

THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY IN DETROIT

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We shall match your capacity to inflict suffering
with our capacity to endure suffering. Do to us
what you will and we shall continue to love you.

Martin Luther King

	FRIDAY PROGRAMS	8 PM	Suggested donation \$5.00
JAN 7	BACK TO THE FUTURE: WHAT TIME IS IT REALLY? Ted Braude Time. No one questions it. Yet there is evidence that time may not exist. Ted explores the experience of time from several perspectives, including personal, cultural, linguistic and scientific. He promises an evening of time travel guaranteed to re-set your consciousness clocks. Don't be late! Ted maintains a counseling practice in Royal Oak, and is a writer and musician.		
JAN 14	REALMS OF POWER Mary LaPorte The journey to the Source takes one into uncharted territory, sometimes called the realms of power. Experience in this intermediary world can be blissful, glamorous and frightening. Saints and sages from all spiritual traditions have navigated such states of consciousness. What do they tell us about the journey? Mary is a Co-Freemason and directs the TS in Lansing.		
JAN 21	DEVOTION AND THE SPIRITUAL LIFE OPEN FORUM "The most heroic self-sacrifices have been inspired by devotion, while the most terrible sacrifices of others have been brought about by its pseudo-sister, fanaticism." Devotion raises us, while fanaticism degrades the human spirit. Annie Besant's powerful commentaries are the basis for tonight's study, led by Prasanna Vengadam.		
JAN 28	ADDICTION RECOVERY: TWELVE STEPS, TWELVE TRADITIONS AND THEOSOPHY Carole Katz Addictive behaviors arise out of a need to control the environment, avoid self-awareness and minimize self-responsibility. Theosophy and the twelve-step recovery process intertwine and overlap to create a more healing, peaceful integration of service and love. Carole is a Social Worker who began helping in addiction healing 18 years ago.		
FEB 4	FAIRY TALE, A TRUE STORY Video Named one of last year's best by NY Post film critic Michael Medved, FAIRY TALE is the story of two young girls who claim to have met and photographed fairies. The controversy around them sweeps England during World War I, involving Sherlock Holmes author Sir Arthur Conan Doyle (Peter O'Toole) and the illusionist Harry Houdini (Harvey Keitel).		
FEB 11	HUMAN REGENERATION OPEN FORUM "There is an unprecedented challenge before the whole of humanity - not just before one particular race or group of people. War, the armaments race, pollution, poverty, the population problem ... all these challenges outside reflect what is inside the human mind - your mind, my mind, everybody's mind. What is inside and what is outside are not different. See the whole question very clearly. What is it that humanity needs?" Gary Contesti leads our inquiry, based on the text by Radha Burnier.		
FEB 18	THE SEVEN RAYS: FORMATIVE FORCES IN HUMANITY AND NATURE Diana Warren The Wisdom Tradition suggests that all things and beings in the world - all forms of mind and matter - arise from a combination of seven primary impulses. Diana will discuss the character and influence of the rays as they impact our lives. Diana is a Ph.D. candidate in religious studies and a management consultant.		
FEB 25	FREEMASONRY IN THE NEW MILLENNIUM Mary Jo Kokochak The thread of the ancient mysteries can be traced in Freemasonry. But modern Masonry has lost sight of its heritage and become a fraternal organization. Now, a new Freemasonry is emerging which will develop qualities needed in the new millennium: spiritual intuition, universal brotherhood, and an awareness of the angelic kingdom. Mary Jo is head of the Order of International Co-Freemasonry in the U.S., a mystical Masonic Order which admits women equally with men.		

WEDNESDAY PROGRAMS

MEDITATION AND THE PATH OF THE HEART

Four-weeks: January 5—26

7:30 — 9 PM

Fee: \$30 (TS members \$20)

Maria Parisen

The path of the heart awakens your deepest joy, strength, wisdom and energy. It is the path most natural and healthy for you. Cultivating stillness will make your way more clear. We will explore what spiritual awakening means and practice some universal meditation techniques to help you establish and refine your own practice. Maria Parisen, RN, MSN guides retreats and workshops for the TS in America and compiled the Quest anthology, *Angels And Mortals*.

THEOSOPHY AND PARAPSYCHOLOGY

Six Weeks: Feb 2-Mar 8

7:30-9:00 PM

Fee: \$40 (TS members \$30)

Richard Brooks

This seminar will discuss both the theosophical and scientific approach to the investigation of what our Third Object calls “powers latent in man.” Topics to be covered (about one each week) include: history of psychical research; classifying phenomena; ESP events (telepathy, clairvoyance, precognition, etc.); PK events (paranormal movement of objects, materialization, dowsing, levitation, etc); Survival research I and II including mediums, near-death experience, apparitions, past-life memories. Dick Brooks, Ph.D. is retired professor of Far Eastern religions and parapsychology, Oakland University.

ON-GOING EVENING MEETINGS

TUESDAY MEMBERS' STUDY

Time: 8:00 — 9:30 PM

HUMAN REGENERATION

Radha Burnier’s text is based on seminars she conducted in Europe. Mrs. Burnier, our international president, notes that the more deeply devoted we are to the regeneration of humanity, the more ardently we seek to understand ourselves and the world. Our aim is “to discover the source of Goodness and Happiness which is the birthright of all living beings.” All TS members are welcome!

MEDITATION CIRCLE

Wednesdays Time: 7:30 — 8:30 PM

An hour combining brief inspirational readings, shared insights, and silent meditation. All are welcome. Come to the meditation room.

NEED A HOME FOR USED BOOKS/TAPES?

The TS welcomes donations of books and tapes (comparative religion, philosophy, “new age”) for our library and/or used book sales.

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