February 26, 2017 11 AM

Northern Virginia Ethical Society Platform Address

Northern VA Ethical Society

415 Windover Ave NW, Vienna, VA 22180

Meaning-Making in 21st Century Western Culture

The insular beliefs on which our traditional religions were formed are losing credibility due to recent scientific findings, historical discoveries and sociological trends such as global communications. Awareness of these aspects challenges us toward a broader, more comprehensive appreciation of the timeless and universal human drive to find meaning, and a hopeful view of how that could play out in the 21st century. Margaret spoke for the first time on topics relating to her second book, Rx for Spiritual Myopia.

December 18, 2016 10:30 AM

Platform discussion at Baltimore Ethical Society

​306 W Franklin St #102, Baltimore, MD 21201

Meaning-Making in 21st Century Western Culture  (described above)

November 17, 2016

Private Group Discussion

regarding Margaret's book, *Faith Beyond Belief*

“Spiritual Companions group)

at the Goodwin House, Falls Church, VA

(a follow-up to the May, 2016 event)

November 6, 2016 2:30 PM

Take Your Soul to the Polls event

[https://madmimi.com/s/b32ee8](https://madmimi.com/s/b32ee8%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank)

Hosted by Sister Jenna of the America Meditating Radio Show.

(Margaret was a panelist)

Fall, 2016

*[A Progressive and Rationalist View of the Road to Spiritual Maturity](https://www.olli-dc.org/StudyGroupDetail?studyGroupID=5414" \t "_self)*

8 session adult discussion course at

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at

American University, Washington, DC

(a repeat of Fall, 2015 course)

Private Discussion Group
May 19, 2016
"Spiritual Companions"
Goodwin House, Falls Church, VA

PLATFORM DISCUSSION
Sunday, February 14, 2016 11 AM

Northern Virginia Ethical Society
c/​o Green Hedges School
415 Windover Ave NW
Vienna, VA 22180

**Human Cultural Evolution, Ethical Attitudes We Project, and One New Thought to Consider Before You Vote.**

Though news reports make it sound like our society is becoming ever more chaotic, with mass shootings, bombings, and open disregard on the part of some would-be leaders for anyone who is other, there is light at the end of this dark tunnel. While many may not have noticed, our collective spiritual understandings have been evolving over the decades. A new perspective is emerging that calls all of us beyond our merely selfish concerns toward a higher level of responsibility to one another. This perspective comes with a new imperative we must factor into our choice of leaders.

OLLI-DC STUDY GROUP
A Progressive and Rationalist View of the Road to Spiritual Maturity

Mondays, October 12-November 30, 2015.
1 PM to 2:50 PM
Washington, DC 20007

The program will be balanced between didactic lessons and group discussion, depending on group preference. We will consider a progressive view of individual, personal spiritual development as described by five theorists, all of whose work contribute to the overall message that:
1) A unitive worldview (as opposed to divisiveness) is the highest level in spiritual maturity.
2) Greater truth is found in a metaphorical (as opposed to a literal) understanding of religious content.
3) Spiritual development theory and globalization is leading us to the recognition of all religions as localized expressions of a common human search for connection with something greater than ourselves.

RADIO INTERVIEW
Sunday, October 25, 2015 8:30 PM Eastern
www.LetsFaceItRadio.com
with hosts Wil Strayhorn and Alesha Brown

LIVE VIDEO INTERVIEW
Saturday, October 10, 2015 8 PM Eastern time
The WYLEANER Show
www.wyleanertvshow.com
"Where the rubber meets the road!"
Margaret has accepted the challenge from Don C. Harris, an "antidenominationalist." He claims to be able to refute any religious or spiritual position posed by any of Wyleaner's guests.

LIVE VIDEO INTERVIEW
Sunday, September 27, 2015 (and Sundays October 4 and October 10)
7 PM Eastern, 4 PM Pacific
The Philippe Matthews Show
https:/​/​youtu.be/​NHUXC2GTee8

RADIO INTERVIEW
Thursday, August 6 - 12 at Religion for Life
with John Shuck
http:/​/​www.religionforlife.com/​
Schedule: Thursday, August 6th at 8 pm on WETS, 89.5.
Saturday, August 8th at 1 pm on KZUM, 89.3
Sunday, August 9th at noon on WEHC, 90.7.
Sunday, August 9th at 2 pm on WETS, 89.5.
Monday, August 10th 1 pm on WEHC, 90.7.
Wednesday, August 12th at 6:30 pm on WEHC, 90.7.
Via podcast Sunday August 9th.

GROUP DISCUSSION
"Are We Transforming?"

Wednesday, July 29 & Aug 5
7:00 – 9:00 pm
c/​o Northern Va Ethical Society

There are many books about how our society is moving in a forward direction and which suggest that a planetary transformation is on the horizon. Margaret will present some arguments that say we are moving forward with societal development. She would then like to hear the perspective of community members as to whether the transformation concept is valid and where people think we are on the journey.

GROUP DISCUSSION
"Are We Transforming?"
May 23, 2015, 2-4 PM Eastern
Wisewoman Group of the
Jung Society of Washington
200 Cathedral Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C., 20016
There are many books about how our society is moving in a forward direction and which suggest that a planetary transformation is on the horizon. Margaret will present some of the arguments that say we are moving forward and will ask for participant’s perspective on whether the transformation concept is valid.

RADIO INTERVIEW
Monday, April 13, 2015 4:15 PM EASTERN
With Suzanne Strisower
http:/​/​www.blogtalkradio.com/​living-well-talk-radio/​2015/​04/​13/​living-life-on-purpose-nonfiction-author-showcase-interviews

RADIO INTERVIEW
with Sister Jenna, Director, Meditation Museum
http:/​/​www.blogtalkradio.com/​americameditating/​2015/​03/​30/​faith-beyond-belief-with-author-dr-margaret-placentra-johnston

RADIO INTERVIEW
March 13, 2015, 6 PM Eastern
with Donna Ghanney
http:/​/​www.blogtalkradio.com/​kingdomempowermentinc

RADIO INTERVIEW
March 3, 2015 8 PM - live
with Cathy Ciliento
All1Broadcast
http:/​/​www.all1broadcast.com/​

RADIO INTERVIEW
with Bill Reel
Mormon Discussion: Leading with Faith
http:/​/​www.mormondiscussionpodcast.org/​2015/​03/​margaret-placentra-johnston-faith-beyond-belief/​
Spring, 2015.

RADIO INTERVIEW
January 21, 2015 - live
with Dr. Saskia Coté
Alternatively Speaking on Valley Free Radio
http:/​/​www.saskiacote.com/​alternatively-speaking.html

RADIO INTERVIEW
with Bo Bennett
The Humanist Hour
http:/​/​thehumanist.com/​multimedia/​the-humanist-hour/​
posted March, 2015

RADIO INTERVIEW
January 7, 2015
with Kimberly Rinaldi
Lessons in Joyful Living LIVE Radio Show
http:/​/​lijlnetwork.com/​shows/​lessonsinjoyfulliving
https:/​/​itunes.apple.com/​us/​podcast/​four-stages-spirituality-01/​id925395949?i=330255252&mt=2

RADIO INTERVIEW
December 10, 2014
with Drs. Rob & Janelle Alex
http:/​/​thespiritualpeakcenter.com/​mpj/​

RADIO INTERVIEW
with Rev. James Ellis, Ascension Soul Wisdom
http:/​/​www.uscradioproductions.com/​
November 24, 2014 2 PM

RADIO INTERVIEW
November 19, 2014
True2YouRadio
with Pete Cossaboon
https:/​/​true2youradio.com/​/​web/​radioshows/​archives/​3\_6\_222\_generatedaudio\_1416271855.mp3

GUEST SPEAKER at Sunday Service
October 5, 2014 10:30 AM
Unity of Fort Wayne Spiritual Center
3232 Crescent Avenue
Fort Wayne, IN 46805

Faith Beyond Belief WORKSHOP
October 4, 2014 1:30 - 5:00 PM
Unity of Fort Wayne Spiritual Center
3232 Crescent Avenue
Fort Wayne, IN 46805

DISCUSSION GROUP about Faith Beyond Belief
October 1, 2014 1:00 - 4:00 PM
Catalpa Tree Shops
13405 Main St.
Grabill, IN 46741
www.catalpatreeshops.com

KEYNOTE ADDRESS
September 29, 2014 8AM - 5 PM
Pastor's Conference
*Faith Beyond Belief: Accompanying Our Congregations on the Journey Toward Faith*
Earlham School of Religion
Richmond, IN
http:/​/​esr.earlham.edu/​resources-for-meetings-churches/​video-archive/​pastors2014-session01
http:/​/​esr.earlham.edu/​resources-for-meetings-churches/​video-archive/​pastors2014-session02

RADIO INTERVIEW
September 9, 2014
The RECROOM Show
with Tim and Josh
http:/​/​www.allradiox.com/​#!the-rec-room/​c1ui4

GUEST SPEAKER
June 22, 2014
First Parish Cambridge Unitarian Universalist
3 Church Street, Harvard Square
Cambridge, MA 02138

AUTHOR BOOK TALK AND BOOK SIGNING
June 23, 2014
7:00 PM
New England Mobile Book Fair
82-84 Needham Street
Newtown Highlands, MA 02461
617.527.5817

RADIO INTERVIEW
June 27, 2014
12 NOON (Eastern time)
A Fine Time for Healing
with Randi G. Fine
http:/​/​www.blogtalkradio.com/​randi-fine/​2014/​06/​27/​the-path-to-spiritual-maturity-with-dr-margaret-placentra-johnston

RADIO INTERVIEW
May 15, 2014 10 PM Eastern
Quantum Experience
with Michael Brill
www.radioearnetwork.com

RADIO INTERVIEW
April 22, 2014 (pre-recorded)
Inner Success Radio
with Charles K Rivers
http:/​/​www.innersuccessradio.com

RADIO INTERVIEW
Wednesday, March 19 at 11 AM Eastern
World Awakened Talk Radio
with Kerri Kannan
http:/​/​www.worldawakened.com

GUEST on the WYLEANER SHOW
March 15 AND March 22 8 - 9 PM (Eastern)
This is a west coast show. Pacific airing time: 5 PM.
with Wyleaner, the Las Vegas Queen of Gospel
"Where the Rubber Meets the Road!"
www.wyleanertvshow.com (Live - and archive after the show date)
Call in hotline for live show: 800-366-8883 or 702-650-5588

RADIO INTERVIEW
Monday, February 17, 2014 1 PM Eastern
Gnostic Warrior.com
with Moe Bedard
http:/​/​gnosticwarrior.com/​margaret-placentra-johnston.html

RADIO INTERVIEW
Sunday, February 16. 2014 6:30 PM Eastern
Living & Thriving
with Rustie MacDonald
http:/​/​www.blogtalkradio.com/​rustie/​2014/​02/​16/​living-thriving-guest-dr-margaret-placentra-johnston-od-author

RADIO INTERVIEW
Wednesday, February 12, 2014 12 noon
How to be a Holy Rascal
with Rabbi Rami Shapiro
http:/​/​www.unity.fm/​program/​howtobeaholyrascal

BOOK SIGNING AND BOOK TALK
Wednesday, January 22, 2014 7 PM
One More Page Books
2200 N. Westmoreland Street, Suite 101
Arlington, VA, 22213
703-300-9746

RADIO INTERVIEW
December 23, 2013, 12 noon Eastern (resch'd from Nov 13)
Donna Seebo Show
http:/​/​www.delphiinternational.com/​VisionBroadcasting/​VisionBroadcasting.html

RADIO INTERVIEW
December 8 Midnight to 1 AM (It's a West Coast Show - 9 PM Pacific time)
Barb Adams
http:/​/​www.radioamerikanow.com/​
Archived at: http:/​/​archives2013.gcnlive.com/​Archives2013/​dec13/​AmerikaNow/​1207132.mp3

RADIO INTERVIEW
November 8, 2013, 2:00 PM Eastern time.
Dr. Ravi V. Chandran at Dallas Live
http:/​/​www.ustream.tv/​search?q=vrchandran

RADIO INTERVIEW
November 6, 2013, 9 PM Eastern
Funky Mystic Radio Show with Keva Larthridge-Mack
www.FBRN.us (you can also listen in by using the Fishbowl Radio Network iTunes or Android app on your mobile device. Or - use the TuneIn app on your Android, iPhone, iPad Blackberry, Amazon Kindle or Windows device: http:/​/​www.funkymystic.com/​listen-to-the-fishbowl-radio-network-on-your-android-device/​)

RADIO INTERVIEW
posted on November 4, 2013
Conversations Beyond Science and Religion
with Philip Mereton
http:/​/​webtalkradio.net/​internet-talk-radio/​conversations-beyond-science-and-religion/​

RADIO INTERVIEW
October 24, 2013 8 PM Eastern
The Janet Love Show
http:/​/​www.blogtalkradio.com/​thejanetloveshow

NEW AUTHORS BOOK SLAM!!
OCTOBER 13, 2013 1:00 - 3:30 PM
JAMMIN’ JAVA
227 Maple Avenue,
Vienna, VA 22180
703 . 255 .1566
Local literati present their works and give away free books in a unique, fun-filled event. https:/​/​jamminjava.com/​events/​new-authors-book-slam

BOOK DISCUSSION WITH PRIVATE GROUP
IN BRACEY, VA
OCTOBER 6, 2013

BOOK DISCUSSION WITH PRIVATE GROUP
IN NORTHERN VIRGINIA
SEPTEMBER 24, 2013

BALTIMORE BOOK FESTIVAL
Author's Tent
SEPTEMBER 29, 2013
http:/​/​www.baltimorebookfestival.com/​

RADIO INTERVIEW
SEPTEMBER 4, 2013 5 PM Eastern
Alecia Hill - Host of the Let's Talk Radio Show
Let's Talk with your host Alecia Hill

RADIO INTERVIEW
August 28, 2013 4 PM Eastern
Robert Sharpe - Host of the Bringing Inspiration to Earth Radio Show
http:/​/​www.blogtalkradio.com/​biteradiome/​2013/​08/​28/​faith-beyond-belief-good-people-who-left-their-church

COURSE AT LIFETIME LEARNING INSTITUTE OF NORTHERN VIRGINIA
July 12 and 26, August 2 and 9 1:30 - 3 PM Eastern
SPIRITUAL MATURITY - A Progressive and Rationalist View of the Road to Unity.
St. Matthew’s United Methodist Church
8617 Little River Turnpike, Annandale, VA
Sign up through Lifetime Learning Institute of Northern
Virginia: http:/​/​lli.nova.org

BOOK DISCUSSION
May 18, 2013 2-4 PM
Wisewoman Group of the Jung Society of Washington
at Palisades Community Church
5200 Cathedral Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20016.

RADIO INTERVIEW
May 16, 2013 8:30 AM
Frank Love - Frank Relationships
http:/​/​webtalkradio.net/​internet-talk-radio/​frank-relationships/​

RADIO INTERVIEW
May 8, 2013 8:30 PM Eastern
Monique Chapman show Masterful Choices
www.achieveradio.com
https:/​/​moniquechapman.com/​radio-show/​

BULL RUN LOCAL AUTHOR FAIR
MAY 4, 2013 2-4 PM
Bull Run Regional Library
8051 Ashton Avenue
Manassas, VA 20109

KENSINGTON, MD BOOK FAIR
April 21, 2013 11 AM to 4 PM
Howard Avenue, Old Town Kensington, MD
Exhibiting with McLean Writers Group
http:/​/​www.dayofthebook.com/​

RADIO INTERVIEW
April 16, 2013 2 PM Eastern
Paul John Roach show on
www.Unity.fm
http:/​/​www.unity.fm/​episode/​WorldSpirituality\_041613 (type in the address. Cut and paste does not work)

BOOK SIGNING AND DISCUSSION
February 26, 2013. (Tuesday) 7 PM
Phoenix and Dragon Bookstore
5531 Roswell Road NE
Atlanta,GA 30342

RADIO INTERVIEW
Tuesday, March 19, 7:30 PM EST
ONLINE WITH ANDREA - Connecting Heart to Heart
http:/​​/​​www.blogtalkradio.com/​​onlinewithandrea/​​2013/​​03/​​19/​​faith-beyond-belief (type in the address. Cut and paste does not work)

BOOK SIGNING AND DISCUSSION
February 1, 2013 6-9 PM
First Friday event
Books and Other Found Things
13 Loudoun St. SW
Leesburg, VA
(703) 609-7504

RADIO INTERVIEW with Marilyn Shannon on Breaking Free
http:/​/​www.nissancommunications.com/​breakingfree.php
January 28, 2013. Interview available in her archives.
(type in the address. Cut and paste does not work)

GUEST SPEAKER
Sunday, January 27, 2013 11 AM
Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Waynesboro
565 Pine Avenue
Waynesboro, VA 22980

BOOK SIGNING AND DISCUSSION
Wednesday, January 16, 2013 5-7 PM
Winchester Book Gallery
185 North Loudoun Street
Winchester, VA 22601
(540) 667-3444

BOOK SIGNING AND BOOK DISCUSSION
December 5, 2012 5:00 - 7:45 PM
THE SACRED CIRCLE BOOKSTORE
"Enlighten the Mind. Nurture the Spirit."
112 E Beverley St
Staunton, VA 24401
540-213-3881

BOOK SIGNING AND DISCUSSION
October 18, 2012 7:00 - 8:30 PM
Breathe Books
Baltimore, MD
www.breathebooks.com

BOOK LAUNCH PARTY AND BOOK SIGNING
October 14, 2012
Springfield, VA

RADIO INTERVIEW WITH CAER HALLUNDBAEK
October 14, 2012
Available online at:
http:/​/​prn.fm/​2012/​10/​14/​godspeed-institute-margaret-p-johnson-101412/​#axzz2LPRCoMxn
(type in the address. Cut and paste does not work)

RADIO INTERVIEW WITH CHRIS FLISHER October 13, 2012
Available online at: http:/​/​contacttalkradio.net/​CTR/​chrisflisher101312.mp3
(type in the address. Cut and paste does not work)

PLATFORM ADDRESS:
October 7, 2012. Northern Virginia Ethical Society.
*Spirituality for the Rational Mind*
Ways in which spirituality need have nothing to do with belief in God—and explore ways in which a strong reason-based spiritual focus can enrich the lives of humanists and others who have reasoned themselves out of religious belief.
at Green Hedges School, Vienna, VA

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