

Claymont Society for Continuous Education

Educating Essence

March 27-31, 2025



"It is impossible to remember oneself. And people do not remember because they wish to live by mind alone. Yet the store of attention in the mind (like the electric charge of a battery) is very small. And other parts of the body have no wish to remember.

"Maybe you remember it being said that man is like a rig consisting of passenger, driver, horse and carriage. Except there can be no question of the passenger, for he is not there. So, we can only speak of the driver. Our mind is the driver.

"This mind of ours wants to do something, has set itself the task of working differently from the way it worked before, of remembering itself. All the interests we have related to self-change, self-alteration, belong only to the driver, that is, are only mental.

"As regards feeling and body - these are not in the least interested in putting self-remembering into practice. And yet the main thing is to change not in the mind, but in the parts that are not interested. The mind can change quite easily. Attainment is not reached through the mind; if it is reached through the mind, it is of no use at all.

"Therefore, one should teach, and learn, not through the mind but through the feelings and the body."

- *Gurdjieff, Views from the Real World*

We will investigate what essence is, how to communicate with and educate it, and how to harness its strength and perceptive intelligence.

The seminar will be led by Hardy Mason. Hardy is a Mevlevi Sufi sheik and long-time student of the Fourth Way.

The weekend will begin with dinner at 6:30 pm on Thursday March 27 and end after lunch on Sunday March 31. All activities will be at the Great Barn.

Suggested donation for the weekend is \$275 if you are staying overnight at Claymont, and \$150 if you are not staying overnight at Claymont. However, do not let the cost prevent you from participating, financial assistance is available.

For more information and to register please contact, the registrar, Amy Silver at Claymontgathering@hotmail.com.