



NEWSLETTER

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IN MEMORIAM

JOAN AND TRAVIS HARRISON

The Jung Society wishes to extend our sympathies to the families of our former president, Joan Harrison, and her husband, Travis Harrison. Joan died on Saturday, October 20, 2007, eleven days after Travis' death on October 9. Joan was president of the Society in the late 1990s, a member of the board for many additional years, and a long-time participant in the New Orleans Jungian seminar, while Travis, a physician and attorney, headed the pathology department at Memorial Medical Center prior to the storm. Joan and Travis' generosity, always anonymous, in funding annual visits by our late patron, Ian Baker, made a long list of retreats, workshops and programs possible. Their kind and generous natures, wise insights, and gentle spirits will be sorely missed. The Jung Society has established a memorial fund for contributions in memory of Joan and Travis Harrison and others on the long list of names of those we have lost, especially in the months since Hurricane Katrina.

CENTERPOINT CLASSES AND A DREAM GROUP

Many people are interested in learning more about C.G. Jung's analytical psychology beyond what the Society can provide in monthly lectures and occasional Saturday workshops, either by learning more about "the basics" of Jungian thought or by relating it to their own dreams and lives. The Jung Society Board and local analyst Karen Gibson, Ph.D., LCSW, are interested in establishing a group to delve into Jung's theories using Centerpoint course materials (edited by Edwin Edinger) supplemented by contemporary Jungian theory and material. The group would meet in the evening once or twice a month to complete the 18-session course. In addition, Karen has several names of people interested in meeting monthly to explore their dreams, but needs at least eight people willing to commit for a year-long group at \$30 a month. If you are interested in participating in either group, contact Karen by phone at 452-2319 or gibsonkphd@hotmail.com.

LIBRARY NEWS

Our Jung Society library is a treasure trove for individuals who are interested in going deeper. As a member, you are entitled to check out books with the payment of a once-only library fee of \$20 (see a staff member to acquire a library card). Here's just a sampling of the rich material to be found on our shelves. We look forward to having you browse our books before and after meetings and during the breaks.

Now or Neverland:

Peter Pan and the Myth of Eternal Youth

Ann Yeoman

Even if one has never seen the play, or read the novel, the figure of Peter Pan is as well-known as the heroes, heroines, ogres and witches of such classic tales as Cinderella, Jack and the Beanstalk and Little Red Riding Hood. As a familiar figure of spontaneity, adventure and play, in the common mind Peter Pan is the little boy who didn't want to grow up, the spirit of perpetual youth and joy associated with Neverland. *Now or Neverland* is a psychological overview of the eternal boy archetype, from its ancient roots right

up to contemporary experience, including a detailed interpretation of J. M. Barrie's widely-loved novel and play. Underlying the author's lively discussion is a new perspective on Peter Pan as a representation of archetypal energies that deeply influence our collective experience as well as our personal life.

Impossible Love or Why The Heart Must Go Wrong

Jan Bauer

Some love affairs mark our lives forever. Whether we call them la grand passion, tragic romance, or l'amour fou, they remain indelible because impossible. Why do we fall in love at the wrong time, in the wrong place, and with the wrong person? Why do we put up with the anxiety, the pain, the shame, and the longing never fulfilled? This book explores the nature of these "marvelous disasters" and finds a deeper necessity in the betrayals, taboos, and excesses of impossible love. Using perhaps the greatest of all tragic romances—the passion between Heloise and Abelard—as a psychological scaffold, Jan Bauer examines the erotic structures of irresistible attraction with love stories from the lives of men and women today.



**C. G. JUNG SOCIETY OF NEW ORLEANS
SPRING 2008 PROGRAM CALENDAR**

THE GAMBLER: FROM PLAY TO PATHOLOGY

BILLYE B. CURRIE, PH.D.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2008 | 7:30 PM | 2 CEUS

The “gambler” archetype will be explored through history and through cases in a manner that allows us to work our way across the continuum from play to pathology, all done with the intention that we will become better acquainted with the gambler in ourselves and in those around us. A special nod will be given to “Lady Luck” and to her connection to the Great Mother. The powerful forces surrounding the gambler may be seen to lurk not only in casinos, the temple of Lady Luck, but also in the shadows of chances we take in our everyday lives.

Billye B. Currie, Ph.D., is the author of *The Gambler: Romancing Lady Luck*. She received her Ph.D. in psychology from the University of Southern Mississippi in 1969 and her diploma in analytical psychology from the Inter-Regional Society of Jungian Analysts. She spent thirty years working with children in public schools in Hattiesburg, Mississippi, as Director of Psychological Services, Special Education and Professional Development. She currently lives in Brandon, Mississippi, and has a private practice in Jackson. And yes, she loves to gamble!

WHY GOOD PEOPLE DO BAD THINGS: REVISITING THE SHADOW

JAMES HOLLIS, PH.D.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 29, 2008 | 7:30 PM | 2 CEUS

For each of us there are energies, motives, agendas that operate outside our conscious control and sometimes contrary to our professed values. These energies, which Jung collectively identified as the shadow, might best be defined not as evil, but as that which makes us uncomfortable with ourselves. Such energies represent an enormous invitation for greater consciousness and for living more ethically. Their integration brings us toward wholeness. The program will define and illustrate the many ways in which the shadow operates in personal and social life and will address the question of how we may come to know that which is by definition unconscious in us.

James Hollis, Ph.D., is a Zurich-trained Jungian analyst, executive director of the Jung Educational Center of Houston, and the author of twelve books, most recently *Why Good People Do Bad Things: Understanding our Darker Selves*.

THE GOSPEL OF THOMAS: EATEN BY A LION

WYNETTE BARTON, PH.D.

FRIDAY, MARCH 7, 2008 | 7:30 PM | 2 CEUS

The Gospel of Thomas is a small book of 114 sayings attributed to Jesus and allegedly recorded by his disciple, Thomas, who was known as “the double” or “the twin.” The short passages are sometimes quite enigmatic until the reader realizes that Jesus may have been speaking about no more—and no less—than consciousness. As we examine images in Thomas’ gospel we discover something about the mysterious power of the lion that can be eaten—or can eat us. Can we take in powerful, paradoxical words, digest them, “eat” them, or will we be devoured by them? As fundamentalists of varying stripes foster hate, wage war, and demand power in the name of something divine, it seems at times that the lion is about to devour the human.

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Wynette Barton is a graduate of the C.G. Jung Institute of Zurich and has been in private practice as an analyst in Austin since 1985. She holds M.A. (Psychology) and Doctor of Ministry degrees and is active in training analysts and lecturing in the U.S. and Canada. Her study of the Gnostic gospels is the product of her long-time interest in archeology and ancient history.

**THE GOSPEL OF THOMAS: EATEN BY A LION
A WORKSHOP WITH WYNETTE BARTON, PH.D.
SATURDAY, MARCH 8, 2008 | 10 AM - 4 PM
6 CEUS | \$65 MEMBERS; \$85 NONMEMBERS**

*"Blessed is the lion eaten by a man, and the lion becomes human; cursed is the man eaten by a lion, and the lion becomes human."
(The Gospel of St. Thomas)*

In this workshop, we will continue the exploration of the Gospel of Thomas. Could the "lion" in this gospel be the powerful message of consciousness that Jesus brought to his disciples? If so, what would it mean to eat (or be eaten) by the message? As we examine the sayings, each building on the one before, it may be possible to catch a glimpse of the depth of Jesus' message and discover why this man so profoundly affected the lives of his followers. (See Friday, March 7 program description above for biographical information about Wynette Barton.)

"SLENDER THREADS"

**A FILM INTERVIEW OF ANALYST ROBERT JOHNSON
BY ANALYST J. PITTMAN MCGEHEE
REV. WILLIAM THIELE, PH.D., DISCUSSION LEADER
TUESDAY, APRIL 1, 2008 | 2 CEUS
FILM SCREENING 6 PM, DISCUSSION 8 PM**

Robert A. Johnson, noted lecturer, author, and Jungian analyst, has introduced millions of people to the thoughts of C.G. Jung. In this engaging and revelatory set of interviews with Houston analyst J. Pittman McGehee, Robert Johnson explores the range of his work and life experience and traces the "slender threads" that have led him along his path. For more work by Robert Johnson, go to <http://innerworkjohnson.blogspot.com>, an internet "Inner Work Blog" written and updated regularly by Robert Johnson in conjunction with analyst and coauthor Jerry M. Ruhl.

Rev. William E. Thiele, Ph.D., the pastor at both Rayne Methodist Church and Parker Methodist Church in New Orleans, is a pastoral counselor and licensed psychotherapist in Slidell, Louisiana.

**INDIVIDUATION: A PERSONAL JOURNEY
KAREN GIBSON, LCSW, PH.D.
TUESDAY, APRIL 29, 2008 | 7:30 PM | 2 CEUS**

In conjunction with our May 3, 2008, workshop, New Orleans analyst Karen Gibson will speak about the individuation process and the many internal and external factors that impact our individual journeys, allowing us to explore our personal journeys and insights as we look at why we are part of this community. Karen Magee's workshop, *In the Midst of Others*, will give us the opportunity to explore these dynamics more fully in a safe temenos, as Jungians call a contained confidential environment.

Karen Gibson, LCSW, Ph.D., a New Orleans native, is a Jungian analyst in private practice who does consultation and supervision as well as analysis. Currently she is writing a book on rituals celebrating feminine rites of passage and is developing a dream group in New Orleans. She is also interested in the application of analytical psychology to relationship therapy and the integration of object relations theory into Jungian analysis.

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**IN THE MIDST OF OTHERS: THE UNFOLDING OF LIFE
 A WORKSHOP WITH KAREN MAGEE, MA, LMFT, LPC
 SATURDAY, MAY 3, 2008 | 10 AM - 4 PM | 6 CEUS
 \$65 MEMBERS; \$85 NONMEMBERS**

In this workshop, we will examine our efforts to discover and consciously respond to our potential in life. This journey of discovery, rarely, if ever, occurs in a time and space alone. The path to ourselves always includes relationship to others. Keeping this in mind, and using an extraordinary international film as the ground for our work, we will explore what inhibits us from becoming our true selves. We will also explore what invites and supports the awareness and courage necessary to live more completely in the world. Throughout the day, Jungian ideas, lecture, journal writing, exercises and interactive discussion will contribute to the creation of our experience. The film clips, together with our other work, will assist us in opening doors to our own life stories. In those stories, as in the film, we will hope to learn more about the purpose, meaning and great value of relationship in our journeys to become ourselves.

Karen Magee, MA, LMFT, LPC, is a Jungian analyst in private practice in Houston and a senior training analyst with the Inter-Regional Society of Jungian Analysts. An instructor, lecturer, and workshop leader locally and nationally, Karen is recognized for her work with ethics and for her use of film to invite a deeper understanding of one's personal psychology and life in relationship to the world. She has been an instructor at the Jung Center of Houston for the past 19 years and currently chairs the Ethics Committee for The Inter-Regional Society of Jungian Analysts.

The Jung Society acknowledges with gratitude the contributions of the Inter-Regional Society of Jungian Analysts and our roster of speakers, who have generously volunteered their time to promote our organization's recovery from Katrina.

ABOUT US

The C. G. Jung Society of New Orleans is a private non-profit organization established to promote educational programs. Following the general thrust of Carl Jung's analytical psychology, the Society presents an interdisciplinary program to foster self-understanding by the individual. Jung's deepest interest was in arriving at insights capable of bringing genuine help to the individual. His theories laid the groundwork for a new understanding of man, the significance of which extends far beyond the boundaries of psychology in the conventional sense.

The goals of the C. G. Jung Society, then, are to offer a forum for the exchange of ideas in the sphere of the humanities, that family of knowledge that deals with what it is to be human, to make value judgments, and to select wiser courses of action. As Jung often stressed, it is within the individual, and not on the level of collective social measures, that the problems of our age must be met and the foundations for a healthy democratic society preserved and strengthened.

CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAM: The Jung Society is a pre-approved National Board of Certified Counselors provider of Continuing Education Units. Thanks to Jennifer Standish for her work in maintaining 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 more information, contact Charlotte Mathes, 225-755-2445.

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

Workshops!

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SPRING 2008 PROGRAM CALENDAR**

1/8/08	“THE SACRIFICE” Dan Harris 6 pm screening; 8:30 pm discussion	3/8/08	THE GOSPEL OF THOMAS: EATEN BY A LION A Workshop with Wynette Barton, Ph.D. 10 am - 4 pm
2/15/08	THE GAMBLER: FROM PLAY TO PATHOLOGY Billye B. Currie, Ph.D. 7:30 pm	4/1/08	“SLENDER THREADS” A FILM INTERVIEW OF ANALYST ROBERT JOHNSON William Thiele, Ph.D., discussion leader 6 pm screening; 8 pm discussion
2/29/08	WHY GOOD PEOPLE DO BAD THINGS: REVISITING THE SHADOW James Hollis, Ph.D. 7:30 pm	4/29/08	INDIVIDUATION: A PERSONAL JOURNEY Karen Gibson, LCSW, Ph.D. 7:30 pm
3/7/08	THE GOSPEL OF THOMAS: EATEN BY A LION Wynette Barton, Ph.D. 7:30 pm		
	5/3/08		IN THE MIDST OF OTHERS: THE UNFOLDING OF LIFE A Workshop with Karen Magee, MA, LMFT, LPC 10 am - 4 pm

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