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A Statement From the Board

As COVID persists, we will continue hosting the Fall meetings of the Jung Society on Zoom. It has been a delightful surprise to experience such a breadth and depth of our Jungian community through the Zoom format over these past seasons, and we look forward to seeing all of you who are joining in from near and far.

Each of you who has shared your email address with us will receive a link for the upcoming Zoom sessions on the day prior to each presentation, so please be sure we have your email address to be included in the Zoom sessions.

We are also collecting Membership dues and also the fee for each presentation, and we trust that you will be as supportive as you are able. You can now make payments through a PayPal link on our website, or you can use the form included in this newsletter to mail in Membership dues and Presentation fees.

However, we will still send out the Zoom link to everyone on our list for the presentations and hope you can join in. A special thanks to all those who contributed this past year, and we appreciate your support as we go into the new season.

<u>Thursday, September 8th, 2022: 7:00pm – 9:00pm</u> Why the Doorway to the Transcendent is Often Unavailable: A Grail Perspective Lecture by Ken Schmitz

Separation is an experience that defines our current culture. Separation politically, Separation religiously, Separation in communities, Separation in families, and most critically, Separation within our own psyche. In other words, we are living in the Waste Land.

The myth of Parzival and his search for the Grail not only gives us an incisive diagnosis of what ails us, but gives us a roadmap to heal the separation and participate in our own individuation. This presentation will explore this drama and will especially highlight our desire to experience the Transcendent.

Ken Schmitz has been a Jungian based psychotherapist for over 40 years. Ken is the author of Search for the Grail, <u>www.searchforthegrail.com</u> and Soul Stories From The Street, <u>www.soulstoriesfromthestreet.com</u>



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<u>Thursday, October 13th, 2022: 7:00pm – 9:00pm</u> *A Journey into the Queen Archetype Lecture* by Claudia Schmitt, MDiy, Diplomate Jungian Analyst

A journey into the realm of the Queen archetype reveals the countless manifestations of the feminine dynamic. The eternal repetitions of her archetypal pattern have shaped, magnified, and propelled her powerful dynamic both in the external world and the inner psychological sphere. We witness the significance of her sovereignty in nature, in social systems, in myths, in fairy tales, in alchemy, the individual psyche, and in the Self. This presentation will explore these varied and fascinating dynamics of the Queen archetype.

Claudia Schmitt, MDiv, is a diplomate Jungian Analyst (2020) trained through the C.G. Jung Institute of Colorado. She completed a double major in Psychology and Communications from California State University, Chico, and an MDiv degree from the lliff School of Theology, Denver. Claudia has a parttime private practice and serves on the CGJIC Board. She is also a United Church of Christ minister for a church in Wheat Ridge, Colorado



<u>Thursday, November 10th, 2022: 7:00pm – 9:00pm</u> *Psychic Metamorphoses in Psychoanalysis and Ancient Greek Thought Lecture* by Marcia D-S. Dobson, Ph.D.



Metamorphoses of Psyche in Psychoanalysis and Ancient Greek Thought

From Mourning to Creativity Marcia D-S. Dobson



My talk will be based on my new book, which is in the process of being published. It is about creating a psyche that sees from the perspective of the liminal, honoring multiplicity as central to the creation of the whole person.

Living liminally or "on the threshold," demands a poetic sensibility, and the courage always to be receptive to psychic experiences that open beyond the boundaries of sense, ego, and even common notions of what constitutes sanity. It means directing our attention to transitions rather than beginnings or endings and risking experiences of clairvoyance, hallucinations, fantasies, divine inspiration, psychic multiplicity, empathic fields, artistic inspiration, deep

intimacies, and the bursting of light and spirit through them all.

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This is what I want to share with you – and to elicit your own thoughts and experiences in return.

Looking back today, I find all my personal and intellectual forays have been about the same thing. Mine has not been so much a search for truth that keeps faltering along the way and continually seeking a new compass, but rather has developed into a confluence of themes that deepens and expands meanings as it constellates them, that runs from many streams into a single flowing river.

Marcia D-S. Dobson, Ph.D., has been an award-winning Professor of Classics at Colorado College for over forty years, where she specializes in ancient Greek language, drama, and mythology. She holds a second Ph.D. in psychology from Pacifica Graduate Institute, and cochairs the Psychoanalysis Minor at Colorado College. Marcia has a private psychotherapeutic practice in Colorado Springs and is a former president of the Colorado Springs Jung Society.

<u>Thursday, December 8th, 2022: 7:00pm – 9:00pm</u> The Guiding Spirit in Each of Our Dreams

Lecture by Christine Chapman, M.Psych (Clin), Alan Drymala, LPC, and Kathryn Kuisle, Ph.D.



This year we are continuing our exploration of the archetypal nature of our dreams, as revealed by a local dreamer. It's easy for dreamers to think that the images in their dreams are not archetypal, simply because the dream might not have the numinous quality of a big dream. Yet every dream image has an archetypal core. If we overlook this archetypal element of our dreams, then we are missing the huge healing, transformative, and also confronting energies that lie in the deeper layers of the psyche. The ego can rebel and demand the centrality of its own associations with dream images, not realizing that this is the starting place for further associations, not the end point. If we stay with the personal, then ultimately we risk staying stuck in the same old complexes in endless rotations.

But if we follow the hints and clues into the deeper symbolic material, then the dreamer's life itself can take on a whole new unexpected landscape. The archetypal world is not a mystery 'out there', to be sought through the instruction of experts from 'far away'. It lives right here, right now in each of us, and is communicated faithfully and repeatedly in our humble dreams.

This evening, we will explore a single dream with a local dreamer in conversation with her, so that we can discuss both the personal and archetypal nature of the dream images and how they mesh and interweave in their meanings to lead the dreamer in her individuation journey.

Christine Chapman, M.Psych (Clin), is a Diplomate Jungian analyst with her diploma from the Research and Training Centre for Depth Psychology according to C.G. Jung and Marie-Louise von Franz in Zurich, Switzerland. She is currently establishing a practice here in Colorado Springs and has been working as a psychologist for over 25 years in Australia. She specializes in the feminine aspects of the psyche in Depth Psychology.

Alan Drymala, LPC, is a Diplomate Jungian Analyst in Colorado and Texas and a graduate of the Centre for Depth Psychology in Zurich, Switzerland. He has an analytical practice here in Colorado Springs and has a passion for continuing the wisdom tradition of Jung through individual analysis, dream groups, and Jungian reading groups. His website is www.alandrymala.com.

Kathryn Kuisle, Ph.D., is the past president of our Society and a Jungian analyst with a private practice in Colorado Springs and Denver. She is a graduate of the C. G. Jung Institute in Zurich and holds a PhD in analytical psychology from Union Institute and University in Cincinnati. Dr. Kuisle is President of the C. G. Jung Institute of Colorado, where she is a senior analyst and member of the faculty. Her website is <u>www.kkuisle.com</u>.

Monday Jung Study Group

Alan Drymala, Jungian analyst, facilitates a **Jungian Study Group** each week from 6:30-8:00 p.m. on Zoom. The group is currently reading **Volume One** of the newly published **Collected Works of Marie-Louise von Franz**, titled **Archetypal Symbols in Fairy Tales**. Anyone interested in joining should contact Alan Drymala at <u>adrymala@gmail.com</u> for more information on material to be read as well as fees involved. Next starting point for new participants to join the group would be Monday, September 26th. Please consider joining in!

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- 2. A reduced entry fee at each event per season.
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