

Past LWF Leadership



Grateful for Michael Melancon's Leadership

MICHAEL MELANCON, Board Member/Vice President (2015 - 2019)

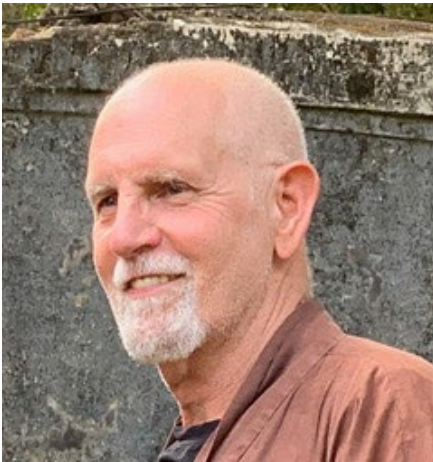
With deep gratitude and some sadness, we announce the resignation of our beloved Board Member, MICHAEL MELANCON, who has served as Vice President of our Loving Work Foundation for the past five years. Michael has been a critically important part of our team, partnering with Trish as Retreat Co-Practice Leader, and continuing his involvement, as the seeds of the Loving Work Foundation began to sprout. He, with the complete support of his husband, Glenn, has been an integral part of each step along the path to our becoming a legal entity. The process of creating and registering a non-profit organization, especially one whose mission is to work in a foreign country, was challenging, made even more so because we did not hire the services of an attorney (thereby saving almost \$10,000). That all could be accomplished, so that we could begin to operate in Viet Nam as early as 2015, was just short of a miracle. Michael's moral and concrete support was invaluable.

Michael has served as Retreat Co-Practice Leader each year since 2014, joining a total of eight retreats. The friends who have joined us have benefited from his leadership as an experienced practitioner. His love for Viet Nam and her people always shone through. His caring attention and ability to listen deeply to each friend who has joined us contributed to life-changing experiences for many of our friends, and his infectious laugh and easy smile consistently watered seeds of joy in everyone.

Michael will be missed. We wish him the most heartfelt good wishes, as he continues on his path.

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Grateful for Paul Davis' Leadership

PAUL DAVIS, Board Member/Vice President (2019 - 2023)

PAUL DAVIS, TRUE HALL OF MERIT, has been a friend and supporter of Loving Work Foundation since its inception. We are deeply grateful for his years of service as Vice President. His kind and steady guidance and leadership during retreats and in-between retreats has been of immense value. May he continue to be a source of strength and joy to all who are fortunate enough to be in his presence. May he be well, safe, and peaceful.

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Grateful for Anne Wood's Leadership

ANNE WOODS, Secretary/Treasurer (2015 – 2019)

We extend our deepest gratitude to our dear friend and Dharma sister, ANNE WOODS, TRUE COLLECTIVE SPRING, who has been an essential part of the team that has supported the Loving Work Foundation since its inception. She is a solid practitioner who continues to enjoy a love affair with Viet Nam, and the work of the foundation, most especially that which involves the families and children, even though she has moved her attention to other projects and interests.

Anne's gifts have been numerous. She has been a huge supporter of our mission, guiding us through the mine field of US law, as it pertains to nonprofit organizations, advising us on the financial side of how to stay solvent while realizing our intention to serve the families and children in Viet Nam, while honoring our commitment to create global community by way of offering pilgrimages for the lowest cost possible for international friends, and she has generously shared her wisdom gleaned from her devotion to the Dharma.

We wish the very best for Anne, as she continues her practice of giving service.

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Grateful for Danna Zelenka's Leadership

DANNA ZELENKA, Secretary/Treasurer (2019 - 2023)

DANNA ZELENKA, TRUE SKY OF SPRING, has been an invaluable officer of the foundation, serving as Secretary/Treasurer and as Retreats Co-Leader. Her quiet, efficient, and kind manner has been an essential element that supported our retreatants to have enjoyable and life-changing experiences. Her commitment to the children and families of Viet Nam and to the success of the retreats has been foundational to our work. We are forever grateful to Danna for her wise counsel and deep friendship.