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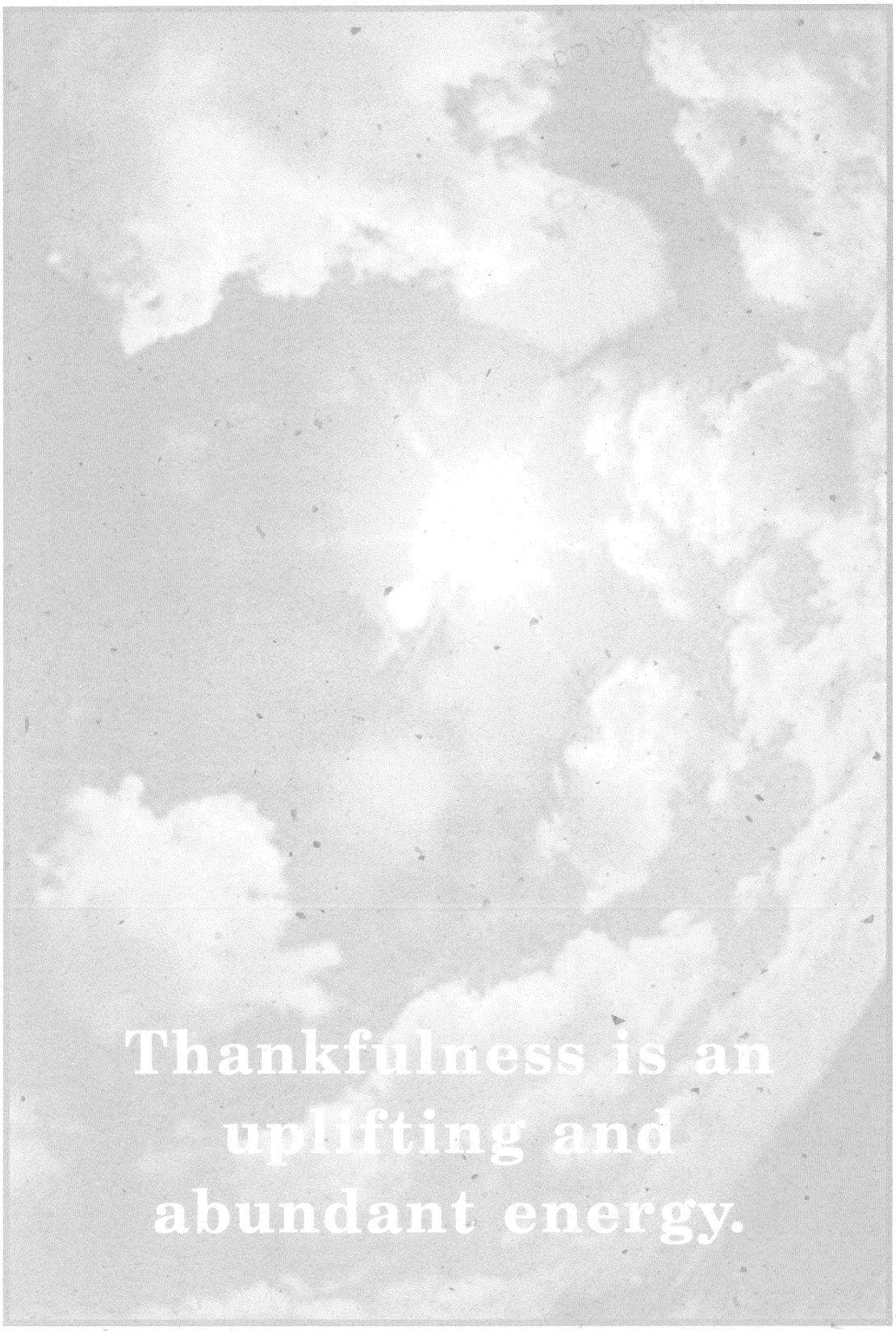
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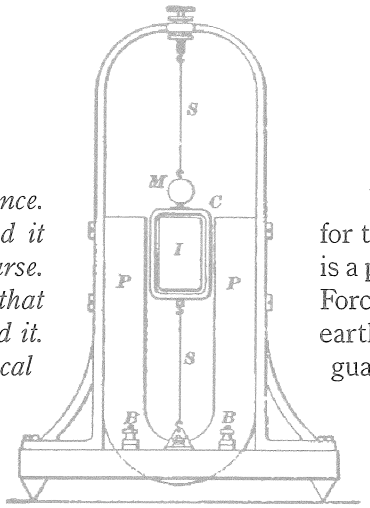
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Eclectic Electric Energy!

BY THE REV. SANDRA PFORTMILLER, NST



I know this world is ruled by infinite intelligence. It required infinite intelligence to create it, and it requires infinite intelligence to keep it on its course. Everything that surrounds us—everything that exists—proves that there are infinite laws behind it. There can be no denying this fact. It is mathematical in its precision.

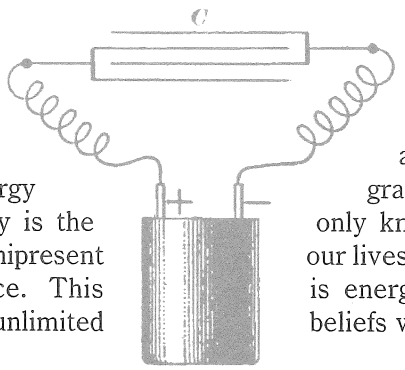
Thomas Alva Edison

Dr. James Peebles called Spiritualism "a Divine Eclecticism." This is true, for Spiritualism bases its philosophy on present and past truths that have been learned. Truths resonate energy. Spiritualists affirm there is light and love and God in all religions, races and nations on Earth. Sir Oliver Lodge, a great physicist and Spiritualist, believed *I do not venture to describe spirit, save as an animating force (an energy).*

As a way of life, a Spiritualist believes that the energy they put out is important to them today, tomorrow and forever and it also touches others as it flows outward according to the Law of Vibration. Thoughts are things with power, electric and vibrating as they go forth.

To and Fro, Through life we go,
Transforming that which we touch.
We think. Life moves in a blink,
Our thoughts create so much.
– *SP*

Science has proven that energy or vibration is in all forms of life, nothing is truly stagnant, for life's particles are in a state of movement. Every particle or atom moves as if it is impelled to do so by some higher animating pattern or design. Yet, energy is received from the world outside the organism. If everything in the Universe is energy, where does energy originate? The source of all life, all energy is the Divine Source, Infinite Intelligence, an omnipresent force in existence, everywhere at once. This omnipresent authority is absolute power, unlimited intelligence, Law and Love.



We are each a ray from the Source of all Light, for the Universe is a living Being. Divine Energy is a part of everything, everywhere. This Spiritual Force connects all existence, visible or invisible, earthly or spiritual. Spirit's existence, God's Law guarantees order and balance, and Divine Love inspires progression and growth.

Positive progression and growth require change, which means our energy and thoughts will alter and increase in vibration. Einstein once said nothing happens until something moves. Energy comes in fast or slow, high or low. We want to increase the energy to fast and high.

Energy is the Source
Energy is always present for Thought
Thought must be evident for Growth
Growth brings about Creativity
Creativity is begun through Inspiration
Inspiration comes from the Quiet within
The Quiet is where we hear Spirit
Spirit is the Source of all Energy
Energy is in the seed and in the bloom.
– *SP*

If Infinite Intelligence is our Source for all aspects of life and light, and if Intelligence is Loving, then let us know that Love possesses power. Spiritually we are one with the Divine. The inner and outer self mirror each other so give us messages of adjustments our soul wants to resonate.

Daily life teeter-totters between the poles of energy, bringing yo-yo emotions with cause and consequence. We are each a magnet attracting abundance as we are grateful, or lack if we so believe. The Universe only knows energy, abundance, so any scarcity in our lives comes to us because that is our belief. Spirit is energy and we are spirit. We must marry our beliefs with action and silence. So, as we put energy

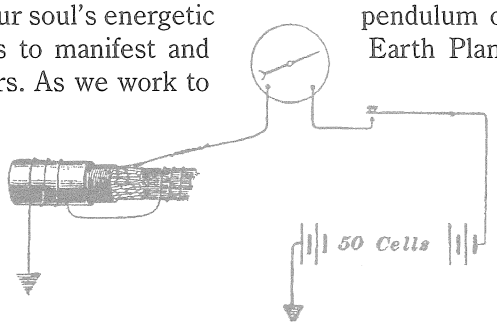
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into our inspiration or thoughts when we want a different manifestation, then we initiate some change and this activates our desire.

Every Universal Law is in operation for our protection, for our own advantage, for our progress and for our pleasure. The blessings of life flow to us as we observe Natural Law, as do the spiritual accomplishments which are a direct result of our efforts and energy. All life, whether physical, mental, emotional or spiritual, has its own type and rate of energy. Energy is neither created nor destroyed by us—it is eternal and infinite—however, it does undergo changes from one form to another as the vibrational rate increases or decreases. All matter is animated and is a visible form of energy called "energy incarnate." The only way to change matter is to change its rate of vibration.

To feel alive and vital, and resonate a dynamic personality, we must nurture our energetic field which begins within as consciousness. As we awaken to a greater life we will feel inner energy to stimulate growth and transformation. As spirit, having a human experience, we are continually creating. Growth brings the awareness that we create according to Divine Law and use this Universal vibration to expand our consciousness, our soul's energetic rate. Our thoughts reverberate from us to manifest and affect as they oscillate through the ethers. As we work to become more aware of our conscious choices, our thinking creates our reality, then we actively work to select thoughts that uplift our energy by resonating love. This helps us to become more empowered.



All life, physical or spiritual, animate or inanimate is in a constant state of vibration, operating at various rates. The vibratory force holds the physical and the spiritual planes together. Humans recognize vibrations between 16 to 38 thousand per second. It is a movement of emotionally charged particles that fill the ethers.

Vibrations manifest as emanations, rays, colors, impressions, electromagnetic energy patterns, etc. Vibrations are governed by a power surpassing comprehension that gives each thing its own frequency.

Thoughts exist as a rate of vibration in the mind. Positive thought currents are constructive and build energy. Thoughts are like a magnet which attracts to the thinker its own likeness, whether positive or negative. The vibration of our thoughts create the things of our lives. The Law of Vibration is the Law of ceaseless change, for life is in constant operation bringing to each person that which his or her thoughts have created.

The constantly moving particles and interlacing minute weblike connections blend the physical dimension into the spiritual dimension and make it possible for mediums to touch into the vibrational connection. When the pendulum of physical vibration ceases, life on the Earth Plane ceases and the spirit moves to the Etheric Realm with a new, yet similar vibration. Each person's vibration is their connection to Infinite Energy. Lift yours up, increase its rate through love and be more attuned to the Great Electric Energy of Creation.

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MOTHER EARTH

Reprinted from *Psychic News*

Born out of silence – a jewel in space
Our dear Mother Earth is a beautiful place
Her heart's made of gold, she surrenders with love
All of her treasures, below and above.

I look to the East to a small chink of light
The wonderful dawn that cuts through the night
Spiders spin their web like a thread of fine lace
The snowflakes in winter that melt on my face.

The sweet smelling rain that comes when it storms
The precious clear water and roses with thorns
The bright weave of colours when Autumn is here
The red breasted robin, who shows us no fear.

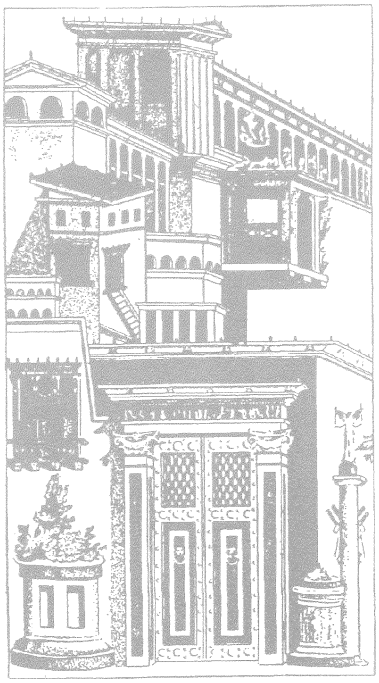
The driest of deserts, the finest of sands
The soul in the forest we hold in our hands
The cycles of life, the tide's ebb and flow
The bulbs in the springtime that flower – then go.

With dear friends and loved ones
Give thanks when we meet
The foundations of love are under our feet.

– Linda Fallen, Essex

SPIRIT IN MY LIFE

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



Lessons And Doorways

BY THE REV. RICHARD P. SCHOELLER, NST, New York

Spiritualism is a Religion as well as a Philosophy and a Science. Spiritualism accepts the continuity of life which is demonstrated with mediumship. There is life for all after the change we usually call "death." Individuals do not cease to exist, but under the proper conditions do communicate with persons of our physical existence.

As part of the Spiritualist service each week there is a recitation of the Declaration of Principles. Principle #8 states, "We believe that the doorway to reformation is never closed against any soul here or hereafter."

I've often thought about this principle and its meaning. At this point in my life, I am learning that experience is the best method of teaching. I had an experience one Monday morning that will help me illustrate this point and explain to you what we mean when we, as Spiritualists, say "...the doorway to reformation is never closed against any soul here or hereafter."

In order for me to do this, I need to provide you with a bit of personal history. I met my friend (I'll call him "Joe" to protect the privacy of his family and friends) back in 1981. I was working at a local funeral home, knowing that I would be going to SUNY Farmingdale for the Mortuary Science Program in September of 1982. I met "Joe" at a funeral. He was working at the church as a caretaker. We hit it off immediately and became friends.

Our friendship flourished for 19 years, and we shared a rich and colorful history. Many times we joked that we would probably end up in the same nursing home some day, raising heck and chasing orderlies and nurses around in our wheelchairs. All of that changed on May 16, 2000—the day he committed suicide.

His suicide affected me deeply. It was the most devastating loss I have ever experienced. I had seen all of the signs, and yet I was in denial that he would actually take his own life. Through therapy, I came to a place where I've accepted his death and my inability to change the course of events that led up to it. But I miss my friend deeply.

So what does this have to do with the Eighth Principle? As I mentioned I had an experience the other morning that has helped me to understand it even more clearly now. On that special Monday as I was making the bed, I felt that old familiar feeling of my friend. I started to choke up a bit. It felt to me as if he were standing right beside me.

I walked to the room where my partner, John, was working on the computer. I sat down on the floor in the doorway and told John, "I feel 'Joe's' presence with me." I was feeling happy and melancholy all at the same moment. Then, I saw him and he started to talk to me. I reported to John what I heard my friend saying. He greeted me with a bit of a joke, teasing me as he would have when he were physically here. After the greeting, he started to tell me about his experience after his physical death.

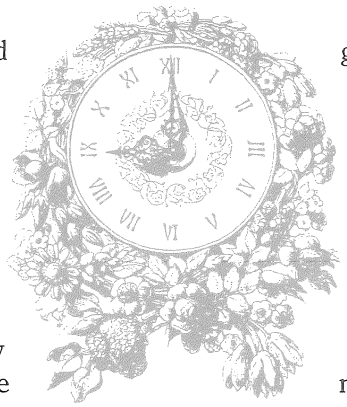
He told me that once he passed from this existence into the next, it appeared to him that he was on a hospital gurney being rushed toward an emergency room with spirit doctors and nurses attending to him. It seems that his passing was a bit of an emergency, and they needed to attend to him right away. They revived him and were taking him to a room where they could monitor his recovery in the Spirit World.

As he recovered from his physical passing and became aware of his spiritual body and surroundings, the spirit nurses and doctors that were attending to him allowed him out of his room to stroll the grounds of the hospital that he was in. It was a hospital of the soul. The care that they administered there was meant to help him revive his soul

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Things To Think About

BY MERRY BROWNE



Everyone has a hidden story, an untold tale, too deeply buried to find. Don't fail to listen intently to all that's unheard, listen and answer with unsaid word.

Nobody lets themselves be seen in their entirety, the fear of being rejected looms too near. Don't try to assess or second guess what lies behind the mask they wear, only they know the burden they bear, but in off moments one can apprise the sadness hid just behind their gaze, and at such moments gently praise their points of goodness, tell them of your joy in their friendship. Give them Love!

"Life is Evolving Consciousness"

Larry Dossey, M.D. states that mind manifests upon body and upon bodies of others as well. This is why and how that occurs. Minds are connected and send to and receive from each other at all times. Minds automatically manifest upon body, therefore, our mind manifests upon our body and because we constantly send our thoughts to others, they automatically manifest upon their bodies. ✦

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and be well enough again to move around in the Spirit World. He didn't seem phased by this experience. He reported it very matter-of-factly.

After some time there, he was able to move on. The details of where he moved on to were not made known to me in this communication and at this point were less important. He explained to me that he did some deep personal work after having reviewed his life. The feeling he gave me was similar to that of being in therapy. He took advantage of what was being offered to him by his guides and guardians that were helping him, and he learned a few things about his earthly existence.

I feel the important piece of the message that my friend imparted to me was that he has "forgiven himself for the matter with which he passed and he no longer harbors resentment or ill feelings towards the people in his life who didn't understand the life he lived in this existence. He has taken the opportunity since his passing to take all that was being offered to him to review and re-evaluate his life and used the information to help himself grow and move ahead.

Whether we choose to work on ourselves in this life is truly a personal decision. Only one person can answer that question for him or herself. When we choose to do the work and let go of old habits, ways of being and/or thought processes, we move ahead. We change our vibration. We move a step closer to the Source of All Being, Infinite Intelligence, Spirit or God.

As Spiritualists, we say that "the doorway to reformation is never closed against any soul here or hereafter." In the case of my friend, it was in the hereafter that he learned to forgive himself and the people in his life who had a hard time understanding him.

As my friend stepped away from this communication, I felt some of my unresolved grief come up. The tears helped to wash away my grief, leaving an open space for me to fill with joy, hope and love. My friend's presence reminded me of how much I miss his laugh, his antics, his friendship—him. I thank the Infinite for allowing me the few minutes to be reunited with him.

My faith and my belief in the Religion of Spiritualism and in mediumship reaffirms my belief in working on my life and my relationships here rather than waiting until the time comes for me to pass through the doorway separating this world from the next. My friend's message offers me comfort and hope. It also reminds me that, "the doorway to reformation is never closed against any soul here of hereafter." ✦

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What Is Spiritualism?

BY THE REV. RUPERT SIGURDSSON, NST
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Many are attracted to a Spiritualist church for the first time with the hope of receiving an evidential greeting from a departed loved one or friend and that is very important, but it is not all there is to Spiritualism.

We believe in the continuity of life. That is, when we leave this Earth we continue in a lighter vibration and in surroundings that are also very similar to Earth, only brighter and with more vibrant colors. We arrive with our same personality as when we were in the physical, no better, or worse, or more intelligent—so that is why we should always think about advice from spirit as to whether it is right for us or not.



We accept that those on the spirit side of life can communicate with us, through mediums, dreams and various other ways. We believe the spirit guides can help us and influence us in our every day lives, but we should not expect spirit to live our lives for us.

This is our life and our school of learning and it is up to us to solve our daily problems so as to be better prepared for the spirit life to come, or if you believe in reincarnation, maybe in another life on Earth, which the NSAC only accepts as a theory. As a spirit once said through a medium, "This current life is like a half hour in kindergarten."

But greetings from spirit is only one side of Spiritualism. Spiritualism is a way of life, it is not a belief system that you just go to on a Sunday and feel that you have done your spiritual duty for the week, then go about your normal business.

Spiritualism is a seven day a week way of living; it is a Philosophy for living a very healthy, loving and practical life. We believe in God, that we prefer to call Infinite Intelligence. Not an old man sitting on a throne somewhere in the clouds watching us, and ready to judge our every move, deciding whether to send us to Heaven or a fiery Hell, but a very practical creative loving energy that is equal in all parts of the Universe.

The life that we have lived on this Earth to a degree dictates conditions we will find ourselves in, upon arriving in the next dimension of life. We are not judged by a vengeful God, but we judge ourselves, and as the old saying goes, "As we sow so shall we reap." We do not accept that anyone can forgive us for our errors, it is up to us to take personal responsibility for every thought and action that we do in this life.

We believe in spiritual healing. We accept that the spirit side can assist us in directing us to the right doctor, or method of cure; help us to have the right mental attitude toward a problem; and help to speed up the cure. It is up to us to do our part, so don't expect to be cured if we continue to treat our body in a harmful manner, such as smoking, excessive drinking, a poor moral life, over work, lack of sleep, etc.

We do not believe in so called miracles, for we believe that everything follows Natural Laws, which are the Laws of God. Those things that happen in life that are called miracles are the working of Natural Laws that at this time we do not fully understand. If we follow our Declaration of Principles as a way of life we will find that life will be very worth living.

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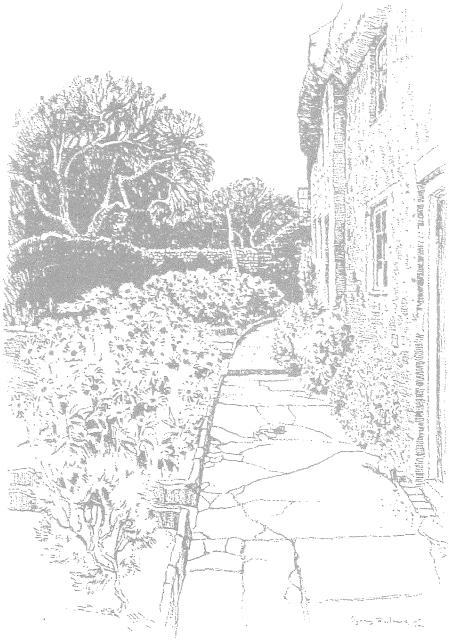
If thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light.
– Proverb

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Thought Waves

A chapter from *The Chemistry of Thought*

BY PEGGY BARNES



We believe that mind is universal and like matter, is practically atomic—or molecular—in structure, that it is made up of thought elements, substance, atoms, cells or mental electrons to the extent that it is weak and strong according to the nature of the material used or in other words, according to the intensity of the vibratory energy.

Matter, in its various and diversified expressions, is today looked upon as being one and the same thing, differentiated by its rate of vibration. By the same logic, we believe mental force, good, bad and indifferent, may be rated as one and the same thing, force or substance, acting under different rates of vibratory motion.

The realization of the nature of mental force and the possibility of using that force in self development, has done much for a vast number of people and will do still more as we become aware of its value in our lives. The knowledge of the plastic nature of thought power—or force—opens up a wider field of operation in man's life and enables him to make progress in harmony with God's natural law to a greater extent than he has heretofore done.

Because we say that mind is universal, it does not in any sense detract from the individuality. I am myself physically and you are yourself. We may be entirely dissimilar in our outward appearance, yet the same laws obtain in our being; the same chemical compounds are used in our construction. Why then should we not conclude that the same law holds good in the realm of the mind? It is simply the same divine element manifesting in divers ways or in the words of Paul—

"It is the same God which worketh all in all."

Following a law of life, a law which seems to be universal, thought force travels in waves. Like the sound waves which cause a sympathetic response from those instruments which may be attuned to them, the thought waves produce a responsive thrill in the consciousness of the man or woman who may vibrate upon the same plane of consciousness.

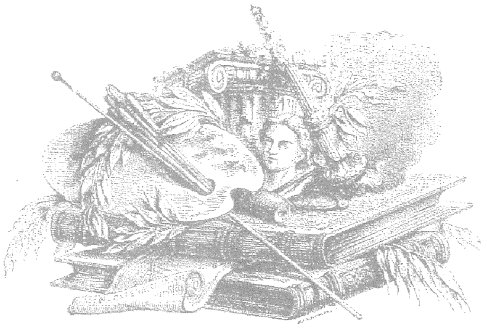
A recognition of this brings home to us the necessity of right thinking and a realization of the influence we may bring to bear upon those with whom we come in contact, or who have not yet found themselves.

Thought waves which do not entirely accord with those to whom they are directed may be productive of the utmost discord. On the other hand, when there is harmony, the responsive thrill gives rise to the most pleasurable sensations. Thus it is that two persons may live in the same house and still, as far as thought and action are concerned, be as far apart as thought a thousand miles intervened; and the converse of this is true, for two persons may be physically as far apart as the pulses on the earth, and still in thought be as near each other as though the same roof sheltered them. They may even consciously commune. This is telepathy.

Many teachers of mental Science discuss telepathy at great length and it is a foregone conclusion in the minds of those who have made a scientific study of this subject that the minds of human beings that are in harmony with one another can pick up each other's thoughts, even though they may be thousands of miles apart. There are several Bureaus of Investigation along this line, the best known being at Duke University, Durham, North Carolina. Dr. Joseph Banks Rhine is at its head. While we are not particularly interested in the subject of mental telepathy, it is our contention that because of this accepted method of communication from one human mind to another, it is logical to believe that it is possible for the human mind to pick up thought vibrations sent out by the mind of a discarnate entity. We know that mind is indestructible and still persists in the Super-Sensible or Spirit Planes after the change called death; and we also know that thought vibrations sent out from that higher phase of life may be picked up by a human mind, provided that person is able to attune his Superconscious faculties to these "Other World" vibrations.

We do not wish you to confuse mental telepathy with clairvoyance because of this statement. Mental telepathy

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may be called mind reading but clairvoyance is not such in any sense of the word. Both are brought about by two minds receptive to one another but the true psychic is able to receive thoughts and mental pictures from the mind of the discarnate entity that form indisputable evidence of the survival of the individual after the change called death. This evidence is many times unknown to the human soul for whom the psychic is making the contact but after investigation has been found to be true—this precludes any idea of mind reading on the part of the psychic.

As before stated, it is our contention that thoughts are real and active things. We believe that every thought makes its imprint upon that plastic substance that we call the ether, creating vibrations according to the nature of the thought. When we speak of thought waves, and that term is taken literally, it seems a bit puzzling to the average student. It is difficult to conceive of waves of thought traveling through space until they form a contact with other thoughts of a harmonious nature. Let us seek a scientific explanation of this phenomenon. In order that we may have a more tangible understanding of "thought waves" let us compare them with "sound waves." Scientists use the term "transformation" in discussing the transmission of sound waves and we believe that both sound waves and thought waves follow a similar law. Here is an example of the transmission of sound— "we talk into the transmitter of the telephone instrument. The sound vibrations produced by our voices are transmitted into electrical vibrations and as such they travel through the ether until they reach the telephone instrument that has been called—here they are again transformed into sound vibrations and become audible to the person holding the receiver." We believe that thought vibrations travel in a similar way—after they leave the brain and nervous system they are transformed into electrical energy and travel along through space until they contact a mind with like vibrations and here they are again transformed and produce like thoughts and images in the mind of the human receiver.

We speak of the instrument used in Wireless Telegraphy as being attuned to certain vibrations and unable to pick up others outside of its own particular range. If the wireless set is not in perfect attunement it picks up outside vibrations which confuse the operator and the message coming through. This we call "interference" and we can plainly see that the human receiving set can be sensitive to the interference of destructive thought if it is not perfectly attuned to constructive mentation.

Let us all realize that we, as human receiving sets, are capable of shutting out vibrations at any time, just as the operator may throw the switch and shut off the mechanical device. If you have developed the ability to attune yourself to the thought vibrations of those who live in the Super Sensible World it is neither necessary nor wise for you to be open to this reception all of the time. There is a time and place for all things and a person dwelling upon the same trend of thought constantly is apt to become fanatical and mentally unbalanced.

Knowing the laws governing thought vibrations and our responsibility as to the effect of our thoughts upon others as well as ourselves should be an incentive to us to assume responsibility as to the nature of the thought atoms that we send out that will eventually become a part of the Great Cosmic Consciousness. Let us so live our lives that we may become an inspiration to others who are on the Path.

"With every impulse, word or deed
Wherein love blends with duty
A message speeds along the cord
That brings to earth more beauty.
Your unkind thought, your selfish deed
Are felt in farthest places—
There are no solitudes
Where greed and wrong can hide their faces.
There are no separate lines,
The chain, too subtle for our seeing
Unites us all upon the plane of
Universal Being."

E. W. W.

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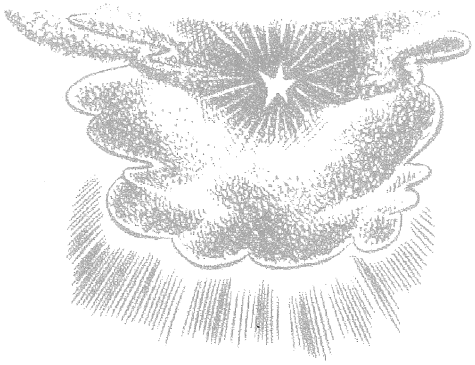
**Realizing I am a spark of the Great Divine Source,
I shall not permit my tongue to speak
unkind words of my brother man.**

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•We have left this article in its original format.

Matter is the matrix of Spirit. Spirit is the higher state of Matter.
– Pierre Teilhard De Chardin (1881-1955)

VIBRATIONS



BY JERRY LINDBERG, Arizona

We all vibrate in the physical as well as in the Spirit World. That reminds me of a story by an unknown author that tells of a variety of individual's vibrations:

A man appears in the Spirit World and is asked, "Have you ever done anything of particular merit?"

"Well, I can think of one thing..." the man offers. "Once, I came upon a gang of high-testosterone bikers who were threatening a young woman. I directed them to leave her alone, but they wouldn't listen. So, I approached the largest and most heavily tattooed biker. I smacked him on the head, kicked his bike over, ripped out his nose ring and threw it on the ground and told him, 'leave her alone now or you'll answer to me.'"

The spirit questioner was impressed. "When did this happen?"

"Couple of minutes ago."

The Law of Vibration is one of the Natural Laws that govern us at all times. What does this mean to us? How are we affected by this law?

Webster's Dictionary defines "Vibrate" as follows:

- to set in to-and-fro motion -*vi.*

1. to swing back and forth; oscillate.
2. to move rapidly back and forth; quiver.
3. to resound.
4. to be emotionally stirred

- vibration - *noun.*

"To be emotionally stirred." What a statement! Emotionally stirred. Yes! I am emotionally stirred whenever I come in contact with another person's vibration or when I hear music or when I hear a bird sing or when I hear the air rushing through the leaves of a tree or the quiet sound of a cricket chirping. All of these things and much more are vibrations that go on in the world all the time and we experience in life every day, every hour, every minute of our lives.



We only have to open up our senses, become aware of our surroundings and listen. When we open up, we will feel the vibrations of life going on all around us. We may then move into resonance with the vibrations and join life in perfect harmony with peace and bliss governing our life. As you become more tuned to the world of vibrations around you, you will expand all of your God given gifts to the fullest extent.

When you feel let-down, depressed, sad or wanting to cry, you are experiencing a temporary lowering of your vibration from your normal rate. You can restore your vibration by raising your thoughts to a higher plane.

We cannot all vibrate at the same frequency, but we can learn to control ourselves with the Law of Control, so that a change in vibration need not affect us or others around us. One way to control vibration is through music. Music raises our vibrations and helps to establish harmony in our lives. Don't you always feel better when you hear a nice piece of music? The music we hear in church and the songs we sing together makes us feel better and happier. I know, I feel uplifted when music is in the air.

Music gives us sounds that vibrate at specific rates or tones, that align with the cells of our body. The harmonics of each sound resonates with specific cells and organs within to "tune them up" and restore perfect harmony to our bodies. Whenever you are feeling a little low, think of a song and sing it to yourself, or sing it out loud. You will feel better in a short time. It raises your vibrations to a happy level.

Smile, you may not notice it but you will raise the vibrations of another person that may need a lift just at that moment. One quote I like is: "A smile is an upliftment of the mouth and often of the soul."

Think positive, feel positive and you can't help feeling better. We all have choices every day and I choose to make positive choices. I choose to feel good—not bad. I choose to smile—not frown. I choose to speak a nice thing of someone else not something bad. Think and act positive and you will be positive.

Create harmony in your lives with positive thoughts and actions and your vibration and harmonic level will increase.

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Webster defines "Harmonics" as: the science of musical sounds.

Webster defines "Harmony as:

1. pleasing agreement of parts in color, size, etc.;
2. agreement in action, ideas, etc.; friendly relations;
3. the pleasing combinations of tones in a chord.

Harmony: ***When sharing the love and peace of God, I live and work in harmony with others.***

The power and beauty of the music created by voices or instruments in harmony reverberate as peaceful feelings within me.

Even more beautiful and powerful is the absolute peace I experience within when my own thoughts are in harmony with the peace of God. Then as I continue to hold these peaceful thoughts in mind, I create peaceful experiences in my life.

As I continue to affirm: ***God is Love,*** *it is only natural that whatever I do and say is done in reflection of that divine love. Love encourages me to be an instrument of peace and harmony so that my words are uplifting to others and my actions are beneficial to everyone.*

Sharing the love and peace of God, I live and work in harmony with others.

– Galatians 6:10 –

"So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith."

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One belief is that there are seven levels of spirits. And that all spirits vibrate at a different rate. The rate decreases as the levels move lower and lower. When a message is sent from a high level, each level passes down the message to the next lower level until they reach your vibration.

Everything and everyone has their own unique rate of vibration. The rate of vibration in the physical world is carried over into the Spirit World. If you have a low level you will pass into a lower plane. It is in your best interest to raise your vibration and harmonic level to the highest possible while in the physical.



Do not fear when receiving messages from a medium or during a meditation. Your angel guide knows your vibration level and will allow only like vibrations to come to you and will be there to protect you from harmful vibrations.

The Law of Attraction states that like attracts like; so, when you keep your vibration "up" you will only attract entities with like or higher vibrations.

Some additional ways to raise your vibration and increase your harmonic level are to:

- Think pure thoughts and have noble desires for spiritual growth;
- Practice moral ethics to be clean in body and mind;
- Live unselfishly;
- Express sympathy, kind feelings, affection, and good will;

These are the simple codes and rules of living that will accelerate the vibratory action in our being and bring us to a state of spiritual consciousness and power that will enable us to generate a magnetic force of light and substance that will go far for us while we remain in the physical.

Think vibration, think peace, think love, and raise your vibration level today. You have to do your part and God will be there with you. Never forget the power of a good friendship as you travel through life.

If God brings you to it, God will bring you through it for you are never given a mountain too high to climb.

Let us conclude with this wonderful poem.

One Thing More (by Donna Miesbach)

If I could
I'd give you wings
To fly your special skies
And courage, too,
To help your spirit rise...

And breezes fair
And swaying trees
And lovely star-filled nights,
I'd like to give you
All of these
To make your days just right.

And then I'd do
Just one thing more–
A prayer of praise I'd send
Because I feel
So very blessed
To have you for my friend.

Good friendships vibrate in harmony with each other and will last a lifetime. Life is made up of moments. Follow these thoughts as you travel through life:

Happy moments, praise God.
Difficult moments, seek God.
Quiet moments, worship God.
Painful moments, trust God.
Every moment, thank God.

Thank you and may GOD bless all of you. ✦

THREE FEET BACK:

How Can The Spirits Know What They Know?

BY KENNETH W. JAMES, Ph.D., Illinois

In my psychotherapy practice, there are times when a patient is so confused and caught up in his or her life problem that it is impossible for them to see what the next step should be. I know, both as a therapist and a Spiritualist, that the answer is always inside us, waiting to be discovered and actualized. Yet, when someone is suffering deeply, it is not always possible to access this answer.



When this happens, I have my patients do an exercise that I call "three feet back." I ask them to imagine that they are standing three feet behind their own head, looking at themselves and the other elements involved in their problem. I give them a moment to enter a meditative space where they can imagine standing three feet behind their heads, and then I ask them to open their eyes and describe what they see from this three feet back vantage point. If they have trouble, I ask them to describe how they see themselves, the other people and circumstances involved in the situation, and then I ask if they can see ways of handling the situation that can only be seen from three feet back. Often, this imaginative exercise allows for a perspective on the problem that brings some clarity about what needs to be done to resolve the issue.

I thought about this exercise when I was considering my question for this article: How is it that we take advice and guidance from the Spirit World, when as Spiritualists, we know that many of the messages we receive come from loved ones who have gone through the change called death? As Spiritualists, we know that the personality and the personal identity of the individual continue after the change called death, and if this is the case, why do we listen to Uncle Jack or Aunt Ellen after they enter Spirit, when we didn't think they had all that much insight when they were on the Earth Plane? How can it be that they gain insight merely by going through the natural change we call Death?

One reason why our friends in Spirit can offer us remarkable support and guidance is because the change into the next realm of life gives them an automatic "three feet back" from the material world. Although there is not necessarily a sudden awakening of deep awareness through entering the Spirit World, there is a certain distance and relativity placed on the material sphere through the change called death. As Spiritualists, we have come to understand the material world as being only one of the dimensions in which we dwell. However, while we are in the physical expression, it seems very much like the most important dimension. Being on the Earth Plane means I must take my material aspect seriously and cherish it. I must nourish my body and take care of it. I must see that I fulfill all my material obligations in my job and with my family and friends, and I expect certain material things from my professional and personal relationships. All this is part of being a dweller on the Earth Plane.

As a person living in this physical sphere, it sometimes happens that our world and all its requirements seem like the only things happening. I become confused with my materiality. To be "con-fused" means to be "fused with" or joined with something. So when I become "con-fused" with my materiality, I come to believe that I am only my material self, and that **matter is all that matters**. When this happens, I can gain insight and guidance by communicating with my friends in Spirit, either through my own prayer or through a medium. My Spirit friends can bring a sense of perspective and distance from my confused materiality, and I can sometimes be given a clue as to how to proceed.

Except in rare cases, Spiritualist mediums communicate messages from our loved ones in Spirit, not from Angels or Masters. Not that Angels and Masters don't communicate with us, because they do, but that is not the primary purpose of Mediumship and messages. First and foremost, Mediums bring messages from the Spirit World that prove survival of the soul when it departs from the physical body. Secondarily, these messages offer guidance to us while we are on the Earth Plane. We must remember that this guidance, which is so often right on the mark, comes from our loved ones who have passed into Spirit, and is available to them because they have achieved a certain distance, a "three feet back" from the problems of the material world. Our Spirit friends are demonstrating to us not only a way to solve our problems, but also a way to generate our own solutions through gaining a certain perspective on our lives. This perspective gives us the opportunity to develop our independence both from our materiality and our perceived problems.

Spiritualism has a long history of independent thinking and social activism. Long before our population at large was ready for the liberation of slaves and the abolition of slavery, or for the right for women to vote and be equal to men in a

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Exploring Esoteric America And You!

BY PAUL E. KELLER, Indiana

Let us take an armchair journey across a land which is new, and yet strangely familiar. We are going to follow the Pilgrims as they leave England and watch the progress they and their descendants made as they settled a new land.

One of the ideas we hold is that a human's mind should always be open to new and more enlightening ideas. In 1776 a new concept in human conduct and relationships was established with the signing of the Declaration of Independence. For over 200 years we have felt, somewhere within our hearts, that God has had a hand in running our country so there will always be at least one place in the world where people have an opportunity to expand their consciousness without fear.



The symbology incorporated on our one dollar bills is considered to be the result of Divine inspiration, showing the hand of spirit, or God in our affairs. We have been taught that a government has been established in America which was divinely decreed to permit a greater expression of individuality than ever was before.

There is a side of America which few people in the world recognize, a side which had been before our eyes since first we studied geography and history in grammar school which was too close and too obvious for us to suspect.

Historically America has been known in the inner circles of the world for a long period of time. Around 10,000 years ago the ancient Druids of Ireland were thought to have visited what is now the state of Wyoming. In the Big Horn Mountains there are remnants of what appears to be a major Druid Shrine, known as the Medicine Wheel. A scientist from Chicago's Field Museum originally explored it in 1902. This ruin was compared to known Druid Temples in Europe and considerable evidence pointed to a common origin.

The Pueblo Indian tribes of Arizona and New Mexico trace in legend their flight from the sinking continent in the middle of what is now the Atlantic Ocean, a flight which guided them eventually to the arid lands of the southwest, and a close relationship with the land and Great Spirit.

The story I have to relate refers to the part America has played in the spiritual development of humankind, the part the pilgrim people played when they braved the perils of the ocean to reach the new world. This is the hidden story of a country which has been destined to be the Promised Land of the *Bible*. This land is geographically, politically and spiritually destined to have a profound effect upon human consciousness.

One day, sitting quietly and without thinking, there was a sense of closeness with the good doctor who works with me from the Spirit Realm. All of a sudden there came pouring into my conscious mind a revelation of the mystery of America and what she was established to do.

The continent was generally unknown to the people in Europe, Asia, and Africa. These people were born, grew to adulthood, raised their families, aged, and died under conditions not conducive to spiritual advancement or even scientific progress. The people followed established patterns of thinking, worshipping and living.

All during this time the Great Hierarchy, which is directing the human race ever upward on its pathway of spiritual evolution was waiting for an age when some few individuals would be advanced enough to want to rise above the bondage which life in the old world was keeping them.

The leading religions were also the leading political forces, so what they said went—no ifs, ands or buts—and if you did not do what they said, you suffered. Late in the 15th century and early in the 16th century explorers made their way across the trackless waters of the Atlantic Ocean, a body of water which is well known for the great storms and perils. They must have been divinely guided and protected.

In England groups of people were becoming disillusioned with the life they had to lead and especially with the manner in which the church specified they must worship God. These people had enough courage to leave the land of their ancestors and go to Holland. Even there the real freedom they were seeking was not available. This is akin to the person today who becomes dissatisfied with the teachings of their religion and who knows within themselves that there is not enough freedom of thought in the old way of worship. We find this current pilgrim leaving the life, religion and church of his or her parents and attempting to find another church where they will be free to worship God according to the dictates of heart and conscience.

The search goes on for often the pilgrims find they have traded one form of religion or ideology for another, that they are still being bound by creed and dogma, or by a doctrine that is just as limiting as the one before. The heart of the pilgrim knows there is a land of freedom, a land of opportunity somewhere where peace of mind, both mentally and spiritually, is felt and where God can be worshiped according to what is in the heart. There is a story of some who have found the real land of promise, the real opportunity of religion and belief, and so the search continues.

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Positive Statements To Help Create a Positive Day.

Affirmations . . . NOVEMBER 2003

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 The Law and Love of God surrounds and fulfills me.
2 Today I concentrate my thoughts on positive goals.	**3** My Higher Mind helps me create through inspiration.	**4** "Geniuses we all shall be...when we have controlled our destinies." – U. S. Anderson	**5** Let the thoughts we send out be positive, for the energy will indeed return to us.	**6** "One truth is clear: whatever is, is right." – Alexander Pope	**7** My life is worthwhile and fulfilling as I am open to God and Spirit.	**8** "I believe in immortality of the soul because I have within me immortal longings." – Keller
9 The doorway into greater awareness is found within my being.	**10** "Nothing is too much to ask of the Power that can do anything." – Ernest Holmes	**11** Infinite Spirit, open my mind and heart to truth.	**12** "You can't Die Dead." – Virginia Leach Falls	**13** I open my spiritual eyes and ears to see and hear life's truths.	**14** My path of life has a purpose and is guided by a Higher Source.	**15** As I cooperate with life I know that all life is interconnected.
16 I forgive myself and others allowing peace to return to my soul.	**17** "I have never met a man who has given me as much trouble as myself." – D. L. Moody	**18** I accomplish my dreams and desires one step at a time.	**19** With each thought today, I use Spirit, Love and Law as my reference point.	**20** I know that all good in my life comes from God and I am grateful.	**21** Love and Law return to me in perfect measure according to my thoughts.	**22** I pray for abundance and peace for all the world, for a people.
23 I believe the immutable Laws of God guide me and bless me.	**24** "The quest for the Light is eternal but the rewards are immediate." – Unknown	**25** God and my spirit friends help me handle everything that comes into my life.	**26** "Save us from Selfishness! It is the most prevalent sin of humanity." – Unknown	**27** "We are God's eyes, God's hands, God's mind." – Jewel, *Hands*	**28** We are the messenger of Spirit as we share our truth and understanding.	**29** I am capable and efficient in all that I do, using God's Laws to guide me.
30 I give thanks for every challenge, for every opportunity in life.		**Happy Thanksgiving**				






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

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07444 Old US 31 North, 49720-9422, (231) 347-9601 or (231) 347-7916; Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m., except during July and August because our "camp" operates in the same location. (During cold weather months

it is advisable to call our Secretary just in case. We held services for the winter of 2001/2002, but weather is beyond our control.) Located halfway between Petroskey and Charlevoix. Turn on Murray Road and immediately turn right on Old 31 N - go 8 tenths of a mile on the left; Pastor, Rev. Cosie Allen, NST and Certified Medium; website: www.churchseek.net/church/goldenrule; Mail: c/o Stanhope, 1086 Maple Grove Rd., 49720.

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Services at Lake Harriet Comm. Church at 4401 Upton Ave. S., 55410.

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THREE FEET BACK: *(Continued from page 12.)*

legal sense, Spiritualists were already there. The early advocacy of Abolitionism and women's suffrage are two examples of how Spiritualism has achieved the ability to stand "three feet back" from the material world, offer commentary on it and bring correction to it.

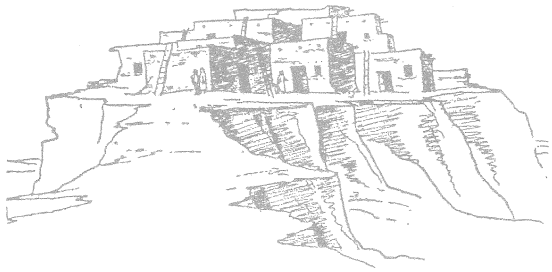
This independence in thinking and action is our heritage, and we can bring it to bear in our own lives. As Spiritualists, we communicate with the Spirit World in order to gain a new perspective, and to bring that new perspective into our daily lives on our own. Spiritualism does not want us to be dependent on spirit, but respectful of spirit and of matter at the same time. As we listen to the messages from our spirit friends, let us hear these messages with two ears: first, we accept the messages and act on them; second, we take the clue from spirit and cultivate a detachment from our everyday problems, and try to view them from "three feet back," in order to see our way clear to resolve them on our own. Our spirit guides are our teachers and friends, but more than that, they were once here on the Earth Plane and know what we are going through. They offer their wisdom from a place that does not take matter so seriously any more, but which at the same time respects both the gifts and burdens of life in the physical. If we can do the same, we can then say that truly we are Spiritualists. ✦

EXPLORING ESOTERIC AMERICA AND YOU! *(Continued from page 13.)*

Like the searchers of the sixteen hundreds, this pilgrim leaves the old world, the old orthodox ways of beliefs and heads across the waters for a new home and new ideas. The Atlantic is 3000 miles across and it is easy to get discouraged when there are no milestones to mark the progress. The only guide available is the stars. To the student on the path, for we are students of the mysteries of life, there is only the steadfast belief within the heart that God is guiding our footsteps toward the land of truth and freedom.

The pilgrims arrived in the new world, a barren desolate, rock coast they termed New England. Here their journey ended, though in reality it was only beginning. Here was a band of Natives who were already practicing the principles of brotherly love and friendship the pilgrims sought. This thinking was new in a New Age and a New Place, and they had to discard the old forms of worship and bring in a new understanding.

The mystics, the new thought schools, the Spiritualists sail across a vast region of uncharted ocean, the ocean of unbelief, of scorn, of skepticism and ridicule, to land on the shores of a belief in immortality and of communication with those who now reside in Spirit Realms. The pilgrim in new thought finds that once he or she has reached the shore of the new philosophy, religion or spiritual land of opportunity, there are still obstacles to be faced, misconceptions to be overcome. The young pilgrims in their new-found religion learn the philosophy, prepare a base to expand and grow, and then work to provide room for future spiritual seekers.



The government of the United States was established with certain inalienable rights granted to the people which were irrevocable, among these are the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, and, the right to worship God as the individual sees fit. Spiritualism grants the same rights to its followers, because it sees in each a distinct individual who will unfold and grow according to experiences, and according to efforts to unite in consciousness with Infinite Intelligence.

Just as the early pilgrims struggled as they traveled and explored the geographic surface of this country, so will the students of the mysteries of life find they struggle as they develop their individual powers and talents, search their inner faculties and question where they can be of use to the world. This is why students of truth sit in the silence and in meditation in order to develop inner dormant faculties so they may serve.

Searchers on the pathway of illumination find themselves traveling a road which parallels the road of America in her development. Mountains, deserts, big and large hurtles—from Atlantic to Pacific. The word Pacific means **Peace**. Do you think it was an accident that the ocean bears this name? This is a reward, the Peace of God, which passeth all understanding. The struggle is over and the truth disciple upon the path has at last come to rest in the consciousness of God.

The destiny of this great country and of the world has been predestined for thousands of years. It is up to Americans to take advantage of all the opportunities which life offers. The destiny of humanity is for happiness and joy. The pathway of Spirituality can make the road to that happiness shorter. The journey is ready for all who seek!

An Eastern Prayer

I pray the prayer the Easterners do
May the Peace of Allah abide with you.
Where ever you stop, where ever you go
May the beautiful palms of Allah grow.

Through days of love and nights of rest
May the love of sweet Allah make you blest.
I touch my heart as the Easterners do
May the love of sweet Allah abide with you!

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BY THE REVS. TOM AND LISA BUTLER, NST

Articles on Survival. All of the articles in the April 2003 *Journal of the Society for Psychical Research* were on survival or post mortem communication. One article, "The Concept of Survival and the Development of Parapsychology," by Carlos Alvarado, addressed two prevalent misconceptions. One misconception is that non-survival explanations for mediumistic phenomena did not exist before the founding of the Society for Psychical Research (SPR) in 1882 and the other is that parapsychology developed in spite of the survival issue. Alvarado shows that the works of early Spiritualists preceded the majority of significant theoretical issues in psychical research. Alvarado concludes by saying, "Some may say that parapsychology started to move forward when the field was able to conquer such superstitious ideas as survival, and such primitive and inefficient methodologies as séance studies. But there is a different way to see these developments. Instead of thinking that parapsychology has progressed because it has discarded the metaphysical and the spiritual, we may assert the opposite. Change has taken place thanks in part to the contributions of such ideas as that of survival of bodily death, and not simply in spite of it."

Communication with the Dead. An article in the July *Daily Record* was titled, "We Talk To The Dead, Celebs queue up to reveal psychic secrets." The author Lindsay Clydsdale states, "It used to be a taboo subject, but is fast becoming a must-have talent among celebrities—the ability to communicate with the dead." She mentions several stars like Barbra Streisand and Sir Paul McCartney and their experiences with communicating with the so-called dead. She writes, "...it seems the sixth sense could soon be as commonly used as the first five, with the number of people having strong supernatural experiences continuing to rise. New research reveals that more than one in three people have had an After-Death Communication (ADC), though some experts claim the figure could be even higher."

From: http://www.dailyrecord.co.uk/features/features feed/page.cfm?objectid=13149282&method=full&siteid=89488

Afterlife still Taboo for Some. An article titled, "Who's Afraid of Life After Death?" by Neal Grossman, Ph.D. appeared in the fall 2002 issue of the *Journal of Near-Death Studies*. In the article Grossman states that evidence for an afterlife is strong enough that an unbiased person would be able to conclude materialism is a false theory, yet the academic world refuses to even consider it. There is a taboo among academics in addressing or even considering spiritual matters. Psychical researchers convinced that materialism is false have allowed this taboo to infiltrate their work as well, often hedging their remarks and not taking a firm stand. Grossman states that psychical researchers have "...amassed sufficient evidence to render the hypothesis of an afterlife very probable and the hypothesis of materialism very improbable." From, "The Mindset of Scoffers," June 2003 *ARPR Bulletin* by Michael Tymn.

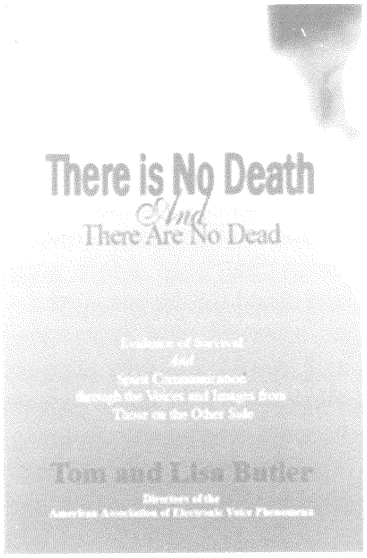
Painter Inspired by a Psychical Researcher. The April 2003 *Paranormal Review*, Issue 25, ran a piece written by Guy Lyon Playfair in their "Mediawatch" section pertaining to the art work of the late painter Francis Bacon (1909-1992). Bacon's paintings between the late 1940s and 1950s appear to have been inspired by photographs of ectoplasmic materializations from Albert Schrenck-Notzing's book, *The Phenomena of Materialisation*. Playfair writes that, "...Bacon's figures are often seated in what looks remarkably like a séance-room cabinet, some of them looming toward the viewer much as materialized spirits are said to do."

Beware; some books may not be what they seem! We were surprised to see that *The Encyclopedia Of The Paranormal* was edited by Scientific Investigation of Claims of the Paranormal (CSICOP) member Gordon Stein. The *Encyclopedia* is published by Prometheus Books which was founded by Paul Kurtz. Kurtz is also the founder and chairman of CSICOP. There are several other encyclopedias that rely on facts rather than opinions; one of them is J. Gordon Melton's *Encyclopedia of Occultism and Parapsychology*.

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New book on Electronic Voice Phenomena. It is with great satisfaction that we announce the introduction of a new book about Electronic Voice Phenomena and Instrumental Transcommunication. This joint effort by Lisa and Tom Butler has been inspired by the need for an effective educational text concerning the nature of these phenomena and how they substantially prove the case for personal survival. From the back cover:



Anyone interested in communication with a departed loved one or learning more about the "Other Side" will want to read this book.

Many may be shocked to learn that the so-called dead have been communicating across the veil through electronic devices since the early 1900s.

More than anecdotal evidence exists that we survive physical death and that our loved ones on the "Other Side" continue to communicate with us. Indeed, objective evidence collected from Electronic Voice Phenomenon (EVP) and Video Instrumental TransCommunication (ITC) reveals that they actively seek ways to contact us and to offer guidance on improving these communications.

Obtaining paranormal voices is not difficult. It can be achieved by anyone following a few simple steps, and with equipment most people already have in their home. This book includes simple instructions for experimentation and explores the body of EVP and other evidence already accumulated by respected scientists and researchers around the world. There are also instructions for experimenting with Video ITC.

This book includes a history of EVP and ITC, numerous examples from researchers and their stories, instructions for conducting EVP and ITC experiments and a discussion of what is known about these phenomena

The book is $18.00 plus shipping and applicable Nevada tax. You can purchase signed copies from http://book.aaevp.com, or by sending a request to the address shown below. You can also order the book from the NSAC book store or other online outlets.

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

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"Thanks be to God for His indescribable gifts."

II Corinthians 9:15

November is the month of Thanksgiving, a harvest festival and a family festival. Many people pause and consider all they have to be thankful for, all the gifts they have been given by the Divine Source, especially the gift of life, love and family.

It is a wonderful time to be grateful and to count your many blessings, to live in an attitude of gratitude. Spiritualists know that each day the natural good is there for us as we are open to accept it. A definition in the dictionary states that gratitude is a lively sense of favors to come. Spiritualism teaches life follows the beautiful Natural Law, that as we express our appreciation to the Source of All, so does more abundance come to us, so do we unleash our hidden potentials, so does good energy flow into the ethers and touch those around us.

Thanksgiving marks the beginning of the holiday season, a time of loving, giving and sharing. It is also a time of anticipation, an attitude of enthusiastic expectation, a time of family and friends, a time of glad tidings, greetings and joy. "Thanks be to God for his indescribable gifts." II Corinthians 9:15.

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ENERGY/VIBRATION QUOTES

"Everything in the Universe spins. From the tiniest electron to the grandest galaxy, nothing is whirlproof. Rotation is so ubiquitous that we tend to take it for granted, but every spin tells a story. Study how an object turns and you learn about its size, its structure, even its life history." *Discover,* July 2003.

"It is quite impossible to get a grasp of the Greater World unless we think of it in terms of vibrations...The universe is just vibrations and nothing more. It is the gigantic scale of vibrations of which our earth represents a minute fraction."

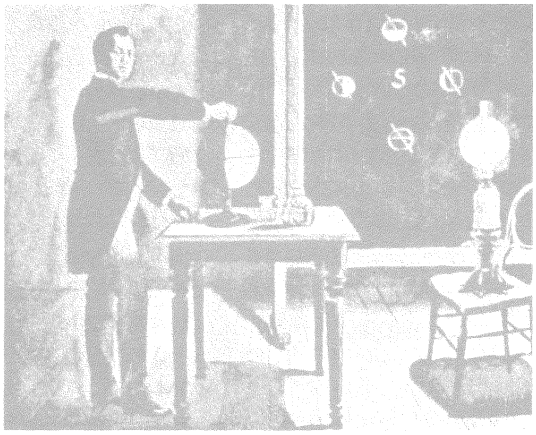
The Unfolding Universe by Arthur Findlay

"What, then, are electrons and protons? They are electric charges, the proton being the positive and the electron being the negative. The atom is thus composed of two charges of electricity, positive and negative. Now we come down one step further and ask what is an electric charge? Physicists describe an electric charge under the name of "wavicle." It is not a thing which can be pegged down, so to speak, and examined. It is a vibration of the ether or a wave of motion. Therefore, when we get down to the constitution of matter, we find that it is composed of certain units called atoms, which units are composed of ether vibrations. In other words, physical matter is just ether vibrations and nothing more."

The Rock of Truth by Arthur Findlay

"Mind is composed of such fine vibrations that it has the faculty, when in contact with physical matter, of being molded into the likeness of physical things...This mind substance is the creative power in the universe, and is called the Universal Mind."

The Rock of Truth by Arthur Findlay



"To unify recent insights in physics and in the life sciences into a coherent description of reality, a conceptual shift from structure to rhythm seems to be extremely useful. Rhythmic patterns appear throughout the universe, from the very small to the very large. Atoms are patterns of probability waves, molecules are vibrating structures, and living organisms manifest multiple, interdependent patterns of fluctuations. Plants, animals, and human beings undergo cycles of activity and rest, and all their physiological functions oscillate in rhythms of various periodicities. The components of ecosystems are interlinked through cyclical exchanges of matter and energy; civilizations rise and fall in evolutionary cycles, and the planet as a whole has its rhythms and recurrences as it spins around its axis and moves around the sun."

The World is Sound Nada Brahma

"The law of resonance teaches us: Anything that vibrates reacts to vibrations, even (as recent discoveries have shown) to the most minute vibrations, and to those that only a few years ago could not be measured—brainwaves, for instance—and hence logically also to vibrations that have yet to become measurable."

The World is Sound Nada Brahma

"Fortunately, there are some individuals within scientific research, such as Bohm, who are beginning to realize that *animate and inanimate matter are inseparably interwoven and life, too, is enfolded throughout the totality of the universe. Even a rock is in some way alive...for life and intelligence are present not only in all matter, but in 'energy,' 'space' and 'time.'*

"The only manner in which 'life and intelligence' can be observed in a rock is through the scientific description of the energy field, whereby the information contained within it controls the electric fields of the atomic material to form a solid mass."

Spirit of the New Millennium by Frank Newman

There is evidence that prayer, visualization, music, positive thinking "affect the electric fields of the body. Scientists have shown that visualization drops skin resistance

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over acupuncture points as effectively as acupuncture therapy. Scientists have postulated that acupuncture points and lines correspond to a flow of energy possibly bio-plasmic energy.

"Researchers working with Kirlian Photography have demonstrated that the energy field or colored, light area around a person's fingers varies with that person's visualizations or state of mind."

Seeing With The Mind's Eye by Mike Samuels, M.D. and Nancy Samuels

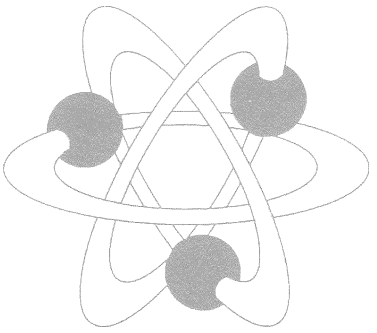
"Rhythmic motion is the second syllable of the Creative Word; the first is Light and the third is Color.

"Light is the positive or masculine force in nature; color is its negative or feminine force. Colors are light at varying rates of vibration and are produced by the differentiation of primal light as it passes through the ethers. Pure polarized ether is the only substance which is entirely colorless. Matter has been called 'bottled up light' and science now declares that light possesses atomicity in addition to its wave-like attributes."

Healing And Regeneration Through Color by Corinne Heline

"You are the Light. The Light is in you. You are the Light."

Tablets of Truth, Sayings of Sai Baba



"The physical laws of the universe are actually this whole process of divinity in motion, or consciousness in motion. When we understand these laws and apply them in our lives, anything we want can be created, because the same laws that nature uses to create a forest, or a galaxy, or a star, or a human body can also bring about the fulfillment of our deepest desires."

The Seven Spiritual Laws of Success by Deepak Chopra

"The Aura is a common term known to the Spiritualist and recently discovered by the scientist. Medical doctors have described it as an energy field; others describe it as an electromagnetic field surrounding animate and inanimate objects. The Spiritualist has known this as THE AURA."

Mediumship Mini-course compiled by the Rev. Joseph H. Merrill

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During Holiday gift giving Season, GIVE SPIRITUALISM!

Are you making your list and checking it twice? With the Holidays fast approaching how about spreading the Light and the Truths of Spiritualism by giving your family and friends a gift that will help them expand their understanding. For a child to receive the gift of *The Spotlight* magazine encourages them to grow and keeps their interest in spiritual subjects. A gift subscription to *The National Spiritualist – Summit* brings monthly information, spiritual articles and news. The NSAC Bookstore can offer you many titles, subjects and articles that would be appreciated by any Spiritualist.

You could also give a gift to your church. Ask if there is a church wish list or look around to see if the church needs anything special—some silk flowers, a new coffee pot, some new hymnals, a folding table or some chairs, some new collection baskets, a CD player, whatever. Each time you give with love, you are especially blessed. How special it will be if we all give Spiritualism this Holiday.



Earth, Fire, Water And Air – Vibrations

BY DR. HAROLD GRANDSTAFF MOSES, Ph.D.

Earth and fire and water and air—now that is all you really need to know—God, energy, harmony, earth and fire and water and air. Now, the earth and fire and water and air, that's the stuff we are made of, the literal stuff. We are talking about the atoms, the molecules, the carbon, the oxygen, the hydrogen, all of the incredible amino acids, all the DNA, all that stuff. Earth and fire and water and air—the Greeks said that's all you need to know, and they added Ether. Ether is the spirit. And from the perspective of vibration, everything is merely vibration—even the earth; even the fire; even the water; even the air; even the ether—all vibration. And the significance that it is all vibration is something that none of us can fully comprehend or begin to comprehend until we awaken to one essential idea—the idea of harmony.

We use the word harmony all the time, and harmony to most of us means something that feels right, is in tune. It is something that is working well. We can say "I have a harmonious marriage." And what does that mean? Well, it could mean lots of things, because harmony by itself has degrees. When I say I have a harmonious marriage it doesn't mean there are not times that it may be out of tune. This is the nature of harmony, for harmony is the struggle for in-tune-ness and out-of-tune-ness. And when you understand that harmony works like that and that the entirety of the cosmos is vibrational, you begin to get an idea of the energies that are at play. Because the Divine generates harmony, but the vessel, the cosmos, the vessel, has zones in which there are great disharmonies.

Exhibit A: There is a great disharmony located in my mind, it is called "My Childhood." Now some of you had those, childhoods, and the childhoods form for us an understanding of the world. But the one that really forms us is the one before we even come out. We are still in the womb. Now in the womb there is one thing we are aware of right at the very beginning, and that is the electrical system of our mother's body. The feedback, the energy, all of the vibrations, and there is one vibration that is constant through the cycle—so constant that we begin to have our vibration and response to it, and it's the heart beat, the pulse—boom, boom, boom.



Now, this sound of the heartbeat is a sound that is located all through the entire cosmos. In our own sun, every eleven years, we have a sunspot cycle—it throbs. This may be an interesting idea to you that the sun has a heart, but consider the fact that the sun itself is vibration and that vibration is for us a symbol literally and a model as an archetype and actually a generator of what Divine Harmony is like. When we are completely consumed by the spirit of God, we burn like the sun.

The Old Testament is filled with wonderful images of the refiner's fire. As the refiner's fire comes to the mind, visualize in your mind the blacksmith's shop and you are pumping the flame, you're adding the oxygen and it's glowing hotter and hotter. What is happening eventually is the draw—everything that is not the metal, all the impurities begin to rise to the surface and they get sluffed off, and soon you have something that is pure. Then from that purity you can pour it into a mold, you can fashion a bell, you can fashion a symbol, you can fashion a tube, you can fashion a string, you can fashion many things out of the purity.

That is God's task for me to fashion me out of purity. I am a signal. You are a signal. We are vibration and as such we are receiving vibrational inputs from somewhere to us. Imagine a parabolic fish, and as the fish is collecting energy all of the energy focuses back to a point. I am one of those points. You are one of those points. We are harmonic sweetspots in the fabric of cosmic time and space. Everything is vibration.

Everything is vibration. Now what are the implications for a Spiritualist when, everything is vibration. Life becomes a lot more interesting, because it turns out everything has the opportunity to communicate. Everything has the opportunity to provide insight. We talk about the Infinite Intelligence, Infinite Mind, the Divine Mind, that force or energy. This Infinite Intelligence is vibratory; this Infinite Intelligence is radiant; this Infinite Intelligence has a heartbeat that cycles through cosmos. We are in the middle of one of those heartbeats right now. Can you feel it?

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symptoms of the heartbeat are. There is a rise in energy, and when that energy begins to rise there is a sense that everything speeds up. Then when that energy is about to reach its zenith, you don't know if you can take any more. Is your life moving faster? It is a phenomenon around the world.

My son just got back from three and a half weeks trekking in Bouton. I e-mailed him in Bouton and asked him to find out from the people there if life seems to be moving faster. He wrote back that he already knew the answer. He said four years ago they had some mud trails, now they have asphalt roads. Some years ago, maybe three or four, you could find a phone somewhere in a government office. Now they have cell phones and Internet access. The country is being wired. So here is a country that is a Buddhist country. He goes to this country and experiences an entirely different culture. He comes back changed.

Why is that? Why is it we can walk into a new vibration and find ourselves changed? It is a force of the Divine and how God influences us. We have a change that comes into our lives, something impacts us, and the next thing we know we have shifted our consciousness.

I have always felt there must be a better way to shift our consciousness than trial and tribulation. Trial and tribulation is a great way to learn. Personal tragedy is a great way to learn. These are all ways to learn, but there must be a more efficient way that I can achieve a higher state of consciousness. Certainly nature doesn't do everything through trial and tribulation. There are plants blooming outside who don't know about trials. They know about thriving, even in the Phoenix summer environment. They have no problem. "I'm a cactus, I can do this, turn up the heat. I'll show ya." Why? Because they are plugged in, they are in the flow.

Our opportunity is to be in the flow, but sometimes being in the state of harmony is merely a vague motion. It is like I'd like to be there, but how do I get there. You are vibration. I am vibration. Literally vibration. My atoms, my cells, my bones, my flesh, my being, are literally vibration. Is it all genetic? No, no, geneticism is actually a by-product of vibration. Is it all just what we eat? No, no, those are vibrations too. You see, there is no place we can stand outside of the vibration, there is no place we can stand that is not God's love being made manifest in the physical plane.

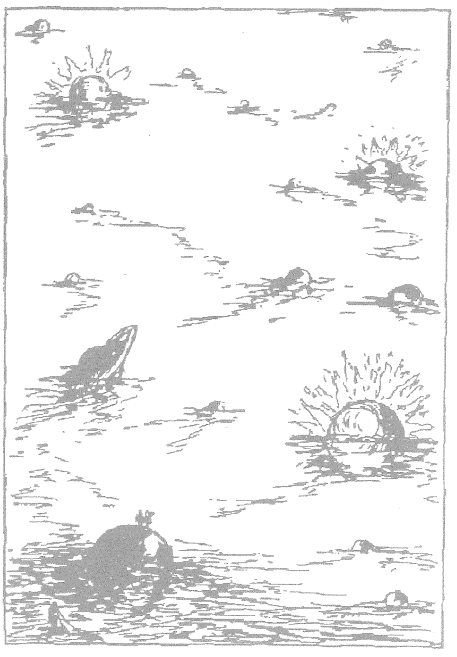
Now, physicality is something that we take for granted because we are in that world. When we think about the spiritual world, about the other side, it is a bit tough. I know that in growing up in the Southern Baptist Church there were lots of images. There was this shining, gleaming city and all of the streets were paved with gold. I heard this story about a man who was trying to figure out how to get his riches to heaven. He was a bit of a "techy" and he did some programming with his mind and some programming with space time and he actually wound up at the Pearly Gates with an entire suitcase filled with gold bouillon. He made it, he was here and St. Peter opened the gate and said, "Come on in. What have you got there?"

The man said, "I figured out how to bring it all with me."

St. Peter says, "Really, what did you bring?" The man opens the suitcase with these beautiful, gleaming gold bars, and St. Peter says, "You brought street pavement?"

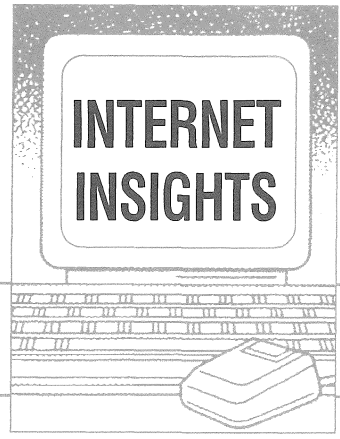
What is the other side really like? Well, sometimes we get communications from the other side, but what does that even mean. It is vibration. It is a vibrational signal. Every being has a vibrational signature. In fact, I invite you to affirm: "I am a harmonically unique vibrational signature of God. A cord in the cosmic harmony." That is who you are. You are vibration and the important part of that is to change your life, to open your mind and your heart to new ideas simply requires one thing to realize who you are.

I did an exercise looking in the mirror one day and I sang, "I am Divine." I noticed that my eyes didn't want to see myself. Through this exercise of singing it enough and singing it enough, I remembered that these molecules, they are all vibration. This whole world around us is all vibration and why does it exist? Because there is attuneness, there is harmony. All the hydrogens are ringing the same notes. The overwhelming evidence is that you are Divine. That of which you are made, the earth, the air, the fire, the water, that is all Divine, it is all vibratory alignment. It is all harmony in motion, and we are all harmony in motion and yet inside of us there are some systems that are out of tune. When we enter into a state of harmony, simply by using our voice we become vibratory beings, vibratory elements.



There are transmissions of thoughts that we send and receive and are impressed with, distant currents that affect healing. Where does the healing take place? It takes place from the Divine Mind, from the Infinite Intelligence. Distant currents, does it matter how distant it is? Apparently it comes through anyway. Yet, it is necessary to repeat this persistently because people are least desirous of admitting the indisputable. We don't talk about what we know to be true. We

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TWO TOUGH QUESTIONS



Question 1: If you knew a woman who was pregnant, who had eight kids already, three who were deaf, two who were blind, one mentally retarded, and she had syphilis, would you recommend that she have an abortion? Read the next questions before looking at the answer for this one.

Question 2: It is time to elect a new world leader, and only your vote counts. Here are the facts about the three leading candidates.

Candidate A: Associates with crooked politicians, and consults with astrologists. He's had two Mistresses. He also chain smokes and drinks 8 to 10 martinis a day.

Candidate B: He was kicked out of office twice, sleeps until noon, used opium in college and drinks a quart of whiskey every evening.

Candidate C: He is a decorated war hero. He's a vegetarian, doesn't smoke, drinks an occasional beer and never cheated on his wife.

Which of these candidates would be your choice?

- Candidate A is Franklin D. Roosevelt.
- Candidate B is Winston Churchill.
- Candidate C is Adolph Hitler.

And, by the way, the answer to the abortion question: If you said yes, you just killed Beethoven, it's his mother.

Pretty interesting isn't it? Makes a person think before judging someone. Never be afraid to try something new.

Can you imagine working for a company that has a little more than 500 employees and has the following statistics:

- 29 have been accused of spousal abuse
- 7 have been arrested for fraud
- 19 have been accused of writing bad checks
- 117 have directly or indirectly bankrupted at least 2 businesses.
- 3 have done time for assault
- 71 cannot get a credit card due to bad credit
- 14 have been arrested on drug-related charges!
- 8 have been arrested for shoplifting
- 21 are currently defendants in lawsuits
- 84 have been arrested for drunk driving in the last year.

Can you guess which organization this is?

It's the 535 members of the United States Congress. The same group of idiots that crank out hundreds of new laws each year designed to keep the rest of us in line.

Never Judge A Book By It's Cover

A couple, the woman in a simple housedress, and the man dressed in a homespun threadbare suit, stepped off the train in Boston, and walked timidly without an appointment into the Harvard University President's outer office.

The secretary could tell in a moment that such backwoods, country hicks had no business at Harvard and probably didn't even deserve to be in Cambridge.

"We want to see the president," the man said softly.

"He'll be busy all day," the secretary snapped.

"We'll wait," the lady replied.

For hours the secretary ignored them, hoping that the couple would finally become discouraged and go away. They didn't and the secretary grew frustrated and finally decided to disturb the president, even though it was a chore she always regretted. "Maybe if you see them for a few minutes, they'll leave," she said to him.

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render opinions.

Ultimately that's not where the battle is. Ultimately the battle is right here between the heart and the mind. We know that the healing energy comes on distant currents, and we know these transmission of thoughts come in all the time, but we have a difficult time hearing them, and not only that, we don't talk about the fact that that's what's happening. Of course, transmission of thoughts must be accepted because the admittance of sending by the heart is essential. It is important that we understand that thought is transmitted to us, because that transmission is evident that the heart is also transmitting. So, we are in a feed back loop, and this vibration is not a one-way deal. The ticket is round trip. It comes in through the mind and out through the heart, or comes in through the heart and back out through the mind. If it is one of these loops where it is mind to mind, you then by-pass something really important. It is only heart and no intelligence, no understanding, "I just love everything and everybody, everything is just love, I just know it, I am sure of it." No, the surety is between the heart and the mind, and this loop, this feedback that develops.



Even a telegraph clerk can confuse what is being received, hence how much more subtle must be the reception of the heart. We are talking about receiving images and impressions that have traveled a great distance in the scheme of things. This is not just local reality, now we are actually pulling in the transmission of the spirit. The transmission of the spirit, can you believe?

"I am Divine." That is God's opinion of me and of you. We are created in the Divine image, and the Divinity is our heritage. Meister Eckhard says a plumb seed grows into a plumb tree, an apricot into an apricot tree. A seed of God grows into God. Let yourself grow, let God be God in you. You are Divine and these energies around us, these energies within us, these energies that move through and through our being, these are also emanating from the Divine. But sometimes a telegraph operator misinterprets some signals, and we find we are not clear in our thoughts or clear in our feelings. Clarity comes from the essential understanding, "I am harmony. I am Divine. I am created in the image, in the imagination." We are God's dream. We are God's thought and God's love all together.

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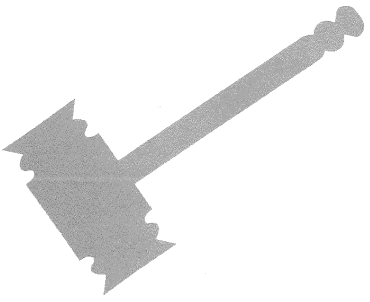
He sighed in exasperation and nodded. Someone of his importance obviously didn't have the time to spend with them, but he detested gingham dresses and homespun suits cluttering up his outer office. The president, stern faced and with dignity, strutted toward the couple.

The lady told him, "We had a son who attended Harvard for one year. He loved Harvard. He was happy here. But about a year ago, he was accidentally killed. My husband and I would like to erect a memorial to him, somewhere on campus."

The president wasn't touched...he was shocked. "Madam," he said, gruffly, we can't put up a statue for every person who attended Harvard and died. If we did, this place would look like a cemetery."

"Oh, no," the lady explained quickly. "We don't want to erect a statue, we thought we would like to give a building to Harvard."

The president rolled his eyes. He glanced at the gingham dress and homespun suit, then exclaimed, "A building! Do you have any earthly idea how much a building costs? We have over seven and a half million dollars in the physical buildings here at Harvard."



For a moment the lady was silent. The president was pleased. Maybe he could get rid of them now. The lady turned to her husband and said quietly, "Is that all it costs to start a university? Why don't we just start our own?"

Her husband nodded. The president's face wilted in confusion and bewilderment. Mr. and Mrs. Leland Stanford got up and walked away, traveling to Palo Alto, California where they established the university that bears their name, Stanford University, a memorial to a son that Harvard no longer cared about.

You can easily judge the character of others by how they treat the people they think can do nothing for them.

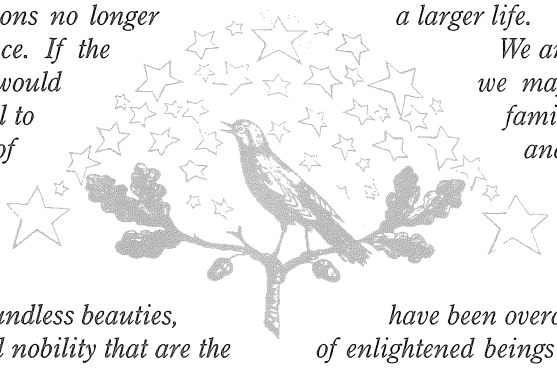
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PHILOSOPHY OF SILVER BIRCH

EDITED BY STELLA STORM

These extracts from the book were printed in *Psychic News*.

If the power of the spirit could fail, the earth would cease to spin on its axis and the seasons no longer follow one another in orderly sequence. If the power of the spirit could fail, the sun would cease to be a fiery orb and the moon fail to reflect its illumination. If the power of the spirit could fail, no seed would flower, no fruit would grow.



It is this latent spirit within man that we seek to coax into higher expression and by so doing enjoy the boundless beauties, the riches, lustre, dignity, grandeur and nobility that are the expressions of a divine spirit.

With a realization of these possessions, man can uplift himself, sever some of the shackles that bind him to earth and enjoy the rich heritage of his unexplored mind and spirit. By this means he opens himself to inspiration, wisdom, revelation and truth, which are already streaming in increasing measure as man fits himself to be the recipient of this bounty from a larger life.

We are, all of us, seen and unseen, wherever we may dwell, included in a vast spiritual family, with the Great Spirit as our Father and each of us as His children. The tie of the divine spirit binds us all together and makes us one. Thus we feel we are richly blessed because so many of the barriers between the two states have been overcome. There is, as a result, a procession of enlightened beings who are able to make their beneficent impact on so many in the world of matter today.

Philosophy of Silver Birch, published by Spiritual Truth Press, is available from Psychic News. ✦

MONTHLY

FAVORITE SAYINGS TO LIVE BY

Confucius said, "When you see a good man, try to emulate his example, and when you see a bad man, search yourself for his faults."
– Confucius (551-479)

"Man is made by his belief.
As he believes, so he is."
– The Bhagavad Gita

"Everything flows, nothing stays still."
– Heraclitus

"To find oneself living in an age of doubt is not such a curse. There is a kind of reverence in undertaking the quest for truth, even before the first scrap has been found."
– Deepak Chopra

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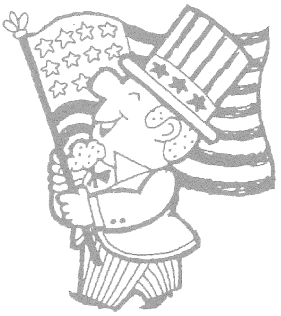
Humor to put you in Good Spirits . . .

These are actual clippings from church newspapers.

- The senior choir invites any member of the congregation who enjoy sinning to join the choir.
- Potluck supper Sunday at 5:00 p.m.—prayer and medication.
- Ladies Bible Study will be held Thursday morning at 10 a.m. All ladies are invited to lunch in the Fellowship Hall after the B.S. is done.
- The pastor would appreciate it if the ladies of the congregation would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday morning.
- Low Self Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 8 p.m. Please use the back door.

What happened in *NOVEMBER* throughout the years?

NOVEMBER



American dates for this month: **Election day** (4th), a time to make your choice of leaders and vote, and **Veterans Day** (11th), a time to honor our country and those who serve it in so many ways. **Thanksgiving Day** (27th), let us be thankful for the many blessings we experience as Americans and do our part to help our Country.

NOVEMBER 5, 1946

Mary Drake Jenne made her transition to the Spirit World on this date after serving Spiritualism well, for much of her life. She was very active at Camp Etna, Maine, for 25 years, was the secretary to Maine State Spiritualist Association for 37 years, plus she served churches, camps and her fellow Spiritualists whenever she was available.

NOVEMBER 14, 1949

The First Public Demonstration of Spirit Communication, held at Corinthian Hall in Rochester, NY, was given by Leah and Margaretta Fox. The phenomena of mediumship underwent three days of testing, and spirit and the young Fox girls passed every test the committees proposed proving life is continuous and that communication with our departed loved ones is indeed possible.

NOVEMBER 17, 1827

Ascha W. Sprague was born on this date in Vermont. She was a child prodigy, teaching school at twelve years of age. She developed crippling arthritis around twenty years of age and was almost completely healed by prayer. This created a lot of interest and development of her healing work. She was called the *Preaching Woman*, and she fought for human rights, debated and spoke out in all fields before most women were talking in a public manner. She entered into world affairs, her sharp mind seeing truths and speaking on these truths.

NOVEMBER 17, 1866

The Rev. Thomas Grimshaw was a gifted and dedicated man who served Spiritualism and helped its growth. He was versatile, an outstanding orator, an educator, a mental and physical medium, a minister, a Trustee and then the Vice President of the N.S.A., the first Superintendent of the Bureau of Education, the third principal of the Morris Pratt Institute. He co-wrote the first General Correspondence Course offered by our Association along with the Hon. Mark A. Barwise and others. Grimshaw was a great asset to the young religion of Spiritualism.

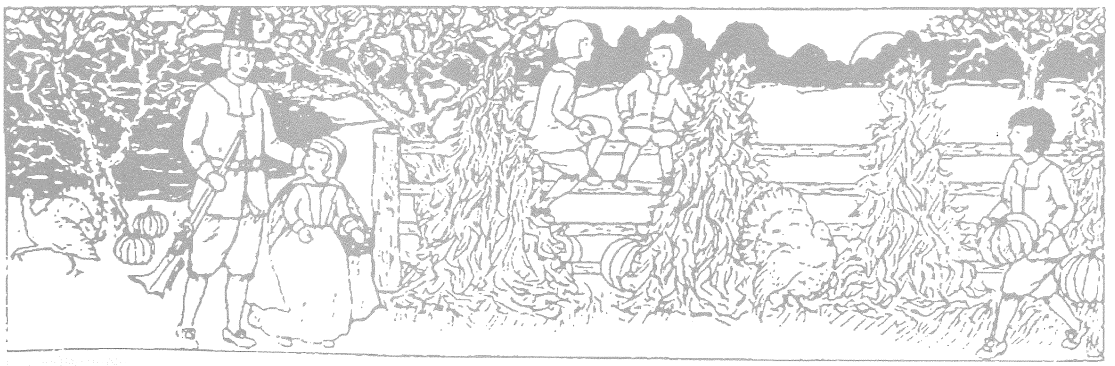
NOVEMBER 22, 1904

Charles B. Rosna's skeleton was found, along with his peddlers pack, behind a false wall in the basement of the Hydesville cottage. The Fox sisters, on the evening of March 31, 1848, began a communication with the noises and raps that had been happening in the New York rented home. The message communicated from the spirit was that he had been murdered and buried in the cellar. The discovery of these remains validated this story and gave credence to spirit messages and to the young Spiritualist religion.

NOVEMBER, 1890

The English *Lyceum Banner* was first published by J. J. Morse. It was given to the Union in 1902 and Mr. Kitson became the editor.

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NEWS FROM VIRGINIA

Two New Spiritualists Born In Virginia



Rachel St. Amant, age 9, proudly announces the arrival of her baby sisters on May 9th, 2003. Rachel is a member of the Children's Lyceum of Center for Spiritual Enlightenment, NSAC of Falls Church, Virginia. The happy parents are Christopher and Rhonda St. Amant, members of CSE-NSAC, and the proud grandparents are Dr. Wayne Knoll and the Rev. B. Anne Gehman, pastor of the Center for Spiritual Enlightenment, NSAC.

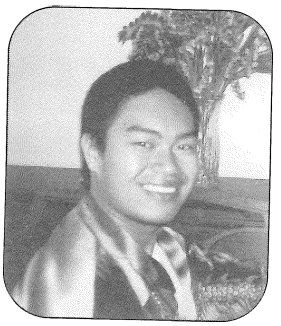
The two new Spiritualists arrived on May 9, 2003: Madelyn Grace was born at 1:02 p.m. and weighed 6 pounds 2 ounces and was 20 inches long. Sophia Rose was born at 1:03 p.m. and weighed 5 pounds 5 ounces and was 18 1/2 inches long. Many blessings and love are wished for all three St. Amant girls.

NEW LOCATION



Sunday, Aug. 3rd Service: Alan Garelick conducting, Rev. Barbara Thurman and Eunice Smith, Mediums.

Sunday, August 3rd, marked the first service in a new location for the San Francisco Spiritualist Society. Requested by their landlady to leave their previous location of seven years came as a surprise in mid-June. Fortunately after some frenetic searching, the perfect location was found—and it was only six blocks away.



Rogil Escobber, SFSS Musician

The St. Mark's Lutheran Church—the oldest Lutheran congregation west of the Mississippi* has a three story Urban Life Center building which houses the church offices, Sunday school class rooms and many other rooms as well. St. Mark's rents out this building to other churches for their services, and offers the facilities to any worthy organization. What a find! Not only is the new SFSS location a larger room at an affordable price, but has two large areas for free, off-the-street parking. For those who drive to church, having had seven years of always hoping for a parking space near the former church location, now have a big smile on their faces. Our musician, Rogil Escober, is delighted to have a real piano to play instead of the electronic keyboard. No more setting up chairs. The custodian has them all properly arranged following the floor plan submitted.



(L to R): Sam Macleod White, Pres., Alan Garelick, V.P., Teri Goodson, Trustee, Rev. Barbara Thurman, Sec./Treas., Angela DiBerardino, Trustee (not present).

The first evening's service was conducted by Board Vice President, Alan Garelick with the pastor, the Rev. Barbara Thurman, leading a Question and Answer forum. Mrs. Eunice Smith, Certified Medium and member of the Golden Gate Spiritualist Church assisted Mrs. Thurman with billets for the message service.

The San Francisco Spiritualist Society can continue their practice of serving refreshments following the service since a kitchen is located next to the Fireside Room where services are held. Another feature, in addition to a fireplace in the room is the outside wall of the room which is all glass. Therefore, the new location is easily found and the room seems to expand beyond its walls. The church members are looking forward to growth in attendance because of the parking and the most pleasant vibration this new location offers. We thank Spirit for this multitude of blessings.

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*The original congregation for St. Mark's was organized around 1849. The beautiful red brick church was built in 1895 and then survived the 1906 earthquake. The church became an aid station following that devastating earthquake. The major earthquake of 1989 (Loma Prieta) also left the building standing but caused the need for a seismic retrofit.



God's World

By Loll Washburn

God's World is busy all the time
We often cannot make reason or rhyme;

Because we do not understand
It is our frailties that we try to mend.

Sometimes we laugh at our own mistakes
It's like a movie with many re-takes.

But when we care and sometimes cry,
We might question, why oh why?

I don't get it, we often say
That's the time for us to pray.

We all want answers no matter the wait
Yet are we willing to carry our freight?

So onward we go on our Earth journey trial
Knowing God's love knows no denial.

I Did Not Ask To Come

By Edgar A. Guest



I did not ask to come
Nor do I know how long the pilgrimage,
Nor where, nor why.

But still I feel, all this will clearly show
Sometime, Somewhere,
Beneath a fairer sky;

And then I hope I shall not blush to see
The finished Thing
I shall have made of Me.

The Torch Bearers

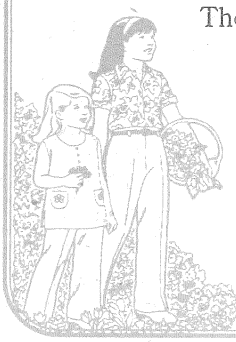
by the Rev. Ollah Toph

They are gone to their fathers;
they are folded in sleep.
Yet sleep hath its waking and morn follow night.
They, the torch bearers wait at the bend of the road,
And the light which they lift flames
the path of our faith.

They, forerunners of truth,
have vanished from earth.
But they live in the hearts of remembering men.
The place which they knew
shall know them no more;
But because they have lived, all places are blest.

For wherever the torch bearer's light hath fallen
The gray fear of death hath slunk to its lair;
And out of the shadows and darkness hath risen
An angel whose countenance shines as the day.

They are gone to the fathers;
they are awakened to joy.
Life chanteth victory over the grave.
We leave at the Door
of Remembrance
The flowers of gratitude,
to token
They walked
not in vain.



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1. We believe in Infinite Intelligence.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



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