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>Mrs. Radha Burnier

>International President of the Theosophical Society

>International Lecturer, Author, Conservationist.

>Works for Universal Brotherhood, Animal Welfare, Education

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>Date: Friday, 23/02/01

>Time: 7 p.m.

>Place:

>SP Auditorium

>Singapore Power Bldg.

>111 Somerset Road

>Singapore

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>Admission: Free

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>Life - Our Great Teacher

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>The Singapore Lodge of the Theosophical Society is honoured with the visit

>to Singapore by the Seventh International President from the Headquarters,

>Mrs. Radha Burnier, and takes this opportunity to host a public lecture to

>be given by the distinguished visitor.

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>The subject selected for this occasion is 'Life - Our Great Teacher'. For

>most people, the purpose of life is not clear. So they seek money, pleasure,

>knowledge, etc. All these without wisdom lead to conflict and suffering.

>Wisdom comes through understanding Nature and Life and their purpose.

>Everywhere in Nature, there is order, beauty, intelligence and love, and

>these values reflect what is inherent in life and the divine mind at work in

>all the processes of life. Through evolution life teaches every individual

>to grow in wisdom and virtue and become spiritually perfect. Those who learn

>willingly proceed quickly towards the culmination which is enlightenment.

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>The Lecturer

>Mrs. Radha Burnier joined the Theosophical Society in 1935 and served in

>various capacities before her election as the Seventh International

>President. She has, since her first election to the presidency in 1980,

>already served three terms as the International President.

>Having obtained a Master's degree in Samskrit from the Benares Hindu

>University, she was earlier appointed Director of the world famous Adyar

>Library and Research Centre. The Nagarjuna University, India, conferred an

>honorary D. Litt. on her in 1984 for her contribution to world peace. Her

>articles have appeared frequently in theosophical journals and she also

>authored a number of books including the illuminating 'No Other Path To Go'

>and 'Human Regeneration'.

>She resides at the Headquarters of the Theosophical Society in Adyar but
>spends considerable time travelling around the world meeting members,
>promoting the theosophical ideals and giving lectures on theosophical,
>philosophical and cultural topics. Her talks and writings are known for
>clarity of thought and depth of vision.

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>The Theosophical Society

>The Theosophical Society was founded on November 17, 1875 at New York by

>Madame H. P. Blavatsky and Col. H. S. Olcott. In 1879, the world

>Headquarters was shifted to Bombay and later in 1882 to Adyar, Madras. It

is

>an international non-sectarian organization with membership which now

>includes over 70 countries. The Theosophical Society is dedicated to the

>promotion of brotherhood and to the encouragement of the study of religion,

>philosophy and science, so we may better understand ourselves and our place

>in the universe.

>Many come to know of the Theosophical Society through the fame of its

>founder Madame Blavatsky. From time to time, in the news, reference is made

>to Helena Petrovna Blavatsky who was an unusual woman who made a

>considerable impact on the thought of the Western world. Speculation about

>her has often exceeded information and understanding. She was able to

>exercise extraordinary psychic powers, and because of these powers, she

>endured public derision and slander. She also was a controversial figure

>because of her forthright and outspoken nature and her fearless attacks on

>hypocrisy and bigotry. At the same time, she won fame for her great

>metaphysical knowledge and she left as proof of this knowledge an immense

>quantity of literary work that has, in the years since her death in 1891,

>greatly influenced the thinking of enquiring minds all over the world. Her

>magnum opus is The Secret Doctrine.

>The Theosophical Society has no dogma and stands for complete freedom of

>individual search and belief. Therefore, the ideas expressed in its

>publications are not in the nature of official statements. They are offered

>to stimulate thought and encourage study and enquiry.

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>The Singapore Lodge of The Theosophical Society was formed by the

>President-Founder, Col. H. S. Olcott on January 24, 1889 only 13 years

after

>the founding of the Parent Theosophical Society. It has just celebrated its

>112th anniversary making it one of the oldest branches in the world.

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>The Singapore Lodge conducts free Basic Theosophy Courses for interested

>truth-seekers without any obligations. Enquire about how to enroll for the

>next course.

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