

“Notes”

Eastern Regional Holding Group Agenda 01/21/2021 7:30 PM Est 6:30 Cst

Attendees: Dave Mansur, Cathy Green, Gino Ver Eecke, Sheena Ifkovitch

*Verse - Verse for America

May our feeling penetrate
Into the center of our heart,
And seek, in love, to unite itself
With the human beings seeking the same goal,
With the spirit beings who, bearing grace,
Strengthening us from realms of light
And illuminating our love,
Are gazing down upon
Our earnest, heart-felt striving.
Translation by Frederick Heckel

*Check-ins

No notes taken

*Study – The Life Nature and Cultivation of Anthroposophy Letter 3

Anthroposophy -> Truth; Society -> Life (p. 20)

Paths from soul to soul – How can we address that consciously?

Going from reading material to action

Is the Anthroposophical Life confined to the study group?

Singleness of purpose

Presence of Christ should be felt in the walls

Seeing more deeply into the other

Reality of the hierarchies as example of truths that have sunk in over time

RS asks us not to become elitist and to honor new energy

Life should flow from the spirit which yields new anthroposophical life into the branches

Do we even know the people we've studied with for decades?

Can personality get in the way of sharing of higher selves?

Anthroposophical ideas are fashioned out of love

Next time Letter IV

- Treasurer report

Postponed pending ASA closing of annual books

- Web Site-

Sent to John Beck

John will send us a draft in 2 weeks

Cathy will circulate

Mid Atlantic Website

No progress to report

Gino and Sheena to connect and see if they can get it moving
Even a front page would be helpful

- Newsletter February 23 7:30-9:00
 - Dave update for ERHG transitions- Group Study work- (Cathy)
What have we been working on?
What do we see for 2021?
Are we becoming aware of what's happening?
Invite branches to discuss events? What they need?
2021 – understanding sections more; how we can meet them and create a bridge to Branch work on the Eastern region
General section work
Mid Atlantic had a conference
Let them know different areas are striving to be active. We help financially
Recording? What do we need to do ahead of time?
Report on the Branch meeting

 - Dave to contact Larry Carter about update on Fellowship rebuilding
Larry grateful for the opportunity

 - Dave or Gino to contact Rudiger to ask him to discuss difference between sections and collegium
On hold
 - Sheena to contact Sherry to see if agriculture section would like to offer something
Sherry pointed us to Alex Tuchman. Dave will contact.
 - Group Discussion-
What can we do for you?
How do we envision emerging from quarantine?
Polarities.
How can we invite Christ into the conversation? Christ as mediator.
We can't figure it out intellectually.
Problems of the social life can only be solved from the spirit out
Finding of Christ is the solution
People want to intellectually have actionable goals – we really need to elevate the conversation to allow Spirit to enter
If you're not sitting there intellectualizing it, what are you doing?
Include introductory anthroposophical content
What verses have they been working with? What content are you working with?

- Questions I have for discussion.
 - When should we circulate the notice for the newsletter event .

- o Should we ask branches to make announcements of how they are doing and what events they are working on this year ?
- o Invitation should ask members to bring forward ideas on how to emerge, and what Society needs?
- Other topics touched
 - February 16 National Branch meeting
 - Biographical work offered. Need 12. How about the 3 areas?
 - Goetheanum climate change from Natural Science Section – invite for next session
 - Follow-up meeting with other Regional Councils

*Closing verse - Verse for America