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FRIDAY PROGRAMS

8 PM

SUGGESTED DONATION \$5.00

JAN 3 THE TWO HANDS OF GOD

Richard Brooks, Ph.D.

The so-called "problem of evil" has been - and still is - one of the major concerns for Judeo-Christian theology: how could an omnipotent, omni-benevolent Being create a world in which diseases and natural disasters regularly kill, disable, or economically disadvantage thousands of apparently innocent people every year. Dr. Brooks contends that theology cannot satisfactorily answer this question, but theosophy can. Dick Brooks, retired professor of philosophy and Eastern religions at Oakland U., teaches worldwide for the T.S. in America.

JAN 10 THE HEART OF MEDITATION: TIBETAN BUDDHISM AND ESOTERIC CHRISTIANITY

Robert Thibodeau

Awakening the intelligence of the Heart. Changing yourself to change the world. What it means to have a spiritual practice. Love, Compassion and Truth as a spiritual path. Robert owns the Mayflower Bookshop (Re-opening soon!), and is an astrologer, organic gardener, musician and author. Donations of books for the new Mayflower are welcome.

JAN 17 LEGACY: INHERITING AMERICA

Betty Appleby

America is at the crossroads of a new era in relationship to the planet. Who are the spiritual pioneers of this critical time? Are they shaping America's legacy for the next seven generations? By "igniting" the imaginations of small groups of committed adults and youth, a blueprint of extraordinary compassion can be cultivated in our society. Betty has been a student of metaphysics and mystery schools for over 25 years. Currently she works with the Michigan Dept. of Civil Rights.

JAN 24 HARRY POTTER AND THE MYSTIC QUEST

Diana Warren, Ph.D.

We begin with a video featuring T.S. International V.P. John Algeo, who explores metaphysical insights surrounding J.K. Rowling's book, "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone." Diana Warren leads the following forum, where we explore how the human journey is reflected in Harry Potter's adventures. Diana specializes in human development, the spiritual path and esoteric science. She directs Career Services at Davenport U. and teaches management and psychology.

NEW!! VEGETARIAN POTLUCK 6 PM.

JAN 31 TAROT: SYMBOLS OF WHOLENESS

Daya Kujansuu

Using the rich symbolism of the Tarot and the Kabalistic Tree of Life, Daya explores ways to integrate these sacred archetypes into our everyday life - especially to mobilize powerful inner resources of psyche and soul. Daya Kujansuu has studied and taught metaphysics for over 25 years. She is past president of the Integral Yoga Institute.

FEB 7 THE MYSTERY OF CROP CIRCLES

David Gendernalik, M.D.

David reviews what we know of this fascinating phenomena and presents current points of view. Dr. Gendernalik is a psychiatrist on staff at Huron Valley Center.

FEB 14 MESSAGE OF THE HEART

Ron Leinweber

More than a valentine love token, the heart is a sign for the essence of being, a center which can be opened to a deeper source. Tonight as we share the wide range of emotional, intellectual and spiritual dimensions suggested by the heart motif. Ron is a retired literature teacher who guides classes on comparative religion and meditation.

FEB 21 REFLECTIONS ON MY WAY HOME

Fr. Jay Samonie

Author Jay Samonie reflects on his life and work, which has moved in unusual directions for a Catholic priest. His published books on religion and spirituality include, "On My Way Home," and "Reflections on My Way Home." He is currently writing on the legacy of Edgar Cayce, and "Gift from God: Living Among the Homeless." Father Jay is temporary pastor at St. Mary's, Redford.

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FRIDAY PROGRAMS, CONTINUED **8 PM** **SUGGESTED DONATION \$5.00**

FEB 28 NON-ATTACHMENT AS SPIRITUAL PRACTICE
Forum

Gary Contesti leads our inquiry into the power of non-attachment, using passages from the Bhagavad Gita. What is this “letting go” or “self-surrender” spoken of in all religious traditions? Can actions truly be selfless? Can we be non-attached, and still caring? What of motive, intention and willpower? Gary is president of the T.S. in Detroit and a caseworker for Oakland County Family Court.

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SPECIAL EVENTS

LIVING IN WISDOM: AN INTENSIVE REVIEW

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1

Time: 10 AM

Don Elwert and Parke Carrier guide an overview of basic theosophy, in the spirit of their Wednesday evening classes. Topics include: dimensions of being, consciousness, dharma and karma, cycles, astrology and reincarnation. All are welcome. Information: 248-545-1961

SATURDAY MORNING RETREATS

January 25 and February 15

Time: 9 - 11 AM

Retreat is a calm affirming of peace, goodwill, insight and freedom. Extended sitting and walking meditation is combined with spiritual reading, sharing, and prayers for healing and unity. All are welcome. Please arrive promptly, as no one is admitted after retreat begins. Information: 248-545-1961.

WEEKLY GATHERINGS

MEMBERS' STUDY

Tuesdays

Time: 7:30 — 9:00 PM

Current study: *THE VISIONARY WINDOW: A QUANTUM PHYSICIST'S GUIDE TO ENLIGHTENMENT*. Author Amit Goswami shows how principles of the new science help us with creativity and truly spiritual living. Text available.
Join us!

OPEN FORUM: LIVING IN WISDOM

Wednesdays

Time: 7:30 - 9:00 PM

Wide-ranging studies in applied theosophy, drawing from various traditions and points of view. Informal, interactive.
All are welcome.

MEDITATION CIRCLE

Thursdays

Time: 7:30 - 8:30 PM

Silent meditation on inspirational readings from the world's religions. Mutual support and sharing.
All are welcome.