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IN MEMORIAM: FAYE GERACI



Faye Marie Geraci

The Crescent City, The Big Easy, The City That Care Forgot. After these last two years, it's hard to remember how New Orleans got some of those nicknames. There have just been too many losses, and loss is especially hard when we lose someone who helped us navigate the worst of times. Faye Geraci had been a tireless supporter of the Jung Society for longer than most of us can remember, so her death on May 17, 2007, a day before she was to join us for a weekend retreat, was especially difficult.

Faye was not one for the limelight. She led a quiet life—a life of service. She was a member of the Benedictine Sisters of St. Scholastica Priory for nearly thirty years and taught school in the Archdiocese of New Orleans schools from 1966 until her death. Since 1979 she had taught religion and social justice at Archbishop Blenk High School, but, because of who she was, Faye taught as much by example as she did in the classroom. An active member of Pax Christi, Faye participated in peace marches, hunger walks, and retreats for cancer victims as well as countless efforts of her own initiative that ranged from sitting with the sick to donations to friends whose homes flooded in Katrina. No matter the project, Faye made time to help.

A Jung Society board member for many years, Faye seemed to lend a hand with everything. Over the years she'd processed CEU credits, purchased refreshments, shelved books in the library, greeted guests at the door, and served as recording secretary. It wasn't what she did that touched our hearts, though, so much as how she did it, her gentle spirit of tolerance, compassion, wisdom, and insight.

In the end, Faye Geraci died as she had lived, suffering a massive stroke while grading papers in her classroom on May 17, 2007, the day before the school year ended and her school, Archbishop Blenk, closed down for good after 45 years of service. After a stint teaching double shifts in the months after the storm, accommodating students whose own schools lay in ruins, Faye had been looking forward to some down time, a break from years spent in the classroom that, sadly, she never got to take. We will miss her.

GOODYEAR LIBRARY UPDATE

Thanks to the commitment of Stephanie Thibodeaux, our library holdings have been cataloged and organized. Faye Geraci assisted her in this labor of love. Now that we have lost both of these treasured friends, others are volunteering to keep the project going forward. Gary Braedt has been most generous, and others who have offered to help are Toni Newton, Duane Page, and Helen Barnett. When our fall programs begin, we will have the library open and ready for members to browse the shelves and check out books as in the past.

All Jung Society members have library privileges with the payment of a once-only library fee of \$20; see any of the above-named volunteers to purchase a card. Three items may be borrowed at a time; loan period is one month. Up to two monthly renewals are possible if there are no other requests for the item. Over the summer break, the loan period is three months with no renewal. If you have questions, please e-mail Toni Newton at tnewto@juno.com.

At each regular meeting, we will be staffing the library 30 minutes beforehand and during the intermission. We look forward to seeing you at the fall programs!

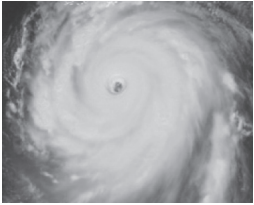
- Toni Newton

JUNG SEMINAR SERIES

An introductory series of four seminars for clinicians interested in learning clinical aspects of Jung's psychology will be held in Baton Rouge this fall. *Integrating Concepts of Jung's Psychology into Clinical Work* will be scheduled over a series of Saturdays, on September 15, October 13, November 10, and December 1, 2007, from 10-4. The fee for the four seminars is \$150, which includes the cost for CEU hours awarded. Certified Jungian analysts will present: Lucie Magnus, LPC; Jutta von Buchholtz, Ph.D; David Schoen, LCSW; and Karen Gibson, Ph.D. Jungian analyst Charlotte Mathes, Ph.D. is co-ordinator. We must have a minimum of at least ten participants. For further information, contact The Red Shoes, 2303 Government Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70806, Phone 225-338-1170.



**C. G. JUNG SOCIETY OF NEW ORLEANS
FALL 2007 PROGRAM CALENDAR**



**AFTER THE RAIN: REFLECTIONS
TWO YEARS AFTER THE STORM
DAVID SCHOEN, MSSW, LCSW
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2007
7:30 PM**

David Schoen, the author of *Divine Tempest: The Hurricane as a Psychic Phenomenon*, a book about the profound psychological significance of hurricanes written in 1998, will present further reflections, thoughts, insights and observations about Hurricane Katrina. He is a survivor himself and will draw from the experience of many people he has counseled since the storm. The title of his presentation, "After the Rain," is taken from the Grammy-winning CD by New Orleans' number one queen of soul, Irma Thomas. David's presentation will be of interest to the general public and anyone wanting to understand more about the complex psychological relationship between the hurricane and human beings.

David Schoen, MSSW, LCSW, Jungian Analyst, has been in private practice in Covington for over twenty years and is the training director for the New Orleans Jungian Seminar of the Inter-Regional Society of Jungian Analysts. David is the author of *Divine Tempest: The Hurricane as a Psychic Phenomenon*, and is currently working on a book about Jung and the twelve-step programs used by Alcoholics Anonymous and other support groups.

**APPOINTMENT WITH THE WISE OLD DOG:
DREAM IMAGES IN A TIME OF CRISIS
JUTTA VON BUCHHOLTZ, PH.D.
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2007
7:30 PM**



"It's an amazing fact that at a time of dire crisis, people often unexpectedly find themselves supported by a power that makes it possible for them to cope." David Blum was an internationally renowned orchestra conductor and author. Diagnosed with cancer at age 52, he discovered that drawing images from his dreams helped him transcend the difficulties of his illness in a profound but unexpected way. Shortly before his death Blum felt compelled to share his journey in the hope that his personal experience would help others realize their own inner gifts. This exploration into the creative and healing power of dreams and music, introduced by cellist Yo-Yo Ma, calls to anyone confronting personal loss as well as to anyone who has been or is in a great time of crisis and transformation. Analyst Marion Woodman stated, "I have studied and meditated on David Blum's extraordinary documentation of his dreams and inner work—the immense gifts that were given to him from his unconscious and poured into images and music. We are intrigued on all levels—emotional, imaginal, intellectual. Our hearts are split open as we watch the process of the inner marriage."

Jutta von Buchholtz is a Swiss diplomate Jungian analyst who works with clients in Birmingham, Alabama, as well as in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. She is also involved in the training of Jungian analysts both at the New Orleans Jungian Seminar and the Jung Institute in Zurich, Switzerland. Jutta is an LPC but in a "former life" earned her Ph.D. in medieval literature from Vanderbilt University. She presents lectures and workshops on topics related to the psychology of Jung both in the United States and Europe and is touched and intrigued to observe psyche's way in everyday life.

**EVENING PROGRAMS
FREE TO MEMBERS, \$10 GUESTS
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PARKER MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
1130 NASHVILLE AVENUE (AT PERRIER), NEW ORLEANS**



“LITTLE MISS SUNSHINE”
CHARLOTTE MATHES, LCSW, Ph.D.
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2007
FILM SCREENING 6:30 PM,
DISCUSSION 8:15 PM

Using family systems theory and Jungian psychology, Dr. Charlotte Mathes will explore both interpsychic and intrapsychic aspects of the dysfunctional but loving and caring Hoover family. “Little Miss Sunshine,” a hilarious comedy with serious philosophical questions about Americans’ drive for success, may be the best film of 2006. It depicts three harrowing days of a road trip to California undertaken so that the youngest daughter can compete in a beauty contest. Come to watch the film and share in lively discussion of the American dream that may keep each of us from becoming our true selves.

Charlotte M. Mathes, LCSW, Ph.D. is a certified Jungian analyst and a graduate of the C. G. Jung Institute in Zurich, Switzerland. She received her doctoral degree in psychoanalysis from the Union Graduate School in Cincinnati. She is a clinical member of the American Association of Marriage and Family Therapists who has been in private practice in New Orleans and Baton Rouge for twenty years. She lectures and conducts seminars in Jungian psychology, family therapy, and bereavement. Dr. Mathes is the author of a new book: *And a Sword Shall Pierce Your Heart: Moving from Despair to Meaning after the Death of a Child*, which reports and reflects on her story about the loss of her son and the stories of many others in similar situations with whom she later worked as therapist and researcher. For more information on Dr. Mathes, see her website at www.charlottemathes.com.

WORKING WITH OUR DREAMS USING THE ALCHEMICAL PROCESS
AS AN ALLEGORY OF THE INDIVIDUATION PROCESS
A WORKSHOP WITH OLGA WITTEKIND, OSF, Ph.D.
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2007, 10 AM - 4 PM
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Alchemy was a sacred work of turning base metal into gold. Jung viewed alchemy as a metaphor for changing the ego into the Self! As we do our inner work, we realize more and more that our insights come by grace and that development occurs not by the will of the ego but by the urge to individuation from the Self! In our workshop, we will work with our dreams, paying attention to the alchemical symbols. Each of the seven alchemical operations will be described and recognized in our dream work.

Olga Wittekind is a Jungian analyst trained in Zurich and Chicago and a member of the Franciscan Sisters in Oldenburg, Indiana. Olga is a spiritual director and clinical psychologist in private practice in Indiana and Ohio. She had been a professor of psychology at Marian College, Indianapolis. From January to May, 2007, she served as a volunteer here in New Orleans.



FROM TRAUMA TO TRANSFORMATION:
MAKING OUR EMOTIONS WORK FOR US
BOTH PSYCHOLOGICALLY & SPIRITUALLY
OLGA WITTEKIND, OSF, Ph.D.
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2007, 7:30 PM

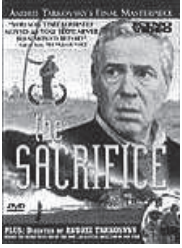
Anger properly employed actually assists self-transformation. It is grist for the mill of creative endeavor!
 - Chinese proverb

We will see how the traumas in our lives can be the moments that lead us into greater personal insights. We will focus on the individuation process through the understanding of our emotional responses of anger, depression, and guilt and how we concretize the experiences of transformation.

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“THE SACRIFICE” BY ANDREI TARKOVSKY

DAN HARRIS

TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2008

FILM SCREENING 6 PM

DISCUSSION 8:30 PM

The Sacrifice is the last film of Andrei Tarkovsky’s rich career, completed by him before his death in 1986. It stars Erland Josephson, a stalwart from Ingmar Bergman’s ensemble of actors. From the film’s initial scenes, images of profound mystery and beauty get under one’s skin and linger. This film is not to be missed. Tarkovsky’s other brilliant films include *Nostalgia* (1983), *Solaris* (1972), and *Andrei Rublev* (1969). Join us for the film screening with discussion to follow.

Dan Harris, an avid attendee of C. G. Jung Society of New Orleans programs over the years, is a local teacher of English as a second language and a former refugee resettlement caseworker.

GETTING OUR BEARINGS...

K+2 AND COUNTING: It’s hard to imagine how anyone in this locale could have escaped the effects of “The Storm,” and it goes without saying that Katrina unmade our world just as it did everyone else’s. We tiptoe carefully around the huge holes left in our organization by the passing of each of the names on our “in memoriam” listing and the loss of many others who took root elsewhere after the storm, but we are heartened by those who have come forward in recent months to lend a hand, by their sheer determination that this group, for which those now gone gave so much, will persist and move forward in their memory. We tally our storm-shrunken membership rolls and ponder how to shape our future given our reduced means, but we accept with profound gratitude the many speakers who have come forward since the storm—virtually all of our speakers to date—to volunteer their time, energy, and insights to further Jungian programming in New Orleans. We have been told by many “I sent you a check that was never cashed; did you get it?” The answer is “no, unfortunately, we did not”; the erratic post-Katrina mail delivery has prompted us to change mailing addresses twice since the storm in an effort to find a location where we actually get what people send us. Those of us who remain are as busy as the rest of the city, some with rebuilding houses and replacing most of what they owned, but in the last few months, even those of us who lost all are back under roofs of our own, putting the pieces back together. Being Jungians, we try to remember that all of these variants are but pairs of opposites whose tensions we should try to hold.

Where we go from here, of course, depends on you, our members and supporters. We will be sending out renewal notices soon, and we hope to hear from many of you. We appreciate all who have rallied to help us organize programming without Battle and Ian and Stephanie and Faye, and we are interested in your comments and suggestions about new directions for programming for a smaller, leaner organization in a smaller, leaner city. We are creating new benefactor levels for those of you who can afford to help more and welcome the involvement of all of you who have the time to get involved. We are looking forward to a new program season at Parker, which is undergoing a post-K renovation and will be showing a fresh face come fall. New Orleans needs to heal the wounds to its collective psyche every bit as much as it needs to rebuild its sticks and mortar. In memory of those who are gone, of the lost homes and possessions and jobs and friends and the lost innocence of simpler times, we wish to do our part to aid that healing. We hope to see you at our programs this fall.

CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAM:

The Jung Society is a pre-approved National Board of Certified Counselors provider of Continuing Education Units. Thanks to Judy Andry and Jennifer Standish for their work in renewing our CEU status.

NEW ORLEANS JUNGIAN SEMINAR: The New Orleans Seminar is an approved training center of the Inter-Regional Society of Jungian Analysts. For info, contact Charlotte Mathes, 225-755-2445.

WEBSITE: Additional information about the society is available on our website at www.jungneworleans.org.

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WORKSHOP LOCATION:
Parker Methodist Church
1130 Nashville, New Orleans

**DREAMWORK: USING THE ALCHEMICAL
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DECEMBER 1, 2007, WORKSHOP**

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| <p>1/8/08 JUNG FILM NIGHT: "THE SACRIFICE"
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