Welcome

We’re happy you’re here. Please read on for a preview of our winter/spring line-up. We look forward to your presence and participation, so mark your calendars.

On Jan. 20/21, Dyane Sherwood returns to OFJ with a program on Living in Harmony with the Natural World. Her lecture, The Lakota World View, presents a spiritual tradition of situating ourselves, in turbulent times, in nature and within community. Her experiential workshop, Coyote: The Great North American Trickster, explores both the healing and the harmful aspects of the trickster archetype, individually and as it appears collectively in our culture.*

Jane Zich’s award-winning Vision Journey paintings are the basis for her Feb. 17 lecture, Panther’s Prints: Tracking the Transcendent Function through Imagery. The transcendent function, a process of bridge building between opposites, develops psychological space to hold divergent perspectives and open to new attitudes. Her Feb. 18 workshop, Experiential Reflections on the Transcendent Function in Our Lives, invites us to awaken to our relationship with this soul-enriching depth work.*  See her art at www.zichpaintings.com

Thomas Elsner, Jungian analyst, presenter at numerous Jung in Ireland/Jung on the Hudson conferences, and the most recent Fay Lecture presenter, comes to us on Mar. 17/18, with a program on Alchemy, Active Imagination and Jung’s Red Book. Dr. Elsner’s passion is palpable in his work on the alchemical myth of imagination and transformation. Through alchemical texts and symbols, Jung’s words, and a variety of arts, he’ll guide us on bringing the unconscious to conscious expression by practicing active imagination.

We’re delighted to have James Hollis back on April 21/22. As many of you know, Dr. Hollis has come often to OFJ, and his audience continues to grow. This April he presents a fresh lecture, Living Life More Fully in the Shadow of Mortality. His workshop, Taking Your Life Back: Steps to the Recovery of a Personal Journey, will offer us 21 steps for reclaiming what gets buried, denied, and split off, so that we can regain connection with our own sovereignty. We expect a large crowd and have a special venue for his lecture.

As you can see, riches lie ahead. Your program brochure should arrive at your address at month’s end, and our website will have additional program details and offer online registration.

* Please note: our Jan. and Feb. workshops will each be limited to 30 participants. Volunteers, scrip will not be accepted for admission to those 2 workshops.

When we allow ourselves to be irritated out of our wits by something, let us not assume that the cause of our irritation lies simply and solely outside us, in the irritating thing or person . . . while all the time we are raging against an unconscious part of ourselves which is projected into the exasperating object.

— C.G. Jung, CW Vol 8, 2nd edition, para. 516
Thank You for Caring

Jung wrote, “Love alone is useless if it does not also have understanding. And for the proper use of understanding, a wider consciousness is needed, and a higher standpoint to enlarge one's horizon.”  (CW Vol 13, para. 391)

As we near the end of 2016, Oregon Friends of Jung remains committed to providing programs that deepen understanding of ourselves and the world, and that expand consciousness. Please help us continue to do so by remembering OFJ when you consider the many worthy organizations that appeal to your heart and soul.

We rely on your membership dues, your attendance at workshops, and your donations to keep going. Each weekend program involves significant costs: speaker honorarium, airfare, hotel, venue, and so on. We also have library and office rental, plus ongoing website and IT costs. We want to welcome anyone eager for Jungian insights, so we also offer scholarships to those who cannot afford our programs.

You can donate at the registration table in the lobby, mail a check (811 NW 20th, Portland OR 97209), or donate online at www.ofj.org by clicking the Donate button on the home page. We are a 501(c)3 non-profit educational organization, so your donation may be tax deductible.

For 42 years, OFJ has been here for many seekers on their individuation path. We would not exist without your support. Thank you.

Hearing-assistance devices are available free for lecture attendees. Find the table in the lobby with the yellow sign. We’ll take your phone number and a driver’s license or a credit card. Devices have simple instructions attached, or the table volunteer can set you up. At lecture’s end, bring the device back and collect your ID.

⇒ Just at press-time, we received this note that we decided was worth sharing—

Greetings, “Friends” —

My holiday shopping is done! Just bought Ninja PJs for the grandson, a cordless drill for the niece, wool socks for some homeless clients, and a faux lambs-wool pet bed with self-warming “space blanket” technology for Princess.

OFJ will also be getting a check! How cool is that? All I had to do to make this happen was go to Smile.Amazon.com and choose “Oregon Friends of C G Jung” as my charity. Took 5 seconds and cost nothing for me to join or for you to receive periodic donations. (It turns out that Amazon Prime, which does charge a fee, is something else entirely. Who knew?)

From now on, I’ll shop at www.Smile.amazon.com. Nothing else is different—Amazon keeps track of my orders, etc. just as it always has. Super simple.

See you in dreamland,
Your Secret Santa

We invite you to visit us online at www.OFJ.org. Feel free to contact us at 503-223-3080 or by email via our website. A member of our Board will get back to you.