



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.

We've in our usual Spring Digs - Room F117 in Falk hall on the Chatham University Campus. As usual all lectures begin at 1:30 and end at approximately 3:00 pm. 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.

See you SOON!  
Andrew Nesky  
President

April

3<sup>rd</sup> **APPROACHES TO SPIRITUAL TRANSFORMATION:**

**Buddhism, Krishanmurti, & A Course in Miracles – Ted Kneupper**

What is meant by 'transformation' or radical interior change that is central to most spiritual teachings? How does transformation come about? Here we will give particular attention to views found in three approaches prominent in the world today: 'the Eightfold Path' of Buddhism, the 'Pathless Land of Truth and Radical Revolution' of J. Krishnamurti, and the 'process of Atonement' described in A Course in Miracles.

10<sup>th</sup> **THE TWO LANES OF LIFE – Rebecca Troup**

Our thoughts are the energy that drives our lives externally and internally. When we consider how both positive and negative thoughts can be beneficial, we not only feel better, we drive better.

17<sup>th</sup> **RUMI THE MYSTIC – Documentary/Discussion**

Thirteenth century Mystic and Islamic scholar *Jalāl ad-Dīn Muḥammad Rūmī* had the distinction of having a posthumous best-selling book of poetry simultaneously in the United States and Taliban controlled Afghanistan. His legacy includes the religious order the west often calls "Whirling Dervishes". "To him and to his disciples all religions are more or less truth. Looking with the same eye on Muslim, Jew and Christian alike, his peaceful and tolerant teaching has appealed to people of all sects and creeds.

24<sup>th</sup> **AS ABOVE, SO BELOW:**

**A Star-gazer's View - Donna Greco**

Astrologer Donna Greco will discuss the significance of current planetary events and the messages we are being graced with both personally and collectively. The emphasis will be on Chiron, The Wounded Healer as it continues to travel through Pisces, as well as the ongoing Saturn-Neptune square; the challenges, opportunities, themes and elements of transformation which are upon us, as well as global events as mirrors for personal reflection all will be discussed. And, there is always the unexpected inspiration that strikes just before the talk! There will be opportunity for open discussion.

May

1<sup>st</sup> **OPEN FORUM – Frank DeAngelis**

The Theosophical Society in Pittsburgh will host an Open Form, so please come ready to ask question that may have troubled or baffled you. We can discuss your life events or experiences on just about any dimension of the paranormal. The range of topics can include anything from E.S.P., ghosts, meanings of dreams, psychometry, *are you psychic?* and how can we become more open to our psychic abilities.

8<sup>th</sup> **MOTHER'S DAY – NO MEETING**

15<sup>th</sup> **SPIRITUAL MESSAGES FROM ANIMALS & NATURE – Carol Obley**

What do the natural world and animals reveal to us about Spirit, the continuity of life after death and self-healing? In this enlightening talk, we will explore the dynamics of receiving both personal and universal messages as well as spiritual teachings from the animal kingdom and nature. By opening our hearts and minds to realize these messages, we receive confirmation of the continued existence of the soul after death and our personal role in the unfolding, spiritual evolution of humankind. During open discussion, you are invited to share your experiences of receiving this type of communication.

Note: Ms. Obley's books and Cd's will be available for purchase after the talk.

22<sup>nd</sup> **FINDING & LIVING YOUR SPIRITUAL IDEAL – Ed Foote**

Edgar Cayce said the most important thing a person can do in life is to clarify a spiritual ideal, because it provides a pattern for living one's life. This inspiring presentation will look at what Cayce said about ideals, and how each of us can go about determining our spiritual, mental and physical ideals. Cayce said if a person practices the steps outlined here, meaningful direction for the benefit of our life will result.

29<sup>th</sup> **MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND – NO MEETING**



June

**5<sup>th</sup> THIS PRECIOUS HUMAN LIFE & WHAT IS AT STAKE – Phil Jannetta**  
 Our search for meaning, combined with living in a time and place where metaphysical teachings are readily available, are hallmarks of a precious human life. What we do with this gift fundamentally affects our present, our future and even our past. Phil will discuss insights that can keep you motivated on your path, and offer suggestions to use in daily life.

**12<sup>th</sup> ALAN WATTS – Documentary/Discussion**  
 Alan Wilson Watts was a British-born American philosopher, writer, and speaker, best known as an interpreter and populariser of Eastern philosophy for a Western audience. Though an avid practitioner of Zen philosophy he attended Seabury-Western Theological Seminary and became an Episcopal priest in 1945, then left the ministry in 1950 to join the faculty of the American Academy of Asian Studies. Watts' legacy remains alive, his wisdom – timeless. We are reminded of him through his books, documentaries and animated shorts brought to us by Trey Parker and Matt Stone — that's right, the creators of South Park. Join us in this fascinating and fun retrospective and conversation about the life and legacy of an amazing man.

**19<sup>th</sup> FATHER'S DAY – NO MEETING**

**26<sup>th</sup> Enlightenment – Andrew Nesky**  
 Esoteric traditions from time immemorial have believed that it is possible to teach wisdom. Whether the process concludes in “Redemption”, “Awakening” or “Enlightenment” the result seeks less an expansion of conventional knowledge than a qualitative expansion of human character and permeability in the sense of self. Join Theosophical Society President Andrew Nesky as he reprises this perennially updated and asked-for multi-media investigation into this fundamental esoteric process.

**END OF LECTURE SEASON – See You in the Fall!**

**Speaker's Biographies**

**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.

**Ed Foote** has been a student of *A Course In Miracles* and the *Edgar Cayce* Readings for over 25 years, and he lectures on these topics for metaphysical groups around the country. He leads church services and teaches Spiritual Dance in several states each year. Ed helps organize events for the Edgar Cayce organization in Pittsburgh and also conferences for the Miracle Distribution Center in California and other states.

**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 online, 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 websites are [www.donnagreco.com](http://www.donnagreco.com) & [www.donnagrecopianostudio.com](http://www.donnagrecopianostudio.com).

**Phil Jannetta** 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, where he studied Feng Shui with professional Chinese practitioners, Taoist scholars, and Buddhist monks. For more than a decade Mr. Jannetta 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 US, 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*.

**Theodore Kneupper, Ph.D** 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 and the principal moderator of its lecture series. 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 hosts the web-casted talk show “Science and the Outer Streams” that investigates the frontiers of human thought, science and spirituality. Select shows can be viewed at YouTube keyword “Outer Streams”.

**Carole J. Obley**, Soulvisions, LLC is a professional spiritual medium from Pittsburgh, PA who has done thousands of readings for people seeking confirmation, guidance, and healing from the spirit world. She has been the subject of newspaper articles, spoken on both radio and TV and is the author of three books on mediumship and healing. She has also published articles on spiritual and metaphysical subjects and taught workshops at Lilydale, NY, the largest US center for Spiritualism. She has produced audio programs to help people with spiritual development and teaches three levels of classes in intuition and mediumship. [www.soulvisions.net](http://www.soulvisions.net).

**Rebecca Troup** is a certified instructor, professional speaker, and consultant, Rebecca Troup has been educating adults for more than 25 years in the business, medical, and metaphysical fields. She has become well known and respected for her unique ability to present information in a fun, easy-to-understand manner while retaining the depth of the material. Her approach to shifting everyday perceptions has helped countless individuals enjoy a happier life. *Isn't Fun the Best Thing to Have?* [www.MysticalTruths.com](http://www.MysticalTruths.com) 724-575-1284