

Creative Life TODAY



Creative Life Spiritual Center

• Serving greater Houston since 1985

• Jesse G. Jennings, Founding Minister



Hans York returns



German-born, Seattle-based, award-winning singer/songwriter and multi-instrumentalist **Hans York** accompanied Robert Palmer on German TV, toured as bassist with the New York Broadway

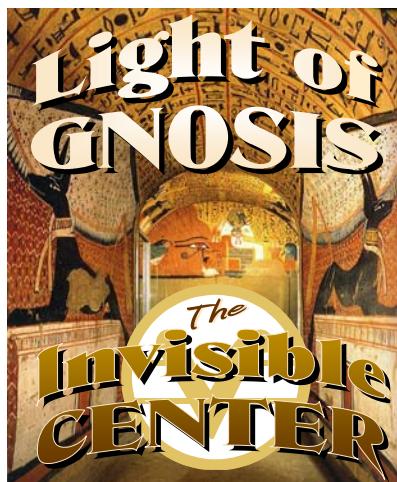
Ensemble, played throughout Europe with master harp player Rüdiger Oppermann, performed a concerto as soloist on fretless bass with the "Ars Quittilinga" Chamber Orchestra (Concerto written by contemporary German composer Thomas König). Hans also co-founded the German Worldmusic cult band Moka Efti and recorded three CDs with them. He'll perform at both morning celebrations on Sunday, October 18.

More info: www.hansyork.com

OCTOBER 2009



Sundays & Wednesdays
this month...



Celebration of AUTUMN



Friday, October 23

with special musical guests

**Kenny Gaines &
Wayne Wilkerson**

Doors open at 6pm — dance and eat

SHOW STARTS AT 8PM

Tickets \$10 until Oct. 14 • \$15 thereafter

Children under 12 \$7 • Under 5 free

Raffles • door prizes • silent auctions •

adult and child costume contests

Potluck soups • chili • stews • desserts

To help or donate:

Nancy Bonilla-May • nbm8@aol.com



The New Science of Mind
Foundational Course

Heartfelt Living

THE BEST OF YOUR LIFE IS ABOUT TO BEGIN!

- ☞ Learn how thoughts and feelings combine to form beliefs—and shape our life experiences...
- ☞ Discover how well spiritual mind treatment (affirmative prayer) works, in every area of life...
 - ☞ Gift yourself with a delightful, nurturing experiential playshop...
- ☞ Share your creativity in an artistic, musical or literary project during the closing celebration...
 - ☞ Connect with a group of other like-hearted people to form lifelong friendships...

It's eleven Thursday evenings, through December 17, led by minister **Jesse Jennings** and practitioner **Valinda Huckabay**. Tuition is \$250 (payable in installments and/or by credit card or Paypal) plus books: *The Science of Mind* (on sale now) and a workbook.

E-mail info@creativelife.org to enroll or with questions; or use the sign-up sheet in Builders' Hall.



Thursday nights, 6:30-9:30pm • starting October 1



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We're grateful for...

👉 ❤ Indoor work day volunteers
Libby & Phil Beckhlem, Melody & Nick Berryman, Janet Carman, Chip Carney, David Ferrier, Daniel May, Gary McMillen, Franceska Perot-Starcevic, Lilia Reade-Pellicano, Kyle & Nikki Saren, and Carthel Smejkal, all coordinated by **Debra Morwood**...

❤ **Gary McMillen** and **Sonya Nelson**, who thoroughly cleaned and rearranged Katherman Hall; **Sonya** also teaches yoga classes here...

❤ Sept. 6 Rite of Passage coordinator **Melody Berryman**; music director **Geoffry Oshman**; youth director **Debra Morwood**; **Larry Dines**, who made the certificates; musicians and other participants **Nancy Bonilla-May, Rachel Lino, Bill MacKenzie, John McDonald, Sarah Pitzer, Bob Pryor, Bruce Ross, Kim Terry**; all the teachers; youth readers and soloists **Nick Berryman, Daniel May, Natalie May, Kyle Saren, Nikki Saren, and Sydney Wemple**; all the younger children in the "Rainbow Connection" choir; and everyone who crossed the ceremonial bridge...

❤ Singles group monthly event coordinators **Kathi Frank, Bob Mahan** and **Lilia Reade-Pellicano**...

❤ Sunday musical guest and workshop leader **Darlene Koldenhoven**, and Wednesday musicians **Nancy Bonilla-May, David Mayes, Bob Pryor, Bruce Ross**, and **The Practets**...

❤ **James & Valinda Huckabay**, again managing our RenFest bookstore...

❤ September's Heartfelt Usher/Greeters **Lynn Beckett, Bob Biddison, Barbara Brown, Margaret Byrd, John Dantche, David Dewhurst, Jeanice & Jerry Felkins, Linda & Tom Grayson, James & Valinda Huckabay, Tina LeMarier, Ann Lux, Debra Morwood, Lilia Reade-Pellicano, Ann Richardson, Peter & Yvonne Ryba, Ron Sandlin, Judith Sherbenou, and Marion Wright**, all coordinated by **Bill MacKenzie**!

New Members

Janet Carman • Spring
Yvette Tomeo • Montgomery
Connie West • Spring

The Green Team

Do you have a great love and respect for Mother Earth? Do you have a passion for ways that are "Earth Friendly"? If so, then Creative Life needs you!! We would like to form a working committee to help create ideas and follow through with those ideas in order to make Creative

Life a more "green" environment.

Interested parties please e-mail **Melody**: melodyberryman@sbcglobal.net

Donations by Mail

These folks mailed in a donation to the Center, or made one online, during September. *Thank you!*


George Abreu
Joe Angel Babb
Barbara Baldwin
Stella & Ted Barrow
Libby & Phil Beckhlem
Linda Benthall
Deanna Bordelon
Myokei Caine-Barrett
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Sharon Mignerey
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Michael & Sonya Nelson
Malené Njeri
Lilia Reade-Pellicano
John Rennie
Melissa Roth & Dennis Tardán
Ruth & Carthel
Lisa & Tom Ryan
Martha Tejeda
Cherie Vance
René Wemple

Creative Life

Spiritual Center

"I never knew there was a place that teaches what I've always believed!"

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Creative Life is a spiritual community in suburban Houston, Texas, teaching and living the Science of Mind, a transformational path first articulated by the American philosopher **Ernest Shurtleff Holmes** (1887-1960).

We have activities for all people and interests, and welcome everyone, especially those for whom traditional Western religion has seemingly had no place.

Serving greater Houston since 1985, Creative Life is a member of the **United Centers for Spiritual Living** (formerly known as the United Church of Religious Science), which dates from 1927. "Science of Mind" and the circle-and-v symbol are registered trademarks. Membership in our Center is a statement of your commitment to your own spiritual process, using the principles taught here as a springboard, as well as a way of shaping our Center's collective future and enjoying a symbiotic, caring relationship.

No prior spiritual affiliation need be renounced in order to join us. Membership request cards can be found in the Great Hall vestibule, bookstore, or requested by mail or e-mail.

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Authentic Woman®

Monthly Network Luncheons

You are invited to a supportive network that encourages you to lose what's not real about you and to become expertly comfortable in expressing your authentic womanly self at home and in the world. Facilitated by **Rev. Marsha Lehman** and open to all women who would like to feel at home in a professional and personal network of women focused on spiritual principles of success and a feminine way of being in the world... without apology. We will focus on different aspects/roles of the Authentic Woman® and offer encouragement to: mothers, grandmothers, aunts, women working in corporations, women working at home, entrepreneurs, women new to the area and women who want to form close friendships that are meaningful and lasting. Contribution of \$15 includes a light vegetarian lunch. Wednesdays Oct. 7, Nov. 4, Dec. 2, 11am-1pm, at the Center
marsha.lehman@creativelife.org

Practical Mysticism

For Heartfelt Living graduates, this 10-week course explores mysticism and provides a framework for living the mystical life here and now. Here, you'll learn four types of meditation, practice the presence of God, discover "witness" consciousness, plus much more on spiritual mind treatment, in a combination of discussion and periods of silent and guided meditation, plus a very moving closing ceremony. This certificated course counts for 30 hours toward entry into practitioner training. Tuition is \$250 plus a workbook and two texts – *The Essential Mystics* and *Seven Paths to God* – all available in our bookstore. The course will be led by practitioners **Myokei Caine-Barrett** and **Marion Wright**.

Ten Tuesday nights at 7pm, starting October 6. Sign up in Builders' Hall or by e-mail to

info@creativelife.org

RenFest opens!



As the Texas Renaissance Festival draws nigh, and with it the 17th season of *Creatyve Lyfe Booksellers*, there be many an opportunity for helping' out. Shelving Day: We'll be fillin' the shelves on Saturday, October 3, if ya have a mind to lend a hand. Meet at CLC at 9am to carpool to the site. The faire opens on Saturday, October 10, and runs through November 29. Each weekend has a theme (pirates, Celtic, Hallowe'en, etc.) and the event is located off FM 1774 between FM 1488 and Hwy. 105, north of Magnolia, in Plantersville, where it has been a Houston-area fall tradition since 1974. Discount tickets are available at Randall's and HEB stores, and the website is www.texrenfest.com. We're in booth #157, up the first lane to your left after entering, on the left.

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Valinda Huckabay, (713) 858-6975
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Self Mastery

Socrates learned the maxim "know thyself" at Delphi, where it was inscribed over the entrance to the temple of Apollo, and believed that "the unexamined life is not worth living." This eight-week course for Heartfelt Living graduates is about healing the perceived separation between personality and Spirit. Through an exploration of the creative nature of thoughts and feelings, uniting as beliefs, you'll revel in gaining mastery in the art of living as a conscious, intentional being, giving and receiving support and encouragement. Tuition is \$200 and the only required texts are *Living the Science of Mind* and a course workbook. The course will be led by practitioners **Lynn Beckett** and **Yvonne Ryba**.

Eight Thursday afternoons, 1-4pm, starting October 8. Sign up in Builders' Hall or by e-mail to

info@creativelife.org

Conscious giving

Everything you see around the Creative Life campus, from the carpets to the coffee to the 6+ acres of land we now own and occupy, was manifested through the generosity of our Center members and friends—folks like you! Please remember the ongoing life of your Center, which costs about \$5,000 per week to fund, by doing your part and more if you can! You can donate to Creative Life by credit or debit card on a one-time or regular basis—just visit the bookstore to set up this service—or give via PayPal. We are a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation, so your regular contributions are tax-deductible.

Honduran support

We are accepting donations of durable used or new shoes, and also clothing (used/clean/in good repair), which pilot **Lynn Rippelmeyer** delivers to the people of Honduras each time she flies there. Please use the collection boxes in Builders' Hall — no extra-large sizes, women's shorts, winter clothing, or high heels, thanks. In the bookstore we're selling Honduran-grown coffee at \$10 the pound, to help support several children's charities there. We now also have the opportunity to donate medical supplies to *Medical Bridges* for use in 80 countries. No expired prescription medicines, please; these can be taken to a pharmacy for proper disposal. Also needed is a portable sewing machine.

Life Center supplies

The Life Center, founded by Pastor **Winston James** in 1991, is a care facility for the homeless at 4516 Old Yale Street in the Heights. We are pleased to join with other area faith communities in offering support to them through a collection of cleaning supplies, trash bags, nonperishable food socks, men's and women's underwear, and hygiene and grooming products. Please use the collection box in Builders' Hall.

Gardening Work Day



CLC Trustee **Franceska Perot-Starcevic** invites you to the next monthly outside work day on the second Saturday in

October, the 10th, with two shifts, at 9am and noon, when we will again focus on the courtyard garden, trimming shrubs, weeding, cleaning flower beds, and trimming the trees in the front parking lot and along the road. Come join us in the beautiful weather!

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Yoga classes



In the blink of an eye, we'll be preparing feasts for the holidays and feeling the stress of that busy season! Now is the time to begin a yoga practice so you can master the skills of breathing deeply and staying present. One of the first things that new yoga students are amazed by is the awareness they gain with their breathing. This awareness helps them in every aspect of their lives. Forrest Yoga places strong emphasis on breathing skills in a loving atmosphere of acceptance. Other benefits of attending a Forrest Yoga class is greater flexibility, relief to joint pain, better posture and fun! Both classes are open to all levels and no one is ever asked to work beyond a level that is safe and appropriate for them. Join CLC practitioner **Sonya Nelson**, certified yoga instructor, on Thursday mornings from 9:30-10:45am in Katherman Hall. Wear loose, comfortable clothing and do not eat two hours prior to class start time. Drop in for any class for \$15 to CLC. E-mail sonya.nelson@creativelife.org.

Additional info:

www.sonyanelson.net

Saturday Sacred Art Playshops for Women

The first in a quarterly seasonal series is the *Winter Solstice Sister-Friend Bracelet Playshop*, sponsored by minister **Marsha Lehman** and featuring our own, practitioner **Ann Richardson**, artist and Peace of Mind business owner. Join them for this beautifully relaxing and creative day of a playful form of sacred art. You will have the experience of making a bracelet for a beloved sister-friend that will initiate her into the deep connection of self-discovery in the season of winter. The bracelet could be for your mother, daughter, aunt, a friend who feels like a sister, a woman who means so much to you. This bracelet, meant to be presented on Dec. 21, the Winter Solstice, will contain beads, adornments and a written prayer. You will be guided into your inner intuitive connection to help you create the affirmative prayer that will accompany your bracelet gift. The ritual that you will experience in the playshop can be the ritual that you use to present the bracelet. The ritual will help anchor the gift so that it will continue to have meaning and give inspiration throughout the winter months, the months of deep reflection and rich, connection with the womanly self. Come, be in the company of other women on this day of meditation, gentle laughter, magical creation and delightful connective sharing of the heart. Take home the gift of a Sister-Friend Bracelet that will be a symbolic reminder of the beauty that your friend is and expresses...that comes from that deeply feminine nature we call the Goddess. Open to all women from all spiritual walks of life...ages 15 to 105. Saturday, Nov. 14, 10am to 3pm at the Center. Cost of \$35 includes materials and light lunch. We need to know you're coming and the number of guests you are bringing, so use the signup sheet in Builders' Hall or register by e-mail: marsha.lehman@creativelife.org

Abraham-Hicks study group

Abraham teaches, "The basis of your life is freedom; the purpose of your life is joy." The purpose of this group is to expand our understanding of the teachings and writings of Abraham-Hicks. We will discuss personal applications and practical experiences. Their newest book, *The Vortex: Where the Law of Attraction Assembles All Cooperative Relationships*, available here, focuses on relationships and will be the starting text. **Anise Flowers** and practitioners **Gary McMillen** and **Yvonne Ryba** will facilitate. 6-8pm on the third Sunday of each month, starting October 18. Open to all, join anytime. Cost is a love offering. Please sign up in Builders' Hall. More info: doctoranise@gmail.com

Fun-Loving Singles

This group is for all Creative Life Spiritual Center friends or members who are single, divorced or widowed and age 21 or over. We welcome all singles regardless of ethnicity, gender, or sexual orientation, who are interested in a safe, open environment to meet, form friendships, participate in group events and just have FUN! The goal of the group is to promote camaraderie among singles. It is not a matchmaking or therapy support group. Our next event is lunch at 1pm on Sunday, October 25, at Crabby Daddy near I-45 and Rayford Rd. in Spring. After lunch, there'll be an optional trip to the White Eagle Lodge Star Center for the Americas at the Church of St. John and Retreat Center in Montgomery to walk their labyrinth. People come from all around the world to attend seminars, retreats and events at this sacred, peaceful large acreage facility. There is no charge for this but a donation is suggested. Please RVSP to the October Fun-Loving Singles activity coordinator, **Kathi Frank**, at kathi@kathifrank.com

More info: www.whiteeaglelodge.org

NOTE TO CLC PARENTS...

Your sense of comfort leaving your children in our care is important to us; more important still is their safety while entrusted to us. We need you to know that between 11am and 12:15pm Sundays, your child must either be in the appropriate class, or seated in the Great Hall with you. *These are the only options.* Children are not permitted to roam the CLC campus unsupervised, nor to leave it without you, or with whom-ever you give us written permission to allow to take them. On Sundays, please bring your children who are going into class to the registration desk in the south lobby of the learning center for check-in, and fill out the necessary forms for children who are new with us. Thank you!



Debra Morwood

YOUTH NOTES

The month of October is shaping up to be an exciting one for the CLC Youth Services Department. With the assistance of several of our teens and many other volunteers the Learning Center that houses our classrooms is really taking shape. Come by for a visit and see our new look. Check out our new toddler changing table donated by **Phil** and practitioner **Libby Beckhlem**.

The CLC Teen group has some interesting things happening. On October 4, **Lisa Ryan** will be helping the teens create their own wand which can be used at Halloween, RenFest or any other occasion where a wand would be useful. Teens are encouraged to bring a favorite stone to bake into their wand. On October 18, **Lynn Rippelmeyer** will be speaking to the teen group. Lynn is a pilot for Continental Airlines and will be talking to the teens about envisioning and living their dreams. On October 11, practitioner **Lilia Reade-Pellicano** is the guest reader for the 3-6 group. We are still gratefully accepting readers for early 2010.

The 3-6 children's group welcomes new teacher **Sandra Check** (practitioner and ministerial student). Sandra's first day will be October 4. Come by and say hello to Sandra and thank her for volunteering with the children. Also on October 4, please come by and welcome **Mary Wilde** as our newest Youth Services Registration staffer. We appreciate her service to the children.

As always, I am available to answer any questions concerning the CLC Youth Services Department. I am in my office (at the top of the stairs in Katherman Hall next to the upstairs practitioner room) from 10:15 until 11:00am on Sundays, available by cell phone (281) 787-2761 and at debra.morwood@creativelife.org.

7-10-year-olds' class...

Volunteers are now being accepted to co-teach this group of about 15 children, 11am Sundays.

debra.morwood@creativelife.org

LIKE TO READ ALOUD?

Debra would like to have two volunteers a month (one for each of two Sundays) to read a story to the 3-6 age group. This would take about 15 minutes between 11:15 and 11:30am. In addition to having people who will read age-appropriate stories, she'd like anyone who would do puppets, or anyone with other creative ideas that would entertain a 3-6 year old for 15 minutes, such as dressing up as a character (perhaps some RenFest folks?). Also we'd love to have someone dress up for Halloween and read a story, as well as Santa for Christmas! There must be some grandparents in our group who would love to read a story; and if anyone writes children's books and would like to read from their work, contact Debra.



The newly spruced-up toddler room



Aleena-joy and Mary at the registration desk



Anne Gillis's "Travels in Asia" presentation was well attended



Lisa Ryan (aka Bridget) tells stories to the 3-6-year-olds' class

Workday 9/19



Debra was the ringleader



How many CLCers does it take to change a lightbulb? **Melody & David!**



Russell and **Gary** spiff up the youth registration area



Franceska'd rather be gardening...



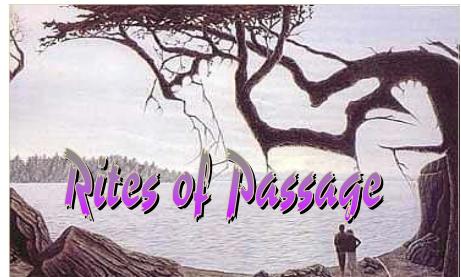
...like **Nick & Daniel** were doing



The 7-10s classroom looks a whole lot better, thanks to **Carthel** and **Aleena~joy**



Those oiled walls feel great.



Sunday, September 6, was our annual *Rites of Passage* ceremony, with the CLC children, teachers, and community as a whole



The "Rainbow Connection" choir



Teacher **Gayle** leads the 3-6-year-olds in a spiritual mind treatment



The CLC youth staff: **Sarah** (with **Bowen**), **Keri**, **Yaso**, **Debra**, **Lisa**, **René**, **Larry**, **Gayle**, **Lynn**, **Jayne**, **Kelli**, **Aleena~joy**, **Stephanie** and **Cindy**. Not pictured: **Edward**, **Jennifer**, **Libby**, **Maria**, **Mary** and **Sean**



Happy, Healthy & Harmonious

NEW



Anne S. Gillis

Experience the Radical Presence through *Do In* (self-massage on power points), mindful breathing (*Pranayama*), sound healing and guided health and rejuvenation meditation. These practices renew the body, lift the spirit and return us to our natural state of joy; great ways to lift depression, calm anxious tendencies, reduce stress and expand awareness.

Anne Sermons Gillis started meditating in 1973. Eventually those silent moments led to an awakening in 1976. In the early '80s she incorporated breathing practices into her spiritual discipline and later became a professional breath worker. She led weekly groundbreaking guided meditations for years and served as the senior minister in Connection Church for 14 years. She is the author of two books and lives on the leading edge of consciousness discovery. 9:30-10:45am, four Wednesdays, October 14 through November 3, in Katherman Hall. Cost is \$60 for the series or \$15 per class. Bring a mat or blanket, an old tennis ball in a sock (extra if you can), do not eat immediately before class, and wear comfortable clothes. Please sign up in Builders' Hall. More info: anne@annegillis.com

Nonviolent Communication: Relief Through Emotional Freedom

We are continuing to meet on Wednesdays from 4-5:30pm, using the book by Marshall Rosenberg, *Nonviolent Communication: A Language of Life*. In knowing and allowing our feelings to express, our universal needs such as freedom, creativity, support, integrity, protection, compassion, community, understanding and play can surface and bring us awareness of what is presenting itself to be alive in the moment.. Join our group at any time. Facilitated by **Sylvia Roeling** and practitioner **Lynn Beckett**, lynn.beckett@creativelife.org

Renegade Reflections group

Circular exploration conversations that begin with a quote and a few questions supplied by minister **Marsha Lehman** and practitioner **Aleena-Joy Davis**. The intention of this group is to listen, share, learn and take away something new that shakes us up, so we can make the change we want to live in the world. Wednesdays, 5:30-6:45pm. October's topic, *Conscious Sensitivity* (What is it? Who has it? Where can we get it? How can we use it?) Nov. topic: *Becoming a Challenge-Free Zone* (Who says we have to have challenges? Is there a better approach to living? What would that be?). More info: marsha.lehman@creativelife.org

Wed. Night Celebrations 7pm in the Great Hall

SEPT 30 Eckhart Tolle's *The New Earth and the Science of Mind*, with practitioner **Libby Beckhlem**; music by **The Practets**

OCT 7 When You Rid Yourselves of Guilt and Shame: *Tear Off Your Old Rags*, with minister **Jesse Jennings**. music is TBA

OCT 14 What Turned Me About Has Been Overcome, with minister **Jesse Jennings**. Music is by **Bruce Ross**

OCT 21 Life and Light are God, From Whom We Emanate, with minister **Jesse Jennings**, and music by **Pam Parrott**

OCT 28 Wisdom Images the Form of the Unseen One, with minister **Jesse Jennings**; music by **Significant Others**

Lunch of Like Minds

A bunch of CLCers meet for lunch Thursdays at different restaurants from FM 1960 to The Woodlands, and you're invited! To get on the invitation list: **Cathy MacKenzie**, cathy.mackenzie@creativelife.org

A Course in Miracles discussions

A Course in Miracles is "a unique, universal, self-study spiritual thought system that teaches the way to Love and Inner Peace is through forgiveness." (www.acim.org) The Course states, "Projection makes perception. The world you see is what you gave it, nothing more than that. But though it is no more than that, it is not less. Therefore, to you it is important. It is the witness to your state of mind, the outside picture of an inward condition. As a man thinketh, so does he perceive. Therefore, seek not to change the world, but choose to change your mind about the world." We're in our fifth year of regular weekly meetings, now working through the ACIM Text. With practitioner **Bill MacKenzie** at 7pm Thursdays in the library. Open to all; join anytime. Donation. More information: bill.mackenzie@creativelife.org

Self-Care is For the Birds

Getting in Touch with Your Inner Canary

Birds have a few things we can learn and practice while loving our bodies and minds into a life of lightness and healthy vitality. Join minister **Marsha Lehman** and practitioner **Sonya Nelson** as we explore six secrets that will empower, enhance and help you sustain the elegant level of self care that you would like to refresh, reboot, re-invigorate and retain. Expect fun, surprises and a new sense of connection with yourself and others. Four more Sundays, Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25 • 2-4pm • appreciative giving marsha.lehman@creativelife.org



Want to participate in the Center's music program?

E-mail **Geoffry Oshman** at music.director@creativelife.org

Center Recordings

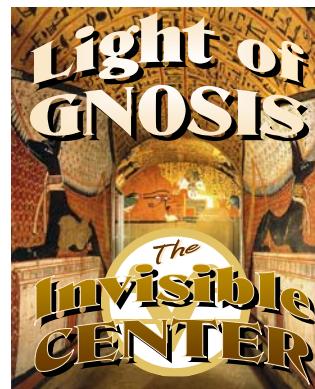
Our Sunday services (opening meditation, "encouragement" and closing treatment), as well as longer Wednesday evening talks, are available on CD. **Individual sales:** Each 80-min. CD contains one service, and is \$4. Use the bookstore clipboard to order, then pre-pay, and pickup, or add \$2 each for mailing. **Mail subscriptions** are \$60 for 3 mos.; \$115 for 6 mos.; \$200 for a year; or \$350 for two years, domestic postage included. Subscribe in the bookstore, receive a shipment every two weeks. info@creativelife.org



* Creative Life Sundays *

Come at 9:30 or 11:00 to enjoy the new series...

The Gnostic Gospels



Speak Across the Ages

GOSPEL OF THOMAS: Never to Cease From Seeking Until We Find

GOSPEL OF MARY MAGDALENE: Matter Caused Powerful Passions to Enter Into You

POIMANDRĒS: The Whole of Nature is Your Reflected Image

GOSPEL OF TRUTH: A Mind That Spoke One Word of Silent Grace

"I LOVE MYSELF THE WAY I AM"

A chance to sing, laugh, and be here now

EVOCATION

Centering ourselves in the eternal moment

"UNIVERSAL LOVE ENFOLDS ME"

A time to deepen within, and then connect with each other

MUSICAL MOMENT

with **Geoffry Oshman**, the **CLC Singers**, and friends

ENCOURAGEMENT

A talk by minister **Jesse Jennings** on conscious living today (see topics above)

SPIRITUAL MIND TREATMENT

An affirmative prayer, the heart of our spiritual practice

GROUP SONG

An old favorite, or the latest new song we're starting to learn!

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GIVING TIME

Divine love, through me, blesses and multiplies all the good

I am and have, all the good I give and receive.

I am prosperous now, and so it is!

MUSICAL MOMENT 2

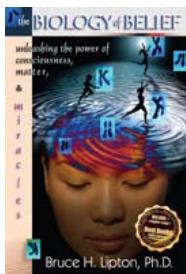
with **Geoffry Oshman**, the **CLC Singers**, and friends

CLOSING CIRCLE AND "PEACE SONG"

Something wonderful is happening through you right now!

Wisdom of the Universe

Book discussion group



www.brucelipton.com

Read on your own, learn with your peers. The purpose of our group is to explore the world of current science to learn more about its relevance to our ability to change our minds and change our lives. Our first book will be *The Biology of Belief* by Bruce Lipton, Ph.D., a groundbreaking work in the field of New Biology. Author Lipton is a former medical school professor and research scientist, whose experiments, with those of other leading-edge scientists, have examined in great detail the processes by which cells receive information. The implications of this research radically change our understanding of life, showing that genes and DNA do not control our biology; that instead DNA is controlled by signals from outside the cell, including the energetic messages emanating from our positive and negative thoughts. Dr. Lipton's profoundly hopeful synthesis of the latest and best research in cell biology and quantum physics is being hailed as a major breakthrough showing that our bodies can be changed as we retrain our thinking. The book is available in our bookstore. Join us in the youth wing Wednesdays, noon-2pm, biweekly (Oct. 14 & 28) to begin the process of critical enlightenment through the sharing of information. Led by **Denese & Dick Schmelzkopf**, denese28@comcast.net

Change Your Mind! Change Your Life!



The Schmelzkopfs

Science is proving Science of Mind principles today: Spiritual Healing • The Law of Attraction • Affirmative Prayer • Mental Equivalences • One Universal Mind. This powerful class will show you direct evidence that supports and enhances our SOM beliefs. Join **Denese & Dick Schmelzkopf** as we explore how to create our lives in new and wonderful ways! Based on sound, scientific principles, the class reveals many exciting ideas to help you change your mind and change your life. You will learn: Old habits can be conquered with relative ease • Your body is not a closed system • How to increase your ability to learn, regardless of age or background • You can live a happier life when you learn this "secret" • Your intentions can be measured and used • Time is influenced by thought today, yesterday and tomorrow. Tuesdays, October 6, 13, 20 and 27, 10:30-12:30pm. Cost is \$40. Info: denese28@comcast.net

COMING IN NOVEMBER

Mind Moves, Form Follows: A Celebration of the Practitioner's Craft

Come meet some of the licensed Religious Science practitioners of our Center, including the newest two, and enjoy hearing them speak on what they do and why they do it. Wednesday, November 18 at 7pm in the Great Hall.

Thanksgiving Eve Sharing Celebration

It's a cross between a Quaker meeting and open-mike night, as you're invited to come tell us a significant moment or two from your year, or just bask in the glow of others' reflections. We'll enjoy wonderful music, too. Wednesday, November 25 at 7pm in the Great Hall.

Thanksgiving Sunday November 29, 11am only

special
musical
guests



Thanksgiving Blood Drive



Our next blood drive happens on Sunday, November 29, with potluck snacks for the donors, and the Bloodmobile on site from 9am-1pm. Because we're now holding these quarterly, you can participate through CLC in the Blood Center's "Commit For Life" program — go to their site www.giveblood.org for info. The need for blood products (both platelets and plasma) is constantly growing, and it's a gift only we as people can give to others. Also, it's a way to at the same time have your blood pressure and cholesterol checked. Volunteers are gratefully accepted to help set up and clean up after the snacks, place signs, etc.; the event coordinator is **Ruth Catalogna**. Sign up in Builder's Hall to donate or bring food. More info or to help: racatalogna@hotmail.com

CLC's Practitioner Team

Mind remakes your world!

Our licensed Religious Science practitioners are trained in the art and science of spiritual support using affirmative prayer, and are committed to serving your needs. Have a new goal, an old problem, or a question about applying our teaching? Work with a practitioner and watch what happens with conscious use of the Law of Mind. Access them by leaving a prayer request in of the boxes, by attending one of their events (see at right), or by appointment. Events are donation-based or free; appointments are fee-based.

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Power Up with Positive Prayer

What exactly is a "Religious Science practitioner"? Literally, a practitioner is anybody who practices something; our Religious Science practitioners are trained in the *art and science of spiritual support using affirmative prayer*, and are committed to serving your needs. Each has spent literally hundreds of hours in training, to direct natural compassion into helping you through listening, caring, and using spiritual mind treatment — affirmative prayer — to reveal the truth of you that is greater than any apparent limitation. Each is licensed by the United Centers for Spiritual Living, and engages in ongoing study and spiritual development.

Help is Nearby

Our Creative Life practitioners are outstanding spiritual support persons, available to lovingly and confidentially assist you, and are at your service...

- **Sundays** at "The Power of Prayer" (now in the downstairs meditation room) where requests are received and acted upon in a small group setting, or with the practitioner of your choice in the Great Hall or garden for a quick "meet and treat"...

- **By appointment**, on an individual fee basis for a one-hour session of spiritual support and treatment...
- CLC members receive an annual invitation by mail for a free "**birthday checkup**" with the practitioner of your choice (see list at left). Just pick up a form in the Practitioners' Loft and call for your appointment...

- **More options** requesting and receiving prayer support include using a form on our website by going to www.creativelife.org/links/prayerrequest.php. Further, trained, skilled practitioners await your call to the UCSL World Ministry of Prayer, 24 hours a day, every day at (800) 421-9600 or by email to prayer@wmop.org.

What Practitioners Do

"Let us consider the life of one who has been more or less consumed with jealousy, hatred, bickering and resentment. He has become so isolated that love neither flows from nor to him... If he is rightly guided, either through his own intuition or by someone else, he will begin to travel backward within himself to see where the trouble (for trouble always lies, it never tells the truth). Through faith or understanding he determines to retrace his mental steps, to go back in imagination to the place where he is one with all."

—ERNEST HOLMES, from *How to Use the Science of Mind*

So practitioners pray for people?

Practitioners treat themselves to know that the good their clients desire is ever-available and moved into form through treatment. The type of prayer we teach is also called "scientific prayer," as it proposes the universality of God, and therefore no separation between a person and God. We don't pray to move God into action, but to bring our thinking and feeling nature into alignment with the idea that infinite good surrounds us, in the form of love, harmony, peace, wellness, abundance, and whatever else we can imagine. Much of this aligning comes from a person deciding what he or she really prefers to have happen in terms of life experience. In this, the practitioner assists through stimulating conversation and possibility thinking. Once a clear sight is set on a goal, treatment is then done.

(excerpted from our brochure, *You and Your Practitioner*. Request yours today!)

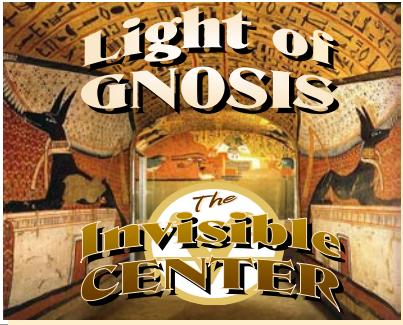

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OCTOBER 2009

EVENT KEY
 Celebration service
 SOM certified class
 Other class/group/wkshp

Meditation/prayer/ritual
 Musical event
 Social/service event
 Youth event

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY			
4 ○ CELEBRATIONS 9:30 & 11 Jesse Jennings: GOSPEL OF THOMAS: NEVER TO CEASE FROM SEEKING UNTIL WE FIND Power of Prayer 12 Children's Circle 11am Music rehearsal 12:30 Blood Drive team mtg. 12:30 Self-Care group 2	5 Practitioner I class #2 • 6:30pm	6 Change Your Mind! Change Your Life! opening class • 10:30am Practical Mysticism opening class • 7pm	7 Women's Networking Luncheon 11am Nonviolent Communication 4pm Renegade Reflections 5:30pm Midweek celebration: WHEN YOU RID YOURSELVES OF GUILT AND SHAME: TEAR OFF YOUR OLD RAGS Jesse Jennings • 7pm	1 Yoga 9:30am Lunch of Like Minds offsite • noon Heartfelt Living opening class • 6:30pm A Course in Miracles 7pm	2	3 RenFest shelf stocking meet at CLC 9am Heartfelt Living class #7 • 9am
11 ○ CELEBRATIONS 9:30 & 11 Jesse Jennings: GOSPEL OF MARY MAGDALENE: MATTER CAUSED POWERFUL PASSIONS TO ENTER INTO YOU RenFest day 2 • offsite Power of Prayer 10:30/12 Children's Circle 11am Music rehearsal 12:30 Self-Care group 2	12 Indigenous Peoples' Day Practitioner I class #3 • 6:30pm	13 Change Your Mind! Change Your Life! class #2 • 10:30am Practical Mysticism class #2 • 7pm	14 Happy, Healthy & Harmonious 9:30am Wisdom of the Universe book club 11am Nonviolent Communication 4pm Renegade Reflections 5:30pm Midweek celebration: WHAT TURNED ME ABOUT HAS BEEN OVERCOME Jesse Jennings • 7pm	8 Yoga 9:30am Lunch of Like Minds offsite • noon Self Mastery opening class • 1pm Heartfelt Living class #2 • 6:30pm A Course in Miracles 7pm	9	10 RenFest opening day • 9am-dusk Heartfelt Living class #8 • 9am Gardening work day 9am & noon
18 ● CELEBRATIONS 9:30 & 11 Jesse Jennings: POIMANDRES: THE WHOLE OF NATURE IS YOUR REFLECTED IMAGE Musical guest: Hans York RenFest day 4 • offsite Power of Prayer 10:30/12 Children's Circle 11 Self-Care group 2 Music rehearsal 12:30 Abraham-Hicks group 6	19 Practitioner I class #4 • 6:30pm	20 Change Your Mind! Change Your Life! class #3 • 10:30am Practical Mysticism class #3 • 7pm	21 Happy, Healthy & Harmonious 9:30am Nonviolent Communication 4pm Renegade Reflections 5:30pm Midweek celebration: LIFE AND LIGHT ARE GOD, FROM WHOM WE EMANATE Jesse Jennings • 7pm CLC Board meeting • 8:30pm	15 Yoga 9:30am Lunch of Like Minds offsite • noon Self Mastery class #2 • 1pm Heartfelt Living class #3 • 6:30pm A Course in Miracles 7pm	16	17 RenFest day 3 • 9am-dusk Heartfelt Living class #9 • 9am Wedding 2pm
25 CELEBRATIONS 9:30 & 11 Jesse Jennings: GOSPEL OF TRUTH: A MIND THAT SPOKE ONE WORD OF SILENT GRACE RenFest day 6 • offsite Power of Prayer 10:30/12 Children's Circle 11 Music rehearsal 12:30 Singles' lunch 1 • offsite Self-Care group 2	26 ○ Practitioner I class #5 • 6:30pm	27 RenFest school day 1 • offsite Change Your Mind! Change Your Life! final class • 10:30am Practical Mysticism class #4 • 7pm	28 RenFest school day 2 • offsite Happy, Healthy & Harmonious 9:30am Wisdom of the Universe book club 11am Nonviolent Communication 4pm Renegade Reflections 5:30pm Midweek celebration: WISDOM IMAGES THE FORM OF THE UNSEEN ONE Jesse Jennings • 7pm	29 Yoga 9:30am Lunch of Like Minds offsite • noon Self Mastery class #4 • 1pm Heartfelt Living class #5 • 6:30pm A Course in Miracles 7pm	30	31 Hallowe'en RenFest day 7 • 9am-dusk Heartfelt Living final class • 9am 