THE MIND/BODY CONNECTION:

Enhancing your body's ability to heal and function optimally

A workshop in two Saturday sessions: 9AM-1PM

Dates for next program: September 18th & October 16th 2010

Presented by **Dr. Stephen Sideroff, Ph.D.**

Stress, as well as physical and emotional holding patterns cause muscle tension and nervous system reactivity and imbalance. This impacts physical symptoms and interferes with healing as well as optimal functioning.

Pain and other symptoms can also be maintained unconsciously as a distraction from emotional issues. By addressing the underlying issues and coping better with stress, the body is able to let go more readily. This improves blood flow, effects biochemical balance, improves physical health, and enhances performance.

This workshop will help you develop tools to cope better with stress as well as recognize and release emotional and physical holding patterns. Thus your body will be more resilient and heal better. Group discussions and experiential work will facilitate self-awareness, development of healthy thinking patterns, emotional release and body self-regulation. This workshop addresses:

- ♦ The connection between emotions, stress and physical symptoms including pain
- **♦** Identifying and resolving emotional holding patterns and unfinished business
- ♦ Introduction to relaxation and biofeedback techniques
- ♦ Coping with stress and correcting the chronic imbalance of your nervous system
- ♦ Redesigning your body's "Fight or Flight" response to enhance resilience
- **♦** Dealing with anger and depression
- ♦ Destructive patterns such as perfectionism, obsessiveness, and addictions
- ♦ New and more effective ways of thinking and controlling thoughts
- ♦ Creating your personal program for healing and optimal functioning

Workshop includes your own "Resilience" packet that includes 4 CDs, guidebook, simple biofeedback monitor and health cues.

Location: 1620 26th Street, Santa Monica Fee, \$95 for each session

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