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The Phoenix Bird

Greetings from Phoenix this 1990, the beginning of a new decade and not many years to go before we say good-by to the century. A time of endings and new beginnings like the Phoenix Bird.

This mythical Egyptian bird, sacred to the sun god Ra, was exceptionally beautiful with gold-colored plumage round the neck while the rest of the body was a purple or crimson color. The tail was composed of long brilliantly colored feathers. His shape, about the outline of an eagle, yet more magnificient. While most beings are born from other individuals, the Phoenix Bird reproduces itself. The wonder of this bird of cycles is its renewed life, symbolic of immortality.

The legend tells us that there was only one of its kind and it lived for six hundred years eating frankincense and oderiferous gums in the Arabian desert. At the end of the Phoenix's cycle it built a nest on top of a palm tree. Then building its own funeral pyre of wood, cinnamon, aromatic gums and myrrh, the great bird lit the fire by fanning its wings. Flying to the nest the Phoenix Bird dies amidst the fragrant flames. From the ashes of the parent bird, a young Phoenix arises, eternally young, transformed, resurrected to begin a new cycle of six hundred years.

When the new bird grows to sufficient strength it lifts the nest (both its cradle and its parents' sepulchre) and carries it to the sanctuary, dedicated to the Phoenix, at Heliopolis in Egypt. The Phoenix buries the remains in the shrine of the Temple of the Sun.

Each of us are unique and one of a kind like this fabulous bird of the ancient world. We live, grow and renew ourselves from the ashes of lessons learned to begin anew. Our beliefs teach us that we are immortal, with the spirit being reborn into the body of the soul when the physical body ceases to be.

Our *National Spiritualist Summit,* coming now from "Phoenix" is like the Phoenix Bird, beginning a new cycle. We hope to blend a new beginning, a freshness, with wonderful modern technology to create an enlightening magazine that brings the science, philosophy and religion of Spiritualism to all our wonderful readers.

We would like to commend Mr. Ray Worth for his dedication over the years. He has contributed so much to our religion and we are sure we will reference past magazines to help us as we grow with our challenges and opportunities.

As with all projects, goals need be considered to give direction to the project. Some of our goals for the magazine are:

- *A new format*
- *A bit of humor*
- *Some mini-notes*
- *Some color additions (budget permitting)*
- *Additional graphics*
- *Complete list of churches*

Some ideas for new additions in the magazine are:

- *Spiritual Puzzles*
- *Dear Medium*
- *Centennial Update*
- *Testimonials*
- *Business Box*
- *Law Library*
- *Triune You*
- *Events and Happenings*
- *Questions and Answers*
- *Prayers and affirmations*
- *Predictions Each New Year*
- *Psychology and The Psyche*
- *Science, Philosophy, Religion*
- *Comparative Corner*

The magazine was first issued on January 18, 1919, after being announced at the Twenty-seventh Annual Convention in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. A bequest by John L. Jackson of Fort Worth, Texas, provided the funds to finance *The National Spiritualist.* The aim of the paper was stated as follows, "to so conduct it that substantial Spiritualists shall have little opportunity to be ashamed of its appearance or of either its advertising or reading material. Its object is to promote the teachings of Spiritualism and strengthen the influence of the N.S.A. The paper craves no dictatorship, its columns intended to interest and educate Spiritualists and outsiders and offer them space for exchange of ideas and make friends of our organized movement."

The magazine is a presentation of Spiritualism - the organizations, the local news, the philosophy and the wonder of our special religion. Let us hear from you. Do not be illusive like the Phoenix Bird, for we want the magazine to truly represent all Spiritualists. Together we can soar and share our uniqueness and beauty. God Bless You All.



The Way We Teach Our Students Of Spiritualism

By Rev. Ruth A. Dyke, Pastor
Springdale, Church, Toronto, Canada

Part XIII - Taking a Look Beyond the Surface of Spiritualism, i.e., at Another of It's Potential Areas of Service: Offering Insights Into Some of the Deeper Unities of Life.

Spiritualists, like many other enquiring individuals and groups living in the Western World, have become strongly conscious of the enormous interest that has developed in matters of a psychic nature. This growing recognition of extended awareness, joined with a desire to participate in it with what might be offered through mediumship can prompt Spiritualist leaders to neglect some of the very important teaching responsibilities which are a part of our religion. The detailed weaving of a realistic understanding of the overall facts of Spiritualism into people's lives as we contact them is one of these. It is often overlooked that the members of our congregations should all be given a clear-cut understanding of the breadth and depth of the facts and philosophy of life that the spirit world has already provided our world, which form the foundation of Spiritualism. Through some type of pre-planned or series method, speakers should from time to time cover all aspects in the course of the addresses they give to their congregations. Teachers should do the same, but even more thoroughly, for the benefit of their classes. Parents need to also know what to tell their children when answering their spontaneous questions, yet they often fail to personally understand more than the benefit they appreciate concerning the personal messages they receive, as transmitted by mediums from loved ones in spirit life. Lyceums are not always accessible to children, whereas parents are present at most times, for discussions.

As Spiritualist teachers and church leaders, we should take a close look at areas of importance which are sometimes forgotten or not unfolded sufficiently when addressing our congregations or teaching our students. Because of the considerable length of time required to develop fully qualified mediumship in students, we may in some instances fall into the habit of dividing the available unfoldment time in a lopsided way, in favor of the psychic aspects instead of recognizing the importance of the fifty per cent which should be allocated to the philosophic teachings, history and other previously imparted knowledge which the spirt world has already supplied to the earth plane. Mediums and speakers, as well as Spiritualist congregations need this information, each person for their own balance of outlook, but even more importantly, so any and all troubled or confused souls whom they may strive to help will be given a sensible, clear and truthful picture of the benefit our spirit friends can bring to the troubles of our earthly world.

If we would be good teachers of Spiritualism, we should among other things try to think a lot about who needs and who will receive the information we wish to offer, and what its effects will be. Initially we will in all probability be teaching students who will some future day become teachers themselves. So how will our teaching program guide them in their work? What sense of responsibility and attitude of mind will it create within them that will be worthy of expansion? And, if worthy, will they have the courage and ability to pass on that worth to others? Or, will they at the first indication of succeeding in their work fall victim to their own ego's demand for personal recognition or materialistic gain?

To help us find reasons for our answers to these and other areas of much needed attention we might make a start by looking at an aspect of life which Spiritualists are regularly expected to be helpful in explaining, yet concerning which there are some Spiritualists who tend to lack knowledge themselves. Let us examine and discover what is most urgently required by a newly arrived human soul in the spirit world - one who suddenly finds himself or herself awake and in entirely different surroundings - perhaps in a state of thinking that they are dreaming, but definitely not aware that they have passed to spirit life. Rather, they feel that they will eventually awaken to 'reality', i.e., the familiar life they previously knew, We should consider as well those other souls who pass into the spirit world while not only lacking an awareness of their passing, but who also had not previous religion nor belief that there is a spirit world. Then there are the self-hypnotized or spiritual-leader-hypnotized souls who anticipate sleeping until Angel Gabriel blows his trumpet. Further to these, there are certain religion-trained souls who upon arrival in the spirit world insist upon waiting in the hope that Jesus will personally meet them, instead of accepting the welcoming help offered by their relatives and/or guardian spirit.

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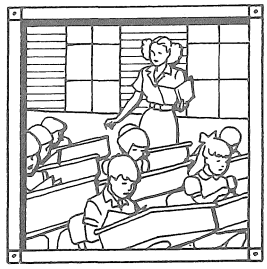
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concerning the known facts about the spirit world would be of great value to souls such as these. Even more so, however, and to a much wider number of people would be the benefit received from building within each individual that could be touched, a well established and thoroughly open and enquiring mental attitude - in general, and in respect to this important subject of transition from earth to spirit life in particular. Such mental preparedness would cause a reaction at any time of need upon sensing an unknown change in the familiar condition around the self. An automatic mental query about the cause would then open a spirit world response, along with a flow of spirit world greetings and evidence from loved ones known to have already passed to spirit life. The joys of such reunions form the opening chapter for all earthly souls who arrive there with a mind that is responsible to the new state of life and its more elevated purposes. Although it is a very important part of a Spiritualist teacher's work to teach all who will listen about this need for retaining an open frame of mind, the method of teaching should not be made to imply a need for the acceptance of everything that might be said or believed by others. Rather, the purpose is to urge the giving of consideraton without preconceived prejudice in a never ending search for facts that will provide evidence of truth. The same concept will as well be applicable for shaping the course of one's life here on earth, when considering matters of material importance. In this respect we should when teaching, stress that the methods we use on earth naturally form the ingrained ways of our reactions upon arrival in the spirit world.

This part of Spiritualism, which brings forth information concerning what to expect upon arrival in the spirit world tends to be neglected in the teachings given to both student workers and to congregations in the addresses presented. Also an awareness of the fact that no matter how much factual information has been given or acquired, each individual should be made aware that there will always be elements of difference, which will require **on the spot** questions for the gaining of a further understanding of their meaning. In this respect, "Ask in order to receive" should be stressed frequently by teachers and speakers.

Whenever and wherever we teach Spiritualism, it is important to teach it in such a way that it fits into people's daily lives. It has to be recognized that Spiritualism is not totally made up of current personal messages from the spirit world. Yet if left completely without these messages it would not be Spiritualism, either. Rather, it is or can



be the patterning agent whose purpose is to guide earthly human lives into more meaningful ways of growth and enjoyment of the living experience, now and in the future, through the use of helpful information and suggestions brought to earth in both past and present communications received from the spirit world. Ever and always, however, the choice to use or not use the information remains the responsibility of the person or persons receiving it on earth. Nevertheless, the purposes which lie behind the choice selected can become extremely significant in the future life of whomever makes the choice.

The open-mindedness which is a part of true Spiritualism can sometimes - perhaps I should say 'frequently' - give opportunities for divergence from the proven aspects of spirit world communications among people who become attracted by interesting theories. The students should be warned of this risk frequently - as should congregations - pointing out that ours is a religion of PROVABLE facts - NOT FAITH. We accept that faith can help us find facts, but faith's indicators are not a part of our religion until they are absolutely PROVEN.

When practiced correctly and not abused, Spiritualism is a unique and truly inspiring religion. It is also the most natural of all the well-known religions, for it is based on the pursuit of a never-ending search for previously unknown provable facts about life, through either enlisting or responding to help offered by progressed spirit entities who communicate with us from a more advanced state of life than our own. Spiritualism is distinctive in that it constantly provides a foundation structure for progressive human growth through the recognizing and strengthening of mediumistic opportunities for preparing the way for the spirit world to inform us of our errors of understanding and action, as well as suggesting more harmonious and effective methods of handling the sometimes confusing conditions of earthly living. Working with their spirit helpers, dedicated Spiritualists strive to awaken and uplift earthly souls - and especially, all sad or discouraged souls - into a state of thankful appreciation of the obvious yet often unnoticed blessings of life. Only then can the teaching challenges (generally thought of as difficulties) and their seeming obstruction to our way of living become recognized as a form of helpful personal learning experience that will make the deeper yet spiritually more meaningful future responsibilities of growth more easily and effectively handled. Afterward, these difficult experiences will gradually come to be recognized as blessings, through the unknown strengths they draw forth from us, and the ways by which the spirit world will then be seen to have exercised unseen and unanticipated guidance where needed along the way.

While on earth, each human being tends to evolve through several stages of searching for realistic spiritual information. Eventually, they provide themselves with what they consider to be a believable mental picture of the

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unseen realities of their inner consciousness. In some instances this is combined with some form of overall Universal Spirit Concept, but this aspect is not found among those persons whose system of evaluation lies totally in physical evidence.

Spirit awareness and attunement often starts with very young children, while they are also at an age when imaginative qualities are unfolding within themselves as well. If the difference between the two happenings is understood and explained by parents, the resilient and very sensitive ability of the child can be guided as he or she becomes informed about the content of what they are receiving in an encouraging way. They can be guided into growth patterns, taught the difference between imagination and spirit forms of communication, and led away from fear and taboo. This is as the desirable unfoldment might come about - gently and naturally. Unfortunately, the natural receptivity is seldom encouraged or permitted to expand. In the course of the usual parental dismissal of this early state of spiritual sensitivity, the effects of conventional schooling, the natural gift of the Spirit and some of its inner visual qualities become sidetracked, submerged or otherwise temporarily lost. Still later, when the high school and college years come into being, the inner spiritual urge of the still youthful person often resurfaces and seeks expression. This time it takes a different form - again because of a lack of knowledgeable help and direction. The choice is made according to what is or is not accepted by the conventional earthly teachings he or she is exposed to. In situations where the analyzing or exploring of anything concerning the spirit of mankind or spirits from the spirit world is not generally considered as being worthy material for teaching agendas of everyday life, the inner stirrings of an enquiring soul who remembers childhood experiences will in the course of time become effectively prompted to undertake their own investigation. At first, they are usually drawn to the offerings which are most widely accepted by other people, especially those of their own age group. A high school or college student, being by then extensively involved with physical and material life and its root interests, is most likely to join others who look for their mystical and spiritual experiences in physical ways and among physical things. They do not know or at best have only a hazy idea of the need to detach the mind from one

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Education Speaks For Itself

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Each month *The National Spiritualist* will feature the writing from a student who is currently taking the Education Course from the Morris Pratt Institute. Featured this month is Michael J. Martino from Bloomfield, New Jersey.

The keynote of this lesson is "Man, Know Thyself." It is our duty once we become aware of this idea to apply ourselves to the task. It is so because discovery of self is our real life's work. As we make progress with self-knowledge, self-awareness and self-acceptance, we can begin to explore deeper into the sanctuary of the soul. Our exploration embarks upon the discovery of our true inner reality. Having made the bridge between the conscious mind and the divine spark within by self-awareness, we then can live the light of truth through comprehensive living.

If we look for an enemy like a devil or Satan, etc. it will eventually be ourselves we find. Our adversaries will be of our own making. They will be recognized as self-deception, sloth, fear and ignorance. They come in many forms and wear many disguises. We befriend excuses, faultfinding, blaming and a hoard of evasive, deceptive tactics to avoid our responsibility to work on ourselves. People harbor and nourish as guests, anger, greed, lust, hate, vindictiveness, selfishness and a host of other calamitous attributes. The truth is that no external force can prevent us from acquiring our birthright, only ourselves. We alone are responsible for our life and what we make of our opportunity while living. The choices and challenges to evolve are ours alone. We create them as surely as we create our thoughts (destiny).

Having set the goal the lesson continues with the means to achieve the objective. The process to use is meditation in its various forms. Caution is advised because meditation can be many things to different people and much meditation is nonproductive or even negative when misdirected. There are two efforts to be alert about regarding psychic phenomena and meditation. The first is negative, in that phenomena can become a distraction and lead the student away from his true goal. The other is positive. It seems that meditation lays the foundation for sound productive psychic work. When correctly incorporated in a persons life it helps clear the mind of error thoughts, disruptive attitudes and opinions. Thereby, it leads the individual to the harmonious state of being that enhances the psychic development. Negative thoughts and disruptive emotions dissolve and are slowly sublimated to virtuous assets. Eventually, the individual attains proficiency centering and concentrating. They become more efficient workers as mundane affairs are dispatched with composure and serenity. Eventually, all new attributes coordinate to lead the mediator to a fuller spiritual life.

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Carry The Message

by
A. Ravic Russell

Note: A. Ravic Russell is a member of the Chapel of the Sunflower, NSAC in Phoenix, Arizona. Mr. Russell is also a reformed alcoholic who has found comfort, welcome and guidance in Spiritualism.

If the human race were fish the last thing we would discover would be water.

When we sing *"Count Your Blessings"* do we often overlook some obvious ones? The 11th tradition of Alcoholics Anonymous states in part, *"our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion."*

SO IS OURS.

One of our blessings is having no fear that when we go to work tomorrow one of our co-workers will complain to us that a member of this church rang their doorbell today and promised them a guaranteed trip to paradise if they join our church, and hell and damnation if they don't.

Another thing we don't have to worry about is picking up some publication and seeing a big ad inviting everyone to come and hear the Reverend Baker channel Jesus and the twelve apostles - if he likes the looks of the collection basket, or channel Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs if he doesn't.

But everytime I attend an Alcoholics Anonymous meeting (and I've been acquainted with that organization for over 8 of the 10 years I've been a Spiritualist) I've been reminded that we as Spiritualists could benefit if we adopted part of AA's 12th step, which says in part, *"having had a spiritual awakening . . . we tried to carry the message . . ."*

I am totally convinced that this morning across this nation there are thousands of Spiritualists who aren't in Spiritualist churches because they don't know that they are Spiritualists. The closets are full of them.

I was one of those closet Spiritualists for about 20 years of reading, having occasional recognizable contacts with the other side (and probably many other contacts I didn't identify as such). Occasionally, I found someone with whom I felt free to discuss these matters but never a person who understood more than I did.

In November, 1989 spirit led me from Chicago to a Spiritualist church in Paradise Valley, Arizona.

When I entered the living room where the services were held I had the odd feeling of entering a place I'd never been before and yet where I felt totally at home and at peace with myself.

When I read the Declaration of Principles for the first time I discovered in printed form what spirit had led me to believe already. I knew that I was surrounded by intelligent people because my definition of intelligence at that time was someone who thought the same way I did.

"Having a spiritual awakening," as they say in Alcoholics Anonymous, I knew I had four choices; 1) I could remain lonely in my closet with my beliefs, 2) I could accept what the fundamentalists have told me and consult an exorcist, 3) I could accept what others had told me and consult a psychiatrist or, 4) I could declare myself a Spiritualist.

I immediately chose the latter course and I've never regretted it.

I'm sure every Spiritualist who was not born into our beautiful religion has a similar and perhaps more interesting story to tell, but the question is what can each of us do as individuals to help find other lonely Spiritualists who are still in the closet and don't know there is this room full of wonderful, loving people just waiting to welcome them home?

First, as we leave our churches, we can pick up a couple of leaflets from the literature table and keep them in our car or on our person at all times. Then, when someone makes a remark which indicates an interest in our beliefs, we can identify ourself as a Spiritualist.

If they show further interest, we can give them a leaflet, offer to answer their questions, invite them to attend our services and promise never to bring up the subject again unless they first mention it, thus planting the seed without over watering or over fertilizing it.

Next, when we stop in a coffee shop, we can sit at the counter instead of taking a table. This would give us the opportunity to overhear some remark that would indicate an interest in our beliefs. It's easy to get into a casual conversation that might result in the need for a leaflet.

I've been a 'coffee shop evangelist' for Alcoholics Anonymous for years and I've discovered a new technique . . . when someone asks me for a light instead of lighting their cigarette, I hand them my lighter. Glued to the side of it is an A.A. 24-hour sobriety chip. I never know when spirit will lead me into a conversation that might help save someone from the disease of alcoholism which almost claimed my life in 1981.

Last Sunday I wrote to a friend who makes designs and jewelry and asked her to make something to glue to the other side of my lighter. Yes, it WILL be a sunflower.

I've also asked her to make a sunflower bolla tie for me and to let me know if she can make tie clips and dress pins with the sunflower emblem in case there are other members of our church who are interested in trying this low key form of evangelism.

What could be more low key and less offensive than to wear a sunflower in some form and when someone compliments us on it to simply say, *"Thank you, it's the symbol of*

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N.S.T. Forum

The Test Of Time

By Rev. Ronald R. Skowronski, N.S.T.



One of the marks of a truly great religion is its ability to identify social and moral imbalances in a society, and then, through its power to inspire and motivate - right those wrongs via its devotees.

All the great religions of the world have had a profound impact upon the progress of humanity. Some would say that there has been as much harm caused as good in the name of God. It is not my purpose to try to separate the good from the bad influences of religion in this article. I am one of those individuals that firmly believes that religion has a sacred duty and trust to strive to bring out the highest and the best in mankind.

Religion, by its very nature, should be the most dynamic spearhead for growth and progressive change in the world. In our own definitions we proclaim that: "A Spiritualist is one who believes, as the basis of his or her religion, in the communication between this and the spirit world by means of mediumship, and *who endeavors to mould his or her character and conduct in accordance with the highest teachings derived from such communion."*

In the infancy of our movement we were truly inspired by the powerful manifestations of those in Spirit. What was even more wonderful was the fact that we *knew* that this revelation could and would change the world. We knew this not just by virtue of the fact of spirit return, but also by profound social and moral messages that were being given.

It was through Spiritualism that mankind was now beginning to develop a more noble view of the Creative Force of the universe.

It was through Spiritualism that mankind began to truly realize that all mankind was truly created equal. We were one of the first movements to publicly recognize that woman has always been equal to man. We were one of the first movements that viewed children as a precious gift rather than a mere possession.

If you study our history, you will find that we really were on fire to change the world by the pronouncements of many who the world called "dead."

On July 8, 1948 at the Grand Centennial Celebration of Spiritualism held in Rochester, New York, nine Social Principles were adopted by the Federation of Spiritual Churches and Associations and representative Spiritualists of the Entire World. At this time of great social and moral change that is occurring throughout the world, I feel it most appropriate that we reflect upon those principles:

(1) World Spiritualism abhors war in any form and supports every effort by any nation or group to maintain peace in the world.

(2) World Spiritualism condemns racial prejudice and unfair discrimination wherever found.

(3) World Spiritualism condemns and brands as medieval the death penalty (capital punishment) and heartily commends those states and nations that have abolished this barbarous practice.

(4) World Spiritualism demands reform of the penal institutions and the mental institutions of the world, believing that crime is a disease and should be dealt with as such.

(5) World Spiritualism advocates planned parenthood and the widest dissemination of sex and hygenic knowledge to the end that poverty and social diseases may be eliminated.

(6) World Spiritualism denounces the cruel and heartless custom of designating any of God's children as "illegitimate" because of the circumstances of its birth.

(7) World Spiritualism recommends that all so called "hopeless" cases of illness be submitted to

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one or more Spiritual Healers before pronouncing the patient as incurable.

(8) World Spiritualism recommends the interchange of students between the colleges and schools of the nations of the world to the end that foolish local prejudices be broken down by the simple expedient of young people living and learning together as citizens of the world.

(9) World Spiritualism demands freedom of religious thought and expression as the cornerstone of all lasting good in the world.

Rev. B. Welch said about these: "As far as we know these mark the only Internationally Approved Standard of Social Action of Modern Spiritualism. (All great faiths have a certain "stand" on social and economic problems and for the first 100 years we had none. But we have a program *now* and we are proud of it.) Those great men and women, in the highest tradition of our religion formed a new motto for future generations to live by: "In Essentials, Unity; In Nonessentials, Toleration."

If you look at the state of world affairs you will easily see that these men and women in 1948 were years ahead of their time. We can only speculate what kind of a world order we would have today if these Spiritualists had been taken seriously and the principles followed. These were people who under the inspiration of their spirit friends, sought to find the highest height of Truth's Domain. These were people who truly endeavored to mould their character and conduct in accordance with the highest teachings derived from the communion between ours and the Higher Side of Life.

I am saddened to recognize that it appears that we Spiritualists of today seem far less interested in world affairs than in Psychic Fairs. Our social conscience seems to all but vanish like dust in the wind. Our early history reflected the Higher Calling of the Spirit, our latter day history no longer reflects our once great Light. Has our movement become a burnt ember of its former glory?

I for one would love to see a convention where more time was spent seeking a rekindling of our Higher Calling rather than the usual politics and apathy that has become our standard rather than the exception. Natural Law teaches us that like attracts like. If we have abandoned our Higher Calling, it does not surprise me to see our churches failing and our membership diminishing.

Spirit has never abandoned us, it appears that we have abandoned Spirit. It has been written that "by their fruits, ye shall know them." The test of time will prove what positive impact we will have had on the world. We did have a glorious, hopeful beginning.

In spite of what we appear to be lacking today *the door of reformation is never closed!* Let us be inspired and learn from our own history and once again become moral leaders.

Let's make Spiritualism what it was meant to be — *the Light of the World!.*

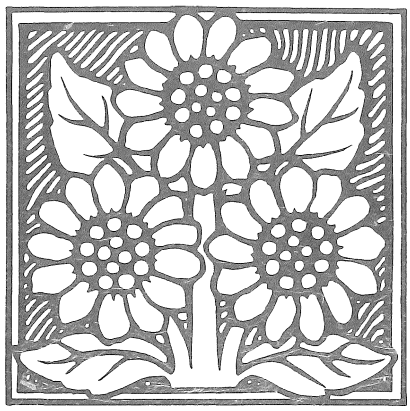
Centenary

One hundred years of National Spiritualism was celebrated by over 2000 people in the U.K. The Spiritualist National Union (S.N.U.) held this special celebration on March 31st, 1990 in London.

After the momentous events in Hydesville in 1848 the interest in the Spiritualist philosophy spread in the U.S.A. Soon "the word" found its way to Britain through Mrs. Hayden and many wonderful mediums followed.

In 1871, Robert Owen was given, through the mediumship of Emma Hardinge Britten, the basis of their seven Principles. This philosophy is the foundation of S.N.U.:

- The Fatherhood of God
- The Brotherhood of Man
- The Communion of Spirits and the Ministry of Angels
- The Continuous Existence of the Human Soul
- Personal Responsibility
- Compensation and Retribution Hereafter for all the Good and Evil Deeds Done on Earth
- Eternal Progress Open to Every Human Soul



— Mediumship —

What Should We Expect From The Message?

By Frank Howd, Assistant Pastor
Church of the Infinite Spirit, Newington, CT.

As visitors and as church members, what should we expect from the message portion of our service? Mediumship is demonstrated at all Spiritualist churches. The difference in quality, the difference between a brief "message" or a "private reading" at a public meeting and the care in which personal messages are delivered all vary.

Before we delve into these issues let's bring to light and understand the fact that just because a person becomes a discarnate does not make him a saint with unlimited knowledge or power. Many people think that just because a message comes from someone on the spirit side of life that it has greater validity. This is nonsense and is misinformation that we need to correct. We need to use correct tools to determine the value, moral content, accuracy and reasonability of the information. These are all key elements and guides to the usefulness of the information being presented. Information coming from Spirit should be helpful but realize that the responsibility for life on earth is ours, not Spirit's. Those people looking to be led in life are missing this point.

Messages from Spirit should be constructive and should not embarrass the recipient. Negative background information should not be given by the medium in front of the congregation. There is a time and place for counselling, "if required." The medium has the final responsibility for exercising restraint over what is conveyed. The argument that "this is what Spirit gave me" does not compute if the recipient turns off because of the lack of tact on the part of the message bearer.

The messages we receive from the platform should be short. They are Spirit greetings not readings. The feeling that all people need to be given a greeting borders on the carnival atmosphere where people expect to get their money's worth. This is not the intention of Spirit greetings. They are used for guidance, proof of survival, for valuable insight into the Spirit realm and to bring awareness of the laws which help us to enrich and broaden our spiritual lives.

The badge of "certified medium" is one worn proudly and held dearly. The title does not make the medium any smarter than any one else but does reflect that this individual has studied, developed and was tested and passed the examination to become certified. The law "like attracts like" is important and for this reason we perform this duty sacredly and with dignity. We then attract noble souls with a higher purpose which bonds us to spiritual evolution and guidance.

The Voices

Listen! Can you hear them?
There are voices in the winds
Carried in their bosoms through the ages;

History's voices crying out, pleading to be heard;
"Dear ones, hear us and learn from the world's past.
Repeat not its errors;
Remember and heed the admonitions of the wise ones."

We hear the wind sighing we often say,
But is it the wind or voices crying?
Alas —
Few will hear the voices in the winds.

— By Roma Plagman
Spiritualist Harmony Church
Davenport, Iowa
Award Winning Poem

Our First National Convention

— Part 6 —

(N.S.A.C. Centennial Series)

by Rev. Bernard F. Baker, NST

Mrs. Ada Sheehan, speaking on behalf of the convention delegates, continued her address. As you read the following, think about how pertinent her points were then. You will quickly realize that these same points are just as pertinent today, and perhaps even more so.

"There are many lessons for us to learn, many things for us to do just now; and oh, how important it is that we are at last done talking and at last see the necessity for doing!

You may travel upon any railroad that centers in this wonderful city of the West and you will find in every little hamlet the spire of a church of one denomination or another. You may visit the largest cities and the smallest, and, with very few exceptions, do you find any pretense upon the part of Spiritualists to prepare a place to invite the friends of life and the spirit friends to convene and commune one with the other?"

Mrs. Sheehan now begins to address the importance of youth in Spiritualism:

"No movement of this kind at all. We may travel from one end of the country to the other and find only the smallest movement in any direction to educate the young in spiritual things and teach them the truth of spirit in its entirety.

We are possibly confronted with gray headed people who are ready to die, who hope that when they do die it will be alright and that somebody will be there to meet them. In every audience we visit throughout the country, there are faces turned towards us that have passed the meridian, or have reached it before finding any interest in spiritual things.

Do you not know that the foundation of character, and the man's future, is laid often at the mother's knee when he is small? Do you not know that every church organization throughout the country recognizes this fact and the leaders take especial pains to bring the young in, not especial pains to educate them, but especial pains to bring them into the church - to baptize them, to put a tag on them while yet very young?

The great success and the great numbers of the Catholic Church, I am certain, are due to the influences that are placed around the young. You and I need not desire that the same thing shall be done for our children as for the children of the present day or done in in exactly the same manner, but we should desire that Spiritualists have the dignity that belongs to spirits and teach the children in the home and provide places where they can come together and learn the lessons of brotherhood while they are still children.

That, my friends and delegates, seems to me one of the strongest points of necessity, when we ask for organization, one of the very strongest. There are many who think that perhaps to gain control, or at least a portion of control, in the legislative halls would be an excellent thing for Spiritualism; but, my friends, if we start our children out right, **THEY** may become legislators and will not need the eye and finger of an organization upon them to make them just unto their fellow-men."

Just as it was at that time, almost 100 years ago, so it is today. The young **MUST** be part of Spiritualism if our religion is to continue to grow. For example, today we have the Children's Lyceum and this part of our movement deserves much more attention than it is now getting. Without the young any organization is doomed to perish.

Mrs. Sheehan continued, "Everywhere we find that creedal organization has made people less liberal than they were before. We find throughout all this wide world that he who belongs to one church concludes that no other church or denomination is quite as good as his own. It matters not whether it be Protestant or Catholic, the feeling is there, and if you have not felt it you should attend a revival meeting, and you will soon be convinced of it.

We find that even the so-called Liberal clubs lack liberality. We find this belongs to humanity, but as Spiritualists, knowing of eternal life, it ought to make us broader, ought to make us larger, ought to make us grander in every respect; and I feel today in answering the call for organization, knowing exactly what organization means, or has meant in the past - it has been of

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Convention — Part 6
(Continued)

great avail in some directions and just the opposite in others - we must avoid the mistakes of others who have attempted organizations and have tried to perfect them by disregarding the universality of growth and the right of all men to think for themselves.

Can we not, then, as delegates, accepting the invitation to be here, organize for business purposes if for nothing else? Every Spiritualist who is here today knows as well as we do that it is impossible to begin by formulating any sort of creed, and that it is absolutely unnecessary.

As Spiritualists we believe what we can, and we have learned that belief can be forced. We find that in the family, in the closest relations of life, the husband is very liable to believe something that the wife cannot believe, and vice versa. We find that opinions belong to individuals, and the right to opinion is ours.

Therefore, many have claimed it to be impossible to organize Spiritualists at all, because they recognize the impossibility of formulating a creed. Let us start out first of all with the clear understanding that we do not need and do not want any creed.

The next thing we want to understand, that which is important to us as Spiritualists and as individuals - and I want to say right here that whatever we do for ourselves in forming this organization we do not alone for Spiritualists, but humanity - is this: Whenever we come together and express a higher thought for those interested in the study of Spiritualism we also express it for all mankind, for we cannot be benefited without the community, the world, humanity at large also being benefited.

We have not come to the conclusion that we have not brains enough to organize without quarreling on some point of belief, for we know better. There is in our Spiritualism so many divisions that we dare not quibble. Today in this hall we have representatives who believe just exactly that which they can, according to the experiences they have had.

Some whose experiences have been wide and varied have reached a higher plane; in other words, there are those who have grown out of the preliminary stages that all occupied at one time, and so as Spiritualists today we stand to look at each other and wonder how one or the other can accept this or that which we have not been able to accept. We can easily come to a very serious stumbling block if we attempt to interfere with any Spiritualist's belief in any direction.

Therefore, as delegates coming here for the purpose of organizing, I would like those who are on the phenomenal plane to understand that there is no enmity for you from those who stand on the philosophical, psychical or religious planes, but there are steps in Spiritualism, and people stand on each of these steps, and for that reason, in the beginning, we want you to feel that all alike are welcome, welcome to present your highest thoughts in the interest of this congregation of forces, but not welcome to intrude your particular views or opinions into the body of organization.

We believe this afternoon that the cream of our society is here, notwithstanding the article in your newspapers to the contrary. We feel, and I especially felt as I listened to the names of the delegates, and as I look out over the audience and recognize the faces of earnest, tried and true workers in the cause of Spiritualism, that we have brains enough here to make ourselves heard and to prove that we at least think that we are respectable and intend to prove it before we get through.

Dear friends, in the name of Spiritualism, that is growing, as well as all other things, all things in life, all institutions and all systems, growing and expanding, so we feel that our Spiritualism has yet to grow."

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Spiritual Healing

By
Sandra Pfortmiller

— Prayer for Spiritual Healing —

I ask the great unseen healing force to remove all obstructions from my mind and body and to restore me to perfect health. I ask this in all sincerity and honesty and I will do my part.

I ask this great unseen healing force to help both present and absent ones who are in need of help and to restore them to perfect health. I put my trust in the love and power of God.

When we say this prayer we usually think it applies personally in the first part and to others in the second. Recently we had an earth day where an estimated 200 million people around the planet acknowledged the need for all of us to do our part to help this earth plane. Could the unseen healing force be inspiring mankind by sounding an alarm of environmental problems. This was the twentieth Earth Day yet ambivalence is still the main characteristic with most citizens.

Our air, our earth, our water - what are the prospects for the coming centuries if we do not initiate some changes? The global ecology affects each of us and our families. There is an interrelationship of the health of the planet and our health. The survival of both are threatened and at stake if all of us do not launch procedures to alter our lifestyles.

If a friend asked us to help them because they were ill, we would make efforts to ease their suffering, go see them, bring some chicken soup and a card, send out prayers and be extra careful not to cause any further discomfort for them. Think of nature as your friend and see what you can do to help her heal and cause no additional problems.

It has taken centuries of uncaring or not knowing to reach our troubled state, but while these gradual actions were largely unconscious we must now be fully conscious to provide a new direction. With a lot of help nature can come back into balance but we must do our part, today and everyday.

There are many articles, books, organizations, and periodicals that give healthy ideas for us to promote. Do some research, then put it into practice. A few suggestions to help you begin:

- Recycle
- Plant, Don't Polute
- Protect Wildlife
- Dispose of Chemicals Properly
- Avoid Plastic Foam Products
- Conserve
- Pick-up
- Teach Others
- Save Water
- Car-pool
- Elect environmentally conscious leaders.

Of course we can **pray and send healing** which we all know is so beneficial. Let us work individually and in our churches to spread the healing light to our blessed earth.

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RESEDA - Spiritualist Chapel of the Flowers,
6746 Yarmouth Ave., 1 blk. west of White Oak at Vanowen; Services Sun. 11:00 a.m. & 7:30 p.m. - Tues. 7:30 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Pat Smith, N.S.T., 5935 Lemp Ave., #4, N. Hollywood, 91601, (818) 762-0773; Pres., Donna Scott, (818) 705-5725.

REDWOOD CITY - Redwood Church of Spiritual Science, N.S.A.C.,
149 Clinton St., 94601; Sun. 11:00 a.m.; Pres., Louis Miller, 580-35 Ahwanee, Sunnyvale, 94086; Secy., Barbara Welge, 50 Horgan Ave., #55, 94061, (415) 364-8476

SAN BERNARDINO VALLEY — Spiritualist Church,
604 South "H" St., 92410; Sun. Serv. Healing & Dev. 11:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.; Pres., Dana Calhoun; Secy., Janice Larcom, 913 Kansas, Colton, 92324, (714) 825-6926 or 825-5817.

SAN BERNARDINO - Temple of Spiritual Truth, N.S.A.C.
732 N. Sierra Way, San Bernardino, 92402; Sun. Serv. 11:00 a.m., Healing 10:30 a.m.; Pres., William Sanabria, (714) 825-6809; Secy., Margaret Haskins, (714) 862-4376.

SAN DIEGO - Progressive Spiritualist Church,
4144 Campus Ave.; Sun. Serv. 7:00 p.m., Healing and Worship; Pastor and Secy., Rev. Daisy Brunner, Rte. #5, Box 185, Escondido, 92025, (619) 741-8250

SAN FRANCISCO - First Temple of Spiritualism,
3324 17th St., 94110; Sun. Serv. 10:00 a.m., Messages 2nd, 4th & 5th Tues. 7:00 p.m.; Classes 1st & 3rd Tues. 7:00 p.m.; Pres. & Pastor, Rev. William W. Woodworth; Secy., Joan McDaniel (415) 621-0491.

SAN FRANCISCO - First Spiritual Temple,
3324 17th St., 94110; Sun. Serv. 10:00 a.m., Classes 1st & 3rd Tues. 7:00 p.m.; Messages 2nd, 4th & 5th Tues. 7:00 p.m.; Pres. & Pastor, Rev. Alfred A. Conner, N.S.T., 3324 17th St., 94110, (415) 621-0491; Secy., Mary Ann Hylander.

SAN FRANCISCO - Golden Gate Spiritualist Church,
1901 Franklin St. (Cor. of) Lyceum, Sun. 11:00 a.m. Sept.-May, Healing 6:00 p.m., Serv. 6:30 p.m.; Wed. Healing 7:30 p.m., Serv. 8:00 p.m., (415) 885-9976; Pastor, Rev. Donald Haddick, N.S.T., 870 Junipero Serra Blvd., 94127; Pres., Sonny B. Gee, 679 The Alameda, Berkley, 94707, (415) 524-4082; Secy., Frances Richardson.

SAN JOSE - The Spiritual Science of Life Church,
"The Friendly Church," 729 Morse Street, (Corner of Morse St. & Naglee), 95126; Sun. Serv. 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Louise Peruch, N.S.T., 1252 W. Hedding St., 95126, (408) 241-0576; Secy., Jayne Patterson, 1252 W. Hedding St., 95126, (408) 241-0576.

SAN LEANDRO - The Church of Two Worlds, N.S.A.C.,
1349 Hayes, 94577; Sun. Serv. 10:15 a.m. to Noon; Co-Pastors, Rev's. Betty and Don Nauratil, (415) 283- 1449; Asst. Pastor, Mary Nichols, 25275 S. Lammers Rd., Tracy, 95376; Pres. Kathy Marchette, Rt. 2, Box 282 F Laurie, Brentwood, 94513; Secy., Rev. Betty Nauratil, 1048 Via Roble, Lafayette, 94549.

SAN RAFAEL - Serenity Spiritualist Association,
322 Upper Road, 94903; P.O. Box 4375, 94913; Sun. Serv. 10:00 a.m.; Pres., Ronald C. Cavender; Secy., Beverly J. Houser, (415) 472-3633. *(Church address for mailing).*

SANTA BARBARA - Summerland Church of the Comforter,
1028 Garden St., 93101, (805) 965-4474; (Correspondence to Secy. Marysue Lewter at Church address) Sun. Serv. 11:00 a.m.; Wed. All Message Serv. 7:00 p.m.; Mon. Beg. Unfoldment Class 7:00 p.m.; Thur. Inter. Unfoldment Class 7:00 p.m.; Fri. Nite Live: Special Seminars & Activities 7:00 p.m.; Rev. Foard Memorial Lib. Open by Appt. at 302 E. Figueroa St.; Pastor, Rev. Connie Smith, 660 Broadmoor Blvd., San Leandro, 94577; Asst. Lic. Min., Mary P. Wadsworth, 7430 Canby Ave., #3, Reseda, 91335.

• COLORADO •

DENVER - Chapel of Spiritual Awareness,
225 Acoma, Denver; Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m., Messages & Healing; Pastor, Rev. Robert Haskins, 2810 S. Cherokee, (303) 781-2144, Englewood, 80110; Pres. Patricia Schott, (303) 972-2654.

DENVER - Spiritualist Chapel of the Rockies, N.S.A.C.
4210 E. 100th, #536, Denver, 80229.

• CONNECTICUT •

CONNECTICUT STATE SPIRITUALIST ASSOCIATION,
P.O. Box 271, Ledyard, 06339; Pres., Al Ferency; Secy., Lori Burger, 7 Ashford Dr., Stafford Springs, 06076.

NEW LONDON - The New London Spiritualist Church, Inc.,
P.O. Box 1268, New London, 06320; Sun. Ser. 2:30 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Henrietta Cox; Pres., Iris Larson, 53 Phillips St., Waterford, 06385, (203) 447-0928; Secy., Lynn Haluga, 23 Triton Pl., Groton, 06340.

NEWINGTON - The Church of the Infinite Spirit,
Masonic Temple, 80 Walsh Ave., 06111; Church phone (203) 666-1606; Sun. Serv. 2:00 p.m. - every 2nd & 4th Wednesday 7:30 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Catherine J. Margiotta, 46 Webb St., Waterbury, 06704, (203) 754-3559; Pres., Christa Dixon, 25 Woodland Park, Windsor, 06095, (203) 688-7581; Secy., Roberta Howd, 37 Center Rd., Tolland, (203) 875-1891.

NIANTIC - Ladies Aid Society Camp,
1280 Claas Ave., Holbrook, N.Y. 11741; Secy., Virginia J. Berg.

NORWITH - National Spiritualist Church,
29 Park St., 06360; P.O. Box 939; Asst. Pastor, Michael Fretard, 446-8058, Hope Valley, R.I.; Secy., Alvera Gauvin, 70 Peck St., 06360, 889-5968.

OLD GREENWICH - Albertson Memorial Church,
293 Sound Beach Ave., 06870; Sun. Serv. 11:00 a.m.; Pastor, Rev. Melvin O. Smith; Secy., William Habekost, c/o Quintile, 75 Mason St., 06830, (203) 661-5770.

STRATFORD - The Temple of Divine Truth, Inc., N.S.A.C.,
Boothe Memorial Park; Serv. 6:00 p.m. on the 2nd & 4th Sat., Sept.-June; Pres., John Paterna, 39 Quintard Ave., So. Norwalk, 06854, (203) 866-3885; Secy., Doris G. Wendell, 377 Queen St., Bridgeport, 06606, (203) 374-5174.

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WILLIMANTIC — First Spiritualist Church of Willimantic,
268 High St., 06226; Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m.; Pres., Joyce Orcutt, 13 Wales Rd., Andover, 06232, (203) 742-7846; Secy., Donna Szall, RFD 1, Box 551, Jewett City, 06351, (203) 376-3382.

• DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA •

WASHINGTON - Church of Two Worlds,
3038 "Q" St., N.W., 20007; Sun. Healing 2:00 p.m., Serv. 2:30 p.m.; Pres., Michael Dyer, 2912 N. 7th St., Arlington, VA 22201; Secy., Janese St. Coeur, 2505 N. Kenilworth St., Arlington, VA 22207, (703) 241-0350.

• FLORIDA •

CASADAGA - First Spiritualist Church of Cassadaga,
P.O. Box 185, Cassadaga, FL 32706

FRUITLAND PARK - Spiritual Enlightenment Center, N.S.A.C.,
P.O. Box 519, Fruitland Park, FL 34731.

MIAMI - Metaphysical Science Church, N.S.A.C.,
7701 S.W. 76th Ave., Miami, FL 33143.

ORLANDO - Spiritualist Church of Awareness, N.S.A.C.,
3210 Chickasaw Trail (P.O. Box 571043, 32857); Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m. and Wed. 7:30 p.m.; Healing, Lecture, Messages all services; Pres., Jean I. Lerch, 335 Piney Ridge Rd., Casselberry, 32707, (407) 834-5378; Secy., E. Ann Otzelberger, 4332 Woodlynne Ln., 32818.

• GEORGIA •

ATLANTA - First Spiritualist Church of Atlanta,
3120 Maple St., Atlanta, GA 30309.

BRUNSWICK - Golden Isles Spiritual Chapel, N.S.A.C.,
2916 Springdale Rd., Brunswick, GA 31520

• ILLINOIS •

ILLINOIS STATE SPIRITUALIST ASSOCIATION,
Pres., Rev. Bryan McCotter, 313 E. Center St., Leroy, 61752; Secy., Arsenia J. Williams, 10913 S. Parnell, Chicago, 60628, (312) 995-1911.

AURORA - Christabelle Spiritualist Church Of Aurora Inc.,
141 N. State St.; Sun. Serv. 7:00 p.m.; Pres., Alma L. Kaes; Secy., Annabelle B. Saxon, 1312 E. Division St., Lockport, IL 60441, (815) 838-6961.

BURNHAM - Puritan Spiritualist Church,
13906 Greenbay Ave., 60633; Sun. Serv. 2:30 p.m. & Wed. 7:30 p.m.; Pastor, Anna Gross, 10930 Ave. "M", Chicago, 60617; Secy., Joyce Balducci, 10624 S. Bensley, 60617, (312) 375-6530.

CHERRY VALLEY - Cherry Valley Spiritualist Camp, Inc.,
8002 Service Rd., 61016, (815) 332-5359; Camp Season: June thru Sept. - Nov. thru May; Serv.: First Sun. of each month at 1:00 p.m.; Pres., Maurice Witt, 624 Walnut Ave., Elgin, 60123, (312) 931-4373; Secy., Richard Taylor.

CHICAGO - The Church of The Spirit,
2651 N. Central Park Ave., 60647-1101, (312) 489-5422; Chicago's Oldest Spiritualist Church; Sun. Family Worship Hour, 10:30 a.m.; Wed., Development Class, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Ms. Marrice Coverson; Secy., Ms. LaVerne DeChristopher.

CHICAGO - Spiritualist Church of Truth,
6343 West Cuyler (½ block north of Irving Pk.) 60634; Sun. Serv. 3:00 p.m.; Pres. Mrs. Helen Lopotowski; Secy., Margaret Altese, 4050 N. Oriole Ave., Norridge, 60634, (312) 452-8754; Lyceum every second Sun. after Church Serv., Mr. Fred Detzner, Conductor.

CHICAGO - Tucker Smith Memorial Spiritualist Temple,
6146 S. Ashland Ave., 60636; Sun. Serv. 11:30 a.m., Lyceum every third Sun.; Pastor, Louise Washington, 6146 S. Ashland Ave., 60636; Secy., L.B. Johnson, 8227 S. Marquette, 60617.

CICERO - First Spiritualist Church of Cicero,
5033 W. 25th Pl., 60650; Serv. Sun. 2:30 p.m., Lecture, Messages & Healing; Pastor & Pres., Ellen Stopa, 5033 W. 25th Pl., 60650; Secy., Joseph A. Stopa, (312) 652-6953.

LE ROY - J.T. & E.J. Crumbaugh Spiritualist Church,
102 S. Pearl St.; Sun. Serv. 2:00 p.m.; Lyceum Sun. 12:30 p.m., Tues. 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Bryan McCotter, 313 E. Center St., 61752; Pres., Ella Martinovich, 1402 E. College, Normal, 61761, (309) 452- 1738; Secy., Donna K. O'Crowly, 34 Chiswick Circle, Bloomington, 61704, (309) 662-3845.

• INDIANA •

INDIANA STATE ASSOCIATION OF SPIRITUALISTS,
Pres., Rev. William F. Melick, 1806 E. 66th St., Indianapolis, 46220; Secy., Doris Copeland, 5096 N. 300E Greenfield, IN 46140, (317) 326-2523.

FORT WAYNE - Spiritualist Church Of Divine Science,
1615 Wells St., Mailing Add: P.O. Box 8151, Station D, 46898; Sun. Lyceum Classes 10:00 a.m., Thurs. & Sun. Eve. - Healing 7:00 p.m., Serv. 7:45 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Bernice Brock; Assoc. Pastors, Rev. Jay Fisher & Rev. Edward P. Cummings; Secy., Jeanne Navaro, 1615 Wells St., 46808, (219) 422-8600.

FRANKFORT - First Spiritualist Church of Frankfort Inc.,
Magnolia & Green Sts.; Serv. Sun. Lyceum 1:00 p.m., Church Serv. 2:30 p.m., 1st and 3rd Sun. each month, Dinner at 5:00 p.m., Message Circle 6:00 p.m.; Pres., Billy Joe Gregory; Secy., Henrietta Reed, 1321 E. Spann Ave., Indianapolis, 46203.

GARY - First Spiritualist Church, Inc., N.S.A.C.,
2430 W. 11th Ave.; Serv. Sun. 3:00 p.m., Wed. 8:00 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Velma Dickson; Pres., Jesse James Jr., 1301 Pennsylvania St.; Secy., Verillia Sharref, 768 King St., 46406; Unfoldment Classes Fri. 7:30 p.m., Dinner every third Sun.

HAMMOND - First Progressive Spiritualist Church of Hammond
230 Hobart St., Hammond, IN 46406.

INDIANAPOLIS — Progressive Spiritualist Church,
6225 N. Carrollton Ave., 46220, (317) 255-4902; Serv. Sun. "Psychic Tea" 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., Reg. Serv. 3:00 p.m.; Pres., Paul E. Keller, 9341 West County Line Rd., Camby, 46113, (317) 831-2499; Secy., Willie Wissing, Route 5, Box 137, Rushville, 46173, (317) 663-2582.

INDIANAPOLIS - Psychic Science Spiritualist Church, Inc.,
1415 Central Ave., 46202; Philosophy Class 6:00 p.m., Sun.; Healing Serv. 7:00 p.m., Devotional Serv. 7:30 p.m., Sun. & Thurs.; Healing Prayer Group 7:00 p.m., Mon.; All Message Serv. 2:00 p.m., Tues.; Classes, Seminars, Consultations & Special Activities available. Pres., Herbert Ray Worth, (317) 251-4889; Secy., Edith Myers, (317) 248-9773, Church phone (317) 634-1430.

MICHIGAN CITY - Spiritual Science Church, N.S.A.C.,
314 W. Coolspring Ave.; Correspondence to: P.O. Box 8923, 46360, (219) 874-6002; Sun. Serv. 2:00 p.m.; Pastor & Pres., Rev. Ruth Novak, 7008 W. U.S. 20 W. Daphne Park, 46360, (219) 872-6621; Secy., Carleen Boyle, 2878 W. Small Rd., LaPorte, IN 46350.

MUNCIE - First Church Of Spiritual Science, N.S.A.C.,
Corner of Ninth & Mulberry; Sun. Healing Serv. 2:30 p.m., Church Serv. 2:45 p.m., Dinner served last Sun. of the month at 5:00 p.m. followed Student Serv. 6:00 p.m., Unfoldment Classes Tues. 8:00 p.m., Muncie - Fri. 8:00 p.m. Chesterfield; Pastor, Rev. Virginia L. Falls, 2221 W. Ninth St., 47302, 284-2494; Secy., Doris Copeland, 5096 N. 300 E. Greenfield, IN 46140, 326-2523.

• IOWA •

CLINTON - First Spiritualist Church,
541 - 6th Ave. So., 52732; Sun. Serv. 2:00 p.m., classes Wed. 7:30 p.m.; Pastor & Pres., Edward E. Ridyard; 1249 - 15th Ave. So., 52732, (319) 242-0462.

CLINTON - Mississippi Valley Spiritualist Assoc. Camp.,
Mt. Pleasant Park, Clinton, IA 52732

DAVENPORT - Spiritualist Harmony Church,
1429 W. Seventh St., 52802, (319) 324-9659 or 326-3453. Worship & Message Serv. Sun. 2:00 p.m.; Adult Lyceum Class, Tues. 7:00 p.m.; Children's Lyceum avail.; Pastor, Rev. William E. Buchholz, Jr., 805 E. Thirteenth St., 52803, (319) 326-3201; Secy., Roma Plagman, 1715 W. Eighth St., 52802, (319) 322-6353.

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• MAINE •

MAINE STATE SPIRITUALIST ASSOCIATION,
Pres., Thomas B. Haldane, Box 222, Rt. 1, W. Buxton, 04093; Treas., Bernard R. Langley, RFD #4, Box 208-L17, Auburn, 04210; Secy., Florence C. Langley, Same address.

AUGUSTA - Augusta Spiritualist Church,
Corner of Perham & Court Streets; Sun. Serv. 2:30 p.m.; Pres., June L. Conley, 50 Windy St., 04330; Secy., Carole Rideout, Birmingham Rd., Chelsea, 04345; Treas., Lyndell Heald, Rt. 2, Box 80, Litchfield, 04350.

LINCOLNVILLE - Temple Heights Spiritualist Assoc. Camp,
P.O. Box 166, Lincolnville, ME 04849.

DOVER-FOXCROFT - First Piscataquis Spiritualist Church,
Thompson Free Library Clubroom, 04426; Services 2nd Sun. each month at 2:00 p.m.; Pres., Mrs. Kathy Herring, RFD #1, Box 55, 04426; Secy., Kathryn Weymouth, RFD #1, Box 16, Abbott, 04406, (207) 876-3005.

ETNA - The Harrison D. Barrett Memorial Church,
P.O. Box 100, 04434; Sun. Serv. 10:00 a.m.; Healing Serv. Wed., 7:30 p.m.; Pastor Rev. Arlene Sikora, (207) 938-2807; Secy., Carol Rickards, P.O. Box 100, 04434, (207) 327-1458.

AUBURN - Madison Campmeeting Spiritualist Assoc.,
R.R. 4, Box 208 L 17, Auburn, ME 04210.

PORTLAND — Portland Spiritualist Church,
302 Stevens Ave., 04103; Mailing Address: P.O. Box 6551, P.T.S., Portland, 04102; Sun. Serv. 7:30 p.m., Healing Serv. 7:00 p.m.; Class Fri. 7:30 p.m.; Pastor, Thomas Haldane, R-1, Box 222, W. Buxton, 04093, (207) 727-3850; Pres., Warren Nielsen; Secy., Dale Johnson, 75 Forest Ave., 04101.

• MASSACHUSETTS •

BALTIMORE - Sanctuary Of Truth Spiritualist,
YWCA Bldg., Room 108, Baltimore, MD 21201.

BROCKTON - First Spiritualist Church of Brockton,
54 Glenwood, Brockton, MA 02401.

METHUEN - The Church of Spiritual Life, Inc.,
37 Lowell St., 01844 (in Chapel of 1st Methodist Church); Sun. Serv. 6:00 p.m.; Acting Pastor, Elva Peters, 830 Broadway, Haverhill, 01830, (508) 373-2408; Secy., Mary F. Gibeau, Concord Garden Apts., Bldg. 16, Apt. 2, Concord, NH 03301.

ONSET - On-I-Set Wigwam Spiritualist Church Camp,
13th St., Onset, MA 02558.

SALEM - First Spiritualist Church, Inc.,
34 Warren St., 01970; Early Serv. 5:30-6:00 p.m.; Lunch break 6:00-6:30, Healing & Evening Serv. 6:30-8:00 p.m.; Telephone for weather cancellations: (508) 745-2098; Wed. Billet Serv. 2:00 p.m.; Church season is Sun. after Labor Day - last Sun. in May; Billet Serv. Oct.-May; Pastor, Rev. Gladys Worsencroft, 28 Riverside St., Danvers, 01923; Pres., Muriel Karolides, 9 Harbor St., Danvers, MA, 01923, (508) 774-2753; Secy., Dorothy R. Crocker, 14 King St., Peabody, MA, 01960, (508) 977-9554.

SPRINGFIELD - First Spiritualist Church, Inc.,
33-37 Bliss St., 01105, (413) 732-1234; Sun. Serv. 3:00 p.m.; Pres. Bernard Hilton, 133 Upper Rd., Deerfield, MA (413) 774-2354; Medium Secy., Mrs. Alyce Andrews, 53 Burns Ave., Springfield, MA (413) 782-4584; Recording Secy., Mrs. Elaine Avery, Avery Rd., Montgomery, MA (413) 862-3310.

• MICHIGAN •

MICHIGAN STATE SPIRITUALIST ASSOC. OF CHURCHES,
Pres., Marcia Hyatt, 4161 Buckingham, Detroit, Michigan 48224; Secy., Marjorie Elaine Weichner, 8022 W. Chain Lake Rd., P.O. Box 89, South Branch, 48761-0089, (517) 4133.

CHARLEVOIX - Golden Rule Spiritualist Church,
1½ miles west of Bay Shore on Old U.S. 31; Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m., Lyceum meets Sun. 9:30 a.m.; Pres., Mr. Otto Allen, 419 Pearl, Petrosky, 49770; Secy., Ralph B. Cheney, 7453 Old 31, Rt. 3, 49720, (616) 347-3899.

CHARLEVOIX - Northern Lake Michigan Spiritualist Camp,
1½ mile west of Bay Shore on Old U.S. 31; Service 10:30 a.m., Wed. 7:30 p.m., June-Sept.; Pres. Ralph B. Cheney, 7453 Old 31, Rt . 3, 49720.

DETROIT - First Spiritualist Temple,
97 Delaware Ave., Detroit, MI 48202.

JACKSON - Goodfellows Spiritualist Church,
1014 LeRoy, Jackson, MI 49202.

LESLIE - Flower Memorial Spiritualist Church,
West Bellevue at High St.; Sun. Lyceum 10:00, Church Service 10:30 a.m.; Pastor, Rev. Cosie Allen, 1418 Hall S.E., Grand Rapids, 49506, (616) 241-2761; Pres., Timothy Weichner; Secy., Mary Ellen Weichner, 808 State St., Jackson, 49202, (517) 787-0422.

MUSKEGON - First National Spiritualist Church,
3320 Thompson St., Bluffton Area; Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m.; Pres. & Secy., Marvell Francisco, 14439 Mercury Dr., Grand Haven, MI 49417.

OXFORD - Spirit of Harmony Chapel,
21 Dennison St., 48501, (313) 628-2353; Sun. Serv. 7:30 p.m.; Pastor, Catherine Welch; Pres., Michael Dumbrigue.

ROYAL OAK - First Spiritual Temple,
3224 Greenfield Rd., 48072; Sun. Serv. 11:45 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.; Sun. Lyceum - Sept. till May 10:00 a.m.; Pres., Rev. Stanley Gutt, 813 E. Evelyn, Hazel Park, 48030, (313) 548-2240; Secy., Marguerite (Peggy) Gutt, 813 E. Evelyn, Hazel Park, 48030, (313) 548-2240.

SOUTH BRANCH - Chain Lake Spiritualist Camp Association,
8000 W. Chain Lake Rd., 48761; Sun. Serv. 11:00 a.m., July & Aug.; Annual Retreat Week in July; Lyceum Supt., Dawn Hyatt; Pres., Donald Weichner, 8022 W. Chain Lake Rd., P.O. Box 89, MI 48761-0089; Secy., M. Elaine Weichner, 8022 W. Chain Lake Rd., P.O. Box 89, MI 48761-0089, (517) 257-4133.

• MINNESOTA •

MINNEAPOLIS - State Spiritualist Assoc. of Minnesota,
3328 Minnehaha Ave., #4, Minneapolis, MN 55406; Secy., Melanie L. Helvig.

CRYSTAL - Spirit of Life Spiritualist Church,
Knights of Columbus Hall, 4847 W. Broadway, Crystal, MN 55427; Pamela Ashlay, Healer, Medium, L.M., 3908 Georgia Ave. N., Crystal, MN 55427, (612) 535-2746.

DULUTH - First Spiritual Church,
1414 E. Ninth St., Duluth, MN 55805.

MINNEAPOLIS - Second Spiritualist Church,
2230 Lyndale Ave. N.; Sun. Serv. 3:15 p.m.; Secy., Melanie Helvig, P.O. Box 6115, 55406.

ST. PAUL - Spiritual Science Church,
65 E. Kellogg Blvd., 55101; Secy., Menalinn Haberkorn, 1040 Laurel Ave., 55101.

• MISSOURI •

KANSAS CITY - The Light of the World Spiritualist Chapel, N.S.A.C.,
5112½ E. 27th St., 64127; Sun. Serv. 7:30 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Mollie Foreman, N.S.T., 403 Cambridge Rd., #101, Belton, 64102; Secy., Edna Rowland, 601 South West Ward, Apt. B, Lee Summit, 64081.

ST. LOUIS - Fifth Spiritualist Church,
6026 S. Kingshighway Blvd., 63109; Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m.; Pastor, Rev. Brenda Wittich, 3903 Connecticut St., 63116; Secy., Mrs. Virginia Lee Gummels, 7608 Comfort Ave., 63143, (314) 647-5289.

• NEBRASKA •

OMAHA - Spiritual Science & Philosophy Church, N.S.A.C.,
321 Hascall St., 68108; Sun. Serv. 11:00 a.m.; Pastor & Secy., Alace Fanslau, 321 Hascall St., 68108, (402) 345-8042; Class - Sunday Noon.

• NEVADA •

LAS VEGAS - Spiritualist Desert Church, N.S.A.C.,
867 N. Lamb Blvd. (meeting room); Sun. Serv. 7:00 p.m.; Pres., Catherine C. Stewart, (702) 453-2571; Secy., Helen L. Camp, 867 N. Lamb Blvd., 89100, (702) 438-0602.

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• NEW JERSEY •

WESTVILLE - Church of Eternal Life, N.S.A.C.,
Mailing Address: c/o Mrs. Edith Pedrick, 123 E. Oakland Ave., Oaklyn, 08107; Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m.; Pastor, David H. Edwards, 25 Lippincott Ave., Gibbsboro, 08026, (609) 784-2340; Pres., Mrs. Edith Pedrick, 123 E. Oakland Ave., Oaklyn, NJ 08107, (609) 767-1651; Secy., Irene DiRenza, 119D Haddon Hills Apts., Haddonfield, 08033, (609) 858-6535.

N. CAPE MAY - Stow Memorial Foundation,
Florence Statkiewicz, 218 Siva St., N. Cape May, NJ 08204.

• NEW YORK •

ALBANY - Spiritualist Open Center,
79 Central Ave., 12206; Sun. Serv. 6:30 p.m.; Spiritual Unfoldment Classes: Mon.-Thurs.; Hands of Light Healing Circle; Silver Cord Bookstore; open Mon.-Fri. & after all church func.; Pres., Hillary Kramer, (518) 371-8975; Secy., Helen Scheer, (518) 372-3993.

AMSTERDAM - Circle of Light Spiritualist Center,
RD #1, Langley Road, Box 1114, Amsterdam, NY

BINGHAMTON - First National Spiritualist Church,
97 Riverside Dr., 13905, (607) 723-0695; Sun. 11:00 a.m., Wed. 7:30 p.m.; Pastor, Robert Howell, 97 Riverside.

BROOKLYN - The Temple of Divine Guidance, N.S.A.C.,
493 Clinton Ave. (2R), 11238; Serv. 1st & 3rd Sat. 2:00 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Benjamin R. Cooper, Jr. (same address); Secy., Willette Law, 10 Argyle Rd. #6C, 11218, (718) 282-8542.

BUFFALO - Spiritualist Church of Eternal Brotherhood,
1980 Bailey Ave., 14211, (716) 892-5277; Sun. Lyceum Serv. 10:30 a.m., Director, Mrs. Marilyn Shei; Healing Serv. 11:30 a.m., Worship Serv. 12:00 p.m., Mediums Day 2nd Sun. every month, Dinner 1:00 p.m., Message Serv. Every Wed. 7:00 p.m., Classes, Seminars, Consultations & Special Activities available, contact Pastor or President for further information; Pres., John Renzo, 90 Gibbons Rd., Lackawana, 14218.

EAST AURORA - First Spiritualist Temple,
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MARION - Memorial Spiritualist Church,
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• PENNSYLVANIA •

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423 S. Broad St., 19147; Lyceum Sun. 2:00 p.m., Sun. Serv. 3:00 p.m., Wed. 7:30 p.m.; Pastor, Mr. John E. Faison; Secy., Gladys M. Faison, 2118 N. Natrona St., 19121, (215) 232-9219.

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TAYLOR - First Church of Psychic Science, N.S.A.C.,
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SEATTLE - Church of Spiritual Truth, N.S.A.C.,
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SEATTLE - Tower Memorial Church, N.S.A.C.,
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WEST ALLIS - Spiritual Science Church,
2103 S. 81st St., 53214; Sun. Healing 10:00 a.m., Service 10:30 a.m.; Pres., Al Brazzoni, 261 Milington Lane 2, Hartland, 53029, 367-4726; Secy., Mary Ann Myer, 8540 W. Waterford Ave., Greenfield, WI 53228.

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EUSAPIA PALLADINO, MEDIUM

By the Rev. Robert J. Macdonald, Vice President, N.S.A.

Perhaps there have never been so many different, skeptical and scrupulous investigations into the work of any medium, or more minute investigations and during all this time men of science, resolved not to be deceived, have verified that even very large and massive objects were displaced without contact.—Dr. Charles Richet

ONCE upon a time, would seem to be the only proper way to communicate an article on Eusapia Palladino, for this remarkable woman defies classification by ordinary standards. Her personality and her supernormal faculties place her in a class far removed from what may be called "ordinary" human beings. Signora Palladino was born at Minervo-Murge, near Bari, Italy, January 21, 1854. Her birth was the cause of her mother's passing. Her father was killed by brigands when Eusapia was twelve, and she was completely bereft of the rudimentary education common to her time and station in life, which was poor. Yet from the time she was eighteen until she was fifty-six she was the subject of intense study by some of the best scientific minds in Europe and America. At no time was she the subject of benign study, for she was constantly under suspicion. However, in time, she convinced her inquisitors of the startling reality of her mediumistic powers.



Eusapia Palladino

Césare Lombroso, a famous Italian psychiatrist and criminal anthropologist, had this to say of her, "This woman rises in the air, no matter what bands tie her down. She seems to lie upon the empty air, as on a couch, contrary to all the laws of gravity; she plays on musical instruments—organs, bells, tambourines—as if they had been touched by her hands or moved by the breath of invisible gnomes. This woman at times can increase her stature by more than four inches. She is like a rubber doll, like an automaton of a new kind; she takes strange forms."

At another time he reports, that he, Lombroso, and Professor Tamburini, held Eusapia's hand and feet, and a hand bell placed on a small table more than a yard distant from the medium sounded in the air above the heads of the sitters; that a match was lit, and the bell was observed ringing in the empty air.

Signora Palladino had such men as Oliver Lodge and F. W. H. Myers in Britain; Professors Richet, Wagner, Gerosa, Alexander Aksakof, Dr. Charles Du Prel in Europe; Prof. Hodgson and Dr. Hereward Carrington, in America, as the judges of her mediumship, and many more famous men and women in countless séances over the years. Her séances were the subject matter of more than twenty important volumes on psychic phenomena, written over a period of twenty years, by as many different, cautious scientists, all of whom attested to the complete validity of the phenomena.

One reads of occurrences such as, "I realize that as an appreciable fact in life that from an empty curtain, I have seen heads and hands come forth. I have seen this extraordinary woman sitting outside the curtain, held hand and foot, visible to myself and colleagues, immobile, while some entity within the curtain has over and over again pressed my hand in a position clearly beyond her reach. I refuse to entertain the possibility of a doubt." *Hon. Evard Feilding.*

Frank Podmore, an able and bitter opponent of Spiritualism had this to say, "Here for the first time perhaps, in the history of Modern Spiritualism, we seem to have the issue put fairly and squarely before us. It is difficult for any man who reads the Committee's report to dismiss the whole business as mere vulgar cheating." *Proceedings,* S. P. R. Eusapia was the means of convincing Howard Thurston, the famous American magician, of the truth of excarnate intelligence. He said, "I am thoroughly convinced that the phenomena I saw was not due to fraud and were not performed by the aid of her feet, knees or hands." He offered to donate $1,000 to a charitable institution if anyone could prove that Eusapia Palladino was not a genuine medium. Magicians as a class are not predisposed to supernormal phenomena, and the above statement is important in view of the eminent position Thurston held in his profession.

One could continue to quote statements of famous people, all attesting to the absolute reality of the mediumship of Palladino, but it becomes boresome repetition, suffice to say it is a proven FACT. Students of psychic phenomena will find great encouragement in reading the records of the many séances of this medium, and it will give them a very clear idea as to the proper method of procedure in their studies. One definite fact must be borne in mind, and that is, Psychical Reserch Societies as a whole are not interested in the promulgation of the spiritually elevating qualities possible through mediumship. They are interested in seeking to prove the reality of the phenomena and in the case of Eusapia Palladino, they have proved this overwhelmingly—but for the spiritualization of man through the

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science, philosophy and religion of Spiritualism, one must look to the ORGANIZATION of Spiritualism.

The FACT of supernormal phenomena has been proved time and time again. The BENEFITS to be conferred upon suffering mankind because of it have been slower in coming to the fore. Signora Palladino did not benefit materially nor spiritually by her many tests. She is reputed to have been a rather course person with a repellent manner, and she did not improve. This was not so much her fault as her misfortune; presumably her inquisitors were not interested in her as a PERSON, but as a means to an end. The Organization of the Spiritualist Church is ever striving to elevate people through the wonderful FACT of CONTINUOUS, INTELLIGENT LIFE, to bring to the consciousness of the multitude how endless is time, and how the reality of continuous living may be reverently employed for the advantage of the individual and the community.

When man becomes CONVINCED of the Divine working within him, and uses this knowledge to further the understanding of INFINITE INTELLIGENCE, operating through finite personality, then will come into expression the longed for millenium, and the lion will truly lie down with the lamb. The supreme joy of knowing that ALL men have Divinity operating through them, even though at a different rate of VIBRATION, will cause all men to become brothers truly. The saint, so-called, and the sinner, will be realized as human spirits moving on to a common goal, and the real DEMOCRACY of the SOUL will be apparent to all. Eusapia Palladino was an example of SPIRIT operating through one remarkable channel. The Spiritualist Church teaches that all men are channels as in the injunction of St. Paul, "but all these worketh that one and the selfsame spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will." *I. Cor.: 12,11.*

The time has long passed for the continual testing of Spiritualist mediums; by this we mean the mediums of the Spiritualist Church who have accepted their mediumship as a ministry to mankind. The FACT has been PROVEN long ago. The time is long overdue when man must use this knowledge to further peace and understanding among men.

Eusapia Palladino has completed her mission here. There are many lessons to be obtained from that mission, and as the Religious Spiritualists gather for the celebration of the 100th Anniversary of Modern Spiritualism, at Lily Dale, New York, June 30th, July 1st and 2nd of this year, they will be wise to ponder the significance of her life here and use their understanding as a rung in the long ladder leading to the spiritualization of man and his institutions.

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The above editorial was taken from the April, 1948 issue of *The National Spiritualist* publication.

A Parody

From Joyce Kilmer's poem
"I think that I shall never see
A poem as lovely as a tree."

I thought that I should never see
a magazine with the editor, Me!
To think that I'm about to try
Can I do it, or will I cry
before I hone those words so fine?
Better write quick, it's almost deadline.

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· The Way We Teach . . .

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state of life (the physical) in order to receive access to what they are looking for in the other (the spiritual), and that it should be done within correct circumstances. Instead, they become attracted to and mystified by the offerings of astrologers, crystal gazers, handwriting analysis, palm and teacup readers and other like-minded forecasters of future personal happenings. The fact that all of these seemingly mystical forms of gathering character and other earthly information about any individual do indeed produce a degree of recognizable evidence in that lower field, it tends to become as proof to the enquirer, that the source is somehow spiritual. Besides, an interested young person sees its growing popularity and acceptance among their friends, which counts a lot in the teenage years. Of course, we cannot deny that a certain amount of low-level spirit influence is contributed by unprogressed entities who are still striving to express their earthly thoughts, also that they can on many occasions be accurate in what they convey, even if spiritually unreliable. After all, they are still hanging around the earth because of having little or no desire to abandon the old condition of materialism in favor of a new state of spiritual growth and objectivity. Unfortunately, very few young searchers know that the results and level of these offerings differ greatly from what can be obtained from the higher spirit world sources. Progressed spirits, instead of dwelling on materialistic or self-interest subjects, would inform, encourage, stimulate thoughts of higher objectives to explore and pursue, and give spiritually uplifting information in caring ways, on how to make life more meaningful through the development of special aptitudes and means of using them in service. Much emphasis would be placed on ways of interrelating harmoniously with all other expressions of God's life force. They would teach of the limitless values of the inner satisfactions of spiritual growth, rather than looking for spiritually empty ways and means of displaying outer forms of ego for the world's attention. They would teach of the value of growth as experienced through effort and cooperation, of never allowing the self to be content to stagnate while waiting for 'Fate' to arrange and fulfill the personal life. If asked, the higher spirit helpers will point out the possibility of different paths, including the one they personally favor, but they will then stand back and insist that the one who asked for the help must remember their own responsibility to choose the form they will make use of. Then the spirit helper will, if given the opportunity, continue to helpfully inform the soul who asks for further information, as might be required from time to time. The choices as to its use will always remain with the one to whom it is given, as they strive to learn how to live effectively with the results of their personally selected ways of fulfilling their earthly period of experience.

The foregoing topics are but a few of the many to which all Spiritualists should give serious thought toward exploring more fully. It is an associated obligation of Spiritualist teachers, speakers and supervisory church personnel, to encourage an interest in more reading, study and discussion of the infinitely varied ways that the spirit world philosophy and their interrelating knowledgeable help can and already has brought lasting benefit to the earth plane of life.

This article installment of the teaching series is an illustration of the class discussion topics which help students learn more about the Eternal Spirit of Life and our ways of growth through harmonizing ourselves with its laws. Other neglected aspects of Spiritualism should be given attention, also.

Further to this, we must not overlook the spiritual interest which brings each member of our congregations into our churches. Most if not all are potential representatives of our religion in some way. Let us inform them with interest and enthusiasm through the informed gifts of our most capable speakers.

Affirmation:

— Divine Spirit is present within me as Life. This loving energy renews and perfects me.
— Life here on Earth and life in the hereafter is a continuity of consciousness.

Carry The Message

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my religion, I'm a Spiritualist."

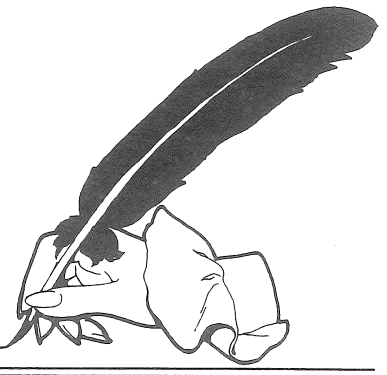
Many years ago a Quaker gave me this definition, *"Happiness is a state of mental orderliness and a sense of being in tune with the universe."* I never really experienced that state and sense until I found this beautiful religion and experienced the love and joy of being a member of the Chapel of the Sunflower, NSAC.

A few weeks ago Rev. Bernard Baker gave a lecture during which he mentioned refusing the offer of a picture of the Last Supper because it was not appropriate for our church. Three days ago spirit led me to a thrift store I hadn't planned to visit. The place was going out of business and I was able to buy a certain picture for a fraction of what I spend each week on cigarettes. I have presented it to Rev. Baker for our chapel as a token of my gratitude; I'm sure that he will find the symbol of Spiritualism an acceptable gift.

And speaking of gifts, during the holiday season or anytime during the year, what greater gift could we give to a lonely person who is already a Spiritualist but doesn't know it, than to invite them to come out of the closet to our church, the spiritual home they have been seeking but aren't yet aware is waiting for them.

Please, for the sake of Spiritualism and for the sake of the people who are in tune with us but don't know how to find us, let's all make a little more effort to carry the message.

Notes from the Field



The Spiritualist Church of Davenport, Iowa

Continuing its on-going schedule of special events, the Spiritualist Church of Davenport, Iowa has had many wonderful guest ministers, speakers and mediums over the past few months. The three days that Vera Bunten of Indianapolis, Indiana, spent here were very busy providing private consultations, the Friday evening pot-luck and delivering the lecture and serving as message minister at the Sunday afternoon worship service.

Another wonderful guest speaker and clairvoyant was Mrs. Sandra Gordon, a member of the First Spiritualist Church of Lansing, Mi. She conducted our monthly Saturday evening clairvoyant circle and lectured at the Sunday service. Her topic, "The Risk of Independence" was very well received by the capacity crowd.

Shirley Long of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, a member and staff medium of the church was also a featured guest later in the month. She provided private consultations and conducted a circle on Saturday evening.

The Rev. William E. Bucholz, Jr. conducted a lay-ing on of hands healing service, and refreshments were served by the ladies of the church.



Mrs. Sandra Gordon from Spiritualist Harmony Church, Davenport, Iowa.



Vera Bunten from Spiritualist Harmony Church, 1429 West 7th Street, Davenport, Iowa.

From Ray Worth . . .

Very soon the publishing center will no longer be a reality, for the Summit Publications building and grounds in Indianapolis, Indiana have been sold. There will be pleasant associations with our years at Summit Publications and the memories will remain very much a part of each of us.

In as much as **The National Spiritualist** will be published in Arizona, the new editor, Sandra Pfortmiller is an Arizona resident, and it is felt the change will better serve the needs of the organization.

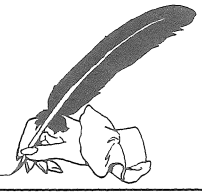
I wish to congratulate the new editor as she assumes her new duties and responsibilities. May she be blessed as she continues the great work of Spiritualism.

Also I wish to take this opportunity to thank those who have given me their support and encouragement through the years that I have been editor.

I shall remember you warmly and ask you each to give your wholehearted support to your new editor.

God bless you everyone.

Spiritually,
Herbert Ray Worth



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YOU AND NATURAL LAW

By Nancy Lloyd

We have been given a gift through Infinite Intelligence. It can be used by all peoples at all times and in every situation. It is the process called Natural Law, the one law composed of many parts by which all things created by thought are sustained and maintained.

The concept of Natural Law is not a new idea. Ancient Greek philosophers, in their attempts to explain the how and why of mans' existence, considered the cosmos as a whole, and wondered about man's role as one of the phenomena of nature. They considered man to be one with nature, composed of the four basic elements, earth, water, fire and air. The non-material or spiritual side of mans' nature had not yet been realized. This approach was used until the Greek Renaissance, when the thought turned completely around to consider man as a unique creation. Unique in his ability to think creatively and in his consciousness of his individuality or self . . . That's when the trouble started. Man then began to consider himself as separate from the law and above it. **Not so!**

Through the guides and teachers working with mediums, both past and present, we have learned and are learning of the One source of life. We have learned that the quality of the thought that creates an idea and motivates an action determines the effect of Natural Law on each and every one of us. The intensity and quality of the aspirations and desires of the individual, whether positive or negative, expresses our recognition of our relationship with the Infinite Love that created us and cares for us. This is the Law of Life and the Law of Truth.

The Law of Vibration determines the type and depth of our relationships with other people, our ideas as to the treatment of animals and our consideration for the land itself. Sometimes in the stress of our daily lives we lose sight of the necessity of using the Law of Balance. Spiritualist's have a "Magic Staff" which was given to us by a spirit teacher. It is "Under all circumstances keep an even mind." Something a lot easier said than done. We must try to keep in mind that a word spoken or a decision by negative emotion rarely, if ever has much wisdom in it. Striving to live within the Law of Balance brings peace and harmony to the soul. Within the Law of Balance is the Law of Limitation. This law helps us to set goals and to persevere in attaining them. However, overuse of this law leads to obsession.

As we grow in the understanding of Spirit and Natural Law, our thoughts and actions express the creative power of the Law of Love and we find that the Law of Cause and Effect is bringing into our lives all that is necessary, all that is beneficial to our well-being. Use this law wisely. Remove expressions such as "I can't" from your thoughts. You can do whatever your goal in life is. Be secure in the knowledge that all you need is there for you with the proper use of Natural Law.

Most importantly, ***Remember To Say "THANK YOU" once in a while.***

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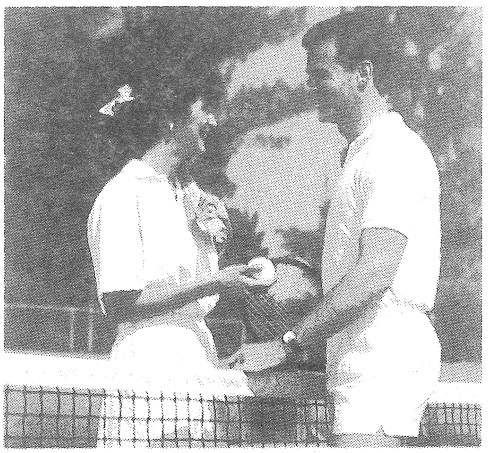


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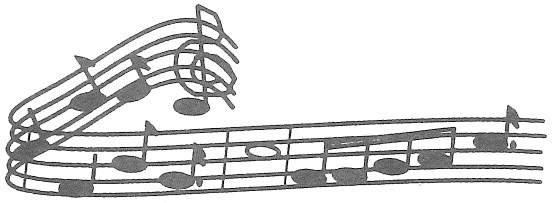
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Rev. Hillary Kramer, NST
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As you know, at our last convention held in Fairfax, Virginia, a Resolution was passed which stated:

> *Be it resolved that this 97th National Convention of the NSAC appoint a committee to collect, to review and to assemble music for a supplemental songbook for the purpose of enhancing the music available to our churches. This committee will present a first draft of the songbook for review at the 1990 convention.*

I was asked to chair this committee, and serving with me are Linda Alden, Rochester, New York and Bruce Lehrer, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

If you or any members of your church family know of any humns or songs that you would like to include in the songbook, please send them to me at the following address:

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Please include the music, lyrics, title, and the names of the composer and publisher. Remember to include contemporary as well as original compositions from your members.

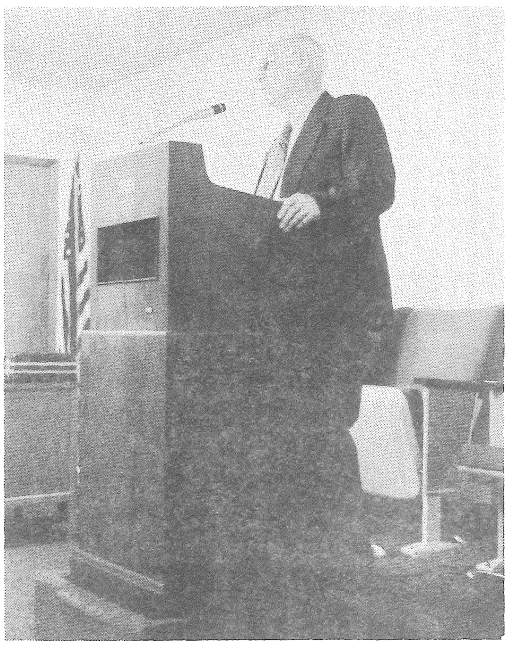
As we move into the 1990's let us join together to further Spiritualism in song and harmony.

Love and light,

Hillary Kramer

Rev. Hillary Kramer, NST

Transitions



REVEREND ROBERT J. HASKINS

The Reverend Robert J. Haskins of Denver, Colorado passed to the spirit side of life on November 6, 1989 after a short illness, in his home.

Rev. Haskins was a certified medium and healer closely involved with Spiritualism for over 40 years. He was the past minister of the Temple of Harmony Church, Denver, Colorado where he served as their minister and servant for 25 years. In the fall of 1987, he and his beloved wife Dorothy founded a new church, the Chapel of Spiritual Awareness.

Rev. Haskins was affiliated with the National Spiritualist Association of Churches and worked on a volunteer basis as a teacher and missionary. He travelled to summer camps to participate in retreats and seminars and assist, whenever necessary with teaching.

He dedicated a considerable amount of time and energy to spiritual healing and conducted many classes on healing and spiritual awareness.

Rev. Haskins was born on May 11, 1909 in Lockport, New York and at the young age of 8 moved with his family to the Denver area. He was a gifted machinist, carpenter and talented photographer. He enjoyed the mountains of Colorado and partook of their abundance. His ashes were scattered in a favorite retreat high in the Rockies.

Rev. Haskins is survived by his wife Dorothy, a son, Robert J. Haskins, Jr. and two daughters, Kathy Anny Mashburn and Patricia J. Schott, both of Denver, 11 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

A Memorial Building Fund has been established in Rev. Haskins name, and contributions in his memory can be made to the Chapel of Spiritual Awareness, c/o Don Larson, 10200 E. Girard Ave., Bldg. C, Suite 253, Denver, CO 80231.



TRAVIS

Travis Melick, aged 13, grandson of former *The National Spiritualist* editor Rev. William F. Melick and Marjorie Melick, passed to the Spirit Side of life on April 7, 1990. Travis was a remarkable boy, a brave soul that doctors said would not live past 3 years old because of incurable cancer. They didn't know the fighting spirit of the young boy, that took as his favorite slogan this saying from a Special Olympics poster: *"Dear God, let me win. But if I can't, let me be brave in the attempt."*

Travis was bright, a straight-A student, learned karate, bowled, took piano lessons and worked to become a talented artist. But he did so much more, for he helped others like himself. Travis was a central figure in the development of a children's support group for the critically ill at the Center for Attitudinal Healing in Indianapolis. Friends and teachers called him special, remarkable, upbeat, a teacher's dream, intellectual, humorous and said he had a great zest for life. The children at the Center for Attitudinal Healing inflated balloons, including messages within that they would like to say to Travis. They then released the balloons as a symbol of their letting go of their friend.

Survivors include his parents, James W. and Linda Witte Melick; brother, Chris Melick; grandparents, Frank and Betty Shelhorn and grandparents William and Marjorie Melick; great-grandparent, Ruby Melick.

He was a neat, gifted young boy that did not complain, just did the best he could in his short stay on earth and will continue to strive to grow in the spirit side of life. Some of you will remember several years ago a request for healing prayers and his picture in the magazine. Thank you for your prayers then and your prayers now. God Bless.

Robert D. Sabol, 60, of 8 Fourth Street, Lily Dale, N.Y. He was born in Pittsburgh on December 10, 1929, the son of the late George and Anna Sabol.

Mr. Sabol was a veteran of World War II serving with the U.S. Navy in Cuba.

He was a member of the Lily Dale Spiritualist Church, a Licentiate Minister and Certified Medium. He was Past President of Lily Dale Assembly and the Lily Dale Church.

Mr. Sabol will be sorely missed for his valuable contributions of the past.

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