ARIZONA MANZANITA BRANCH

Anthroposophical Society USA

ANTHROPOSOPHICAL RESOURCES, *and more,* FOR ARIZONA MEMBERS & FRIENDS

February, 2024

(Please send new listings, etc., to Peter at pjre2@cox.net or 480-642-2246. This is a member-created listing of things of possible interest to members and implies no particular endorsement.)

The world is threatening to stun
The inborn forces of my soul;
Now memory, come forth
From spirit-depths, enkindling light;
Invigorate my inward sight
Which only by the strength of will
Is able to sustain itself.

Calendar of the Soul (Ahrimanic Deception, 46th week)

Dear Friends and Members,

As announced in the last newsletter, we will be offering a once a month zoom or YouTube presentation for members on the theme of

"Deepening Our Understanding of the Christmas Conference."

February's offering is also from Peter Selg: "Karma and Karmic Relationships."

https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/play/QAD8hqB-5WIS4JRI6QWyZ_ks9kZrkYknEGkn4cOd_X-Q6amTlmyDNLT6mycfVG89Fr5YKwtZq-_vE7Xo.46s4TcUrr7S1UvQS

We would like to invite you to contribute to a new column in this newsletter entitled – *"What We Are Reading"*, where we can share brief (one paragraph) reviews and comments about spiritual science-related books we are reading that we would like to recommend. This can also include books that impressed us and we feel are anthroposophically-adjacent, or that might be of interest to anthroposophists. We would love to hear from you!

If you're interested in Goethe, Schiller, Novalis, Schelling and Fichte, you might be interested in Andrea Wulf's "Magnificent Rebels," an elegantly written group biography of the writers and philosophers who gathered in Jena at the turn of the 19th century, the first Romantics, and in many ways a dramatic foreshadowing of Anthroposophy in the lives and minds of an amazing group of friends. -PR

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Please join us for Two On-line talks by Peter Selg

Rudolf Steiner's lectures on Karmic Relations~ Karma Lectures
January 20 at 9 am Pacific Coast Time

Inauguration of the First Class of the School for Spiritual Science
February 10 at 9 am Pacific Coast Time

A third talk will be scheduled in the fall.
Admission for the 2 lectures $20.
Zoom link will be sent as a reminder on the day before the event.

The following event is offered by the Faust Branch in Sacramento, California.
REGISTER HERE:
https://secure.anthroposophy.org/np/clients/anthroposophy/eventRegistration.jsp?forwardedFromSecureDomain=1&event=800&utm_source=Faust+Branch+Newsletter&utm_campaign=546648706a-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2019_05_06_02_28_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_ff2167bd96-546648706a-14988195

More information

At the 1923 Christmas Conference, Rudolf Steiner re-founded the Anthroposophical Society. In the months following, Steiner lectured many times about karma and reincarnation. Of note, are twelve talks given in Dornach between February 16 and March 23.
In this same period, Steiner gave a series of lectures, presenting "Esoteric Lessons for the First Class of the School for Spiritual Science. These inaugurated "The First Class."
To mark the centenary of these lecture cycles, Dr. Peter Selg is offering two on-line presentations accessible to friends in North America.

Dr. Peter Selg is one of the leading figures in the Anthroposophical movement. Trained as a medical doctor with a specialty in pediatric psychiatry, he has practiced, done research, and taught at several noted Anthroposophical medical institutions. In 2006, he founded The Ita Wegman Institute for Basic Research into Anthroposophy in Arlesheim, Switzerland, and still directs that organization. Dr. Selg is Co-leader of the General Anthroposophical Section of the School for Spiritual Science and member of the Goetheanum leadership committee. A prolific author, he has written literally scores of books and articles dealing with Dr. Steiner, Anthroposophy, and the many sister movements.

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From Mark Riegner:

Mark Riegner, who last year retired from his 35-year faculty position in Environmental Studies at Prescott College, and who has been a member of the Arizona Manzanita Branch since its inception, has recently had an article published on a Goetheanistic approach to understanding the relationship between parrots and people. The article appeared in the German *Jahrbuch fur Goetheanismus* (in English), and can be accessed for free through the Nature Institute website at this link: https://www.natureinstitute.org/about/mark-riegner. In his research, Mark reviews known parallels between parrots and people, such as highly developed cognitive abilities, strong family bonds, extended lifespans, etc., but also describes overlooked similarities, such as enhanced grasping ability (related to "intelligence"), delayed maturation, and even similarly shaped spherical heads! Thus, in many ways, parrots are the most human-like of birds!

Here's the link to copy and paste www.natureinstitute.org/about/mark-riegner

Be Enlivened!
Be Inspired!
Be Transformed!

The Mystery Dramas –
A Doorway to the Wisdom of the Human Being:
The Portal of Initiation

Come join us in this workshop of Rudolf Steiner's 1st Mystery Drama
with Laurie Portocarerro
Feb 15-18, 2024

Laurie Portocarrero, is actor, storyteller, director and drama teacher. She brings a lifetime of training and experience in the healing arts. In an atmosphere of playfulness, wonder and safety, she will lead us through the first Mystery Drama. Even as our work together will illuminate depths in this drama, we will become more grounded in our bodies, expressive with our voices, and deepen our engagement with others.

Thursday and Friday Feb 15 & 16
10 am to 1 pm, 1-2:30 lunch, 2:30-6:00 pm,
Saturday Feb 17
10:15 t0 1 pm, 1-2:30 lunch, 2:30-6:00,
Sunday Feb 18
12:30 to 6:00
Advance Admission $100. Payable by Feb 8,
Regular Admission $120.
Pay via PayPal at Faustbranch.org – Donations Button or by check made out to **Sacramento Faust Branch**. Give to Cheryl Martine or Sandra Stoner

More Information
https://mcusercontent.com/a624b710a1eab21e1f958b748/files/431cbf92-4a92-935a-dbea-0c370ad15e95/Laurie_More_Info.Since_the_beginning_of_western_drama_in_ancient_Greece.01.pdf?utm_source=Faust+Branch+Newsletter&utm_campaign=3f94d70b49-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2019_05_06_02_28_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_ff2167bd96-3f94d70b49-14988195

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Register here:
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a Solar Eclipse Convergence

'Piercing the Veil to Resurrect the Grail'

6 – 9 April 2024

(Saturday evening thru Tuesday morning)

At the stunning

Saint Raphael Retreat Center

in the heart of Totality - Dallas, TX.

Hosted by Associates of Mysteria Mystica Americana (**MMA)**

Cognitive Ritual Founder: Hazel Archer-Ginsberg,

Master Chekhov Teacher: Lisa Loving Dalton,

GM of MMA: Richard Cloud

More Information

https://mailchi.mp/e331db99c04e/eclipse-convergence?e=f9bae591d8&utm_source=Faust+Branch+Newsletter&utm_campaign=3f94d70b49-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2019_05_06_02_28_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_ff2167bd96-3f94d70b49-14988195

The
Nature
Institute

January, 2024

Dear Friends,

For more than 25 years The Nature Institute's founders, Henrike and Craig Holdrege, have been helping others to encounter the natural world in living ways. Those who have experienced the Holdrege's work in various programs often describe it as transformative and profoundly revealing — of both themselves and the world around them. As one recent participant commented, "The course is like a boulder dropped in my "path of knowledge" pond and the waves will reverberate ever on."

Now in a rare interview, recorded in Brazil in 2019, you can hear Craig and Henrike speak of this work and the Goethean perspective that has long inspired it. Conducted after they had finished leading a two-week course on "Seeing Nature Whole" for Associação Sagres in Florianopolis, this illuminating interview can be seen at our YouTube channel or you can listen to an audio version (entitled "On Goethe and His Science") at our podcast, In Dialogue With Nature. Please enjoy — and share!

With warm wishes,

Elaine Khosrova
Outreach and Relations

GENERAL INFORMATION…

HEALTH & MEDICAL:

Kolisko Institute for Anthroposophic Medicine – Get research updates and workshop information. info@akoliskoinstitute.org.

European Alliance of Initiatives for Applied Anthroposophy/ELIANT Check out this website for a number of important videos and lectures on the effect of technology on children, and much more - https://eliant.eu/en/home

Denver Center for Anthroposophic Therapies https://anthroposophy-colorado.org/anthroposophic-medicine-therapies Dr. Adam Blanning. Check out their Blog and Events sections for articles on a variety of medical subjects and sign up for their newsletter.

WORKSHOPS:

ATHENA (Association for Therapeutic Eurythmy in North America) Cynthia at Eurythmy Online info@eurythmyonline.com or Athena.membership@gmail Cynthia Hoven's Six Curative Eurythmy Classes (free)

STUDY GROUPS:

Phoenix Study Group - Everyone welcome! Now reading Steiner's 'Nature Spirits', on Zoom, every Thursday, 7:30-9:00 PM. Contact host Barb Cunningham @ barbcunningham@cox.net for further information.

Tucson Study Group – Beginning Sept.11 reading Steiner's "Isis, Mary, Sophia." All are welcome. On zoom and in person. Contact Janet Sabb at jesabb1@gmail.com for more information.

Prescott Study Group - Contact Sharon McFeely for current information. sharmc17@yahoo.com

Sedona Study Group – Contact Emory and Mia Michaels at 831-239-1975, email is e-michael@att.net Now reading 'Theosophy' one Sunday a month.

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MISCELLANEOUS:

Arizona Christian Community - For information on up-coming activities contact Karen Hoyt in Tucson at mcgurrenk7@gmail.com or Peter Rennick in Phoenix at pjre2@cox.net.

Next Consecration of the Human Being Service in Tucson on Feb 11, 2024, not the 18th as previously stated.

Waldorf Publications - news@waldorf-research.org

Waldorf Today - Subscribe: https://www.waldorftoday.com/newsletter/

Mary Stewart Adams mary@storytellersnightsky.com Star Lore Historian. What's happening in the heavens?

Watercolor Painting Classes: Van James on YouTube offers brief watercolor painting classes, aimed at Waldorf teachers, but meditative color therapy for us all.

Rudolf Steiner Archives: rsarchive.org

The Lectures of Rudolf Steiner:
http://www.rudolfsteineraudio.com/lecturesimagebased.html

YouTube Rudolf Steiner Lectures:
https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=rudolf+steiner+lectures

Also, here is a link to a wonderful series of talks from the Goetheanum:
https://www.english.goetheanum.tv/life-and-society?wix-vod-video-id=ec46ea2596694140997b3eb78f0b495c&wix-vod-comp-id=comp-kn6178o You can also register here to receive notices of future talks and events at the Goetheanum. Check it out.

FROM RUDOLF STEINER:

“Not a single thought would flare up in our souls
if ego and astral body did not work in concert,
thus giving rise to a commensurate,
interdependent functioning of the blood and the nervous system.
The future science of human beings will someday be amazed at today's scientific theory,
which holds that thoughts originate solely in the nervous system.
This belief is incorrect because
The process responsible for the interaction of thoughts
must be seen as a dynamic interaction
between blood and nervous system.

“The origination of thought inside our soul
corresponds to rolling thunder in the cosmos.
Likewise, when lightning flashes in the air,
and when air and fire interact to produce thunder,
this corresponds to the fire of our blood
and the activity of our nervous system.

This produces what one might metaphorically call an inner thunder
that echoes in our thoughts, albeit gently, quietly and imperceptibly.

Just as lightning in its counterplay with the elements produces thunder,
so the counterplay of blood and nerves
produces the thought that flashes up in the soul.”

10 Apr. 1909
Foundations at the Periphery

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