

15th Annual Community Dinner

Community Dinner Committee

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Dear _____,

We invite you as members of our community to join us, representatives of local churches, businesses and community organizations (a.k.a. the Community Dinner Committee) to become involved in contributing to this annual celebration of our community's diversity-- with your time. More than ever, we as a community must find ways to live together in harmony and learn to appreciate one another's cultures and traditions, particularly during these difficult economic times. The Community Dinner encourages people from all sectors of our community to join together to share a meal, enjoy entertainment and meet other people from our community we would not normally encounter socially.

In April 2011 at the 14th Annual Community Dinner, thanks to local support and participation, over 600 people from many cultures and socio-economic groups shared a meal and musicale. Feeding so many people and all of our entertainers is a daunting task-and we need YOUR help. Our culturally diverse group of local restaurateurs will again be preparing the main meal and coordinating the menu together with the Community Dinner Committee. At the April 2011 Community Dinner, because of the participation of many local restaurants, organizations, churches and volunteers, we were able to underwrite close to 50% of the tickets, allowing people in need to sit at the table. We need your help to make the same happen at the 15th Annual Community Dinner to be held on April 15th, 2012.

*And so sign up your organization to become part of our community team which, for the past fourteen years, has made this important community building event a reality.

*There's more to the dinner than just a meal. It is the outcome of many diverse groups- like yours- coming together over time, talking about each other's lives and problems and pulling together as a team for the sake of our greater community. Our aim is to include as many groups as possible-and that means yours!

*We ask that your organization respond to this letter as soon as possible and that you plan on sending a representative to our February Community Dinner Meeting /social gathering on Monday February 6th at 7:00pm at the home of Nerys Levy. Address: 161 Swansea Lane, Chapel Hill, NC 27516 (just off the Old Fayetteville Rd behind Carrboro Plaza). Tel: 919-932-1533. Not only will we talk about the April 15th dinner. We also plan to talk about issues of importance to your particular community group, so please GET INVOLVED! Our greater community will benefit.

To respond or if you have any questions, please contact the Dinner's Co-chairperson, Nerys Levy at 919-932-1533 or at rilevy@mindspring.com. Please visit our website at <http://communitydinner.org>, where we have photographs of previous dinners and many articles. We look forward to your participation and to hearing from you SOON!

Sincerely,

Nerys Levy and Mildred Council (Mama Dip)
Co-chairs, Community Dinner Committee
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