

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. (Galatians 5:22)

With these words I would like to welcome you - our Soul Works Friend - to the May/June issue of our newsletter.

The fruit of the spirit, as it is described here, was the central topic of the "Carefest" in Fort St. John, Canada, where Bryan, artists from Calgary and I myself were involved. As advertising for the festival we set up 2.60 x 2.60 m signs displaying different fruits of the spirit all over town and later mounted them together as a 20 meter wide stage backdrop! For another artistic element we set up an assembly line production - see the photo - to produce over 2000 edible fruit-word pieces (with the text from Gal. 5:22) for distribution at the event. The edible word was designed this way so that it could be taken in, digested, and become a part of who we are. When a life is marked by the fruit of the Spirit, unity despite diverse expressions within our faith can become a reality.



Esther Haab, (Bryan's mom) is without a doubt, pioneering a ministry that is launching out in her city, and it was a privilege to be a part of that. We enjoyed seeing how a spark ignited something in the community, which has the potential to become a larger fire. The Scars Freedom House is another part of Esther's work that really impressed me. This addiction therapy house is a partner project of Wagner Hills Ministries and Bryan's family farm and has been running for just about 1 year now. Up to 5 men are cared for by Scott (left on the picture) with lots of love, discipline, clarity and prayer. Jason, shown in the middle had only been a part of the program for one week and with in this short period of time we saw soooo many positive changes!!!

His enthusiasm was contagious as all the guys helped us at any possible angle not missing one event at Carefest. It's wonderful to see what God is doing!!!

With lots of greetings! Mecky, the Editor

>>> I am already looking forward to fill you in on the details of my time in Canada, but you will have to be patient until August. For the coming 5 months I will be focusing on a phase of construction work with priority on the health of our finances / bank account. Wüthrich Holzbau is a key-supporter of the foundation and this collaboration has blessed us on a number of occasions with a flexible source of good work in between all our diverse projects. Thanks, Remi :)

I wanted to also drop a note to let you know the latest news in relation to our artist brunch. For the rest of the year we need to pull back this event, but for the beginning of 2007 we plan to launch out again with a regular brunch every two months, offset from the one in Bern. Thank you for your understanding.

Wishing you a great summer! Bryan



## Aspire life

Coming from Munich, I have been working in Aspire since early June and really feel at home. I enjoy the work, the people around me and the city of Basel. It's encouraging to see the enthusiasm of our guests as I enjoyed full workshops with

between 4-6 people painting away. For this I want to give thanks to God who draws the people. Working with Encounters as a theme, I can honestly say that there have been many positive ones and my desire is that God blesses each one of these people!

Aspire is a very special place and this time has given me the opportunity to experience a space where our Creator has felt very close. Of course I am excited about the encounters still to come and the opening show just around the corner! Hope to see you there. Lots of greetings from Cornelia

**Workshop: 6. June - 13. July; Tu, Th, Sa, 14-18h**

**Opening show: Fr 14. July 19-23h**

**Exhibition: 15.-29. July; We-Fr 19-22h; Sa 14-18h**

**Place: Galerie/Atelier Aspire, Claragraben 145, 4057 Basel**



The works of the \*body print\* workshop from Renate Gross were exhibited at her opening show on May 19th. Thank you Renate, for all your courage, Heather for all the little and important details that made the exhibition a success and thank you Gianni for your artistic documentation. One more important thank you goes to the faithful hosts of the exhibition period.

More photos are on our webpage: [www.soulworks.ch](http://www.soulworks.ch)



## Heather's life

Heather was on holiday with her Daniel – suntanning in Menorca – and so I am writing some lines for and about her ☺ ☺ ....

For the last 2 years and 2 months she invest her life into Soul Works – with counsel, prayer, heart, spontaneity, listening and her fresh creativity. Through this time she has become a friend to many of us. Thank you to all of you who give support to Heather and enabling her to work for us at Soul Works.

These pictures were taken at a prayer meeting, where she arranged a creative input this last May. With the illustration of a rose and other objects, she encouraged us to meditate about how beautifully we are created and how fragile we are at the same time. And she then mentioned the thorns... and taught us to also be thankful for these; for when we are weak we are strong! The following prayer time was marked with visions and Gods presence. We all can remember this evening very well!



Heather was in charge while we were in Canada. On Sunday June 11<sup>th</sup> together with Manuela Sauer she organised the \*Breathing Room\* with barbecue and showing of the Narnia film. The planned discussion turned into a prayer time because somebody had stolen her purse, her camera and her mobile. In an e-mail she exclaimed: "It was a nightmare!" For Heather all this was one more testing of her trust – swimming lesson included. The police were contacted and ...and at the end the insurance took care about the loss plus she sold a painting and holidays were still possible.

\*\*I am so glad for you!\*\*

>>> the Editor

I have been volunteering for Soul Works Foundation since the end of April. It all started after talking to Bryan on a RegioPraiseNight as he presented his work to me with a lot of passion. Today I am happy that I took time for that talk because the work and vision of SWF speaks to me on various levels. First of all I think it is important to live in and support the arts. As an observer, as well as participant we have the possibility, amidst a materialistic world, to discover ourselves and the Creator. As a supporter I would like to make use of this possibility, try being an example in my Christian life and share my faith. Further I am thrilled about a space to develop as a photographer and to be a support with music and marketing. All this leads me to believe that I am at the right spot. Wishing you all the best and God's rich blessing.

Gianni

## Gianni's life



My moving to the new flat at the Metzgerstrasse was quite time consuming – rather roughly – I am settled in. After 5 weeks struggle with my internet connection it finally works now... So I am glad, and nevertheless I was able to design Cornelia's flyer and support the sponsoring efforts with this nice cup. >>>>>> With greets from

In the month May – June 2006 Ashleen Wartenweiler was with us as an intern student and this was awesome!! Together we have assembled a folder for sponsors. Ashleen in her refreshing way has – amongst others – offered this nice design-cup as possible way to support Aspire. You as well can have such a cup – Info you can receive under: [info@soulworks.ch](mailto:info@soulworks.ch)



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**Material:** Metal, wood, paint (according to current project, please request information)

**Voluntary help:** Practical assistance with projects

**Financial:** One-time investment in current projects or in increasing the foundation capital.

Regular financial support for one of our artists.

**Advertising:** Talk about Soul Works Foundation. Maybe our neighbour would like to have a piece of art in his garden?

**Prayer:** Taking part at the regular prayer meetings or receiving our information e-mail.

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