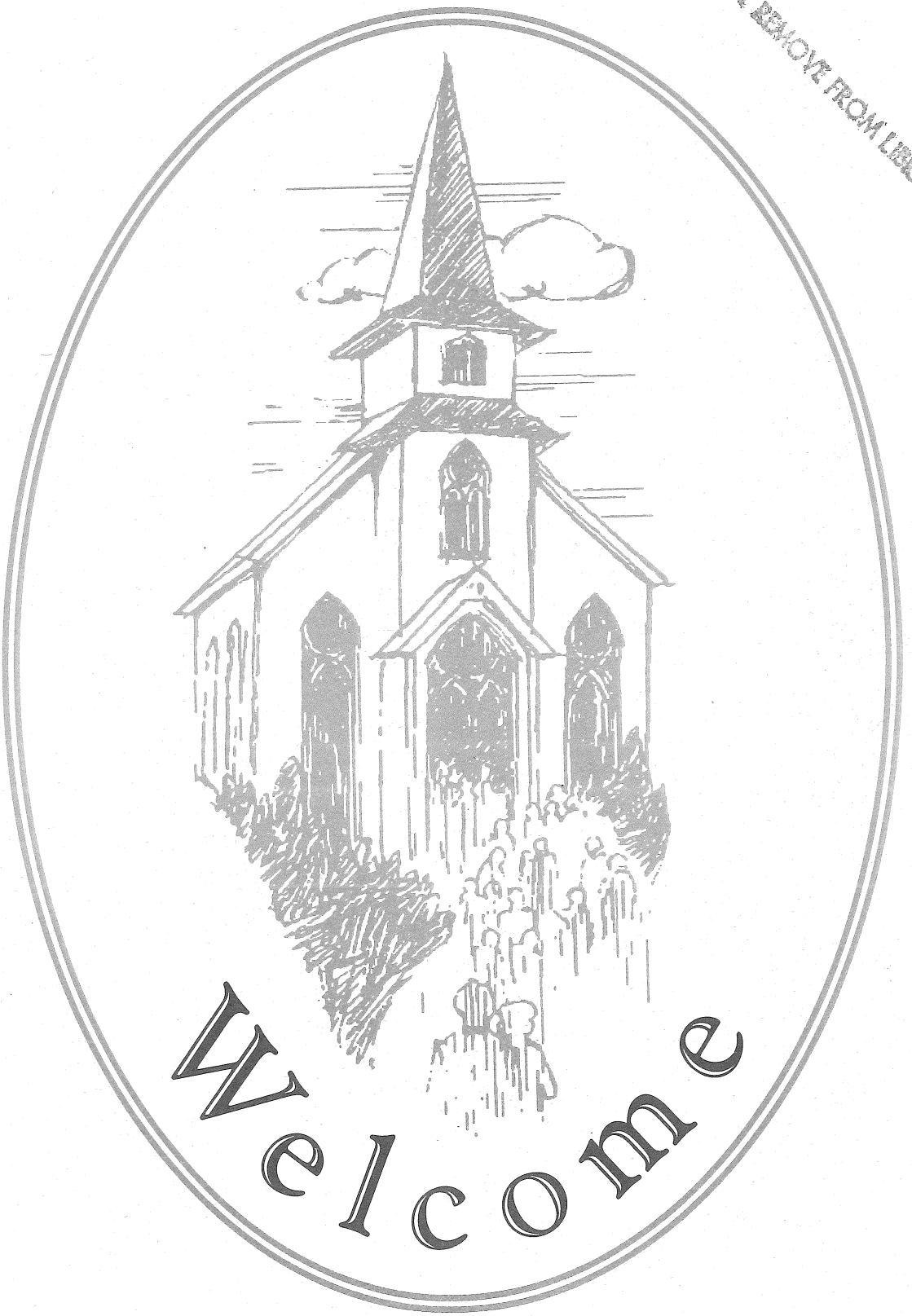
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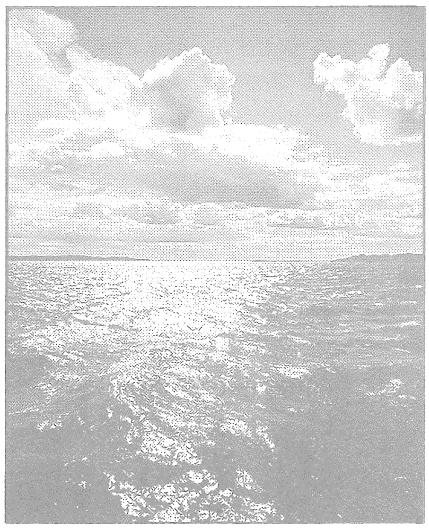
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Opening into Spirit

LAURA LEE PERKINS, Editor

Nature is a profound reminder of the abundance and beauty of our life process here on earth. The importance of recognizing the beauty of Spirit – in scent, vision, taste, smell and touch – is brought back into our awareness over and over and over. But each one of us is personally responsible for noticing these opportunities. Contemplating nature becomes a window for us into spiritual magnificence, allowing for an inner opening into Spirit. Are humans, with our densely conditioned minds, ready for a transformation of consciousness into deeper spiritual awareness?



Our world leadership has been, for the most part, comprised of egoic personalities. Each leader has been out to make a name for himself, using the disguise of "protecting the people" as a verbal defense for waging conflict. So we now have centuries upon centuries of egos fighting against egos – and no one ever really "wins." We cannot fight against the ego and win. Is the awareness – the light of consciousness – expanding throughout our world? I think it is and I believe that each one of us is a spark of that light. *We are the light that will bring forward change; we are the Voice of Infinite Intelligence on Earth.* As Spiritualists, we know the joy that comes from spreading light. Our beliefs help to eliminate fear and inspire trust through enlightened awareness. Our world is hungry for light, and we can feed that hunger.

Eckhart Tolle's popular book, *A New Earth*, states that the radical transformation of human consciousness is called enlightenment, which would be the greatest achievement of humanity. To recognize our own ego-based insanity, which has thrived on a mindset of "us against them," is the beginning of healing and transcendence. Our cultures took some of the greatest teachings of the most enlightened spiritual leaders and distorted these teachings to make them self-serving. But the Truth of these religions is the core that they all share. That Truth is that we are all inter-connected. Everything on Earth has come out of Spirit, and we are all interdependent on one another. And these old patterns, which eventually lead to self-destruction and back into darkness, have brought us to a critical time on our planet for all species. We have damaged and destroyed the very land, air and water that are essential for survival.

The history of our planetary behavior, in hindsight, looks reprehensible. We have misplaced the sense of sacredness in nature; we thought that we could manipulate, damage and destroy Earth's magnificence without having any lasting effect on humans. We were wrong. The spreading awareness of our interconnectedness, leading us deeper into spiritual awareness, is the only thing that can save the Earth and all of its inhabitants. Rather than admire and learn about magnificent animals such as gorillas, tigers and elephants, we have sought to kill and destroy them for trophies on our walls. What have we been thinking? Where has this repetitive divide and conquer mindset brought us?

Ancient cultures, including the Native American Indians, believed in the indwelling Spirit in everything. This is the Truth, and we have chosen to ignore it. It is about living in the "now" and using what you have, and not what you hope to buy in the future. The Truth is comprised of respect for all, and the Way is about being grateful for the gift of life.

Respect and gratitude express the Principles of Spiritualism out into the world. And learning to be a beacon of respect and gratitude comes from making conscious decisions about our behaviors. In our society, greed is rewarded as we amass and compare our possessions. To step out of this rut, we must remind ourselves – every single day – that we choose to walk a spiritually-based path. We choose to be grateful, and we choose to remember that all abundance comes from the Source of our Being. And we need to examine that to which we are emotionally attached. We must become aware of how we prioritize our attachments; Tolle states that this is the beginning of the transformation of consciousness, which will happen one person at a time.

This transformation of consciousness leads to more compassion, more understanding. It also leads into deeper wisdom and the experience of feeling more love. That sense of companionship, of a Presence that is always available, eliminates fear and brings more peacefulness into our lives. It helps us to live in the present with a sense of expanded openness for what simply "is." Resistance,

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which sets up rigidity internally, begins to dissolve and we flow with the warmth of spiritual awareness. We operate more and more from a position of connection, rather than separation. And we recognize that keeping things factual helps to eliminate emotionality in our daily lives. We simply become more accepting of the "now."

Spiritualism offers a path into the light of awareness. It is not the only path, but it is the one that we have chosen to honor and walk. Spiritualism has much to offer about the Natural Laws; whatever we choose to remain focused on actually becomes our reality, and we attract more and more of that into our lives. So it seems wise to choose respect and gratitude as a focal point for our daily practice, doesn't it? This involves "bearing witness" to our own thoughts and behaviors. We must each be our own internal observer as we strive to live within the present moment. What do you choose to have living within your mind and body? Whatever it is, that is what you are strengthening with each thought and action. Bearing witness to self is the key that unlocks the door into deeper levels of peace and happiness, because you are becoming more yourself. You are no longer living from others' expectations of what you "should" be; you are becoming comfortable within your own skin.

As human unconsciousness evolves into human consciousness, through our own decisions to become more aware, more connected, our planet will begin to heal. And as this happens, relations between countries will begin to heal and the power of co-operative interaction will lead us into deeper and deeper levels of wisdom and awareness. The potential for magnificence is not out there somewhere; the potential for magnificence is here right now!



When we learn to give, we can then receive. We cannot receive what we don't give. If you feel that you have everything, every moment of every day, that you need, you will attract more of that abundance into your life. But if you always feel the lack, if you perceive your life as being unfulfilled and empty, then you will attract more of that scarcity into your arena. Which would you prefer?

For myself, nature is the key to being in the present. Nature expresses the glorious abundance of creation, and when we connect with nature at a spiritual level, we are connecting with abundance. I choose to have more abundant experiences; those experiences can be magnetically attracted into my personal space when I feel grateful for the opportunity to sit by a rushing stream, to observe a colorful sunset, or to walk in the ocean's lapping waves along the shoreline. When I merge with nature I am both giving (gratitude) and receiving (spiritual rejuvenation). Nature is sacred; nature is perfect. It does not need weeding. Nature does not need improvement. Nature is perfect. Connecting with that perfection brings peace, joy and inner happiness because we are in touch with Infinite Intelligence at a conscious level. When you are in the present, fully enmeshed in nature, the ego shrinks away. The sense of time diminishes and there you are – enmeshed with Spirit. Ah! This is when you can create, when you are at your optimum level to receive. This is when happiness abounds in every cell in your body as it is released from the ego's imprisonment.

You are the Peace of God and all of the answers to your questions and concerns will arise out of this union. Solutions will appear. Out of the stillness of merging with nature, you will hear and know God. You will experience Grace, and out of that experience will come desire. You will desire to be of service, to bring more consciousness into the world, and you will desire to experience more Grace.

You will never go back to "not knowing." Your process of enlightenment has been initiated and it is a thrilling experience. You will become less resistant – more open. You will become less judgmental – more accepting. And you will experience less attachment to things and situations – you will *allow*. You will volunteer to become a channel for bringing more light into our world, and your inner purpose and outer purpose will merge into one presence. You will become a field of awareness both for yourself and others. You will let your light shine as your vibrational frequencies of conscious expand! The old unwanted ways of yearning and fearing – emotions that left you feeling unhappy and sad – will gradually leave.

As the sense of trust in the unknown future expands, opportunities will also expand because the fear that used to push these away is gone. Tolle says that when uncertainty is acceptable, you have increased aliveness, alertness and creativity. When you allow, synchronicity becomes common as stress subsides. You will enjoy increased energy levels as you move forward into deeper spiritual awareness because you will operate from a position of acceptance rather than resistance. You will feel the joy of life's pulsing, magnetic energy drawing you closer and closer to God. Your enthusiasm will fuel your efforts and will inspire others with aliveness and vitality. As you live from a position of inclusion, you will experience abundance as you manifest what you give. •

Many of the ideas for this month's editorial are based on concepts from Eckhart Tolle's book *A NEW EARTH*, published in 2005 by Penguin Group.

The Continuity of Life

MARY MONTGOMERY, Illinois

I believe in the continuity of life. After my dad died, Mom was gifted with several signs of his continued existence. Since her passing, I have been so gifted. Let me share those gifts with you.

The week prior to my mom's sudden entrance into the hospital, I was driving along the Eisenhower Expressway and exited at California due to heavy traffic. I merged into traffic behind a car with this bumper sticker "Let Go and Let God."

A few minutes later, I turned north and found myself behind a vehicle with this license plate LOVE. I felt great support from my spiritual guides—little did I know just how much I would rely on that support in the coming weeks.

My mom passed away on Oct. 22, 2007. On the night after her transition I had two dreams. In the first dream, I was in a hospital room, very white, like it was created of light. There were beings there, dressed in white surgical gowns, tending to the patient, my mother. There was a sense for me of peace and of having done the right thing for her. It was as if I was seeing my mom in a place of rest and recuperation after the struggle of earth life. I woke up feeling very comforted.

Later, when I meditated about this dream, I saw an image of an arm with an IV line going into it. The message was, "Our sincere prayers help them heal."

In the second dream, I saw a series of last names that were flashed in front of me. Each time, the last three letters of the name were reversed. For example, one name ended in "ski" and was reversed to "iks." The message was that people who make their transition from earthly life go through a process that reverses the wear and tear of the world.

Mom's funeral was October 29, 2007. The day after the funeral, I went back to the funeral home to pick up the photo board and some plants. I parked in the lot and went in to gather my things. When I returned to the lot, there, right next to my car, was a hawk, just walking around on the asphalt. I approached slowly and the bird flew up and over my car and started walking around by the passenger side where mom would always ride. I walked over to that side and the bird flew up into the trees. For me, birds like falcons and hawks symbolize clear seeing, and being able to see clearly and accurately even from a great distance. My mother was legally blind for the last nine years or so of her life. She always said, "I'll be able to see again in heaven." Was this a sign from her that she could see again? Or just a bird that hung around the funeral home?



I checked with the director and he said they had never seen a bird like this one before. All I know is that in all the years that falcons have been in Chicago, I have never seen a bird like this before. Yes, I believe this was a sign from my mom.

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Sir Arthur Conan Doyle – Quotes to Tickle You

- Joking with Doyle during a rehearsal for one of his plays, a young three-pound-a-week actor called Charlie suggested that he and Sir Arthur should pool their incomes and take half each for the rest of their lives. Though amused by the proposal, Doyle declined for obvious reasons. "I don't think so, Mr. Chaplain," he replied.
- In later life, Doyle became a fervent Spiritualist and gave many public lectures on the subject. At one of these meetings, gesticulating enthusiastically as he spoke, he accidentally spilled a glass of water over some of the reporters in the front row. "So sorry," said Doyle. "I seem to have baptized you, even if I don't succeed in converting you!"
- When Doyle did not arrive for a scheduled lecture on Spiritualism, Cambridge students mounted a placard bearing the announcement: "Sir Arthur Conan Doyle has failed to materialize."
- As part of his belief in the spiritual world, Doyle thought communication with the dead was possible. A friend once asked him to visit a fellow author who was seriously ill. "I'll call in tomorrow," promised Doyle... "Tomorrow could be too late – he may not last the night," said his friend... "In that case," replied Doyle breezily, "I'll speak to him next week."



A Spiritual Giver of 'Peace'!

THE REV. WILLIAM E. BUCHHOLZ, Iowa

May the blessings of Infinite Intelligence be with us this day! Our nation is fighting for peace in Iraq, while we're living in a dark state of mind here at home. Darkness resides within me while watching the news and seeing pictures of soldiers lost in battle. I have talked to many people through the years who are trying hard to deal with the death of a child or loved one. I tell them there is still life within the spirit of that individual. It eases their minds some, but inner emptiness still takes the front row.

A Spiritualist viewpoint is often like a suture in a wound in the mind. It helps to reassure a mind starving for peace, but such pain never fully goes away during the rest of lifetime. We don't know about feelings of hereafter, but if 'life after death' is as we hope and believe it is, we should be able to meet our loved one once more.

We must find a church within our mind. There is found a sanctuary to enter, and close the door when trouble and sorrow haunt us. May we there find a God-given spiritual 'crying-rag' to soak up our inner tears, a sort of silent megaphone to shout out our emotions, and a special God-given friend to talk to, even when we seem unable to find one in this mortal plane of life. Infinite Intelligence speaks and works everywhere, and in fact is EVERYTHING!

Peace of mind is hard to find. When I try to look for it, I go to a place I discovered August 8, 1999 with a poem I wrote:

A HEAVENLY CHURCH

Though I can't find a church on earth
That I can visit tenderly,
Then, just perhaps, at Heaven's gates,
Is one which fits me perfectly.

A road of cobblestones winds gently
Up a hill of greenest grass.
Unlike earth's, it gives acceptance
To all believers who may pass.

Catholics, Jews, even non-believers,
Looking for a place to rest,
Will not feel they must make detours,
As another thinks THEY'RE best!

Methodists, and Moslems, too,
May travel upward hand-in-hand.
Spiritualists (Oh, my, the spacing!)
Like the others, won't be banned.

Each at last, arrives at hilltop,
And for a moment, find dismay,
Since temples, shrines, and small wood chapels
Seemingly have flown away.

Not even wooden crosses stand tall.
Only tall, green, wooden trees.
And each one standing seems to whisper:
"Within us, ALL your churches see!!

Churches are not walls and windows.
Green, sparkling grass are tiny pews.
And altars (whether simple...fancy...)
Come first from US instead of YOU!

Oh, you may stand or kneel among us.
How you worship is YOUR choice.
But please remember, God's been speaking.
Trees otherwise would have no voice.

So, as I find this church in heaven,
May I know, too, it's here on earth.
Oh, please excuse me! Leaves are rustling.
I must dress to go to church!

Searching for a heavenly church, we touch into Nature. Nature allows us to feel and talk more directly to Infinite Intelligence. A breath of fresh air helps hopes, dreams, and mental awareness awaken within us. The voice of God can make itself known...if we move into the proper state of mind. Whether we are near noisy engines, loud radios, ringing cell phones, or busy streets, we can enter into mental silence through exercise of our spiritual faculties. Fresh air should fill our nostrils, grass and trees be in our sight, while we listen to the animals, come morning, noon or night.

Rain must not be criticized,
if it falls upon our brow,
God's most important blessing
has three letters, spelling 'NOW'!!!

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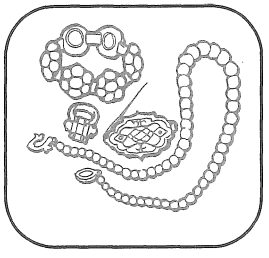
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The National Spiritualist-Summit often features writings from students who are currently taking courses from the Morris Pratt Institute. Featured this month is an essay written by ***Lawrence J. Roesler, Florida.***

I was 31 when she passed to spirit and I will never forget that day. My mother was only 54 and although she had diabetes, it was not considered life threatening. The day before she passed she had called me to her home. My father was in the hospital with one of his many imaginary heart attacks, although at the time we did not know he was having them just to get attention. He was in intensive care because they did not want to take any chances.

I went to my mother's house and she asked me to sit down with her at the kitchen table. She had lit a candle for my father to be healed. She told me that I was here on earth at this time for a great purpose – although I did not understand what that meant. She then told me how her deceased parents had come to her bed that morning and said it was her time. She showed me the clothing she wanted to be laid out in and described the jewelry as well. To say this made me feel uncomfortable would be an understatement.



As we sat talking, for no apparent reason since all the windows and doors were shut, the candle blew out; I could feel the cold air suddenly surround us. She tried in vain to relight the candle but it would not happen. My first thought was that my father had just passed. Again my mother emphasized the importance of my life and that I should be ready, for the day would come to fulfill my obligation to man. We kissed and hugged as I left to go to the hospital to check on my father. My mother stayed at home as she wanted to rest.

When I reached the hospital my father was very much alive but angry. It seems that between the time I left their house and got to the hospital, they had an intense argument over the telephone. My father was really mad because she wouldn't answer his calls back after he had hung up on her in anger. He begged me to go back and tell her to call him right away.

In my soul I knew what had happened, but in my mind I didn't want to accept it. I drove back to their home and saw an ambulance out front. My mother's best friend was in the house and stopped me as I rushed in. She told me my mother was gone. "Where?" I asked, knowing she didn't drive and had only one leg. Then I saw the paramedics coming out of the bedroom. They took me aside and told me she had a massive heart attack in her sleep.

I could feel her presence in the house and the comfort she provided me was wonderful. I heard her voice in my head saying she was happier now than ever and someday I would understand why. After they took her lifeless body out on a stretcher and her friend left, I sat alone in the house with her spirit. She led me to her secret hiding place where she kept her jewelry. It was behind a fake wall panel; I would have never found it on my own. I got everything together that she asked for and when I got to her engagement ring, she instructed me to keep it close to me for remembrance of her. I eventually had the stone reset into a ring which I wear.

There is so much more to this story than what I can write here, but I wanted to share it with you, to underline how powerful Lesson #5 was for me. I now understand what she meant about being in a "happier place," for I felt hurt at the time that she could be happier some place without me. I also understand what she meant by my purpose in this life.

One more thing, if I may, I order my lessons in groups of three, along with the required reading books. I label each book with a sticky note as to the proper lesson it is to be read with. Somehow, and I think I know how, the sticker was moved from Lesson #5 to Lesson #4 on *Life after Life* by Raymond Moody Jr. M.D. which is why it was included in Lesson #4's essay. I guess my mother wanted me to read it sooner so I would have a better understanding of Lesson #5. There is no other explanation as there is no one else in my home but my wife and dog, and neither would ever disturb my desk. Thanks Mom!

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LIVING TO DIE THAT I MAY DIE TO LIVE

By Lawrence J. Roesler

Death shall perplex me
never more,
For Spiritual Enlightenment
has opened the door.

What once seemed dark,
a distant despair,
Now fills my soul
with a breath of fresh air.

I live each day
for knowledge to learn,
Even though for death
my soul does yearn.

I'm in no hurry
to die you see,
Even though it means
my soul will be free.

No longer to be burdened
by earthly desires,
Upon my death I wish
no mourning criers.

I beg you not
to shed any tears,
For I go to a place
where there are no fears.

If my work here be
moral and true,
Then maybe I have reached
even you.

I ask for no earthly
words of acclaim,
Just an opportunity to
live once again.

You see I believe
with all that I am,
That our life does not end
as our last breath can.

There are many written words
that teach us so.
For you see Modern Spiritualism
continues to grow.

I beg you take heed
of these words I say,
For there are spirit guides
willing to show you the way.

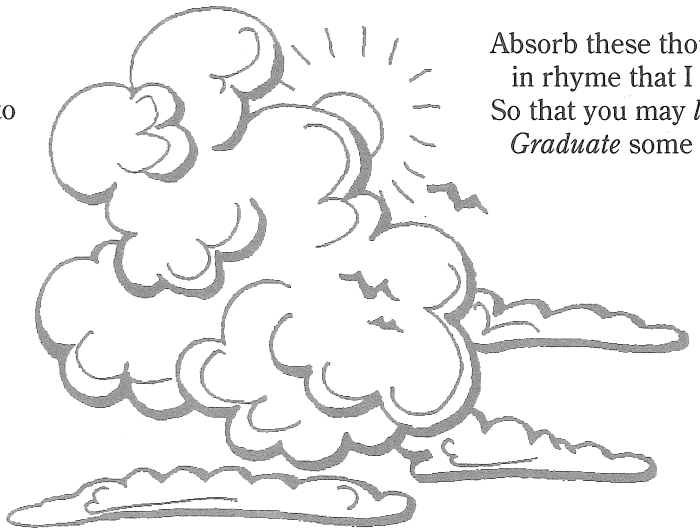
Now when that day comes
and for all it must,
When you look down upon your body
as it turns to dust,

You will inhabit a place
full of peace and love,
A feeling so light you will fly
like a dove.

If you lived your life
moral and true,
And have shown others the way
as I show it to you,

Then we have lived right to die
though a graduation it be,
So we died to live
a better life you see.

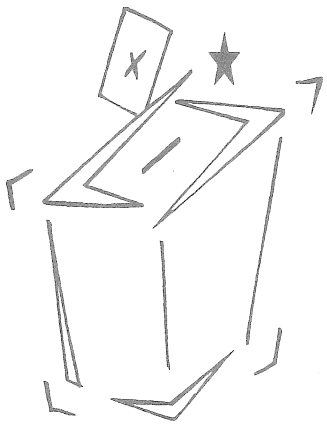
Absorb these thoughts
in rhyme that I say,
So that you may *live* to
Graduate some day.



Nothing New Under the Sun, Horatio

THE REV. MARILYN J. AWTRY

As the world turns, we look back into our history to form a foundation for our understanding. At the moment, the media, television, and the web flash before us the news of the day. Yes, it's talking about the unlikely happening of a woman and an African American running for the highest office in the land – President of the United States. To many, it seems a surprise that such would be happening – to others it seems like old hat.



On March 10, 1872, the Equal Rights Party nominated the **first** woman to run for the Presidency of the United States. Her name was Victoria Claflin Woodhull (Martin). She was born in Ohio into a poor family on September 23, 1838. At a young age, her father took Victoria and her sister on a road-show as magnetic healers and clairvoyants. This was long before she joined the ranks of Spiritualism that culminated in her becoming the President of the American Association of Spiritualists. Although many of our early pioneers belonged to this organization, others were in direct opposition to it.

Victoria had a colorful life from the roadways as a healer and clairvoyant, to become the first female stockbroker on the New York Stock Exchange along with her sister, Tennessee. She and her sister established a paper, Woodhull & Claflin's Weekly that became noted for publishing controversial opinions on taboo topics. They advocated woman's suffrage, Spiritualism, short skirts, free love, vegetarianism, licensed prostitution and birth control. Victoria's experience as a lobbyist and businesswoman taught her how to penetrate the all-male domain of national politics. Suffrages postponed their meeting to hear her address to the House Judiciary Committee. She argued women already had the right to vote – all they had to do was use it – since the 14th and 15th amendments granted that right to all citizens.

Yes, we have the **first woman and first Spiritualist** to be nominated for the Presidency of the United States in 1872. The next important issue is that a former slave, Frederick Douglas, was nominated as Vice President. Although Woodhull was nominated, they say her name did not appear on the ballot. At that time ballots were not prepared by the Government, but by the party. Whether or not her name appeared on the ballot cannot be confirmed because no Equal Rights Party ballots for 1872 have been preserved. They claimed she did not meet the constitutionally mandated age of 35. Any excuse would do, for they feared Victoria. Supporters say her popular votes were not counted because of gender discrimination and prejudice against her views.

A U.S. Postage Stamp was issued in her honor in 1998. On April 21, 2002, Victoria Claflin Woodhull was inducted into the National Women's Hall of Fame.

The next name appearing in the listing of important women was Belva Ann McNall Lockwood (nee Bennett), born in 1830. She was an American attorney, reformer, author, feminist and women's rights advocate. In 1884, the Equal Rights Party nominated her as their candidate for the Presidency. Like Woodhull, she, too, was a woman before her time.

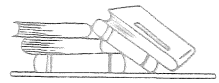
In 1872, she secured the passage of a law granting equal pay for equal work to women employees in the federal government. In 1873, she was admitted to the bar in Washington, D.C. In 1897, a judge ruled she could not work as a lawyer in Maryland, telling her, "Women are not needed in the courts. Their place is in the home to wait upon their husbands, to bring up the children, to cook the meals, make beds, polish pans and dust furniture." This did not set well with strong-minded Belva.

In 1876, she drafted an anti-discrimination bill which would permit women to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court and lobbied for it until 1879. On March 3, 1879, she was sworn in as the first woman member of the U.S. Supreme Court Bar. In 1880, she became the first woman to argue a case before the U.S. Supreme court. She wrote congressional amendments granting suffrage to women in the new states of Oklahoma, Arizona, and New Mexico.

Although in 1884, she was the **second** woman to run for the Presidency, she was the **first** to be put on the ballot by the Equal Rights Party. However, Grover Cleveland won that race. In 1888, she ran again, unsuccessfully. And no wonder, for women were not allowed to vote at that time. Although she received one-half the electoral vote in Oregon and a large vote in Pennsylvania, the votes were not counted, but dumped into waste baskets as false votes. Her running mates were Marietta Stow and Charles Stuart Wells, respectfully.

Belva Ann Lockwood was often a controversial writer,

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READING MATTERS

A NEW EARTH

reviewed by
KATE SMITH, Illinois

Greetings Beloved,

If you haven't heard, Eckhart Tolle's ***A NEW EARTH – Awakening to Your Life's Purpose*** has moved into mass awareness by Oprah's embrace.

Now I've got to tell ya', I've been put to sleep by Eckhart's six CD set ***REALIZING THE POWER OF NOW***...and never seem to consult my fifty-two Inspiration Card deck of Tolle's ***THE POWER OF NOW***.

However, when two of my artist/client/friends began bombarding me with quotes and links to the first on line classroom session that Oprah and Eckhart had, I figured I'd better download and deck in...if only for no other reason, self-defense.

After listening to the first session, I went out and purchased ***A NEW EARTH***.

Folks, I am *thrilled* to report that for me there had been nothing *more beautiful, more impact-filled* than the way Eckhart breaks down the construct of ego...its identity building patterns and feeding processes.

For the first time in my life I have *finally* been able to experience detachment from ego...LOL...and, *Oh Joy*, I've been able to momentarily 'set mind aside' and *repeat the experience.*

Paraphrasing Pages 62-63: *Nonreaction to the ego in others is one of the most effective ways not only of going beyond ego in yourself but also of dissolving the collective human ego. But you can only be in a state of nonreaction if you can recognize someone's behavior as coming from ego, as being an expression of the collective human dysfunction. When you realize it's not personal, there is no longer a compulsion to react as if it were. Nonreaction is not weakness but strength. Another word for nonreaction is forgiveness. To forgive is to overlook, or rather to look through. You look through the ego to the sanity that is in every human being as his or her essence.*

Page 47: *You realize your true identity as consciousness itself, rather than what consciousness had identified with. That is the peace of God. The ultimate truth of who you are is not I am this or I am that, but I AM.*

If yours is a desire to see the *loving essence.* In everyone/everything...and to have access to the skills with which to connect more deeply and fully in our oneness...witnessed by that which is reflected back to you...*our Spark of the Divine!* I highly recommend Tolle's ***A NEW EARTH – Awakening to Your Life's Purpose***.

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"Faith is the bird that feels the light and sings when the dawn is still dark."

NOTHING NEW UNDER THE SUN

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determined, practical and energetic. She spent the rest of her life campaigning for women's rights and international peace. She established the International Peace Bureau. The most important case in which she participated was that brought against the United States by the Cherokee people for damages resulting from encroachments on their territory. The Cherokees were awarded damages totaling $5 million.

In World War II, the U.S. liberty ship, the SS Belva Lockwood, was named in her honor. The New York State Library and Archives in Albany has a Belva Ann Lockwood Collection 1830-1917. Her life-size portrait is in the National Portrait Gallery in Washington, D.C. In 1986, a U. S. Postage Stamp was issued in her honor. Belva Ann Lockwood was inducted into the National Women's Hall of Fame on June 18, 1986. She is buried in the Congressional Cemetery in Washington, D.C.

Time changes all things. For years and years, the candidates for highest office in the land have been predominantly men. However, the time for change has come; a woman and an African American on the campaign trail, seeking Presidency of the United States, seems apropos. •

Note: Although we have often understood that Belva Lockwood was a Spiritualist, research reveals no affiliation with Spiritualism. Her husband, Ezekial was a lay Baptist preacher.

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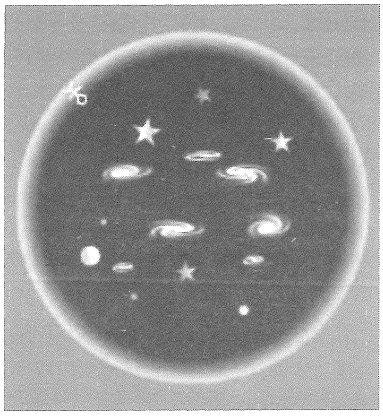
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Are Orbs Real?

This past April (2008), Lynn and I flew USAir to Florida to visit my cousin Judy in Ft. Myers Florida. Judy had moved down to Florida from Massachusetts after she retired. Her brother moved there a few years earlier and he loved the location. As a result, Judy bought a home just four houses down the road from him and she invited family members to visit.

Our stay with Judy was quiet and uneventful until we visited the Koreshan Unity historic site in Estero, just a few miles south of Ft. Meyers. The Koreshan plantation was home to a placid, but unusual, cult founded in 1894 by Dr. Cyrus Teed. Dr. Teed was a very religious man who went by the name "Koresh" from the book of Isaiah 44:28. He believed that god was a woman, that the universe and sun were inside out with the heavens being a sphere in the center of a concave world. The Koreshanites were celibate, resulting in no offspring, and the cult finally died out with the passing of the last Koreshan, Ms. Hedwig Michel.



Koreshan belief included a hollow, concave earth.

At its height in early 1900's, the plantation was a self-sustaining community. The site consisted of 300 acres with a three-story community-dining hall, sawmill, boat works, steam laundry, printing house, concrete works, post office, gas station, performing "Art Hall" and general store with a very successful bakery. They also generated their own electricity.

The day of our visit at the Koreshan Plantation, the "Earth Day" celebration was in full swing. There were wall-to-wall people, vendors and exhibits throughout the site. There was a live band and music piped throughout the compound through loud speakers. It was quite some visit, with activities throughout the site. We must have taken about 30 pictures throughout the day and a few were very note-worthy. A camp visitor took the first one below, and later we sited the diamond orb, similar to the ones at the Vesta Newcomb cottage in our second picture. Is there a connection, maybe?



This second photo was taken in front of the "Vesta Newcomb" cottage.



Photo taken by guest outside of the 'Arts Hall'
Notice the diamond orb at the right, in front of the railing.

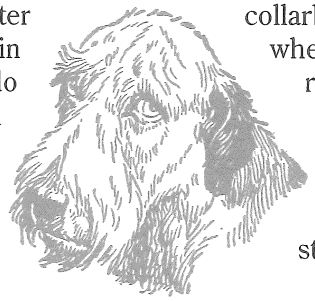
Vesta Newcomb was an early Koreshan who lived in this building up to the time of her death at age 96 in 1974. You can see the many diamond shaped orbs behind Lynn on the right (and on her pants) and the smaller ones behind Judy on the left. Additionally, you can see the flashback from my camera when the picture was taken. There is a 'Plexiglas' wall set into the doorway about three feet back and in an 'L' shape pattern. I assume it is used to

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Love Is All You Need!

CHER DYLE, Illinois

In 2006, our dog made his transition over Memorial Day weekend. We were travelling in the car—taking a trip over the long weekend, when he had a heart attack and passed. My husband and I were in shock for days and then our grief caught up to us. I felt so sad, in part because I wondered/felt that I should have kept a better eye on him—I should have known he was 'in trouble.' But there was just no time to do anything to help him except hold him and tell him everything would be all right.



For weeks I prayed that if I had done something that might have hurt him, if I was negligent in my watch, that I would be forgiven.

Well, it was about 10 weeks later on a Saturday morning as I laid on the couch watching the Dog Show on cable. Shaggy and I would often lie on the couch in the early morning after his walk, enjoying the dog competition together while I sipped a cup of coffee. This morning the scent of wild meadow flowers and clover and a slightly wet dog caught my attention. It's the scent of Shaggy after running through the fields in the early morning at our farm. I breathed in this beautiful scent and then I felt a little pressure on my chest...two distinct points of contact made about two inches below my collarbone, one on each side of the midline. That's where Shaggy's paws would lie with his head resting between them. The impressions of touch and scent didn't last longer than three or four minutes, but I felt that my prayers had been answered. This beloved one had come back to say hello, to say he's well and that he still loves me.

Since then there have been a couple of Shaggy sightings and he's happy and healthy and running about the way he did—full of joy. My heart swells when he's near.

It was love that connected us from the first time we saw him and it's love that continues to bring us together. So much in this world 'ends,' but love always endures. •

MORRIS PRATT INSTITUTE INFORMATION

The Morris Pratt Institute has added another session for this year.

The added session will be in **Fairfax, Virginia, September 26-29** and **October 24-27, 2008**. The instructor is The Rev. Barbara Starr, NST.

The **Milwaukee, Wisconsin** split-session (2008/2009), taught by The Rev. Cosie Allen, NST, is scheduled for **October 25-31, 2008** with the second half running **April 4-10, 2009** (subject to change).

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stop visitors from entering the room and for protecting the inside of the building from the environment. I use the flash all the time, even in bright sunlight. Some believe orbs use the energy from the flash to send back their location. Interestingly enough, we went back a few days afterwards and took some pictures and not one orb was located at the compound site during that second visit.

A conclusion on what was photographed is up to the individual. We present these images in hopes to better understand the "ORB Phenomena" and report on them. We do know of many ways false orbs can be made. But if there is just one 'real orb' picture taken, then there must be others waiting to be captured on film or digitally. For additional resources on orbs, read *The Orb Project* by retired university president Dr. Miceal Ledwith, D.D., LL.D and NASA consultant/scientist Dr. Klaus Heinemann, Ph.D.

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Positive Statements To Help Create a Positive Day.

Affirmations . . . SEPTEMBER 2008

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Make Labor Day a labor of LOVE.	**2** Bag your troubles.	**3** Thank Infinite Intelligence every day.	**4** See beauty in all of God's creations.	**5** Measure success by the heart's rule of thumb.	**6** In order to hear, you must listen.
7 Be ever humble.	**8** Happiness happens!	**9** You can't find it if you don't seek!	**10** Spirituality is a work in process.	**11** Join the family of Spirit.	**12** Happiness dwells within…let it escape!	**13** Bloom in beauty.
14 Faith flows through every cell.	**15** Look for your purpose each day.	**16** Sing praises of joy!	**17** Help the needy.	**18** When low in spirit, get high on God!	**19** Your heart always wants to be hopeful.	**20** Caring hearts exude generosity.
21 Challenges have great potential imbedded in them.	**22** Singing from the soul brings joy to the heart.	**23** Your life *is* the greatest gift! Open the Package.	**24** Always walk close to Thee.	**25** Each new day is filled with promise.	**26** Forgive the past, live in the present, look to the future.	**27** Go forth and multiply *joy*!
28 A kind word soothes the soul.	**29** Achieve your goals through focused effort and trust.	**30** Invisible strings of love bind us together.	*This month's affirmations were written by Nancy Ashworth of Missouri.*			



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ORLANDO - Spiritualist Church of Awareness, NSAC • 3210 N. Chickasaw Trail (mail to P.O. Box 4010, Winter Park, FL 32792), (407) 678-3688; Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m.; Wed. Serv. 7:30 p.m.; Healing, Sermon, Messages at all services; Sun. Children Lyceum; Pastors, Rev. E. Ann Otzelberger, NST, (407) 826-0807 and Rev. Jean Kerr Lerch, NST, (407) 719-9790; Pres./Asst. Pastor, Rev. Elaine Hager, NST; Secy., Stacy K. Davis, (407) 658-7624; Spiritualistchurchofawareness.org.

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MICHIGAN CITY - Spiritual Science Church, NSAC, Inc. • 314 W. Coolspring Ave., 46360; Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m.; Pastor, John Kampf, (574) 298-5080; All corresp., Spiritual Science Church, 1506 Farrand, LaPorte, 46350.

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CLINTON - Mississippi Valley Spiritualist Assoc. Camp • 2140 Jersey Ridge Rd., Davenport, 52803; Secy., Holly K. Chase, (563) 650-1188; 2007 Camp Season 7-7-07 thru 8-17-07.

CLINTON - Sunflower Spiritualist Church • 10 Mt. Pleasant Park; Mail to: P.O. Box 6, 52733-0006; Sun. Serv. at 10:00 a.m.

DAVENPORT - Spiritualist Harmony Church • 1429 W. Seventh St., 52802-1212, (563) 324-9659; Sun. Healing Serv. 1:30 p.m.; Worship & Message Serv. 2:00 p.m.; Secy./Treas., Rev. William Buchholz, (563) 326-3201.

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CANTON - Pinpoint of Light Spiritualist Center • Mail Address: PO Box 69, Paris ME 04271; Sun. Serv. 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., followed by a potluck lunch; Classes Thursday 7:30 - 9:00 p.m; Pres., Laurie Xanthos; For more information, call (207) 562-7555.

MADISON - Madison Spiritualist Camp • Located at Historic Lakewood Village, Rt. 201, six miles north of Skowhegan. Camp season runs July & August; Camp (207) 474-0124. Off season, contact Pres., Sue Jalbert, CH at (207) 655-6673 or Secy., Betty Simpson at (207) 848-2273; For program information and events, visit our website at www.madisoncamp.org.

NORTHPORT - Temple Heights Spiritual Camp Assoc. • Shore Road with Penobscot Bay view. Pres. Ernie Van Den Bossche. Camp runs mid-May-Labor Day w/different medium each week offering private readings by appt. Church services Sun. @ 2:30 & Thur. @ 7:30 PM. Message Circles @ 7:30 PM Wed & Sat. Workshop Sat. morning, Seance Tues. @ 7:30 PM, Social Enlightenment Fri. @ 7:30 PM, "How Do Mediums Do That" class Sun. @ 12:30 PM. Lodging available. During Camp Season Ph: (207) 338-3029 / Off-season contact Sec. Tamara Jetton, 21 Old Windsor Rd., South China, ME 04358 or Email thsc@mainespiritualism.org Website: www.templeheightscamp.org.

NORTHPORT - Temple Heights Spiritualist Church • Shore Road, Northport; Services 2:30 p.m. Sundays at Temple Heights Spiritual Camp from May to October and at Excelsior Lodge on the corner of Shore Rd. and Cove Rd. Northport, from Nov. 1 to April 30; Pres, Janice Nelson (207) 845-2885; Sec/Treas., Jean Bower, 159 Northport Ave., Belfast 04915-6003 - (207) 338-1355.

PORTLAND AREA - Portland Spiritualist Church • 719 Main St., (Unitarian Universalist Church), Westbrook; Mailing Address: P.O. Box 6551 PTS, 04102; Sun. Serv. 6:30 p.m.; Fri. Class 7:30 p.m.; Pres., Rev. Graham Connolly, (207) 655-6673; e-mail: pschurch@maine.rr.com; website: www.portlandspiritualistchurch.org.

SCARBOROUGH - Inner Light Spiritualist Church • Gov. King Masonic Lodge, Rt. 1; Sun. Healing 10:00 a.m.; Service 10:30 a.m. to 12:00; Rev. Gloria Nye, (207) 786-4401; http://www.innerlight-church.org.

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

SPRINGFIELD - The First Spiritualist Church of Springfield, Inc. • 33-37 Bliss St., 01105, (413) 732-1234; Worship Serv., Sun. after Labor Day until last Sun. in June at 10:30 a.m.; Development classes upon sign-up; Info on web site: springfield.spiritualistchurch.net; Pastor, Rev. John Sullivan, Box 392, Worthington, 01098 - (413) 238-5344, e-mail: sully1942@hughes.net; Sec. Denise St Pierre, e-mail: denise1957@hughes.net.

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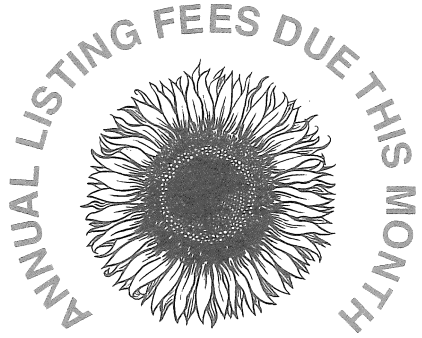
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Choice

KEVIN BEANEY, Illinois

I would like to explore something that is a deep part of human nature: the fact that we can make choices—that we can choose. How often each day do we make choices? We choose when we are making a major decision, such as what school to attend or what car to buy. But less obvious are the small choices we make each day, each hour, each minute. Will I step on that bug? When I sit down on the bus, do I smile at the person next to me or do I avoid eye contact?

These choices that we make are both cause and effect. They give us direction to move forward and they serve as building blocks for future action. Put together, they can be a history of our life. If someone asks you, "Why are we here in the physical?" the easiest answer you can give is that we came into this existence to make choices. Each of us is different. How do each of us experience and remember life? Do we remember incidents the same way? Is our recollection the same after many years pass?



Let's say I am driving down the highway and there is something off to the side, in the grass—a small black pile. I'm listening to the radio and trying to defend myself from other drivers when, out of the corner of my eye, I see it on the side of the road. As I go speeding past, my thought is formed by my previous experiences. I might think, "It looks like someone threw their trash out the window." I don't have a very high opinion of drivers at that moment.

The person who is trying to pass me may catch a glimpse of it. Maybe he thinks it is a dead animal; he's been preoccupied about death lately. Another driver sees it and she's seen people moving recently and thinks this is something that accidentally fell from the truck. Another person driving by, preoccupied by talking on his cell phone, may not see the object at all. So what is the object? Imagine bringing all of these people into one room a few days later and asking, "Did you see anything on the side of the highway recently?" What answers would you get?

This is the human experience. We are each traveling in our own consciousness. We are each experiencing a separate existence. Even in the same room, subjected to the same forces, people will have separate experiences. My father has twin sisters. When they were growing up, people would frequently confuse the two of them. Being close to them, I could tell my two aunts apart. Today, as senior citizens, they look the same physically, share many of the same habits and mannerisms, but they are two different people.

And so it is with each one of us. We are distinct. We came into the world with some basic building blocks and a set of rules surrounding us—maybe we grew up in poverty, struggling each day for basic needs. Maybe we were born into a middle class family where we could get by physically, but without any clear purpose in life.

We owe it to ourselves and others to pause and consider how our actions may affect others. Do I follow that advice or do I choose my ego? The ego is the heavy backpack we are all given when we come into this world. It is filled with advice on how to make itself feel comfortable at the expense of others. Do we follow its advice or do we remember that the better path is the path of Spirit, the path of God, which quite simply means the path of love.

Yes, we have choices to make. One of the Spiritualist principles talks about how we make our own happiness or unhappiness as we obey or disobey nature's physical and spiritual laws. *The Course in Miracles* teaches that choices really come down to two possibilities: choosing the path of love or following the ego. We always have the ability to choose. If we are to improve our experience on this stage called life, then the choice is clear; God's love is always there. It's our choice.

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May the Light of Love emerge from your hearts with boundless energies,
And may it spread throughout the world with timeless speed,
So that all will walk on the path of the Great Spirit.

– Mary Sigurdsson

www.souledout.org

These samples from www.souledout.org *are in alignment with Spiritualism. Here are many wonderful tools that can be used to enhance our classes and to expand our spiritual connections in both visual and audio formats. This website has a vast scope, and one can have a fascinating couple of hours reading, comparing, and choosing information that feels "right" for you.*

- **TRANSITION** – As humanity becomes soul conscious, death will be seen as an ordered process, carried out in full consciousness and with an understanding of cyclic purpose. Death is not a closed door, it's an open one—and we go through it. Conscious living leads to conscious dying.

- **PEACE** – *A message to be taught prior to any future peace consists of the following three clear and practical truths. – Alice A. Bailey*

#1 The Principle of Sharing

The errors and mistakes of past centuries are the joint errors and mistakes of humanity as a whole. This recognition will lead to the establishing of the principle of sharing, so needed in the world today.

#2 The Principle of Responsibility

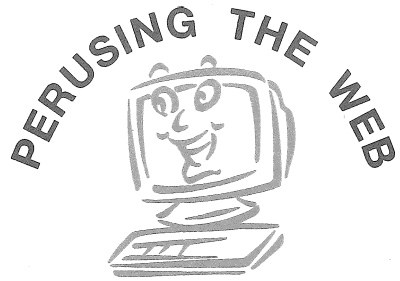
There is a blood relationship between all men and women which, when recognized, dissolves all barriers and ends the spirit of separativeness and hate. The peace and happiness of each is the concern of all. This develops the principle of responsibility and lays the foundation of right united group action.

#3 The Principle of Cooperation

There are no problems or conditions which cannot be solved by the will-to-good. Goodwill nourishes the spirit of understanding and fosters the manifestation of the principle of cooperation. This cooperative spirit is the secret of all right human relations and the enemy of competition.

(Meditative impressions on these principles can be accessed through links provided.)

- **The Basic Truths To Date** – These basic truths never change because they are related to the nature of Deity Itself. They have become apparent to mankind through revelation, as evolution has proceeded and man has developed the needed perceptive faculties and the required persistence of search, plus the unfolding of the inner light of the soul. These truths, inherent in the divine nature, reveal the soul of God.



They are:

1. The Law of Compassion

This is the truth of right relationship, of loving understanding, of actively expressed Love. It is the foundation of brotherhood and the expression of the inner unity. Compassion includes the realization that We Are All One and the manifestation of the kingdom of God on Earth, bringing our planet into the realm of the sacred.

Compassion is known as Universal Love, having no relation to sentiment or to affection. When we identify with all beings, true compassion is known. Only then is the Divine within revealed to us. Love, service and sacrifice are the embodiment and expression of true compassion. Compassion knows well the value of "the good of the many" over "the good of the one." Together these become the good of The One, the best for the whole of humanity.

To invoke the Law of Compassion is our service. In calling it to mind we begin to see the "Truth" of right human relations – that God ever loves us and we ever love God and each other. We are One.

2. The Fact of God (Infinite Intelligence)

This is the truth that Being is God Immanent and God Transcendent; it involves the recognition of the great Whole and the related part; it is the knowledge of divinity, ascertained through right relationship and identity of origin. It is the revelation of God, pervading all that is (God Immanent), and of that same life, providing that still greater cosmic relation (God Transcendent) which is the final guarantee of all progress and of progressive revelation. This is the answer of Life Itself to the demands of humanity, to the enquiries of science and to the whole world problem. God is here, present among us and in all forms of expression. Spirit reveals progressively and cyclically as humans get ready for further knowledge.

It seems that we first need compassion, right relationship, in order to experience and align with our Divine Source. It is then that we begin to notice the Great Whole and all the related parts.

Meditations (with quotations from a wide variety of spiritual leaders) for your perusal include:

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What happened in SEPTEMBER throughout the years?

SEPTEMBER 1

Labor Day, a U.S. federal holiday, honors and gives a holiday break to all workers who have helped to build America through their labors.

SEPTEMBER 4, 1874

The inception of the *Spiritual Scientist*, a Boston based newspaper.

SEPTEMBER 4, 1928

The first American Indian Pow-wow was held at our Spiritualist Camp Harmony Grove, California.

SEPTEMBER 11

The birthday of our honorable and beloved NSAC President, The Reverend Lelia Cutler, NST. We hope that the joy that you bring to others is received by you ten-fold today! Your smile, generosity, professionalism, and dedication offer a wonderful mentor for all Spiritualists! Thank You.



SEPTEMBER 18, 1847

The birth date of The Reverend E. W. Sprague near Buffalo, New York. His attendance at a séance at age 12 had a profound impact up on him, and by 1881 he and his wife Clarissa were holding circles in their home, where he would become entranced and produce materialization. He became a well-respected author on Spiritualism.

SEPTEMBER 22, 1985

The date that the 100-year-old Spiritualist time capsule of 1885 was opened at the First Spiritualist Temple in Boston, Massachusetts.

SEPTEMBER 24, 1861

The birth date of John Slater in Philadelphia. He began to experience sightings by age four, and by age 21 had made a decision to devote his life to Spiritualism. He was highly respected for his accurate demonstrations of dates, names and written information sealed inside of envelopes at public demonstrations.

SEPTEMBER 27, 1893

Happy 115th ANNIVERSARY of The National Spiritualist Association of Churches! •

Never doubt the good in yourself. Keep it present and ever near.
– The Rev. Sandra Dawson

PERUSING THE WEB *(Continued from previous page.)*

Peace Everyday Initiative
Daily Meditation Sunrise or Sunset – A critical mass of people meditating daily at the time of sunrise or sunset will cause a shift in consciousness towards world peace. Commit to the shift! Create peace by being Peace.

Peace and Blessings
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MEDIA WATCH

BY THE REVS. TOM AND LISA BUTLER, NST

Mediumship Studies at the Windbridge Institute • There are two major research fronts in progress at the Windbridge Institute for Applied Research in Human Potential: *Proof-focused* studies aiming to gather evidence about mediums' communication with the deceased (a phenomenon they call "anomalous information reception") and *Process-focused* studies that investigate the mediums' experiences of that communication. Director of Research Dr. Julie Beischel writes, "Both directions are important in order for us to understand the information that mediums report and use it appropriately as a society."

From: *Winds of Change*, Spring 2008, Windbridge Institute, www.windbridge.org/news.htm

Detecting the Astral Body • A study conducted by the Psychical Research Foundation tried to objectively detect the "astral body" of an Out-of-Body experiencer. The subject's kitten was observed to be less mobile and less vocal when he was attempting to project himself into the room where the kitten was located. The results were statistically significant.

In another study that had statistically significant results, the American Society for Psychical Research attached sensors to a box holding an ESP target inside. A subject attempted to look at the target while he was out of his body. The findings indicated that the sensors were more active when the subject was able to describe the target in the box. The researchers felt that one explanation for this was that the sensors were somehow sensitive to the subject astral body.

From: *FATE* magazine, April 2008, "Out of the Body and into the Lab," by Bryan Williams

Social Status can Erode Brain Power • The May issue of the journal *Psychology* will include a report by Pamela Smith of Radboud University in The Netherlands and three colleagues showing that modern, open and democratic societies may not reward brains and hard work with success after all. For instance, if you begin life in a socially disadvantaged environment, your education and hard work may not pay off as well as it does for someone coming from a privileged background. The study was based on college students who were placed in two groups: one labeled "unsuccessful" and the other "successful." Follow-up thinking tests showed that the students labeled "unsuccessful" consistently displayed impairments in key thinking processes such as planning and updating a mental picture, and inhibiting irrelevant information. The findings have an implication for corporate management and schools and also illustrate how a perception, even one that is originally nothing more than "made up," can create our reality.

From: *World Science*, Dip in brainpower may follow drop in real power, www.world-science.net/exclusives/080510_power

Mood can be Enhanced Through Intention • A study carried out last year by Dean Radin, Gail Hayssen and James Walsh used chocolate which had been intentionally imprinted with good intentions. Sixty-two subjects participated in the double-blind, randomized, placebo controlled experiment. Three groups received "treated" chocolate and a fourth group received "untreated" chocolate as a placebo control. Significant mood elevating results were recorded by those who received the treated chocolate. The conclusion of the experiment was that the mood-elevating properties of chocolate can be enhanced with intention.

From: BioInfobank Library, http://lib.bioinfo.pl/auid:7396631

Not Happy? Just Wait • A U.S. survey conducted between 1972 and 2004 shows that the older people got, the more likely they were to report being happy. Respondents answered the question, "Taken all together, how would you say things are these days...would you say that you are very happy, pretty happy, or not too happy?" Only fifteen to eighteen percent of eighteen-year olds reported being very happy, while over half of the people in their eighties said that they were very happy. Reporting on the survey, Yang Yang, a University of Chicago sociologist, said that, "With age comes happiness." He said that the study confirmed a hypothesis that improvements in self-esteem that contribute to well-being come with age.

From: Reuters "People become happier with age, survey finds," reporting by Andrew Stern; editing by Eric Walsh http://news.yahoo.com/s/nm/20080416/hl_nm/happiness_survey_dc;_ylt=Ag1xept8OoLleRzs.92QEVcQ.3QA

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Exorcism • Society of St. Paul's Father Gabriele Amorth, Rome's exorcist for the past twenty-one years, is talking about the devil and exorcism in a television and Internet report series. Father Amorth suggested that diabolic problems be separated from psychiatric ones and says that to do so an exorcist is needed in every diocese to help in discernment. "Normally when a person experiences these conflicts and problems, the first thing he does is see a doctor and psychiatrist," he said. "It is very difficult to distinguish the devil's action from a psychological problem. The person goes to a psychiatrist and after years of therapy, obtains no result. Then he begins to suspect that the problem is not a natural one and goes to a conjurer from whom he obtains even greater harm. This is what normally happens. At this point, it is possible that someone more experienced in these matters suggests an exorcist."

From: *San Francisco Sentinel*, "Rome's Exorcist gives Inside Look at the Devil," www.sanfranciscosentinel.com/?p=12267

Another New Paranormal Series • Fox has given *Lost* creator JJ Abrams' new paranormal drama *Fringe* a green light for a full series. Variety reports that the series follows a young FBI agent, played by Anna Tory, who teams up with a scientist to investigate strange phenomena. No information yet on when it is set to air.

From: Variety TV, http://weblogs.variety.com/on_the_air/2008/05/fringe-first-im.html

Funding for Survival Research • Dean Radin writes, "On January 19, I gave a talk at a conference entitled "Investigations of Consciousness and the Unseen World: Proof of an Afterlife?" at the Forever Family Foundation Conference in San Francisco. I talked about the implications of psi, specifically telepathy, for the possibility of survival of bodily death. Other speakers included Loyd Auerbach on hauntings, Jim Tucker on reincarnation, Bruce Greyson on NDEs, Fred Alan Wolf on a possible relationship between survival of consciousness and the quantum field, Dianne Arcangel on afterlife encounters, Arthur Hastings on the psychomanteum and Gary Schwartz on mediumship research. There were also demonstration readings by two well-known mediums.... My impression of this conference was that the preponderance of the best available evidence suggests that something does persist after death.... Much of today's evidence can probably be explained by one or more ordinary reasons. But not all of it. And the remaining bits, the best evidence, provide very interesting clues suggestive of survival....

"Given the importance of the mere possibility that something survives death, one might think that this would be a hot area of research. But as with research on psi in the living, there are perhaps five-to-ten scientists in the world who are actively studying this topic. The limiting issue is funding, not interest.

"One might think that purely out of curiosity the Department of Defense might allocate, say, 0.1% of their annual budget to study what happens after death, vs. the hundreds of billions a year spent each year on technologies designed to produce death: 99.9% devoted to the death machine, 0.1% to the follow-up question, "Then what?" seems reasonable to me."

From: www.deanradin.blogspot.com and *Signs of Life*, www.foreverfamilyfoundation.org



Synchronicity, Mediumship and Electronic Voice Phenomena • A one day conference on November 8, 2008 titled "The Synchronized Universe—Exploring Communication with The Dead from Electronic Devices to Mediumship," will be held at The Woodlands, 1 Southwoods Road, Woodbury NY (Long Island) from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Woodlands is a beautiful old mansion and the employees have said that there are quite a few departed spirits that frequent the place.

The morning session will be co-hosted by the Forever Family Foundation and the American Association of Electronic Voice Phenomena (AA-EVP). Guest speakers for the morning session will include Dr. Claude Swanson author of *The Synchronized Universe* and Tom and Lisa Butler authors of *There is No Death and There are No Dead*. The Butlers are the co-directors of the AA-EVP and will conduct a workshop on how to record Electronic Voice Phenomena. The afternoon will be filled with a luncheon/fundraiser for the Forever Family Foundation. This will be a sit-down meal with demonstrations from several well known mediums.

For additional information visit www.foreverfamilyfoundation.org/ or www.aaevp.com/news.html.

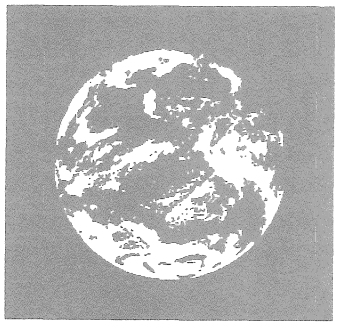
A little love can go a long way. A kind smile or a nod of greeting might be all a person needs at that moment to show them that she/he is not invisible – and that someone noticed their presence.

– Nancy Ashworth

Cosmonaut Andrew Jackson Davis
Part II

THE REV. STEPHANIE FROBESE, NST, Maine

Andrew Jackson Davis explains the creation of the Universe in Book II of *The Principles of Nature* as follows: "In the beginning the Univercoelum was a boundless, undefinable ocean of liquid fire, understood as the original condition of matter. It was an undifferentiated eternity of motion, without beginning or end. Matter and force existed as one inseparable whole, an Eternal Sun, a vortex the power wherein was the Great Positive Mind, of which that vortex was the perfect and spontaneous substance."



He goes on to explain that the laws of attraction, repulsion and condensation established infinite numbers of other centers or suns, all encompassed within the "Eternal Sun," and each of these generated other Suns not separate, but still a part of the whole. As for our solar system, he explains: "The planets of our solar system may be considered as satellites belonging to a planet, which planet belongs itself to a sun. The materials constituting our sun were thrown off from other bodies during revolutions round their common center, owing to centrifugal force; and by the gravitation of such materials the sun assumed its form."

The information channeled through Jackson is that the planets formed from the outer edges of our solar system "in harmony with established principles of gravitation and of orbicular and rotary motion." I remind the reader that we are considering theories here, and none of this information, from Jackson's spirit teachers or from current scientific investigation, is known fact. Scientific minds of our time estimate that the universe is about 13 billion years old, and that our galaxy, the Milky Way, is about the same age. They estimate that our solar system is approximately 4.6 billion years old. The age of the Earth being only a fraction of a billion less.

So it is logical to theorize that Jackson's proposition that organic, or carbon based life could have existed on the outer planets as the solar system cooled and condensed. That being the case, knowing there is a spiritual realm associated with our planet Earth, there could be spirit realms associated with these now lifeless planets. John DeSalvo briefly mentions this in his book, *Andrew Jackson Davis, The first American Prophet and Clairvoyant*, where he states, "It is possible he is seeing life that may have existed on these planets in the distant past and became extinct, or he may be seeing higher dimensional life that exists around these planets." As Spiritualists, we can comprehend both as possibilities, especially now that the latest Mars probe has established the elements necessary to support carbon based life – water and soil corresponding to that on Earth – exist on the planet.

So what did Jackson say about life on Mars? "It abounds with vegetable productions, more numerous than those of Jupiter but less perfect, though again superior to ours. Animal formations are less extensive, but ascending from the lowest to man in successive modifications of form corresponding to interior principles. As regards man, he is in a much more exalted state than the humanity of this planet, both physically and mentally, without attaining the perfection and refinement which characterize the inhabitants of spheres already enumerated," (the outer planets). And "are divided into three great associated families or nations, governed by common principles, the result of superior knowledge and keen sense of justice."

The physical appearance of a Martian has long been speculated upon by those of us on Earth. Jackson gives a very detailed description of their physical characteristics, summing it up by saying, "as to physical appearance that which is beauty to them would be to us highly repellent." Interestingly Jackson's physical description corresponds to the description given by Emanuel Swedenborg's *Earths in the Universe*. This text can be found at http://www.sacred-texts.com/swd/index.htm. But the purposes of our exploration of the other planets in our solar system is an effort to understand how individual's spiritual development might be affected or enhanced by a sojourn in these dimensions, so what of the qualities and characteristics of these celestial beings on Mars.

Jackson continues to describe the Martian spirits as "Possessing a high moral principle, they are obedient to that which it dictates, such obedience being insured by union of interests and by affections and desires being centered in the workings of good and righteousness. Their minds are constantly open to the reception of all high things – light, life and purity. The science of correspondences gives them knowledge of internal

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truths." "Their knowledge, being pure and truthful, begets affection; their aspirations are high and pure; and our loftiest conceptions cannot transcend the peace that dwells among them." "Their soft blue eyes are their most powerful agent in conversation, eye speaking to eye."

Emanuel Swedenborg describes his encounters with spirit beings from Mars. In *Earths in the Universe* he says, "The very affection of the speech is also represented with them in the face, and its thought in the eyes; for the thought and the speech, also the affection and the face, with them act as one. They regard it as nefarious to think one thing and speak another, and to will one thing and show another in the face. They do not know what hypocrisy is, nor what fraudulent pretense and deceit are." "...since they were celestial men, whatever they thought shone forth from their face and eyes, which were varied in conformity, the face as to form according to the life of the affection, and the eyes as to light. They could by no means present any other countenance than such as accorded with what they thought;..."



On another occasion Swedenborg stated: "Once when the spirits of Mars were with me, and occupied the sphere of my mind, some spirits from our earth came and wished to infuse themselves also into that sphere. But then these spirits from our earth became as it were insane, for the reason that they did not at all agree. For the spirits of our earth in the Greatest Man have reference to the external sense, and thus they were in an idea turned to the world and to self, while the spirits of Mars were in an idea turned from self to heaven and to the neighbor; hence there was contrariety. But angelic spirits of Mars then came, and at their approach communication was taken away, and so the spirits of our earth withdrew."

In his *Spiritual Diary*, Swedenborg further describes his encounters with Martian spirits: "Concerning the inhabitants of the earth (planet) Mars, Spirits appeared...who declared themselves to be holy; not that they were holy (in themselves), but the Lord, who is the Only Good, is their holiness." Another entry states, "One of the spirits of Mars who was with me, and who was a subject of others, drew back the superior frontal part of my head towards the back part, signifying thus the character of their thought, that it was not so much of the cerebrum as of the (cerebellum or) will, implying, however, that they act not from their own will, but from the fear of the Lord." (1748, September 25.)

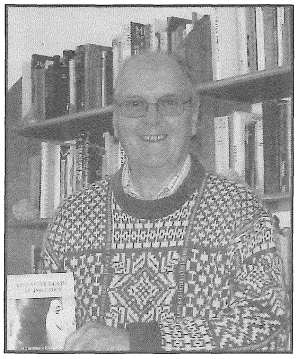
Both Jackson and Swedenborg describe the characteristics of those dwelling on the other planets as being more refined than dwellers on the Earth and inner planets of Venus and Mercury. This would indicate that our spiritual development somehow corresponds to the length of existence in our solar system, those planets which formed earliest having the most evolved spiritual development. There are significant correspondences in the descriptions of Venus and Mercury by Jackson and Swedenborg. Both express there are two societies of human kind on Venus, neither of which has any conception of life beyond their realm. In Jackson's words, "One race has a mild and gentle countenance, the index of inward purity; ...but they have no high conceptions of things in the universe." "But there is another race, very tall, stout and physically energetic – ...who are of savage and ferocious disposition, having no conception of right or the beauty of goodness and refinement..." He also describes them as "plunderers" who "rejoice in devouring their booty..." The similarity in Swedenborg's description is astounding. "In the planet Venus there are two kinds of men, of dispositions opposite to each other; the first mild and humane, the second savage and almost like wild beasts." he also describes them as being physically large and "...exceedingly delighted with rapine, and more especially with eating their plunder;..."

As for the planet Mercury, both Jackson and Swedenborg describe them as being highly mental with exceptional memories and thirst for knowledge. They consider themselves the most knowledgeable of races. Jackson states, "They do not investigate causes but rather the uses of things." Swedenborg states in more detail, "Immediately on their coming, they sought from my memory what I knew. Spirits can do this most dexterously, for when they come to man, they see in his memory all things contained therein." "It was told me, that such is the life of the inhabitants of that earth, namely, that they have no concern about things terrestrial and corporeal, but only about the statutes, laws, and forms of government, of the nations therein;..." I would remind the reader here that Swedenborg lived before Jackson, but Swedenborg's works were not translated into English until late in the 19th century, long after Jackson channeled *The Harmonial Philosophy*, which contained his discourse on *The Principles of Nature*. The possibilities of what our spiritual evolution entails becomes mind boggling in considering the material offered here. But then comprehending the vastness of the Universe and the possibilities that lie therein is even more overwhelming. Next month we address the outer planets. •

Remembering Awesome Phenomena at the Saturday Night Club

MICHAEL E. TYMN, Hawaii

As Tom Harrison remembers it, Saturday nights were sacrosanct from April 6, 1946, just after the end of World War II, to 1958, when his mother, Minnie Harrison, transitioned to the spirit world. It was on those Saturday evenings that Tom and a small circle of family and friends met at the home of Sydney and Gladys Shipman in Middlesbrough, northern England, to reunite and converse with their friends in spirit through the mediumship of his mother.



Tom Harrison

The phenomena included trance voice, direct voice, telekinesis, apports, spirit lights, spirit writing, and full materializations with voice. "The most remarkable means of communication is when the ectoplasmic materializations of the Spirit person stands before us and converses with us, face to face," Tom Harrison wrote in his 2004 book, *Life After Death – Living Proof.* "This is indeed the most exciting and wonderful of all forms of phenomena."



Minnie Harrison

Harrison, who served as an officer in the Royal Army Ordinance Corps, had just been demobilized the month before the Saturday Night Club gathered for its first home circle. Minnie Harrison, then 51, had been clairvoyant and clairaudient since her teenage years and had developed into a deep trance medium, controlled by a North American Red Indian named Sunrise. The other regular members were Tom's wife (Doris, who passed over in 1976) his father ("Tosher"), the Shipmans, Florence Hildred, and William Brittain Jones. Jones was a senior surgeon and superintendent of Middlesbrough General Hospital.

According to Harrison, who served as manager at the Arthur Findlay College of Psychic Science from 1966 until 1969, there was never any intent that it be a scientific research circle, because that would have involved putting his mother through the discomfort and indignity of tying her to the chair and taping her mouth shut. He asks what possible motive his mother could have had to try and trick her husband, her son, and close friends week after week, year after year. All the while, trickery would have involved phenomena requiring her to have had the assistance of confederates, requiring access to the Shipman's home and avoiding detection in the red light that was permitted by the spirits after the first eight months of sittings.



Aunt Agg

(Photos courtesy of Tom Harrison.)

Harrison kept detailed notes. In that very first sitting in 1946, the group was thrilled to hear from "Aunt Agg" (his mother's sister, Agnes Abbott), who had passed over in 1942, at age 57. Aunt Agg had been a prominent medium with the Marylebone Spiritualist Association in London when alive. She informed them that they could facilitate things by using a trumpet (a light-weight megaphone). Until that time, they did not suspect that Minnie Harrison was capable of the "direct-voice" phenomenon.

In their 13th meeting, two of Minnie Harrison's deceased sisters sang a duet through the trumpet and the sitters observed materialized fingertips for the first time. By the 17th sitting, on August 24, the spirit visitors managed to produce two materialized ectoplasmic hands and spirit signatures were produced.

It was not until their 32nd meeting, on Dec. 7, 1946, that they were privileged to witness a full spirit materialization. "On this particular evening we sat in the red light with my mother in full view of everyone in the room, sitting on her usual dining chair at the end of the semi-circle of sitters around the fireplace," Harrison explains in the book. He goes on to say that they sat for at least 30 minutes with nothing happening before they saw a white disc, about two feet in diameter, on the floor between his mother and himself. The column grew to about five feet of solid ectoplasm "Then, as I was watching it, the top of it twisted towards me and I could just see there was the semblance of a face in it," Harrison recalled, but it was not distinct enough to tell who it was. He saw two hands and arms covered by ectoplasmic robes emerge from the spirit form standing in front of him. He was given four carnation apports before the hands and arms went back into the column and shrunk slowly towards the floor, as the ectoplasm returned to his mother. He later learned that it was Aunt Agg who had not completely materialized.

In their 33rd meeting, Florence Hildred's husband, Sam, materialized and handed his widow an

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orchid. Jones' mother materialized and called him "Brittain, my boy," just as she had when alive in the flesh. Aunt Agg also materialized and went around the circle greeting everyone and shaking hands. In meeting 34, Jones took Aunt Agg's pulse, which suggested that she was a solid, ectoplasmic person and not just a phantom. Moreover, Aunt Agg stood directly under the red light so that those who knew her could clearly recognize her.

The group was told that some 20 spirit scientists were working to help build the ectoplasmic materializations. All in all, the circle witnessed some 1,500 spirit materializations over the years the Saturday Night Club met. Harrison mentions that as the ectoplasmic forms moved around the room, they were always connected to his mother by means of an ectoplasmic cord emanating from her body.

One of the visitors to the circle during 1948 was Roy Dixon-Smith, a lieutenant-colonel in the army. In his book, *New Light on Survival,* Dixon-Smith tells of his deceased wife Betty materializing at the Saturday Night Club. He saw a tall, slim figure emerge from behind the materialization curtain. "I rose from my chair and walked up to the figure, taking the extended hand in mine," he wrote, going on to mention that he examined the hand and it was just like Betty's. "I stared into the face, and recognized my wife. We spoke to each other, though what we said I cannot remember, for I was deeply stirred and so was she and her voice was incoherent with emotion."

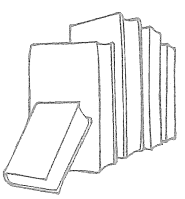
A member of the circle then asked if Dixon-Smith could kiss her and Betty responded in the affirmative. "I then kissed her on the lips which were warm, soft, and natural," Dixon-Smith continued the story. "Thereupon she bent her head and commenced to weep, and in a moment she sank. I watched her form right down to the level of the floor at my feet where it dissolved, the last wisp of it being drawn within the cabinet."

Dixon-Smith mentioned that five other spirits materialized that night and their faces were clearly seen, as the room was brightly illuminated by the red light. "They smiled, laughed, and chatted to me and the others; all their features, complexions, and expressions being perfectly clear in that ample light," he wrote, adding that he had been a complete stranger to the group before the sitting and that any suggestion of fraud was "preposterous."

Now 89 and living in Spain with his second wife, Ann, Harrison graciously answered some questions I put to him by e-mail.

You wrote that you saw some 1,500 different spirit people from 1946 on. Are you including repeat visits by various spirits?

"It does include repeat visits by people like Aunt Agg and Granny Lumsden who came every week. I estimate that Aunt Agg came 300 or more times and Granny Lumsden 200 or more, so there were probably 900 to 1,000 different people who materialized."



Did the spirit visitors appear in different attire?

"The attire of all our spirits who materialized was always the same – an ectoplasmic robe as seen in our photographs. The one exception was when Sunrise materialized during out 52nd sitting. He built (materialized) in his earthly-type clothing complete with splendid feathered head-dress – a most imposing figure who had become a very close friend and protector during the 12 months of our sittings."

I know that the cabinet used with the materialization phenomenon is designed to provide extra darkness to aid in the materialization, but skeptics see it as simply a "dressing room" for a fraudulent medium. Why is this cabinet necessary if the room is dark in the first place? Did you ever look into the cabinet to observe the materialization?

"The spirits could materialize in the dark room without a cabinet. We had seen nine of them build alongside my mother in the red light from sitting 32 to 36. However, Sunrise explained to us that we could have a brighter light if my mother was 'partitioned off,' sitting behind a curtain in a cabinet. He also told us that the cabinet was a smaller space in which the energy could be concentrated to help the spirits materialize and even stay longer. Therefore, the cabinet was used for materializations from week 38. We all knew that only my mother was seated in the cabinet, so there was no purpose in wanting to look inside."

Did the spirits ever talk about what they did when they weren't visiting you?

"Yes, they talked about how they occupied themselves, in much the same way as they did here, but without the need to 'earn money' to keep a physical body 'alive.' Their hobbies and other interests now took precedence – they could do anything they wanted so long as it did not conflict with others. For example, my first wife, Doris, was trained as a nurse and was always very interested in children, so there was still lots for her to do, especially when children passed over. Aunt Agg told us she occasionally acted as a medium for friends to contact spirits who had progressed to higher vibrations – not unlike how she used to help folks here to contact friends or relatives who were in the spirit world. Libraries are available for keen readers and concerts for music lovers. Gladys Hildred's sister, Mona, was the guardian for a spirit child named Prudence, who needed help, and she used to bring her to our sittings quite regularly. The list of activities is endless."

Did you ever invite members of the Society for Psychical Research to observe the phenomena?

"We never invited anyone from the SPR or any other research organization who would have made

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mother suffer the indignity and discomfort of their tests. As a group we were completely satisfied as to the genuineness of the phenomena and simply enjoyed our weekly 'get togethers' with our spirit friends and relatives. That was the agreement we had made with Sunrise and his team when we started sitting, and it was always kept that way. From time to time Sunrise reminded us of the agreement."

Did Sunrise ever explain why such an agreement was necessary?

"The agreement, as such, was simply an understanding between the two worlds to really continue the friendly social Saturday evenings of the previous five years during the war at Syd and Gladys' home – and to reunite those who sat in the circle with their loved ones, who were now in the Spirit world. Like us, Sunrise did not want 'his meedi' (as he called my mother) put to such unnecessary indignity and discomfort purely for the benefit of such arrogant people. Over the years, we did have a number of skeptics who all left convinced of the genuineness of the phenomena they had witnessed. As Dixon-Smith wrote in his book, any suggestion of fraud was preposterous under such conditions in the small room, and the most important aspect was that everyone enjoyed their evening with the spirit friends and relatives – all free of charge with supper included!"

It would appear that your mother was a much more powerful physical medium than Eusapia Paladino, the famous Italian medium of a half-century earlier, as she rarely produced full materializations – mostly just hands, touches, and table levitations. Do you have any idea as to how to account for this? Is the difference in the power of the medium, the ability of the spirit scientists on the other side, the ability of the spirits to project themselves into the ectoplasm, or the harmony of the sitters, or some other factor?

"I feel you have answered your own question, Mike. I agree with all your 'reasons,' particularly the importance of true harmony and the desire and ability of the team on the other side. As much as some mediums would like to develop physical phenomena, it is just not in their 'makeup' to enable the spirit workers to meet their wishes. The medium we sit with now is very keen to have physical phenomena. So far he is doing well with trance development and some transfiguration, but nothing 'physical,' much to his weekly disappointment."



Along the same line, Gladys Osborne Leonard, England's best known medium, and Leonora Piper, America's best known medium, never really advanced beyond the trance voice, although the direct voice occasionally manifested with Mrs. Leonard. Certainly, there were no materializations reported with either of them. Do you have thoughts as to why that was?

"Apart from the last answer, I am sure we agree that there is also a great need for top quality 'mental' and trance mediumship, which can reach a much wider public audience – like Mrs. Leonard and my Aunt Agg (Agnes Abbott), who along with others regularly filled many of the large halls in London."

Have you witnessed any materialization phenomena since your mother passed over?

"Yes, I have been privileged to witness materialization over the past four or five years whenever Ann and I have visited UK and sat with Stewart Alexander in Hull. Currently, it is always in the dark but the footsteps can be clearly heard walking around the room. When Dr. Barnett stops in front of me for healing purposes, I feel the strength in his hands as he places them on my head, shoulders and down my back. The medium, Stewart, is strapped in his chair and Dr. Barnett is clearly an independent spirit person. Walter Stinson, the Circle leader in spirit, is working towards getting spirit lighting to illuminate the materializations.

"Before moving to Spain in January 2000, we were regular members of Stewart's weekly home circle and witnessed much physical phenomena, including trumpet movements and spirit voices, but the materializations developed later, some four to five years ago."

Have you heard from your mother, Aunt Agg, or others since your mother's transition?

"Yes, I have had contact with my mother, father, my first wife Doris, Aunt Agg, Sunrise, Uncle Jack and others, including Mrs. Leonard, who is closely linked with Denise, a regular member of Stewart Alexander's circle."

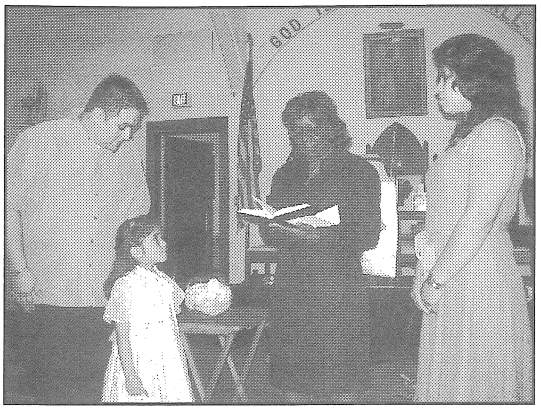
Thank you for taking the time to respond to my questions, Tom. Do you have any parting comments?

"Just this: As the spirits remind us quite often, it is the harmony, dedication and intent that enable them to work with us."

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Dr. J. V. Mansfield – "The Spiritual Postmaster" obtained thousands of letters in sealed envelopes addressed to the spirit friends of the writers. Regardless of the language, he could read the letters clairvoyantly and wrote replies in the same tongue. When he touched a sealed envelope with his left hand, his right hand would begin writing rapidly. The handwriting varied as the spiritual influence varied. Dr. Mansfield was a well-known Spiritualist who advertised publicly after the Civil War.

Ceremony in Chicago



The Rev. Marrice Coverson, NSAC Board member, performing a recent naming ceremony for Rosa Guiterrez, accompanied by her parents Jamie and Leo Guiterrez at The Church of The Spirit in Chicago.

News from West Virginia

On the evening of June 25, 2008, the Jefferson County WV Chamber of Commerce honored The Church of Joyous Living, NSAC of Charles Town, WV as a New Business of the Year. The church received a lovely plaque, and Alexis also was presented with a certificate of recognition from The Governor of West Virginia, Joe Manchin III. The certificate from the governor is a Certificate of Recognition for Commitment to the citizens of Jefferson County (WV) and involvement with the Jefferson County (WV) Chamber of Commerce. The Rev. Alexis Sharon Rolnick was accompanied by April Bartel, the church secretary. The Church of Joyous Living, NSAC joined the Chamber of Commerce in an effort to become an integral force for service to the Charles Town community.

In addition, the Church of Joyous Living, NSAC received its charter from the National Spiritualist Assoc. of Churches, headquartered in Lily Dale, NY. This is charter number 712 for the NSAC, which was founded in 1893. •



The Rev. Alexis Sharon Rolnick with a plaque given by the Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce in West Virginia for being "an outstanding new business." Her Church of Joyous Living, NSAC joined the Chamber of Commerce in order to be an integral part of the community. The certificate hanging on the wall is from the Governor of West Virginia.

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Sister Mary Ann's Gasoline

Sister Mary Ann, who worked for a home health agency, was out making her rounds visiting homebound patients when she ran out of gas. As luck would have it, a Texaco Gasoline station was just a block away.

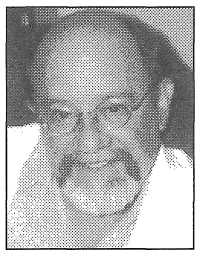
She walked to the station to borrow a gas can and buy some gas. The attendant told her that the only gas can he owned had been loaned out, but she could wait until it was returned. Since Sister Mary Ann was on the way to see a patient, she decided not to wait and walked back to her car.

She looked for something in her car that she could fill with gas and spotted the bedpan she was taking to the patient. Always resourceful, Sister Mary Ann carried the bedpan to the station, filled it with gasoline, and carried the full bedpan back to her car.

As she was pouring the gas into her tank, two Anglicans watched from across the street. One of them turned to the other and said, "If it starts, I'm turning Catholic."

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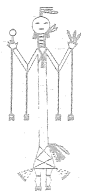
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Worship Service: 7:30pm

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Banquet: 6:00pm

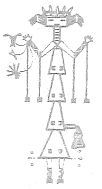
Tuesday, October 7
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