

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 Eight 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 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.

Hear and See the Spiritual Leader of ECKANKAR

Sri Harold Klemp, the Mahanta, the Living ECK Master, will speak at the ECKANKAR World Wide Seminar on Saturday, October 24th, in Minneapolis. You can experience the video broadcast via the Internet from 6 a.m. November 7 through 9 p.m. November 15th. For more details, go to <http://www.eckankar.org/Broadcast/index.html>

Do you know someone who might be interested in ECKANKAR? You can invite them to the Spiritual Wisdom Discussion Series occurring in October and November at Cheme-keta Community College, Building 28, Room 101, at either 4:30-5:30 p.m. or 6:30-7:30 p.m. The dates and topics are as follows:

Thursday, October 15th– Health and Healing

Thursday, October 29th– Conquering Fear

Thursday, November 12th–Relationships

For more information call 503-538-7774.

New First Year Class Starting

Experience the miracle of spiritual growth with Eckankar Membership and The Easy Way Discourse Class. The organizational meeting for The Easy Way discourse will be shortly after the ECK Worship Service on November 15th at 12:30 p.m. in the same location. We will explore the membership resource book, “Welcome to the Wonderful World of ECK,” by Harold Klemp, as well as agree on a time and place for the Satsang.

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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.**

Members of ECKANKAR—Come sing the HU with other ECKists at Ed & Ellie Bloom's home on Friday, October 9th at 7 p.m. Call 503-304-2988 for directions. A new Easy Way Satsang Class is starting soon. Call Kay at 503-362-2695 for information about joining this or any other class you might like to attend.

New Creative Arts Coordinator

I am delighted to officially announce a new post in the spiritual hierarchy of the Oregon Satsang Society, the Creative Arts Coordinator (CAC). The CAC reports to the Spiritual Services director, who in turn works closely with the RESA. This post will initially be filled by Marilyn Van Grunsven of Salem.

The primary role of the CAC is to help focus the attention of ECK artists on creating projects that support new and existing ECK functions and / or spread the message of the ECK through various artistic media. —Al Coffman, Spiritual Services Director, Oregon Satsang Society.

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 2 and 16 (take the sidewalk between Building 16 and the other small buildings and walk back to Building 28), on the third Sunday of the month, from 11 a.m. until noon. This month, on October 18th, the topic will be "The Mahanta, Your Personal Spiritual Trainer."



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

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 learn 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.

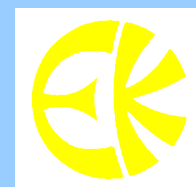
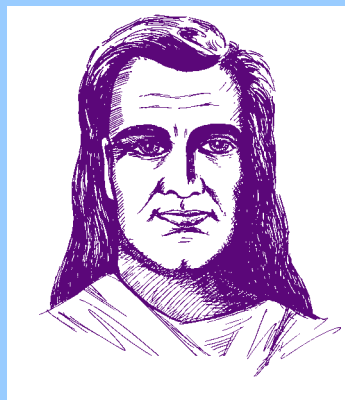
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