Sat, June 18, 9am - Helmets & Locks required.  
**Meet at Back Home Cafe, 1515 Fairmount Ave.**

**By Trolley:** Saturday, July 9, 9am  
**Meet at the White Dog**

← **All New  
Routes**

\$30 by bike, \$40 by trolley - includes muffins & coffee, lunch,  
tax & tip, tour and contribution to the Mural Arts Program.  
For more info on the Mural Arts Program, call 215-685-0750.  
For reservations, call 215-386-9224.

## Sunday Night Film Series

(Projected on a large screen with sound system.)

### June 5 - *Weapons of Mass Deception* (100 mins)

This film explores the two wars going on in Iraq. One was fought with guns, tanks, armies of soldiers and a fearsome military force; the other was fought alongside it with cameras, satellites, armies of journalists and propaganda techniques. One war was rationalized as an effort to find and disarm WMDs — Weapons of Mass Destruction; the other was carried out by even more powerful WMDs — *Weapons of Mass Deception*.

Film maker **Danny Schechter** will lead us in discussion. Schechter is the executive editor of MediaChannel.org, the world's largest online media issues network, and is co-founder and executive producer of Globalvision. Schechter is a Nieman Fellow in Journalism at Harvard University and a former radio news director and Emmy award-winning producer for ABC news and CNN. His latest book is *Embedded: Weapons of Mass Deception: How the Media Failed to Cover the Iraq War*.

### July 24 - *The Future of Food* (89 minutes)

*The Future Of Food* offers an in-depth investigation into the disturbing truth behind the unlabeled, patented, genetically engineered foods that have quietly filled U.S. grocery store shelves for the past decade. Shot on location in the U.S., Canada and Mexico, *The Future of Food* examines the complex web of market and political forces that are changing what we eat as huge multinational corporations seek to control the world's food system. The film also explores alternatives to large-scale industrial agriculture, placing organic and sustainable agriculture as real solutions to the farm crisis today. Speaker TBA.

### Sept 18 - *Jim in Bold* (78 mins)

*Jim in Bold* is a documentary film presenting the many complicated issues facing gay and lesbian teens. Titled after a poem of the same name by Jim Wheeler, the young man whose life and tragic death the film honors. *Jim in Bold* explores the profound impact of nationally tolerated homophobia in our culture and public schools on Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Youth. The film simultaneously reveals a hopeful aspect of being young and gay in America, by featuring many gay teens that are creating and promoting a positive self-image.

Three speakers will share about their work on the subject and facilitate questions, answers and discussion.

**Malcolm Lazin**, Executive Director of the Equality Forum, who produced the film; **Susan Wheeler** the mother of Jim Wheeler; and a representative of the **Attic Youth Center** a safe and supportive environment for LGBTQ youth to be themselves.

Reservations for optional dinner (6pm) or Free film showing (7pm) are highly recommended as seating is limited.

(Preferential seating given to those dining; remaining seats available to those with reservation for film only.)

Discussion will follow film. Full Dinner, Dessert and Bar & Grill menus (lighter fare under \$10), as well as beverage service will be available before & after the films only. 215-386-9224

## Powell School Garden Service Day

Sat, July 16, 10am-2pm (rain date Sun, July 17, 10am)  
meet at Samuel Powell Middle School - 301 N. 36th Street

Build a garden at the Powell middle school with members of the school community and the Urban Nutrition Initiative (UNI). UNI is a university-community partnership that engages K-12 learners in an active, real world problem solving curriculum that strives to improve community nutrition and wellness. School-based gardens are one of UNI's primary strategies to engage young people in studying and building local food systems.

Through school gardens students learn how to grow, cook and sell healthy foods as well as how to compost food waste to build healthy soil. Join us to help launch one of UNI's newest school gardening partnerships as we work with public school students and teachers to create spaces for growing food in West Phila.

A complimentary White Dog lunch will be provided for volunteers. To sign up, call 215-386-9224.

## Solar Houses Tour

Saturday, June 25, 8:30am - 3:30pm

**Dennis Winters**, coordinator of the Phila Million Solar Roofs Partnership, will take us first to **Andy Rudin's** row house where his active 2.7KW photovoltaic system provides all the electricity for the house then sells excess to the grid. **Ron Celentano**, who installed the system, will give us an overview.

Next, we'll visit **Jurgen Balitzky's** home. He has a state-of-the-art evacuated tube solar hot water system handling his family's hot water and heating needs. Through his business, Energy Alternatives, he also works with a wide variety of solar technology, some of which will be on display at this stop.

At our last destination, we'll have a picnic lunch and discussion with Dennis on how to apply for grants to add a solar installation to your home or business. We will then tour **Hap Haven's** 1895 Germantown carriage house which incorporates a number of innovative resource-saving systems including passive solar design and solar heated hot water pumped by solar electricity. Hap has been helping homeowners lower the environmental impact of their homes for almost 25 years - most recently through his new company, SunHaven Solar.

\$43 includes breakfast of muffins and coffee, guided tour, transportation, discussion, picnic lunch, tax & gratuity.

## Art Exhibits in the White Dog Bar

**NuVisions for Disabled Artists:** May 4 - June 15

NuVisions enables physically challenged artists to pursue professional and semi-professional artistic opportunities. Because many galleries are not accessible, disabled artists cannot always participate in private exhibitions and their work is either omitted or under-represented. This event will be the grand opening of our removable wheelchair ramp allowing access to the bar and main dining room (by advance request). The exhibit by NuVisions members will include works for sale.

(Continued from Page 1) husbandry, I thought at first that this would be our market niche – the only cruelty free menu in town! Then I thought to myself, “If you really do care about those animals, if you care about the environment that’s being polluted by factory farms, if you care about the family farmers being driven out of business, if you care about consumers who are eating meat full of antibiotics and hormones, then forget about your market niche and help your competitors do the same!” That’s when I started our first non-profit program, Fair Food, which helps restaurants connect with local farmers. I realized then that it was not enough to have good businesses practices within my company. To protect what I really care about, I had to share my resources and work in partnership to build an entire local economy based on those values. It was calling upon my feminine qualities once dismissed as a child, expanding my own capacity to care and to share, that moved me from a competitive business outlook to one of cooperation.

The emergence of feminine power, bringing balance and harmony, is essential to the survival of our civilization - to build an economy aligned with natural systems and based on cooperation and sharing, rather than competition and hoarding, to design public policies based not on military and economic domination, but on partnership with other countries, and with compassion for all of life. It is time to call upon the feminine in each of us – to hear the cry of the pigs in the crates, of the cow for her calf. To hear the cry of those abused in the fur industry, in cosmetic testing, in sweatshops and chocolate production. To hear the cry of the children in Iraq, where over 100,000 citizens have been killed in the American war over oil. To hear the cry of children in our own country, where one in four live in poverty due to our misplaced priorities. To hear the cry of the whales, of the birds, of the trees, of a natural world that is dying around us. Bring forth the Goddess in each of us to hear, to care and to heal. Love is the greatest power. If we use it, we can all be winners.

- Judy Wicks

P.S. I hope you will join us on June 17th, when the White Dog community celebrates the feminine with “Party for Peace in the Pink Light District.” And wear pink - men, too!

## Biodemocracy 2005 • June 18-21

Join Biodemocracy 2005 in Philadelphia as it confronts the simultaneous convention of the chief US biotechnology lobby, the Biotechnology Industry Organization. Teach-ins with international bioethics stars, festivals and parades, and street actions will counter BIO’s high-priced spin with vital alternatives. Themes include local food sovereignty and resistance to GMOs; democratizing health care and exposing the links between pharmaceutical and biotech interests; and opposing massive increases in US funding for bioweapons research. Biodemocracy 2005 will also highlight the flowering of inspiring alternatives here in Philly. To find out more or to volunteer, visit [www.biodev.org](http://www.biodev.org) or [www.reclaimthecommons.net](http://www.reclaimthecommons.net). (Also see related Table Talk with Brian Tokar on Page 3.)



## News from the White Dog Cafe Foundation

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### Fair Food Presents: Buy Local Week

Fair Food, in partnership with The Book & The Cook and Farm to City amongst others, is organizing a citywide **Buy Local Week** from July 9th – July 17th. For a full line up of events, check out [www.whitedogcafe.foundation.org](http://www.whitedogcafe.foundation.org) Here is a sampling of **Buy Local Week Events**:

#### Farm to Table Tour

Sat, July 9, 10am – 1:30pm

Meet at 6th & Market for our tour to visit Philadelphia’s own Somerton Tanks farm and then have lunch at a restaurant in Philly that buys from local farmers.

\$30 incl. Trolley, farm tour and lunch. Contact [libby@gptmc.org](mailto:libby@gptmc.org)

#### Annual Buy Fresh, Buy Local Kick Off Party at Yards Brewing Company

Sun, July 10, Noon – 4pm

Kick off Buy Local Week with a day of local food, local beer and local bluegrass music.

\$12/pp, RSVP to [bridget@whitedog.com](mailto:bridget@whitedog.com)/ 215-386-5211 ext. 102

#### The Book & The Cook Summer Series

Wed, July 13 - Sat, July 16

Blend The Book and The Cook’s highly successful mix of chefs and cookbook authors with the delightful products from Pennsylvania farmers and the result is magical. Come taste for yourselves the great dishes our chefs and authors create from the bounty of Pennsylvania when The Book and The Cook: Summer returns. Prices vary. For info, email [info@thebookandthecook.com](mailto:info@thebookandthecook.com) or visit [thebookandthecook.com](http://thebookandthecook.com)

#### Buy Local Street Party at the Reading Terminal Market

Saturday, July 16, 10am

Walk down Filbert Street and check out the great food our region has to offer. Sample locally grown food and meet some of the people that produce this summer bounty.

Free! Call 215-386-5211 ext. 102 for more information.

The **White Dog Cafe Foundation** envisions a Local Living Economy in the Greater Philadelphia Region – one that brings inclusive and broad-based economic empowerment, environmental stewardship, and vibrant, unique character to our communities through local business ownership. Our mission is to create, strengthen and connect locally owned businesses & farms committed to working in harmony with natural systems, providing meaningful living wage jobs, supporting healthy community life, and contributing to economic justice. The Foundation is funded by 20% of White Dog Cafe profits, contributions from customers, foundation grants and income from our farmstand and events. Our two major projects are Fair Food and the Sustainable Business Network of Greater Philadelphia (SBN).

# White Dog Cafe Calendar - Summer 2005

## June

May 4-June 15 NuVisions for Disabled Artists at the White Dog Bar  
 Sun, June 5, 7pm Sunday Night Film: "Weapons of Mass Deception"  
 Mon, June 6, 6pm Table Talk: "Resisting the Engineering of Life" with Brian Tokar  
 Mon, June 13, 7:30pm Storytelling: "HIV+ Women Leading Positive Lives"  
 Fri, June 17, 8pm Party for Peace in the Pink Light District  
 June 18-21 Biodemocracy 2005  
 Sat, June 18, 9am Mural Arts Tour by Bicycle  
 Mon, June 20, 6pm Table Talk: "Darfur Alert: Preventing a Humanitarian Crisis"  
 Wed, June 22, 8am AIDS Breakfast Series: "On the Streets of Phila: AIDS at Home"  
 Thurs, June 23, 7pm Spirit: The 7th Fire: Celebrating Life --> Dance, Music & Theater  
 Sat, June 25, 8:30am Solar Houses Tour  
 Mon, June 27, 6pm Table Talk: "American Adventurism Abroad" with Michael Sullivan  
 Wed, June 29, 8am AIDS Breakfast Talk Series: "The World Has HIV/AIDS"

## July

Sat, July 9, 9am Mural Arts Tour by Motorized Trolley  
 July 9 - 17 Buy Local Week  
 Sat, July 9, 10am Fair Food's Farm to Table Tour  
 Sun, July 10, 12pm Buy Fresh, Buy Local Kick Off Party  
 Mon, July 11, 7:30pm Storytelling: Phila Stories: "An Evening with Zack Stalberg"  
 July 13-16 The Book and The Cook: Summer Series  
 Thurs, July 14, 8pm Bastille Day Block Party  
 Sat, July 16, 10am Community Service Day at the Powell School Garden  
 Sat, July 16, 10am Buy Local Street Party at the Reading Terminal Market  
 Mon, July 18, 7:30pm Storytelling: "I Choose to Stay"  
 Thurs, July 21, 6:45pm Sunset Cruise on the Delaware with Corinne's Soul Food Buffet  
 Sun, July 24, 7pm Sunday Night Film: "The Future of Food"  
 Mon, July 25, 7:30pm Storytelling: "Corporate Responsibility & The Price of a Banana"  
 Fri, July 29, 8pm Noche Latina Block Party

## August

Thurs, Aug 4, 6:45pm Sunset Cruise on the Delaware with White Dog Summer Buffet  
 Fri, Aug 12, 8pm Rum & Reggae Caribbean Street Party  
 Mon, Aug 15, 6pm Table Talk: "Just Say KNOW: Parents, Teens and Drugs"

## September

Sat, Sept 10, 9am Save the Garden: Mosaic Tour with Isaiah Zagar  
 Sun, Sept 11, 7:30pm Storytelling: "Agent Orange: Collateral Damage in Vietnam"  
 Mon, Sept 12, 6pm Table Talk: "The Shape of Women's Health" with Dr. Marie Savard  
 Wed, Sept 14, 6pm Table Talk: "God's Politics: Why the Right Gets It Wrong and the Left Doesn't Get It" with Jim Wallis  
 Fri, Sept 16, 6:30pm Dance of the Ripe Tomatoes  
 Sat, Sept 17, 8:30am Community Gardens & Green Spaces Tour  
 Sun, Sept 18, 7pm Sunday Night Film: "Jim in Bold"

Optional 6pm à la carte dinner precedes Storytellings and Sunday Films.  
 Don't forget to Take a Senior (65+) to Lunch on Saturdays!

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