
The Theosophical Society in Detroit

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



April 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.

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

9 AM to NOON

(Doors open at 8:30 a.m. for coffee, tea and light refreshments) **Lecture begins at 9:00 a.m.**
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?

Apr 11 ***Harry Potter and the Mystic Quest*** with John Algeo

VIDEO - Facilitator Dan Sarasin

This entertaining video will reveal metaphysical insights surrounding J.K. Rowling's book, *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*. John Algeo is the Professor Emeritus of English in the University of Georgia and past Vice President of the international Theosophical Society, India. He has been a member of the Theosophical Society for over fifty years and has served the Society in a variety of functions over that time.

Apr 18 ***Good Friday - Closed***

Apr 25 ***Creative Meditation: Balancing Inner and Outer Action*** with Maria Parisen

VIDEO - Facilitator Marina Sionov

In a universe alive with meaning and purpose every action is creative, however, the helpful effect of any thought, emotion or physical gesture depends upon the depth of its source and the extent of its outreach. Meditation is a way of action which unifies spiritual perception, intellect, heart and body to encourage healing and transformation. Maria Parisen shared her vision on "creative meditation" as the keynote speaker at the 3rd International Conference of the Theosophical Order of Service.

May 2 ***Wholeness and the Implicate Order*** by David Bohm.

LECTURE by Barb Presley

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



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Ongoing Activities

SUNDAY: APRIL 13 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

Serious 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:

APRIL 9 AND APRIL 16 7:00 PM TO 9:00 PM

Study Group: *The Key to Theosophy* by H. P. Blavatsky



BOOK STUDY

The Key to Theosophy was first published in 1889 and is still in print today, expounding the principles of theosophy in a readable question-and-answer manner. It covers Theosophy and the Theosophical Society, Nature of the Human Being, Life After Death, Reincarnation, Kama-Loka and Devachan, the Human Mind, Practical Theosophy and the Mahatmas. Facilitator is Winnie Wylie. Call (248) 545-1961 for details.

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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