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e-News

March–April 2010

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March

- 7 **Dreams at The Riverside Church***
- 18 FIONS Annual Meeting
- 18 **Dr. Larry Dossey: The Power of Premonitions***
- 21 **Dreams at The Riverside Church***
- 28 **New Physics***
- TBA Ultimate Issues

April

- 4 **Dreams at The Riverside Church***
- 6 Spiritual Enquiry
- 18 **Dreams at The Riverside Church***
- 25 **New Physics***
- TBA Ultimate Issues

(Events in bold or with an asterisk are open to the public.)

Programs □ Films □ Special Events

Sunday, March 7, 21 & April 4, 18

EXPLORING DREAMS AT THE RIVERSIDE CHURCH*

A dream workshop offers a way to look into the creative resources in our dreams. Dreaming is a kind of thinking while we're asleep, and can be nurtured toward a deeper understanding of ourselves.

FACILITATOR: Allen Flagg

TIME: 2:00 pm

LOCATION: The Wellness Center at
The Riverside Church
91 Claremont Avenue
(Between 120th and 122nd Streets)

SUGGESTED DONATION: \$2 each session for use of the Wellness Center's facilities.

TO REGISTER: Call **Allen Flagg**,
(212) 532-8042.

Thursday, March 18

FIONS Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting is the time for members to get together and take care of the business of FIONS. Following the Annual Meeting, Dr. Larry Dossey will present a talk on his latest book, *The Power of Premonition*.

DR. LARRY DOSSEY:

The Power of Premonition*

Physician and author **Larry Dossey** will discuss his latest book, *The Power of Premonitions*, after the FIONS Annual Meeting on March 18.

Dr. Dossey will show us that our ability to see the future is an innate ability we all possess. Premonitions are a great gift, affording us knowledge of impending problems, dangers, and opportunities. In fact, premonitions can be viewed as a form of preventive medicine, because they are so often health-related. **Dr. Dossey** will discuss not only people's life-changing personal experiences, but also the recent scientific evidence documenting premonitions. He emphasizes the most important implication of all -- that we possess a timeless aspect of consciousness that is immortal.

Anyone interested in the consciousness-related themes explored via noetic sciences will find much value in Dr. Dossey's presentation.

This event is cosponsored by the Association for Spirituality and Psychotherapy (ASP)
www.psychospiritualtherapy.org

TIME:

6:00 PM: Annual Meeting- (*Doors open at 5:30 pm*)

7:00 PM: **Dr. Larry Dossey** (*Doors open at 6:30 pm*)

LOCATION: The Auditorium

New York Blood Center

310 East 67th Street (*at 2nd Avenue*)

ADMISSION: \$25.00

TO REGISTER: Call FIONS at 212-741-2207, or mail a check to:

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Sunday, March 28 & April 25

NEW PHYSICS*

Explore how the discoveries in physics affect our spiritual, emotional, and physical lives. The New Physics group follows the breakthroughs in our understanding of the universe and our place in it.

FACILITATOR: Allen Flagg

TIME: 2:00 pm

LOCATION: The Wellness Center at The Riverside Church

91 Claremont Avenue (between 120th and 122nd Streets. Ask at the registration desk for the room number).

DONATION: Suggested: (\$2 to cover the cost of the room.)

Tuesday April 6

The film we will be showing is "The Big Question," on the theme of forgiveness. This is a thought-provoking documentary which looks at forgiveness from a multicultural perspective. It features interviews with spiritual thinkers like Desmond Tutu, Deepak Chopra, Thich Nhat Hanh and Sister Helen Prejean. The film will be followed by a discussion.

FACILITATOR: Richard Schiffman & Bernard Starr

TIME: 7 pm

LOCATION: 275 West 96th Street, #31D

TO REGISTER: RSVP to starrone@aol.com

To Be Announced by E-mail

ULTIMATE ISSUES

Ultimate Issues treats topics of cosmic importance that cross the boundary between spirituality and scientific speculation, and encompass both. Examples include reincarnation, the existence of evil, consciousness, metaphors for God, the nature of time, ESP, precognition, and the Bible Codes. The Quantum Theory and Quantum Holography may point to a new understanding of reality and individual identity.

No prior scientific or religious background is required.

FACILITATOR: Arthur Wiegenfeld

TIME: 7—9 pm

LOCATION: West Side Manhattan (Directions provided upon registration.).

TO REGISTER: RSVP is required as space is very limited. Additional sessions may occasionally be scheduled. An email response is preferred. Please specify **Ultimate Issues** as the subject line.

Or call 212-724-4335, and leave your phone number. If you register and then are unable to attend, please be sure to advise Arthur at: artw@rcn.com

Honoring FIONS Co-Founder Sandy Wright

FIONS will be holding a tree planting ceremony in Riverside Park this spring (April or May) in memory of FIONS' co-founder, Sandra Shepard Wright. In many ways, Sandy's enthusiastic energy and shining spirit helped guide and nurture FIONS throughout it's early years. Even after she relocated to the DC area, she continued to stay in touch and take part in important FIONS events.

We invite FIONS members and friends to join us for this ceremony. We will let people know the date, time and place when those details are available. If anyone would like contribute to this memorial, please send a check payable to FIONS, c/o Wright Memorial, PO Box 235 Murray Hill PO, New York, NY 10156.

Also of Interest

TreeFriends:

Using the Arts to Transform Our Relationship to the Natural World
An Update

TreeFriends is launching a program for young people under 24 years old in New York City. Here are a few highlights:

***Earth Tones* Song Contest**

WHY

People are increasingly aware that our way of life, our institutional systems, as well as our environment are seriously out of balance and unsustainable. In spite of valiant efforts to improve the environment, health, education, government, social justice and more, we remain divided, stuck in old patterns and many despair of our ever uniting to achieve real transformational change. A truly inspiring song can bring people together and instill them with determination to accomplish the impossible. This TreeFriends Song Contest—***Earth Tones***—challenges the young people of New York City to create a song that will raise awareness and help us go forward into a healthy world that works for all.

WHAT

Create a Song—***Earth Tones***—that reflects one or more of these themes:

- § Cultivating sincere, respectful and revered relationships with our fellow humans, animals, nature and all of life on Earth;
- § Acknowledging and celebrating our interconnectedness to these myriad life forms;
- § Appreciating the particular gift of trees which nurture life;
- § Exploring how to live in a way that reflects these values.

Selection process

All entries will be reviewed initially by a panel of professional musicians, who will select five finalists. The Grand Prize winner will be chosen by three celebrity judges. The five finalists will have a chance to perform their songs at a major public event in New York City in July.

Grand Prize Winner

The grand prize winner will also receive:

- § Opportunity to record their song in a professional studio;
- § Have their song played on one of our New York City radio stations;
- § Free publicity through TreeFriends as winner of the contest;
- § The winner will own the copyright to the song and TreeFriends will have the right to use it royalty free in perpetuity.

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N.B. No information presented or discussed at FIONS meetings is to be used or considered as advice or as a substitute for appropriate psychotherapy or psychological counseling. All issues of personal concern should be discussed with your psychotherapist or psychological counselor.

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