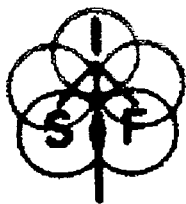
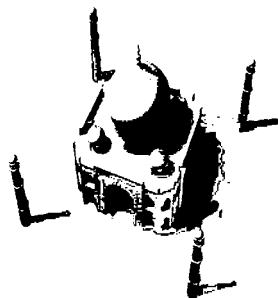


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Editorial



Dear All,

It is a pleasure to once again be able to write these pages, as your Editor.

This time of the year it is wonderful to live in Sweden—has anyone been in Sweden during the summer months when the sun is shining? Well, I am sure people have been in Sweden during the summer but not everyone is fortunate enough to see the sun then... The weather Gods are not always so timid and lovely as they have been for the last few days... I never thought I would end up back in Sweden after all those years abroad but now I am quite happy about that. I really enjoy the peaceful tranquillity and serenity that is on a beautiful summers day walking through the forest. We do have wonderful forests and you can walk for miles without meeting anyone—it is a pleasure I had forgotten when I was abroad.

The best things in life are free. That is just so. There is such beauty surrounding us. Every night I sleep with my bedroom window open and I am woken up by these lovely birds singing. We are so fortunate. The flowers in full bloom, the silver birches covered in their wonderful green leaves, the bumblebees, the multicoloured butterflies.. One can go on and on and on... It is not just nature that is beautiful, but also the nature within people too. When someone is in need the will to help others comes out immediately, but not just then but also between friends and family. The family can be your spiritual family as well as your physical one. There is always a bond that connects us all and it will be so wonderful to see you all in Slovenia this summer.

Even though we have had a few days of nice and warm weather it will be a pleasure for me to once again be in the warm and sunny climate of the Adriatic Sea.

I would like you all to realise and remember that these pages are your pages and I wish to encourage everyone to do a little write-up just to tell us a bit about what you have been doing, what you are going to do or any funny or interesting things you have come across. This is a membership magazine, for the members to the members around the world. Please feel free to send me anything you might think is worthwhile or even if you are hesitant—I am more than happy to have a look at it!

I promise I will take my dragon teeth out...

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Look out for the application form enclosed in this issue for the Fraternal Week-end in Eastbourne in November, which is a teaching week-end. Book early—it is a very popular event!

I wish you all a great summer!

**Deadline 20 September for the October 2005 edition of
*Yours Fraternally.***

Helena Axelsson, Editor

From the President



I meet many people of all ages and the hardest or most difficult situation they have to contend with is stilling the brain/mind and self.
(MIND/BODY AND SPIRIT.)

The first lesson for us all is to have the confidence to discover who we are and to link with the universal mind, the source of all love

Pythagorus wrote: LEARN TO BE SILENT, LET YOUR QUIET MIND LISTEN AND ABSORB.

Because you are spirit, you survive death and because you are spirit you are alive to-day. Your spirit has great potential to discover the tremendous power of love which is part of your soul quality.

When we feel the presence of those who serve the Infinite Spirit we too become alive and generate the power we have absorbed from the teachers, our guides and helpers.

If we have the intention to listen and work with and for the greater good of mankind we do know of an inner peace and stillness that is sublime. Our guides and helpers leave the beauty of the higher spheres to help mankind to understand the power of the spirit.

Spiritualism proves that the fountain of inspiration still flows into the world wherever it can find the appropriate channel.

I do believe The ISF is a channel for good and those who have striven to serve the organization have given their time and knowledge to promote all that is fine, to help us to spread the Spiritual word and come together as a family working to serve the power of spirit.

I am very sad not to be attending Fraternal Week. This is the first meeting I have missed in twenty years.

I know it will be a positive week with dear Mervyn our Vice-President at the helm and of course our excellent committee. Sue Willison has put together a really good programme.

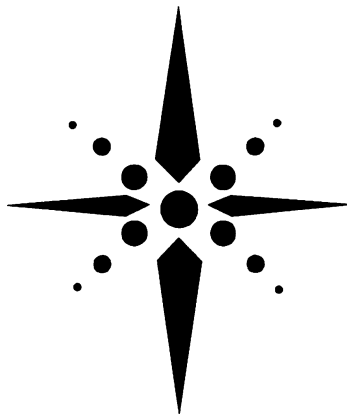
Slovenia;. Here the ISF come with love and a teaching week second to none.

I hope to be well enough to attend our Fraternal week-end at Eastbourne in November.

May I thank all of you who have telephoned and written to me with your healing thoughts. The power of love has been almost tangible at times.

Thank you all.

Love and Blessings,
Marjory



From the Vice-President



Once again it will soon be time for our wonderful spiritual family to be together in Portoroz in Slovenia. I am sure this is going to be a very good venue in a beautiful location.

Many new changes are being discussed and will be implemented for the benefit of our members so that we may bring to you the best we possibly can in love, light and spirituality.

There is nothing finer than people coming together in the unity of the spirit. Let us make this week fun, laughter and spiritual growth as I am sure we all agree that the ISF is of great importance to the spirit, the world and our self.

I often think back at the laughter we had with the beans in Barcelona, the chicken in Roe Hampton and our Friday night concert, oh, what a wonderful talent we have.

I would like personally to thank the whole of the committee on your behalf for the excellent hard work they have been doing.

Bill Parkins has been pulling his hair out with the finances, John Goldingham is making sure we don't get too many beans or chicken and making sure our venues are comfortable for us all. Sue Willison had the nightmare of putting the program together, Ann Luck has been stretched to her total limit taking care of everything a general secretary has to do, as well as moving house.

Our ambassadors and LO's are doing a great job in their individual countries promoting our federation.

What always amazes me is the high quality and standard of their work when each of them also have there own work to do for it really is not an easy job.

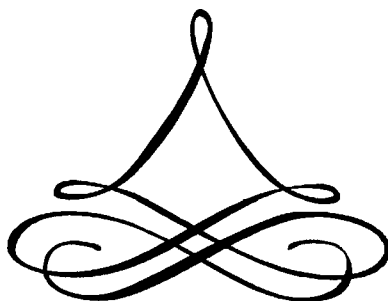
This is just a small example of what is going on behind the scenes.

Thank you all and well done.

I am really looking forward seeing everyone in Slovenia. I wish everyone a nice summer.

Love and light

Mervyn Johnson



Committee Notices



Dear Friends

This is to confirm that those members, who have advised me of their flight details to Slovenia, that transport from the airport to the hotel has been arranged. If any other members attending require transport please would they advise me of their flight details as soon as possible.

Please remember to bring along a raffle prize for our grand raffle. Also there are no kettles in the rooms, so if you like your morning cuppa you need to bring along a travel kettle etc.

Please would all members note that I am moving house and that any mail should be sent to The Treasurer, Bill Parkins until further notice. Emails can still go to the same email address.

Enjoy the lovely summer months and spread the love and peace of the Spirit as you live your life.

Love and Light
Ann Luck



Special Info about Slovenia

1. People who are attending the Fraternal Week in Slovenia please note that there are NO tea/coffee making facilities in any of the hotel rooms. You are recommended to bring any necessary items with you. (Also remember to bring the relevant electrical adaptor with you)
2. People who have placed a deposit for fraternal week and have not paid their balance by the 31st May 2005 or cancelled their booking WILL be liable to pay the full amount due as stated on the booking form, as the ISF have to pay the hotel the full payment in advance one month prior to our stay.

PLEASE NOTE

All UK members attending fraternal week in Slovenia remember to get your NEW E111 forms from the Post Office.

*The Committee requests
that any official matter which members may wish them to discuss
should be in the form of a signed letter posted to the General Secretary.
General correspondence may be e-mailed to her at
isfgensec@yahoo.co.uk*

A Welcome to Convention (Fraternal) Week 2005 in Portoroz, Slovenia, European Union

From

President Marjory Kite

The time we spend together during our weeks and weekends are very precious. Renewing friendships and creating a special bond of spirituality, this strength of purpose will allow our ISF to grow and flourish.

Let us cement our dedication and purpose by working together in friendship and love, showing the guides and helpers, we follow their teachings.

Our week will then surely strengthen us for the future spiritual and healing work we undertake. May I wish you all a safe journey.

Love and blessings,
Marjory

<u>TUTORS:</u>	<u>Morning Group</u>	<u>Afternoon Group</u>
Physical:	Bill Parkins UK	
Trance:	Sandy Kuiper USA	Sandy Kuiper USA
Trance Beginners:	John Alexander UK	Siggy Ólafsson ICE
Healing:	Mervyn Johnson SWE	Bill Parkins UK
Mental :	John Goldingham NZL	John Goldingham NZL
“	Siggy Ólafsson ICE	John Alexander UK
“	Ann Robson UK	Ann Robson UK
Mental Platform:		Mervyn Johnson SWE
Shamanic Journeying:		Steve Vogel USA
Psychic Art Mediumship through Creativity:		Mia Johnson SWE (a.m.)

Please note: You who wish to attend the Psychic Art course are asked to bring your own artist pens, pads etc. if you have them.

LECTURERS:

Special Guest Speaker: Reuben J Silverbird, Sandy Kuiper (USA), Jenny Ayers (UK), Jean Kent (UK), Ken Owen (USA) and Richard Liwendahl (SWE)

LECTURES, GROUPS AND WORKSHOPS

Owing to circumstances beyond our control our programme may have to be revised at short notice. Alterations to the programme will be announced verbally and upon a prominent notice board.

COLOUR CODING

Committee: Purple, Stewards: Orange, Healing Leaders: Blue, Healers: White with Blue Stripe, Raffle Ladies: Green, Guests: White. Star on name badge denotes Tutor.

Stewards: John Goldingham & Elisabeth Berger

RAFFLES

Two raffles will be held during the week, the first for a free sitting with a medium, to be drawn on Monday. The second will be drawn on Friday evening.

Raffle Ladies: Joan Walton & Linda Chiles

SUBSCRIPTIONS

If you haven't paid your subscription to the Membership Secretary, Kay Rumens (it was due on April 1st) PLEASE do so before the end of the week.

TAPE RECORDINGS AND PHOTOGRAPHS

While most lecturers are happy for you to record their lectures, it is only polite to ask their permission on each occasion. Sometimes permission will be refused, and we ask you to abide by the lecturer's decision if this is the case.

PRIVATE SITTINGS, ETC.

The Federation is most grateful to those mediums, counsellors, auragraph artists, etc. who help us by giving sittings during the week on a shared-fee basis. This brings the ISF much-needed income. These sittings are arranged ONLY through the General Secretary, Ann Luck, who will provide forms for completion by those of you kind enough to help in this way.

Fraternal Week contd.

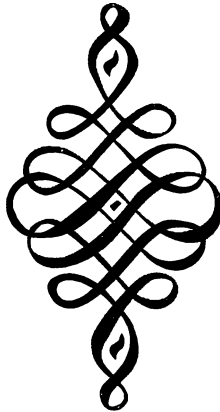
NO UNOFFICIAL SITTINGS OR CONSULTATIONS ARE PERMITTED.

If you are approached by any individual offering you a sitting or consultation which does not entail booking through the General Secretary, we appeal to you to refuse them.

SELLING GOODS

We are offering **ISF** Members the opportunity to rent a stall for £10 per evening.

Stalls will be available after the last evening session **Members ONLY** will be permitted to sell items in this way.



Fraternal Week-end in Eastbourne

18 — 20 November 2005

This week-end is a teaching week-end and is held at;

**TGM Eastbourne Centre
Grand Parade
Eastbourne, East Sussex
England**

Non-Members Fee:	£ 200
	\$ 360
	€ 290

Members Fee:	£ 160
	\$ 290
	€ 240

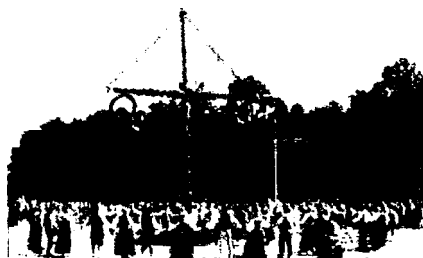
Look out for the application form enclosed in this issue.

Please be advised;
book early as this venue is very popular!



Midsummer festival in Sweden — a tradition dating back to the days of the Vikings

The Midsummer festival is at summer solstice and its traditions dating back to the Vikings. In the old days it was to celebrate the coming harvest and to please the Gods with gifts and hopes of bountiful prosperity.



The pole is called the ‘Midsummer pole’ and is a symbol for the earth's fertility. These days you dance around it and sing and it is a gathering for the whole family with picnic basket and folklore. You who are maidens are to pick seven different wild-flowers under silence before you go to bed and put them under your pillow. You will then dream of the one you are destined for, but tell no one of your dream and it will come true!

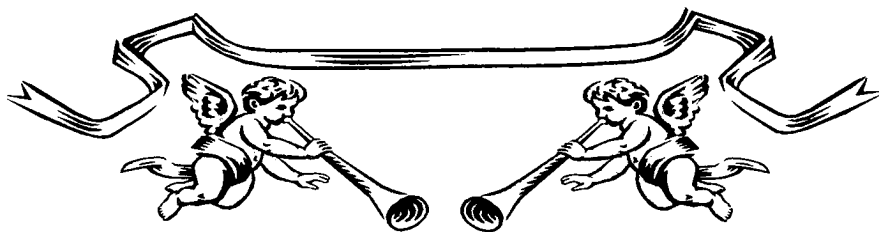
Stonehenge at dawn on Summer solstice



At Stonehenge in Wiltshire, England, people were gathered early Tuesday 21st of June to see the first rays at dawn of this special day. People from all over the world came together to watch when the rays of the sun first hit the rock formation at Stonehenge.

Summer solstice is a celebration of the longest day of the year but it has traditions dating long before Christ.

Why Stonehenge was built and to what purpose is still a mystery for the scientists today.



Distant Healing

I am one with my group brothers, and all that I have is theirs. May the love which is in my soul pour forth to them. May the strength which is in me lift and aid them. May the thoughts which my soul creates reach and encourage them.

The ISF invites you to think of these friends in your
distant healing prayers

Standing list:

Marie Andersson, Sweden
Sven-Bertil Andersson, Sweden
Åke Axelsson, Sweden
Josta & Mikaela Bulins, Australia
Diane Clark, UK
Helen Coughlin, Mass, USA
Larry D'Onofrio, Canada
June & Tony Harris, UK

Cindy Hogan, USA
Marjory Kite, UK
Tat Norris, UK
Silvana Owen, UK
B Tammam, UK
Stella Turl, UK
Pat Wilkinson, Guernsey
Kay Rumens, UK
Pat Campbell, UK

Should you wish to add any name(s) to the foregoing standing list, obtain that person's agreement to be listed and then notify the Editor. Or, should you wish your name (or someone else's name which you previously added to the list) to be removed, please advise the Editor, preferably with advice as to any cure which may have been effected. Otherwise, names will remain on the request for distant healing list for a period of one year and then be removed unless advice is received of a continuing need.



Fundraising

The ISF have decided to hold three fund raising events to raise money to go towards building an orphanage in Sri-Lanka this is as a result of the tsunami which struck in the Indian Ocean on Boxing Day last year and caused so much death and destruction. The first of these fund raising events was held in Hitchin Spiritualist Church on the 25th May. There were over one hundred people who were in attendance and Marjory Kite, Cath Robertson and Bill Parkins gave an evening of Clairvoyance, as a result £442 was raised.

The next one of these event is to be held in Welwyn Christian Spiritualist Church on the 9th July at 7.30pm with John Alexander , Marjory Kite and Bill Parkins,

The third one will be held at The Whomerley Spiritualist Church on the 20th August at 7.30 with Marjory Kite, John Alexander, Ann Luck and Bill Parkins. We are hoping to raise at least £1000 , if any one would like to give a donation please send it to the Treasurer Bill Parkins address at the front of the YF magazine.

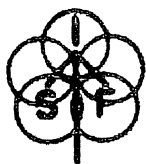


“THE ROLLRIGHT STONE CIRCLE”

Written down by Michael Ayers

*In the middle of this circle I do stand
Surrounded by these stones upon the land.
The visitors, who come here, may not know
That our spiritual ancestors made it so.
If you watch the stones with care
You can make out faces there.
Surely there are messages upon the wind
If we could only listen and tune in.
Here it was in olden time
That our forefathers came to find
Spiritual answers to their prayers
To understand the life upstairs.
These hardened stones were placéd here
To make magnetic fields appear
To increase those simple vibrations
That can move mountains and alter nations.
Surely we have not moved too far
To understand what these things are?
Have we become too blind to see
That they are here for teaching you and me?
A chill wind blows as I think of this.
How awful it would be for humanity to miss
The wonders that have been left behind
And remainéd here for us to mind.
This is not the warmest place to be
But I'll remember serendipity
And as I go I'll hope to find
My place on Earth and peace of mind.*

Inspired writing on Tuesday, 17th October 2000



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Established 1923

Application/Renewal* for Individual Membership (*delete as applicable)

I.....(Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms*)

Address.....

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.....Post Code/Zip.....

Country.....Telephone.....

E-mail Address.....

desire to become/continue as* a member of *The International Spiritualist Federation*
and if accepted, I agree to conform to the Constitution of the said *Federation*.

SignatureDate.....

Membership renewal date – 1st April each year

When completed this form, together with cheque, bankers credit or draft
for £20, \$US35 or €30 should be posted to the address below.

If joining between 1 August & 31 January, please pay £30, \$55 or €45
and you will not need to pay again until a year the following April

Life Membership for 55 years or older is 10 times the current yearly payment.

If paying in \$US or Euro by cheque, please add equivalent of £5 for bank charges
No CASH accepted in US dollars or Euro

All remittances payable to ‘The International Spiritualist Federation’

And mail to:

Mrs Kay Rumens

ISF Membership Secretary,

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ANY DONATIONS WILL BE GRATEFULLY RECEIVED

*We are trying to build a fuller profile of our members and it will help us if you would kindly
give us the following information about yourself:-*

I am a professional*/semi-professional*/non-professional (do not charge fees)* medium YES/NO*

I am a registered healer. YES/NO*

I am a speaker & lecturer on Spiritualist subjects. YES/NO*

I am willing to help organise ISF publicity/fund raising meetings YES/NO*

I am not a medium, speaker or healer but wish to support the ISF as a member. YES/NO*

*delete as applicable

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Please note that the Subscriptions were set at Congress 2004 as follows:-

Individuals	£20	\$35US	€30
Organisations; -			
National	£100	\$180	€150
Local, Independent	£55	\$100	€80
Associates	£30	\$55	€45

Payment can be paid either by UK sterling Cash, Bankers Cheques or Electronic transfer. Please make payment out to "ISF" and send to membership Secretary.

For individual members please fill in Renewal Application form and send with remittance.

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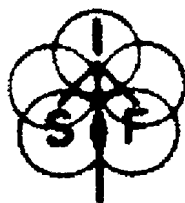
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