

# SPRING 2013 LECTURE SCHEDULE

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## THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY IN PITTSBURGH



**THE OBJECTS OF THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY:** To form a nucleus of the Universal Brother & Sisterhood of Humanity regardless of race, sex, caste, creed or color. To encourage the study of comparative religion, philosophy and science. To investigate the unexplained laws of nature and the powers latent in humanity.

*All lectures are presented Sundays from 1:30 to approx. 3:00 PM on the Chatham University campus in Woodland Hall room 103 during April and May and then Room 117 in Falk Hall for the June lectures. Interested individuals need not be a member of the society to attend. Unless otherwise indicated, all programs may be attended free of charge. Call our 24-hour automated phone system at (412) 462-4200 for the most current information on lectures and Society sponsored events. This number will have all the latest information on weather and unforeseen cancellations. Officers can be reached at this same number.*

### April

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- 7<sup>th</sup> **THE TEST OF TRUE LOVE BOOK:** – Francesca Szarnicki  
Through The Test of True Love, Francesca instructs her audience how to apply the spiritual technology she discovered many years ago. You can use the charts inside her new book to help uncover the truth about your love relationships. Are we compatible? Is he/she cheating? Does he/she truly love me? Will we marry? Why did we ever get involved in the first place?.....Francesca helps you find the answer to these and countless other questions.
- 14<sup>th</sup> **REALITY & reality**  
**The Metaphysics of A Course in Miracles** – Ted Kneupper  
We will discuss the metaphysics of the Course, focusing on its teachings related to ultimate Reality and relative reality, including its view on God, creation, space-time, and the process of realizing Truth.
- 21<sup>st</sup> **MONASTICISM AS A BRIDGE-BUILDER BETWEEN ORTHODOX & Gnostic COMMUNITIES** – (Rev.) Thomas M. Hart, O.S.B.  
The Nag Hammadi texts were discovered near a Pachomian monastery, and may in fact have been an item in the monastic library. What might the contemporary possibilities be in regard to dialogue between these communities today?
- 28<sup>th</sup> **THE SECOND COMING** – Ed Foote  
At least 3 ways have been proposed for how the Christ will come again. The talk will look at this topic from the perspective of both the Edgar Cayce readings and from the book A Course In Miracles.

### May

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- 5<sup>th</sup> **KUNDALINI ASCENSION** – Andrew Nesky  
The Holy Grail of many eastern teachings is the Kundalini Ascension, the moment when “sleeping” feminine energy wakes up and engages a journey to her male counterpart – a journey that will produce a synthesis that is believed to be a key evolutionary step for both the individual experiencing it and humanity as a whole. Join us as we discuss the physics and metaphysics of this event from the perspective of a first person account. (This talk will be a continuation of the Quest Magazine article Kundalini and the chill as it appears in the current - spring 2013 “Love” issue.)
- 12<sup>th</sup> **EMBRACING KARMA** – Phil Jannetta  
The dynamics of cause and effect can enhance our life as easily as they diminish it. Phil will introduce ways to recognize and productively use influences already created, and how to generate the causes for future happiness.
- 19<sup>th</sup> **WHAT DO YOU WANT TO KNOW?**  
**The Paranormal & Beyond** – Frank DeAngeles  
Join Pittsburgh Parapsychologist Frank DeAngeles for an open discussion on the paranormal and related Extra Terrestrial phenomena.
- 26<sup>th</sup> **MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND** – No Meeting

### June

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- 2<sup>nd</sup> **THE AWAKENING OF HUMANITY** - Sheila Forester/Mary Beth Steisslinger  
Humanity has reached a crossroads and has a choice: continue on its present destructive path of greed and competition, or build a more sane and just way of life for everyone. This PowerPoint presentation offers a message of hope about humanity's future under the guidance of Maitreya and the Masters of Wisdom. Topics covered are: our ancient spiritual heritage, UFOs & crop circles, miraculous phenomena and the rise of people power.
- 9<sup>th</sup> **WHAT DO THE ANCIENT ONES TELL US ABOUT NOW & THE COSMIC FUTURE** – Rainbow Eagle  
The Great Creator has given Mother Earth/Planet Earth at least five spiritual gifts for Earthlings. The Cosmos knows and operates within Universal Law to protect and make sure SHE continues to be available to the Cosmic Family.
- 16<sup>th</sup> **THE NATURE OF SHIFTING CONSCIOUSNESS** – Joe Turiano  
According to many sources, including Astrologers and interpreters of the Mayan Calendar, this is the time of a great "Shift in Consciousness". However, a quick look at the latest news broadcast along with a look at human nature around the world clearly shows that humanity has not undergone any kind of instantaneous mass enlightenment. This lecture explores the

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question of what a shift in consciousness actually is, what it means to each individual, and what needs to be done in order to bring it about..

### 23<sup>rd</sup> **What's Going On? - A Star Gazer's View** – Donna Greco

Astrologer Donna Greco will discuss the significance of an ongoing planetary event, the Uranus-Pluto square. These two planets in stressful relationship to each other are catapulting us into unfamiliar territory bringing about tremendous change, and ultimately, healing and transformation, as we are being graced with powerful messages both personally and collectively. The tremendous infusion of several planets transiting in the sign of Pisces will also be discussed. We are well aware of the monumental shift that is occurring. The specific themes of this shift will be discussed as it pertains to each sign. Donna will also offer insight into the benefits of astrological counseling as a tool for personal transformation affecting long term global healing. And, there is always the unexpected inspiration that strikes just before the talk! As always, there will be opportunity for open discussion.

**END OF LECTURE SEASON – See You Next Fall**

## **Speaker's Biographies**

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**Frank DeAngelis** has been involved in parapsychology since the early 70's; He has studied and attempted research in the field of the paranormal since 1980. He has taught several different classes on the paranormal at area colleges. I have investigated approx. 48 haunted houses in the Tri-state area and acted as an adviser on about 30 more houses.

**Donna Greco** has pursued the study of Astrology and Tarot for 25 years within the context of personal and spiritual transformation, blending artistic sensitivity with spiritual knowledge and attunement as a facilitator for healing and personal transformation. She is available for private counseling sessions, lecture-presentations, workshops and mentoring. She does readings in person, by phone and on line having attracted in recent years, an international clientele. An accomplished pianist-teacher-composer, her musical career spans 35 years in the classical, jazz and contemporary instrumental genres. Her Intuitive Music practice is designed to create personalized musical settings for the facilitation of healing and meditation. She also receives commissions for specialized musical recordings produced and designed for personal and sacred intentions. She is a certified Music Practitioner providing music for healing and transition in the hospice setting. She counsels and teaches in her Squirrel Hill Studio.

Her website is: [WWW.DONNAGRECO.COM](http://WWW.DONNAGRECO.COM) or [WWW.DONNAGRECOPIANOSTUDIO.COM](http://WWW.DONNAGRECOPIANOSTUDIO.COM)

**Phil Janetta** is an internationally known Feng Shui teacher and consultant, as well as a published author. He comes to this county after spending over 15 years in Asia as a student, teacher and consultant and where he studied Feng Shui with professional Chinese practitioners, Taoist scholars and Buddhist monks. For more than a decade Mr. Janetta operated a successful consulting practice in Tokyo. His advice was based on the principals of Ch'I energy, and their application to physical and mental well being. Since returning to the U.S., Phil has appeared on television and radio, and in major newspapers. He consults and lectures throughout the US, Europe and the Far East, and regularly teaches at the University of Pittsburgh and Community College of Allegheny County. His published works include co-authorship of several books with Michio Kushi, including the acclaimed "Macrobiotics and Oriental Medicine."

**Sheila Forester** and **Mary Beth Steisslinger** are volunteers with Share International, members of the Pittsburgh Transmission Meditation group and students of the Ageless Wisdom Teachings. For more information: [www.share-international.us/mw/](http://www.share-international.us/mw/).

**(Rev.) Thomas M. Hart, O.S.B.**, is Assistant to the President for Mission Saint Vincent College. He holds a B.A. from the University of Steubenville in Theology and Philosophy, a Master of Divinity from the Saint Vincent Seminary and is an S.T.L Candidate in biblical theology from the Catholic University of America. Father Hart holds memberships in the Society of Biblical Literature, the Catholic Biblical Association and the C. G. Jung Society of Pittsburgh

**Theodore Kneupper** is professor emeritus in Philosophy at Slippery Rock University, where he taught for 34 years. He has been a student of the world's spiritual traditions, particularly Buddhism and A Course In Miracles, for many years. He is the director of Mind Unlimited ([mindunlimited.org](http://mindunlimited.org)), which is dedicated to the exploration of the higher possibilities of human nature.

**Andrew Nesky** is the president of the Theosophical Society in Pittsburgh. He has twice been elected to the position of Master of a Masonic Lodge and is a published writer. An actor with hundreds of stage performances, he also lectures on the subject of metaphysics and human development and has coached high-school competitive public speaking, specializing in value-based Lincoln-Douglas format debate. He hosted hosts the web-casted talk show "Science and the Outer Streams" which investigates the frontiers of human thought, science and spirituality. The show can be viewed at YOUTUBE keyword "Outer Streams".

**Rainbow Eagle** (Rolland J. Williston, M. Ed., B.D) has a Master's Degree in Education from Northeastern Oklahoma State University and is a Licensed Social Worker and Licensed Ordained Minister in the Universal Brotherhood Movement, Inc. He is a lecturer and workshop presenter speaking about Native American Culture, Heritage and Traditions to both mainstream and Native American communities, including more than 47 reservations across the United States and Canada. He has written *Native American Spirituality: A Walk in the Woods*, and *The Universal Peace Shield of Truths: Ancient American Indian Peace Shield Teachings*.

**Joe Turiano** is a Past-Life Regression Therapist (Woolger USA) and a Hellinger Family Constellation Therapist through the Hellinger Institute of Western PA. He is also a certified Transpersonal Hypnotherapist through the National Association of Transpersonal Hypnotherapists.

**Francesca Szarnicki** is an experienced healer, life coach, numerologist, teacher, author, and lecturer. Through her integrated healing practice she has helped countless people to accept themselves, heal body and soul, and expand their creative potential. Her business **Francesca New Age Services, Inc.** is home to her creative endeavors as well as her web site: [www.LovePowerWisdom.com](http://www.LovePowerWisdom.com).

Books & Creative Projects: THE TEST OF TRUE LOVE, HEALING MY SOUL/ Foundation Training Manual, HEALING MY SOUL/ Advanced Training Manual, NUMEROLOGY, The Key to Understanding the Language of Numbers, DOUBLE DIGIT NUMEROLOGY, NUMEROLOGY MESSAGES -- SZAR CARDS (a deck of inspirational messages based in numerology).





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Dear friends of the Theosophical Society,

Our group has grown substantially over the last few years. People who have been to our meetings and requested ongoing notice of our programs now number over 1000. We pay rent, advertise in many local publications, and maintain a 24-hour automated phone system that disperses timely information to anyone who wants it – a service that has been especially valuable to our sight impaired community. Each week the ranks of people who have sought information or understanding from our programs grow. We count ourselves a success.

We have one of the few places in the world where a lay person can hear diverse spiritual and philosophical programs. Where else can a Moslem tell his heart to a Jew – or a Pagan speak about love to a fundamentalist Christian? **In our place we start processes that can lead to difficult and apparently impossible unities and peace... a mission that is perhaps more urgent and necessary than ever before.**

We have done things a lot differently than most organizations of our type. **Most of our programs are available to anyone who shows up, regardless of their desire to join our group or their ability offer donations to help us support ourselves.** We have chosen this “Open Group Architecture” because it makes it more attractive for people who are tentative about their spiritual/intellectual direction to risk a look at our “hub”. This is a modern take on our society’s mandate to be a “nucleus” of “universal brotherhood”... one that seems especially suited to the needs of our region.

*Our success has come at a cost. Although no member or officer of our group receives compensation of any kind - the growing cost of advertising, printing, postage and telephone service requires that we ask for your additional financial support.*

**Please help us with whatever Tax Deductible contribution you’d like to offer.** If you send us \$15.00 it will cover the cost of producing, advertising and mailing your schedule for a year. For each additional \$15.00 you send we can keep another year’s worth of services going for a student or someone who might be less fortunate than you.

Maybe it’s just that you haven’t gotten to the meetings as often as you’d like, and haven’t had an easy way to donate. Maybe you were “between” things for a while. If you have some breathing space now -we can really use whatever help you can send. Please make your checks and money orders payable to “The Theosophical Society in Pittsburgh” and send them to the address listed above.

**Thank you for your time, presence, love and support.**

**G-d Bless**

Andrew Nesky  
President,  
The Theosophical Society in Pittsburgh.