



# The Theosophical Link

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## Wise advice from the Buddha



“Do not believe in a thing said merely because it is said; nor in traditions because they have been handed down from antiquity; nor in rumours, as such; nor in writings by sages, merely because sages wrote them... nor on the mere authority of your own teachers or masters. But we are to believe when the writing, doctrine, or saying is corroborated by our own reason and consciousness. For this I have taught you: not to believe merely because you have heard, but when you believed of your own consciousness, then to act accordingly and abundantly.”



## The Three Objects of the Theosophical Society

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| <p><b>1.</b></p> <p>To form a nucleus of the Universal Brotherhood of Humanity, without distinction of race, creed, sex, caste or colour.</p> | <p><b>2.</b></p> <p>To encourage the study of comparative religion, philosophy and science.</p> | <p><b>3.</b></p> <p>To investigate unexplained laws of nature and the powers latent in the human being.</p> |
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**Bookshop and Library****Monday**

Closed

**Tuesday**

1 pm to 7:25 pm

**Wednesday – Friday**

12 pm to 4:30 pm

**Saturday**

10 am to 2 pm

**Sunday & Public****Holidays**

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## Freedom of Thought – Official statement

As the Theosophical Society has spread far and wide over the world, and as members of all religions have become members of it without surrendering the special dogmas, teachings and beliefs of their respective faiths, it is thought desirable to emphasise the fact that there is no doctrine, no opinion, by whomsoever taught or held, that is in any way binding on any member of the Society, none which any member is not free to accept or reject. Approval of its Three Objects is the sole condition of membership.

No teacher, no writer, from H.P. Blavatsky downwards, has any authority to impose his or her teachings or opinions on members. Every member has an equal right to be attached to any school of thought which they may choose, but have no right to force that choice on any other.

Neither a candidate for any office nor any voter can be rendered ineligible to stand or to vote, because of any opinion held or because of membership in any school of thought to which they may belong. Opinions or beliefs neither bestow privileges nor inflict penalties.

The Members of the General Council earnestly request every member of the Theosophical Society to maintain, defend and act upon these fundamental principles of the Society, and also fearlessly exercise their own right of liberty of thought and of expression thereof, within the limits of courtesy and consideration of others.

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### Open policy

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### Submissions

The closing date for all items for inclusion in the next edition of the Theosophical Link is: **1 July 2014**.

Email your submissions to [tsperth@iinet.net.au](mailto:tsperth@iinet.net.au), or leave your typed articles in the Editor's drawer in the office. **Emailed submissions preferred.**

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Mount Helena Retreat Centre has been temporarily closed. Telephone and email enquiries should be addressed to Perth office.

## Privacy policy

The Perth Branch of the Theosophical Society respects the privacy of its members. Accordingly, no photos, videos or audio recordings are to be recorded in hard copy or on the internet at any Branch event without the prior permission of each easily identifiable person.

## President's Report

How time flies. Probably by the time you read this Easter will have passed and we will be well into crisp autumn weather and hopefully a little rain. While the East Coast of Australia often gets drenched, we seem to miss out on all of the showers. We have had brilliant sunshine though, throughout all of summer, the light in Perth must be better here than anywhere else!

Our Tuesday Night Program has been well attended and it is always good to welcome new members and visitors. If you do know of someone who may be interested in a particular subject that will be presented, do ask them if they would like to come! We have a great program coming up, Perry Coles will continue with; "An introduction to Esoteric principles", there will be a DVD by John Algeo; "Harry Potter and the Mystic Quest" and John Davey will do a presentation on; "Preparing to die- doing it now!" We have also re-programmed; "Islam, Muslims and Misconceptions", by Kashif Saleem. As well as that there will also be; "Karmic Visions revived," by Viv Ward and "Music; the language of the Soul," presented by Jasmine Farghaly. Surely Jasmine will be our youngest presenter yet! As you can see, a wonderful program, you cannot miss any of it...

Mt. Helena has kept us busy. There has been a termite problem in Harris House, which turned out to be quite serious. We are busy with the eradication now. Some of the roof structure was compromised, so a renovation has been necessary. Luckily none of the other buildings in Mt Helena have been affected; our accommodation is safe. Much pruning and clearing of branches and leaves on the property has already taken place. It seems there is always more to be done, so we are having a busy bee or clean up to attend to the smaller jobs on the 3rd and 4th of May. This will be a great occasion to get together and to breathe in

the fresh Mt. Helena air. Transport can be organized, so see Shelley for further details.

Our library has quite a few new books. Have you checked our stock lately? There will be something that suits you, for sure. We are always looking for individual and passionate presenters, therefore who knows, with a little reading and study you can soon be an expert. Your individual view is valuable, remember that, always. To finish, the famous words of Henry Ford; "Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success." Warm wishes from Tina.

## News from the Library

There has been a good deal of activity in the library since the start of this year. First of all with the completion of the library stock take last year we have now installed a computer database search facility, which replaces the old manual card filing system, so that library users may search for a book by title or author to see if it is in the library and where it might be located. There are very short and easy to use instructions next to the monitor, and library staff can assist you in any search, if you need any help.

Recently we have added over 80 new books to the library, some of which have been newly purchased, and others that were donated. There have been two new book orders which have arrived, within the last six weeks, from the U.S.A. and India which have been added to our bookshop shelves. Come in and see some of the new titles and also some old favourites that are back in stock.

We are currently placing our entire T. S. convention lecture CDs, from 2003 onwards, onto our database. We have put them all in the reading room for people to be able to check them out, as you would a book, and take them home so that they may listen to many very

interesting lectures delivered over the years. Have a look and browse through the collection - You will be surprised at the variety of speakers and topics on offer. While you are in the reading room we have also placed on display, in a glass cabinet, various first edition books that are on permanent loan from my own personal private collection. If you have an interest in some early T. S. publishing history then take a few minutes to have a look at the first edition, first printing of "Isis Unveiled" (there are unverified claims that there are less than 10 copies of this Sept. 1877 printing known to be still in existence). There's also a second edition copy of a Nov. 1877 printing of this same book, personally signed by H. P. Blavatsky, to a prominent spiritualist and author himself, who also has a very brief mention in Vol. 1 of HPB'S Collected Writings. Read the inscription and the story, on display, about this person. There are copies of "People from the Other World" (by Henry Steel Olcott from 1875 - the oldest in the collection), "The Secret Doctrine", "The Key to Theosophy", "The Voice of the Silence", "The Mahatma Letters" and other books some of which are also signed by the authors Annie Besant, C. W. Leadbeater, Mabel Collins, and Geoffrey Hodson. There is also a jointly authored book signed by both A. B. and C. W. L. that has a direct historical link to the Perth Branch, so take time to read the story, on display, about this connection.

Skip Pry

Librarian

## Mount Helena: Your chance to get involved and re-establish our Retreat Centre

Mount Helena Retreat Centre is about to see a new lease of life, with a free, fully-catered weekend of activities centred around the theme

of 'Well-being' – to which all members are invited! The event will take place on 17-18 May.

But first, we need to clean up the Mount Helena facilities, which are looking a bit tired and need sprucing up.

The Mount Helena Working Group is planning a clean-up weekend on Saturday and Sunday, 3 and 4 May, and your help would be really appreciated.

We're getting in a professional cleaner to finish off the job, but every clean-up job we do saves us money. Importantly, the working bee at Mount Helena creates an opportunity to get to know fellow members.

The jobs will include cleaning of all kinds, including washing and wiping all the crockery and kitchen utensils and basic furnishings, most of which haven't seen a duster for a long time.

While none of us are getting any younger, there are less strenuous jobs that anyone can do – so everybody can participate! We'll be looking to organise transport in the form of car-pooling, so there should be no problems about getting there and back too.

To join us in the 're-invigoration of Mount Helena', please call Shelley Orchard on 9381 3414 or 0437 154 559 for further information and to register your interest in helping. Please note that Shelley will be away overseas until 11 April, but you can contact Anne Bower on 0408 784 443 before that date.

Mount Helena has been a great asset to the Theosophical Society in the past. Let's make it happen again!

**Clean-up weekend:**

**3 – 4 May 2014**

**Free catered event on the theme 'Well-being':**

**17 – 18 May 2014**

## We must go on from here

By Clara Codd

This article was originally published in the book *Trust Yourself to Life*, by Clara M. Codd, Theosophical Publishing House, 1968.

Not long ago I came across an exquisite little poem, "Song at Twilight." It had only three verses. I will quote the first:

We must go on from here.

Time has no turning—

Carry what we have learnt

Since there is no unlearning

The bridge behind is down.

At all moments of life the first line is forever true. We must go on from just where we are. It may be that we have been idle along the way, taken many a dubious turning. We can do nothing other than start again from just where we are.

I know people who postpone starting a great enterprise such as treading the Path, saying that they will wait until they are older or wiser. But as soon as the first intimations come into our souls that there is a way home, that is the moment to begin the way. Not good enough, we say, not pure enough, not clever enough.

But we cannot begin treading the Path except just as we are. We cannot begin any great enterprise except just as we are.

There is a lovely stanza from ancient India:

Pure or impure,  
whatever I may be,  
by meditating on the Pure  
I shall become pure.

We can only begin as we are; we must go on from where we are.

Some will think they are too old because life has almost gone for them. What a mistaken idea! In the life of the Spirit there is no age, nor space nor time as we understand them. There is a great truth in the old story of the thief on the cross who at the last moment of death entered paradise with his Lord. His last thought gave a new direction to his soul as it left the body.

The last year of a person's life—even the last few months—can give a new direction, begin a new road that continues beyond the confines of death and leads into the next incarnation. The thoughts of all older people should turn heavenwards. Unfortunately, their thoughts often turn backwards, retracing the events of the past life that has passed so quickly. Memories dwell so potently with the old. That is well and good if they are memories embodying love, pity, joy, friendship, or beauty. But we need to look forward, too. The glories of heaven are coming. At the



Clara M. Codd, 1876 - 1971

moment of death the Soul descends to view the past life and understand it. We must take a golden Ariadne's thread with us through the gateway of death, the thread of a golden hope, resolution, even if it is only just a beginning.

And so, too, with all the problems of life. Inadequately as we may feel ourselves to be equipped, time will not wait for us to find wisdom, help, or decision.

Whatever we are, wherever we stand, we *must*,

go on from here. Then we may go on bravely, accepting results which will cure our lack of wisdom and capacity, holding always a tremendous faith and trust, a trust in the life which is God in action, a faith in loveliness which is ultimately and forever the conqueror. The golden thread—our own Sutratma—again and again will lead us back to our divine Self, and one day that golden thread will lead us out of the darkness of this cave into the shining eternal light.

## News and updates

### Social networking

Facebook is proving to be a great way to attract new people to Theosophy. Regular broadcasts on Facebook include the program of lectures, activities and events, and other useful or interesting information about the Perth Branch. Take a look for yourself!



### The Theosophical Link – Expressions of Interest for new Editor

The current Editor of the Link is moving to Sydney soon, which means there is currently a vacancy for this voluntary role. This is a great opportunity for someone who is creative, has an eye for detail, and enjoys collating information. If you would like to actively contribute to the Branch by providing material which is in harmony with the Three Objects of the Theosophical Society, please get in touch with the office. See page 2 for contact information, or stop by the office next time you're in the Branch.


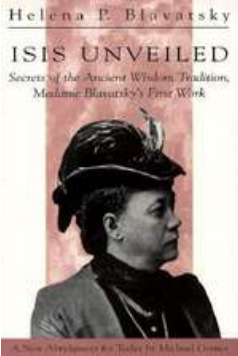
### The Theosophical Link – Expressions of Interest for Membership Secretary

We are also in need of a volunteer as Membership Secretary. If you have a few hours to spare and you know a little about computers, your service is required. Training is provided. Please contact the office for further inquiries and details. We will be grateful.

### The Theosophical Link contributions

Members of TS Perth Branch are heartily invited to contribute articles, poems, book reviews and any news affiliated with the Branch to the Editor for future inclusions in the Link. Typed submissions will be gratefully accepted. Leave your articles etc. with the library or office staff, email them to [tsperth@iinet.net.au](mailto:tsperth@iinet.net.au) or place your material in the Editor's drawer by **1<sup>st</sup> July 2014**.

Activities and Events

	Activity or Event	Date and Time
	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Hatha Yoga classes</b></p> <p>The classes will be led by Virginia Milner who will add some Tai Chi and Chi Gong and by Gailene Wester as for previous classes, with lengthening movements, simple postures, breathing techniques, relaxation, concentration and meditation practice. Classes will be held as usual on Friday mornings from 10am until 12 midday. All welcome.</p>	<p>10 am to 12 pm each Friday</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>The Collected Writings of H.P. Blavatsky</b> <b>Isis Unveiled</b></p> <p>Venue: Theosophical Society Reading Room</p> <p>All are welcome to participate in readings and discussions from this early major Theosophical work. "This Work I Dedicate to all True theosophists, In every Country, And of every Race, For they called it forth, and for them it was recorded". H.P.B. Coordinator: Brian Wood: 0421-945-155.</p>	<p>2 - 4 pm on alternate Fridays</p> <p><b>May:</b> 2<sup>nd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> <b>Jun:</b> 13<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> <b>Jul:</b> 11<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup></p> <p>Facilitated by Brian Wood</p>

Wisdom board

**Arjuna cries out to his Guru (Krishna):**  
 “Manas [the mind] is very restless, it is impetuous, strong and difficult to bend; I deem it as hard to curb as the wind.”

**Krishna responds:**  
 “Without doubt, Manas is hard to curb and restless; but it may be curbed by constant practice and dispassion.”

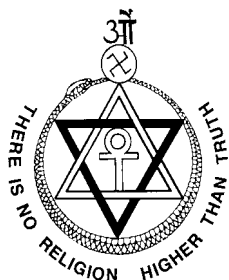
- Bhagavad Gita

All things by immortal power  
 Near or far,  
 Hiddenly  
 To each other linked are,  
 That thou can't not stir a flower  
 Without troubling of a star.

- Francis Thompson

Even ignorance is better  
 than Head-learning with  
 no Soul-wisdom to  
 illuminate and guide it.

- H.P. Blavatsky,  
 The Voice of the Silence



## *The Theosophical Society in Perth*

*Welcomes everyone to participate in an*

<p><b>Easter Weekend Seminar</b></p> <p><b>“Foundations of the Ancient Wisdom”</b></p> <p>Featuring Ed Abdill International Lecturer for the Theosophical Society in America</p>	<p><b>DATE:</b> Sunday 20th &amp; Monday 21st April 2014</p> <p><b>VENUE:</b> 21 Glendower Street, Perth</p> <p><b>COST:</b> No charge for the seminar. BYO lunch</p> <p><b>MEALS:</b> If required a lunch can be provided at the cost of \$10.00. <b>YOU MUST REGISTER FOR THE LUNCH IN THE LIBRARY BY <u>11 APRIL 2014</u></b></p>
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SUNDAY 20th	PROGRAM	PRESENTER
10.00am	Identifying our roots in the Eternal.	Ed Abdill
11.00-11.30am	MORNING TEA	
11.30am	Discovering how our mind and emotions are modes of motion that we create and that we can change.	Ed Abdill
12.30-2.00pm	LUNCH	
2.00pm	Discovering by experience each of our seven principles, from the most spiritual to the physical	Ed Abdill
3.00-3.30pm	AFTERNOON TEA	

MONDAY 21st	PROGRAM	PRESENTER
10.00am	What happens to those principles after the body dies?	Ed Abdill
11.00-11.30am	MORNING TEA	
11.30am	How our view affects our life.	Ed Abdill
12.30-2.00pm	LUNCH	
2.00pm	Who are the Masters and what do they teach about the spiritual life?	Ed Abdill
3.00-3.30pm	AFTERNOON TEA	

*“There is no religion higher than truth”*





## Revelation, Inspiration, Observation

By Annie Besant

The following article is an excerpt from a lecture titled *Revelation, Inspiration, Observation* which Annie Besant delivered at the British Convention of the Theosophical Society, July 4<sup>th</sup>, 1909.

### Attitude towards Inspiration

What should be the attitude of the theosophical student towards the inspired man or the inspired book?

He should be receptive, stilling all his normal vibrations so far as is possible, and opening his whole nature to the impact and influx of the waves of vibration that pour forth upon him. But his attitude should be more than receptive: he should gently endeavour to attune himself and to cooperate with the inflowing waves. He should try to strengthen the sympathetic vibrations, so that the accompanying changes in consciousness may be as complete as possible.

For this he must pour out to the inspiring Object his love, his trust, his complete confidence and self-surrender, for thus only can he attune his bodies into sympathy with those of the Inspirer. He must, for the time, empty himself of his own ideas, his own feelings, his own activities, surrendering himself to reproduce, not to initiate. As the unruffled lake can mirror the moon and the stars, but as that same lake rippled by a passing breeze can yield only broken reflections, so may the lower being, steadying his mind, calming his desires, and

imposing stillness on his activities, reproduce within himself the image of the higher, so may the disciples mirror the Master's mind. And so, also, if his own thoughts spring up, his own desires arise, will he have but broken reflections, dancing lights, that tell him nought.

If you are going to read one of the inspired books of the world – *The Imitation of Christ; The Golden Verses of Pythagoras; The Light on the Path; The Voice of the Silence* – it is well to preface the reading with a prayer, if that be your habitual way of raising your consciousness to its highest mood, or with the repetition of a mantra, or the soft chanting of some familiar and beloved rhythm, in order to bring yourself

into a sympathetic condition. Then read a phrase, re-read, brood over it, savour it mentally, suck out its essence, its life.

Thus shall your subtle body become, to some extent at least, attuned to that of the inspired writer, and repeating his vibrations, shall set up in your consciousness the corresponding

changes. Priceless is the value of inspired books: they are steps of a ladder set up between earth and heaven, a veritable Jacob's ladder, on which descend and ascend the angels of God.

Priceless is the value of inspired books: they are steps of a ladder set up between earth and heaven, a veritable Jacob's ladder, on which descend and ascend the angels of God.

## Scientific attitude

What should be the attitude of the theosophical student to books of observations? To all such books you must take up the attitude of the scientific student, not of the believer. You must bring to bear upon them a bright intelligence, a keen mind, an eager intellect, a thoughtful and critical reason. You must not accept as final, observations made by other students, even though those students are using faculties which you yourselves have not as yet developed. You should accept them only for what they are – observations liable to modification, to correction, to reviewal.

You should hold them with a light grasp, as hypotheses temporarily accepted until confirmed or negated by further observations, including your own. If they illuminate obscurities, if they conduce to sound morality, take them and use them; but never let them become fetters to your mind, jailers of your thought.

Study these books, but do not swallow them; understand them, but hold your judgment in suspense: these books are useful servants but dangerous masters; they are to be studied, not worshipped. Make your own opinions, do not borrow those of others; do not be in such a hurry to know that you accept other people's knowledge, for ready-made opinions, like ready-made clothes, are neither well-fitting nor becoming.

There is a dangerous tendency in the Theosophical Society to make books of observations authoritative instead of using them as materials for study. We must not add to

the number of blind believers who already exist, but to the number of sane and sober students, who patiently form their own opinions and educate their own faculties. Use your own judgment on every observation submitted to you; examine it as thoroughly as possible; criticise it as fully as you can. It is a poor service you do us when you turn students into popes, and, parrot-like, repeat as authoritative statements that you do not know to be true.

Moreover, blind belief is the road to equally blind scepticism: you place a student on a pedestal and loudly proclaim him to be a prophet, despite his protests; and then, when

you find he has made some mistake, as he warned you was likely, you turn round, pull him down, and trample on him. You belabour him when you should belabour your own blindness, your own stupidity, your own anxiety to believe.

Is it not time that we should cease to be

children, and begin to be men and women, realizing the greatness of our opportunities and the smallness of our achievements? Is it not time to offer to Truth the homage of study instead of that of blind credulity? Let us ever be ready to correct a mistaken impression or an imperfect observation, to walk with open eyes and mind alert, remembering that the best service to Truth is examination.

Truth is a sun, shining by its own light; once seen, it cannot be rejected. "Let Truth and falsehood grapple; who ever knew Truth put to the worse in a fair encounter?"

Make your own opinions, do not borrow those of others; do not be in such a hurry to know that you accept other people's knowledge, for ready-made opinions, like ready-made clothes, are neither well-fitting nor becoming.

## Program of Lectures

### Definition of meeting types and relevant guidelines

- **Public meetings** – All members and the public are welcome to attend.
- **General meetings** – For members, with interested persons of the public welcome to attend up to 4 meetings, with the objective to explore and confirm an interest in becoming a member of the TS. If after attending 4 meetings the person is not interested in becoming a member they are requested to restrict their visits to other options open to the public.
- **Members only meetings** – Generally for TS members only. However, members attending may invite a guest to whom the presentation would be of interest and benefit, is known to have a basic understanding of theosophy, and is in harmony with the membership requirements and the general principles of the TS.
- **Strictly members only** – Are strictly for current members only. Non-members will not be admitted to the meeting.

**All sessions, unless otherwise stated, run from 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm**

The opinions expressed in the lectures are those of the speakers and not necessarily those of the TS in Perth.

### MAY

Tues 6 May General Meeting	<p><b>White Lotus Day</b> - Commemoration of H. P. Blavatsky's passing on May 8, 1891 with a short reading by Jill Coles from the Bhagavad-Gita and The Light of Asia as requested by HPB to mark the occasion.</p> <p>Followed by: <b>An Introduction to Esoteric Principles</b> - by Perry Coles</p> <p>In the fourth of this 7 part powerpoint series we will look at Evolution or the Law of Unfoldment and the journey of the spiritual "monad" thru the various kingdoms of nature in its quest to awaken all of the spiritual and divine powers and possibilities that lie dormant within.</p>
Tues 13 May General Meeting	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Islam, Muslims and Misconceptions</b> - Kashif Saleem</p> <p>Note that this talk has been rescheduled from July last year. Islam, Muslims and The Quran have become a subject of major concern to the world media, religious groups and people. Many articles and books have been written about a religion followed by over one billion people worldwide. For those interested in sincerely seeking the truth, we would like to invite you for a powerpoint talk about Islam, Muslims and Misconceptions.</p>
Tues 20 May General Meeting	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Buddhism in the West</b> - Paul Beard</p> <p>Tiratnadana (Paul Beard), teacher of the Dharmadatu Buddhist Order will be talking about the arising of a new age for Buddhism in the West. This fourth Yana perspective, for the first time in history is not based on a religious belief/faith system or cultural institutionalisation and is free from doctrine or dogma.</p>
Tues 27 May <b>Members Only Meeting</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Harry Potter and the Mystic Quest</b> - DVD facilitated by Anne Bower</p> <p>John Algeo finds a deeper meaning in the famous books by writer J.K. Rowling whose hero, Harry Potter is learning to be a wizard. John Algeo points out the dualities in the story as the strong contrasts of good and evil are played out. He also suggests the tales have similarities with the great Theosophical classic "At the Feet of the Master" which stresses there are "those who know" and "those who don't know." It is a short DVD and I might add a short 5-10min related talk after it.</p>
<b>JUNE</b>	
Tues 3 June General Meeting	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>An Introduction to Esoteric Principles</b> - by Perry Coles</p> <p>In the fifth of this 7 part powerpoint series we will look at the Macrocosm and the re-emergence of the universe and the various solar and kosmic "planes of nature" from a state of non-being into one of active manifestation.</p>

<p>Tues 10 June General Meeting</p>	<p><b>Music, the Language of the Soul</b> - Jasmine Farghaly This presentation was initiated by Jasmine, who has just turned 11. She has just won two international piano competitions and has recently performed at the Carnegie Hall in New York City in March and May. This powerpoint presentation will explore: What is music? What are the basic elements of music? Music forms, the Sculpture of Vibrations, Devas and Music, and the Hidden Messages in Water, which will complement the music form section with physical evidence. This was one of her projects during the school summer holiday. As a talented young musician who plays piano, violin, double bass and who does classical singing and musical theatre, she has benefited greatly in undertaking this challenge.</p>
<p>Tues 17 June General Meeting</p>	<p><b>Spirituality in Literature and Fiction</b> - Paul Farnhill This powerpoint presentation will be a journey through the most influential modern novels of the last century. It will define spiritual fiction; examine how it springs from and shapes culture; and assess the top 20 most influential spiritual novels and what we can learn from them.</p>
<p>Tues 24 June General Meeting</p>	<p><b>Preparing To Die - Doing It Now</b> - John Davey Do we need to have the experience of finding out we're terminally ill to start preparing to die? It's been said that there is really only one question to ask ourselves as we die - what was the quality and extent of our love for all beings. A look at getting more than just our financial affairs in order.</p>
<p><b>JULY</b></p>	
<p>Tues 1 July General Meeting</p>	<p><b>An Introduction to Esoteric Principles</b> - by Perry Coles In the sixth of this 7 part powerpoint series we will look at the Scope of Planetary Evolution which takes place thru chains, rounds and root races and the developmental stages which we all must go through during our long evolutionary spiritual pilgrimage in our quest to unfold the "god" within us all.</p>
<p>Tues 8 July General Meeting</p>	<p><b>Experiments in Telepathy</b> - DVD facilitated by Hans Smit What is the scientific evidence supporting the existence of mental telepathy in ordinary individuals? Theosophy says that thoughts are forms of energy capable of being transmitted from one person to another. In this 70 min. DVD David Bruce, Director of Education for the TS in America, will explore this topic and some of biologist Rupert Sheldrake's fascinating experiments in this area are also discussed.</p>
<p>Tues 15 July General Meeting</p>	<p><b>Karmic Visions Revived</b> - Viv Ward In this powerpoint presentation we will explore an amazing, remarkable and prophetic study and story of the workings of karmic law in European history depicting the lives of King Clovis, King of the Franks; and the sufferings of Emperor Frederick III of Prussia who were said to be one and the same individual.</p>
<p>Tues 22 July General Meeting</p>	<p><b>What Did They Mean by That?</b> - Skip Pry In tonight's powerpoint presentation we will have an interactive audience participation and discussion about some various random quotes taken from the writings of theosophical authors and explore what the meanings or interpretations might mean to you. Be prepared to share your thoughts, ideas and opinions!</p>
<p>Tues 29 July <b>Members Only Meeting</b></p>	<p><b>The Secret Doctrine: Esoteric Insights &amp; Spiritual Practice</b> DVD facilitated by Brian Wood This eight part DVD series by Pablo Sender looks at various aspects of HPB's greatest work The Secret Doctrine. Part 1 of tonight's 52 min. presentation looks at How to Study The Secret Doctrine.</p>