

THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY IN DETROIT
Chartered in 1916 as a Branch of the Theosophical Society in America



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Theosophy has been called the Wisdom tradition. The word stems from the Greek words "theos" (God) and "Sophia" (Wisdom) and refers to the "Wisdom of the Gods". In the 19th century Helena Blavatsky's work, with the help of others, was to reveal a portion of this wisdom tradition to the world.

FRIDAY EVENING PROGRAMS

Doors Open at 7:30 pm

Program starts Promptly at 8 PM

Suggested Donation \$5.00

- MAY 6** **SUCCESSFUL & SPIRITUAL LIVING WITH FENG SHUI**
DENNIS FAIRCHILD
The ancient philosophy of Feng Shui offers a method of living life in a harmonious relationship with astrology, symbology and one's environment. It's practice can enhance good fortune in many areas of your life. Dennis Fairchild is a syndicated columnist, Feng Shui and astrological consultant and author of over a dozen books including "Healing Homes – Feng Shui: Here & Now" and "The Portable Book of Birthdays."
- MAY 13** **THE COMMON THREAD – ANCIENT WISDOM & FREEMASONRY – PART II**
RICHARD RAPPLEYE
The goal of the mystic is conscious union with God. The Mystery Schools and parts of Freemasonry seek to provide a path toward greater oneness with the divine. Explore the common threads of the various paths, and join the discussion.
- MAY 20** **SHAMANISM: ANCIENT TRUTHS FOR MODERN TIMES**
MIKE WHITTY, LISA KULL & NANCY McCAOCHAN
Shamanism is a doorway to the heart's desire to see the destiny of the soul. Experience the journey of the drum to your inner guide. Enjoy an evening of Shamanic vision questing and heightened self-awareness. The lifelong study of comparative religion is a hallmark of Theosophy.
- MAY 27** **SPIRITUAL VEGETARIANISM AS THE KEY TO UNVEILING PEACE ON EARTH**
TOM MILANO, M.A.
Tom will be sharing with us his belief that the realization of humanity's true spiritual identity and purpose, and the subsequent healing of this world, hinges on the return to a plant-based or humane diet. Spiritual vegetarianism can put us back in touch with a sacred part of ourselves and turn our time into the beginning of a new Golden Age.
- JUNE 3** **CULTIVATING THE TAO & MASTERING CHI KUNG THROUGH SPIRITUAL PRACTICE**
ROBERT LEWANSKI
Taoist Spiritual cultivation and philosophy offers a way to go beyond ordinary religions to the depth of universal truth that is the very source of life itself. Thru spiritual practice in daily life, not faith alone, one can experience for oneself the underlying unity of all life. Secret inner teachings of Tao Te Ching, Qi Gong and spiritual cultivation will be revealed. Demonstration and participation.
- JUNE 10** **SECRET DOCTRINE AND THE KALACHAKRA**
CHRISTOPHER FESSLER
Theosophy has been called Neo-Buddhism. What is its relation to the religions of Ancient Tibet? Does its teachings emanate from the legendary Kingdom of Shambalah? Find out how and where H. P. Blavatsky learned about the Dyus Ki Khorlo.
- JUNE 17** **ISLAMIC SPIRITUALITY**
IMAM ACHMAT SALIE, Director of the Islamic Association of Greater Detroit
Muslims have been called a community of married monastics. They have an intimate, direct relationship with the Divine. This presentation offers some insight into the spiritual life of Muslims. Sober Sufism (quintessential tasawwuf) has transcended the fear of the cultural, linguistic and religious other.
- JUNE 24** **THE CHALLENGE OF FORGIVENESS**
BONNIE WATSON
This evening we will explore 'forgiveness' from a Cosmic perspective to a personal level of forgiving self and others. Also learn how karma can be ultimately connected with forgiveness. We will be given some tools to help us to be able to forgive. Also learn about some of the benefits that come from the act of forgiveness.

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US ON OUR QUEST. OUR FRIDAY PROGRAMS WILL RESUME IN SEPTEMBER FOLLOWING THE LABOR DAY WEEKEND. HAVE A SAFE & ENRICHING SUMMER!

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SPECIAL NOTICE TO MEMBERS

DETROIT LODGE ANNUAL ELECTION

Tuesday, May 24, 2005 at 7:30 P.M.

The Annual Election of Officers of the Theosophical Society in Detroit will take place promptly at 8:00 p.m. on May 24th in lieu of the regular members study that evening. Detroit Lodge members will receive a notice and nomination instructions via U.S. Mail.

DETROIT LODGE ANNUAL MEMBERS MEETING

Tuesday, June 21, 2005 – 8:00 P.M.

Vegetarian Potluck beginning at 7:00 P.M.

It's time to review the past and look forward to the future! We'll begin with a vegetarian potluck supper, review the highlights of this year and welcome our new members with a candlelight welcoming ceremony. Any questions regarding the potluck, please call Lotus Page 313.640.8449

WEEKLY GATHERINGS

MEMBERS' STUDY

Tuesdays

Time: 7:30 — 9:00 PM

Daya Kujansuu is leading the Tuesday group thru a study of the Kabbalah. The book "Qabalistic Concepts: Living the Tree" by William Gray provides an in-depth, clearly and intelligently written treatise on kabbalah. Gray emphasizes how the qabalah actively influences the Western Mystery Tradition. There are thought provoking questions at the end of each chapter that will be discussed in the weekly meetings. Open to members only.

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INFORMAL DISCUSSION OF OCCULTISM AND MYSTICISM

Wednesdays

Time: 7:30 - 9:00 PM

Wide-ranging studies of theosophical writings from various traditions and points of view. No charge – Bring your questions. All are welcome.

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MEDITATION CIRCLE

Thursdays

Time: 7:30 – 9:00 PM

*This support circle is meant to encourage a regular daily practice, using brief reading and sharing to affirm the richness of meditation. We will use several 20-minute silent "sits" to touch and share the power in and beyond us. **Please arrive a few minutes early.** For information call Ron at (248) 280-4711*