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The Next Round

Now that a new Committee has been elected, it is as if a burst of energy has been released, to impel new efforts to make HPB Lodge sing in all it does. Like the Chartres cathedral in the last Newsletter, structure and light will meet in some new ways and some old ways.

If this Society means something special to you and you would like to help it reach others, we would love to hear from you. We need people to power publicity, programme events, hosting, the library, making suppers etc. Now is the time to feel inspired, then act on it. Phone Murray on (09) 529-1743. We might phone you, too!

Membership Subscriptions

Thank you to the many members who have paid their subscriptions recently. If you haven't paid yet, please do it now before more time slips by.

Sacred Sites in Peru & Bolivia

With ancient temple sites and living Masters, this will be a great evening, with Denis Burrow and Robyn Roff. All welcome. 25 November, 7:30pm.

Top Notch Videos

November 5th and December 3rd are nights to leave home for, with top people and places in these 2 videos. See the Diary list on other side.

Christmas Party

Discover or rediscover the inner kid! Games, catching up with people and more. All welcome, and if you can sing, play, recite or do cartwheels, please contact Susan Skarsholt. Phone 846-2179. Bring a wrapped \$2 fun present.

Meditation & the Joy of Living

The Kingdom of Happiness lies within us, but most people do not know about it, nor how to access it. Meditation is the Path to discovery of this lost Kingdom. Top presenter Imre Vallyon. Wednesday 24 November at 7:15pm.

The New Committee

Election results from the AGM on 28 October are:

President:	Murray Stentiford
Vice Presidents:	Margaret Johns Gavin Laurie
Treasurer:	Renee Sell
Secretary:	Yolanda Verkooyen
Committee:	Gary Furniss Paul Henderson Alistair MacArthur Susan Skarsholt Valerie White

Thanks to past members Francis Evans and Robyn Roff, and welcome to incoming members Gary Furniss and Susan Skarsholt.

A Big Thank You

Thanks to all the workers and volunteers who helped HPB Lodge over the last year. Without you, the place would not have run.

Library Closing and Reopening

The HPB Library will close for the year on 18 December and will reopen 14 February 2005.

Till then, it's open weekdays 11:30am to 2pm, Saturday 10am to noon, and before Study Classes and public meetings.

For your diary

The Bardo Group will meet at 2pm every Saturday at Vasanta House until 27 November 2004. Ring Murray for details: 529-1743.

The Lamplighters' In-Depth Study Group meets in the HPB Library at 7:30pm on Tuesdays. Ring Gavin for details: 529-5958.

04-Nov-04	1:00pm	Thur	Lunchtime Meeting	Ecie Hursthouse	Compassion & Care in a Buddhist hospice
05-Nov-04	7:30pm	Fri	Video Evng	Keith Critchlow	Chartres, Heaven on Earth - the great cathedral
07-Nov-04	10:00am	Sun	Awareness D G	Caroline Williams & Gloria Powell	Druids' view of Connectedness, Therapeutic Touch
07-Nov-04	9:30am	Sun	Round Table	Group members	Ceremonial
08-Nov-04	7:30pm	Mon	Study Classes	Gavin Laurie	Mystery of the Pyramids – for both groups combined
14-Nov-04	10:00am	Sun	Awareness D G	Murray Stentiford	Social needs and applications, children
15-Nov-04	6:15pm	Mon	Study Classes + Founders	Several	Founders' Day celebration, potluck dinner first
21-Nov-04	10:00am	Sun	Awareness D G	Group members	Experiences of Energy, Unity and the Self
22-Nov-04	7:30pm	Mon	Study Classes	Margaret Johns, Gavin Laurie et al	A Vegetarian Life, Theosophical Books & Letters
24-Nov-04	7:15pm	Wed	Visiting Speaker	Imre Vallyon	Meditation and the Joy of Living
25-Nov-04	7:30pm	Thur	Members & Friends	Robyn Roff & Denis Burrow	Spiritual Sites in Peru and Bolivia - with pics
28-Nov-04	10:00am	Sun	Awareness D G	Murray Stentiford	The Teacher, inner and outer. Passing it on
29-Nov-04	6:30pm	Mon	Study Classes	Group members	Potluck dinner then Questions & Answers. FINAL NIGHT

02-Dec-04	1:00pm	Thur	Lunchtime Meeting	Chris Foote	Funerals in the 21st Century - dispelling the myths
03-Dec-04	7:30pm	Fri	Video Evng	Jill Purce & other leaders in the field	Of Sound, Mind and Body
04-Dec-04	7:30pm	Sat	Xmas Party	Us	Fun together

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The National Convention of the TS will be held in Hamilton, from 7th to 13th of January 2005. Contact TS HQ (09) 523-1797 for details.

Betty Bland, the featured speaker, is President of the TS in America, with a lovely balance of experiential knowledge, study and expressive eloquence!