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HPB Newsletter

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AGM: Wednesday 24th October, 7.30pm, HPB Hall

A reminder about Section Dues...have you paid yours yet?
You need to be a financial member to vote in the AGM.

Should you need more nomination forms, they can be found on the notice board or obtained through the library. **Nominations close at 7.30pm, 14th October 2007**

Science Seminar - The Bridge between Science & Spirit

A Seminar that will take you into some of the most mysterious and exciting connections emerging between science, spirituality and religion today. For the informed lay-person.

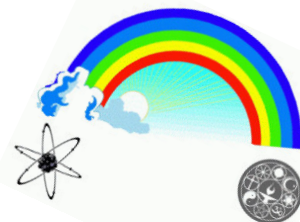
WHEN: Sat 20th – Mon 22nd October 2007
9.00am– 3.00pm

WHERE: HPB Hall, 4 Warborough Ave, Epsom

COST: ▪ *Special price for TS members: \$40 per day*
(total \$120 incl. registration costs)
▪ \$180 – public price

Registration forms available: ...ph/fax – 09 523 1797
email – hq@theosophy.org.nz,

OR visit – www.theosophy.org.nz



WHO:

Victor Gostin is an Honorary Visiting Research Fellow in Geology & Geophysics with the University of Adelaide, Australia. His interests include the planetary history of life on Earth in a galactic context, and the evolution of consciousness along with that of bodily form. He has much to offer on earth science and global warming. An asteroid was named after him in recognition of his work, and he has been active in the Theosophy-Science group in Adelaide for many years.

Christopher Holmes is a Canadian clinical and forensic psychologist who has explored the relationship between ancient wisdom and forefront science for many years. This has included a study of Blavatsky, Gurdjieff, the Kabbalah, Vedic science and esoteric Christianity and, more recently, the role of the heart in consciousness. He is an engaging and provocative speaker who featured in the “Theosophy and New Frontiers of Science” conference in California in August. Christopher has just written a book called *God, Science and the Secret Doctrine – the zero-point metaphysics and holographic space of H.P. Blavatsky*.

+++++ **5x NZ speakers**

Can you assist?

...with registration each morning * video cameras as necessary * overseeing hall and peoples' needs

Volunteers will receive free entry - ph/fax 523 1797



CONVENTION 2008

It's getting closer!!!! The facilities at Epsom Girls' Grammar School have been inspected, and look superb! The timetable (including outings) will be finalized this month and details will then be advised. Watch this space.....!!!

STUDY CLASSES

Module 5 27th August to 15th October Individual Topics

This module is composed of individual topics. We look at the concept of wisdom – what is it and how does it vary from person to person? Mythology is discussed with the concept of myth as allegory and as teachings to the wise. Is there a spiritual body of humanity? We look at new developments in science which support human kinship and oneness. Some of the ways in which we can receive and give help are discussed and we also cover the hidden side of things and the links between objects that appear unconnected

Module 6 29th October to 26th November

TS History & Relationships

We start this module off with a look at the founders of the Theosophical Society – Helena Petrovna Blavatsky and Henry Steele Olcott and other great TS leaders of the past. TS members may find themselves drawn to other groups in the community. This module looks at other groups that may attract the seeker, such as the NZ Vegetarian Society, the Liberal Catholic Church, the Round Table and the Theosophical Order of Service etc. This module attempts to provide information on groups that study class participants may hear about. Also included in this module is an evening discussing the sometimes difficult issue of presenting spiritual truths to other people.

LIBRARY & BOOKSHOP



- The library is missing some back copies of '*Theosophy in NZ*'. We need issues for June 2002 and December 2005.
- Also needed is the October 2005 issue of the international '*Theosophist*'. These are to be used to complete sets to be bound for our permanent collection. *Please* have a look on your shelves! **Contact Dorothy Sewell, librarian at Ph. 529-2634 or drop them into the library**

Available from the Bookshop...

THE SECRET GATEWAY by Edward Abdill

In an amazing *tour de force*, Edward Abdill guides us through the maze of Theosophical thought from the beginnings of manifestation to the work of every individual aspiring to enter the spiritual path. He speaks directly to both intellect and heart in today's language, with none of the jargon so often shrouding metaphysical ideas. Throughout, the reader feels he is speaking not just of abstract principles, but of a living philosophy, eminently useful in daily life. He simplifies the essence of theosophy using the power and beauty of story. He points out that we need a very different kind of science- a "science of spirit" to explore the inner world of consciousness. With sensitivity and insight he opens a "secret gateway" to spiritual wisdom. If you step through, chances are you life will never be the same.

Edward Abdill is a former director of the Theosophical Society in America and past president of the Theosophical Society in New York, where he teaches. He lectures throughout the United States and internationally.

This compelling and transformative book costs \$36 and may be bought from the bookshop in person or ordered by telephoning 5247994 or emailing hpbbooks@theosophy.org.nz .

The cost of postage is \$3.50 anywhere in New Zealand.

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