



Zenith



THE TUCSON CENTER FOR THE MESSAGE

September 2012

"He who fights his nature for his ideal is a saint; he who subjects his ideal to his realization of truth is the master." Hazrat Inayat Khan

Dear Friends;

We are so lucky to have such a thriving community. Our Annual Mureed's Meeting was well attended and productive. The minutes from the meeting are attached to this newsletter. A great thanks goes to Angela May for taking and transcribing them.

Ishwara and I will be teaching the 'Suluk in Tucson' class at my home on Sunday, September 16th, 10:00 - 12:30 pm. Please bring snacks if it is convenient.

We have chosen a Center Practice which can be used for the rest of 2012. It is inspiring to know that we are joining Sufi friends around the globe as we breathe from the heart.

With love, Amira

Dear Friends;

Our next Universal Worship and Healing Service is planned for Friday, September 14 at 10 AM.

I ask this time that you call me to confirm before you come.

Love, Rafia 795-9250

2012 Center Practice

The Second Naqshbandi Principle

Coming from Khwaja Khan, the Masters of Wisdom of Central Asia whose transmission is carried within our Naqshbandi silsila.

Nazar bar qadam –

Nazar means glance, eyes or gaze.

Bar means on

Qadam means feet.

Literally, keep the gaze on your feet; watch your step. The deeper orientation is to align one's heart, mind and spirit consciously toward the direction of one's yearning, the Beloved.

Keep your soul where your foot is and your foot where your soul is.

Annual Mureed's Meeting
The Tucson Center for the Message

Held August 25, 2012

For those who couldn't attend full minutes of the meeting are an attachment with this newsletter. Many exciting events are being planned in 2013!

From Ishwara

Teahouse for the Soul

Sunday, September 2 - 10:00 am to 12:00 noon
Ishwara's house: 4737 E. Cecelia Street 325-1854
Bring snacks to share after the meeting

Thank you, Kathleen, for such an illuminating and wide-ranging discussion of Majaprajapitii last month. We explored her deep attunement to the teachings of Buddha, and especially focused on her courage in bringing women into the meditative path. We also looked at the issues for women in religious orders today through discussion of the challenges facing nuns in the United States right now.

This September we again meet on Labor Day weekend. We will continue with our concentration on the female masters. Angela will present Mariam, Moses' sister, who was an extraordinary being in her own right.

Rafia has offered to share a personal experience of Mary, Jesus mother. I know we will all benefit from her attunement.

We will close with a ceremony. After the annual meeting, some of us felt that the honoring of Rafia's Golden Heart Award felt too condensed. Center members who wrote about her mentioned they would have liked to read or say their appreciations to her in person. Rafia has agreed to hear these from each of us who come to this meeting. I will have a few copies of the statements for us to read, for those who would like to participate.



Dances of Universal Peace

Saturday, September 8, 7-9 pm
Yoga Oasis—Campbell Avenue

For more info: Tara Noor
(Teresa) Newberry 275-2855
teresa@sierrita.org

Ragas

by Hazrat Inayat Khan

Let thy wish become my desire,
Let Thy will become my deed,

Let Thy word become my speech, Beloved,
And Thy love become my creed.

Let my plant bring forth Thy flowers,
Let my fruits produce Thy seed,

Let my heart become Thy lute, Beloved,
And my body Thy flute of reed. (#844)

When Thou didst sit upon Thy throne, with a crown
upon Thy head, I did prostrate myself upon the
ground and called Thee my Lord.

When Thou didst stretch out Thy hands in blessing
over me, I knelt and called Thee my Master.

When Thou didst raise me from the ground,
holding me with Thine arms, I drew closer to Thee
and called Thee my Beloved.

But when Thy caressing hands held my head next
to Thy glowing heart and Thou didst kiss me, I
smiled and called Thee myself. (#851)

Why did I not recognize Thee when first I
opened my eyes on the earth? Why did I not
respond to Thee when I heard Thy enchanting
voice? Why did I not feel Thy gentle hand when
Thou didst caress my face? Why did I not cling to
Thee, Beloved, when Thou lovingly didst kiss my
lips?

When I began to look for Thee, in the twinkling
of an eye Thou didst disappear. When I started in
Thy pursuit, Thou didst move away from me still
further. When I called Thee aloud in my distress,
Thou didst not hear my soul's bitter cry.

Cross-legged I sat in silence; then alone I heard
Thy call. (#858)

(Taken from The Complete Saying of Hazrat Inayat Khan
Sufi Order Publications 1978)



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Proceed North on La Canada from River Road. Turn right (East) on Coachwhip, left onto Hopbush, left again on S Paintbrush. This road turns into Whitethorn. House is on the left at the end. 887-5916

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Dances of Universal Peace

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