



Speakers

November Facilitator:

Cindy Merrick



November 2

“Angelology”

Angelology is the study of angels based on literature of many different cultures around the world. Kenda Renato, an astrologer from Las Vegas now living in Shawnee, has researched many metaphysical topics and will share her findings on the hierarchies of angels and how this hierarchy influences our lives.

Meditation: Judith Evans

Kenda Renato

November 9

“Spiritual Self Sufficiency”

Doug Wilson has been a spiritual seeking traveler throughout life and he states this is just the way he wants it. Come see what new insights and mysteries have presented themselves on Doug 's path most recently.

Meditation: Ron Jenkins

Doug Wilson

November 16

“Conversations with Steven Scholl”

Steven Scholl brings a lifetime of study, work and personal integration to the areas of spirituality, Islamic thought, Sufism, Middle Eastern tradition, and chant, has a gentle and insightful way of communicating the treasury of these ideas which makes them both personal and compelling. He is not only knowledgeable about mysticism in general and Rumi in particular but has led many devotional and mystical gatherings and has lived and traveled in the Middle East. Steve was the founding publisher of White Cloud Press and is the editor of The Peace Bible and Common Era: Best New Writings on Religion. He is a contributor to the Encyclopedia of Religion (edited by Mircea Eliade) and author of Remembering God: Chant Practices of the Sufis (forthcoming). He has been studying Sufism for over 25 years and conveys the heart of Sufism in his presentations. Steve is a film maker and also leads trips to the Middle East to study interfaith spirituality and to work for peace and reconciliation in the region. Every year he leads a trip to Morocco in early June to attend the World Sacred Music Festival in Fes, Morocco.

Meditation: Eric Gordon

Steven Scholl

November 23

Dann May and Phyllis Bernard

“A Trip to Turkey on Turkey Day”

Dann May and Phyllis Bernard are returning for their annual presentation to Morning Star which is a special treat for our community because they not only share their wonderful spiritual perspectives but they also stay and join us in rich conversation following the service at our potluck lunch. This year Dan and Phyllis will share slides of the famous mosques, Ephesus, Cappadocia, etc. taken on a trip led by Dann to Turkey last May.

Meditation: Grant Lacquement

November 30

Sacra Nicholas

“I Got a Soul, You Got a Soul, All God’s Children Got Souls”

Sacra Nicholas has been exploring the many aspects of the human soul after she tuned into an Oprah Winfrey interview with Ainslie MacLeod in which they discussed living the life our Souls have intended. Since then Sacra has gone on to explore this topic through a number of other books and tapes and will share some of the highlights of her ongoing investigation.

Meditation: Steve Todd

December 7

Tom Burns

“Quantum Spirituality: Is Human Consciousness Evolving, and How Might We Collude in the Re-Enchantment of the World?”

Thomas Burns is Professor of Sociology and a faculty member in Religious Studies at the University of Oklahoma. He studies and writes on social institutions from a comparative and historical perspective. His work examines how cultural and organizational systems, such as religion, education and politics develop in relation to one another in light of their comparative and historical contexts, and how those systems have social outcomes in terms of human well being and long-term sustainability.

Meditation: Diana Morgan



**Mark
Your
Calendar. . .**

***Thanksgiving and Gratitude
Pot Luck Luncheon***

Come Join Us for Food, Fun, and Fellowship

When: Sunday, November 23rd (*following the service*)

Where: Morning Star (Senior Citizen Center)

Bring a dish to share and show off all those wonderful cooking skills!



Spiritual Cinema Night

All screenings will begin at 7 PM at Therapy in Motion and will be followed by a discussion facilitated by Katrina Boyd, a film studies professor at OU. Some snacks will be provided, but please feel free to bring more to share. The space is big but there are some seating limitations, so feel free to bring a comfortable lawn chair if you would like.

Directions to Therapy in Motion (2475 Boardwalk): Boardwalk is between Main and Robinson. From West 24th, turn west onto Boardwalk, the building is on your right. For a map, go to www.therapyinmotion.net and click on "location."

November 7 Warm Springs (Joseph Sargent, 2005) 121 min.

This film tells the moving story of Franklin D. Roosevelt's struggle with adult-onset polio, which he contracted at age 39. His battle with the disease—and with the prejudices of the time—reshape his own self-image and his sense of public service. At Warm Springs, a run-down health spa in rural Georgia, Roosevelt gains a greater understanding of working people and ultimately learns to pick himself up by reaching out to others. Rather than going for the look-alike casting so common in biographical films, Warm Springs relies on the strong acting of Kenneth Branagh (as FDR) and Cynthia Nixon (as Eleanor). This informative and moving made-for-HBO biographical film should be just right for the week of our presidential election.



Come and enjoy!

December's Morning Star Spiritual Cinema Night is being suspended so we can support the showing of Joyeux Noël sponsored by Wellness in Norman. See below.

Don't Miss These Special Showings of Joyeux Noël!

- December 4th (Thursday) 6:00 p.m.
- December 6th (Saturday) 4:00 p.m.
- December 7th (Sunday) 2:00 p.m.

Where: Meacham Auditorium – OU Student Union

Cost: FREE!!!!!!

Joyeux Noël
(English: Merry

Christmas) (2005) is a film about the World War I Christmas truce of December 1914, depicted through the eyes of French, Scottish and German soldiers. It was written and directed by Christian Carion and was nominated for Best Foreign Language Film at the 78th Academy Awards. The film was originally rated R. However, after film critic Roger Ebert criticized the rating the MPAA officially changed the rating to PG-13.

This very touching story about a true occurrence during the first Christmas of the Great War is very moving. *Just a footnote: Alfred Anderson, the last survivor of the Christmas Truce of 1914 died November 21th, 2005 at a nursing home in his native Scotland. He was 109 years old.*

Katrina Boyd
University of Oklahoma
Film and Video Studies

Lest we forget...



Financial Report	
9/1/08 – 9/30/08	
Income:	\$ 2,002.46
Expenses:	\$ 1,685.00
Net Total:	\$ 317.46





Children's Program: Teach Your Children Well



Morning Star's Spiritual Education Program

The Spiritual Education Program will explore Core Values/Virtues/Spiritual Concepts. Each week we will introduce a Core Value/Virtue/Spiritual Concept, a meditation designed especially for children, and a craft activity or experience, to further explore the day's concept. A light snack is provided.

November 2: Cleanliness
November 9: Friendliness
November 16: Consideration

November 23: Caring
November 30: Forgiveness
December 7: Detachment

The Spiritual Education Committee welcomes participation from other Morning Star members. If you have an activity you would like to share with the children please speak to our Child Care Providers, Angela Cejda, or speak to another committee member (Susan Atkinson, Dylan Oaks or Licia Iverson).

Don't Forget to Change Your Clocks!

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME:



November 2 – "Fall Back": Turn your clocks back one hour (2am Sunday)..



Volunteer Coordinator: Lew Blockcolski

Setup/Takedown for November is Team #1:

Alan Atkinson, Lew & Ginger Blockcolski, and Susan Sharp

We hope to see you soon. Sunday Celebration Services 10:00am; 329 S. Peters (Downtown Norman)