February 2010 Wednesday, February 24th at 7 pm Postponed Due to Inclement Weather Rescheduled Date Coming Soon

DVD: The Lure of Being and Becoming With James O'Dea, Lecturer Former President, Institute of Noetic Sciences

It is obvious to increasing numbers of people that many social systems are now collapsing at an accelerating rate. We seem to be in the last stages of this chapter of the human story. Our illusions are breaking down. The "matrix" we are living in is being revealed as having no reality to it any longer. But how do we get out of the matrix? James O'Dea believes that *being is the path through the matrix*.

Join us for an inspiring talk by a profound and engaging speaker who has experienced both the intense brutality and the deep compassion of human beings. His life has taught him that no matter how dark it gets, we cannot stop there. We all have something to contribute to the creation of the next phase of human evolution on our journey together here on Earth.

James O'Dea is a Fellow of the Institute of Noetic Sciences and was its president until recently. His work now encompasses social healing, conscious evolution, spiritual renewal, visionary activism and collective story-telling. At present, James is collaborating with the Global Systems Initiative in Washington DC; doing international depth reconciliation work with Israeli and Palestinian psychiatrists, psychologists and social workers; and participating in peace work in Northern Ireland. He was formerly with Amnesty International and the Seva Foundation.

In March 2010, his book *Creative Stress: A Path for Evolving Souls Living through Personal and Planetary Upheaval*will be released. For more information about James, visit his <u>website</u>.