
The Theosophical Society in Detroit

Chartered in 1916 as a Branch of the Theosophical Society in America



APRIL 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.

Apr 05 Urban Spirituality

LECTURE by **Tim Boyd**, President of the Theosophical Society in America

What does it mean to develop a spiritual practice in an environment divorced from the natural world? Where do we look for spiritual guidance in conditions utterly foreign to those in which the world's religions took root? Spirituality has not changed. Our need right now is to recognize and adapt to new and challenging conditions.

WORKSHOP ▷ AN APPROACH TO SELF TRANSFORMATION SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 2013, 10 AM to NOON.

(Continental Breakfast 9-10 a.m.) **Note: no lunch & no p.m. program**

During the course of this talk/workshop we will examine both the practice and theoretical underpinnings which are rooted in the teachings of the ageless wisdom tradition.

Tim Boyd is a founding member of a spiritual community which was active in Chicago's inner city for more than 25 years. The group worked with at risk youth, taught meditation and healing methods, established organic food gardens on vacant lots, purchased and renovated numerous buildings in the area, and placed bee hives on the roofs of buildings. His involvement with the Theosophical Order of Service and the Chushul orphanage in Tibet led to an audience with the Dalai Lama which resulted in the TSA sponsoring his visit to Chicago in July of 2011 for a two day event attended by ten-thousand people. He has lectured and conducted workshops throughout the U.S and internationally.

Apr 12 Terraglyphs

VIDEO & LECTURE by **Al Hebert**

After a video and break, Al will lecture on some specific aspects of the so-called 'crop-circle' phenomenon. This will include reference to formations Al has experienced first-hand. The result of his study of this subject is that Al believes earthlings are receiving communications intended to abet our evolution. There will be time left for questions from those in attendance.

Apr 19 Taking the Quantum Leap—Connecting Science and Spirituality

VIDEO—FACILITATED by **Dan Sarasin**

Modern scientific thought fostered the age of rationality, but did not address our relationship to spirituality. Today, however, some thinkers believe that the revelations of quantum physics are bringing us closer to a universal understanding of who we really are.

Apr 26 Creative Evolution

VIDEO WITH **Amit Goswami** —FACILITATED by **Gary Contesti**

Physicist Amit Goswami takes us beyond neo-darwinism to the new theory of creative evolution which vindicates ideas of H. P. Blavatsky, Sri Aurobindo, and Teilhard de Chardin.

May 03 The Yoga Miracle Maker

LECTURE BY **CHRIS BRINEY**

Call (248) 545-1961 for more details.

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 Michigan Friends of Jung has begun a group to study the works of Carl Jung, using the course materials published by Centerpoint Foundation International of Casselberry, Florida. The meetings last about 2 to 2 1/2 hours and meet on the third Sunday each month. For more information, contact Connie Wright (313) 386 3753, Tim Hildebrandt (248) 219 6641 or the Michigan Friends of Jung at www.jungmich.org

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

VIDEO SERIES / BOOK STUDY

Join us for a serious in-depth study of *The Secret Doctrine* by H.P. Blavatsky – drawing on various resources, including videos and books of commentary.

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.

FIRST AND THIRD THURSDAYS: 7:30 – 8:30 PM

MEDITATION SUPPORT

Come help us bring back the essential spirit of the quiet centered meditation practice led by Ron Leinweber throughout the past many years. We will meditate in chairs or on the floor. We recommend that you bring a blanket or pillow. Please arrive at least 10 minutes early. Meditation Practice is facilitated by Jodi Sheppard. For more information, call Jodi at (810) 377-5634.

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