The Theosophical Society in Detroit

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NOVEMBER 2017

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 and browsing through the bookstore and library.

Nov 3 History of Peace Movement in USA

Presentation by Randall Olson

Jane Addams defines "peace" as: "the unfoldment of worldwide processes that nourish human life". Come develop a new perspective, learn why the US was referred to as "the cradle of the peace movement" before the outbreak of World War I, and understand what happened during the war that nearly erased this story from our collective memory. Randall Olson graduated from Central Michigan University in 2015 with a Bachelor of Science, double majoring in Philosophy and Religion.

Nov 10 The Meaning of Work: Theosophical and Spiritual Perspectives on Vocation Presentation by Sandy Naimou

Across spiritual traditions is an emphasis on work ethic. What we work for and how directly impacts the development of a virtuous and spiritual life. Whether hourly employee, professional, volunteer, aspirant or initiate, it is work life and ethic that provides an ideal playground for soul and spiritual development. Sandy Naimou teaches yoga primarily at General Motors, and has been practicing for twenty years. She holds a B.A. in psychology and a M.A. in women's and gender studies and is currently a TSD board member.

Nov 17 Life and Times of Henry Olcott, Spiritual Warrior

Presentation by Mary Jo Kokochak

Explore the fascinating and unusual life of Henry S. Olcott (HSO), his investigations into the psychic world, association with H. P. Blavatsky, his contacts with the Mahatmas, his travels in India and around the world, his amazing healing powers, his struggles for the Buddhist cause in Sri Lanka, and above all his efforts to build The Theosophical Society. Mary Jo is president of the Theosophical Society in Detroit. She also served as librarian at the Olcott Library at The Theosophical Society in America and at the Krotona Institute of Theosophy.

Nov 24 The Astral Plane: Part 1

Video with Pablo Sender, facilitated by Gary Contesti

Pablo Sender explores selected chapters from the book "The Ancient Wisdom" by Annie Besant, a work that presents the basic tenets of Theosophical philosophy in an accessible way to provide a sound foundation for further knowledge. This video explores Theosophical explanations of "The Astral Plane." Gary Contesti is the past president of the Theosophical Society in Detroit and has been a member of the Theosophical Society for approximately 41 years. He holds a B.A. from Detroit Tech and is a retired Oakland County child welfare worker.

Dec 1 Consciousness Beyond the Body, presentation by Sandy Wiener

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ONGOING ACTIVITIES

If you have any questions or comments about our ongoing activities, please call (248) 545-1961 or email theosodet@gmail.com

SATURDAYS IN NOVEMBER 10:00 AM TO NOON

November 11.. Meditation Workshop with Hartmut Sagolla

DATE CHANGES November 18.. Basic Dreamwork: Healthy Sleep & Dreams with Margaret Dwyer, PhD

November 25.. Basic Dreamwork: Healthy Sleep & Dreams with Margaret Dwyer, PhD

Mondays: 2nd Monday of every month 7:00 PM BOOK STUDY

NEXT MEETING IS NOVEMBER 13

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 those who wish to read and gain a deeper understanding of the Secret Doctrine – presenting an exposition of the Doctrines of Esoteric Philosophy.

Tuesdays: 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

MEMBERS' MEETING AND STUDY

Talks on the Path of Occultism Vol 3 – "Light on the Path"

by Annie Besant & C.W. Leadbeater

This book is one of a trilogy, being commentaries on three classics – At the feet of the Master, The Voice of the Silence, and Light on the Path - considered the mystical gems of Theosophical Literature. They throw light on the deep significance and far-reaching implications of the perennial teachings embodied in these three classics whose subject matter is the path of inner transformation and spiritual realization.

WEDNESDAYS: 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

OPEN DISCUSSION

Open Forum facilitated by Gary Contesti and Galen Garst

BOOKSTORE HOURS HAVE BEEN EXTENDED!

TUESDAYS

10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

SATURDAYS

NOON to 3:00 PM

Theosophical Society in 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.

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