#### **United Lodge of Theosophists**

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### Theosophical Talks and Discussions Sunday Mornings 11:00-12:00

#### **JULY**

- 3 Occult Origins of the United States
- 10 Life and its Purpose
- 17 Law of Cycles
- 24 Devotion
- 31 Universal Brotherhood

#### **AUGUST**

- 7 Roundtable--Selections from Robert Crosbie's Writings
- 14 Roundtable Cont'd.
- 21 Closed for summer break
- 28 Closed for summer break

#### **SEPTEMBER**

- 4 The Living Power of Theosophy
- 11 Buddha—The Light of Asia
- 18 The Visible and Invisible Sun
- 25 Antaskarana
- U.L.T. meetings are open to all interested individuals. The library is open following each meeting for reading, study and inquiry. There are no fees, dues, or collections, the Lodge being sustained by voluntary contributions in time, work and money. All are welcome to participate, but no solicitations are ever made. All standard theosophical books and many free and inexpensive pamphlets are available.

## Round Table Reading and Discussion 1st and 3rd Sunday Afternoons 12:30 to 1:30 [July 3 and July 17, September 4 and September 18] on The Key to Theosophy by H. P. Blavatsky

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"Occult Knowledge means knowledge which is 'hidden,' but it also means knowledge which is known. If it is knowledge that is known, there must be Those who know it; there could be no knowledge without the knowers of it. True occult knowledge can be obtained only by those who follow the path to it. That path was set down by Those Who Know; all who will may and can arrive at that knowledge. This is not a path open only to certain persons; it is open to every living human being, and limited only by the limitations we ourselves place around it through choice or through ignorance. Much is heard in the world today of what passes for 'occult knowledge.'

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"The Path of real occult knowledge begins where all begin. It is the Path of all beings, and we need to see the reason why it is an open path for all. We find ourselves in the midst of a vast evolution, with beings of many grades still below us—lower in point of consciousness and intelligence than ourselves—as also we ought to see there must be beings above us far greater than we are. All these beings have sprung from a common Source; all differ seemingly, yet there exists, supreme in all, the same power to perceive, to know, to learn."

— ROBERT CROSBIE

#### OBJECTS OF THE THEOSOPHICAL MOVEMENT

- I. To form the nucleus of a Universal Brotherhood of humanity, without distinction of race, creed, sex, caste, or color;
- II. The study of ancient and modern religions, philosophies and sciences, and the demonstration of the importance of such study; and
- III. The investigation of the unexplained laws of Nature and the psychical powers latent in man.

#### THE UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS

#### Declaration

The policy of this Lodge is independent devotion to the cause of Theosophy, without professing attachment to any Theosophical organization. It is loyal to the great Founders of the Theosophical movement, but does not concern itself with dissensions or differences of individual opinion.

The work it has on hand and the end it keeps in view are too absorbing and too lofty to leave it the time or inclination to take part in side issues. That work and that end is the dissemination of the fundamental principles of the Philosophy of Theosophy, and the exemplification in practice of those principles, through a truer realization of the SELF; a profounder conviction of Universal Brotherhood.

It holds that the unassailable basis for union among Theosophists, wherever and however situated, is "similarity of aim, purpose and teaching," and therefore has neither Constitution, By-Laws nor Officers, the sole bond between its Associates being that basis. And it aims to disseminate this idea among Theosophists in the furtherance of Unity.-

It regards as Theosophists all who are engaged in the true service of Humanity, without distinction of race, creed, sex, condition or organization, and

It welcomes to its association all those who are in accord with its declared purposes and who desire to fit themselves, by study and otherwise, to be the better able to help and teach others.

"The true Theosophist belongs to no cult or sect, yet belongs to each and all."

The following is the form signed by Associates of the United Lodge of Theosophists:

Being in sympathy with the purposes of this Lodge, as set forth in its "Declaration," I hereby record my desire to be enrolled as an Associate, it being understood that such association calls for no obligation on my part, other than that which I, myself, determine.

#### **World Wide Locations**

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Ottawa, Ontario, Canada
Paris, France
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, US
Phoenix, Arizona, US
Redland, California, US
San Diego, California, US
San Francisco, California, US
Santa Barbara, California, US
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Republic
The Hague, Netherlands
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To spread broadcast the teachings of Theosophy as recorded in the writings of H. P. Blavatsky and William Q. Judge

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#### **SUMMER 2016**

#### A NEW ORDER OF AGES

MORE is claimed for the Theosophical Adepts than the changing of baser metal into gold, or the possession of such a merely material thing as the elixir of life. They watch the progress of man and help him on in his halting flight up the steep plane of progress. They hovered over Washington, Jefferson, and all the other brave freemasons who dared to found a free Government in the West, which could be pure from the dross of dogmatism, they cleared their minds, inspired their pens and left upon the great seal of this mighty nation the memorial of their presence.

Seeing that a new order of ages was about to commence and that there was a new chance for freedom and the brotherhood of man, they laid before the eye of Thomas Paine--who they knew could be trusted to stand almost alone with the lamp of truth in his hand amidst others who in "times that tried men's souls" quaked with fear,--a "vast scene opening itself to Mankind in the affairs of America." The result was the Declaration, the Constitution for America. And as if to give point to these words and to his declaration that he saw this vast scene opening itself, this new order of ages, the design of the reverse side of the U.S. great seal is a pyramid whose capstone is removed with the blazing eye in a triangle over it dazzling the sight, above it are the words "the heavens approve," while underneath appears the startling sentence, "a new order of ages."

The design "of the seal" was not an accident, but was actually intended to symbolize the building and firm founding of a new order of ages.

--WILLIAM Q. JUDGE

There is no religion higher than truth