

# The Salem Sound Current

**ECKANKAR**  
Religion of the Light and Sound

## Public ECKANKAR Events for Friends and Families

“Health is part of the spiritual life. Because one of the highest qualities of Soul is survival.

“Someone asked an Eighth Initiate, ‘Do you choose the time of your passing from this plane to the next?’ In other words, the time you leave here. As if it would really be something to choose the time to go. But I think it’s a greater attribute to exercise every bit of your creativity to survive no matter where you are.

“If you try to shortcut here, then you’re going to go into the next life. And what are you going to do there? Try to shortcut there too and not exercise your full potential to survive.

“The whole thing about Soul is survival, of course. And then you find out what makes it worthwhile is learning how to love.

“Taking care of our health is certainly one of the strongest aspects of survival here. This is why it’s an important part of the ECK teachings.” From “The Secret of Love,” by Harold Klemp. This book can be ordered from your local bookstore.

### The Seminar in Grants Pass

Phil Morimitsu, the guest speaker at the Regional ECKANKAR Seminar in Grants Pass, shared a technique he discovered for enhancing his experience and service during a spiritual exercise. ECKists of Marion, Polk and Yamhill counties were busy serving in various capacities. Angie, Casey, Marilyn and Dave Van Grunsven, along with Kay and John Marikos, were involved in workshop presentations. Ellie and Ed Bloom performed their music at the seminar. The seminar attendees enjoyed a lot of laughter, love, friendships and insights into their spiritual paths during the weekend.

### ECK Potluck Picnic

Members of ECKANKAR and their significant others, mark your calendars for Sunday, August 16th at 1 p.m. (after the ECK Worship Service) for a get together and ECK Potluck Picnic at John and Kay’s house. More details will be coming in next month’s newsletter. Maybe we’ll even share Phil Morimitsu’s technique then.

**Members of ECKANKAR**—Come sing the HU with other ECKists at Ed & Ellie Bloom’s home on Friday, July 10th, at 7 p.m. Call 503-304-2988 for directions. Call Kay at 503-362-2695 for information about joining a class you might like to attend.

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For those who wish to take the next step on their spiritual journey with ECKANKAR, membership provides you with a series of discourses (written lessons) that you can discuss by joining a local Satsang class. For more information/to join a class, please call Kay Marikos at 503-362-2695.

To have this newsletter sent to your email address, please call 503-362-2695.



**Harold Klemp**  
The Spiritual Leader  
of Eckankar



Visit ECKANKAR's Web site  
at [www.eckankar.org](http://www.eckankar.org).

**Public ECKANKAR Events for You, Your Friends and Families**

You're cordially invited to attend ECK Worship Services in Salem. ECK Worship Services give you a small taste of the ECK Satsang Class experience, one of the most stabilizing, educational, uplifting and enjoyable activities ECKists have the good fortune to attend. Someone reads aloud a brief passage about a spiritual topic. Then those attending sing HU, a love song to God, for a few minutes and follow that with a contemplation of the reading and topic. An open discussion of the topic and how it applies to one's daily life follows. Those who attend often discover how the spiritual guidance of the Mahanta, The Living ECK Master is at work and available more and more in their lives.

ECK WORSHIP Services in Salem take place at Chemeketa Community College, Building 28, Room 101– a little north and east of Building 3, on the third Sunday of the month, from 11 a.m. until noon. This month, on July 16th, the topic will be "Can You Love God More?"





## ECKClergyService

ECK members and the public are welcome to contact a member of the ECK clergy about the following services.

The four ECK celebrations of life are: The ECK Consecration Ceremony for young children, celebrating new life and a new phase in Soul's journey home to God; the ECK Rite of Passage for boys and girls of about age thirteen, celebrating their personal commitment to the ECK teachings; the ECK Wedding Ceremony; and the ECK Memorial Service.

The ECK Spiritual Aide session, though not counseling, can help you find your own answers in challenging situations through the personal guidance of Divine Spirit. The ESA session is conducted by an ECK Spiritual Aide, who is an ECK cleric specially appointed and trained to offer this assistance.

There are no fees for the above services, but ECK clerics accept donations to ECKANKAR. For more information, please contact:

- Ed Bloom                      503-304-2988
- John Marikos                503-362-2695
- Kay Marikos                 503-362-2695
- Anne Roberts                503-554-9700
- David Van Grunsven        503-538-7774
- Marilynn Van Grunsven    503-538-7774

For more information about ECKANKAR: <http://www.eckankar.org>. or call 1-800-Love-God  
For more information about ECKANKAR activities in Oregon: [www.eckankar-oregon.org](http://www.eckankar-oregon.org)

For information about local activities call: Marilyn or Dave Van Grunsven. Local Directors of Marion, Polk and Yamhill counties at 503-538-7774.

If you are interested in helping others know about ECKANKAR, please contact Ellie Bloom at 503-304-2988.

If you wish to make a donation, please contact Alan Gibson at 503-371-3620.

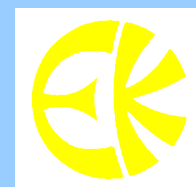
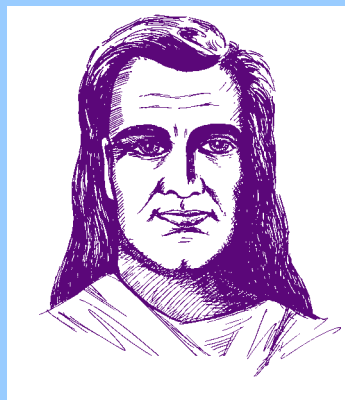
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