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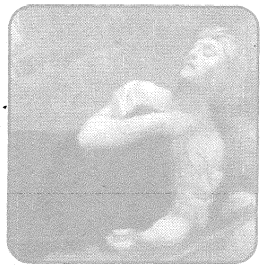
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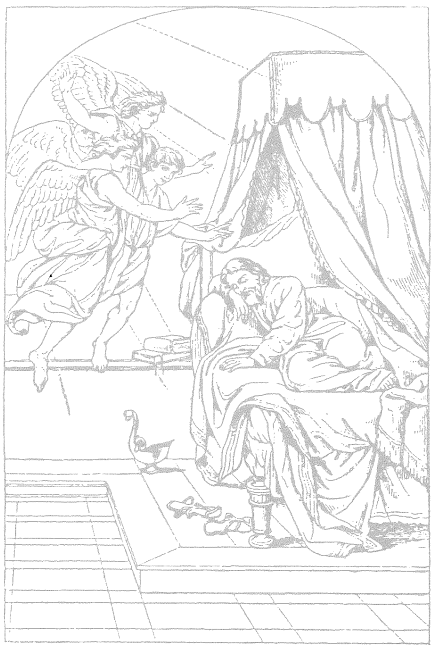
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Only A Dream!

BY THE REV. SANDRA PFORTMILLER, NST

I had a dream, a very vivid dream. It filled my consciousness so strongly I could not be sure what was reality and what was the dream. My spectacular dream wasn't frightening, but peaceful, beautiful and filled with understanding. A departed loved one shared these moments. The dream happened awhile ago, yet it still creates emotional energy and strong feelings. This surprised me at first, for it was only a dream.

Only a dream? Hum. Some mornings I awaken with strong memories of previous sleep scenes, filled with emotions and I wonder about the conscious and subconscious states. There are also times when I am not asleep, but day dreaming that have been wonderful trips into an altered state. Day dreams may be a combination of memory, imagination and desire. They may be past, present or future and can release us from daily pressures. Of course, there are also the "dreams" that I want to manifest in my life. We know that the images-symbols we focus upon influence our moods and the events that manifest in our lives. Dreams are a way to free the soul of the physical for the soul to enjoy clairvoyant travels.



In *What Mediumship Is,* Horace Leaf wrote: *A large number of people receive supernormal communications through dreams, some of which are unmistakable...The dreamer is essentially the right person to examine his* (or her) *dream, as there is every likelihood that he is responsible for them. There must be a cause for these symbols, as nothing connected with the human mind can be ascribed to chance. Most of us overlook this and regard dreams as lawless fantasies. The human mind is as subject to Natural Law as the heavenly bodies.* The subconscious mind is extraordinarily powerful.

Everyone dreams, all night, with three to five very vivid dreams. Sleep is divided into different phases based on eye movements and brain waves. Dreaming has been associated with rapid eye movements (REM) and 4-6 cycle brain waves. Sleep testing shows that while people do dream throughout sleep, they report the most visual images during phases of REM sleep.

Dreams are not always logical to our rational mind for time, space and abilities vary. In this state you can see departed loved ones, then **fly** through the air to your friend's house in the physical, then go back in time to a remembered place when you were a child. *A person's body can react to the inner images of a dream as surely as it reacts to events in the outer world.* Quote taken from *Seeing with The Mind's Eye* by Mike Samuels, M.D. and Nancy Samuels. Through these intimate dream experiences we create a world where space and time do not limit us, where there is an interrelation between the now, the past and the future, where we can explore emotional issues, ideals and inspect hidden depths of our existence which are beyond our reach during rational consciousness.

The incoherence of the dream state image gets mixed-up by the lack of our ability to remember when the free soul returns to the physical restriction. We recall only parts of the sequence of dream events and large fragments are lost. It is difficult for the spirit to bring the impressions it received in a light state through the heavy state of the physical organs. The states of consciousness occurring during sleep may be *events casting their shadows before them.* Jung stated, *Visual images have the quality of the human soul!*

Dream messages are expressed as symbols rather than thoughts. These visual symbols often require interpretation in order to predict the future, give an answer to a question, a warning of something about to happen, recall a distant place or friend to which the spirit has just visited. Dreams can bring insight and self-knowledge, and the visual images can help explore our inner mind. A symbol is something that represents something else and is a mechanism for the brain to make sense out of discrete pieces of information. Red, green and yellow lights on our traffic signals are symbols for stop, go or caution, an example we can relate to. Each symbol that is received must be clarified by you and by the feeling you associate or receive with the image. Meditate or use your intuition to find the message you are receiving from your dream vision.

There is symbolism in all life, especially in religious life. Mediumship is filled with impressions from our spirit guides and the medium uses these pictures, or ideas to deliver a message. The Samuels wrote that precivilized men and women lived visually with *often little distinction between waking and sleeping activities, between visions and perceptions. Dreams and fantasies were valued more than*

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cognitive thought. Visualization was the method that primitive humans used to relate to the world, but when language was developed—written and spoken—rational thought came to dominate.

Spirit loved ones can touch us in a greater way when we are sleeping than when we are awake or daydreaming for the conscious mind does not interfere. Often when we go to bed the first part of our dreams relate to the last part of our day before we went to bed. Sometimes a scary movie we watched, unfinished work we need to do, fears or concerns come with us into our sleep state. The last bit of memory received before you go to bed decides the dream door you will enter. Sometimes we are so filled with worries and fearful emotions that it is little wonder that we wake up feeling exhausted and distressed. If we want a good night's sleep, and if we want to communicate with our loved ones in Spirit, we need to have a clear mind when we go to sleep. A few suggestions to create this harmonic state are: read spiritual literature, listen to a positive affirmative tape, listen to beautiful music, visualize a peaceful place, send out healing thoughts to others, go to sleep in prayer or meditation.



The Law of Desire begins to flow according to our goals and wishes and dreams. Sometimes before I go to sleep, I ask a question I wish to know more about and then try to remember the symbol of my dream when I wake up. Probably the two best known examples of question or prophetic dreams are: The German chemist, Friedrich Kekule von Stradonitz had a daydream of a snake eating its own tail, thus forming a large ring. This inspired him to run tests and gave him the solution and understanding for the structure of the benzene molecule ring as a loop shape. In the *Bible* the Pharaoh's dream of fat ears of corn being consumed by lean ones and of fat cows being eaten by thin ones foretold of future events.

As an example of a question you might ask before sleep: "Am I on the right path spiritually?" When you awaken, examine the symbols of your message. If an angel appears in your dream this would be a good sign of spiritual growth if it gives you a feeling of peace. Remembering a butterfly may symbolize spiritual transformation which is a good indication of growth. If you recall animals in your dream, ask yourself what they symbolize to you and follow your intuition. A dog could mean domesticity, loyalty and love, or, a dog could symbolize your fears if you are afraid of dogs. If you were about to go over a bridge, what was on the other side of the bridge? A beautiful scene or a foreboding one? A lovely church would be a good sign for the question you asked, for the sacred side of you would be important. If you were climbing up a mountain this would mean overcoming obstacles and going to higher dimensions. If you found a key in the dream state it could indicate a problem will be solved and you will be opening the door of opportunity. These are just a few examples to give you an idea of possible interpretations.

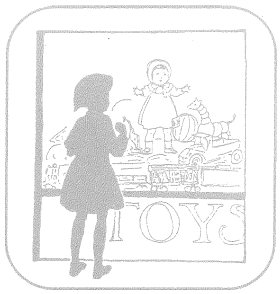
Symbols express the essence of an idea, can create order and provide flashes of insight. When attempting to find the message of a dream or vision decide what the main symbols mean to you. Upon rising, you might try writing the dream. Then think of synonyms for the main words to guide you through the symbology. When you review the synonyms it usually leads you in a direction or gives you an indication of the deeper meaning. As you continue to work to recall your dreams it will become easier to bring them into your waking consciousness. Some keep a dream journal so they can see the patterns their dreams are taking which may give insight for the soul's path.

Many of you have heard of "Lucid" dreaming where the conscious mind can interact with the dream while remaining asleep. The possibilities of human consciousness are far beyond what we use. Dr. Stephen LaBerge, Ph.D. (author of *Lucid Dreaming*) and other researchers have proven that conscious and deliberate action in the dream state may be used as tools for releasing guilt and problems, for stimulating personal growth, and for creative problem solving. Lucid dreams give one an opportunity to confront a person, problem or situation and request a resolution. An ordinary dreamer experiences a lack of connection between dreams and waking life, often with a form of amnesia upon awakening. Lucid dreams have had conscious participation so are easy to recall.

Dreams are a way to soar free and allow the active spirit to connect on other levels with the Creative Energy. They are a source of connection with the spiritual, a bridge between the two worlds of sleep and awake, of physical and spiritual. Only a dream? How wonderful the message may be! ✦

Leaders don't create followers, they create more leaders. – Tom Peters *in Fast Company*

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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 **Denette Baker** of the First Spiritualist Church of West Allis in Wisconsin.*

Imagine walking into a toy store. You're looking for something that will test your talents, knowledge, understanding and creativity. You're looking for the "perfect" puzzle. After searching through the shelves, looking patiently for just the right one, you spot it. Sitting alone on the shelf, is a huge box with the words "The Philosophy of Life" written on it. You pick it up. It's very heavy. "How many pieces are in this box?" you ask yourself. The box doesn't give you any clues, it just says, "The Philosophy of Life Puzzle." Well, this sounds like a challenge, so you take it home.

You can't spread all of the pieces out onto the table, there are just too many of them. "Oh, here are two that fit together," so you place them face up on the table. The picture is not clear, there is a little bit of something showing, but you can't make it out. So you search and search for more pieces to fit onto the original two pieces. Eventually, a picture forms. There, you're done! The picture is complete. But what is this, an empty spot where another piece could go. Could it be that this completed picture is not complete? It looks complete, but maybe there are more pieces that can be added to this. Sure enough, another picture is completed, incorporating the first picture. A totally new picture, with a whole new meaning is there. But wait, there is another empty spot where another piece might fit, so the search begins again, and again and again. Each time a new picture unfolds, giving new meaning to the first picture. The number of unused pieces never seems to diminish. There are always tons of pieces to choose from, yet you manage to find the right piece over and over again. Now it becomes clear, the picture will never be completed for it is indeed the "Philosophy of Life."



What is philosophy? It is the "dear delight," the "quest for truth," the "love of wisdom." Philosophy can be recognized as the "knowledge capable of explaining all things by their ultimate causes." It is a product of human thought, imagination and highest aspirations. It is the "living, growing, all—an incompassing endeavor that is one of humanities noblest accomplishments." It is the pieces to the puzzle. Philosophy was born and grew because our knowledge about our self and the world around us became greater. As this knowledge grew, or as the puzzle developed, our knowledge was replaced by the essence of wisdom or understanding. Our picture of self and our world became clearer. The gap became so great between our knowledge and understanding, that the people demanded a bridge for that gap—philosophy.

A philosopher is a person who pursues wisdom through philosophy. They put together the pieces of the puzzle, the facts and knowledge of humanity, and make an infinite or never-ending picture. Then they apply these facts and knowledge to life. Aren't we all philosophers?

Religion plays a large part in our lives and it is a natural habitat for philosophy. Spiritualism as a Religion, has a definite philosophic side. Our tenets embrace Philosophy and its demonstrations help establish the ultimate goal of all philosophy—wisdom. Spiritualism and philosophy joined together and one part of our Religion was born—Spiritualism as a Philosophy.

Throughout history many great philosophers have affirmed that there is philosophy in Spiritualism. Senozo said that God is the cause of all things and all is God. Thomas Paine said that we should study creation not theology, for in creation, we can know God, through His work. Socrates described the continuity of life through death and Aristotle spoke of the Golden Rule.

Natural Law is a major philosophic consideration in Spiritualism. It forms the basic tenets of the Religion of Spiritualism and applies to all aspects of life, both on the physical and spiritual planes. One of the most important Physical Natural Laws is the Law of Gravitation, for without gravity there would be no humanity. The Law of Attraction and the Law of Cause and Effect are two examples of Spiritual Natural Laws. ✦



Mother's Day

Julia Ward Howe, author of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic, proposed Mother's Day as a day for women to join together in the pursuit of peace and disarmament. Sounds like a good idea to me.

Mother's Day Proclamation 1870 (2003 - 133 years and counting)

Arise then...women of this day!
Arise, all women who have hearts!
Whether your baptism be of water or of tears!
Say firmly:
"We will not have questions answered by irrelevant agencies,
Our husbands will not come to us, reeking with camage,
For caresses and applause.
Our sons shall not be taken from us to unlearn
All that we have been able to teach them of charity, mercy and patience.
We, the women of one country,
Will be too tender to those of another country
To allow our sons to be trained to injure theirs."
From the voice of a devastated Earth a voice goes up with
Our own. It says: "Disarm! Disarm!
The sword of murder is not the balance of justice."
Blood does not wipe our dishonor,
Nor violence indicate possession.
As men have often forsaken the plough and the anvil at the summons of war,
Let women now leave all that may be left of home
For a great and earnest day of counsel.
Let them meet first, as women, to bewail and commemorate the dead.
Let them solemnly take counsel with each other as to the means
Whereby the great human family can live in peace...
Each bearing after his own time the sacred impress, not of Caesar,
But of God –
In the name of womanhood and humanity, I earnestly ask
That a general congress of women without limit of nationality,
May be appointed and held at someplace deemed most convenient
And the earliest period consistent with its objects,
To promote the alliance of the different nationalities,
The amicable settlement of international questions,
The great and general interests of peace.

– Julia Ward Howe

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FAVORITE SAYINGS TO LIVE BY



"Anything you must have comes to own you.
Ironically, when you release it, you start getting more of it."
– Dr. Wayne Dyer

"Nobody grows old merely by living a number or years. We grow old by deserting our ideals. Years may wrinkle the skin, but to give up enthusiasm wrinkles the soul.
– Samuel Ullman

Our Service Clubs Help Dreams Come True

BY THE REV. CHARLENE KLEINSCHMIDT, NST, New York



Are you someone's pioneer? You probably think that is a weird question. Think of all the Certified Mediums, Commissioned Healers, National Spiritualist Teachers, Licentiate and Ordained Ministers that have influenced your life. Weren't they your own pioneers? They forged ahead, getting the education to bring you what you needed to embrace the Spiritualist belief system. If you are thinking of serving your church in one of these capacities, our service clubs can help you make your goal come true.

What do Service Clubs do? They work together to present the Monday seminars at convention. While the seminar is open to the public, it is primarily geared to give our delegates new ideas to take back to their churches to help you grow in understanding. This is the visual work of the clubs.

It appears the Clubs other worthy work has been hidden for too long. They give scholarships to deserving students working toward a specific goal and become certified. If you are willing to work hard to achieve your desire to serve the Religion, in some capacity, they are willing to help you reach that goal. Spiritualism needs a dedicated, **educated** ministry. We have two educational branches offering courses, Morris Pratt Institute and the College of Spiritual Science (Spiritualist Seminary). You may not choose to go as far as Ordination, but that still small voice within and a persistent desire tell you it is time to explore the areas of your interest. Perhaps you are sitting in development classes, read everything you can get your hands on and still know there is something more waiting for you. You have the opportunity to make your dream come true when you are sincere and willing to work for it.

Who are the service clubs? They are the Ministerial Association, National Spiritualist Teachers Club, Spiritualist Healer's League and Licentiate Minister and Certified Mediums Society. As you can see, they represent every level of the ministry. Each has its own prerequisites for awarding the scholarship. You may receive an application by applying to the specific club representing your area of development. Each of the scholarships require you complete three lessons before applying. Over time you may receive grants from different clubs as you develop in different disciplines.

A brief description of some of those requirements from the Ministerial Association are membership in an NSAC church for three continuous years immediately prior to the application, worked actively in support of the church for two continuous years prior to application; have a letter of recommendation from the church board of directors; and sign a release of information form so the Ministerial Association can monitor the student's progress. As I have said, this is only a partial example from one club, the others have their own application forms.

Now is your opportunity to become someone else's pioneer by dedicating yourself to becoming an educated representative of your religion. If those who are now in this organization had not been there for you, would you be a Spiritualist today? Even if you don't need a scholarship, I hope this will help you appreciate the work of our dedicated ministry in promoting Spiritualism to the world by teaching others the truth.

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Within this point of view lies the realization that the Divine and Infinite exists within the finite, like a seed containing the full potential of the Source which created it.



DREAMS—FULL CIRCLE

BY THE LATE ELIZABETH HARRIS, D.S.N.U.

Primitive man said that the imprisoned soul had to be emancipated to wander and communicate with the Spirit World at night.

Does the soul communicate with the Spirit World at night as primitive man claimed? Of course! Both Spiritualists and modern psychologists affirm that this is so. Sleep is an adventurous time for all of us, and surprisingly, knowledge of nighttime experiences seem to have come full circle. Our beliefs are similar to those of primitive man.

We know that invisible changes come over us every night and this has been happening since time began. Our closed eyes lose their sight and our minds slowly begin to fill with images. We gently recede from the demanding world—drifting—effortlessly—tenderly—silently—sometimes with subtle sensations, to a fragile haven of rest we call sleep.

Yet, we ask, "Why do strange visions and extraordinary manifestations take place when we sleep?"

Although sleep is difficult to define, we do know some facts about sleep. Modern psychologists have done extensive research into sleep patterns and dreams and have written about their findings. They tell us that one third of our lives is spent sleeping, and while we sleep, strange fascinating things are apt to happen. Also, they tell us that we have four or five dreams each night, occupying an hour and a half of our total sleep. In addition, psychologists, as well as spirit guides, inform us that we can travel astrally while asleep.

At one time, sleep and wakefulness were considered to be the light and dark sides of consciousness, but now psychologists tell us there are many shades in between. Sleep is not all unconsciousness because it is made up of experiences resembling wakefulness. Moreover, it is often during sleep that one's nature and spiritual gifts are exposed. The purpose of these things, provides a puzzle to the scientists.

As Spiritualists, we understand many reasons the body needs sleep. *As a field needs rest from constant cultivation, so too does the physical body require rest from its labors.* It is through sleep that blessed rest comes. However, the mind/spirit which inhabits the physical body, never sleeps. It breaks through in dreams at night as well as astral-travelling while the body slumbers. It would appear that another reason for the physical body to sleep is to provide a time for the mind to become free from physical limitations. Spirit helpers tell us that everyone travels astrally during the sleep state. The spirit, for the time being, leaves the physical body and roams into the Spirit World to meet those who live there, often greeting souls it loves.

This is called a *divine provision*—a preparation for the time of death, when the spirit is permanently released from the physical body, so that the experiences will not be as shocking. Therefore, it could be said that one experiences death every night. Dreams are gifts from Infinite Intelligence—a wonderful blessing of Nature's phenomena.

Dreams are fascinating to experience. Spiritualists, as well as scientists, study them, and have divided them into two main categories. One is considered emanating from the Earth; the other from the Land of Spirit.

The ones originating from Earth are the vast majority of dreams. They are called **ordinary dreams** traceable to defective sleeping habits, impaired health and unresting thoughts. They are considered the mere play of the mental faculties under the influence of some disturbing cause connected with the world and body in which we presently reside.

Yet no human can survive long without dreaming. This has been scientifically proven. And research shows that when interference with dreams occur, there is serious nervous system deterioration.

It has also been proven that obvious remembered dreams come during periods of lighter sleep, when one's eyeballs move rapidly (REM - rapid eye movement) and this occurs every 90 minutes. This doesn't mean that deeper sleep is dreamless, for evidence points to significant mental activity during delta sleep.

Not all dreams are memories of spirit experiences. Current scientific opinion considers dreams are the sleeping mind's arena of confrontation with the stresses of

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wakefulness—with the daily emotional problems that need nightly therapy—but not through reason, but through feelings.

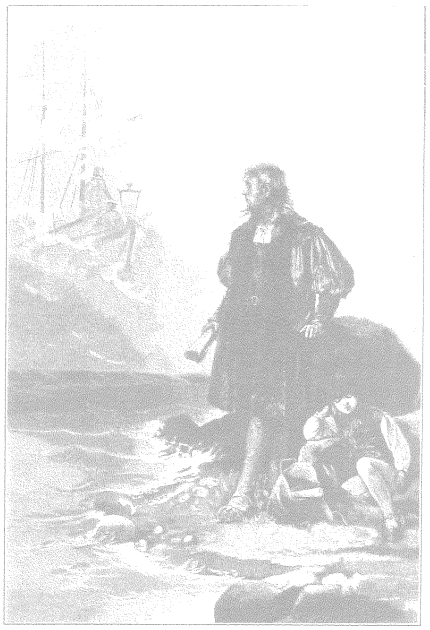
There are three kinds of dreams – (1) spiritual sweet dreams, (2) dreams caused by what has accumulated in the subconscious, and (3) dreams which are a result of our daily activities. The dreams which come from eating food too late at night, or are the result of what is stored in the subconscious mind do not bring any spiritual truths with them. Dreams influence our emotions—we can re-act to their sublime, lofty, inspiring nature, or be terrified from nightmares. The spirit guide Silver Birch says: *When you carry back impressions of loved ones you have met in the Spirit World, this will bring a mental and spiritual warmth which enables you to differentiate very clearly indeed. One dream is like having a heavy thud on your shoulder, the other is like being kissed by a butterfly.*

Silver Birch goes on to say, *The past and future are part of the eternal present. This is not so difficult to understand if you realize what happens in sleep, when your mind is freed temporarily from physical limitations. In your dreams you defeat these limitations altogether, and travel vast distance. All of this happens within seconds or minutes.*

The search for a formula to disentangle and explore for meanings of dreams has been called one of humanity's most powerful intellectual and emotional instincts. Throughout history men and women have pursued the meaning of dreams, usually relying on a specialist, a priest, or an oracle to interpret them. Dreams and their meanings have influenced religions and wielded power in human history. Early Talmudic rabbis said, *A dream that is not understood is like a letter that is not opened.*

Psychologists have studied dreams since "Dream Study" was first conceived in Vienna by Dr. Sigmund Freud around 1900. This study of dreams, primarily those resulting from **what is stored in the subconscious mind**, became a respectable scientific study eventually called Psychology. Freud's pupil, Carl Jung, continued the research. Jung himself was inspired by dreams to change the course of his career. A disciple of Jung's, Dr. Marie-Louise von Franz, continues this fascinating study today. Von Franz has broadened the scope of psychology to include *spiritual dreams*.

Since Freud's theories were first published, psychoanalysts, psychiatrists and psychotherapists have become popular interpreters of dreams today. Dr. Marie-Louise von Franz worked with Dr. Jung for over thirty years and like Jung, believes that dreams are *the voice of nature within us*. Also, von Franz is the first psychologist to link dreams with immortality.



In her recent book, *On Dreams And Death, a Jungian Interpretation*, Dr. von Franz says that in dreams, symbols prepare the dreamers for impending death. *Nature, or God, it seems,* she says, *has a concern to prepare the individual for the ultimate and inevitable end of physical life.* She also notes, *All dreams of people facing death, indicate that the unconscious, that is our instinct world, prepares consciousness not for a definite end, but for a profound transformation and for a kind of continuation of the life process.*

The most fascinating thing about Dr. von Franz's vigorous research is that it shows beyond dispute that the symbols that appear in dreams are mythical images drawn, not just from the world's great religions, but from religions and cults going back to the earliest stages of civilization.

Psychologists accept that dreams can resolve mental problems. For dreams can represent the dreamer's own character and so dramatize a truth he/she couldn't realize unassisted.

Another interesting type of dream is called **Psychic Dreams** and the dreamer's power to **foretell the future** is a very ancient concept. Mark Twain dreamed his brother's death in vivid detail, although the brother was alive and well at the time. A month later, Mark witnessed the very scene of his dream when he viewed the remains of his brother killed in a Mississippi riverboat explosion.

We know it was primitive man, in the earliest stages of civilization who said that the imprisoned soul had to be free to wander and communicate with the Spirit World at night. When we see the modern psychologist, Dr. Marie-Louise von Franz declaring that the mythical images and symbols appearing in current dreams are the same as those found in primitive man, we might wonder—have we come full circle?

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"When our eyes see our hands doing the work of our hearts, the circle of Creation is completed inside us, the doors of our souls fly open and love steps forth to heal everything in sight."
– Michael Bridge

Dream Detective Uncovers Trail Left By A Diamond!

BY LYN GUEST DE SWARTE, England
Reprinted from *Psychic News.*

CHRIS ROBINSON, Great Britain's psychic dreamer, has made some extraordinary discoveries of his own in America.

Chris, who was in Arizona being investigated by the Human Energy Research Laboratory team led by Professor Gary Schwartz in Tucson, found himself caught up in a story of mystery worthy of a Hollywood film script. In fact it is likely to be made into a film, and a book, quite soon.



Part of HER Laboratory's work is to investigate all claims of paranormal significance, and knowing this, Chris took with him to America some photographs that portrayed possible psychic phenomena. These included the photograph that was reproduced in Psychic News on November 20, 1999. This depicted a diamond shaped light in a snap taken of his children at the family home.

The story that accompanied the special photo related how Chris had dreamed that a very close friend of his and his family was going to pass to spirit.

Chris was in the habit of visiting his friend Ray who was in poor health, daily, to chat, and to take him supper.

Most of their conversation seemed to centre around spiritual matters, and one Monday, Ray told Chris that he was not afraid of dying, and that if he found Chris to be correct in stating that we all continue to live on in the Spirit World, that he would send him a sign. "You've been a diamond to me over the last few weeks, and I will send you that sign when I get there."

Ray also told Chris that he'd seen an apparition of three German soldiers standing in the doorway of his bedroom, which he found puzzling.

Ray's father had been on HMS Hood when it was sunk, and Ray was with the British Army contingent who liberated Bergen Belsen concentration camp at the end of World War 2.

It was on the Tuesday night that Chris had his precognitive dream, and on Wednesday he anxiously decided to call on Ray early to see how he was. However, Ray was in fine fettle and felt so well that the pair of friends went for a walk. "We had a lovely day, and Ray was the happiest I'd seen him for a long time."

That night Ray passed to the Spirit World.

The photograph with the sign from Ray to Chris, the diamond, was taken on the following Saturday evening.

Nearly two years on, Chris was invited by Professor Schwarz to dinner with some of his friends, Barbara and Bruce, who also have an interest in paranormal studies.

Chris told them about his friend Ray, and how he'd been told to watch out for a sign, and about the diamond. Barbara told Chris that her nickname was "the diamond lady."

Barbara is married to Bruce, whose father, Harry Winston, donated the famous Hope Diamond to a museum.

Barbara's parents had often spoken to her about the day that the British soldiers came into the camp where her father had hidden under piles of the dead bodies of his fellow prisoners to escape the murderous intentions of their captors, and how they'd been freed from Bergen Belsen.

"I can't believe that it's the same man that sent you the diamond," Barbara told Chris, "who rescued my parents all those years ago."

Barbara Winston is now co-writing a book about Chris Robinson, and the first chapter heading is "Remembering The Diamond." ✦

"We are not other than a moving row
Of magic shadow-shapes that come and go
Around the sun-illumined lantern held
At midnight, by the Master of the Show!
– *Omar*



Dream Quotes

Dreams and books are
each a world,
Round these
Our pastime and our
happiness will grow.
William Wordsworth

• Blind Helen Keller said: *I dream of sensations, colors, odors, ideas. Sometimes a wonderful light reaches me in sleep—and what a flash of glory it is! In sleep I never grope, but walk a crowded street freely.*

• The Aborigines in Australia have the term "Dream Time" which has been interpreted to mean the Spirit Realm.

• From *Seeing With The Mind's Eye,* by Mike Samuels, M.D. and Nancy Samuels. Dreams, daydreams and visions are *forms of the reverie state and are closer to unconsciousness than to ordinary consciousness, and they provide access to consciousness for images from the unconsciousness...Because creative images come from the unconscious part of the mind, which is not under the control of the ego, many people feel that such images come automatically—from outside themselves. For this reason some artists have felt that they must surrender to the creative impulse or even become possessed by it. Psychiatrists have noted that images from the unconscious are often symbolic in nature.*

• From *The Spirits' Book* by Allan Kardec. Dreams are a product of freeing of the soul, which becomes more energetic as the activities of daily life are suspended.
Does the soul rest, as the body does, during sleep?

No. The spirit is never inactive. The bonds connecting it and the body loosen during sleep. And since the body does not require its presence in that state, the spirit travels through space where it meets with other spirits.

How can we verify that the spirit is liberated during sleep?

Through dreams. While its body sleeps, the spirit enjoys other faculties it is unaware of in the waking state. Its abilities expand markedly. It can communicate with other spirits, either on Earth or on other planes. It remembers the past and sometimes foresees the future...Sleep causes a partial liberation of the soul from the body. When you sleep, your spirit is, for a time, in the same condition that you will confront after death.

Individuals who have an active dream life are likely to be liberated from matter at death almost immediately. During their dreams they often seek the company of more advanced spirits, converse with them and receive their advice. They may begin projects in the Spirit-World that they will find either under way or complete after death...

• James Allen wrote in the 1800s, *The dreamers are the saviors of the world.*

Humanity cannot forget its dreamers; it cannot let their trials fade and die; it lives in them; it knows them as the realities which it shall one day see and know.

Cherish your visions; cherish your ideas; cherish the music that stirs in your heart, the beauty that forms in your mind, the loveliness that drapes your purest thoughts. Out of them will grow all delightful conditions, all heavenly environment. Of them, if you but remain true to them, your world will at last be built.

Dream lofty dreams, and as you dream, so shall you become.

• In *The Truth About ESP,* Hans Holzer wrote this theory: *Assuming, then, that foreseeing the future is to a large extent a natural phenomenon inherent in every individual, our view concerning the nature of time is incorrect. There must be an explanation as to why people with ESP* (clairvoyance and in the dream state) *can leave the time stream temporality, stick their heads outside of it, as it were to look into the so-called future or into the past, and come up with information they could not consciously know. The only logical explanation for this phenomenon is the existence of a timeless dimension where events are stationary, preordained in general terms, and put there by a variety of circumstances, chiefly a very involved and sophisticated Law of Cause and Effect far beyond what we, in the physical world, call Law of Cause and Effect. If events are stationary, then we are in motion toward them. When we meet up with a specific event, the event occurs to us. At that point, we have a number of alternatives: we can either ignore it; we can run for it; or we can move toward it positively, actively. Depending upon our initiative at this point, one of several consequences will result, leading, in turn, to a new set of events in the distance.* ✦

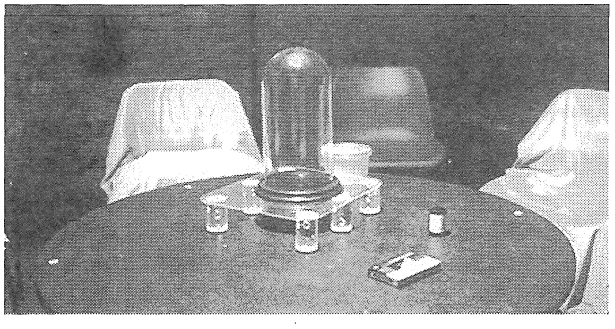
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A book about the Scole Experiment. We are happy to announce that the book about the Scole experiments by Grant and Jane Solomon titled, The Scole Experiment, will be available in the USA this March. Many of you are familiar with the Scole experiments and the Scole Spirit team who helped develop a "new" kind of energy that was used for the production of physical phenomena. This is the book that details those experiments.

The Scole group, as the experimenters have become known, hosted many scientists and scientific experiments during the five years that they worked together. As reported in the 16, January 2003 *Parapsychic Journal*, "People, including psychic researchers from SPR, witnessed handwriting, symbols and messages appearing on factory-sealed, unopened photographic film." They saw many materializations and received numerous apports. "One was a fifty-year old newspaper, the Daily Express, printed on paper of the type used in the 1940s—but it was in almost mint condition, and no sign of the usual yellowing."



We are sorry to report that the Spiritual Science Foundation has published their last issue of *The Spiritual Scientist* magazine. However, you can still find information about the Scole group at www.psisci.force9.co.uk. The photograph is of the table around which the experiments were conducted. From The Scole Experiment, Grant & Jane Solomon, Judy Piatkus Publishers Ltd, London, 1999

EEG analysis during trance. American Professor, Charles H. Hapgood, reported in his book, *Voices of Spirit,* that he had tested a medium to see if the electroencephalograph (EEG) of the medium, Elwood Babbitt, when out of trance, would be different from when the medium's mind was allegedly taken over and controlled by intelligences from the other side. Hapgood took EEGs of Babbitt while three different intelligences were allegedly in control of the medium. The EEGs of each of the three were found to be completely different from each other and from the EEG of Babbitt not in trance. An EEG expert, Dr. Bridge, noticed that the EEGs were characteristic of people of different physical age and could not belong to the one person. Hapgood reproduces the EEG diagrams in his book. Hapgood, Charles H. (1975) *Voices of Spirit*/Nordon Publications New York 1975: pg. 224-227. From Victor Zammit, www.victorzammit.com/book/chapter07.html.

The way to good luck. A psychologist claims that he has found the secret to good luck after eight years of investigation. Dr. Richard Wiseman of Hatfield's University in Hertforshire, UK, says that consistent luck is not attributable to intelligence or psychic ability, but the way people approach everyday life.

His four principles of luck are to expect good fortune, to create opportunities, to go along with gut feelings and to cope with misfortune by imagining how things could have been worse. Dr. Wiseman said, "The whole thing is about looking at living in different ways." The University has even set up a "luck school" under Dr. Wiseman to change the fortunes of unlucky people using the four principles. Wiseman estimates that it will achieve an 80 percent success rate.

The doctor's results support his theory that lucky people are more likely to be extrovert, intuitive and optimistic. He said, "These findings are in line with my other research, and show people experience increased levels of good fortune because of their psychological make-up." Dr. Wiseman's research is in, *The Luck Factor,* published by Random House.

Theory claims to reveal a way to good luck, from The St. Albans Observer www.stalbansobserver.co.uk/misc/print.html?nwid=682443.

Comment: We would like to draw your attention to the three terms in quotes. Dr. Wiseman argues that "psychic ability" is not required for good luck, but then provides a rule that a person should follow his or her "gut feelings" and

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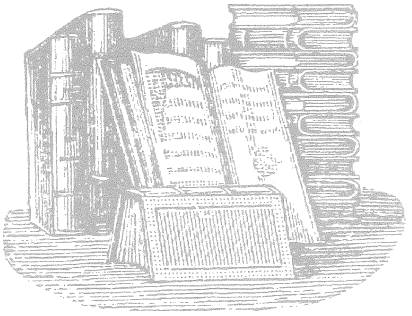
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identifies a typical quality of a lucky person as one who is "intuitive." Spiritualists realize that these are related characteristics and are nearly synonymous.

After 120 years of psychical research—confusion abounds! An article with that title by long time Society for Psychical Research (SPR) member, Maurice Grosse, ran in the *Paranormal Review*, a journal published by the SPR, Issue 24 October 2002. The article discusses the battle within the SPR. Grosse writes about the scientific community and how most continue to believe that paranormal activity is merely the product of an over-stimulated imagination. He writes, "I find it difficult to understand why these skeptics persist with their interest in psychical research. To investigators in the field, it is disheartening when active involvement in macro-PK research is often subject to a bombardment of comment, questioning the reliability of the personal experience. If that were not enough, doubts are cast on the analytical abilities of the researchers, who are only pursuing the aims of our founding fathers."

He ends the article with an appeal. "Let us stop playing the skeptics game. Let us stop falling into the trap of qualifying our positive results with an air of apology. It sends the wrong message to those who wish to listen. Let us admit openly and positively that there are such things as inexplicable phenomena. We do believe that our research is legitimate and of great importance . . . We are not just a scientific society, but a society that leads a quest that is as important to humanity as any of the physical discoveries that dominate our lives today."

Psychic detectives. Andrea Thompson, past anchor on CNN's Headline News was the host of a show examining the use of psychic mediums by police for Court TV. Told from a detective's point of view, Psychic Detectives, shown on Feb.27, looked at crimes where a psychic was brought in to help locate missing persons or solve crimes. Stressing that everyone is psychic (or intuitive) to a certain degree, the show tried to teach the audience some of the techniques used. If you missed it, watch your Court TV channel for a possible rerun of the show.



Phenomena in our lives. S.B. wrote to describe how one of her husband's new gloves managed to become lost while they were out shopping. She said that they had been shopping on a very cold day and her husband had been wearing the gloves. They were certain that they had the glove with them up to the time that they prepared to leave a restaurant for home. It was then that they noticed that one of the gloves was missing. S.B. told us that, "On the way to the car, I quietly asked Spirit to help us find the glove." The following Monday, her husband discovered the missing glove when, "He reached into a small basket kept by the front door where extra gloves and hats are kept. He slightly moved the basket, and there between the basket and the wall, was the missing driving glove. It had found its way home with the help of Spirit."

We decided to bring this report to you because it illustrates how the presence of Spirit in our lives is manifest in many small and important ways. A common aspect of many day-to-day phenomena in our lives is that they seem to be so normal or that it seems there must be a mundane explanation for them. It is as if our friends in Spirit are constrained to leave a little bit of "wiggle room" so that those who are not yet ready to accept the existence of a greater reality will have a way out.

It is important to look for mundane explanations for what happens in our lives before concluding that we have experienced nonphysical phenomena. However, when something does happen in our lives, such as the experience S.B and her husband had with his errant glove, we should be equally as careful not to overlook the gift that is given to us.

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Be intent upon the perfection of the present day.
Or, The man who has no inner life
is the slave of his surroundings."

– Henri Frederic Amiel

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Affirmations . . . MAY 2003

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 Today I pray for harmony in our world, and I will do my part.	**2** The Love of God within me inspires my actions and decisions.	**3** "God has planted the seeds of eternal progress in every one of us." – Brookes
4 I accept a partnership with my spirit guides.	**5** Seeing the inner light is a precious gift.	**6** Inspiration helps to stretch my mind, stretch my boundaries.	**7** I align myself with Infinite Spirit through my prayers and meditations.	**8** Each day there is something worth noting if we but look for it.	**9** "Gratitude acts as a connecting link between you (and your good)." – Susan S. Jones, Ph.D.	**10** "God does not act automatically, because of humankind's free will." – Raymond C. Barker
11 Love and Blessings to all Mothers, they helped form our character.	**12** Proper breathing is the key to well being.	**13** The proof of the Spirit World comes from evidential messages.	**14** I am open to receive the abundance of the Universe.	**15** God's Laws are a creative force.	**16** Our spirit guides speak only of things they know for certain.	**17** "Nature seems to await our comprehension of her." – SOM
18 The Love of God is given to every soul. The Light of God is within every soul.	**19** "There is only One Life and that eternal energy flows through all life." – SP	**20** Nature renews and refreshes me, bringing balance and healing.	**21** Spirit communications with departed loved ones, brings much comfort.	**22** By your actions, show the world there is nothing to fear. Be Love.	**23** Progress does not come without our effort.	**24** We harvest the thought seeds that we plant.
25 There is but One Power, whatever exists is this Power.	**26** Let us remember the men and women who served.	**27** Always remember you are a spirit first.	**28** All is of the Great Creator, eternal light and love.	**29** If we don't give, we will have difficulty receiving.	**30** I know that Spirit is everywhere, in all life's situations.	**31** "Our true Self is one of pure potentiality..." – Deepak Chopra



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1901 Franklin St. (Corner of Clay) 94109; Sunday, Lyceum 9:30 a.m., Sept. thru May; Healing 10:30 a.m., Devotional Serv. 11:00 a.m.; Wed. Healing 7:30 p.m., Serv. 8:00 p.m., (415) 885-9976; Pastor, Rev. David Burr, NST; Pres., Sonny B. Gee; Secy., Engeltie Lauderback.

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293 Sound Beach Ave., 06870; (203) 637-4615; Sun. Serv. 11:00 a.m., all welcome; Pastor, Rev. Melvin O. Smith.

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CHERRY VALLEY - Cherry Valley Spiritualist Camp, Inc.
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CHERRY VALLEY - Christabelle Spiritualist Church
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3637 W. 10th St., 46222-3376; Sun. Serv: 11:00 a.m. Healing - 11:30 a.m. Worship and Message Serv. - Kids Time 11:00-11:30 a.m.; Wed. 7:00 p.m. Development Class and Meditation; Every 5th Sunday All Message Service, covered dish dinner; Church phone, (317) 917-0427; Secy., Marilyn Smith, (317) 291-9550; Pres. & Pastor, Rev. Mildred Schlagel, (317) 291-0799.

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CLINTON - Sunflower Spiritualist Church
10 Mt. Pleasant Park; Mail to: P.O. Box 6, 52733-0006; Sun. Serv. at 10:00 a.m.; Co-Pastors, Rev. Harvey and Rev. Bonnie Horstman, NST; Secy., Rev. Bonnie Horstman.

DAVENPORT - Spiritualist Harmony Church
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MADISON - Madison Spiritualist Camp
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NORTHPORT - Temple Heights Spiritual Camp Assoc.
Shore Road, Northport on Penobscot Bay; Camp session is from mid-June through the Sunday after Labor Day. A different featured medium each week. Church services at 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Tues., Thurs. and Fri.; Sun. Pot Luck 5:00 p.m.; class Mon. at 7:30 p.m.; Message Circles Wed and Sat. at 7:30 p.m.; Workshops/seminars Saturday. Accommodations with kitchen privileges available; for a program or information, call (207) 338-3029 (Apr.-Oct.) then (207) 338-4690, or P.O. Box 311, Lincolnville, 04849-0031; Pres., Pam Strickland, P.O. Box 93, Owl's Head, 04854, (207) 594-9038, e-mail: pstone48@aol.com; Secy., Patricia Wallace, 124 Spring St., Gardiner, 04345, e-mail: PMICH619@aol.com.

NORTHPORT - Temple Heights Spiritualist Church
Shore Road, Northport; Services 2:30 p.m. Sundays at Temple Heights Spiritual Camp from May to October and at Excelsior Lodge on the Shore Road, Saturday Cove, Northport from Nov. to April; (207) 338-3029; Pres, Jean E. Bower, 159 Northport Ave., Belfast, 04915, (207) 338-1355; Secy., Carol A. Fricke.

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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Sunday Serv. held at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 147 High St.; Serv. at 5:00 p.m., Healing Lecture and Messages; For Info. call Acting Pastor/Treas., Sandra Millen, 103 Columbus Ave., Salem, 01970, (978) 744-0546.

ONSET - On-I-Set Wigwam Co-Workers Spiritualist Camp
Season opens June 9th till Labor Day weekend; Camp phone (860) 439-1395; Sun. Serv. 2:30 p.m.; Wed. Open Class 6 p.m. & Service 7:30 p.m.; Mediums Day's - Message Circles - Workshops/Seminars scheduled; Secy., Rev. Susan Ferency, 12 Butlertown Rd., Waterford, CT 06320, (860) 439-1395. Prior to season call or write for a full program.

SALEM - First Spiritualist Church of Salem
34 Warren St., 01970; Sun. Early Serv. 5:30-6:00 p.m.; Lunch break 6:00-6:30 p.m., Healing & Evening Serv. 6:30-8:00 p.m.; Telephone for weather cancellations, (978) 745-2098; Church season is Sun. after Labor Day - June; Pres., Bradley Gosselin, 147 Sylvan St., Danvers, 01923 - (978) 774-1571, e-mail: BGoss92409@aol.com; Secy., Nancy L. Karolides, 144 Boston St., Middleton, 01949, (978) 774-4048.

REHOBOTH - First Spiritualist Church of Brockton, Inc., NSAC
Services held at 10:30 a.m. every Sunday at the Agawan Grange Bldg., junction Rts. 44 & 118; Mailing address: P.O. Box 206, Swansea, MA 02777-0206. Please see our website for updated schedule and e-mail addresses, http://www.firstspiritualistchurch.com or http://clix.to/spirits.

SPRINGFIELD - The First Spiritualist Church of Springfield, Inc.
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Philosophers questioned and debated thoughts received in slumber wondering if they were mere fantasies. Other ascetics would deliberately induce dreams of revelation by denying the appetites of the body, fasting and sleeping in sacred places and temples. Also, the proof of the existence of Afterlife was sought through dreams. It was felt that the symbols, no matter how obscure, were meant to be revealing. Many famous people have recounted prophetic dreams and visions.

George Washington had a vision at Valley Forge in 1777. He was despondent, weary and disturbed by what seemed like an impossible situation in front of him—one that could only end in a miserable defeat. Washington had left orders to not be disturbed, so he was surprised when he felt a presence and then saw the form of a beautiful woman in front of him. Washington later remarked, "I would have risen, but became riveted to where I sat by the gaze of the being before me."

The angel being advised Washington on the future destiny of the young nation. The angel voice said, "Son of the Republic, look and learn." He observed the visitor to extend an arm opening for him a fantastic scene of all the countries of the world—Europe, Asia, Africa and America—and the future wars and victories. When the dark cloud cleared, villages, towns and cities sprang up. The Angel vision planted an azure standard with the words: "While the stars remain and the heavens send down dew upon the earth, so long shall the republic last." The word **Union** was one of the last things Washington saw in the prophecy as the scene dissolved. He felt he had seen a vision where the birth, progress and destiny of the United States was revealed. This experience renewed his faith and gave him the courage in his heart to continue in the fight for freedom and an inner knowing that it would be accomplished. Washington became the first president of the new country when the war was over and a government was formed.

Another President of the United States, Abraham Lincoln, had the trials of the Civil War on his mind and his thoughts were heavy in April of 1865 when he went to bed. The President fell asleep and experienced a strange dream. He wasn't sure of his belief in "sleep premonition," but the dream was so troubling to him that he told his wife, Mary, and several of their friends about his dream.

In his dream, he was asleep in the White House in his bed. He was awakened suddenly by the sound of subdued sobbing. In the dream state Lincoln got up and followed the weeping sound and found himself in the East Room. There he saw people filing past a raised structure on which a coffin rested with a corpse wrapped in funeral vestments—a catafalque. It was guarded by soldiers. Throngs of men and women were paying their last respects to the body laid in state.

Lincoln could not see the face of the corpse from where he was, but he could tell that those present were deeply affected by the individual's death. After watching for awhile, he approached one of the soldiers and requested to know who had died. "The President. He was killed by an assassin!" When the soldier made this reply the group near the catafalque made a loud outcry of grief. Then Lincoln woke up.

In that same month, Lincoln went to the theater to get some relief from his pressing responsibilities and was shot. In addition to his prophetic dream, several mediums had warned him to be careful of an assassin.

On May 3, 1812, a similar "death dream" featuring a head of state was dreamt by an engineer, John Williams in Cornwall, England. John related the "dreadful nightmare" to his wife. He said he was in the lobby of the House of Commons in London. "A small man, dressed in a blue coat and a white waistcoat, entered, and immediately, I saw a person whom I had observed on my first entrance, dressed in a snuff-colored coat with metal buttons, take a pistol from under his coat and present it at the little man above-mentioned. The pistol was discharged, and the ball entered the left breast of the person at whom it was directed. I saw blood issue from the place where the ball had struck him, his countenance instantly altered, and he fell to the ground. Upon enquiry whom the sufferer might be, I was informed he was the Chancellor." Williams debated whether to warn prime minister, Spencer Perceval, but was decided it was just a dream. Yet, he watched the newspapers for the next few days anxiously. Then his son came home and told him that his dream had in fact come true.

Mary Shelley had a dream in 1818 which led to the creation of *Frankenstein.* About 70 years later, Robert Louis

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David Fox Descendants Visit Lily Dale Museum



BY RON NAGY, New York

It has been 120 years since Margaret Fox Kane was on the Lily Dale grounds (1882). At that time Lily Dale was called the Cassadaga Lake Free Association. The name changed to the City Of Light in 1903, and finally to the Lily Dale Assembly in 1906.

David Fox was the elder brother of Kate and Margaret Fox, living some three miles from Hydesville, New York. David often visited Hydesville and kept in contact with his family.

Once again the Fox family decendents have visited Lily Dale. On Sunday, August 18th, 2002, Celeste Oliver of Levittown, Pennsylvania, and Jean Tuohy of Orchard Park, New York, made an official call on the Lily Dale Museum to collect information on their quest to track down the Fox family lineage. Both women were impressed by the extensive information collected by Lily Dale Historian, Joyce LaJudice.

The women were given a tour and lecture by Curator, Beverly Anderson, and assistant Historian, Ron Nagy. The museum's records and archives were shared with them inclusive of the data as recorded in the Fox Family *Bible*.

Both ladies are in the process of constructing the Fox family genealogy. This is how Celeste and Jean figure into the David Fox lineage. Celeste's father Stanley, was the only son of Elizabeth Fox Oliver. Jean's mother Winifred was the eldest daughter. Grandma was the daughter of Benjamin Franklin Calvin Fox, who was the son of David Fox, brother to the "Hydesville Rappers," or the Fox sisters.

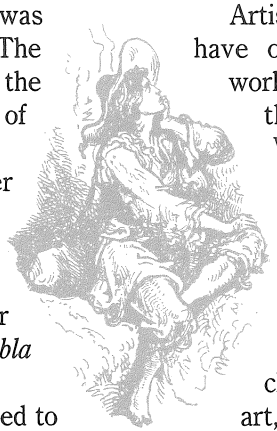
These two ladies have said they will keep in touch with Mr. Nagy and the Lily Dale Museum to relate their progress in tracing the family history. It will be very interesting and a positive step forward for Spiritualism. ✦

REVEALING DREAMS

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Stevenson wrote *The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde.* His wife woke him up one night when he was crying out in horror. He said, "I was dreaming a fine bogey tale." The next morning Stevenson wrote the first draft of his nightmarish tale of Dr. Jekyll's dual personality.

In 1890 author Bram Stoker had a nightmare in which Count Dracula first bared his fangs. The basis of the dream was then made into a book. Samuel Taylor Coleridge wrote his poem, *Kubla Khan,* following a dream.



Harriet Beecher Stowe turned to Spiritualism after the loss of her son. She was the author of the famous book, *Uncle Tom's Cabin*. Harriet stoutly maintained that it was written as the result of visions, one after another. She put the visions down in words. The story fired the nation and some say caused the Civil War.

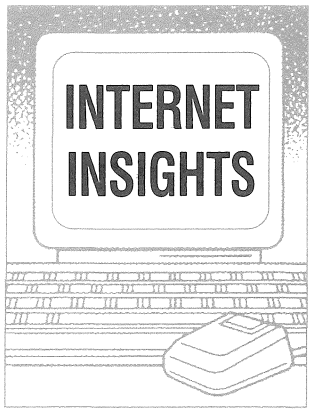
Artists, musicians and writers have often created wonderful works of art based on dreams they have remembered. William Blake and Paul Klee are just a couple of painters who attribute some of their works to dreams. Many composers have admitted to be dream inspired, including Beethoven, Mozart, Wagner, and Tartini.

Scientists, inventors, researchers and philosophers have received ideas through the dream state which have assisted the world in many ways. Otto Loewi's dream-inspired experiment which demonstrated the chemical mediation of nerve impulses, won him the Nobel prize for physiology in 1938. Elias Howe's sewing machine was an invention revealed in a dream.

Movies have resulted from dream ideas such as Ingmar Bergman's, *Hour of the Wolf,* and Judith Guest's screenplay, *Ordinary People.* A last example is the famous golfer, Jack Nicklaus. He stated that he discovered in a dream something to improve his game by ten strokes—overnight!

Creative ideas do indeed come from dreams when we are open and receptive to them. The scientist, Kekule, when he presented his dream discovery of the structure of the benzene molecule, said to those assembled, "...let us learn to dream."

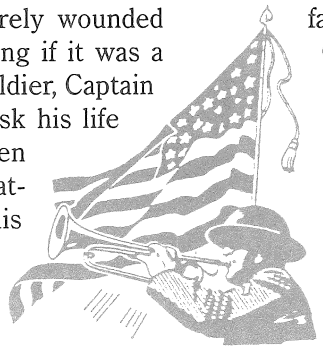
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The History of TAPS

We have all heard the haunting song, "Taps." It's the song that gives us that lump in our throats and usually creates tears in our eyes. But, do you know the story behind the song? If not, I think you will be pleased to find out about its humble beginnings.

Reportedly, it all began in 1862 during the Civil War, when Union Army Captain Robert Ellicombe was with his men near Harrison's Landing in Virginia. The Confederate Army was on the other side of the narrow strip of land. During the night, Captain Ellicombe heard the moans of a soldier who lay severely wounded on the field. Not knowing if it was a Union or confederate soldier, Captain Ellicombe decided to risk his life and bring the stricken man back for medical attention. Crawling on his stomach through the gunfire, the Captain reached the stricken soldier and began pulling him toward his encampment.



When the Captain finally reached his own lines, he discovered it was actually a Confederate soldier, but the soldier was dead. The Captain lit a lantern and suddenly caught his breath and went numb with shock. In the dim light, he saw the face of the soldier. It was his own son. The boy had been studying music in the South when war broke out. Without telling his father, the boy enlisted in the Confederate Army.

The following morning, heartbroken, the father asked permission of his superiors to give his son a full military burial despite his enemy status. His request was only partially granted. Captain Ellicombe had asked if he could have a group of Army band members play a funeral dirge for his son at the funeral. The request was turned down since the soldier was a Confederate. But, out of respect for the father, they did say they could give him only one musician. The Captain chose a bugler. He asked the bugler to play a series of musical notes he had found on a piece of paper in the pocket of the dead youth's uniform. This wish was granted.

The haunting melody, we now know as "Taps" used at military funerals, and at the end of each day on US military bases was born.

Day is done...Gone the sun...From
the lakes...
From the hills...From the skies.
All is well, Safely rest...God is nigh...

Fading light...Dims the sight...And a
star...
Gems the sky...Gleaming bright
From afar, Drawing nigh, Falls the
night.

Thanks and praise, For our days,
Neath the sun,
Neath the stars, Neath the sky,
As we go, This we know, God is nigh.

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MONTHLY

Humor to put you in Good Spirits . . .

❦ "After 30, a body has a mind of its own."
– Bette Midler, from AARP

❦ "You know you're getting old when all the names in your black book have M.D. after them."
– Harrison Ford, from AARP

❦ Laugh every day, it's like inner jogging.

❦ ""The sure way to miss success is to miss the opportunity.
– Chasles

❦ God wants spiritual fruit, not religious nuts.

❦ Silence is often misinterpreted, but never misquoted.

Modern Spiritualism Is Born
A New Dispensation Is Given

BY HERBERT RAY WORTH, Indiana
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On the evening of March 31, 1848, the Fox family prepared to retire at an early hour. They were weary to the point of exhaustion due to the strange noises and unexplained disturbances which had begun about the middle of March and had continued with ever growing intensity since that time.

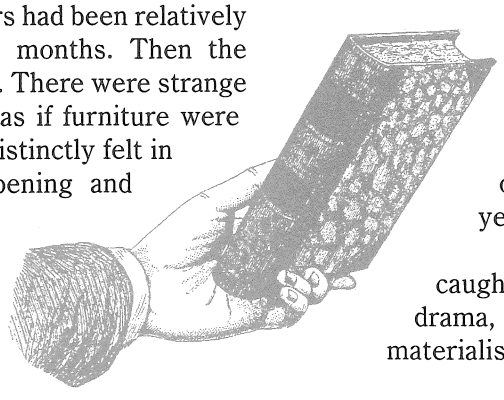
They had tried every logical approach to locate the source of the disturbances, to no avail. Now all they could do was to brace themselves for whatever the coming darkness might bring.

The family, consisting of John D. Fox, his wife Margaret, and two daughters—Katie aged 11 years and a sister Margaretta, about two years older, had moved to the modest frame dwelling on December 11th of the previous year.

Authorities differ slightly on the ages of the children, but two sources list Katie's at 11 years. Mr. Epes Sargent in his scholarly work, "The Proof Palpable Of Immortality," lists Katie's age as nine years, but this could have been due to inaccurate information given to him. We must remember that in 1848, birth records were not given the attention or maintained as in today's highly technical world.

The house was intended to provide temporary quarters until the weather was sufficiently agreeable to begin construction of a new home. The move was likely motivated to bring them closer to a married son, David, whose home was only about a two-mile distance in that sparsely settled community.

Settling into their present quarters had been relatively routine for most of the first three months. Then the unexplained disturbances had started. There were strange rappings, restless footsteps, sounds as if furniture were being moved, vibrations or tremors distinctly felt in the bedsteads, sounds of doors opening and closing and air currents coming from no apparent source.



Mrs. Fox spoke of these stressful occurrences as follows:

"My husband stationed himself outside the door while I stood inside, and the knocks came on the door between us. We heard footsteps in the pantry, and walking downstairs; we could not rest, and I then concluded that the house must be haunted by some unhappy restless spirit. I had often heard of such things, but had never witnessed anything of the kind that I could not account for before."

It was scarcely dark when the noises began with greater vigor and persistence than usual. Mr. Fox had not yet gone to bed. The two young girls, although in their bed, were still wide awake. Now tired of the strained and serious atmosphere surrounding these events, Katie, probably hoping to lighten the tension, clapped her hands and called out with a bit of daring playfulness to the invisible entity, "Mr. Splitfoot, do as I do."

Knockings instantly followed with the same number of raps. Then Margaretta added in sport, "Now do just as I do. Count one, two, three, four," striking one hand against the other at the same time. The raps came as before.

Mrs. Fox, by this time seeing the response of the spirit entity to the children's playful remarks, began questioning the unseen visitor, asking that it rap out her different children's ages. These, also, were rapped out correctly.

A simple code of communication was hastily worked out between Mrs. Fox and the invisible entity.

Many questions followed, each answered by the spirit rappings. It was learned that the spirit entity was an itinerant pedlar, named Charles B. Rosna, who was thirty-two years of age when he was murdered in this house about five years earlier for his money and the wares he carried with him in his pedlar's pack. His body had been buried in the cellar. It was also learned that he was married and the father of five children who were now orphans, as his wife had passed away two years ago.

Unknown to the participants, who were caught up in the stark reality of this strange drama, it was a night that would bring to a materialistic world, a new revelation of truth. This

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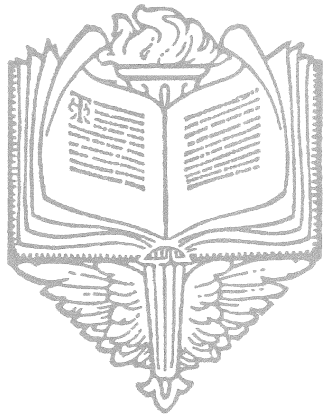
truth was destined to bring comfort and hope to all mankind.

The chill of winter still lingered in the air and a thin dusting of snow fell softly over the little hamlet of Hydesville. But lying dormant all about, a great cosmic springtime was awakening and rapidly moving toward fruition. It was a night that would, indeed, change the course of history and humanity's thinking in a more natural and positive direction.

But tonight the peaceful and serene landscape was in direct contrast to the emotional heights of the family inside the little cottage. Neighbors were called in to witness the phenomena of spirit communication. They, too, were mystified by these demonstrations.

Word spread rapidly to neighboring communities. Hordes of curiosity seekers crowded about the premises, trampling the yard, looking in windows, even forcing their way into the home.

It became impossible for the family to attend to routine household duties. Mrs. Fox and the two daughters were taken to the home of David Fox where they could find some rest.



Mr. Fox, along with several other volunteers, began digging in the cellar but were forced to stop because of water rising in the area. On April 11th, statements were given to the press by Mr. and Mrs. Fox and some of their neighbors who had witnessed the phenomena.

During the coming weeks and months, the Fox sisters learned much from their spirit communicators and with this added knowledge, their mediumship accelerated in its refinement.

Once when the manifestations had been of a particularly noisy nature throughout the night, the alphabet was called and the following message was given:

"Dear friends, you must proclaim these truths to the world. This is the dawning of a new era; and you must not try to conceal it any longer. When you do your duty, God will protect you, and good spirits will watch over you."

The Fox Sisters made their first public appearance at Corinthian Hall, the largest hall in Rochester, New York, on November 14, 1849. The following year, on June 4, 1850, they brought the message of Spiritualism to New York City, having their quarters at Barnum's Hotel.

Mr. Horace Greeley, editor of the New York Tribune, was their first caller. Mr. Greeley seemed to have an intuitive perception of the Fox sister's honesty and sincerity. He remained their staunch friend throughout his life. Mr. Greeley wrote a rather lengthy editorial regarding his visit and observations of the Fox sisters and the messages given to many prominent persons who also gathered at their seance table.

Among the visitors was the wife of Franklin Pierce who would later become president of the United States in 1853. The Fox sisters were able to bring her comforting evidence from a recently deceased son.

A few excerpts from Mr. Greeley's editorial follows:

It would be the basest cowardice not to say we are convinced beyond a doubt of their perfect integrity and faith in the premises. Whatever may be the origin or the cause of the "rappings," the ladies in whose presence they occur do not make them. We tested this thoroughly and to our entire satisfaction.

Their conduct and bearing is as unlike that of deceivers as possible, and we think no one acquainted with them could believe them at all capable in so daring, impious, and shameful a juggle as this would be if they caused the sounds. And it is not possible that such a juggle should have been so long perpetrated in public, yet escape detection. A juggler performs one feat quickly and hurries on to another; he does not devote weeks after weeks to doing the same thing over and over deliberately in full view of hundreds who sit beside or confronting him in broad daylight, not to enjoy but to detect his trick. A deceiver naturally avoids conversation on the subject of his knavery, but these ladies converse freely and fully with regard to the origin of these "rappings" in their dwelling years ago, the various sensations they caused, the neighborhood excitement created, the progress of the developments—what they have seen, heard, and experienced from first to last. If all were false, they could not fail to have involved themselves ere this in a labyrinth of blasting contradictions, as each separately gave accounts of the most astounding occurrences at this or that time. Persons foolish enough so to commit themselves without reserve or caution could not have deferred a thorough self-exposure for a single week.

It is hardly possible that a matter ostensibly so grave could be presented under circumstances less favorable to conviction. But of those who have enjoyed proper opportunities for a full investigation we believe that fully three-forths are convinced, as we are, that these singular sounds and seeming manifestations are not produced by Mrs. Fox and her daughters, nor by any human being connected with them.

It was here that Margaretta met Dr. Elisha Kane, the famous arctic explorer. He was captivated by her beauty and unassuming personality. In due time he proposed marriage. They were married, but the marriage proved to be a very unhappy one. He believed that her involvement in Spiritualism was fraudulent, although he could never produce evidence of fraud.

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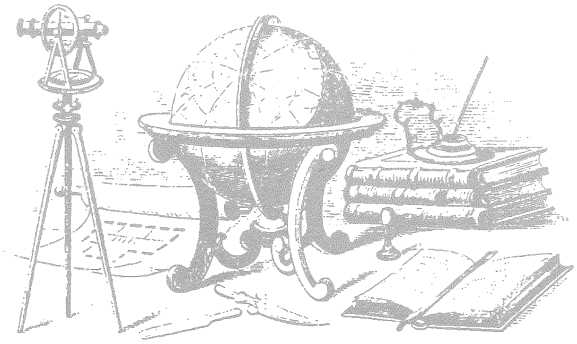
He never trusted the older sister Leah, believing that she was exploiting Margaretta for her own financial gain.

These pressures and accusations would adversely effect Margaretta's entire life. Dr. Kane passed away in 1857, leaving Margaretta a widow while still in her mid-twenties.

Katie Fox, early in life, developed and produced remarkable feats of mediumship. She was engaged by Mr. Charles F. Livermore, a prominent banker of New York. He hoped to receive communications from his deceased wife Estelle. Numerous sittings followed under strict conditions and were carefully recorded and documented.

Messages came through, even in languages unfamiliar to the medium—perfect French, and sometimes Spanish and Italian. Spirit lights appeared, flower fragrances, and finally the fully materialized form of Estelle.

In gratitude for the comforting evidence Katie Fox had produced, he financed her visit to England in 1871, providing for her needs while there and also arranged for a congenial lady companion to accompany her.



While in England, Katie's mediumship was thoroughly tested by the renowned scientist, Sir William Crookes. She also held joint seances with the celebrated D. D. Home. During this period she met Mr. Henry D. Jencken, a London barrister-at-law. They were married on December 14, 1972

Spirits took part at the wedding ceremony as raps were heard in various parts of the chapel, also during their wedding breakfast. Their marriage was a happy one and two sons were born of this union. Mr. Jencken suddenly passed to spirit during September 1881. Now a widow with two young sons, then five and eight years of age, Katie returned to America. The remaining eleven years of her life were filled with numerous frustrations, difficulties and financial hardships.

There are those who would point out the human frailties of the Fox sisters. However, when these are viewed in the perspective that acknowledges and recognizes the vastness and scope of their contributions to Spiritualism and to humanity, their human faults are dwarfed to insignificance in comparison.

We will remember that they were pioneers moving in uncharted territories and striving for a noble cause. We will also remember their endurance under duress, persecution, illness, and overtaxing of their emotional and physical strength.

Let us continue to show our gratitude for the pure clear channels the two young girls provided to establish communication between the material and spirit worlds, and their mediumship spanning more than forty years that was never blemished by fraud.

Mere words can never overturn long established truths. The ultimate proof is in the results obtained.

Cases are routinely decided in our courts of law, with far less evidence or proof than Spiritualism has provided during the years dating back to March 31, 1848.

Those who possess open and fertile minds will find an abundance of proof which has been amply presented and demonstrated again and again. Even the Master Teacher was asked repeatedly for a sign from heaven when signs were everywhere for those with ears to hear and eyes to see.

Mrs. Leah Fox-Underhill was the first of the Fox sisters to make the transition on November 1, 1890. Her most lasting contribution was a 477 page chronicle, "The Missing Link In Modern Spiritualism," published in 1885. It contains much firsthand information not available from any other source.

Mrs. Katie Fox-Jencken was next to follow. On July 2, 1892, her older son Ferdinand was enroute on a train to his place of work. He was suddenly overcome by a premonition that his mother was in great need. He left the train and boarded another to return to his mother's apartment. On arriving he found Katie near physical death. She passed away moments later.

Mrs. Margaretta Fox-Kane's life came to a close on March 8, 1893. She was very ill and unable to move hand or foot. Dr. Mellen, the lady physician who visited her daily, reported that at various times raps were heard throughout the room. Sometimes they came through the walls, through the ceiling and also through the floor. This was certainly well documented proof again that the raps came entirely from spirit sources.

Long after the Fox family had passed from the earth plane, an article in the Boston Journal, dated November 23, 1904, reported the following:

School children playing in the long abandoned Fox home had discovered bones they believed to be human. Upon investigation, Mr. William H. Hyde, owner of the property, found an almost complete human skeleton, along with a pedlar's pack.

The body had been buried behind a false wall which had crumbled and fallen away from the original wall which was still standing.

The message of Modern Spiritualism will remain:

"Proclaim to all humanity – There is no death – there are no dead!"

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TIME?

BY THE REV. RUPERT SIGURDSSON, NST, Maine
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In the early days of human history, time as we know it, didn't exist. The sun rose in the sky and that was the start of the day, when the sun set, the day ended. Time as we know it and the ways to keep track of it by mechanical or electrical means has been created by humanity in order to keep track of the days, events and appointments. This invention of keeping track of time has indirectly caused our present hurry, hurry society, where we are ruled by the clock. It may be one of the reasons for many nervous breakdowns, unhappy homes, the violent world we live in, and why there is so little true spirituality in the world today. We accept that we cannot take the time in our busy world to unfold our true spiritual nature.

Time, what is it? Our helpers on the spirit side of life, state "that they have no time, it is only the Earth Plane that needs time to regulate its life." I have been told from spirit, by many different mediums, that they have sequence of events and are aware when they are supposed to keep an appointment. This is why it is so important to keep our appointments with them in developing circles and classes. Actual time, as we know it, doesn't exist in the Spirit World, there is no rush there.

On Earth we seem to live by the clock. We often don't seem to have enough time to do all the things we need to do, yet others don't know how to use their time and are very bored with life.

Some years ago I read a book by J. B. Priestley, entitled *Man and Time*. In the book, it discusses the three types of time. The first type is when you are waiting for something to happen. An example is waiting for a train or bus that is late, a minute can seem like an hour if you are being late to go somewhere. Another example is when you are very young and Christmas can seem forever coming.

The next type of time is when you are having fun at an amusement park, and the day seems to vanish so fast you can't believe it is time to go home. Sometimes at a Spiritualist class, when you are very interested in the current subject being discussed, and the evening seems to end as soon as it started.

Finally, there is a third type of time that I call "every day time." That is when all is going normal in life and life is routine—time just goes along without much thought.

We live in a world where everything is in a hurry and many people save all year and pay large amounts of money to go on vacations, to get away from that rush of events. But what do many of them do? They make so many scheduled sightseeing trips or travel so many miles, that they really don't get away from the rush of every day life. We have the habit of hurrying so much as a part of us that we take our habit to hurry with us. Instead of relaxing and enjoying the vacation and in many cases we come home as tired as when we left, or maybe more worn out.

Is this the way we wish to go through the opportunity that the Creator has given us to experience life on Earth? This life is the golden opportunity we have been given to advance ourselves and give something of value back to the Earth.

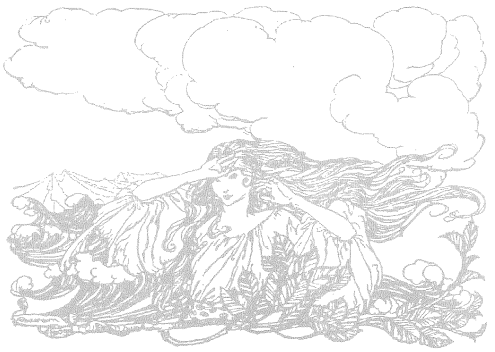
It is very important for us to look at our lives and try to adjust them to make each day a little less hurried, to take time for family, church, hobbies and to attempt to live with a little less tension and hurry. Taking a few minutes a day to meditate on redirecting our lives in a more spiritual channel will definitely lengthen our stay on earth and make the world a more peaceful place. Then when we finally reach the other side, we will have no regrets about things left undone and be spiritually prepared for that brighter life to come.

(Pause now. Take a deep breath and enjoy this moment!)

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The Sleepy Medium

BY TOM PIRNIE, England



Do you believe dreams can come true? Has anyone here ever had a dream that made any contribution at all to the smooth-running of their life? A dream which foretold some coming event that ultimately proved to be the case? A dream which offered a solution to a problem, or forestalled some difficulty you were about to face? Quite possibly there might be a number of you who could provide convincing evidence of such dreams, but for myself, I have always maintained such things were more a matter of wishful thinking on the part of the dreamer. Reinforcing my argument by reasoning that more direct, and in truth, more accurate means of contacting spirit, are readily available to those in need of guidance, other than this "airy-fairy" dream-state form of approach. Admittedly, the mind can often be extremely devious, having a rather clever ability to deceive, without the individual, who is particularly vulnerable when asleep, even realizing it!

So, I concluded, "It's definitely **not** for me, let the 'dreamers' fantasize." In short, I regarded the entire procedure as nothing more than a load of twaddle, until recently that is.

I never dream, at least I'm not aware of so doing, in fact, from early childhood until very recently, once asleep, brass-bands, barking dogs, and burglars chased by "bobbies," could pass by my bed, without complaint of disturbance from me! However, I had once, on the "say-so" of some beginning medium, placed pen and paper by my bedside in order to quote. *Write down the spirit-message that is in every dream. Even if you can't find it, be sure it* ***is*** *there, brought to you by the "dream-messenger."*

"Right" I thought, "I'll give it a try." So each night, before retiring, I made a point of ensuring that pen and paper were close to hand. It all began whilst searching for this elusive "dream-messenger." My brain would respond exceeding slow, resentful at being dragged from out of its tranquil sleep, whilst my eyes would prise up their "roller-blind" lids, and the rest of me would slowly come together.

With pen poised for action and paper in hand, I awaited "KNOWLEDGE BEYOND PRICE!" Alas, NOTHING!!! After a week or two of this fruitless nocturnal activity, sufficient to be documented in some "psychiatrists Journal," I was utterly exhausted. Not one word of wisdom, not one word of anything, not once had pen touched paper in fervid anticipation. No "dream-messenger," just a passing thought to send that medium into a more permanent dream-world! "O.K." I told myself, "Perhaps it does work for some, but obviously not for me. Ah! Well! at least I tried. I relaxed, snuggled down and before long, felt myself drifting into that lovely, peaceful state of suspension that always precedes the sleep of the just.

To this day, I cannot say with certainty, whether I was asleep or not, but as I drifted, words began to steal into my mind, words which insisted upon being heard. "Oh no, no way" I vowed, "Dream or **no dream, I AM GOING TO SLEEP.** Yet **still** this nagging train of thought persisted, leaving me no choice but to pay due heed. The message I received follows:

God uses Masters, Prophets, Priests, Ministers, Seers, Sages, Guides and Helpers, in order to communicate truth, to the multifarious audience that is always attendant in life's vast auditorium. So why should you question the value, or validity of the particular form that interprets and translates God's Word? The Masters, throughout time, serve as mediums between God and all living entities. They are the agencies through which Spirits' word, and will, are translated and transcribed into many, varied interpretations of understanding. Variations which permit personal selection, in pursuit of comprehension of Universal Immutable Laws, and in the realization of abounding Love, and ambition for each one of the Creators children. Infinite Spirit is ambitious for you, and knows what has been created. Infinite Intelligence has confidence in your potential to fulfill that ambition, through the bounty of Universal Creation, the infusion of the Divine Spark of Life, and the blessing of free-will. All of which enables you to fan, or douse, your Spark of Divinity as you will. This makes you your own medium in a sense, and therefore, as responsible,

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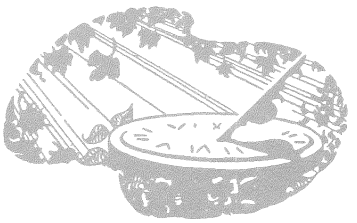
BY MERRY BROWNE



"Dreamers"

Swiss Psychologist, Carl Jung, considered dreams to be significant in the process of mind-function. Once when a patient told him of an other worldly dream where a complex of buildings were under construction that reached to the sky, Jung promptly exclaimed that he, too, had seen it. That it was the future new religion that encompassed all religions. This is in exact correspondence with my own clairaudient receivement that when the Golden Rule is really lived, it will be the new Universal religion, the heaven on earth.

"Light Workers"



Carol Parrish, in her newsletter *Hanna*, quoted Torkom Saraydarian who said *What the world needs most at this time is well prepared, enlightened psychics*. Carol said the time has come for us as Light Workers to live the life as we hold the Light to lead this world from darkness. At her seminary, she employs Dr. Nicholas Demetry, a practicing psychiatrist for lectures, as he proclaims there is no healing of spirit, mind or body without LOVE. ✦

THE SLEEPY MEDIUM

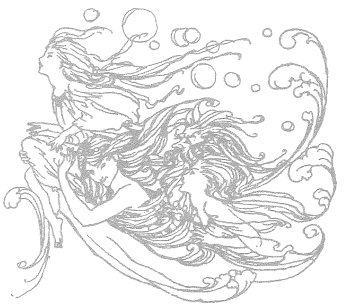
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if not as enlightened, as any Master, Seer or Sage. All voices, which proclaim a "God," and revere the Word as Truth, speak the same, very simple message... "GOD EXISTS, GOD IS LIFE. ALL THAT IS, IS OF, AND THROUGH HIM!" Adherence to Divine Law teaches that love is the Supreme Power that leads to fulfillment in living. This love is the sweet simplicity of God's Message for humanity.

Unfortunately, the myriad interpretations of it, complicates and confuses, if not denies, the simple Truth of this teaching, by presenting it, not as Universal Knowledge, but as a Truth available only to adherents of the declared Faith, whatever outward expression such Faith may demand.

Many religions establish their Creed upon a specific "Book of Truth" such as *Bible* or the *Koran*, these being compendiums of spiritual awakening and experience as understood by many individuals at certain points in time. Thus, the integrity of a holy book becomes the foundation, the corner-stone, of the specific faith, for all time!

Mediumship is intrinsic and invaluable to the very existence of Spiritualism as a Religion, for it is the quality of communication, through each individual medium, on every single occasion, that is, in essence, Spiritualism's "Book of Truth." Mediumship, the channel of inspiration, neither suggests, infers nor demands, that one's faith be dependent upon acceptance of truth, that was witnessed and recorded at any one point in the past. It declares, with every communication, that "here and now" is evidence of God's Word, with its message of eternal life for all, as propounded by all masters since time began.



Such evidence is offered to every ear that will hear, to be absorbed and fashioned, with validity, into Truth that is in keeping with the individual's own unique understanding of God, of Godliness, Spirituality and Faith. Every time mediumship is made manifest, Spiritualism's "Book of Truth" is added to, detracted from, accepted or rejected, amended and edited by the listener, the believer, and at times, even the unbeliever. It attracts the seeker, upholds the adherent, and reassures the uncertain, according to the quality of its presentation, and the veracity of its content. There is nothing more essential, more valuable to any Faith than this, no matter the means by which it is conveyed. ✦

IN MEMORY OF SHARON EGBY

By Robert Egby



SHARON EGBY

It's now a few weeks since my beloved wife, Sharon, passed away. On January 7th she woke me up at 3:30 a.m. saying she couldn't breathe and asking for an ambulance. I called 9-1-1 and a policeman arrived within a few minutes and administered oxygen. The ambulance crew arrived and rushed her to Underwood Hospital in nearby Woodbury, New Jersey. Apparently she stopped breathing in the ambulance but they got her breathing again and rushed her into Emergency.

I sat in the Emergency waiting room. I had done this two years before, and they said she had pneumonia and gave her some pills and sent her home. But this time it felt different. About 4:50 a.m. I saw an image of her standing in front of me. I have lectured on the fact that when people are scared (as in dentist's chairs) or are dying, the spirit visits key loved ones. My immediate reaction was: "Get back in your body, dear," She vanished. Fifteen minutes later the doctor and a nurse took me into the counseling room and said Sharon had died at 4:58 a.m. They said she had a massive heart attack and failed to respond. On the death certificate it says "arteriosclerotic cardiovascular disease."

She had just turned 59 years old. It was stunning. Unbelievable. This can't be, I told myself, but I knew it was. They let me spend a while with her body which was still warm and there was a faint smile on her lovely face. She was always smiling.

The days that followed were chaotic. Sharon had mentioned to her daughter, Jennifer, and myself, that in the event of her death, she wanted to be cremated, and not buried on the family plot. So this was done and we had a private family viewing at the funeral chapel in Westville. The worst hit by this sudden tragedy was Sharon's mother who is over 80. In fact, three weeks after Sharon's passing, she has not gone out from her house and continually mutters, "I can't live without Sharon." Sharon's son, Clayton, and I take turns visiting her every few days.

Sharon was a pack-rat, and she saved everything. So now I have the task of sorting out boxes of papers galore, photographs, old newspapers, receipts dating back six or seven years. It hurts to dispose of things I know she loved. I sense that she is around me at times.

She appeared before a young Spiritualist medium who called me and said: "Sharon was here wearing a blue dress with white trim. She appeared concerned about the dress." As she spoke, I suddenly remembered that dress was at the dry cleaners and needed collecting. I did it the next day.

The Westville Spiritualist Church medium, Hank Armstrong, has just returned from his annual holiday in Las Vegas. One evening he was dining alone in a restaurant, and Sharon appeared and told him to tell me that business was going to be fine. She had been concerned that our hypnotherapy and psychic mediumship business had just experienced several months just crawling along. Then she vanished. Hank left the restaurant, and as he did so, there was a dress shop across the street. "Rose of Sharon—dresses for the larger woman." Sharon had a major weight problem. As Hank talked about this in church in Westville last Sunday and mentioned a coincidence. Only the day before, Saturday, Sharon's mother, Helen, had told me that when they brought their baby home from the hospital, her husband, David, had said: "The Rose of Sharon is my favorite flower—we'll name her Sharon."

One other thing. At the beginning of December, when we held our monthly Sunday afternoon meditation-healing service, we followed it up with Spirit messages. Both Sharon and her mother were there. David, Sharon's father who died over 30 years ago, suddenly appeared. I told the group: "David is holding a red rose and the stem is inside a ring. He is taking the rose out of the ring." Neither Sharon nor her mother could figure out this symbol. It didn't strike me until after Sharon's passing. Her father was warning of her death—taking the rose from the ring of life.

As a mystic and a Spiritualist, I believe very much in the afterlife and the Spirit World, and almost daily reconnect people with loved ones who have passed. This is very satisfying.

Strangely, since Sharon's crossing over into Spirit, my business has just soared both in hypnotherapy and Spirit Communication. I thank God and I feel Sharon is working from the Other Side.

One last thing. On January 17th there was a memorial service at the Church of Eternal Life in Westville, New Jersey, where Sharon served on the board and was treasurer. The church holds about 105 people. All seats were taken and a number of people were standing at the back. They came from all over. There were beautiful flowers sent by her friends, colleagues and family. Pastor Lillian Joyce did a wonderful service and I did the Eulogy. I could feel the power of Spirit as I read my notes and didn't burst into tears until the last sentence had been said. You can read the Eulogy on my website: http://www.angelfire.com/nj/writeups/Sharon.html. ✦

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ORDINATION IN MASSACHUSETTS



Rev. Catherine Snell, Rev. Brad Gosselin, and Elizabeth Gosselin.

The Ordination of Mr. Bradley Gosselin took place at the First Spiritualist Church of Salem, Massachusetts, on Saturday, November 9, 2002. Sandwiched between two days of torrential rain and wind, the heaven's truly smiled down on the crowd of well wisher's who gathered to witness and celebrate this wonderful event. Assistant Pastor, Priscilla Herrick, conducted the ceremony and delivered the Welcome Address. Soloist Mrs. Elisabeth Cheney graced the ceremony with her renditions of "My Heart Will Go On," "In The Garden," and "Let There Be Peace On Earth." Mrs. Nancy Karolides delivered the beautifully inspiring invocation. Pastor Muriel Karolides read an original poem



Priscilla Herrick, Muriel Karolides, Assistant Pastor, Rev. Brad Gosselin, Pastor, and Rev. Catherine Snell.

written by her, especially for Brad and a framed copy was presented to him after the ceremony. Mrs. Elizabeth Gosselin read the poem "The Law."

The Rev. Catherine Snell of New Hampshire issued the Ordination charge wth touching dignity. She reminded Brad that this was the beginning of a journey and not just the end of an accomplishment.

With smiles, and a few tears of great joy among those gathered, the moment of Ordination culminated with his wife, Elizabeth, donning him with his robe.

The Rev. Bradley Gosselin addressed those assembled, giving thanks to the many who had contributed in bringing him to this moment in time. He paid tribute to the pioneers of the Salem church for the foundation in Spiritualism they had left for him and others to build on, and expressed gratitude to Pastor Muriel Karolides for her commitment to passing along those values. We were all touched deeply when Brad explained that the reading of "The Law" was his tribute to the Rev. Joseph Merrill who, in their brief association, had greatly inspired him and become a mentor. Most of all, he expressed his love and gratitude to his wife, Betty, his partner in life and his partner in Spiritualism.

Following the benediction by Catherine Snell, a joyous crowd gathered downstairs in Olmstead Hall to celebrate this wonderful event with Brad and his family. ✦

CALIFORNIA MEDIUM

On December 15th, Certified Medium Loll Washburn served the Spiritualist Chapel of The Pines as the guest message bearer. Loll has been coming from Southern California to serve the Spiritualist Chapel of The Pines several times each year. It was especially appreciated for her to serve on the 15th, as this was the Sunday that George Brenner was ordained, and it added much to the program to have Loll, a cofounder of this church with the Rev. Francis Scher, to participate in the ceremony. ✦

CORRECTION

Correction: In reference to the article, *Things To Think About*, on page 23 in the March 2003 *TNS*. Dale Palmer is the president of the Neotics Institute Inc. (NII). He, in conjunction with several engineers, is working on several projects. One would allow people to conduct EVP and ITC experiments over their home computer by logging into a NII web site. The work on this and other projects is ongoing and has not been stopped due to a clash of egos. The author has confused two separate issues.

Regarding what was "stopped" as the author wrote "due to a clash of egos"—in the 1990's a group of ITC researchers joined together to create the International Network for Instrumental Transcommunication (INIT). It was hoped that the harmony and cooperation between researchers would lead to increased and better contacts. Some experimenters were asked to join to group and others were excluded. Differences of opinion developed and the group fell apart. This is what stopped and it has nothing to do with the present NII projects. ✦

What happened in *MAY* throughout the years?

MAY 1, 2003

National Day of Prayer. Take some time today to send a prayer for the entire world for peace, progress and harmony for all life.

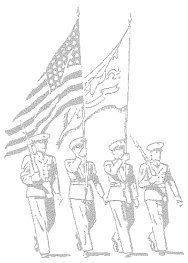
MAY 2, 1823



Emma Hardinge Britten, was born in England on this date and displayed psychic abilities even as a child. The gift was not understood until 1855, when she came to America to appear in a Broadway play. While there, she attended a few seances and discovered that the psychic abilities were really spiritual powers. Her development was rapid and she became one of the *Greatest Women Propagandists* for Modern Spiritualism.

MAY 17 and May 26, 2003

Armed Forces Day and **Memorial Day** are observed this month. Tributes to the dead raise the spirits of the living. Memorial remembrances, large or small, are conscious reminders of life and death, and continuous life. Heroes are unique and we are proud to honor their sacrifice. Let us send a prayer of thanks for all who gave their lives that we might enjoy the freedoms we have in the United States of America. We pray for peace.



MAY 22, 1859

Arthur Conan Doyle, born in Scotland of Irish parents, was a bright, inquisitive *individual filled with chivalry, pride, perseverance, who displayed a remarkable ability for stubbornness and yet found time for good humor*. He attended Jesuit schools, then received his degree in medicine from Edinburgh University in 1881. He began serving the public as an eye specialist and found his speciality was not very lucrative. He took up writing, creating the character of Sherlock Holmes. Every major event occupied his attention and was included in his stories. Spiritualism was investigated following the death of several loved ones and Doyle felt it was proven that the soul survives death and could return with the aid of a medium to communicate. He fought for Spiritualism, and later the knighted Sir Doyle even made a speech urging the repeal of a law which punished mediums. He was a great pioneer for the cause of the new religion.

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Why Is A Dream

By Priscilla Clough

Why is a dream...
May lead us into the future
The gate of desire opened wide.

Why is a dream...
To send us toward splendor
Our inner pleasures do guide.

Why is a dream...
When a secret sesame
Opens the path of night.

Believe in your dream...
Be guided and hold the call
Fight for the right to see the Light.

Believe in your dream...
When you reach the epitome
Then how happy you will be.

Believe in your dream...
Dreams are inspired
To help find your destiny.

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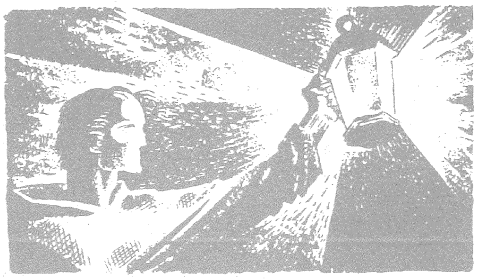
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