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# The Theosophical Society in Detroit

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## March 2014

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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**Mar 7** *Occult Significance of UFOs.* VIDEO facilitated by David Zimmerman

Do flying saucers really exist? Has our earth been visited by extraterrestrials? No doubt one of the greatest mysteries of the 20<sup>th</sup> century has been the subject of UFO's. David has investigated the phenomenon for over 40 years and states conclusively that our earth has been visited by extraterrestrials as far back as 18 million years ago.

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**Mar 14** *Astrology: A Psychological Mandala.* LECTURE by Callie Smith

Though the zodiac is commonly attributed to personality types and behavioral tendencies, this talk will delve much deeper and will explore the archetypes as organs of the psyche. Callie will discuss how to use awareness of the archetypal functions to achieve mental and emotional balance, and maintain objectivity and consistency of character through life's trials.

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**Mar 21** *Working with the Wisdom: A LIVING POWER.* VIDEO facilitated by Connie Wright

Dorothy Bell, M.S. Ed. of Australia, focuses on the practical application of Theosophy, especially the process of transformation and liberation from social conditioning. This presentation of the 127th Summer National Convention at the Theosophical Society in America examines how the Theosophical philosophy, when correctly applied, can bring the living power of wisdom to our lives.

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**Mar 28** *Be the Change: Service & Transformation Practices.* VIDEO facilitated by Gary Contesti

This presentation of the 127th Summer National Convention at the Theosophical Society in America contains three short talks on service and altruism in a theosophical context. Patrizia Calvi speaks on "The gift of service". Usha Shah discusses the topic of empowerment – "Empower a woman and we empower the universe" and Dr. Deepa Padhi speech is "Look within to reach out".

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**Apr 4-5** *Two Lectures by Tim Boyd (President of the Theosophical Society in America)*

*Friday, April 4 - Happiness, Desire, and Unfolding Consciousness*

In some spiritual traditions happiness is described as something that every living being seeks. Much of what we do, our day-to-day activity, is directed toward achieving it—if only momentarily. Superficially it seems that happiness depends on fulfillment of our many desires. What is the link between happiness and desire? The ageless wisdom brings perspective to the search and the need for happiness, viewing it as an indication of something more profound.

*Saturday, April 5 - A Vision of What Lies Ahead*

For most people the physical sense of vision is the dominant way that we experience the world. Its importance in normal life is transferred to our inner lives. Historically, the great visionaries have been the guiding influences for humanity, shaping our behavior and our aspirations. What is our vision for ourselves and for the world, and how do we access this deeper level of consciousness?

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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**

Wednesday meetings are temporarily suspended.

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*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