**PORTLAND BRANCH NEWSLETTER TEAM UPDATE**

By Jannebeth Röell, Diane Rumage, and James Lee

What’s happening in our anthroposophical community? When is the next great event taking place? How do we find out? For almost seven years now, the answers to these questions have been found by reading the Portland Branch Newsletter or by visiting the Portland Branch website. The newsletter team develops these information portals for the Portland Branch. The newsletter team includes Jannebeth Röell, Diane Rumage, and James Lee.

The impulse for communication lives within the community and its members. The newsletter provides a forum where community members write about their work and exchange ideas, where biographical reporting introduces community members to each other, where readers find current events, and where interested readers can pour through reports of recent or future activities. Readers can sign up for the full color newsletter at the Portland Branch website by clicking the “join our e-mail list” button and entering an e-mail address. Find the Portland Branch website at [www.PortlandAnthroposophy.org](http://www.PortlandAnthroposophy.org). Black and white paper copies of the newsletter are available at Waldorf schools and anthroposophical clinics throughout the region.

The newsletter team would like to make known our intention to step back from this work at the end of 2011, with the publication of the December 2011 newsletter. Our hope is that other community members will step forward and continue the work. The Portland Branch is searching for new members to help it achieve its communication goals. If you have an interest to be part of this work, you may go to the Branch website and send a message to the Branch Council through the “Contact” tab. Do it now. Your participation will make a difference. Read on to learn more about what we do.

The newsletter team receives articles each month from around the world, and this initiative by members and friends is a significant motive force behind Portland Branch communications. The newsletter team works on all aspects of publishing the periodical, although areas of specific responsibility have developed over time. Jannebeth Röell seeks articles on art and health and is responsible for the calendar. Diane Rumage is our biographical correspondent and chief proofreader. James Lee is responsible for collecting and assembling each month’s contributions, for publishing the newsletter, and keeping the website current. The entire team participates in the editing process.

Jannebeth interacts monthly with FedEx Kinko’s and the USPS post office. Jannebeth writes: Both organizations see me every month. On many occasions, they acknowledge me as a regular customer from the “antropomorphical” group. One time someone said “you are with the “astroharmonical” group, right?” I thought the last one really got it right, and that it is a great way to characterize our profoundest intentions.

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Paper editions of the newsletter are available at the following venues:

- Takacs Clinic
- Portland Waldorf School
- Cedarwood Waldorf School
- Swallowtail School
- Micha-el Waldorf Training
- Eugene Waldorf School
- Corvallis Waldorf School
- Waldorf School of Bend
- Pohala Clinic
- Healthbridge

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This brings up the issue of time. We strive to publish the newsletter and calendar are also posted on the Portland Branch website at www.portlandbranch.org.

The Portland Anthroposophic Times is published twelve times a year by the Portland Branch of the Anthroposophical Society in America to serve members and friends in the wider anthroposophical community. Printed copies of the newsletter are available at the Takacs Clinic, Portland Waldorf School, Cedarwood Waldorf School, Shining Star and Swallowtail School. The newsletter and calendar are also posted on the Portland Branch website at www.portlandbranch.org.

Questions, suggestions and submissions may be sent by e-mail to anthroposophy@earthlink.net. Items selected for publication in the Portland Anthroposophic Times may be edited for style, content and length. The deadline for submissions to the Portland Anthroposophic Times is the first day of each month for publication in that month’s edition. Submit calendar items to branchcalendar@mindspring.com no later than the first of each month for publication in the next edition.

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I had tasks such as reaching out to folks for calendar info and articles, proofreading, occasional folding and mailing, and wrote articles about the zodiac. Then I decided after experiencing the well-meant, yet sometimes misunderstood interactions of various community members, to interview members of the region for their biographical sketches so folks could have an expanded scope in viewing each other. Intending to serve others, I discovered unbelievable riches while reaching out to the community, which in turn reached back to me from Europe, Asia, Australia and all around America. Folks called or e-mailed me that they were encouraged to join the Anthroposophical Society, or move to the Portland area, or connect with others of like interest, all through coming across our newsletter in paper form or online. Several isolated or homebound people were especially grateful to feel connected. And the bond between our valiant editor, the patient calendar creator/mailer and myself grew strong, as we supported each other in our community endeavor. Little did I think I would be at it 7 years later. It is now time to hand over the reins to another team. Volunteers, anyone?

James coordinates the communications effort with other members of the newsletter team and the larger anthroposophical community to produce the monthly newsletter and keep the website current. He writes: The most pressing concern at the onset of our work was obtaining relevant and timely articles for publication, to find the voice of the community and share it with others. Our goal has always been to provide a window into the
anthroposophical community here in Portland and the neighboring Pacific Northwest, while stimulating dialog and social weaving among members. At the beginning, this was not easy and many newsletter editions contained interesting articles from other sources. Gradually, the community began to provide regular articles and this stimulated others to write, sometimes from afar. Possibly the most excellent articles carried by the newsletter over the past seven years are the biographical sketches of local members written by Diane Rumage. We have received many positive comments on this series, in addition to gaining knowledge about interesting people in our community.

I am surprised at the strength of interest in the Portland Branch Newsletter from friends and communities located across the country and farther afield. They have written to us, contributed to the work, and supported the Branch with enthusiasm. On several occasions early on, when interactions with the community slowed, we received notes of appreciation and encouragement that kept us going, just in time. On one occasion, a reader wrote that she was unable to drive to anthroposophical events because of her age and health. She said she received great benefit from the newsletter because it informed her about anthroposophical work by community members. Knowing that others are actively working with anthroposophy gave this person solace.

Another reader wrote to say she was a closet anthroposophist. Her husband didn’t know she read books by Rudolf Steiner and it gave her support to learn that others also have an interest in anthroposophy.

The newsletter and website have prospered during the past seven years with great support from the community. During this time, the newsletter team published the monthly newsletter and either e-mailed them to members or distributed them by USPS mail to individual members or in bulk to various Waldorf schools and medical clinic outlets around the Northwest. We have greatly benefited from this opportunity to serve the community and look forward to what the next seven years will bring to community communications.

**NEWS FROM AFAR**

By Siegward Elsas, Buchenbach, Germany

Yumiko and I participated in the AGM in Dornach on April 14-15. It was a great experience and an important meeting. I had heard that many members in the US had much concern about this meeting, but all went well in a good spiritual atmosphere.

Because of the unusually large number of participants (over 1300 representing about 2.8% of all world members) we were in the Grundsteinsaal and followed the proceedings by video... Members including myself who made comments were first guided through the bowels of the stage so they could enter the large hall to make their contributions.

The anthroposophic society here in Europe is going through important changes, as anthroposophy increasingly becomes part of public life. From my point of view, a kind of growing up is taking place where many comfortable habits of the past in a smaller society have to change and develop into more mature and responsible ways of human interaction. It seems to me that topics of the Dornach AGMs in the last ten years or so arose out of this situation.

Out of the many issues discussed this year at the AGM, I can only cover one, which seemed to me to be the most critical. Some very valid and serious concerns were voiced around complex events at the Goetheanum, unfortunately in the form of a question of trust in the members of the Vorstand, where it really is an issue of
structure. Briefly put, many members have been frustrated about the decrease of real life in the sections and vocational trainings around the Goetheanum, while there has been a continual increase in administration, where now most Vorstand members are no longer section leaders as they originally were when Rudolf Steiner founded the School of Spiritual Science at the Goetheanum. Decisions by the Vorstand, to have the last word on affairs of the Goetheanum itself including the stage, rather than the respective section leaders, seemed hard to follow for many members. For example, at present, the stage is supervised by the medical doctor Seija Zimmermann instead of the section for eurythmy, speech, drama and music. To solve these issues, as one of many speakers, I proposed during the meeting that it would make more sense if the same individuals were members of the Vorstand and section leaders at the same time, as it was with the original Vorstand initiated by R. Steiner. Much positive feedback was generated by this idea; it remains to be seen how such a structural transformation at the Goetheanum could become possible.

After a very productive discussion, all members of the Vorstand were confirmed and many other important issues some of which are not easy to understand were brought to the awareness of members in a productive way. I believe this was a very productive meeting and good changes will come from it.

THE UNRELIABILITY OF MS VON HALLE’S SPIRITUAL EXPERIENCES: Usher Responds to Mullen

Stephen E. Usher, Ph.D., Austin, TX

Before I was able to accept Rudolf Steiner’s seeming contradictions as statements made from different perspectives, I first had to take up his challenge to accept nothing he said on face value and then convince myself that he was generally presenting objective truths from spiritual realities. For me this conviction arose from study of his epistemological writings that convinced me of the power and accuracy of his thinking and from years of wrestling with Steiner’s seeming contradictions, which led to epiphanies resolving many contradictions.

My purpose in reading Ms von Halle was to ascertain through the same kind of critical evaluation the validity of her claim of being an initiate and accomplished spiritual scientist. In undertaking this study I deliberately ignored the sensational phenomena of her stigmata and breatharianism as they have no bearing on the validity of her visions. (Indeed, Rudolf Steiner observed that stigmata could be a “condition of sickness.” (5/30/1908, Gospel of St. John) Before writing my article, I actually lived with von Halle’s Jehovah contradiction for almost two years. In contrast to my experience with Rudolf Steiner, I find no reason to trust the accuracy of Ms von Halle’s seership.

Von Halle’s Jehovah contradiction is not the only one. Consider what she says about the Garden of Gethsemane (page 112). She states Christ was actually afraid of the approaching physical suffering. “So He no longer felt only horror at the awfulness and vast amount of sins, but horror at seeing how they had to be redeemed, horror at the vision of the physical suffering. After that, the first sweat of blood appeared on His forehead.” [Italics added]

Rudolf Steiner gives a rather different account in his Mark Cycle.

“[D]oes anyone believe, can anyone believe that Christ became anguished in face of death, of the Mystery of Golgotha, and that He sweated blood because of the approaching event of Golgotha? Anyone who could believe that would show he had little understanding for the Mystery of Golgotha; it may be in accord with theology, but it shows no insight. Why does Christ become distressed? He does not tremble before the cross; that goes without saying. He is distressed above all in the face of this question, ‘Will those whom I have with me here stand the test of this moment when it will be decided whether they want to accompany me in their souls, whether they want to experience everything with me until the cross?’” (Sept. 23, 1912)

Rudolf Steiner completely dismisses any notion that Christ feared physical suffering. Indeed, he says that a person who thinks such a thing demonstrates a lack of understanding of the Mystery of Golgotha. But von Halle’s visions find Christ fearing physical suffering! So, if we reason along with Steiner, we have to conclude she understands little of the Mystery of Golgotha! Moreover, to the extent that von Halle’s depiction of Christ’s state of soul at Gethsemane is accepted as a valid spiritual scientific finding, the record of spiritual scientific discoverers is demeaned.

Readers interested in a longer version of Dr. Usher’s response to Mr. Mullen can obtain one by requesting it by e-mail at usher1879@gmail.com.
RUDOLF STEINER’S VISION:
How can we create a future worthy of the human being?

National Conference Celebrating the
150th Anniversary of Rudolf Steiner’s Birth
October 14-16, 2011
Portland Waldorf School

This 2011 annual conference and members’ meeting of the Anthroposophical Society in America is being presented in collaboration with the Portland Branch and the Western Regional Council.

The planning committee has been working all year to shape a gathering that will provide an opportunity for fellow Anthroposophists to reflect and re-energize during this 150th anniversary year. Together we will seek to understand how Rudolf Steiner’s gifts to the world are crucial, if we are to create a future worth living; and how we can ensure that his vision can remain living and continue to evolve. We will explore how each of us can contribute to fulfilling this vision. Our explorations will proceed thoughtfully, artistically, and out of our own life experience. A goal of our time together is to gain inspiration for bringing something new into our lives, and into the future. Our task is to evolve, to become more fully human. Anthroposophy supports this evolutionary path.

Friday will begin with a reception and an evening of readings and music designed to bring Rudolf Steiner into the room. On Saturday, we have planned for you experiences with group speech, group singing, and the Foundation Stone in Eurythmy.

Our keynote speaker will be Virginia Sease, coming all the way from the Goetheanum for the occasion, who will address Rudolf Steiner’s Vision for the Human Being: Love Manifested Through Spiritual Activity. In the afternoon, we have an amazing line-up of workshops – the difficulty will be in choosing just one! One of these workshops may speak especially to you, to the way you see yourself working toward the future. We invite everyone to Steiner’s Saturday evening Birthday Bash, which will be an evening of drama, music, dancing and fun for the whole community.

A brochure and registration form will soon be available, in print form and on our website.

For more information, to volunteer help, and for work study opportunities, contact Valerie Hope, 503-775-0778. valerieannhpdx@aol.com.

www.PortlandAnthroposophy.org
Ongoing Activities and Study Groups

Anthroposophical Course for Young Doctors, Study Group
1st Tuesday of the month 7:30 PM
Pohala Clinic, 12050 SE Holgate Blvd.
Contact Julie Foster by phone at (503) 572-4196 or by e-mail at julie@pohalaclinic.com.

Karma Exercises and Study
1st and 3rd Thursdays at 7:00 PM
NE Portland
The study group has just completed its multi-year work with the entire Karmic Relationships lecture cycle, and is now starting to work with Rudolf Steiner’s karma exercises. Call James Lee for information 503 249-3804 or send an e-mail to him at anthroposophy@earthlink.net.

Knowledge of the Higher Worlds
1st and 3rd Tuesdays 7:30 - 9:00 PM
3046 NE 33rd Avenue, Portland, OR 97212
Contact Donna Patterson and Bob Kellum at 503-331-7393.

Moms’ and Dads’ Parenting Group
2nd Mondays
North Portland
This group is intended for parents of very young children wishing to connect through the inspiration of Rudolf Steiner's lectures and writings specifically regarding the incarnation and growth of the young child and how we can apply this wisdom to our modern day circumstances as parents. Meets for potluck and discussion 6:00 - 8:00PM at Rose Hip Preschool in North Portland, please contact Kristin Zay (formerly Kresch) for more information at 503-830-1003 or heyheykk@gmail.com.

Mystery Dramas, with Speech-Formation Exercises
2nd and 4th Wednesdays
7:30 - 9:00 PM, in SW Portland
Currently working on the 2nd Mystery Drama by Rudolf Steiner, The Soul's Probation. No acting experience necessary, just a love of the Word. Contact Diane Rumage by e-mail at drumage@comcast.net or by phone at (503) 908-0131 for information.

Portland Waldorf School Community Choir
Friday morning from 8:45 - 10:15 am
Portland Waldorf School, 2300 SE Harrison Street, Milwaukie in the Orchard Room
Whenever school is in session. Anyone in and outside the PWS community who enjoys singing songs through the seasons, across the centuries and around the world is very welcome, including drop ins. This event is free and a community builder. More information: Marion Van Namen (503) 956-4046.

Portland Youth Discussion Group
At the moment the group is taking a break. Please contact Chrystal Godleske if you are interested in meeting again. socialsculptor@gmail.com.

Waldorf Education and Teacher Training
Lectures and courses conducted throughout the year by the Micha-el Institute. Contact John Miles at 503/774-4946. johncmiles@usa.net.

Events

Homage to The Soul
JUNE 2-JULY 30
Equilibrium :1706 NW Glisan Street #5, Portland
New paintings by artist and therapist Robin Lieberman based on indications given by Rudolf Steiner on Thirteen Soul Moods published in Eurythmy as Visible Speech. A two month show at Equilibrium beginning with a First Thursday Artist Reception, June 2. Contact: 503- 228- 5000.

First Class of the School of Spiritual Science
Sunday JUNE 12
5919 SE Division St., Portland, OR 97207. Bothmer Hall
Blue card required 9:30 AM sharp. Lesson 15. Please contact Diane Rumage at (503) 908-0131 or Cheri Munske at (503) 772-2632

Portland Branch Council Meeting
Monday JUNE 13
1304 SE Main Street, Portland, OR 97214.
7 PM – 9PM at the home of Chrystal Godleske. Phone 503-816-2440 All Branch members are welcome to attend.

Renewing Human and Natural Systems through Agriculture
JUNE 17-19
S&S Homestead Farm, Lopez Island, Washington
Come and learn about Biodynamic agriculture. Biodynamic workshops and intensive sessions. For detailed info: www.sshomestead.org

Redeeming the Realm of Rights
JUNE 30 - JULY 3
Hawthorne Valley School: 330 Route 21C, Ghent, NY
This conference will be on Rights and Democracy, hosted by the Social Sciences Section of North America. Along with presentations we will employ artistic exercises and focused and free-form conversations to gain insights and develop new capacities. For more information, contact Gary Lamb, garylamb@taconic.net; 518-672-4465. Ext. 223.

The Zodiac and World Evolution in the Light of Divine Sophia
JULY 8-10
Huckleberry Hall, Seattle Waldorf School, 2728 NE 100th Street, Robert Powell PhD returns to Seattle to continue the work of Sophia, the Divine Feminine, in our time. Contact A.Tompot tompotwink@gmail.com or for details http://www.seattleanthroposophy.org
First Class of the School of Spiritual Science  
Sunday JULY 10  
5919 SE Division St., Portland, OR 97207. Bothmer Hall  
Blue card required 9:30 AM sharp. Lesson 16. Please contact Diane Rumage at (503) 908-0131 or Cheri Munske at (503) 772-2632. There will be NO meeting in August.

Portland Branch Council Meeting  
Monday JULY 11  
1304 SE Main Street, Portland, OR 97214.  
7 PM – 9PM at the home of Chrystal Godleske. Phone 503-816-2440 All Branch members are welcome to attend.

Nineteen Lessons of the First Class  
AUGUST 7-12,  
9200 Fair Oaks Blvd., Fair Oaks, CA 95628  
Tel 916–961-8727. The School for Spiritual Science would like to invite all members of the School for Spiritual Science to a conference of the nineteen lessons, to be held at 9200 Fair Oaks Blvd., Fair Oaks, CA 95628. Look for more information in the Anthroposophical Society’s newsletter being human.

The Soul’s Probation  
AUGUST 17 – 21  
260 Hungry Hollow Road, Chestnut Ridge, NY 10977  
The Spring Valley Drama Group will present Rudolf Steiner's second mystery drama, during a conference to mark the 100th anniversary of the play's first performance in Munich, Germany. info@threefold.org

First Class of the School of Spiritual Science  
Sunday, SEPTEMBER 11  
5919 SE Division St., Portland, OR 97207. Bothmer Hall  
Blue card required 9:30 AM sharp. Lesson 17. Please contact Diane Rumage at (503) 908-0131 or Cheri Munske at (503) 772-2632

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Monday SEPTEMBER 12  
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7 PM – 9PM at the home of Chrystal Godleske. Phone 503-816-2440 All Branch members are welcome to attend.

Karma, Reincarnation and Biography and Rudolf Steiner’s Core Mission – Parts I and II  
SEPTEMBER 23-24  
5919 SE Division St., Portland, OR 97207 - Bothmer Hall, 7:30 PM – 9:30 PM  
The Portland Branch of the Anthroposophical Society is sponsoring this lecture series as part of the 150th anniversary celebration of Rudolf Steiner’s birth. Thomas Meyer will speak on the topics of Karma, Reincarnation and Biography by bringing alive the biographies of Laurence Oliphant (see Karmic Relationships Lecture by Rudolf Steiner on August 24, 1924) and Rudolf Steiner’s core mission - reincarnation and karma. Thomas will also speak about the significant youth friend Friedrich Eckstein, also born in February 1861. The participant can expect to receive insight into Rudolf Steiner’s work on karma. Cost for the two-lecture series is $30 when purchased before the first lecture. The cost of individual lectures is $20. Pay online at www.PortlandAnthroposophy.org. Refreshments will be served after the lecture. Contact Valerie Hope valerieannhpdx@aol.com

Discussion of current events in the light of Anthroposophy  
Sunday, SEPTEMBER 25  
5919 SE Division St., Portland, OR 97207 Bothmer Hall, 3pm  
On Sunday Thomas will bring his perspective on current events in the light of Anthroposophy – a direction that we are excited to initiate in our community. Donations accepted for the Sunday lecture. Pay at the branch website online at www.PortlandAnthroposophy.org or contact Valerie Hope at valerieannhpdx@aol.com for more information and to reserve your place.

How can we create a future worthy of the human being?  
OCTOBER 14-16  
Portland Waldorf School.

This year's annual general meeting of the U.S. Anthroposophical Society is an especially important one, as it celebrates the 150th anniversary of Rudolf Steiner's birth. In honor of the occasion, a very special conference has been planned, designed to help us explore how each of us can most effectively take part in the positive evolution of humanity. Our keynote speaker, Virginia Sease will come all the way from the Goetheanum to speak to: Rudolf Steiner's Vision for the Human Being: Love Manifested Through Spiritual Activity. In addition, an impressive lineup of workshops is planned, and time for conversation to digest all that we hear. Everyone is invited to Steiner's Saturday evening Birthday Bash, which will be an evening of drama, music, dancing and fun for the whole community. A brochure and registration form will soon be available, in print and online at the national and Portland websites. Portland Branch’s website address is www.portlandbranch.com. Portland is honored to be hosting this event, and grateful to the Portland Waldorf School Community for their hospitality. For more information, to volunteer help, and for work study opportunities contact Valerie Hope, 503-775-0778. valerieannhpdx@aol.com
**Embryo In Motion: Understanding Ourselves as Embryo**

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This beautiful 4-DVD set that was professionally recorded live in Portland, OR, June 3–6, 2010.

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THOMAS MEYER COMES TO PORTLAND IN SEPTEMBER

Rudolf Steiner’s Core Mission: Karma, Reincarnation and Biography – Parts I and II
Friday, September 23rd and Saturday, September 24th
Location: Bothmer Hall, 7:30 PM – 9:30 PM

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Discussion of Current Events in the Light of Anthroposophy
Sunday, September 25th
Location: Bothmer Hall, 3:00 PM

Thomas will pick some key events out of the turbulent occurrences of recent times. He will look at the spiritual side of the money crisis and the impacts that lying about events has on our consciousness. Finally, he will outline the positive possibilities that Anthroposophy offers to co-shape the course of events.

Cost for the two-lecture series on Karma is $30 when purchased before the first lecture. The cost of individual lectures is $20; donations accepted for the Sunday lecture. Pay online at www.PortlandAnthroposophy.org. Contact Valerie Hope at valerieannhpdx@aol.com for more information and to reserve your place.

Thomas Meyer (b. 1950) is a resident of Basel Switzerland, where he is fully engaged in Anthroposophical work as a freelance writer, publisher (see www.perseus.ch), lecturer and teacher of Rudolf Steiner’s legacy of Spiritual Science. Thomas publishes a monthly magazine Der Europaer which includes historical and current events seen from the light of an Anthroposophical world view. Thomas has written such monumental books as D.N.Dunop, A Man Of Our Times; and the truly amazing book Light For The New Millenium. These two books alone rank Thomas Meyer as an outstanding historian on the work of Rudolf Steiner. They are also highly educational for coming to an understanding of Rudolf Steiner as the greatest occultist of the twentieth century. People don't generally realize that in the two above mentioned books the daily life of Anthroposophy’s founder comes into view in a way that cannot be experienced from any other source. Another book on Thomas’s roster is Reality, Truth and Evil, a collection of facts about the days in and around the destruction of the Twin Trade Towers in New York City on September 11th 2001. His book has been acclaimed by the 9 \ 11 Truth Organization for finding facts that no one else writing about these events found. Thomas has also written is a small book - Clairvoyance and Consciousness – on the difference between clairvoyance in ancient times and the clairvoyant consciousness that is attainable today. The Bodhisattva Question – on Krishnamurti, Tomberg, the masters etc . – was just reissued in an revised edition, including the lectures by Vreede on the subject. The Death of Merlin is a collection of writings by Walter Johannes Stein, one of the most creative spirits in Rudolf Steiner's closest entourage.