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Update from Michael Karlin President Mythic Imagination Institute

This month's newsletter will be briefer than normal, as we are all working full time to produce our big event next week, "War, Peace and the American Imagination" with Deepak Chopra, James Hillman and Jean Houston. The preparations are coming along smoothly, and we are all very excited about this incredible event It will be a timely

and timeless conversation. We are also very excited to announce that we have decided to professionally video record the program. This is the first time that James Hillman and Deepak Chopra have ever been in conversation together, and the topic is so important, we could not let this opportunity pass us by. The program will likely air in the future on satellite and some PBS affiliates. We will also be able to make the program available on DVD. We will keep everyone posted on these developments. If you have not purchased your tickets for this event, please go to www.mythicimagination.org/War_Peace.html. I am looking forward to seeing you there.

I also wanted to announce that you can now register for Mythic Journeys '06 on-line at <u>http://www.register123.com/event/profile/form/index.cfm?PKformID=0x118105abcd</u>. We are offering a special discount to anyone who registers early. Additionally, to make it more affordable for more people, we have significantly reduced the price of the Mythic Journeys: In-Depth Pre-conference from last year. Please register early, so we can plan ahead. As you can see from the list of confirmed participants, it is going to be another incredible experience.

Under our membership program, we offer additional discounts on Mythic Journeys. Any member at the Seer level and above (\$250 or more) receives a 20% discount on Mythic Journeys, and anyone who is a Titan Level member or above (\$1,000 or more) receives a 20% discount on both Mythic Journeys and Mythic Journeys: In-Depth. If you fall into one of these categories, you will receive a rebate check from us in the amount of the discount after we process your registration. If you are interested in becoming a member, please visit www.mythicimagination.org/. In addition to the discounts, there are many other benefits to membership. You can read all about it on our website.

I have spoken many times about the importance of partnerships and the critical role our volunteer staff plays in our success. All too often partnerships are in name only, and require no sacrifice or faith by either party. The partnership we have forged with the Alliance for a New Humanity and

Emory University has been a true example of what a partnership looks like when each party is willing to sacrifice and have faith in the other. We have been working together to produce this remarkable event, and we are creating magic in the world. We have navigated through some difficult situations, have worked very hard together, and have had a lot of fun in the process. Through it all, we have worked with love, respect, trust, and faith. The constellation is truly more beautiful and powerful than the individual stars by themselves.

And once again, the volunteers have been amazing and inspirational. Memories of Mythic Journeys 2004 have been flooding back over the past week while I watch this incredible collection of loving hearts and souls giving so selflessly of their time, energy, and creativity. It is the human constellation, and reminds me just how impossible something this important is to do as an individual, and how much impact we can have as a group. If you get a chance, please thank them if you see them on Tuesday night.

And thank you for continuing to support our efforts. We started as no more than a dream fueled by passion, but we are making a difference in the world. We would be nowhere without our supporters. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Michael Karlin