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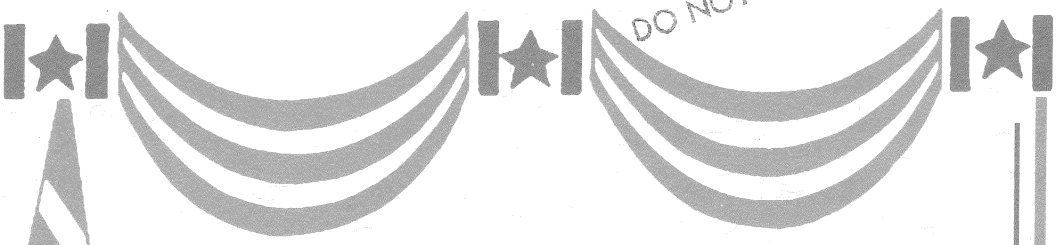
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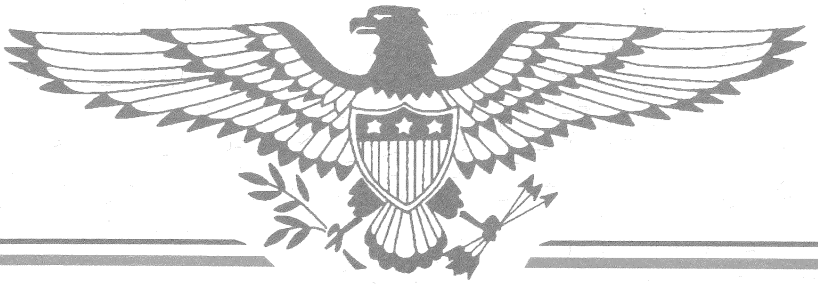
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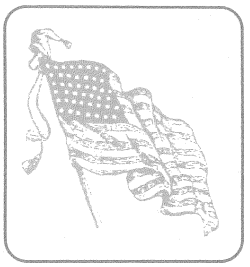
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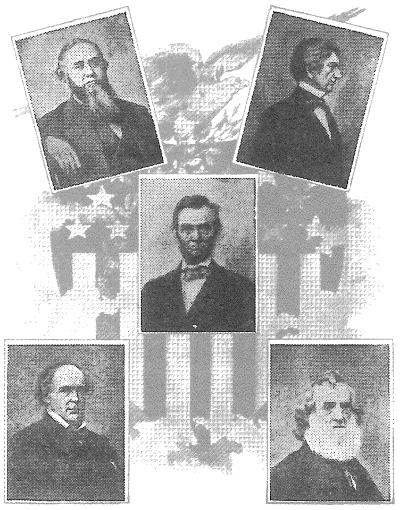
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Leadership Is A Spiritual Gift!

BY THE REV. SANDRA PFORTMILLER, NST



We had a trance session a while back, and Abraham Lincoln transfigured over the medium and talked to us a bit about service to others. President Abraham Lincoln was a supreme exemplar of integrity, honesty, compassion, wisdom and justice. These qualities of character account for Lincoln's greatness because he used and practiced them in all he did. What a great and inspired leader he was, as were many of the United States Presidents and visionaries of America. As we celebrate our Independence, we must thank the past leaders of our great Country and pray for inspiration for the leaders today.

I think of leadership as a form of ministering to others, but also as a spiritual gift for it is the ability to challenge, inspire, teach and lead people toward their spiritual goals. Of course, a true spiritual leader is not a dictator and keeps open to suggestions of others, accepting their help. A good leader has in mind those he or she is assisting at the forefront of each decision.

Spiritualism develops leaders in many ways. Spiritualists learn of Universal Law and are guided by Infinite Intelligence and the spirit realm in decisions and actions as the leader grows. Our churches must be a "we" type of an organization rather than centered around one or two individuals who do everything. It is in this way that Spiritualism will prosper.

One reason I feel strongly about this, is that when we open our platforms to students, and to guest speakers and mediums, the congregation gets a variety of views, so they grow. Sometimes the way one person conveys a thought, that may have been said before, will resonate with a new insight for a member of the congregation.

The presentation of new or different views helps us to think and to examine what our core beliefs really are. This is necessary for each person to do each day so that we are not closed and don't get too comfortable in our routines. Not only do we grow when presented with new thoughts, we release incorrect thinking and this opens new channels for truths to enter. Life is a perceptual experience, so each time we accept a new and exciting concept we enhance our energy and our growth.

Our students of the Morris Pratt Course, the College of Spiritual Science and of our own church development classes should be encouraged to begin to practice their gifts of leadership in some way. Some may want to start by working on the platform giving a prayer, reading a poem, sharing healing, sharing mediumship or giving a lecture. Others help by giving of time, energy and ideas on the Church Board of Trustees, teaching in the Lyceum, or working on a Church committee. There are many leadership roles in each organization that are truly needed.

Those who serve the Church with a genuine desire to help are usually gifted by Spirit and their gifts will continue to grow and develop. While all of us have leadership abilities to some extent, the way in which we actually use these skills determines the degree to which our gifts will grow. A loving, caring and energizing attitude and vision will attract spirit helpers to encourage and inspire the leader. The talent to lead will grow and bring enthusiasm to others. Those who are "leaders" and delegate to others so that the person feels the heaviness of responsibility and fatigue, they have clouded their gift and it will dim.

As Spiritualists, we are fortunate that Infinite Intelligence has given us Natural Law so we will have clear guidelines how to be leaders. The Law of Love, the Law of Return, the Law of Attraction, the Golden Rule are each ways to evaluate how we are using our gifts of leadership. We serve from an inspiration we receive from the inner place of understanding, trust and love. We lead as we give.

If we observe those who are the head of our organization, or our Church, we will see that each one has their own individual unique style. There are probably as many variations of styles as there are leaders, but the one common trait of an exceptional leader is their ability to share love and enthusiasm. Also, it is important to remember that the expression and character of each and every individual Church member influences the energy, vibration and ultimate outcome. Charles C. Manz writes: *leaders and followers form an organic whole that is required for leadership to unfold, and at the very core of the leadership process, leaders and followers are one and the same.* Each person is valuable and is encouraged *out of a sense of caring and commitment to the well-being of those being led*, Manz believes.

Many of our church members volunteer their time, talents and energy to help keep our churches flowing smoothly, and this is a way to represent the Spiritualist ideal

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LEADERSHIP IS A SPIRITUAL GIFT

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of service and love for all. They are willing to help and trying to "do their part." Some people serve in the role of a leader by *default* because they are the only one willing to do something or the only one that comes. The beginning point of service is being willing to show up. It is doing something when you see it is needed to be done. It is using some energy instead of just sitting around and watching everyone else do the work, sometimes griping or unhappy about the way it is being done.

We can each develop leadership skills by stepping up and asking, "How can I help?" It is making a commitment and fulfilling the commitment—being dependable. Some times a beginning leader will volunteer to do something they are good at and enjoy doing. If this is done, the leader will find enjoyment in the service and it will be easy and a natural gift. It may be the gift of administration, bookkeeping, organization, child care, greeting others, cooking for a church fund raiser, visiting the hospital, or calling people when they haven't been there in awhile. Thank goodness there are helpers who are gifted in these areas, for there are many of us who are not and need their help to have things run smoothly.

Each of us have unique talents to share, that are needed, so using talents in the service of others is what leaders do. Your spiritual gifts will grow as you use them.

There are so many ways one can serve. When things are done for the greater good of the Church or of Spiritualism, it is an incredibly pleasurable feeling. Life and our Churches are a work in progress and sometimes we stumble as we grow and develop, but with good intentions we get back on track and back to our vision. A true leader puts their personal agenda aside, and looks at what is best for the service of all, for the collective energy of the Church. This often means abandoning the ways of the past when it no longer holds the vision of progress. When we are open, we can stretch so much further.

Being a leader doesn't mean you have to get up in front of a group, run the meeting or be in charge. *You just have to be willing to show up, pitch in and dream.* You too, are a leader, so figure out the way you can best serve. Then simply do your best, be involved, committed and active in your organization and toward others. In this way you will contribute significantly to the Church and to the world. *Lincoln did not ask for the way to be easy. He only asked for the chance to serve. And that, in the words of Robert Frost, "has made all the difference."* Make a difference! We all can when we put forth the effort. ❁



CALENDAR CORNER

What happened in *JULY* throughout the years?

JULY 3, 1930

Congress created the **Veterans Administration** which helps those who have honorably served their country.



JULY 4

Independence Day, and a time to send prayers and blessings to our wonderful Country, and thanks for the freedoms we experience. In 1776, the Continental Congress adopted the **Declaration of Independence**. In 1946, the **Philippines** became independent of U.S. sovereignty. In 1959, America's 49-star flag, honoring **Alaskan statehood** was officially unfurled. In 1960, America's 50-star flag honoring **Hawaiian statehood** was officially unfurled.

JULY 6, 1845

The birth date of **George Kates.** George was a prominent worker throughout his life for Spiritualism, entering the movement in his twenties. His wife, Zaida Brown Kates and he traveled the country serving the platform of Spiritualist Churches and Camps. He assisted with the organization of the Lookout Mountain Camp Meeting Association and the Kates were in charge of the First Spiritualist Church in Washington, D.C. He was elected trustee of the N.S.A. and later its secretary.

JULY 9

We wish NSAC Secretary, the **Rev. Sharon L. Snowman,** a very happy birthday, with a fantastic, fun and spiritual year.



JULY 18, 1832

John Francis was born on this date. This deep thinker and writer was the founder of the *Progressive Thinker*, a publication based on spiritual philosophy. He was a dedicated Spiritualist and wrote several books on Spiritualism. His favorite expression was "Keep your brain vibrating."

JULY 29, 1957

The **International Atomic Energy Agency** was established. In 1958, the **National Aeronautics and Space Act** was signed, which created NASA.

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'Tis A Gift To Be Simple

BY THE REV. CHARLENE KLEINSCHMIDT, NST, New York

We really do get what we ask for! Least I thought no one was listening to me, I had said several times, "You know, I feel like I can't get anything done. I think I'll just glue myself to the TV today and forget about everything." Then if I would try to start something, you know what happened, I couldn't get things done. This is how I programmed my day.

"This is the Day the Lord hath made, let us rejoice and be glad in it." You may have heard this hymn or even sung it—these are words of inspiration. This is true for us all, every day is our Creator's day and should not be squandered. Your life is a simple gift not meant to be over complicated with worry and distress, but meant to be productive, pleasant and helpful.

Sometimes when I get ideas I sit down to write and run head on into a writer's block. Then my spirit friends begin writing me little messages, and I transcribe them to share with others. They have helped me, and I thought maybe some of the simple ideas may help you.

If you are worrying about what you want to accomplish, you are using your energy in that way. It might help to list all the obstacles you perceive to be your problems, then make the plan to begin. When you face the facts, you can move forward. For the next six weeks, make your motto *Tis a gift to be simple*, then do not complicate the issue with daydreaming or worry. Trust your intuition, take that step and follow through!

Some suggestions, thoughts and ideas: Begin to read the books you've stacked for "someday." Take time to go into the silence. Journaling is encouraged. Exploration is exciting. Set times for work, fun and rest, then stick to it. Make a daily plan and clean out, lay aside, release the complexes you don't need. These practices will start that new beginning you have been wanting. When you go into the world, go forward expecting good and finding it.

Visualize the week and see yourself making progress daily. Dwell on your accomplishments. Everyday you must live the new life. You can't bring back yesterday and tomorrow hasn't come. Do not slip into "someday" thinking, for Now is the time. Trust in the wisdom of spirit to direct you in the right path when you are willing to cooperate. Forget the "what-ifs," and know you will succeed. When you look back in five years, you will wonder why you were so concerned, if you even remember it.

You progress and are healed through love and Spirit. Wise use of a medical doctor, while freeing yourself of dis-ease thinking, will give you the strength and persistence to achieve your goals. Remember: *'Tis a gift to be simple and your life is the gift.* Start living a simple life. Rest, relax, restore your energy and then tomorrow awake and live your abundance and good health. ❁

U.S. Government Web Site Of The Month...



Did you know the U.S. government is online. In fact, there are over 20,000 government web sites covering nearly every topic you can imagine. Here's one that could help you:

Get tips on choosing a health plan, a doctor, a course of treatment, or a long-term care facility from the Dept. of Health and Human Services at **www.healthfinder.gov**. Health finder also provides the information on the latest health research, different illnesses, and a host of medical resources designed to help families stay healthy.

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To request information on "How to Form a Spiritual Healing Prayer Group,"

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The first week of each month the names received are compiled and sent to the NSAC Office for inclusion in the NSAC monthly mailing to all churches. Also many healers around the country receive the list. Because of the length of the lists an individual's name will usually be kept on the healing prayer list for one month unless we hear from you that more healing is required. We also request prayer groups to keep in touch with the National Healing Center throughout the year.

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

– Prayer for Spiritual Healing –

I ask the great Unseen Healing Force to remove all obstructions from my mind and body and to restore me to perfect health.
I ask this in all sincerity and honesty and I will do my part.
I ask this great Unseen Healing Force to help both present and absent ones who are in need of help and to restore them to perfect health.
I put my trust in the love and power of God.



Healing And Its History

BY MARY ELLEN HORSTMAN, Michigan

History is the place one starts to find about healing and how it got where it is today. First we must begin with the ancients and how they overcame the difficult task of treating and healing the illness and disease that confronted them. However, we find in early times fractures were treated, and the most difficult surgical procedure was attended to with success. None the less, we must remember that the ancients never truly separated medicine from the occult. Those who managed to establish some kind of power over the supernatural forces of disease and sickness had to attack it at its own level—the realm of the supernatural.

Three large areas of human endeavor—religion, magic and medicine finally came into play of humanity's struggle against disease.

The Egyptians used an approach of common sense to illness. The early practitioners received their training at temples from high scholars. They were known as a priest-physician, and they leaned heavily upon their knowledge of magic in the curing of all diseases and to bring relief to those in pain. The priest-physician used magical charms, potions, and other devices in their cures. Religion, magic and medicine became the way to cure all illness and pain.

The uses of religion magic and medicine were also used by another healer known as the witch doctor. The witch doctor had many duties to perform besides caring for the sick and wounded, he also had to cast spells or do away with them whenever called upon to do so. He saw to it that food was plentiful, helped with success or failure in an undertaking, and even predicted the future or influenced events. His most important task was that of curing the sick and wounded.

The priest-physician accomplished acts of healing and at the same time helped with the progress of both religion and spiritual work.

The American Indian used what is called the medicine man, a more appropriate name would be Medicine Priest. Like the witch doctor, this man had many duties to perform besides his duty as a medicine man. In Indian terminology the word "medicine" actually refers to "any mysterious force which is beyond understanding." Among his duties is that of talking to spirits and knowing the ways of the gods as well as tribal history. Through earnest prayers, sincere, true meditation, he gains his spiritual guidance.

Yet another healing concept is that

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Spirit Communication

BY AGNES FREEMAN, I.S.M., W.F.H.

Many times we have to go out on a limb to reach out towards people who would never come to a Spiritualist Temple (or meeting place—as we call it now in England).

It is probably their very first meeting with a Medium, and their expectations are possibly high! There are mediocre Mediums, and there are some brilliant or well tuned-in ones too.

Your battery-operated radio will not work too well if the battery gets too low, neither will the Medium who is overworked, or can't tune into the right station. What happens when you tune in between two radio stations? Noise—white noise is not clear sound—you have to try harder to listen on whatever wavelength you can hear better. We are at the receiving end as Mediums. We are not talking to the so-called Dead—they are alive and speaking to us.

Spirit communications are the Greatest Gift in this life for those who are left behind here. So the messages should be uplifting, because it is coming from Spirit. Even so, the recipient may have forgotten some very important survival evidence. I always say you can check on that. If a reading is tape-recorded, the recipient can review the information received that they cannot take in at that juncture.

Most people sooner or later get the information they came for. Not all sitters are easy to deal with, or they don't want to say a yes or no, even when it is helpful for the medium during spirit communication and because Spirit needs that energy.

I wish we could teach people how to sit for their Medium, to be honest with them. (I do know when they are not.) Some sitters even try to trick the Medium, but Spirit cannot be tricked. God cannot be mocked. And the higher forces are either with you, or not, and if not, communication cannot take place. The medium is not responsible for the message, but for the presentation of it.

If you are an accredited Medium, you should always try your best. People may try to discredit you, but you can laugh that off if you know you are telling the Truth, with all honesty. You are working with integrity and compassion and love, so the truth will burst forth like a rose in winter. Sometimes you can even smell the fragrance, which we often experience in clairsentience or clairgustience.

What all Mediums should strive to do is just pass on the message in the best way they can, to try to get as much evidence as they can. Trust God, your guides, and the communicating entity, so that the message will be driven home.

You may be the only Medium that person will ever see in their lifetime's experience, so please do your best to give the most!

Spirit gives you all—if you ask for it!

So let it be!

Let the work progress, and the guiding light be your guide, and your helpers will show you the way. ❁

(Agnes Freeman is the author of *The Fledglings Way To Mediumship.)*

SPIRITUAL HEALING: Healing And Its History

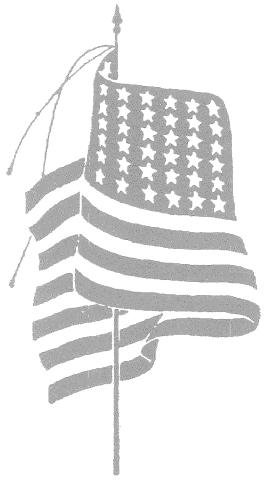
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of the dream experience, where the sick arrived at the temple or shrine and going into sleep they would dream, and then they would tell the dream to the priest-physician who would decide on the proper treatment to use. These forms of healing are still being studied today.

In the *Bible* we find much of the history of healing, mentally, spiritually, and physically. Healing in both the Old and New Testament, with the laying on of hands. The dead were brought back to life by these means also. The most well known healer of all time was the healer called Jesus.

The art of healing, both physically and spiritually, has come a long way. Psychic phenomena is perhaps humanity's greatest and far-reaching effort to truly understand the true self. ❁

Folding Of The "Stars and Stripes"



Properly folded Stars, Stripes is packed with symbolism.

Folding the flag, although it may look complicated, is simple and symbolic. Each fold has a special meaning, as described in the U.S. Flag Folding Ceremony.

- Fold 1: The symbol of life.
- Fold 2: A symbol of our belief in the eternal life.
- Fold 3: Made in honor and remembrance of the veteran departing our ranks and who gave a portion of life for the defense of our country to attain peace throughout the world.
- Fold 4: Represents our weaker nature, for as American citizens trusting in God, it is to Him we turn in times of peace as well as in times of war for His divine guidance.
- Fold 5: A tribute to our country, for in the words of Stephen Decatur, "Our country, in dealing with other countries, may she always be right, but it is still our country, right or wrong."
- Fold 6: Stands for where our hearts lie. It is with our heart that we pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.
- Fold 7: A tribute to our armed forces, for it is through the armed forces that we protect our country and our flag against all enemies, whether they be found within or without the boundaries of our republic.
- Fold 8: A tribute to the one who entered into the valley of the shadow of death, that we might see the light of day, and to honor our mother for whom it flies on Mother's Day.
- Fold 9: A tribute to womanhood, for it has been through women's faith, love, loyalty and devotion that the character of the men and women who have made this country great have been molded.
- Fold 10: A tribute to father, for he, too, has given his sons and daughters for the defense of our country since he or she was first born.
- Fold 11: In the eyes of Hebrew citizens, represents the lower portion of the seal of King David and King Solomon and glorifies, in their eyes, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.
- Fold 12: In the eyes of Christian citizens, represents an emblem of eternity and glorifies, in their eyes, God the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost.
- When the flag is folded completely, the stars are uppermost, reminding us of our national motto, "In God We Trust."
- After the flag is folded completely and tucked in, it takes on the appearance of a cocked hat. This reminds us of the soldiers who served under Gen. George Washington and the sailors and Marines who served under Capt. John Paul Jones, who were followed by their comrades and shipmates in the armed forces of the United States, preserving for us the rights, privileges and freedoms we enjoy today.

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Source: U.S. Flag Folding Ceremony and Code.

The Symbolism of the Flag colors.

THE RED, WHITE AND BLUE



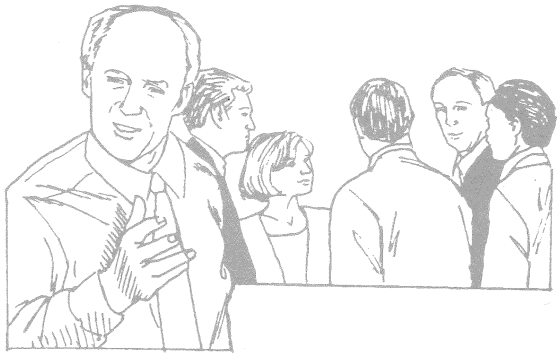
- Red stands for hardiness and valor; white symbolizes hope, purity and innocence; and blue stands for reverence to God, loyalty, vigilance, perseverance and justice.
- Betsy Ross is given credit for sewing the first U.S. flag after the Continental Congress adopted the flag in 1777.
- Other words for flag include "colors," "standard" and "ensign."

Questions And More Questions

BY THE REV. RUPERT SIGURDSSON, NST, Maine

You walk into the door of a Spiritualist Church for the first time, with a million questions on your mind. Am I out of my mind to be here? Are these people that think they talk to the dead safe to be around? Does the Spirit World really exist? Is it possible that we reincarnate? Sometimes I feel it is likely, at other times I question it. This seems to be true with all paranormal phenomena. We seem to receive enough to make us question, to be sure one minute, then question it the next.

Why do we feel that way? Is it because of our early training? Remember being told by your parents and in school, that if you can't see it, feel it, smell it, it doesn't exist? Are we so brain washed by the material world that we become almost immune to the non-material?



I am writing this sitting out on our house deck, the sun is warm, that spring feeling creeping into the air. It is a day of promise for a beautiful summer to come. Leaves are starting to bud as a light breeze is blowing. We can't see the breeze, but we feel its movement and we know it is real because we feel it and see the actions of it by the movement of the trees. So, from our lifetime conditioning, we accept it because of its actions.

Isn't that true of Spiritual phenomena? Many of us never see spirit, but we see their actions: A table can tip to the answer to questions, a trumpet can move with no one holding it, and many other forms of phenomena. Shouldn't we accept that phenomena the same as we accept the breeze? But our mind will argue, everyone knows that the breeze is real and we have been told that those other things we call spiritual phenomena don't exist—or maybe, just maybe, they might.

I get up and go into the house and switch on the TV to hear the latest news, but can I see the electricity that operates the TV, can I see the picture that is on the screen coming through the air on an electrical vibration? No, but I know that it is some form of energy that does it, and I don't question it. After all, the scientists say it is so, so it must be fact and I can see the picture.

But when a medium gives me a message from a spirit friend, is it any different? The medium receives the message by whatever gift he or she has—Clairvoyance, Clairaudience, Clairsentience or maybe Trance, but whatever the gift, the message can be verified in one way or another. But here again, can you get a message from the dead, because the majority of the medical profession and the scientists say that when you are dead that is it? They must know what they are talking about, after all, they have trained for years, but do they? Some question, "Why was the message given to me last Sunday at church so correct when I had never met that medium before? She must have done a lot of research about me." But, but, and more buts—maybe there just might be something to this stuff, but, can there be? All those professionals can't be wrong, there has to be a trick to it. That is what the Amazing Randy and the psychologist Susan Blackmore state. Do they know more than me? Is it all a trick?

The above is how many coming to a Spiritualist church for the first time probably feel, and is the reason that all workers in the church need training, to be able to answer questions and give accurate messages. With many that come for the first time, there may not be a second if they do not get the right answers.

This is not only true with the phenomena of Spiritualism, but also reincarnation. I find that there are as many asking questions about reincarnation as there about Spiritualism, so we need education on both sides of the issue. The old time Spiritualist that stated "spirit gives me the answers, I don't need to study," is out of date. We live in a well educated world today, and those that may become church members in the future want to understand, and in many cases they research a subject before they will accept it. They want to know that they are dealing with a genuine church, with reliable leaders and not just a Gypsy type fortune teller only out for their money.

Recommend books that inform about Spiritualism, mediumship and healing. Tell them about the study courses and becoming certified in whatever branches of Spiritualism they have gifts in. The workers at your church become teachers to answer questions when new attendees are searching. Make sure your workers are informed. This is more important than ever with the world conditions as troubled as they are today. ❁

The Abraham Lincoln Of Modern Spiritualism

BY THE REV. MARILYN AWTRY-SMITH, NST, Florida



HORACE GREELEY

During this month, Americans in many parts of the country remember a well known man who set out to accomplish a goal. He did just that and Abraham Lincoln became President of the U.S.A.

While Americans honor this famous man, born on February 3, 1811, Spiritualists raise their praise to The Honorable Horace Greeley, **The Abraham Lincoln of Modern Spiritualism.**

He was a very important figure in early American Spiritualism. Abe Lincoln, using today's vernacular, "put the pedal to the metal when hard times hit." And so did Greeley when hard times hit the young Fox Sisters. It was Greeley who supported them relentlessly. He offered them use of his home as their own, he provided funding for Katie's education, and serving as Editor of the *New York Tribune,* which he had founded in 1834, he continually counteracted all the negative news media written about them. In 1850, he publicly admitted that he was puzzled by the phenomena observed, but the good faith of the mediums would not be questioned. Later, in his book *Recollections of a Busy Life*, he also admitted "that jugglery hypothesis utterly fails to account for the occurrences I have personally witnessed, and that certain developments strongly indicate that they do proceed from departed spirits."

On the 100th anniversary of his passing the *New York World* declared: "For 35 years, Horace Greeley was the greatest political force this country has ever known since Thomas Jefferson." He helped frame America's Constitution, he founded the famed *New York Tribune*, he secured Lincoln's nomination, and he crusaded against slavery, capital punishment, women's rights, labor unions. He was firmly against alcohol, tobacco and gambling but his main concern was abolition of slavery. But what they did not reveal is that Horace Greeley while a practicing Unitarian, he was also a stalwart champion of the infant religious faith called Spiritualism. What brought him into the movement? Greeley was extremely interested in contacting his dead son. He sent off a staff member to investigate the phenomena of the Fox sisters. Returning with a report in the affirmative, Greeley sought out the girls.

One sample of an article he published in the *New York Tribune* in 1850 when the girls were being severely persecuted is as follows:

"Mrs. Fox and her three daughters left our city yesterday on their return to Rochester after a stay here of some weeks during which they have freely subjected the mysterious influence, by which they seem to be accompanied, to every reasonable test, and to the keen and critical scrutiny of the hundreds who have chosen to visit them or whom they have invited to visit.

Their rooms which they occupied at their hotel have been repeatedly searched and scrutinized; they have been taken without an hour's notice into houses they have never before entered. They have been all unconsciously placed on a glass surface concealed under the carpet in order to interrupt electrical vibrations; they have been disrobed by a committee of ladies appointed without notice and insisting that neither of them should leave the room until the investigation had been made, etc.; yet we believe no one to this moment pretended that he has detected either of them in producing or causing the rappings; nor do we think any of their contemners has invented a plausible theory to account for the production of these sounds, nor the singular intelligence which (certainly at times) has seemed be manifested through them...

Whatever may be the origin of the cause of the rappings, the ladies in whose presence they occur do not make them. We tested this thoroughly to our satisfaction."

A study of this era dictates that while other newspapers were spurning or attempting to expose the media-innocent Fox Sisters, Greeley was their champion and mentor. He maintained that role for the rest of his earthly life, and it is said, he has many times spoken from the world beyond. ❁

"Your education has been a failure, no matter how much it has done for your mind, if it has failed to open your heart."

– J. A. Rosenkranz, *Stay Thoughts*

GALLERY READINGS

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Gallery Readings has been a success for the Portland Spiritualist Church, in Westbrook, Maine. It has created revenue for the church and the mediums, as well as, promoted awareness of Spiritualism in the community.

• **What are Gallery Readings?**

Gallery Readings are similar in nature to John Edward's nationwide popular TV show "Crossing Over" except that we typically use two to three experienced public mediums to give spiritual messages to the public.

• **Our successful format**

To keep active interest, our mediums are rotated every fifteen minutes. Allows the public to see different mediums work. **Gallery Readings** is not the time or place to use inexperienced mediums. We are presenting only our best foot forward to the public.

• **Advertise, Advertise, Advertise**

Don't think small. Don't scrimp on advertising! People are wanting and looking for this. Call your radio or TV stations and promote **Gallery Readings**. Advertise on flyers. Advertise in the entertainment section of the Sunday papers. Advertise in holistic newspapers. The key is to attract people who don't even know a Spiritualist Church is in the community.

• **Promote consistency and success**

Use the words: **Gallery Readings** on any flyers advertising dates and times.

Take advantage of free advertising—WORD-OF-MOUTH—by having the public **expect Gallery Readings** to always take place on the same day each month. (i.e. the 4th Friday of every month.)

Promote **Gallery Readings** as an entertaining night out for only $10.00 per person. The success of John Edward is that even though people leave the show not receiving a message, **they have been entertained.** Those who have not received a personal message have still been given hope in the possibility that their deceased loved ones might give them a message the next month.

Your Moderator should be a people-person who can interact well with the public. He/she should explain mediumship to the assembled and explain the public's part in receiving successful readings. The do's and don'ts of mediumship, etc.

• **Financial Prosperity**

I believe the monetary success we have achieved to date is because we have invoked the Natural Laws of Prosperity. Whatever fees are collected, half goes to the church, **and half is divided equally between the mediums.** When workers are not paid their just due, another Natural Law is invoked, the Law of Diminished Returns. This Law states that "...after a certain point is reached, no matter how great the effort, the return on our effort no longer equals the work put into it."

• **Benefits for the Spiritualist Community**

Gallery Readings give back a return to the church by advertising Spiritualism to the community. It is a great way to bring in new members. Have booklets prepared to be handed out to anyone interested in mediumship development and/or in the Spiritualist Church. Ours is a service to pass on messages of hope and love from deceased loved ones to those who are here.



If your church is interested and would like to have help in starting **Gallery Readings** of your own, please feel free to call me, Rev. Gloria J. Nye, at 207-786-4401.

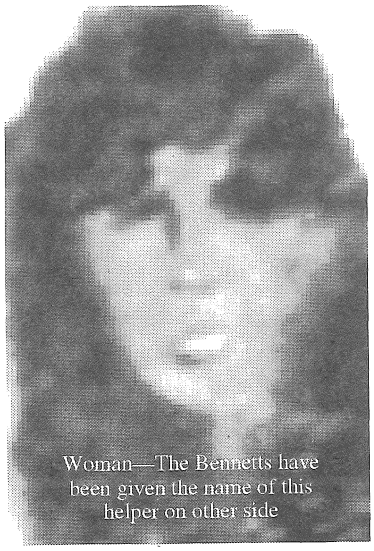
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The New Work Of The Scole Mediums

Extracted with permission by Lisa and Tom Butler from the Winter 2002 *The Spiritual Scientist Bulletin.*

Most of you know about the Scole Experiments. The four members of the Scole Experimental Group (Sandra and Robin Foy and Diana and Alan Bennett) sat over a period of four years during the mid-nineties. The Spirit Team at Scole was prolific, using a new spirit-world technology that did not require the use of ectoplasm for the production of physical phenomena. Phenomena included solid spirit beings and fifty small objects received as apports. People, such as psychic researchers from the SPR, witnessed physical phenomena including pictures, handwriting, symbols and messages that appeared on factory-sealed unopened photographic film.

The phenomenal success of the group and their Spirit Team resulted in the book, *The Scole Experiment*, by Grant and Jane Solomon and 32 issues of *The Spiritual Scientist Bulletin*, a quarterly magazine, which was temporarily retired with the Winter 2002 issue.



Woman—The Bennetts have been given the name of this helper on other side

With the sadness of seeing the last publication of the *Bulletin* also came excitement. The Scole mediums Diana and Alan Bennett have been exploring their own particular interests in psychic phenomena and healing. They felt that they owed so much to those in the higher realms and knew in their hearts that they would continue to experiment in one way or another. Alan wrote, "I have always seen in my mind's eye, a phoenix rising from the ashes with renewed vigor to live through another cycle. Diana has always had that wonderful gift of 'far sight' and receiving guidance in her dreams, so it was no surprise when she told me that she had 'seen' the two of us working together again. She was told how we should take the first step in the form of a shared experience. We followed her vision of a simple experiment using a crystal, where the two of us linked together mentally and shared a journey of exploration.

"This experience was incredible; as we were both shown such wonders and places. We were guided by a sentient being through a wonderful 'magical mystery tour' where we met another being whom we conversed with. Through several other forms of communication, we were shown how to set up an experiment that would, they explained, enable us to glimpse into other worlds (dimensions). We found that it was necessary to continue to follow our intuition, and to be 'guided' by them, if we were to achieve satisfactory results. It has required total dedication and perseverance as well as an open but still discerning mind.

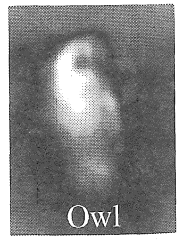


Old Man

"Before I continue, I would like to mention one very important factor, and that is that old chestnut 'total darkness.' We were 'guided' to do this new work in full light. After so much criticism in the past regarding physical phenomena obtained in total darkness, we decided that we would only continue to work as mediums in full light. This has proven not to be prohibitive in anyway whatsoever, as we have achieved very encouraging results.

"These experiments are primarily attempts to see into, and capture, visions of other dimensions of existence. To be more precise, these visions are more like frozen images or pictures, of different moments in time as we look into these dimensions."

Since that first experiment, the Bennetts have conducted many more experiments, progressing and building on what they have learned. Alan told us, "It seems that the possibilities are endless, as we modify and introduce other equipment into the experiments. The experiments are based on the idea that there are dimensions not only beyond our own but within them also. By using a combination of electronic and photographic equipment coupled to image enhancement computer software (for magnification purposes only), we have been fortunate enough to obtain fleeting glimpses into these "other" dimensions during our experimental sessions. The experiments also require focused visualization by the two of us to create a central focal point for the experiment."



Owl

Diana writes, "The images pictured here were obtained with the use of an ordinary camera and a good lens (not

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Humor to put you in Good Spirits . . .



Which President of the United States was also a King?

Gerald Ford. He was born in 1913 as Leslie L. King, Jr. After his mother divorced and remarried, his step-father informally adopted him and renamed him Gerald R. Ford.

Which President fathered a child at age 70?

John Tyler, father of 15 and the only President who was subsequently elected to the Confederate Congress.

Which President, as a parlor trick, would write a Greek sentence with one hand and write a Latin sentence with the other?

James Garfield, who was also the only minister elected as President.

Who were the largest, smallest and tallest Presidents?

The smallest President was James Madison at 5 feet, 4 inches and 100 pounds. Abraham Lincoln was the tallest at 6 feet, 4 inches. William Howard Taft was the largest, weighing 335 pounds.

"I find the great thing in this world is not so much where we stand, as in what direction we are moving.

– Oliver Wendell Holmes

THE NEW WORK OF THE SCOLE MEDIUMS

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digital). The process requires us to strategically place crystals, according to instructions given by spirit. (This varies with each experiment.) Light is focused over the crystal area, some through mirrors, colored filters and/or reflective surfaces. We intuitively know when it is the optimum time to take the picture. When the pictures are developed, they are digitized, enlarged and then examined using Photoshop. As you can see, the images and colors are fascinating. Sometimes, the images take up most of the frame, sometimes only a small part."

What excites Alan is that, "this new approach is only now possible with the advancement in electronics and the related computer technologies. Therefore, where will we be and what will we discover in the years ahead?"

We are very excited to be able to report on Diana and Alan's work and thank them for sharing some of the results that they have achieved. This article and additional pictures, all in color, can be seen at aaevp.com.

POETRY

The Healing Hand

by Ann Herbstreith



The healing hand is upon me,
I feel the presence touch
My heart, and I am whole.
For peace is now descending,
Like a dove, it rests upon my brow,
Till time, unending, even now,
Shall the light shine through;
That light that makes all things new.
For He has placed His healing
Hand upon me this day.
Then I hear the whisper,
"Believest thou! this power?
According to your faith, then,
Be ye healed this hour!"

Positive Statements To Help Create a Positive Day.

Affirmations . . . JULY 2003

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Let there be peace, harmony and fellowship in our world.	**2** Love inspires me to help others and to care for our Earth.	**3** "Your soul is a spirit who thinks." – Allan Kaardec	**4** "My country 'tis of thee, Sweet land of liberty, Of thee I sing."	**5** Natural Law is impersonal, just, impartial, and dependable.
6 Healing begins with healing the mind, and the healing of the body follows.	**7** There is a greater power within each of us, which is our life, which we can use.	**8** Affirm and release your spiritual intentions and it is a Law set into motion.	**9** "No two persons have the same conscious feelings." – Florence Becker	**10** "Thoughts are mind taking shape in consciousness." – Craig Carter	**11** Our thoughts reach out and touch others, then return to us magnified.	**12** "There is no reward or punishment, so you can't earn perfection on Earth or in heaven." – B. J. Wall
13 Opposites are not good or bad, but how we react to them provides them energy.	**14** An Angel's main duty is to love.	**15** Accept change, evolution, experiences and find the gift of growth in them.	**16** God is the answer, the healing and the blessing which your heart and mind seek.	**17** "We are always progressing, progressing, .. but we retain our individuality." – A. Findlay	**18** Love for every soul, for all creation, is a way to express love for Infinite Intelligence.	**19** "All parts of creation travel in some form of circle or cycle." – B. J. Wall
20 We learn, change, grow and progress a little at a time.	**21** "*To be alive* is a dynamic, not a static, concept." – Erich Fromm	**22** Existence and the unfolding of our spiritual powers are one and the same.	**23** Our moments of inner awareness are moments of inspiration and encouragement.	**24** Your reason and your passion are the direction of your soul.	**25** Physical life is guided by the spiritual dimension and its helpers.	**26** Human mind can contemplate all possibilities because it contains the spark of God.
27 "Renunciation of thinking is a declaration of spiritual bankruptcy..." – A. Schweitzer	**28** Life is mysterious and ever exciting as it evolves.	**29** "Virtue is responsibility toward (our) own existence." – Erich Fromm	**30** Spirit is who you are, where you are and what you are!	**31** "There is an intimate link between creativity and contemplation..." – N. Berdyaev		



Treasure and cherish the gift of Freedom!







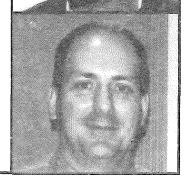

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Each month ***The National Spiritualist*** *will feature the writing from a student who is currently taking the education course from the Morris Pratt Institute. Featured this month is an essay written by* ***Leonard Feldsott*** *of the Spiritualist Church of the Revelation in California.*

"The true purpose of mediumship is to bring the glad tiding and proof positive of the continuity of life."

When spirit communication is properly utilized, it can provide enlightenment and knowledge and offer great comfort and peace to the bereaved. Mediumship demonstrates clearly that Natural Law provides for a continuity between the physical and spiritual expressions of life.

Mediumship is an integral part of Spiritualism. As such, it is the factor that distinguishes Spiritualism, as a Religion, from all other religions. Although most religions believe in and teach a life hereafter, Spiritualism emphasizes that point and demonstrates that the personality continues after the change called death. As we pass from the physical world to the Spiritual World, we maintain our individuality and our personality. This is in accordance with Natural Law, which includes a never-ending creative principle we call Infinite Intelligence-God.

As the 19th century approached, communication with the Spirit World was recognized as a psychic power or ability. Mediumship has been divided into two classes: mental and physical. The Natural Law of Attraction is the guiding factor for both types. The highest form of mediumship is dependent on morality, intelligence and spiritual purity, but the physical manifestations depend more closely on organization of the medium which could accompany mental inferiority and immoral life.

Mental mediumship stems from the base of the brain, which is the center of the cerebrospinal nervous system, from where all conscious actions are controlled. In contrast, physical mediumship is centered in the solar plexus, which controls the sympathetic nervous system and regulates all unconscious functions of the body. The mental phases of phenomena express more of the personality of the medium than the physical phases because the knowledge and experience of the medium is used.

Another distinction is that mental mediumship is generally considered to be subjective in nature because the medium interprets the message for the recipient. Physical mediumship is objective because it generally is perceived by the sitters who can use their own five physical senses to observe and interpret the phenomena.

The factors influencing mediumship directly are mental/moral, physical/psychological, and the Natural Law of the universe. The physical, spiritual, and mental aspects of the medium cannot be totally separated and must function in harmony. Regarding all forms of mediumship, it is most important that we understand the Law of Attraction. This Law suggests that like vibrations tend to attract each other. This attraction is considered magnetic in nature. Natural Law does not stop with the physical realm, for the Laws that operate in the invisible and visible are the same.

We must seek to increase our spirituality by cultivating high aspirations, and to releasing all selfishness and replacing it with selflessness. It is necessary to be of willing service to humanity and to live the Golden Rule. To expand our capabilities of mediumship, we must avoid depression, disorganization, and worry and allow the mind to be free so it can be receptive. A closed mind contracts and precludes growth. An open mind can easily align with all positivity. To be clear, we must release all jealousy, hate and envy, only then can we expand our consciousness with a loving nature and express harmony.

Good health depends on many factors. Good health requires adequate rest, food, water and exercise. Clarity of the mind depends on the condition of the brain. A healthy blood flow in the body is needed for mental alertness.

In order to maintain a good moral/mental physical psychological balance, we must recognize the importance of the Law of Vibration and the part it plays in mediumship. All things in the universe exist in a state of motion called vibration. Their rate of vibration dictates the form or state of being they assume. With this knowledge, we can attempt to change our rate of vibration and attune to a more refined state of awareness. This can be done through our thought patterns/waves. We can create positivity or negativity through the way we think.

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The Lens

Brenda was a young woman who was invited to go rock climbing. Although she was very scared, she went with her group to a tremendous granite cliff. In spite of her fear, she put on the gear, took hold of the rope, and started up the face of that rock.

Well, she got to a ledge where she could take a breather. As she was hanging on there, the safety rope snapped against Brenda's eye and knocked out her contact lens.

Well, here she is, on a rock ledge, with hundreds of feet below her and hundreds of feet above her. Of course, she looked and looked and looked, hoping it had landed on the ledge, but it just wasn't there.



Here she was, far from home, her sight now blurry. She was desperate and began to get upset, so she prayed to the Lord to help her to find it.

When she got to the top, a friend examined her eye and her clothing for the lens, but there was no contact lens to be found. She sat down, despondent, with the rest of the party, waiting for the rest of them to make it up the face of the cliff.

She looked out across range after range of mountains, thinking of that verse that says, "The eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth." She thought, "Lord, You can see all these mountains. You know every stone and leaf, and You know exactly where my contact lens is. Please help me."

Finally, they walked down the trail to the bottom. At the bottom there was a new party of climbers just starting up the face of the cliff. One of them shouted out, "Hey, you guys! Anybody lose a contact lens?"

Well, that would be startling enough, but you know why the climber saw it? An ant was moving slowly across the face of the rock, carrying it on it's back.



Brenda told me that her father is a cartoonist. When she told him the incredible story of the ant, the prayer, and the contact lens, he drew a picture of an ant lugging that contact lens with the words, "Lord, I don't know why You want me to carry this thing. I can't eat it, and it's awfully heavy. But if this is what You want me to do, I'll carry it for You."

I think it would probably do some of us good to occasionally say, "God, I don't know why you want me to carry this load. I can see no good in it and it's awfully heavy. But, if you want me to carry it, I will." God doesn't call the qualified, God qualifies the called.

One Dollar Bill

Take out a one-dollar bill, and look at it. The one-dollar bill you are looking at first came off the presses in 1957, in its present design. This so-called paper money is in



fact a cotton and linen blend, with red and blue minute silk fibers running through it. It is actually material. We have all washed it without it falling apart. A special blend of ink is used, the contents we will never know. It is overprinted with symbols and then it is starched to make it water resistant and pressed to give it that nice crisp look. If you look on the front of the bill, you will see the United States Treasury Seal. On the top, you will see the scales for a balanced budget.

In the center you have a carpenter's square, a tool used for an even cut.

Underneath is the Key to the United States Treasury. That's all pretty easy to figure out, but what is on the back of that dollar bill is something we should all know. If you turn the bill over, you will see two circles. Both circles, together, comprise the Great Seal of the United States. The First Continental Congress requested that Benjamin Franklin and a group of men come up with a Seal. It took them four years to accomplish this task and another two years to get it approved. If you look at the left-hand circle, you will see a Pyramid. Notice the face is lighted, and the western side is dark. This country was just beginning. We had not begun to explore the West or decided what we could do for Western Civilization. The Pyramid is uncapped, again signifying that we were not even close to being finished. Inside the capstone, you have the all-seeing eye, an ancient symbol for divinity. It was Franklin's belief that one man couldn't do it alone, but a group of men, with the help of God, could do anything. "IN GOD WE TRUST" is on this currency.

The Latin above the pyramid, ANNUIT COEPTIS, means, "God has favored our undertaking." The Latin below the pyramid, NOVUS ORDO SECLORUM, means, "a new order has begun." At the base of the pyramid is the Roman Numeral for 1776. If you look at the right-hand circle, and check it carefully, you will learn that it is on every National Cemetery in the United States. It is also on The Parade of Flags Walkway at the Bushnell, Florida National Cemetery, and is the centerpiece of most hero's monuments. Slightly modified, it is the seal of the President of the United States, and it is always visible whenever he speaks, yet very few people know what the symbols mean. The Bald Eagle was selected as a symbol for

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Some Thoughts From One Feather



Received in trance by The Rev. Bradley Gosselin, NST

Let us comment on meditation. The most important things that you can remember about meditation is that it is personal, it is individual, it is different for every person.

It is a learning tool. If you use it you will learn how to develop yourself as a spiritual being. It will help you to develop as a physical being, it will help you to develop as a mental being so that the three—the physical, mental and spiritual receive a balance. That is one of the goals of life to receive and restore a balance that the Creator gave to you. That is a part of the Natural Law. It is important to remember that **how** you use that tool, **if** you decide to use that tool, **when** you decide to use that tool will make a difference in your life.

Learn from each other, but remember, each is an individual, each has his or her own personal path, each has a personal goal, and each will achieve it in their own personal time. Enjoy the journey, for it is why you were put here. You were not put here to suffer, you were put here to enjoy. Enjoyment is a goal that ranks right up there with the growth of the spiritual person.

If one searches for the truth, the search must start within. One must learn who they are and why they are who they are. There is always a reason. The reason can be found, not always easily, but with a strong desire to find the truth. One must learn to find the stillness and go within that stillness to find one's true spiritual self.

When that is done, true self is found, one will have a greater understanding of their pathway in this life. That pathway is always a spiritual one. It is often difficult to understand that it is a spiritual path. One walks the Earth Plane in search of oneself, in search of the spiritual pathway, in search of the true reason for their being.

The true meaning of self is found at the beginning of this pathway, not at the end. The search begins when we enter this world and though it may continue in the darkness of misunderstanding, it continues until we pass over. The darkness of misunderstanding is not evil, it is just that when we come, we choose to make this journey more difficult.

Some may find the light at an early age and some may not find the light until the very end. Most will find the light between those two times. It matters not when you find the light. It only matters what you do when you find the light. The light is, was, and always will be the light of God within. Search until you find the light. It is God's way of saying He awaits your return.

Peace and Brotherhood

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victory for two reasons: First, he is not afraid of a storm; he is strong, and he is smart enough to soar above it. Secondly, he wears no material crown. We had just broken from the King of England. Also, notice the shield is unsupported. This country can now stand on its own. At the top of that shield, you have a white bar signifying congress, a unifying factor. We were coming together as one nation. In the Eagle's beak you will read, "E PLURIBUS UNUM," meaning, "one nation from many people." Above the Eagle, you have thirteen stars, representing the thirteen original colonies, and any clouds of misunderstanding rolling away. Again, we were coming together as one.

Notice what the Eagle holds in his talons. He holds an olive branch and arrows. This country wants peace, but we will never be afraid to fight to preserve peace. The Eagle always wants to face the olive branch, but in time of war, his gaze turns toward the arrows.

They say that the number 13 is an unlucky number. This is almost a worldwide belief. You will usually never see a room numbered 13, or any hotels or motels with a 13th floor. But think about this:

13 original colonies,
13 signers of the Declaration of Independence,
13 stripes on our flag,
13 steps on the Pyramid,
13 letters in the Latin above,
13 letters in "E Pluribus Unum,"
13 stars above the Eagle,
13 bars on that shield,
13 leaves on the olive branch,
13 fruits, and if you look closely,
13 arrows. ❁

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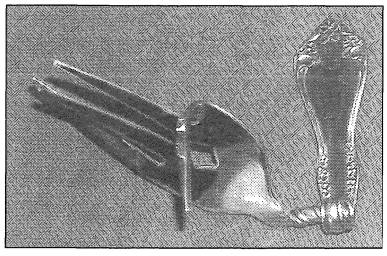
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BY THE REVS. TOM AND LISA BUTLER, NST

NSAC Convention Workshop to Focus on Phenomena. Phenomena will be the focus of the Monday Workshop coordinated by the NSAC Service Clubs at the 2003 NSAC Convention in Millbrae, California. The Reverend Sandra Pfortmiller is the chairperson and is planning a phenomenal day. The Reverend Barbara Thurman and the Reverend Ann Gehman will offer a class on Spoon Bending. We will be presenting Electronic Voice Phenomena (EVP) and the spirit pictures that we are getting through Instrumental TransCommunications (ITC). We will also run an EVP experiment with the group and report any EVP received at the end of the day's workshop.

At the time of this writing, other classes on Trance and Automatic Writing were in the planning stage. We will update you next month as presentations are confirmed. It is going to be a great day of classes so plan to attend. Although silverware will be available, additional pieces would be appreciated. Also bring a tape recorder and set of headphones if you would like to try to record your own EVP.

Telekinesis or Psychokinesis. Telekinesis or Psychokinesis (PK) refers to moving objects from one place to another without using physical contact. It also means re-shaping of objects using mental or psi energy. This can include such phenomena as bending a spoon or key by just holding and focusing your attention and intention on the object. It can occur spontaneously or deliberately, which indicates it is both an unconscious and conscious process.



The Reverend Barbara Thurman, Pastor of the San Francisco Spiritualist Society has conducted classes on Spoon Bending. Recently, she found the silverware that she had bent in these past classes and was amazed to find that some of the pieces were still bending. Several of the pieces had triple twists like the fork shown here.

Field Consciousness Effect. The Consciousness Research Laboratory directed by Dean Radin has studied "group mind" effects along with anomalous metal bending. The Laboratory has found that environmental fluctuations play a role in modulating mind-matter interactions, and that there appears to be a "field consciousness" effect when groups of people direct their focus on a common object. www.psiresearch.org/research.html.

In an article titled, *The Field Consciousness Effect: Psi, Gaia's Brain, and Beyond*, ASN Joe explains that "field consciousness" is the parapsychologist's term for the field of psi energy that is associated with a person. In another system of thought, this is the "morphic field." This field was first detected when researchers secretly brought a Random Event Generator (REG) to a gathering of people and noted that the REG responded in much the same way as it did during psi experiments when a person was deliberately trying to affect the generator. According to Joe, "Thus, it seems that the minds of a group of people (or even the whole world) can possibly produce something like a resonating consciousness field, through which matter can be affected by the elicitation of an unconscious form of PK triggered by emotional expression and release. See www.unm.edu/~asnjoe/fieldRNG.html

Influence of Consciousness on Microelectronic Systems. According to Richard Milton, "In December 1989, Dean Radin of Princeton's Psychology Department and Roger Nelson of the PEAR lab, published a paper on the meta-analysis of micro-PK experiments not, as might be expected, in a parapsychology journal but in the respected physics journal **Foundations of Physics**. Their paper was titled, 'Evidence for consciousness-related anomalies in random physical systems.' In their analysis, Radin and Nelson tracked down 152 reports describing 597 experimental studies and 235 control studies by 68 different investigators involving the influence of consciousness on microelectronic systems.

"Radin and Nelson's article showed that the aggregate of all these trials dramatically provided powerful evidence for

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micro-PK. For they found that the odds against the overall result being the result of chance was **1 in 10^{35}**. To understand how unlikely it is that this result was obtained by chance, it is like finding a lottery ticket in the street, finding that it is the winning ticket and you have won first prize of millions—and then continuing to find the winning lottery in the street every week for a thousand years." From Alternative Science Website at www.alternativescience.com/psychokinesis.htm

Success: A Letter from Alexander MacRae to the AA-EVP. MacRae wrote, "It's happened! We were right all along! About 11 a.m. on the morning of 03-03-03, EVP was recorded in a lab in California that was shielded from *all* electromagnetic radiation—such as radio waves or laser beams—AND ALSO—the lab was shielded against *all* acoustic waves—sound, infra-sound or ultrasonic waves!

"So there is **no way** known to science that the recorded EVP utterances—and there are plenty of them—could have gotten into the lab by any *physical* means. So don't take any more guff about picking up stray radio broadcasts! You are working on the fringe—dealing with the non-physical—facing the unknown.

"But now we have to be even more careful, even more honest and even more conservative in our claims. The one thing that can set us back now and ruin all the hard work and investment that went into this, is for wild claims to be made, which when found to be untrue, will harm the reputation of us all.

"I'm not sure yet which utterance to pick for independent analysis—they all sound a bit 'squashed.' It could be, ***'Larry - having a swell time.'***"

[MacRae is an AA-EVP member and long-time EVP researcher living in Scotland. Dean Radin and his fellow researchers working for the Institute of Noetic Sciences (IONS) conducted the experiment in Petaluma, California.]

The New Work of the Scole Mediums. We highly recommend that you read the article about the work of Diana and Alan Bennett that is published in this issue of the *Summit*. The Bennetts were the mediums in the famous Scole Group that once sat in Great Britain. Now that the group has disbanded, the Bennetts have continued their pursuits of phenomena by experimenting with a new form of photographic ITC, which they were guided to explore by their friends in spirit.

Please send information about phenomena in your church, life or community to Tom and Lisa Butler, PO Box 13111, Reno, Nevada 89507, or via email to phenomena@nsac.org. Your donations to the DPE are tax exempt and will help fund further work in the department.

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FAVORITE SAYINGS TO LIVE BY



"True generosity towards the future consists in giving everything to the present."
– Albert Camus



"One generation cannot tie down another."
– Thomas Jefferson



"The conceptual mind and the conceived object are mutually interdependent."
– The Dalai Lama



"It takes no more time to see the good side of life than to see the bad."
– Jimmy Buffet, *Tales From Margaritaville (Harcourt)*

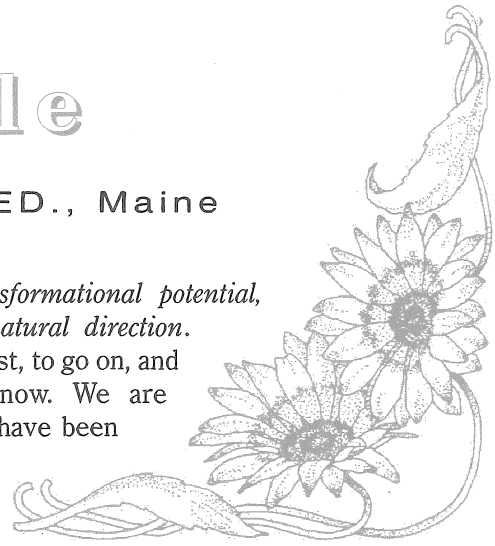


"When I was crossing into Gaza, I was asked at the checkpost whether I was carrying any weapons. I replied: Oh yes, my prayer books."
– Mother Teresa of Calcutta



Spiritual Circle

BY LAURA LEE PERKINS, M.ED., Maine



Christians often refer to "the circle of life," while Native Americans talk about "the medicine wheel" as being symbolic of our life process. At the center of these circles is HEART energy. Even our minds can be seen as a circle with corridors that lead out into the four directions:

- East is the mental
- West is the physical
- North is the spiritual and
- South is the emotional.

As we travel our path, we often come to steps which can be thought of as progressions in our levels of awareness. We climb the steps as we learn, as we explore the mystery into which we all are born. As we walk through veils of uncertainty, we step up into higher levels of vibration. Each ascent brings us closer to Spirit, closer to that from which we were born. This is a circle also; the yearning to find that which birthed our very soul eventually brings us back to the very core essence from which we were created.

It is our imagination which allows us the freedom to roam internally. We can travel in all directions as we invite Spirit into our inner circle, into the Being which is Self. We can feel the accelerated vibration as we offer our soul back to that from which we came. We are, in Truth, offering to sacrifice our ego for a few moments, to lay the ego aside and allow God to fill us with the abundance of direct contact which IS Grace. We often call this time meditation or prayer.

As we travel the four directions into the physical, mental, emotional and spiritual internal arenas, we are setting the internal foundation for the circling energy to spiral upward as it expands. When heat fills a container, it searches for upward space to be. The same idea is present in all spiritual work. The physical body warms when it contacts Spirit because it is excited and this excitement builds up the vibrations. That is what Spiritualists mean when they talk about "building the vibrational energy."

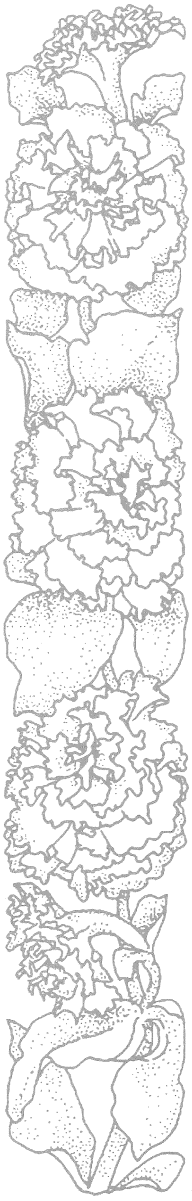
Mountain climbers want to reach the peak of the mountain, the center of the apex of the physical mass which rises above the floor of the Earth. Connecting with that particular peak feels sacred, feels divine, feels *closer to God*. This is similar to reaching the center of the medicine wheel.

Envisioning a circle of light is a beautiful way to center the body and the mind. This light can be any color that you need/want at the moment, and you can spiral it upwards, lifting you into higher levels of consciousness as you offer yourself up for spiritual connection. Once this feeling is achieved on a conscious level, you are beginning to experience *transformational potential, which is life's natural direction*. Life wants to exist, to go on, and it yearns to know. We are curious and we have been given the beautiful gift of free choice. Sometimes this gift is almost too much for us because the opportunities to use our free choice can feel burdensome. We often labor under the yoke of freedom, not knowing which direction to turn without someone else to guide us. But we are the vehicle for free choice to manifest LOVE here on Earth. We are the way that life can go on, and we can magnify our connections back to the spiritual realm by offering to be that vehicle which can transport the burden of free choice. It is in assuming the responsibility that we bring transformation into the equation. We can, by offering ourselves back to God, come full circle with the LOVE from which we were born. And, as Spiritualists, we know that guidance and support is always available from the spiritual realm. That *is the source of our strength.*

When we feel called to respond to a new idea, energy is beginning to lift us from where we are NOW to where we are going to be NEXT. Once we are exposed to new ideas, the encounters, with our volunteer efforts, can lead to new awareness or to new ways of being in the world. We get bored because we are ready for the next level, because we want to be lifted. This elevation can come temporarily from being entertained, or it can come from deep internal work which teaches us more about the truth of life. *Life wants to experience itself through us; life wants to expand in awareness.* These spiritual experiences of relief from boredom through upliftment and enlightenment remain imbedded in our soul's memory. We are altered by the giving of that which is *us*. We become a provider of *more* life experience rather than a consumer of life. We are constantly being propelled around the wheel of spiraling energy because everything is in constant motion. This is what we mean when we talk about the *process* of spiritual growth AS the goal. We are never going to *arrive* at the end of our work, because our work is to evolve into whatever is next for us spiritually. It is the process of transformation that brings experiences of *grace*.

Our spiritual hunger is something to be welcomed; it is a

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A Light Did Shine

by Donna Azzarelli

A light did shine
For one that you love,
Softly, slowly, he entered.
He reached in faith
To the hands that awaited,
To guide him to a new beginning.
"Tell my kid it's o.k.
Every thing is soft and warm,
And I will never leave."

The passing of this loved one
Leaves you broken and sad.
But it is not the end.
Know that his life
Was well spent on Earth.
And his path here,
Will continue.

As his love for you grows,
He can never be
More than a thought away.
You will feel his love,
His strength, his humor.
Do not be afraid,
Because there is no physical.

You must now depend,
On heart and soul.
Take the memories you treasure,
Grow with them,
In compassion and strength.
Be at peace.
And have no regrets.

Life's purpose is to progress.
Take comfort.
Strangers leave you,
Loved ones never will.
Hold the light,
Of love in your heart.
Feel the glow,
So others might see,
The faith you carry,
A trust in Thee.

Keep your mind,
Attuned to the Divine.
Then watch as others
Will wonder,
What keeps these
Rays of hope and love,
Of strength and joy,
Ever present.

It is the touch,
The spark of the Divine.
Always near.
Always ready.
Waiting in silence,
For you to accept.
Open your eyes,
And cast away doubt.
Let the light in.

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SPIRITUAL CIRCLE

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gift. We continue to search for knowledge, for truth, for enlightenment *so that we can continue to search for knowledge, truth and enlightenment*. We walk on the skin of mother earth, we drink from her rivers of knowledge, we share her sun and moon and stars, and we engage in life on this circular-shaped ball. We are walking forward into our past as we stay on the path which leads us from here into our future levels of awareness until we come full-circle back into that from which we were born.

"Every person is original and has his (her) own solitary character. Nobody can understand or feel the book of their own life as oneself."

– William Cecil, Minister to Elizabeth I

Transfiguration Medium From UK Conquers America

BY SONNY BING GEE, President, Golden Gate Spiritualist Church, San Francisco



Jean Skinner, a unique transfiguration medium from the UK.

An unusual spiritual journey began way back last September with a much too cryptic email message from the UK to the Golden Gate Spiritualist Church of San Francisco. It spoke of a unique transfiguration medium by the name of Ms Jean Skinner.

My first reaction was, when was the last time anyone at our church has had the stunning experience of witnessing the physical phenomena of transfiguration? Our board members gave me permission to pursue this. After months of emailing, my wife, Carla and I decided to fly to London and see for ourselves. A fortuitous decision.

Right after Christmas, we landed in London for five days of pouring rain. But, the sun was shining for us. After a friendly Chinese dinner meeting with Jean Skinner, we were blessedly invited to a private group transfiguration séance. This meant taking a 45-minute train ride on New Year's eve day out of Charing Cross to a small town in Kent. The group of five sat in a small room lit only by red light and a warm crackling fire. I imagined this was how English home circles held their sittings and development groups.

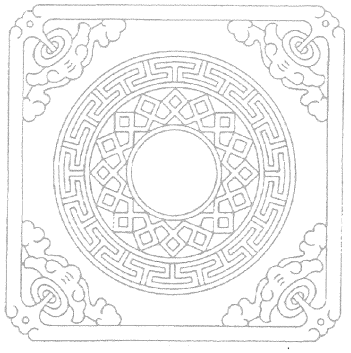
We were well rewarded. Guiding the séance and "protecting" the entranced medium was healer and helper, Ms Lyn Bell. In short time, Ms Skinner's wise, soft-spokened Chinese guide took over and began the afternoon séance. One by one, we were invited to sit closely in front of Ms Skinner to observe the energy building up over her face forming a delicate ectoplasmic mask of a recognizable spirit. Tears of love, amazement and grateful recognition were overflowing from all of us during this séance. My wife and I had personal, joyful reunions with my mother, her grandmother and father, the Rev. Florence Becker, the Rev. Vera Abels and several others. While one of the other sitters was having his loving, but tearful, reunion with his mother, we realized the medium's hands also were part of the transfiguration change. One of the hands was like a rigid claw. On the train ride back to London, we asked this gentleman whether he noticed this. He informed us that for six months before her passing, one of his mother's hands was frozen that way from a paralyzing stroke. Although during the moments of the spirit faces transfiguring over Ms Skinner, the manifesting spirits could not speak, but her Chinese guide added much evidence and wise encouragements in just a few well-chosen words. We still cherish and think and rethink on those few words gifted to us during those stunning moments. We floated back to London, but not before taking the opportunity to invite Ms Skinner and Ms Bell for their first visit to America to serve our church in California. Ms Skinner graciously accepted, mentioning that at an earlier séance, their visit to America was already forecast.

Two weeks before their arrival in America in late March, their scheduled Transfiguration Demonstration in Red Light for fifty people, plus all the private group sittings limited to five sitters each were already fully booked. We also scheduled them to serve at three church services. At the first Sunday morning church service, Ms Skinner could only speak about her unusual transfiguration mediumship. Luckily, we were able to show part of her video, "The Many Faces of Spirit" and several overhead-projected transparencies taken at séances and red light demonstrations held in Europe. The nearly ninety lucky ones attending this church service were so mesmerized and attentive, our usually one and one-half hour service ran to nearly three hours. Obviously, such rare physical mediumship is highly interesting to Americans. After the fascinating talk, Ms

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Skinner gave truly evidential clairvoyant messages. And they still wanted more.

The excitement and word of mouth created much interest. By Tuesday night of the Demonstration in Red Light, the anxious waiting list grew and grew. But, we kept our promise to limit our tickets to fifty. The enthusiasm and vocal reactions from the attendees helped build the energy and ensured a memorable demonstration. We wisely and strategically placed boxes of Kleenex tissues for the occasion.



I interviewed many of the fortunate attendees of the private group sittings and received their permission to report their personal experiences. Pardon me for using only their first names.

Janet exclaimed, "Look at that nose changing. It's my mother. Only she had that strange looking nose!" The transfigured spirit bent closer and sweetly hugged and kissed Janet. I had never met her mother, but the next spirit who transfigured was someone well known to all of us in that séance room. It was the Rev. Florence Becker, the founder of the Golden Gate Spiritualist Church. Even the way she moved and turned her head was undoubtedly Rev. Becker. Carla and I reached for the Kleenex box.

Whenever famous names or personalities are bandied about during contacts with spirit, I personally put up a questioning, but silent reticence. During another private group, Albert Einstein transfigured for Tom and Lisa. It wasn't till a week after that séance I picked up an earlier unread issue of *The National Spiritualist Summit* and lo and behold, the monthly report form the two directors of the Department of Phenomenal Evidence for the NSAC showed a photo of a recent video communication from Einstein. And in a later phone conversation with Lisa, she even mentioned the transfiguration of a famous pioneer of their cherished Electronic Voice Phenomena experiments.

In yet another group, besides his mother and a cherished friend, Jim suddenly gasped as first, the great mystic, Thomas Merton appeared, followed by Paramahansa Yogananda. Now, I really had to do some digging. I knew Jim to be a very serious and dedicated student of spirituality, but, in chatting with him, I discovered that since his early teens, he has been assiduously reading and studying the writings of Thomas Merton. And has travelled for many years across America to attend conferences and visitations to Thomas Merton sites. In recent years, he has also dedicated himself to retreats, lessons and a strict adherence of daily meditations as taught by Yogananda's continuing Self-Realization Fellowship.

Although nearly all of the transfiguration phenomena were of humble, but well-loved family members and friends, the few famous personages who appeared were not frivolous ego scratches, but well-earned visitations. Even the order of the visitations were sometimes evidential. Carla was too busy crying when her father appeared for her mother, Eleanor. Next came Uncle Henry, and then Doc Crossetti. What is an Italian doing in this group? The next day, I received a long, enthusiastic email from my mother-in-law, whom I have since dubbed "the queen of email," informing us that Carla's dad, Uncle Henry and Doc Crossetti during their younger days were known as the three Musketeers. Finally made sense. It seems, with Spirit, nothing happens by happenstance.

Finally came the last Sunday church service during their 17-day visit. Our promise in our church program was Color Ribbon/Aura Readings. And did Jean Skinner ever come through on her promise with flying colors. The clairvoyant readings for the captivated full house were stunningly accurate and evidential. But nearly two hours into this service, her Chinese guide came through and whispered, "Please lower the lights." And in subdued light, Jean Skinner pointed to a young man in the very last row of the church and began her message; then invited him to come up to the podium. I was truly stunned and privileged to witness this at close range, serving as the conductor of the service on the podium. Jean's Chinese guide entranced her and spoke to Daniel, bringing through the sweetness of love and forgiveness from a grandmother and mother. I and many in the congregation joined Daniel in a tearful but grateful acceptance of this transfigured reunion as the grandmother and mother reached out and embraced Daniel, washing away decades of hurt and pain. What can follow this? At the urging of Jean's guide, we ended the service on this note of tearful joy. The coffee hour upstairs turned into two and more. Too many needed to wish Jean and Lyn bon voyage and extracted promises for return visits.

Prior to this amazing denouement, I had never personally met Daniel. At a later church service, he generously gave me permission to fill in the historical background of this amazing spiritual reunion. Daniel explained that he was reluctantly and awkwardly raised by his grandmother in Canada. Just three years ago, he was finally told by an uncle that his real mother was his deceased aunt, who would not accept the responsibility or acknowledgement of his birth because he was the result of an incident of rape. As a very young child, he painfully remembers being referred to as a bastard and that unwanted child. Through those agonizing years, it is obvious he has learned to forgive if not forget. Many at our church have recently met and marvel at how truly wise, loving and spiritual this young man is. Again, Spirit chooses to manifest to those who deserve it most.

More words cannot completely convey what a magnificent blessing Jean Skinner has brought to us at the Golden Gate Spiritualist Church in San Francisco. As far as we're concerned, she has conquered America. ❁

Things To Think About

BY MERRY BROWNE

"MYSTICAL—Magical Life"

The woman who called herself "Peace Pilgrim" gave very succinct instructions for finding the mystical path of life which rewards one with health and happiness. She said: *Bring your life into harmony with the Laws of the Universe and dedicate your life to service of others.* She knew this brought every good thing into one's life and via her experience with one person, she learned that it causes every bad thing to disappear.

In her own words from her book, *Steps To Inner Peace*: *I recall a man 65 years old when I knew him who manifested symptoms of what seemed a chronic physical illness. I talked with him and I realized that there was some bitterness in his life, although I could not find it at once. He got along well with his wife and his grown children, and he got along well in his community, but the bitterness was there just the same. I found that he was harboring bitterness against his long-dead father because his father had educated his brother and not him. As soon as he was able to relinquish this bitterness, the so-called chronic illness began to fade away, and soon it was gone.*

This is now being discovered to be true by mind-medicine physicians. How can this be? How does this happen? This has a simple answer. This is how life works—with forgiveness, healing happens automatically, as if by magic. It is the glorious providential plan of the Creator.

"One Of A Kind"
Differences are easily seen
While sameness seems to hide,
What is like us gets our vote,
What's not we can't abide,
How foolish not to realize
Designing Overall
Includes no carbon copy
We are originals—All.

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"We, The Meaning Makers"

Dr. Margrit Speer, writing in *Cosmic Light*, explained that although psychology teaches it is things external to us that cause our problems, it is actually our own thoughts and feelings that are the primary cause. She adds that the prevalent notion of scientists that it is the brain that causes the negative thoughts and emotions is an impossible idea, that we are the meaning makers and the brain just acts in accordance.

Bernie Siegel, M.D., in his newsletter, says the same thing. *Consciousness dictates what the brain mediates.* Dr. Speer takes it a step further when she explains that when our commitment to following Universal Laws begins, it fosters harmony and love vibrations that heal.

Indeed it is true—our lives and affairs are the exact results of our thoughts. What one allows to remain in his/her consciousness will automatically manifest as a condition of body "and" life affairs. We've none to blame but ourselves if they are undesirable.

This small quote tells the tale:

A Native American was talking to his Grandson.

The Grandson asked: "Grandfather, what do you think about the current situation?"

The Grandfather replied: "I feel like there are two wolves fighting in my heart. One wolf is full of anger, hate and revenge. The other is full of love, forgiveness and peace."

"Which one will win?" asked the Grandson.

"The one I feed," replied the Grandfather.

The magazine, *What Is Enlightenment,* published twice a year, has Evolution of Consciousness as its core theme. In the fall-winter issue the question is raised: "What motivates Transformation?" Their conclusion was crises. While this is true, it is not enough to just name the cause, in order to understand it one must comprehend the way life works.

"Evolution Of Consciousness"
The truth of life dawns slowly
from black night of unknowingness,
breaking dimly upon sleep-drugged consciousness,
stirring sluggishly in cob-webbed corners of awakening,
until semi-surfacing to first light
which grow infinitesimally brighter
toward eventual emblazonment
of high-noon knowing.

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Connecticut Shares The Truths Of Spiritualism

Each year the New London Spiritualist Church sponsors "The College of Spiritual Knowledge" with Al Ferency and the Rev. Kathleen Rottino overseeing the day's events. The College of Spiritual Knowledge is a full day of workshops, readings and healing. The workshops are presented on Mediumship and Healing and the readings and healings are done by certified mediums and commissioned healers. While Ron O'Berry, the Rev. Virginia Berg and the Rev. Fletcher Bass shared their knowledge of Mediumship. Mary Baskerville, the Rev. Susan Ferency and Reandenae Tetu shared their knowledge of Healing. The last workshop of the day, healing energy of the ancients was presented by Al Ferency.

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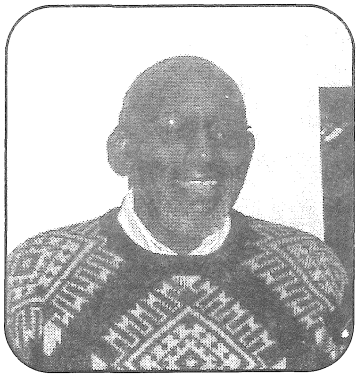
Rev. Susan Ferency



Rev. Kathleen Rottino and Al Ferency



Rev. Mary Baskerville



Rev. Fletcher Bass



Marie and Ron O'Berry



Reandenae Tetu

"Kindness with words creates confidence.
Kindness with thoughts creates profoundness.
Kindness with giving creates love."
– Lao-Tzu

111th Annual NSAC Convention

Millbrae, California

October 5th–10th, 2003

Location:

The convention and lodging are both at

Clarion Hotel at San Francisco Airport
401 East Millbrae Avenue
Millbrae, CA 94930
Hotel Direct: 1-800-223-7111
Fax: 1-650-777-7707

Reservations:

Contact the Clarion Hotel by September 14th.
Phone: 1-800-223-7111

Rooms:

$85.00 (plus tax) per night, (single, double, triple, quad). For this special rate, please be sure to **advise the Hotel that you are attending the NSAC Convention.**

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Location: Traveling North or South on Highway 101, take the Millbrae Avenue Exit East to the Hotel entrance. Parking free with the arrangements for a Parking Pass at the Front Desk.

Calendar of Events

Sunday, October 5th
10:30 am – Healing and All Message Service at the Hotel
2pm to 4pm – Welcome Reception
7pm – Healing and Worship Service

Monday, October 6th
All Day – Seminar and Workshop
Theme: Phenomena and more
Hours: 8:30am to 4pm
Cost: All Day – $18.00; 1/2 day – $10.00
6pm – Banquet with Musical Entertainment

Tuesday, October 7th thru Friday, October 11th
9am to 5pm – Convention Business Meetings
7pm – Healing and Worship Service followed by Service Club Meetings
Tues. NST; Wed., Ministers; Thurs., Healers; Fri., LM/CM

Hosted by:
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Theme:
"Infinite Possibilities with Spirit"

Banquet:



Monday, Oct. 6th
6pm by reservations only!
Dinner Buffet
$30 including tax and tip.

Reservations must be made by September 27th, 2003:

Make check or money order for $30, payable to:
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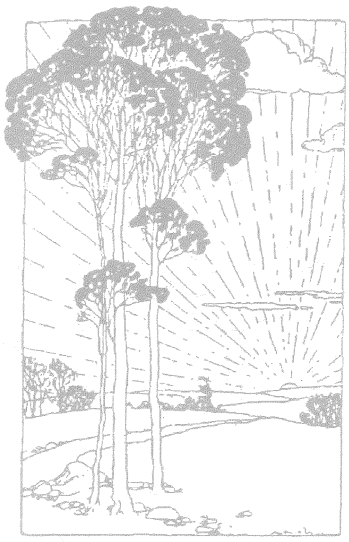
BANQUET MENU:
Antipasto with Grilled Vegetables; Mixed Green Salad; Penne Pasta with Marinara Sauce, Grilled Chicken Breast, Poached Salmon, Garlic Roasted Potatoes and Fresh Seasonal Vegetables; Rolls and Butter; Assorted Dessert Buffet; and Choice of Coffee and Teas.

Tours:

San Francisco City Tour:
A tour of the most colorful and culturally diverse city in America. Cross the Golden Gate Bridge and Twin Peaks for panoramic view of the area. Highlights include "the painted ladies" Victorian mansions, Opera House, City Hall, Union Square, Chinatown, Coit Tower, Fisherman's Wharf, Marina district, Palace of Fine Arts and more.

Winchester Mystery House, San Jose: Some say Sarah Winchester believed building the house would prevent her death or appease the spirits of the many killed by the Winchester rifles that built her fortune. Others said that Sarah Winchester was just a crazy lady who listened to spirits for 38 years for directions to build this marvelously strange building.

Reservations must be made by September 27th.
Make check or money order for $25, payable to:
CSSA Northern Council
Indicate either City Tour, or Winchester Mystery House, *and* Lunch choice: Beef, Turkey, or Vegetarian Sandwich
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Immortality & Responsibility

BY THE REV. FLORENCE S. BECKER

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All things move through and by the Law of Nature—either The Universal Law of Life **in** Nature or The Law of Creation—cause and effect.

The Universal Law of Life is changeless and The Law of Creation is changing as causes and effects, therefore **Life is Immortal**, but this changing Law of Cause and Effect is **experience**. This Immortal Life has out-lived eons and geologic ages, continents have arisen and have been submerged, mountains have risen from wrinkled earth. Life uses the atoms of the earth and following the Law of the Universe brings forth new wonders. Life has conquered varied conditions of water, land and air and moves on as plant and animal life. Life is a sculptor and shapes all living things; it designs every leaf and every tree—colors flowers, yes, features the plumage of the Bird of Paradise.

Life is an engineer; it designs legs of the grasshopper and flea, coordinates muscle to exert physical force—Life is a chemist as in taste of fruit and perfume of the rose—Life is an historian, for it has written page upon page throughout ages, leaving records on rocks to await correct interpretation. Life gives its creatures Joy of Living, the heart to frolic and play—Life colors and gives sparkle to the eyes of the child and laughter to the lips. Life never ends, and greatest of all, Life here and hereafter is the one Life, unbroken and unchanged by the mere phenomena of death. This Life—yea, this Universal Life, brings Soul Life to human bodies as Universal Love—hence, "Love ye one another," and this plea for Unity gives us a personal responsibility. Know then!, Spirit is Eternal—Spirit is God—Life—Light—sees and knows all things. Let your Light and Life contribute to the upbuilding of our civilization and the enlightenment of people and places still struggling in trying conditions, ever recognizing these great helpers from the etheric world that endeavor to steady the boat and atmosphere of present day humanity and future decades.

Let your watch word be, "Bear the Truth," for it is the natural trend of every Soul for Justice, Perfection and Harmony. For the Part of us that is Part of God must shine with unfading glory as we Love one another. There is nothing impossible to God. "Keep Faith with Reason for she will transfigure you." Execute Faith and Prayer, it is a Magnet of Eternity.

Let us reverently recognize the reality of an all pervading principle of good in the Universe, and governing humanity through co-existing Laws as an emanation of Divine Source in the beautiful revelation of Nature in the pulsing of our own **being** joined with the presence of ministering angels that come as a mouthpiece of Love and Wisdom to surround the hearts of humanity, whose whisperings, once heard, remain in the Ear of Memory forever.

Endeavor to harness any negative thinking. It is a curse to civilization, as it originates in the senses. With affirmation, confidence and gratitude, embark on this journey of the latent faculties that await your choosing of higher thoughts and ideas to lead you to Spiritual awakening and the foundation of Spiritual Substance to live with throughout Eternity. Such is a Religion of Freedom—in every dimension of life. ❁

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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