
The Theosophical Society in Detroit

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December 2013

We are happy to continue our Friday night meetings.
Movies or lectures will be presented, followed by thoughtful open discussions.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Programs begin promptly at 7:00 p.m. \$5 Suggested Donation
From 6:30 to 6:55 is time for socializing, browsing through the bookstore and library,
and enjoying light refreshments.

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- Dec 6** *Yoga: Ancient technologies for a Brand New World.* LECTURE presented by **Chris Briney**
Join Chris Briney, certified Iyengar Yoga instructor, for a lively discussion of Patanjali's yoga sutras, the legendary yoga teacher B.K.S. Iyengar, 21st century Western Civilization, and of course, the human body. Of primary interest will be the examination of yoga not as a philosophy, or as a compelling set of ideas and theories about the laws of nature and the cosmos, but as a practical tool for accessing the highest dimensions of experience available. This access automatically calls forth a brand new world.
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- Dec 13** *Benevolent Compassion, A Sacred Human's Alternative to Self Pity and Self Importance.*
LECTURE presented by **Debbie Mast**
Imagine a world in which people give the best of who they are to others, with no hidden agenda and no need to receive something in return. Humanity is poised to enter this new phase of human evolution, referred to as the 5th World. It will require that a critical number of people accomplish something extraordinary: stepping out of self-pity and into Benevolent Compassion.
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- Dec 20** *Techniques of Astral Projection.* LECTURE presented by **David Zimmerman**
The subject of astral projection is of paramount significance in this materialistic age, as it proves the possibility of life after death. In this lecture David describes various techniques whereby the astral body can be brought out of alignment with the physical so that the individual can be made increasingly conscious in the astral plane. David will also describe the astral world and what one may find there.
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- Dec 27** *Closed*
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- Jan 3 2014** *Life on Other Planets.* LECTURE presented by **David Zimmerman**
Esoteric Teachings confirm that life does indeed exist throughout the universe even within our own solar system, on planets other than earth. David's occult investigations together with his knowledge of the cutting edge of contemporary thought have uncovered fascinating details of the history of our planetary neighbors. This lecture will change the way you think about life and the universe.
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WINTER SOLSTICE CELEBRATION
Tuesday, December 17 — 7:00 - 9:30 PM

Join us for a winter gathering for TS members, family and friends.

Potluck vegetarian supper, gratitude ceremony, and blessing tree.

For friendship circle, bring something you enjoy sharing for the winter holidays: a poem, prayer, story or song.



You can obtain more details from our web site: <http://tsdetroit.org>



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Ongoing Activities

SUNDAYS: 3RD SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH 2:00 – 4:00 PM

STUDY GROUP

Carl Jung Study Group

THERE IS A \$5.00 CHARGE

We invite you to join a study group that is now meeting at the Theosophical Society in Detroit. The meetings last about 2 to 2 1/2 hours and are held on the third Sunday each month. For more information, contact Connie Wright (313) 386-3753.

MONDAYS: 2ND MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH 7:00 PM

BOOK STUDY

The Divine Plan by Geoffrey A. Barborka

The Divine Plan was written in the form of a commentary on H. P. Blavatsky's Secret Doctrine expressly for the purpose of those who wish to read and gain a deeper understanding of the Secret Doctrine – presenting an exposition of the Doctrines of the Esoteric Philosophy. Please call with questions, Marina at (248) 545-8553.

TUESDAYS: 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Studies in *The Secret Doctrine*, Esoteric Insights and Spiritual Practice

We invite all serious students of the ancient wisdom to join us in an in depth study of *The Secret Doctrine* by Helena Petrovna Blavatsky. We will work with a range of print materials as well as audio-visual, as we continue our ongoing quest for insight and understanding. Questions, call Mara at (248) 545-1961.

WEDNESDAYS: 7:30 – 9:00 PM SHARP

OPEN DISCUSSION

Don Elwert continues the grand tradition of the Wednesday night open forum. Meetings involve a wide ranging exploration of theosophical writings and ideas, Christian Mysticism, astrology and Rosicrucian thought. Discussions range from serious and informative to light and lively. Although intended as an entry point for newcomers, it has won a loyal following among a significant gathering of followers.

Theosophical Society of Detroit parking is limited. . .

The good news is. . .the Vinsetta Garage restaurant (next door) offers free valet parking for people attending our programs. Just tell the parking attendant that you are attending a program at the Theosophical Society of Detroit.

Question What are the Three Objects?

- Answer**
1. Brotherhood of man, without distinction of race, color, religion, or social position
 2. The serious study of the ancient world-religions for purposes of comparison and the selection there from of universal ethics
 3. The study and development of the latent divine powers in man

- From *The Key to Theosophy*, by H. P. Blavatsky, 1889