

FMC New Story Newsletter, June 2024

Join us in the New Story group this Monday, June 24th, 7:00-9:00pm!

Come at 6:30 for fellowship. First timers are always welcome.

To participate in this event [click this link](#) or call 1-646-558-8656 and provide the Meeting ID 875 6881 1869 and passcode 101225.

We'll be laying the foundation for programs on living the New Story with heart and soul. We will

- summarize and build on the initial thinking a small group did this past weekend;
- engage each other about what's core to living the New Story individually and together; and
- surface topics that we're excited to explore in the coming months.

If you have 30-60 minutes ahead of Monday evening, we highly recommend

- watching the YouTube: [Humanity's Phase Shift](#), conversation of David Fuller of [Rebel Wisdom](#) with Daniel Schmachtenberger, founding member of [The Consilience Project](#); and
- scanning at least the first 3-4 pages of [the recent retreat's notes](#).

Hope to see you soon!

For more information and list of resources, please visit the New Story [web page here](#). To be placed on the email list for New Story News and announcements of future meetings contact Cornelia Parkes new-story@fmcquaker.org.

Other New Story News

A collection of books, articles, and videos from other groups and organizations that are co-creating the new story. These are just the ones that crossed my desk this month. There is no order to the list. The one that may inspire you could be at the very end!



The Future of Food

A food revolution is germinating across the globe. The linear model of growing, producing, and distributing food is destroying nature, damaging human health, and devastating farmers - and it is also a major cause of climate change. Join us for a healthy dose of outrage and a serving of stubborn optimism as we explore the radical shifts underway toward a regenerative food system. Click here to see Outrage + Optimism's [series on food/](#)



The Diet-Climate Connection

Hosted by David Freyberg of Humankind Public Radio, [listen here](#) to a new audio documentary exploring the environmental footprint of our food system, the meals we eat, and the consequences for climate change. You'll learn which foods have the highest and lowest impact on our warming planet.

Kosmic Vespers

Third Saturdays in July and August 7:00-8:30pm EDT with Penny Andrews, Mary Ann Wamhoff, Bob Isenberger, and Gail Ransom. A time for reflection and deepening our awareness of cosmogenesis in our lives. [Click here](#) for the flyer and QR code to register.

'Humanity's Phase Shift', Daniel Schmachtenberger

Presented by Rebel Wisdom, November 7, 2018, YouTube:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nQRzxEobWco>

Daniel Schmachtenberger is a founding member of The Consilience Project.

This conversation with David Fuller of Rebel Wisdom looks at the growing civilization-level crisis that we are beginning to see around us and looks at what a genuine 'phase shift' for human progress might look like. Rebel Wisdom is a platform for the biggest ideas around.
<http://www.rebelwisdom.co.uk/>

We watched this half-hour video at the New Story Annual Retreat, June 15, 2024.

Thomas Berry's Foundational Principles for Transitioning to an Ecozoic Era

by Herman Greene



This essay starts:

I have always felt that Thomas laid out a foundational set of principles for the transition to ecozoic societies. Much attention has been given to his work on the universe story, but not so much to his guidance on the transition to ecozoic societies. In this paper I would like to present what for me are the most important principles Thomas gave for this transition.

Well worth reading! (Cornelia Parkes)

The Not-Yet God: Carl Jung, Teilhard de Chardin, and the Relational Whole

August 30, 2023

by Ilia Delio

We are a species between axial periods. Thus, our religious myths are struggling to find new connections in a global, ecological order. Delio proposes the new myth of relational holism; that is the search for a new connection to divinity in an age of quantum physics, evolution, and pluralism. (Amazon)

In process (Cornelia Parkes)

An Audience with Ilia Delio - "The Not Yet God"

April 14, 2024, You Tube: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d3dHBKs2K5w> (1 hour)

Ilia Delio Ilia Delio is known as a 'Theologian Futurist.' She is a Franciscan Sister with Doctorates in both Religion and Science, with interests in evolution, physics and neuroscience and the importance of these for theology. She currently holds the Josephine C. Connelly Endowed Chair in Theology at Villanova University and is the author of twenty books.

Ilia argues that quantum physics and neuroscience are key elements informing our understanding of spirituality and the future of both the human race and our planet. Here she talks about the 'Not Yet God.' For more information go to aspenchapel.org



Tamera Peace Research and Education Center (Portugal)

<https://www.tamera.org/>

Vision & Mission

To birth Terra Nova – a world beyond war – by building Healing Biotores: futuristic centers that research and model a new planetary culture. Tamera empowers people around the world to build a regenerative, nonviolent culture by research, education, and outreach.

R.E. Hogan has been following their work for many years.

Fourth Person: The Knowing of the Field

By Otto Scharmer and Eva Pomeroy

Journal of Awareness-based Systems Change, Vol. 4, Issue 1, pp. 19-48

<https://jabsc.org/index.php/jabsc/article/view/7909/6699>

Scharmer writes:

It's a piece that came out a few days ago (co-authored with my colleague Eva Pomeroy) that aims at extending the focus of scientific inquiry from the surface to the deeper layers of the systems thinking iceberg (from the outer to the inner, from the parts to the whole). This deepening of our understanding and acting implies to move beyond the traditional modes of knowledge:

1st person knowledge: subjective

2nd person knowledge: intersubjective

3rd person knowledge: objective

to accessing the deeper layers of knowing that inspire and animate all profound processes of regeneration and deep systems transformation on earth:

4th person knowing: the knowing of the field (deepened collective self-knowing and awareness).

If I have learned anything in my past 25 years as an action researcher who tries to help people to advance their initiatives of transformational change, it is this: unless you can access this deeper source of knowing, nothing truly transformational is going to happen with the system you try to change. Whereas the experience of 4th person knowing is quite

distributed in our communities (by experiences of letting-go, letting-come and profound regeneration or renewal), it has remained in our institutions of science and education largely a blind spot, which keeps limiting our current efforts of movement building and systems change.

Recommended by Dave Damm-Luhr. The New Story Group read Scharmer's books on Presencing and the U-theory previously.

Our Improbable Universe

"A physicist considers how we got here—and where we are going."

By Michael Mallery

Thunder's Mouth Press, 2nd edition, 2017

Mike, who attends the FMC New Story Group, is from Worcester Friends Meeting. In this book he introduces the concept of "knowsphere evolution." He writes, "Our only hope for survival is for the nature of human spirit, our knowsphere, to evolve to a form that can avoid the destructive use of nuclear weapons."

Climate Crisis & Spirituality

By Carolyn Reinhart <reinhartcarolyn@hotmail.com>

<https://simplebooklet.com/climatecrisisspirituality>

There is a drop-down menu at the bottom of the page which you can access by clicking on the three bars. There is a chapter icon so you can choose what you want to look at. The second booklet has a chapter about Teilhard which has a video.

Highly recommended by Sophie Quest.
