# Our Vision

The Mountain Hermitage will be a small retreat center dedicated to the inner cultivation and outer manifestation of wisdom, lovingkindness, compassion and peace. This home for long term spiritual practice according to the tradition of Theravada Buddhism will be built in a quiet and beautiful mountain setting in the Taos, New Mexico area. In addition to cottages where any qualified, experienced Dharma student can devote themselves to periods of intensive meditation practice for two weeks or longer, there will be a wheelchair accessi-

ble cottage and cottages dedicated for practice by monastics, those engaged in social service work, and lay Dharma teachers. Scholarship aid will be available for those who might not otherwise be able to attend and to promote diversity among retreatants. On Sunday morning a particular area of *The Hermitage* will be open to the larger community for meditation, a Dharma talk and discussion. *The Mountain Hermitage* will be built and operated on the principle of sustainable energy.

Scholarship Funding Needed for Two Retreats

The Mountain Hermitage will benefit a broad and growing range of people over time-those who come to *The Hermitage* to practice and those who are touched by the many and varied ways that the fruits of Dharma practice affect the lives of others. In keeping with those teachings, we are committed to offering The Hermitage retreat experience to the many without the resources to afford retreat costs, and to promote diversity among retreatants.

In 2007, our third year of operation, *The Mountain Hermitage* will offer two retreats – our annual Spring practice period at the San Geronimo Lodge in Taos, New Mexico and a July retreat at Vallecitos Mountain Refuge led by Sayadaw U Vivekananda. Holding to a central tenet of our mission, we have committed to offering scholarship aid to qualified retreatants for both practice periods.

We need your help. Please complete the Scholarship Fund Reply below and send it off with your check or money order of whatever amount feels right to you. Your gift will directly contribute to bringing the transforming power of the Dharma to our world.

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### Spring 2007 One-Month Hermitage

#### Marcia Rose and Patricia Genoud Feldman

Four weeks: March 14 – April 11, 2007

**Sliding Scale Fees:** \$1550 (low); \$1700 (mid); \$1850 (actual cost) **Two weeks:** March 14 - March 28 or March 28 - April 11, 2007 **Sliding Scale Fees:** \$775 (low); \$850 (mid); \$925 (actual cost)

San Geronimo Lodge - Taos, New Mexico

Applications and deposits are requested by January 15, 2007. Scholarships are available. Late applications will be

considered on a space available basis.

### Summer 2007 Vipassana Retreat

#### Sayadaw U Vivekananda

July 6 – July 25, 2007

**Sliding Scale Fees:** \$1150 (low); \$1300 (actual cost);

\$1450 (benefactor)

Vallecitos Mountain Refuge - northern New Mexico Applications and deposits are requested by April 1, 2007. Scholarships are available. Late applications will be considered on a space available basis.

Complete information and downloadable application form for the above two retreats are available at www.mountainhermitage.org. You may also call 505-758-0633 or email hermit@laplaza.org

## December 2007 Eight-Day Vipassana Retreat

Marcia Rose

December 9 – 16, 2006 **Fee:** \$380 \*see article right\*

Mabel Dodge Luhan House - Taos, New Mexico

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Guiding Teacher offers Vipassana Retreat, December 9-16, 2007

Vipassana Meditation is a simple, direct and powerful practice – the moment to moment observation and investigation of the mind/body process through the development of a focused, calm, and balanced mindful awareness. As stillness deepens, we begin to understand life and our self as a constantly changing, totally interconnected process, thus beginning to free the heart/mind from fear and clinging. We awaken to living life more fully in the present moment with greater wisdom, compassion, and an inner peace.

Marcia Rose will offer an eight-day Vipassana Retreat held in noble silence, including sitting and walking meditation with instruction, and evening Dharma talks at the Mabel Dodge Luhan House in Taos, NM. A daily Metta (loving-kindness) sit with instruction will also be offered. Small group and individual practice meetings with the teacher will be available. This retreat will provide an introduction for new students and an opportunity for experienced students to renew and deepen their practice and commitment to awakening.

As is traditional with Buddhist teachers, Marcia offers the teachings freely. The \$380 retreat fee does not include any fee for the teacher. There will be an opportunity at the end of the retreat for participants to give from the heart whatever feels appropriate to the teacher in a shared spirit of generosity.

\*See registration and contact information at left.\*

If by forsaking a limited ease, a great happiness is to be found, the wise one leaves aside the limited ease for the sake of great happiness.

Sitting alone, resting alone, walking alone, in diligent practice,

One finds delight in the solitude of the forest.

-The Buddha, from Dhammapada XXI