

Bahá'í Newsletter

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Bahá'í Classes
Rockford Bahá'í Center
1650 Alpine Rd., Rockford, IL

Doors Open:
9:30AM
Devotions: 9:45AM
Classes 11AM

January 1: NO BAHÁ'Í SCHOOL

January 8: The life of Thomas Breakwell - **Dick Rundall**

January 15: Internet Opportunities to Study the Bahá'í Faith - **Earle Rowe**

January 22: What the heck is Consultation Anyway? - **Dick Rundall**

January 29: Education Under Fire: Iran's Discrimination Against the Bahá'í Faith - **Michelle Ryan**

Events

Prayer Group

Every Monday morning from 10:30-11:30AM is a Prayer Group Devotional at the Rockford Bahá'í Center, 1650 Alpine Rd., Rockford. Prayer requests may be given to Esther Cavataio at 815-282-4769 or Joy Rowe at 815-968-5306.

The Sacred Path

Every Wednesday evening is The Sacred Path Potluck, Devotional and Discussion beginning at 6PM at the Rundall's home, 413 Stiles Parkway, Rockford. Topics for January are:

Jan. 4: Poetry, Presenter: **Guerline Faustín** (Please bring your favorite poem)

Jan 11: Kebra Nagast (Book Review), Presenter: **Lionel Vil**

Jan. 18: Abraham: 1 God, 3 Wives, 5 Religions (Book Review), **Presenters:** **Barb Penn & Esther Cavataio**

Jan. 25: Cancer Survival Diet, Presenter: **Judy Moe**

Devotions & Prayers for Loved Ones Passed On to the Heavenly

Realm

Saturday, Jan. 7, 7PM at the Ballard's home, 7272 Sentinel Rd., Rockford. Come and share stories, thoughts and prayers for any loved ones who have passed and left a lasting impression on your life. You are welcome to bring something to share such as a picture, poem, or something you have created in their honor. Randy & Sharon Ballard, and Steve & Bobbi Jo Moe will host this event and provide tea and treats.

Devotions at River Bluff

Thursday, Jan. 12, 7:30PM will be Devotions sponsored by Kelly Rappacki & Sharon Davis. Call 815-962-1892 for more information.

Women's Spirit Night

Monday, Jan. 16, 7PM at the home of Sharon Davis, 25 Briar Ln., Rockford. There will be prayers, laughter, food & writing. Call 815-962-1892 for more information.

Life's Greatest Questions

Saturday, Jan. 21, 7PM

at the Ballard's, 7272 Sentinel Rd., Rockford. We have a great movie followed by dessert and discussion!

Tea Party & Luncheon

Phyllis Peterson is hosting a midwinter Tea Party & Luncheon, Saturday, Jan. 28, 1PM at her home, 7945 Coopers Hawk Trail, Machesney Park featuring lasagna, salmon, wild rice stuffing, mango salsa, & salad. She is requesting that party goers bring a dessert. She will be serving 15 different types of tea...5 black, 4 green, & 6 herbal. Phyllis has never asked for RSVP before, but this time it is necessary. Please call her at 815-633-0492 to reserve a place for you and your children.

Devotions & Conversation

Tuesday, Jan. 31, 7PM will be Devotions and Conversation at the home of Olga B in Belvidere. Please call Olga at 815-544-4424 or Sharon Davis at 815-962-1892 for directions.

Firesides & Discussions

Every Friday night in January there will be a discussion about The Bahá'í Faith held at the Rockford Bahá'í Center, 1650 Alpine Rd., Rockford. After a short introduction the topics for discussion will be determined by those in attendance. The following is a list of hosts for each

week:

Jan. 6 - Karen Johnson and Grace Wallace

Jan. 13 - Sharon and Randy Ballard

Jan. 20 - Judy Moe, Shelly Carroll and Sharon Davis

Jan. 27 - Rockford Township Community

All are welcome to join in and bring friends who would like to join in discussions about Bahá'u'lláh and His Healing Message. If you would like to help with refreshments, please contact the host.

If we have sinned against the man who loves us, have ever wronged a brother, friend or comrade,
The neighbor ever with us, or a stranger, remove from us the trespass.
If we as gamblers cheat at play, have cheated, done wrong unwittingly or sinned of purpose,
Cast all these sins away like loosened fetters, and let us be thine own beloved.
(A Hindu Prayer of Forgiveness from Hymns of the Rig-Veda)

SURA CXII (112) - The Unity (Mecca - 4 Verses) (X - 29)

In the Name of God, the Compassionate, the Merciful

Say: He is God alone:

God the eternal!

He begetteth not, and He is not begotten;

And there is none like unto Him.

JANUARY 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>1 Devotions 9:45AM No Classes</p>	<p>2 Prayer Group 10:30AM Deepening Noon</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4 The Sacred Path 6PM</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6 Fireside & Discussion 7PM</p>	<p>7 Devotions & Prayers for Loved Ones Passed On to the Heavenly Realm 7PM</p>
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