

July 27, 2018

Beloved Friends of Sky Farm,

Some years ago we had the blessing of meeting Swami Chidananda, who was often referred to as the St Francis of India. After a long talk, we turned to say good-bye and he called out: Stay close to Jesus, it's all in the Gospels. Today an arriving guest gifted us with a magnificent bowl of the fairest fruit of Summer from her garden—peaches! They seemed to call out: Stay close to the Source of all Sweetness. Sky Farm calls out: Listen deeply for the stillness and silence that sweetens our lives and reveals to each of us what brings us Joy.

The fire last October brought many unplanned expenses, so we hope to raise \$10,000 to cover these ongoing fire-related projects and to continue our maintenance efforts to keep the Hermitage welcoming. We also need to replace a shed & several benches that were destroyed.

Your help will do so much and is deeply appreciated. Thank you for coming on retreat and for always generously supporting Sky Farm. Tax-deductible donations can be made online: www.skyfarm.org/donate or by check to Sky Farm Hermitage.

With our prayers and love, Sr Michaela, Br Francis & Dr John Trapani