

Your invitation to an End-of-the-World and Maya Calendar  
**SURVIVAL PARTY**  
for Kate's human treasures and kindred spirits—with entertainment!



You (and your spouse/mate/partner/covalent) are cordially invited to share a day of conversational adventures, in a mellow, informal setting. Bring your opinions, insights, theories, axioms, curiosity, creativity, playfulness and humor. A convivial group, familiar yet different every time we gather... and this one is extra special, as we celebrate a confluence of cosmic events:



- The Winter Solstice
- The end of the Maya calendar
- A rare syzygy of planetary orbits
- Our survival in defiance of all superstitions and myths
- Puzzle-solving demonstration by cube virtuoso Robert P. Vermillion, Jr.



**When**

Friday, December 21, 2012 — from 4 pm onward, rain or shine, early or late. Dinner at about 7 pm (no closing time). Entertainments day and night. Come after work if that's the earliest you can get here. We'll wait for you!



**Where**

At the home of Dick and Kate Jones  
1227 Lorene Drive, Pasadena, MD 21122 (directions below)



**How**

In comfortable clothing, for sitting on floor cushions or carpets (yes, we do have furniture you can use instead), or wear a costume if you wish.



***For former guests and new, the rules are few:***

***No smoke, no booze, no "coke", no shoes.***

***Wine is fine—bring yours, share mine.***



**Why** To witness the victory of science and reason over fallacies and falseties. For a special day of celebrating life and happiness and minds. For mutual enjoyment of intellectual exchange and being with wonderful people. To be astonished and delighted by the puzzle-solving prowess of Robert Vermillion, and other surprises.



**Who** Kate's dearest people from near and far. Feel free to bring the kids — there's plenty of space and games and puzzles. Or will laptops and iPads be the main distraction?



**RSVP: 410-437-2163 (urgent and required)**

