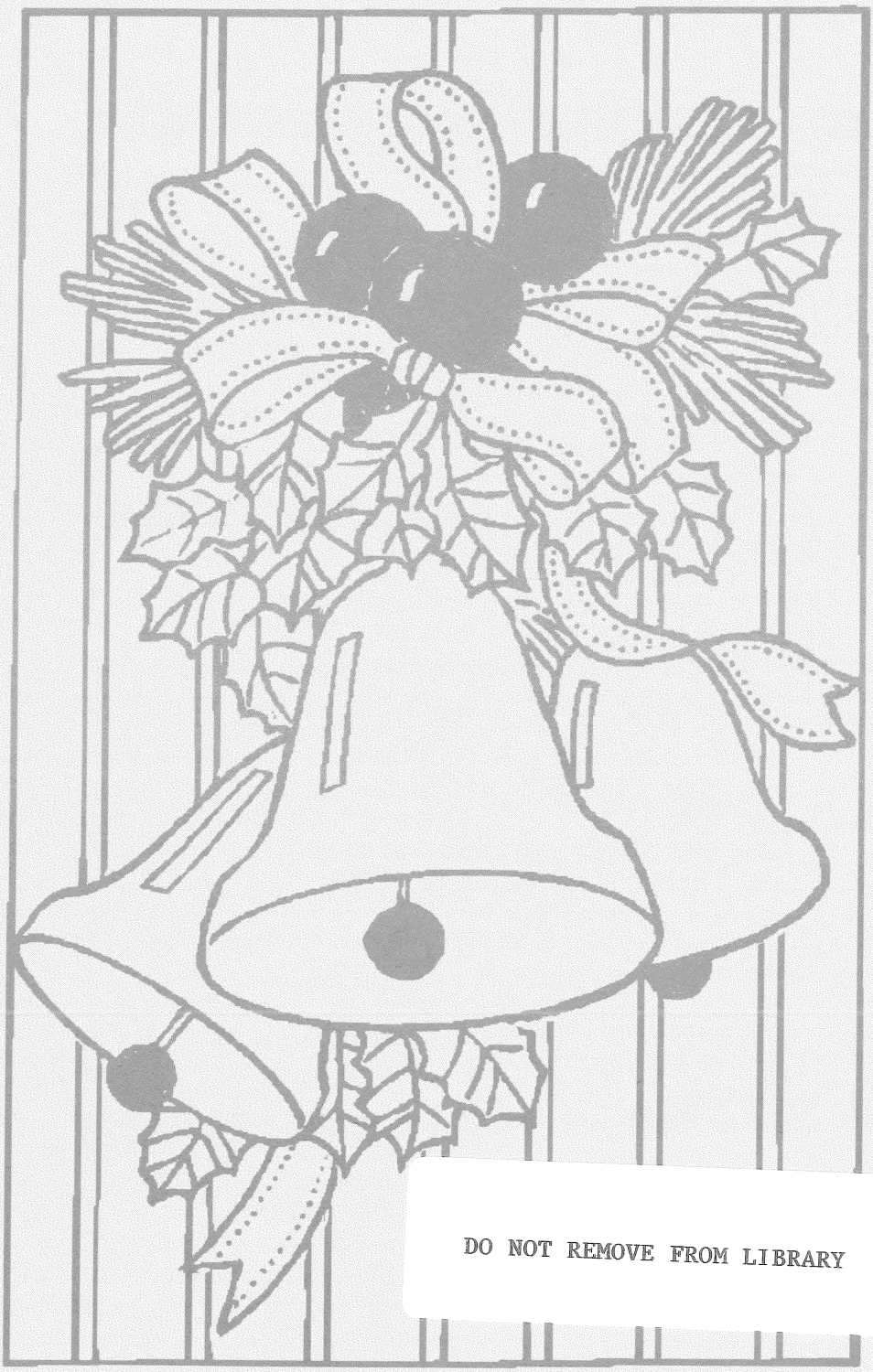
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GIVE YOURSELF A GIFT!

BY THE REV. SANDRA PFORTMILLER, NST

The Holidays are to enjoy—with the lights, music, colors, decorations, good food and good intentions. Take time during this special, loving, joyous season of expectancy to recall happy times when you were a child or when your children were young.

Thoughts of December bring images of birth and renewal, of new life and light; of the Christmas story, of the Hanukkah belief; of a year coming to completion, with a fresh start to plan for; of presents for family and friends—giving and receiving; of peace and good will to all. There seems to be a Universal Heart at this time of the year that heightens the spiritual values and gives love a chance to heal. That is, if we don't get lost in the hustle and bustle of life's challenges, and if we open ourselves to the gift of the Holidays. As the collective mind of humanity centers on a higher vibration around this month, we can use this energy to accelerate our ability to step into the Light.



This year, as we design our holiday planner, let us set aside some special moments just for ourselves, each day if possible, to yield to a higher call. Here are some things we might do to give ourselves a start toward the gift of Spiritual Maturity; the gift of a more complete person; the gift of a greater consciousness; and the gift of creating the life we want to live. We find as we give to ourselves, others benefit, and as we help others, we also are blessed.

- As this is the season of giving, pour from your inner being love, compassion and joy to all you meet. We know the Law of Return and these emotions will be returned to you, for you to accept. When your small self resists, say a prayer of praise and thanksgiving, reminding yourself that all are creations of God and are here for a purpose. Bless them with your smile.
- Open your heart center to feel Infinite Love which is the source of life's creative vitality. This is renewing and healing. Divine Love is all around us as we open ourselves to receive this spiritual energy. All the gifts of spirit are offered all the time to all souls. Each awakening of the heart creates greater awareness of God's presence.
- Once you have felt the value and blessing of Spiritual Love flow through you, visualize someone you care about and send the joy of love to them, knowing it will uplift them also. Build the energy within again and visualize someone who needs healing and release the loving vibration to that person.
- Choose a special person and invite them to share some holiday love and cheer with you. This can be lunch, dinner, a ride in the country, a shopping trip, a loving letter, or a long distance phone call.
- There is only One Power, One Life permeating through all creation, so plant a tree, feed the birds, pick up some discarded trash, beautify our planet, rescue a hurt animal, give your dog a bath, hug a tree, send out prayers, sing praises. Each moment, each place, each creation is sacred. Enjoy a sunrise or sunset, the beauty of Nature, remembering that each piece of nature, large or small, has its own beauty, its own purpose.
- Read something uplifting. We can follow some of the teachings of the great souls who have walked upon the Earth, when we know more about them. Read about Mahatma Gandhi, Mother Teresa, Jesus, Buddha, Whitman, Swedenborg, George Washington Carver, Abraham Lincoln, Andrew Jackson Davis, Cora L. V. Richmond, to name just a few. One common denominator you will find is that they consciously communed with Spirit and put God first in their lives.
- Examine your inner desires to set a direction for your life to travel. We each have a soul hunger which is a gift from the Creator to guide us to self-realization. We find this quality of Spirit as we are still and listen. Then once we choose this quality of Spirit and make it the theme of our lives, our pathway will be illuminated, our life will transform. This is another gift of Divine guidance awaiting our acceptance.
- Set your intention to be loving and non-judgmental of self, others and life. Give your trust to Infinite Intelligence with the understanding that Natural Law operates perfectly. When you accomplish this and remain faithful to your intent, life in your inner and outer experiences will flow with the peace you have chosen to emulate. Jesus taught, "It is done unto you as you believe."
- Add music to your environment every day. The holiday music is everywhere at this time of the year. Try listening to these familiar tunes played by an orchestra or a flute or a piano. Music is vibration and helps us alter our energy, so research which music fulfills or relaxes you and enjoy it often, each day of the year.
- Spend time with friends who stimulate and uplift you.

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Humor to put you in Good Spirits . .



❄ The Four Stages of Life:

1. You believe in Santa Claus
2. You don't believe in Santa Clau
3. You are Santa Claus
4. You look like Santa Claus

❄ Holiday Returns:

My friend got married just before the holidays. A Christmas present needed to be returned and the department store clerk asked her name. She paused, trying to recall if she had purchased the gift before or after she had married, and looked at the sales slip to see which name was on the slip. The clerk observed this and commented, "I didn't mean to stump you."

MONTHLY

FAVORITE SAYINGS TO LIVE BY



"I invent nothing; I rediscover."
– *Rodin*

"It is your work in life that is the ultimate seduction."
– *Pablo Picasso*

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, commited citizens can change the world. Indeed it's the only thing that ever has."
– *Margaret Mead*

"Someday our grandchildren will very likely look back at the individual, selfish control of the wealth of the world, by a small elite, the same way we view slavery today."
– *Connie McLaughlin and Gordon Davidson*

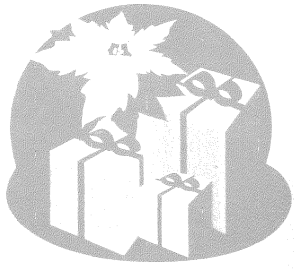
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Spend time with children and enjoy their innocence. Spend time alone in the silence.

- Give yourself the gift of growth. We are continually evolving and changing. As we grow spiritually, we gain power over our lives, more pleasure in every day events and a greater connection to the Divine. Work to be open to new ideas, new thoughts and see how these may be incorporated into your life.
- Don't wait for others to do something, step out and enjoy the excitement of new discoveries, new avenues. We know how fun vacations can be when we experience new places and new things, well, see life as an adventure and add something new to each day of your life.
- Change the way you look at what is not working in your life. Consider that life is mind, so your mental atmosphere is your life. Focus on the Divine Presence within you and all around you. Recognize and trust the love and power of God. Meditate, pray, sing, affirm and praise Infinite Intelligence, for when your consciousness is with Spirit, you are not dwelling on any darkness, so your pathway becomes illuminated. As we cease to have resistance, struggle and fear, we are open to love, spirit and light.
- Acknowledge the gift of the moment, knowing that every moment the Source of Life provides all you need as you relax and accept and receive. When you know that your good is provided, you cease to struggle, and embrace a feeling of *having*, then this energy begins to manifest in your life. Have no fears of the future, no regrets of the past, rather practice receiving your good right now.
- Find something to laugh about, find humor in life's situations. If Norman Cousins could be healed by laughter, then laughter is an important way to release healing endorphins into the body system. Laughter and love look good on you.
- Enjoy all your blessings, be grateful. "Thank you, God, for every moment of this past year and for all of our lives. We know that we will be loved and guided every second in the year to come." Let gratitude be your prayer, your mantra.

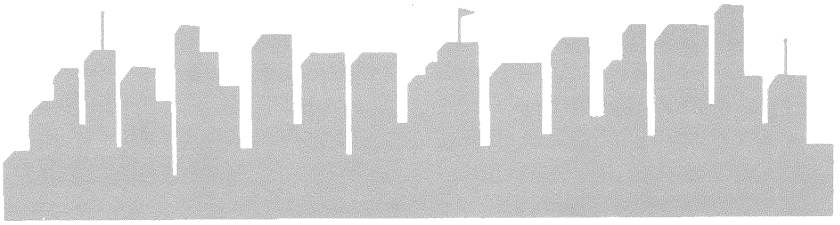
During this season of giving, allow Spirit to touch your heart, for you are so beautiful. Give yourself the gift of accepting your beauty and your divinity. Be still and listen to your intuition as the higher Being blesses you. Each of us has a personal offering, a perfect pattern from God, an attribute from Spirit to discover and share. As we share the *present* of ourselves, we make our world brighter with our spark of light—we glow and shine some of God's magnificence.



Spiritualism Is...Many Things To Many People

PART I OF AN ONGOING SERIES.

BY RITA O'CONNOR, Virginia



PROLOGUE

I work two blocks from the White House, and while September 11 was an experience that none of us will ever forget, it was even more surreal for us in Washington, D.C. While people around the world were mesmerized by the unbelievable images that soon became seared into our memories, we in D.C. were poised for the next strike. We had seen the worst, but we didn't know it yet.

We could not know that there were only (only?) four hijacked airplanes. We only knew that, while the smoke from the Pentagon spiraled into the sky to the west, we heard rumors of a fourth plane crashing in Pennsylvania. We heard other rumors on the radio and from "reliable sources." A car bomb had exploded in front of the State Department... Smoke was rising from the Capitol... The Old Executive Office Building next to the White House was on fire...

The only way to verify these rumors was to go outside and look. I walked a few blocks to an intact Old Executive Office Building. I walked on. The Capitol was all clear. So was the State Department. No car bomb.

There were, however, sirens everywhere and sharp-shooters on the roofs of some buildings. Police were quickly cordoning off blocks around the White House and other sensitive buildings as people with backpacks were being searched, albeit respectfully, by the D.C. police.

There was no panic. I saw strangers being kind to each other, sharing cell phones and information, as they tried to contact their families. Those with loved ones at the Pentagon were in an agony of uncertainty.

Slowly the city emptied...

The lessons that we learn through direct experience have the greatest impact. On that day when imminent death seemed not only possible, but probable, I learned something quite wonderful:

Being a Spiritualist really does make death seem like a gateway.

Considering why this is so, I find three compelling reasons.

- Spiritualists are better prepared for death because our understanding of the afterlife comes from direct experience.
- Continuous life is *the core belief* of our religion.
- We expect to continue progressing on the other side.

While most other religions express belief in the afterlife, it is more up-close-and-personal to a Spiritualist. Many, if not most, of us became Spiritualists because of some significant personal experience that emphatically demonstrated a life beyond the physical one. Our belief in continuous life is based on tangible evidence—not abstract in any way. Unlike the atheist on his deathbed who prayed, "just in case," we **know**. We know, not because someone tells us it is so, but because communication with the so-called dead has given us proof. There is no uncertainty.

Furthermore, Spiritualism's emphasis on continuous life is at the core of our religion—not an adjunct of layers of dogma. We don't have to placate a vengeful God, we don't have to accept a redeemer **concept/figure**, and we don't have to follow proscribed rituals. We aren't burdened with rules about what we wear or what we eat. We "cut to the chase," so to speak.

Many good people, whether religious or not, believe that it is important to live each day as if it were our last. Even for those who do not believe in life after life, this simple rule provides a solid pathway to ethical living. It reminds us gently that we have a natural lifespan; that age or illness or accident will eventually end our lives (to this list of causes we can now add murder—being targeted and deliberately killed by unknown fanatics). For Spiritualists, our Sixth and Seventh Principles guide us in living each day as if it were our last.

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Spiritualists follow the Golden Rule and take responsibility for our actions.

But even if we stray from an ethical pathway, we know that death is not the end of growth. Many religions teach that there are no more chances. It is as if one were flash-frozen at the moment of death, doomed to remain in that same condition for all eternity. This belief in heaven and hell creates a terror of death.

When a Spiritualist makes mistakes, lies, cheats or causes pain, s/he works to make amends and continues progressing. We believe that this progression will continue after death. We do not believe ourselves to be lowly worms, unworthy of God's mercy. We do not believe in a place of eternal punishment. Our awareness of spirit presence and spirit communication reassures us that the veil between the worlds is thin, and our Eighth Principle tells us that the doorway to reformation is never closed.

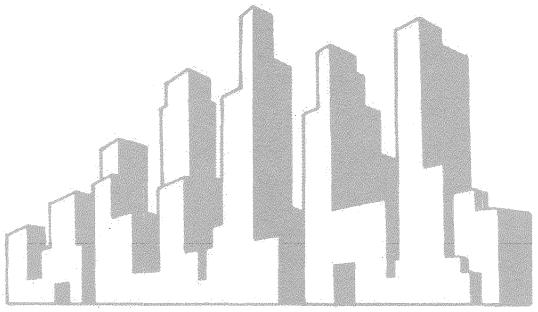
For all these reasons, being a Spiritualist truly does make death seem like a gateway.

EPILOGUE

Life has changed in the nation's capital since September 11. Security is tighter, in subtle and sometimes not-so-subtle ways. Elevators no longer stop on some floors in my building without an electronic passkey. Stairwells have been closed, except to exit the building. All mailboxes and litter baskets have been removed from the streets in this part of town. There are no litter baskets in the subway stations any more either. Since the anthrax attacks, all mail is received in the alley and scanned outside the building.

We have been warned that there will be future attacks and I believe that this is true. There is a heightened awareness of potential danger in my everyday life. When I step onto the subway now, I am consciously aware that I might not step off. When I look out the window at The Washington Monument, I know that this is one of the places being targeted by those who hate America.

Yet not sense of dread or unease accompanies these fleeting thoughts. They are merely neutral observations.



CALENDAR CORNER

What happened in DECEMBER throughout the years?

DECEMBER 1847

Univercoelum, a paper begun by Andrew Jackson Davis and published for a year and a half. It was then absorbed by W. M. Channings, *The Present Age*. In 1849, Mr. Davis also published the *Spirit Messenger*, in 1860, the *Herald of Progress*.

DECEMBER 20, 1802

Amy Post was born on this date. She became a wonderful, supportive friend to the Fox girls and to the beginning of Spiritualism. She was called the **Mother of Modern Spiritualism.**



DECEMBER 24

The birthday of board member **Marrice Coverson.** We wish her a happy, happy day and a happy, happy year.

DECEMBER 25

Christmas, a time of giving and sharing with others. A celebration of the birth of Jesus of Nazareth who taught love, light and law and practiced the Gifts of spirit. He was probably one of the greatest mediums that history has ever recorded.



DECEMBER 26

Kwanzaa, an African-American celebration with the principles of unity, self-determination, collective work and responsibility, co-operative economics, purpose, creativity, and faith.

DECEMBER 31

World Healing Meditation, an International event to send our World, and all that is in it, positive prayers and energy. Take time to help with your own love and light. On New Year's Eve, complete the year by counting your blessings and affirming your desires and goals for the next year.

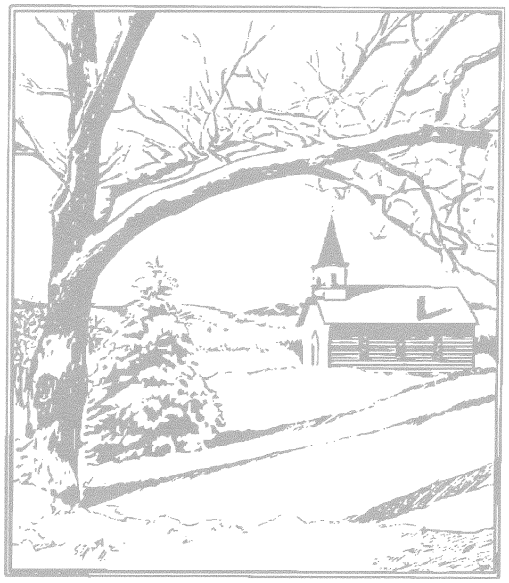


The Nature Of God

BY PERSIS BURLINGAME MICHELSON

God and humankind have had an enduring relationship. However, humankind has had a lot of grief over the attempt to define the undefinable.

Observe Western civilization's dilemma. Recall believing in Santa? Some of us Santa believers grew up believing that God is physical man's prototype, who sits on a throne atop a cloud and decides who deserves to break a leg next Tuesday and who gets to win at bingo. Heaven knows we empathize with Him when opposing armies each pray for victory.



That concept of God is predicated upon a simplistic belief system, that once established, has a predictable course. The decent man who develops a serious illness shakes his fist at God's unfairness. When his pain remains unrelieved, the sophisticated man decides that God is dead. Eventually he begins to realize that God never lived and becomes a devout atheist. On his death bed he requests a clergyman, just in case, and thus settles for agnosticism.

All this confusion seems to exist because we have so often succumbed to impatience and attempts to define God. We seem to do so in the same way that nature abhors a vacuum. It isn't easy to tolerate living with uncertainty, and thus we foolishly explain, with great authority, matters of which we have little understanding.

The messages Spiritualists receive from teachers in the Spirit World do not speak of a personal God. Anthropomorphic terms are sometimes used, but often with the explanation that Earth Plane vocabulary is so limited. Even they can only refer to God in descriptive terms, rather than the definitive.

God is a force, an energy, a Great Spirit, the ultimately refined vibration which fills all dimensions of the universe. God is, and will always be. God is right here. God can be experienced, to some extent, by anyone who chooses to reach out. In experiencing God, one can occasionally feel in total and vibrant harmony with a universe that contains pure love, joy and knowledge, and indescribable beauty. Many teacher-masters on the other side urge us to permit that part of God which exists within us, our very own God within, to express itself. They suggest that the God-within is denied expression because of our own ignorance, anxiety, and preoccupation with the mundane, slavish adherence to the imperatives of our Spirit's animal containers.

By learning to rise above these concerns, we can begin to expand our Spiritual consciousness and thus permit the God-within to shine brightly. This growth process includes selfless service to others as an expression of a higher purpose. We intellectually know nothing of God. Most likely we're not even equipped to do so. We can only wonder and continue to perceive much more than we express verbally. In the eternal meantime, resisting assumptions that make for premature conclusions is the beginning of wisdom.

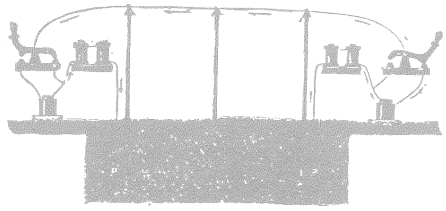


An External Influence On Psychic Ability

From the Department of Phenomenal Evidence

BY THE REVS. TOM AND LISA BUTLER, NST

It has been shown in laboratory experiments that subtle energy phenomena, such as remote viewing or clairvoyance can be three to four times more pronounced if conducted at 13.5 Local Sidereal Time (LST). This article describes these results and discusses their implications for Spiritualists.



It seems that after all of these years of study, practice and experimentation, we would have run into just about every concept there is to know in the research of nonphysical phenomena. As we show in this article, that is not even close to the truth. We refer you to a report titled, *Apparent Association between Effect Size in Free Response Anomalous Cognition Experiments and Local Sidereal Time*, by S. James P. Spottiswoode, published in the *Journal of Scientific Exploration*, Vol. II, No. 2, 1997. You can find it at http://www.fargate.org/links.htm.

We should first point out that "Anomalous Cognition (AC)" is a new term for Extra Sensory Perception (ESP). ESP has become synonymous with reading minds amongst the general population when the term was intended to mean a whole category of psychic phenomena, such as telepathy, remote viewing and clairvoyance.

Also, "Sidereal Time" literally means "star time." It has been traditionally used for mapping the locations of planets and stars in the sky. At any given point on the earth's surface the stars return to their same positions after one sidereal day has elapsed. A sidereal day is approximately 3 minutes, 56 seconds shorter than a solar day. Thus at the same Local Sidereal Time (LST) for any observer, the same portion of the sky will be directly overhead.

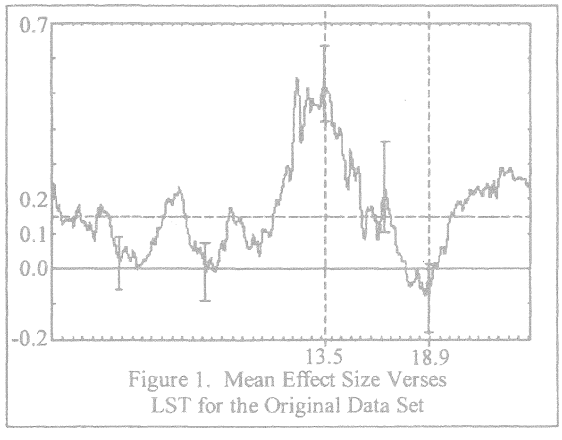


Figure 1. Mean Effect Size Verses LST for the Original Data Set

The essence of the article we are referring to is that scientists have found a direct correlation between the Sidereal Time of day and success in AC experiments. The graph shown on this page depicts "Effect Size" on the vertical axis and "Local Sidereal Time" on the horizontal axis. "Effect Size" is the amount of deviation more or less than expected normal for chance. The horizontal line between 0.1 and 0.2 represents the average effect of all of the experiments. The line at 0.0 represents what would be considered normal chance for guesses without psychic ability. We have added a vertical, dotted lines at 13.5 hours and near 19.0 hours.

To quote the report, "Evidence has been given to support the relationship between the Local Sidereal Time at which an anomalous cognition experiment occurs and the resulting effect size. The primary association is an approximately four-fold enhancement in AC effect size at 13.5 h LST. This association was found in one large data set and confirmed in another, each set comprising AC experiments with a range of free response protocols, from different laboratories and investigators. It is likely that the increase of effect size for AC trials occurring at 13.5 h LST is real, replicable across different laboratories and occurs in the diverse protocols of the ganzfeld and remote viewing experiments."

A couple of the more interesting comments made by Mr. Spottiswoode include:

- "From the physics point of view, a puzzling feature of anomalous cognition is that there is no evidence that performance falls off with the distance between receiver and target over separations up to several thousand kilometers (Puthoff and Targ, 1976; Dunne *et al.* (1989).

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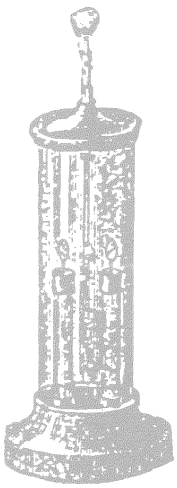
- "The narrowness of the peak on the graph suggests that an object beyond the Solar System at RA 13.5 has some effect on the functioning of AC." *(Note: "RA" is Right Ascension—the rising of a star above the horizon.)*

The author of the report correctly observed that the shape of the graph pretty well eliminates anything but an influence that is from outside of our Solar System. As you can see from the graph, there appears to be more or less influence in just about every region of the sky except around 19.0 hours. There is marked decrease in psychic functioning in the two hour window around 19.0 hours.

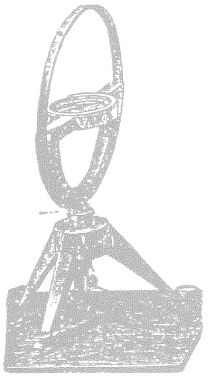
The author indicated that he did not know what the causative force was. He speculated about the various forms of radiation, such as Gamma and Cosmic Radiation that come from deep space, but it is clear that research is required before this question is answered. But, it does not take a scientist to realize that the causative agent will eventually be found, as will the portion of the brain that is being influenced. It is reasonable to expect in the near future that someone will design a device that will artificially enhance this effect. Can you imagine being able to use a device to make your psychic ability four times more effective?

Conclusions

Okay, that is the essence of the report. We should point out that, to our knowledge, none of the tests which contributed to these findings involved spirit communications in any way. As we understand it, the tests were focused on such things as remote viewing, which we can know as clairvoyance, telekinetic manipulation of processes (causing a random number generator to be not so random) and predicting events. However, we know that the processes involved in these psychic abilities are similar to those involved in mediumship. The primary difference is the focus and attention of the psychic. If the psychic turns these same abilities toward communications with non-physical entities, then he or she is functioning as a medium. Experiments would need to be conducted to demonstrate that mediumship ability is influenced by the Sidereal Time of day before we can make a positive statement to that effect.



In many of the experiments, a "target" person was located some distance from the psychic. Tests showed that the psychic's ability to know what the target person was doing, thinking or holding, depending on the experiment, improved around 13.5 hours LST. It is not very difficult to extend these findings to say that distance healing might also improve during this time frame.



The implications of this discovery are very profound. For instance, is it possible that this influence waxes and wanes over many years? Could this influence have been stronger in years past, accounting for the apparently higher incidence of phenomena during the 1800s and early 1900s or the reports of magical gods in our early history?

It is important for you to understand that these findings do not suggest that psychic ability is any less real. What it says is that psychic ability is very real and that the trouble scientists have had proving it may be due to the variable influence of this mysterious force from outer space. The findings do point to an outside influence in the behavior of Humankind. Here, we are not speaking of a godly influence, but a biomechanical interaction that is a natural aspect of our physical universe. In a lot of respects, this discovery opens the door to many possibilities that will take time to understand. The very idea that something from outer space can influence our psychic ability is astounding.

An important point we would like to make is to remind you that your daily life is deeply, but subtly, influenced by what you psychically sense about your environment and the people around you. Have you suspected that there are times in which you are more sensitive to your environment than other times? Perhaps you will find that this influence from outside of our Solar System may have something to do with the changes in your sensitivity.

We have included a link on the front page of http://nsacphenomena.tripod.com which you can follow to determine the Sidereal Time for your location. You can also download a free software clock for a Windows computer at www.radiosky.com/sidclockdownload.html and there are mechanical ones on the market. Try the astronomy shops.

Please let us know if you keep a record of your experiences and notice any relationship between Sidereal Time and your psychic ability. Remember, Sidereal Time backs up about four minutes a day. In the meantime, we will keep an eye on developments concerning this phenomena and report to you as we learn more.

"Prayer is a daily necessity for harmonious living."
– Paramahansa Yogananda

SEASON'S GREETINGS

May the Spirit of the Season be with you throughout the coming year.
Bill, Cosie Allen and Family, MI.

We wish you all Joyous Blessings and Spiritual Light throughout the Season and the New Year.
Gene and Sandy Pfortmiller, AZ.

Greetings for a Blessed Holiday.
San Francisco Spiritualist Society, CA.

May the joy and love of the Holiday touch you all Year.
Third Spirit of Life Church, Rochester, MN.

May the Blessings of the Season find you and yours.
Morris Pratt Institute Board, members and Staff, WI.

Happy Holidays.
Kathy Rottino, CT.

Wishing you peace, prosperity, health and happiness.
Al and Charlene Kleinschmidt, NY.

May Infinite Spirit Bless you this season and always.
Rev. Pamla Ashlay, NST, WI.

Happy Holidays. In memory of our early pioneers and all those who followed, giving the message of Spirit.
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Things To Think About

BY MERRY BROWNE

"There's No Such Thing as Science, Per Se"

Biologist, theologian Arthur Peacocke and other such scientists are seeking to learn the Creator's relationship to creation. Science, as Sir John Templeton said, "Is finding God—or at least trying to do so." Science, however hard it tries though, will never prove anything spiritual. Spirit is beyond that which is called physics.

The word on this that I received from my other worldly mentor is that since there is nothing but Consciousness of God in creation as creation at various evolutional levels, that which is "called" science such as Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Geology, etc. is but the study of Consciousness at those given levels of its manifestation.

To quote a Hindu sage, "What is not God?" I added "What is not Consciousness?"



"The Good, The True, The Beautiful"

If you find the good,
You will have found the true,
And you will find it beautiful.



"Beauty and the Best"

Recently I've seen several articles on beauty equating it with the sacred. I am sure this has long been understood by artists. What is it that fills us with joy and moves us to tears but that which is called sacred?

I prefer to call it simple goodness. The innocence of a baby, for example. Have you ever looked into the eyes of a child and seen heaven? Holding the little hands of my own toddler, many years ago, made me cry. I never understood exactly why except that they were so beautiful. I wrote a poem those long years back that I would like to share in explanation of how the beauty of goodness affects us.

"Mirror-Mirror on the Wall of Life"

Looking at the state of our health,
The people in our life,
The places in our life,
The things in our life,
Is looking in a mirror as they are
Exactly as we are consciousness-wise
If any of those areas need improvement,
We need to improve—and as we do
So, the reflection will change with
The changes in ourselves for the better.



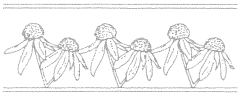
"Open Sesame"

Open your mind to new ideas,
Open your eyes to hidden beauty
Open your ears to lovely sounds
Open your heart to everyone
Open your hands to clasp friendship
Open your arms to welcome love.



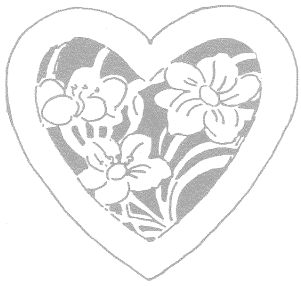
"Method"

The way to teach people how to live
That excels every other way that's good,
Is simply on a daily basis,
Live the way they should.



"Promises"

Promises made
Are great except
They're debts unpaid
Unless they're kept!



Manifestations Of God

BY TERI GOODSON, California
San Francisco Spiritualist Society
Thoughts received through meditation.

Seeking God's Will

"Remember the flower when you desire to live according to God's laws. The bloom raises its head to take full advantage of the light and warmth from the sun. So should you lift your thoughts and heart to God, seeking divine love and guidance. You will receive abundant blessings as the result of your search.

"You learn well, but you are inclined to focus more on your own desires than what God may want you to do. For every thought of God, you have ten hundred of yourself or your own concerns. You would be happier and more at peace if you sought God's light and guidance on a regular basis."

The Nature Of God

"Forget everything you thought you knew previously about God. God is a living energy, but not a human being. Your approach to God is sincere and heartfelt. Therefore, you are heard and answered, but your understanding is very limited. Ask God to help you learn more about Spirit and how you can be a friend to Spirit. Take the time to seek God in all you say and do. Whatever is pure, fine, and beautiful comes from love. God is love.

"Talk, talk, talk. You enjoy conversing with the Mighty One, but you don't know how much you need Spirits' love. Give to get if you must, but giving is an essential part of learning what it means to live according to God's will. Love God and you will understand what love is. You can not love as deeply as you should yet, but in time you will know how to. So, keep trying to get in touch with God. One day you may find a wonderful friend who has always been with you.

"Can you understand God is present everywhere? Not only in living beings, but in outer space and in the tiniest grain of sand. Spiritual love is all there is, but human will closes the capacity for acceptance. Be still and at peace, my friend. Know that you are in Spirits' design as you allow God to work in your life. Be of good cheer, for you have found that which you seek inside your own heart. Friend, you love God as God loves you."

When Questioning The Source Of These Messages

"God is everywhere, so why shouldn't God want to give you a message or two? Don't you talk to God? Of course you do! So don't be surprised if you receive a word or two in response. Listen within to the still small voice for guidance."

On Human Suffering

"Can you imagine the planet as it could be without greed, war, or hunger? If so, that is how God intended it to be for all children, all creation. What now takes place is due to human error, not to the Creator. We have the option to live according to God's ways or follow our own decisions. Infinite Intelligence will not violate our choices or the results they produce.

"Now you know why and how God allows misfortune: to serve a higher purpose. Let not one stand between you and your destiny. You are meant to fly high, so keep your eyes on God and soar. Seek the council of Infinite Light and love to ask questions if you aren't sure what to do.

"Start your meditations/prayers each day by acknowledging God as the source of your life. Be grateful even though life on the Earth can be painful and cruel. Life uses pain as one means of strengthening human character. Meditate on God's light within you."

God Within Us

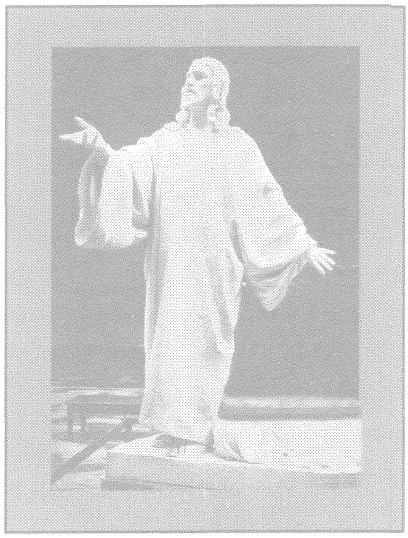
"Know that God is unchanging towards you and loves you regardless of your shortcomings. You must try to love yourself and others in the same way. See the Divine spark in your own soul. Seek it out and develop it by right thoughts and action. Then you will have more joy, as you will come to better understand the potential within you and others.

"Quiet your mind and listen for a small, still voice within. That voice which comes from peace is meant to guide you and provide discernment. When you learn to rely upon it you come to know God's purpose for your life. Ask the voice from where it comes and test it. If it is just and pure, full of wisdom and love, then God is speaking. Follow it."

WWJS?

BY THE REV. CHARLENE KLEINSCHMIDT, NST, New York

Forgive me, I couldn't resist the parody of "WWJD" meaning "What would Jesus do?" worn on bracelets, necklaces and headbands by many of our Christian friends. I was going through a package of Memory Gems and came across one I thought appropriate for this time of year. All I could think was "What Would Jesus Say?" if he were here today? The Gem reads "Jesus did not claim to be greater than any of God's children; he said "The things I do, ye, too shall do, and even greater." I wonder what his words would be if he were to comment on the celebration of his birth. Would he chastise those who celebrate with gaudy gifts and extravagant decorations? Would he be appalled by the fuss, or would he see it not as glorifying him but as celebrating new life in all forms?



I don't know that he would be displeased with the celebration if he observed the changes in people's generosity and attitude at this time of the year. Those who would cross the street rather than walk on the same sidewalk as homeless person will open their purse at every Salvation Army kettle, and often give lavish donations to charities that never hear from them another month of the year. He might rather chuckle at the thought that at least once a year he got through to them about the brotherhood of all people.

I like to think he would probably see it as an opportunity to be heard. Although, can you imagine that he would be treated any better today than he was then? Over the years, many have thought they were Jesus, only to be treated as poor deranged souls whom couldn't possibly be sane. What a surprise it would be if everyone of them was Jesus, just testing the water to see if anyone believed yet! I don't mean in him as a savior. I mean if anyone believed the things he is purported to have said.

Let us hope in his travels he would find a Spiritualist church and come inside. How delighted he would surely be to find people who understand him. How many of us have found our spiritual home, after visiting far grander edifices, in a simple room or small church? Perhaps he would be given a voice and heard by the people who agreed with his views of serving God by serving all people.

Think how delighted Jesus would be when healing began. Our healers dedicate themselves to bringing healing to all who sit in their chair. There are no boundaries and everyone is welcomed. Some people joke about our tendency to hug each other but, even the medical profession admits that the human touch can bring upliftment and joy to all involved. Studies have shown infants untouched except for changing diapers and given bottles often pass quickly. Nursing homes encourage the loving touch and say it often brings a spark to the eyes of the residents.

When the message service began, would he be thrilled with the upliftment and guidance brought from spirit or would he see too much of the material? I suppose it would depend on the mediums working. At the very least, he would see prophecy is still honored in our church. A Spiritualist celebration of Christmas with the emphasis on all of us knowing and accepting the responsibility inherent with being an individual spark of divinity would most assuredly please him, for he would see that we too believe we can do as he did. Now, there is a catch to this little conjecture. If we believe in the truth of this particular memory gem, what are we doing to prove it? Are we learning, practicing healing and mediumship to the best of our ability? What might Jesus say to you? "Keep on the path you've found," or "what don't you understand about 'The things I do, ye, too shall do, and even greater?'"

As we celebrate the birth of every child, let us celebrate the knowledge of truth brought to us from spirit with new dedication to follow the path to greater spiritual awareness.

Positive Statements To Help Create a Positive Day.

Affirmations . . . DECEMBER 2002

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Spirit, please bless this holiday season with Light and Love.	**2** "An ounce of conviction is worth many pounds of affirmation." –*SOM*	**3** Each word, each thought is important and has energy.	**4** "All your talk is worthless when compared to one whisper of God." – *Rumi*	**5** I release old thoughts and actions that no longer serve me.	**6** Love is present in the darkness and in the light.	**7** Inner emptiness is paradoxically inner fullness—touching with Spirit.
8 Consciousness is all, so everything is an externalization of consciousness.	**9** "Whatever we identify ourselves with, we tend to become." – *Holmes*	**10** Each moment is an awakening, a recognition of life.	**11** There are limitless resources from Divine Source available to each of us.	**12** "True prayer is a realization that God constitutes our being and our life." – *Goldsmith*	**13** The desires and intentions we set gradually shifts our consciousness.	**14** In the silence of meditation I open myself to expanded awareness of Spirit.
15 "Keep fresh before me the moments of my high resolve." – *Howard Thurman*	**16** Pray with gratitude and praise to Divine Source and know the Oneness.	**17** Whenever love is expressed there God expresses.	**18** God is Love and to love is our way to grow and our primary purpose of life.	**19** "Go to God for God." – *Meister Eckhart*	**20** My strength is my unity with Infinite Spirit, the greatest power in Creation.	**21** "Joy is a heart that is glad because it knows the ways of the Infinite." – *Joan Steadman*
22 I open myself to commune with those in the next realm of life.	**23** I practice conscious awakening daily, knowing the presence of God is always with me.	**24** Gifts given with love will follow the Law of Circulation and be returned with love.	**25** We are all God's children, born in love—Joyous Christmas!	**26** With a strong trust in Infinite Spirit we develop a trust in life.	**27** "The consciousness of the individual is the law unto every condition." – *Goldsmith*	**28** Spirit's activity within my life is ceaseless and loving.
29 Each of us is beautiful, desirable, needed and a God-being.	**30** As I review the year, I am grateful for the shadows and the light of my life.	**31** I pray for a new awakening of peace and love throughout the world.				



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NORTHPORT - Temple Heights Spiritual Camp Assoc.
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PORTLAND AREA - Portland Spiritualist Church
719 Main St., (Unitarian Universalist Church), Westbrook; Mailing Address: P.O. Box 6551 PTS, 04102; Sun. Serv. 6:30 p.m.; Fri. Class 7:30 p.m.; Pres., Graham Connolly, (207) 655-6673; e-mail: gconnol1@maine.rr.com.

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ONSET - On-I-Set Wigwam Co-Workers Spiritualist Camp
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December 2002 Department of Phenomenal Evidence Report

BY THE REVS. TOM AND LISA BUTLER, NST

More Reports of Apports. An apport object according to June G. Bletzer Ph.D. in the *Encyclopedic Psychic Dictionary* is, "A living or inert thing that appears from the air without or with the will of the medium. The apport appears spontaneously in the close vicinity of the medium while they are in trance, sleeping or conscious but unaware of the happening. Apports are noticed as something out of their element and have significance to the finder."

In August, Pastor Lillian Joyce of the Church of Eternal Light in Westville, New Jersey reported that jewelry that she had lost three years before had reappeared. The jewelry had been left in a hotel room drawer at the Virginia Beach NSAC convention in 1999 and she was unable to recover the items. In August she found a strange silver box in her jewelry drawer at home. In the box were the missing pieces of jewelry.

The Rev. Barbara Thurman found a baggie on her worktable this past July of 2002 containing a topaz ring and a small metal turtle pin. The ring was not one that she had ever owned but the stone reminded her of one that she had lost on a playground over 20 years ago. Topaz is Barbara's birthstone and the lost stone had been a gift from her parents. The turtle pin was also not hers. She said that she had raised turtles around the same time that she had lost the Topaz stone. Even the baggie that the apports were in was not the type that she uses. At a table tipping session a spirit communicator confirmed that the items were indeed apports.



Ring and turtle pin in baggie

From *News From NSAC* #35, published by Editor Robert Egby. To receive this excellent monthly Emailed newsletter Email Robert at robert-egby@world net.att.net or view it online at www.nsac.org

The Benefits of a Positive Attitude. People who are overly pessimistic tend to have worse health long-term than their more positive peers do. Dr. Toshihiko Maruta of the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, said that doctors should consider encouraging their patients to adopt a positive outlook toward life based on these findings and similar results from previous studies.

The current study is the second in a series, the first of which found that pessimists might have shorter life spans than their more positive peers. This is not the first study to demonstrate the health benefits of abandoning pessimistic opinions. Over the past 25 years, researchers have shown that pessimists are more likely than others to have poor physical health, depression, impaired immune systems and to seek medical and mental healthcare services.

SOURCE: Mayo Clinic Proceedings 2002; 77:748-753. From *Yahoo Health* – Reuters, *Dark Outlook on Life Tied, Again, to Worse Health*, By Alison McCook

Telepathy Experiments. The age-old debate over the existence of psychic powers became even more interesting at the 45th convention of the Parapsychological Association in Paris. Dr Paul Stevens of Edinburgh University presented information on an experiment that he claims has delivered firm evidence to show that telepathy is possible.

The research is not yet complete, but Dr. Stevens, who conducted the experiments at Edinburgh University's world-renowned parapsychology unit, theorized that they might have found a significant pattern. He hopes that the experiments will not only demonstrate psychic ability but will show the underlying mechanisms responsible for it.

The study paired people with extremely well developed relationships. Each pair was split up and designated as a "sender" or "receiver." Senders were shown a series of randomly selected video clips and told to "send" the information to the partner who sat in a soundproofed room nearly 100 feet away. Receivers listened to "white noise" believed to put them into an ultra-receptive state. They

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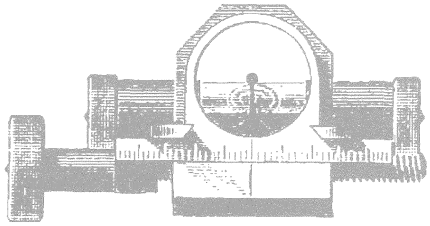


Each month ***The National Spiritualist*** *will feature the writing from a student who is currently taking the education course from the Morris Pratt Institute. Featured this month is an essay written by* ***Carol O'Hare*** *of First Spiritualist Church of McKeesport, Pennsylvania.*

Ethics and responsibility form a firm foundation for both medium's and sitters' proper conduct. Curiosity, amusement or unworthy purposes are improper foundations for mediumship. A medium has great responsibility, which is not to be taken lightly.

It is neither necessary nor correct to assume that everything happening in the medium's presence has deep spiritual significance. Sincere, honest, open-minded, intelligent investigation is an ethical responsibility that should form a part of every sitters' attitude. Sitters who are "hide-bound skeptics" cease seeking truth and try to discredit the medium. Beneficial results occur if the sitter acquires the essential attitude of common sense precautions by keeping a level head, exercising patience, cheerfulness, exhibiting unselfishness, sincerity, desiring good spiritual counsel and fellowship.

Everyone possesses some inherent psychic tendency. Talent combined with careful, intelligent awakening leads to enlightened mediumship. Difficulties, contradictions, and disappointments may be traced to the ignorance of mediumship's basic laws. Dr. Victoria Barnes stated that ignorance is the "greatest deterrent to advancement." Reading, studying, observing, researching and steady devotion are essential for the ultimate expression of mediumship. One must be ready to face difficulties, work hard, and persevere to obtain results. The end results are worth the effort.



The medium-sitter, communication relationship is more complicated than many think. Prejudgment and strong attitudes are destructive; phenomena should not be forced. Cheerfulness, open-mindedness, patience, careful observation, and a sympathetic, unbiased mindframe lead to the best scenario. Without honest, mental and spiritual preparation, (removing anxieties/stresses, intense desire for spirit contact, or rushing) subsequent failure may occur. Lack of honesty-of-purpose leads to spiritual retrogression.

Fraud (conscious dishonesty) can be controlled once the medium realizes the peril being created. Greater difficulty lies in unconscious dishonesty (medium's subconscious mind adds thoughts to the message). Removing coloring requires hard work and intelligent cooperation of medium and spirit entities.

Mediums are not licensed counselors unless qualified through proper training and certification. Realistically, what one is qualified to do can be developed to one's highest ability. Intense anxiety/strong desire for success creates unsuccessful conditions. A medium (self-consciousness) wanting to succeed badly is likely to lose contact with spiritual entities. If the medium's mind offers too much input, the final result is confusion.

One is responsible for one's own acts and cannot hold someone else accountable. It is foolish and wrong to place full responsibility on spiritual entities. It only hurts one's own credibility, especially in mediumship.

The more impatient, anxious, hurried, the more interference or break in psychic-energy flow there is between spirit, medium, and sitter. Open-minded investigation leads to acquiring knowledge; however, too much leads to a cold evaluation. Under best conditions, teachings with spiritual entity assistance are uncomplicated. Wisdom and spiritual desire for progression is good. Influencing the medium with hopes, wants, and needs should be avoided.

Medium's opposition/attempt to stop phenomena from occurring can result in failure. Mediumship is a cooperative harmonious feeling of peace between spirit, medium and sitter receiving benefits. Physical, mental and spiritual well-being, sense of progression can be felt and the pleasure that others are being helped is mediumship's reward.

It becomes too easy to assume that anything of a psychic nature happening around one is of grave interest or personal significance. This could result in a sitters overdependence. Spirit entities cannot attend to a medium's every desire. Dependency leads to non-thinking—too little interchange makes one isolated. So the wisest course is to learn to use the mind, putting judgment to work. It is neither fair nor wise to expect spirit entities to solve your problems. Spirit teachers supplement our earthly wisdom. Problem solving and the

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were then asked to say what came into their heads while their body was measured for any changes.

Quoting the author, "Telepathic ability has long been dismissed as superstitious by many traditional academics. But with the study showing many subjects were able to talk about the information being read by the partner, these preconceptions may be about to change."

From, *Telepathy...it's not all in the mind,* By Iain S. Bruce, *Sunday Herald* www.sundayherald.com/26740

Comment: Experimenters often use radio static, which is a lot like white noise, for Electronic Voice Phenomena. The entities can apparently more easily change such random sound into voice. Perhaps the use of white noise in this Psi experiment helps psychic ability in a similar way.

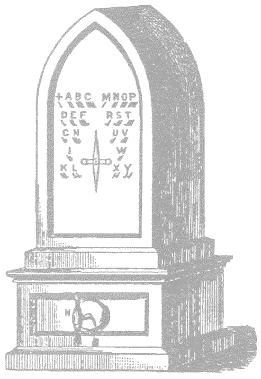
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Psychic Ability Linked to Sidereal Time. In the article, *An External Influence on Psychic Ability*, which is included in this issue of *The National Spiritualist Summit*, we explain how psychic ability has been shown to be stronger or weaker depending on sidereal or star time. The study showed that psychic functioning may be as much as four times greater at 13.5 hours Local Sidereal Time (LST). It is even below expected norms around 19 hours LST. LST is nearly four minutes earlier each day on your regular of Solar Time clock, and so its peak influence will be at a different time each day. We must caution you that experiments will need to be conducted to determine if mediumship is similarly affected by the Sidereal Time of day. We would be interested in hearing from people who keep a record of the relationship between LST and their psychic or mediumship ability.

You can reach Tom or Lisa Butler with information on phenomena happening in you church or in your life by Emailing them at phenomena@nsac.org or writing to them at 3415 Socrates Dr., Reno NV 89512.

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burden of effort belongs to each individual Mediums must encourage independent, sitter thinking.

Vanity, egotism, and self-satisfaction should be replaced with self-realization and self-possession. These are safe-guards against mediumship's true purpose—serving Infinite Spirit and one's fellow beings. Conceptually, spiritually advanced mediums combine psychic ability with spiritual mediumship, rendering tremendous service to humanity. During unhappy hours of adverse public opinion, mediums may experience inner joy and upliftment as their spirit guides help ease any sense of burden. Too often we forget we are spiritual beings merely inhabiting a physical body.

If we do not cultivate spirituality and serenity of soul, how can we contact exalted ministering angels or see visions? In short, Wallis suggests "invisible intelligences...come to...aid of...deserving." Whatever one's aim—it must be in earnest.

What Is Life?

Life is a gift...accept it
Life is an adventure...dare it
Life is a mystery...unfold it
Life is a game...play it
Life is a struggle...face it
Life is beauty...praise it
Life is a puzzle...solve it
Life is opportunity...take it
Life is sorrowful...experience it
Life is a song...sing it
Life is a goal...achieve it
Life is a mission...fulfill it

– Taken from Even Eagles Need a Push
– Author David McNally



The Tablecloth

(This is a True Story, submitted by Pastor Rob Reid.)

The brand new pastor and his wife, newly assigned to their first ministry, to reopen a church in suburban Brooklyn, arrived in early October excited about their opportunities. When they saw their church, it was very run down and needed much work. They set a goal to have everything done in time to have their first service on Christmas Eve.

They worked hard, repairing pews, plastering walls, painting, etc., and on December 18th, were ahead of schedule and just about finished. On December 19th, a terrible tempest—a driving rainstorm, hit the area and lasted for two days.

On the 21st, the pastor went over to the church. His heart sank when he saw that the roof had leaked, causing a large area of plaster, about 20 feet by 8 feet, to fall off the front wall of the sanctuary just behind the pulpit, beginning about head high. The pastor cleaned up the mess on the floor, and not knowing what else to do but postpone the Christmas Eve service, headed home.

On the way, he noticed that a local business was having a flea market type sale for charity, so he stopped in. One of the items was a beautiful, handmade, ivory colored crocheted tablecloth with exquisite work, fine colors and a Cross embroidered right in the center. It was just the right size to cover up the hole in the front wall. He bought it and headed back to the church.

By this time, it has started to snow. An older woman running from the opposite direction was trying to catch the bus. She missed it.

The pastor invited her to wait in the warm church for the next bus 45 minutes later. She sat in a pew and paid no attention to the pastor while he got a ladder, hangers, etc., to put up the tablecloth as a wall tapestry. The pastor could hardly believe how beautiful it looked and it covered up the entire problem area.

Then he noticed the woman walking down the center aisle. Her face was like a sheet. "Pastor," she asked, "where did you get that tablecloth?"

The pastor explained. The woman asked him to check the lower right corner to see if the initials, EBG were crocheted into it there. They were. These were the initials of the woman, and she had made this tablecloth 35 years before, in Austria.

The woman could hardly believe it as the pastor told how he had just gotten the tablecloth. The woman explained that before the war she and her husband were well-to-do people in Austria. When the Nazis came, she was forced to leave. Her husband was going to follow her the next week. She was captured, sent to prison and never saw her husband or her home again.

The pastor wanted to give her the tablecloth; but she made the pastor keep it for the church. The pastor insisted on driving her home, that was the least he could do. She lived on the other side of Staten Island and was only in Brooklyn for the day for a housecleaning job.

What a wonderful service they had on Christmas Eve. The church was almost full. The music and the spirit were great. At the end of the service, the pastor and his wife greeted everyone at the door and many said that they would return.

The older man, whom the pastor recognized from the neighborhood, continued to sit in one of the pews and stare, and the pastor wondered why he wasn't leaving. The man asked him where he got the tablecloth on the front wall because it was identical to one that his wife had made years ago when they lived in Austria, before the war, and how could there be two tablecloths so much alike?

He told the pastor how the Nazis came, how he forced his wife to flee for her safety, and he was supposed to follow her, but he was arrested and put in a prison. He never saw his wife or his home again all the 35 years in between.

The pastor asked him if he would allow him to take him for a little ride. They drove to Staten Island and to the same house where the pastor had taken the woman three days earlier. He helped the man climb the three flights of stairs to the woman's apartment, knocked on the door, and he saw the greatest Christmas reunion he could ever imagine.

Nothing in life is coincidence. God blesses us in so many ways.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year my friends!

God's Universe

BY THE REV. LOUIS POTTER, Nevada

GENESIS 1:1 *In the beginning, God created the Heavens and the Earth! And the Earth was without form and void. And the Spirit of God moved over the surface of the waters!*

When God or Infinite Intelligence created all the things we see, and **all** the things we do **not** see, Infinite Intelligence put into motion Universal Laws. These Laws, both Spiritual Laws and Physical Laws, are Natural Laws.

Primitive humanity recognized the existence of some kind of "power." Yet, in their finite minds, ancient or modern men and women never fully comprehended this controlling factor. Ancient people performed sacrifices to the gods; sacrifices which were sometimes human! As humanity became more sophisticated, these sacrifices became minimal!

As we come closer to this century, the printing press was invented. The printed **word** has done more to free humans from the dark ages than any other invention! It has given knowledge to the world. Knowledge of the sciences, and knowledge of past history. The Printing Press gave us the knowledge to make our own judgment of physical things and spiritual things!

In the evolution of the human race, humanity has discovered what has always been there from the beginning; that there are Laws in the Universe governing both the Physical World and the Spiritual World.

In the Spirit World or *Etheria*, there are God's Laws and they are known to all on that Sphere of Life! The recognition of the Law of God is essential! Law in the Spirit World is a thing alive and it operates immediately there, not sometime tomorrow or in the future; it acts NOW, this minute!

People on the Earth Plane simply



do NOT feel immediately the effects of breaking the Law, either the Physical Law or the Spiritual Laws of God!

The purpose of Natural Law is to guarantee a progression or a successive cycle in evolution, regardless of what obstacles we may place to interrupt these Laws in their operation! As such, Natural Law establishes powers, functions, and phases throughout the Universe! Without the Physical and Spiritual Laws which the Great Spirit put into motion, we would have chaos!

If we attempt to "locate" the Spirit World, or life after death, it can better be thought of as a "state of being" rather than any particular place! Since all is really one universe or one with God and differs only in expression or vibration, it must follow that life after death has as much reality as our life has here on this Earth Plane!

While the Etheric or Spiritual body is composed of finer, more subtle substance than the physical body, it takes on the same form and appears just as solid as the physical body only in a higher vibration! So the spiritual or etheric body is wuite like an exact duplication of the physical body.

Consequently, we will look essentially the same after our transition to the Spiritual World as we did on the Earth Plane! We will only be on a higher, faster vibration than on the Physical plane!

The spiritual body and all of its surroundings are solid and real. It is not an imaginary body, nor is it an imaginary world, but it is one of substance and awareness!

It is important to remember that all things in the new environment also vibrates on the same frequency as you! It is reported the Etheric or spiritual body is of more perfect formation than the physical body!

Thus, if the physical body lacks a leg, an arm, or is blind, or is deficient in some other fashion, the spiritual body remains untouched. So death, the shortest journey one takes, takes nothing away from anyone! To the contrary, death is merely the gateway to a fuller, more expanding expression of life that is experienced in the world of life after death!

It is constantly reported and stressed by and through Mediums and Mediumship from Spiritual entities that their bodies are as warm, and living, and vital as our own body only on a higher vibration. The Etheric or spiritual body has a definite shape and is neither vaporous nor hazy in nature. It is more durable than the physical body with a mobility that is refreshing, because the Etheric or spiritual body

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Prayer Healing is a wonderful way to practice Absent Healing, to help others, to share a prayer, and is something EVERYONE can participate in.

– 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.

Christmas Blessings!

BY NATALIE SMITH, Ohio

We can all recount Christmases, which have long since passed: remembering all the glittering lights; the fancy and still neatly wrapped gifts stacked under the enormous tree; the smell of a freshly cut evergreen tree; feeling the warmth from the oven with its sweet aroma of chocolate baking. As I was growing up, I can recall some of those wondrous memories myself. Especially those words I will forever hear and that is: "Natalie, get out of those chocolate chip cookies, they're for Christmas." "Ok, so it was close to Christmas," I said as I took four, maybe five, of them. Ahhh, the fond memories.

For many at Christmas time, it brings memories of loss, pain, hurt and tears. A loss of a loved one or someone missing from the table at the holidays can be a source of great anxiety and stress.

Many who have lost loved ones dread the holiday season, especially at Christmas time, feeling the loss more of not having those special people there. These situations may be almost as difficult as the initial loss itself.

Some say that the first year is the hardest, where others speak of the second year being far more disturbing than the first. I personally would think that it would be the second year, as the first one you are mostly on "auto pilot" and go with the flow of others. It is at these times that many need to know



how to make it through the holidays. Here are some suggestions for this:

Making it Through the Holidays

- Please keep in mind the anticipation of the coming Holiday is usually far worse than the day itself.
- What you do from year to year to help you make it through is not carved in stone. You can change your mind at any time about keeping with a tradition or changing it.
- Know that there are others that are grieving as well, and feel the same way that you do.
- Do something symbolic in memory of the loved one you have lost. Some suggestions are:
  - Place a special bright star on the tree.
  - Burn a special holiday candle.
  - Buy a special Christmas ornament.
  - Plant a special tree (weather permitting).
  - Make a special Christmas tree for the person who has passed over.
  - Buy a gift for yourself from the person who is no longer here.

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does not have the limitations of the heavy Physical body, which mortal man carries around!

Possibly, we can understand it as a refinement in the Spiritual World of the Physical matter we are used to dealing with.

Its solidarity combined with its adaptability is an indescribable combination that we of Earth find hard to visualize and to comprehend.

1. The essence of Time is Receptivity.
2. The essence of Space is Conductivity.
3. The essence of Motion is Frequency.
4. The co-existent Trilogy of the Obstructed Universe (Earth) is Time, Space, and Motion!
5. The co-existent Trilogy of the unobstructed Universe (Spiritual World) is Receptivity, Conductivity, and Frequency.

Psychologically, time is really the Time in which you live.

According to the concept of Natural Law, evolution and all life is regarded to have required millions of years for progression to what it is today. But it is guided by an overall pervading Intelligence through the application of Natural Laws, which are perpetual and unchanging.



The controlling factor or element, intelligence, behind Natural Law being Infinite in magnitude, is beyond human understanding of our finite minds!

One thought to leave with you is to remember the Seventh Principle. "We affirm the moral responsibility of the individual; and that he makes his own happiness or unhappiness as he obeys or disobeys Nature's physical and Spiritual Laws!"

When one crosses over the threshold into the Spirit World, one stands alone to answer for their actions according to the Seventh Principle. What one has done or has not done now comes into focus as to how much Spiritual awareness of the Golden Rule we have lived by while in the physical life.

My Spirit teachers and loved ones have told me that our path on the Earth Plane is a learning and testing ground for our sojourn in the Spirit World.

It is what we do here in the physical life that places us in our position in that higher vibration in the Spirit World.

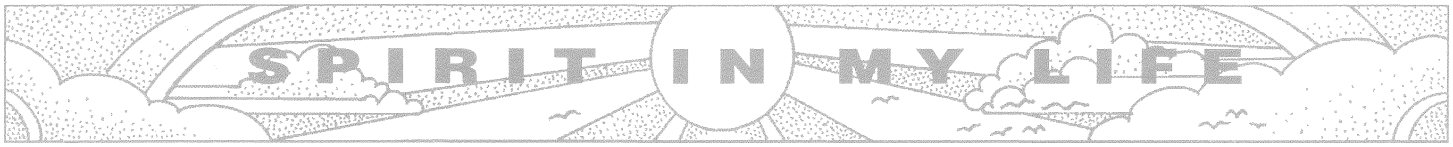
May God's Light and Love be with you.

SPIRITUAL HEALING: CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS *(Continued from previous page.)*

- Many say that it is increasingly more difficult if the deceased loved one is not even mentioned at Christmas time. It helps to talk about the memories and good times, and many say that if they talk about them, it is like their loved one is there with them for the holidays.
- Please consider that tears and sadness don't ruin the holidays. Know that facing those holidays without your special friend is a normal part of the grieving process and the tears that go with that are a release.
- Have a list of the gifts you need to purchase for those days you feel like shopping. The list helps if your concentration is low. If the shopping and crowds are a difficulty, ask for help from others or order through a catalogue or mail order. Only do what you feel you can do. Don't hesitate to ask a friend for help. You will find that people are more willing than you think to help you in whatever way they can.
- Reevaluate family, yes, and traditions—Perhaps you could slightly alter the tradition for this year. For example, if you had Christmas dinner at your home, consider having it at the children's home this year. Then when you feel more comfortable have it back at your home—work to make the holidays less stressful.



- Be aware that depression and fatigue with the added demands and pressure of the holidays often accompanies this season. The bereaved feel the depression and fatigue more intensely than others.
- Open yourself, be aware of the departed. Our loved ones come back for those special times and holidays to let us know that they are still there for us. They can come to you in a dream, perhaps you will smell a familiar scent, through clairaudience, clairvoyance or clairsentience. Be aware of the various ways our loved ones can communicate by reading about After-Death Communications.



***Spirit In My Life** is a monthly column for each of us to share something that has affected our lives where our spirit friends are involved. We all have a story, let us hear yours.*

GRACE

BY BARBARA BARTON, South Carolina

This most beautiful day, flowers bloom
And shades of green, are never more varied,
Leaves dance in the breeze Nature spins enticingly.
Having drawn my attention, she takes me to her bosom,
Where she dares all to see: Hope, Love, and Peace
Amidst the hell the illusioned would create.
—Barbara Barton

As I walked this fine spring day, I thought of Grace and her story. Since she entered our lives, nothing has been the same. I think her story is worthwhile; for it is like a glimpse of the Kingdom come.

It was June 4th, 2001, and Nancy's birthday. She's a friend and neighbor.

My husband, Jimmy, and I decided to walk Spanky, a Siberian Husky. It was a perfectly beautiful evening. The sunset was painting vivid colors across the sky and a nearly full moon was on the rise.

We invited a dear neighbor, Mary and her dog Jake, a handsome and lovable Retriever-Greyhound mix, to come with us. Mary politely declined, saying she had a good book she was reading, but Jake started going nuts, so she relinquished and came with us. Then we stopped by Nancy's to see if we could entice her to come along with her itty-bitty Shitzu, Pretzel. Nancy adamantly declined, but she was blessed by that walk all the same; many of us were.

The night was lovely, not too hot, not too cool. We faced the moon as we walked down the dirt road bathed in twilight, and paused in a wooded vale to watch fireflies dance like fairies enchanting the night.

Mary told us she enjoyed letting her children catch them, but always made the kids let them go after fifteen minutes. I said, "That's a good idea. Our dad showed us how to cut off the firefly's glowing end while it was lit, and put on our finger like a ring."

Mary expressed her repulsion to this and I agreed, saying, "Yes, it was not what I passed on, and actually, Dad gave better than he got, but that's how each generation helps the next towards reverence."

We continued talking about reverence and observed how life seems to afford one the reverence one affords life. We walked in contemplative silence for a few moments when we suddenly heard a cry from the nearby thicket.

Mary asked, "What's that?"

I thought it was a catbird. Jimmy thought so too, but the cry didn't move and became more persistent. It was nearly dark now with only moonlight to see by. In a patch of grass under a tall White Oak, we saw something about the size of a cat stirring in the shadows. It was making the sounds. The animal struggled to get to its feet and when it did, it wobbled as quickly as it could toward us bleating loudly the whole time. As it drew near, we could see it was a fawn!



I held tightly to Spanky's leash. Mary held Jake back. Just before the fawn hit the barbed wire fence, Jimmy reached over and scooped it up. He held her and she cried out a couple more times with eyes wide in fear, but pleading for compassion. In a soothing voice, I told her, "Everything's going to be alright." Mary cooed words of comfort too and the little deer quieted. Her eyes looked right into your soul and she communicated thought! She was hungry and afraid; she needed love and care.

We all thought immediately that we weren't supposed to have this fawn, and we knew the rule of leaving things in nature to themselves. However, we weren't given the opportunity to choose in this, as the fawn had desperately

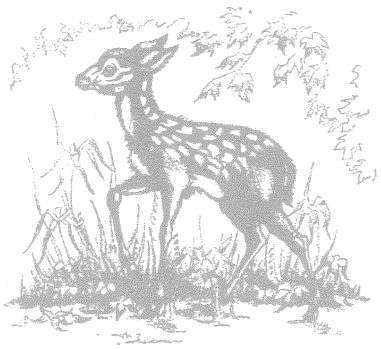
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pleaded for compassion from the most dangerous species on the planet. How could we ignore such a request from any of God's creatures? We speculated on the mother's whereabouts. Could she have abandoned the deer for birthing her too close to a home? Was she too small? We were truly torn and wanted to do the right thing, which at the moment was not to abandon this little one.

When we got to our house, Mary called her vet-friend and was told, the fawn needed to be fed goat's milk from a bottle. Mary ran to the store for supplies. When she returned, we fed the little fawn, who was greedy from hunger. We decided to name the fawn "Grace," since that was what we were discussing when we found her, and we agreed grace or love is what we're all dependent on.

The veterinarian was to call a hospice organization to care for Grace, since it is illegal to keep a wild animal; but in the meantime, we put her in one of Mary's dog kennels in our house. I hoped they'd give us more time with Grace, as she was so fragile. Why, she still had the remnants of her umbilical chord attached! Who could deny compassion when called upon, especially by an infant of any species? As a woman, it would be to deny my nature.



I got on the Internet to learn what I could about caring for a fawn. Thank goodness for the ability to access such vast sorts of information! We loved Grace, talked to her, nursed her, massaged her for relief of her bowels, and played with her. She was affectionate, curious, and a complete delight! She was already growing quickly from the cat-sized creature we had encountered. She would follow us around and loved to lie in the herb garden.

It took a little over a week to find the right hospice situation for Grace. Mary learned that Sue and Skip Townsend had a farm where they rehabilitated deer. We knew of Sue Townsend, as she is the county coroner. When I moved to the area, my husband pointed out the white crosses painted on the roads. He said Sue painted them as reminders of all the lives lost on South Carolina roads. She was often expressing her concern over this problem in the local media.

We went for a visit to Skip and Sue's "Sleepy Hollow Farm" with our neighbor Nancy. There were a couple deer heads on the wall, which gave me pause for concern. Then I learned that Sue and Skip did not hunt the deer on the farm and that there were some 800 acres adjacent to their property, which weren't hunted either.

Sue showed us their screened porch, overlooking a lake. They had turned their back porch into a deer nursery. there, we met the other deer. You would not believe the different personalities! There were timid, curious, rambunctious, fearful, and joyous deer! Who would have thought there could be so many extremes? This certainly had never occurred to me.

Grace was the smallest. She stayed close to me and would suckle the hem of my long skirt, but then ventured to meet the other deer. Her little tail wagged in delight. The deer ran and jumped over each other and into each other for sport. They were so quick and graceful, with the tenderest of eyes.

Sue and Skip said, Grace was the smallest fawn they'd ever seen. Sue showed us some deer trails on their property where deer from past rescues roamed. Skip had planted a cornfield and peas just for the deer. As we continued the tour of their farm, we met a flock of young geese they had raised from eggs. These followed Sue, like Mother Goose! Sue and Skip's granddaughter, Danielle, accompanied us from the moment we arrived and was a delight. She has a gift with all the animals. They love her and she loves them and that is understood beyond all else.

I realized what a "heaven on earth" this was for Grace and all the animals. How wonderful, I thought, that these folks would take the resources God gave them and bless all God's creatures in their part of the world. I could not help but speculate on how wonderful it would be if all humanity did this! We left thankful for the answer to Grace's situation.

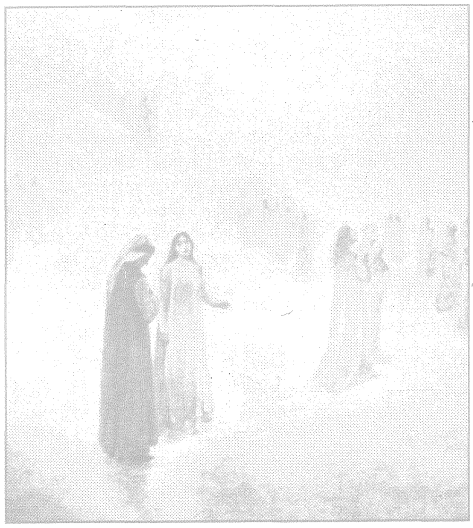
When we next visited Grace, she remembered us! It turned out to be the fawns' two o'clock feeding and both Jimmy and I got to feed her. She had grown, but was still the tiniest. It was good to be with her and at Sleepy Hollow Farm. Sues' husband Skip wasn't there this time, but their son, Doug, was just returning and the young geese were flying beside his car. Danielle was excited to see her uncle Doug as he approached the house. He had promised to take her four-wheeling. She introduced us to this handsome young man. I will forever see these three in my mind and their smiles of happiness shared.

At the end of summer, I was missing Grace and yearned for a visit. We were going to call Sue and Skip when we learned from the local News, that their son, Doug, had died in an automobile accident. Oh God! A mother's worst fear! I felt such sorrow for Doug's family!

At the memorial service, Sue told my husband that Grace had also died, but the weekend prior. She said a bigger deer jumped into Grace and broke her. Poor Sue was trying to come to terms with telling us about Grace, and now this!

The attacks on "9-11" took place between Grace and Doug's passings. It was an emotional week. I prayed for the Townsend's and still do. At Doug's funeral, one could feel Spirit and sense the angels, yet the pain of his loved ones

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Guidelines for a Good Spirit Rescue

BY ROBERT EGBY, New Jersey

It is important that the person conducting the spirit rescue should be trained by a medium who is experienced in this phenomena.

The Spirit rescuer, normally a medium or a dowser, or both, needs to possess a good degree of self-confidence, a feeling of self and universal love, and the ability to attune to Infinite Intelligence.

The marks of an earthbound spirit include any or all of the following: an all pervading coldness, heavy anxiety, feelings of isolation, anger and deep depression. The rescuer, and any people watching, may experience similar feelings. If the earthbound spirit died as the result of suicide or drug overdose, the critical emotions experienced during the last few minutes in the physical will be shared among the spirit rescue group. Such feelings, while temporary, need to be recognized. The medium conducting training needs to explain this to students, or to lay people watching the rescue.

First and foremost, the spirit rescuer should attune to Infinite Intelligence and say a prayer of protection for everyone present.

The medium can mentally talk to the earthbound entity as would any medium. If it is necessary for any people watching, the address can be spoken out loud.

It is useful to learn as much as possible from the spirit entity, using journalism's five "Ws"—who, where, what, when, why. It is probable that the spirit entity may still believe it is the year they died, and this can be a few years before, or several centuries. We recently had a spirit entity named Jessie Brady brought into our development circle. She had been searching for her love since the American Civil War. Incidentally, once you agree to do one, spirit guides will influence others to come to you. Two weeks after Jessie Brady, we helped four more, a young boy, a young girl and two adults, none of whom were related, to cross over.

It helps to ascertain the belief system of the spirit entity; belief in a higher power; belief in the After Life; their inability to discard their attachment to the physical world. With this information, the medium will establish an important profile. It is a wise move to ascertain the person with whom the spirit entity had a close, positive relationship in the physical.

At this stage, the medium will have secured the full attention of the spirit entity who might not have ever been able to communicate successfully with any human being from its earthbound status. Once this full attention is secured, the medium can go ahead with the next process.

The next stage is aimed at getting the spirit entity to look up—raise his or her vibrations. Like humans in depression, earthbound spirit entities look down and cling frantically to the earth. If, perchance, they had ever looked up on their own, spirit guides and loved ones in spirit would have had the ability to lift them up. The medium needs to be understanding, caring and loving. Spirit entities are desperately seeking warmth, love and direction.

Like prayers, the best words are those you create for the occasion. The medium may well sense suggested dialogue supplied by spirit guides and helpers who are closely monitoring the situation. In essence the message will be: "You have suffered long enough. There is a place, a beautiful, comforting place where loved ones are waiting. They are waiting to be reunited with you." This is where the information gained from the spirit entity proves invaluable.

The earthbound spirit entity may become hostile and threaten to leave. The medium at this point can suggest: "Do you really wish to suffer more of the same? There is a solution here. We have loved ones for you and they are ready to help you." There may be some mental wrestling occurring here.

There will come a time when the spirit entity looks up, and the medium and anyone else present will feel this. All the pervading coldness, heavy anxiety, feelings of isolation, anger and depression will start to lift and within a minute or so, warmth and positive energy returns to the scene. The

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SPIRIT IN MY LIFE: GRACE

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echoed through every soul. I also thought that if Doug were confused at his own death, Grace would direct him to the light and that is why she departed.

Grace faired better than most humans, for she came to a world where all humans showed her compassion. She did not suffer at their hands, but was loved. Amidst all the grief, pain, fear and sorrow of last September are the memories of Grace and a message of comfort whispered back, "Everything's going to be alright." Grace showed us something better in ourselves to love and uplift in others. May her story touch many hearts and inspire us to live compassionately and lovingly with all God's creations.

GUIDELINES FOR A GOOD SPIRIT RESCUE

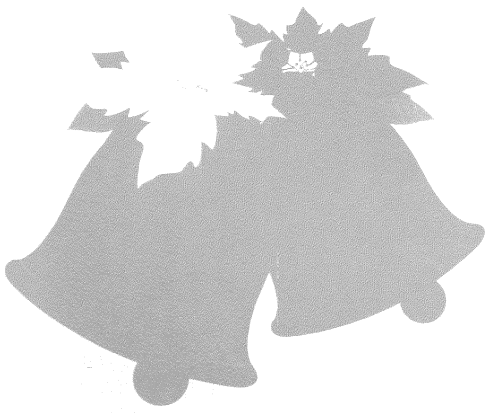
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spirit rescue is over. Transition is complete.

While there is much to learn with each spirit rescue, once a medium has completed a rescue, the knowledge gained is immense, and one feels that much closer to the Spirit World.

There is another aspect of spirit rescue. How does one handle a group of earthbound spirits? These may range from a large family to even a regiment of soldiers still sitting miserably in battlefield trenches awaiting orders. This may entail dozens or even hundreds of spirit entities.

Hiromi Hattori, the spiritual dowser, who cleared the Gettysburg battlefields of 2,070 spirit entities in one day, told me from her Maryland home: "You find the representative of a group and discuss the situation with that person. Once they understand and agree, they will lead the whole group into the Light of the Spirit World." Hiromi Hattori is the author of *Learning of the Heavenly World and The Spiritual World by Dowsing*. It was published in Japanese in Japan in May 1998.



POETRY

Silent Night, Stars are Bright

By The Rev. Barbara Thurman, NST



Silent night, Stars are bright,
Moonlight shines, perfect night
While unseen ones gather around
Angels keeping watch over all
Angels watch all night
Angels watch all night.

Bright the stars, Angels come
Bringing love, bringing peace
With the angels let us sing,
"Joy, joy to the world," is heard
Words with heavenly love
Words with heavenly love.

Peaceful night, all is calm,
Friends are here, with good cheer
Everyone hears the angels sing
Songs and presents for loved ones now
Sing with heavenly love
Sing with heavenly love.

All Through the Day and Night

By The Rev. Barbara Thurman, NST

Peace my friends and health attend thee,
All through the day,
Angel healers, God will send thee,
All through the day
Healing love is gently coming,
Love and peace is 'round you keeping
Spirits' loving healing's with you
All through the day.

While the moon its glow is shinning,
All through the night
While the sleeping world is resting,
All through the night
While the night-time hours are keeping,
Spirits come with love and healing
Comes a gentle spirit healing,
All through the night.

Questions & Answers

TNS sometimes receives questions from subscribers. Here are a few paraphrased questions and my response according to my understanding.

Q **Are Angels and Spirit Guides different?**

A I believe there is a difference for our Spirit Guides are with us throughout our physical expression. They are our friends and helpers, guiding us and inspiring us. Usually they have lived in the physical expression at some point and reach out to us with understanding, if we will only listen.

I have been taught that the Angelic Realm are spirits who have not been in the physical embodiment, yet they can manifest for a short time into the material if there is a need. Angels have a finer, harder-to-perceive energy, frequency than spirit guides. Because they are pure energy the dimness of Earth light makes it difficult for an extended stay. They act out of Divine Will rather than free will, to lift the consciousness of human souls. Angels are, as the dictionary states, "messengers of God," who are wise in consciousness and are loving, joyous spiritual entities.

Q **I have had three husbands, all now in the Spirit Realm. Two of them were wonderful, but my first husband was abusive. When my time comes to travel to the next dimension, will I have to be with the abusive husband or which of the loving men will I be with?**

A It is my understanding that the Natural Law of Attraction, or like attracts like, operates in this world and in the Spirit World; that love is the connecting link and what attracts us to others. You will probably see all three of your past husbands after you arrive and are more settled. The first one only to resolve some of the issues, for he will have to make amends to you for his cruelty before he can progress. The second two will be with you according to the love energy you share. Each of us have our own progressive path, the growth process in the next dimension, so love is what will connect us with our family and friends as we each grow in light and awareness.

Q **One of the basic philosophies of Spiritualism is that life is continuous. How has this been proven?**

A It began with the Fox family developing a code to interpret the raps and knocks that had been disturbing their home. The noisy sounds kept them all awake and turned out to be from the spirit of a murdered peddlar, Charles Rosna. Rosna continued to exist and communicate with the physical, but from another dimension. Continuous life is proven through the various forms of mediumship, dreams, out-of-body experiences and near death experiences.

Q **What happens at the time of physical death?**

A The body and the soul are connected by a cord called the "silver cord," which has been seen by clairvoyants. It has been described as a shining "tether" joining the body and soul that is elastic and carries messages back and forth when the two are distant. When the time for the soul to leave arrives, the silver cord is severed so the soul cannot return to the physical body. In the physical expression we see with the physical eyes, but in the astral form we see with the inner eyes and hear with the inner ears. Often the soul will feel they are somewhere above the body, close to the ceiling of the room. They will hear and view what is happening but be powerless to influence the outcome or communicate with those they love. Gradually they see a light and move toward it. Sometimes there is a shining being or a loved one that approaches to guide them to the next phase of being.

MEMORIAL SERVICE IN INDIANA

Mrs. Mable Tousana, devoted member of The First Spiritualist Church Of Gary, Indiana, Certified Medium and Healer, passed into Spirit on June 25, 2002. Mable will always be remembered as a fierce caretaker and protector of the church which she loved and cherished very much. She leaves to honor her memory: one son, Daryl, and two grandchildren, Melissa and Joshua. Mable will be sorely missed and her memory cherished by many whose lives she touched through the years.

1099 TAX FORMS DUE BEFORE JANUARY 31, 2003

This is just a reminder to Churches, Camps and State Associations of the need to file 1099 tax forms for speakers, pastors or workers who have received $600.00 or more during the year. This form is due before January 31 and the duplicate copy and the 1096, a companion form, must be filed with the Federal Government by February 28, 2003. Ask your accountant if you have any questions concerning this requirement and/or filing.

The Art of Giving

By The Rev. Virginia Leach Falls



Before your gifts are all wrapped
And gayly ribbon tied,
Oh, please remember to tuck in
A lot of love inside.

The gift itself may be quite small
But love tucked in with care,
Can change it to a wondrous thing
An offering rich and rare.

The gift itself may soon wear out
Its usefulness be past,
But always you can be quite sure
The love tucked in will last.



Christmas Is Near

By The Rev. Sandra Pfortmiller

Remembering Christmases past,
family and fun, the memories last.
Enjoying festivities, decorations and lights,
of the Season's days and Holiday nights.
The anticipation of a special gift
make most spirits rise and give one a lift.
Spiritual inner feelings soar
bringing love to mind even more.
All humanity, family and friends
a peaceful and loving wish we send.
We give others greetings of good cheer
on our faces a smile, Christmas is near.

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1. We believe in Infinite Intelligence.

2. We believe that the phenomena of Nature, both physical and spiritual, are the expression of Infinite Intelligence.

3. We affirm that a correct understanding of such expression and living in accordance therewith, constitute true religion.

4. We affirm that the existence and personal identity of the individual continue after the change called death.

5. We affirm that communication with the so-called dead is a fact, scientifically proven by the phenomena of Spiritualism.

6. We believe that the highest morality is contained in the Golden Rule: "Whatsoever ye would that others should do unto you do ye also unto them."

7. We affirm the moral responsibility of individuals and that we make our own happiness or unhappiness as we obey or disobey Nature's physical and spiritual laws.

8. We affirm that the doorway to reformation is never closed against any soul here or hereafter.

9. We affirm that the precepts of Prophecy and Healing are Divine attributes proven through Mediumship.



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