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Independence Day July 4



Independence Day is a holiday that reminds us of our countries origins and its greatness. Spirit assistance in the forming of our country is evident in some of the stories.

In 1760 the colonies shipped more than five millions of dollars worth of produce to England but were forbidden to trade with other nations. Then when the unjust stamp tax and tea tax were imposed, along with the lack of religious tolerance and other freedoms, insurrection and revolution were to follow.

It was July 4, 1776 that Richard Lee proposed to Continental Congress "that these United colonies are, and of right ought to be, free and independent states; that they are absolved from all allegiance to the British Crown; and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain is, and ought to be, dissolved." John Adams seconded this motion with Thomas Jefferson drawing up the Declaration of Independence. John Adams wrote to his wife a prophecy: "I am apt to believe, that it (July 4th) will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, balls, bonfires and illuminations from one end of this continent to another, from this time forward for evermore."

War is never to be recommended yet spirit was evidenced in the battles and with the men. The British were better trained, better equipped, better fed, better housed and out numbered the American soldiers. Washington was unanimously elected commander-in-chief. His army were men who had come to defend their country, were brave and patriotic even if undisciplined or untrained.

The war was not progressing well. On a bitterly cold morning in Valley Forge in 1777, a dejected General Washington retired to his tent with orders not to disturb. While trying to figure a way out of an impossible situation he felt a presence and looking up saw a beautiful woman. His thought process and body were paralyzed and a new influence took over and advised this great man of the future destiny of the United States.

The voice said, "Son of the Republic, look and learn." Then Washington beheld a series of visions that foretold of the conflicts with Europe and Asia; with Africa; then with Europe, Africa and Asia. But it also showed towns and villages and when the dark clouds left it revealed the inhabitants of the land victorious. Then he heard a citizen cry out

in a loud voice, "While the Stars remain and the heavens send down dew upon the earth, so long shall the Republic last."

The scene and the vision dissolved leaving the uninvited, mysterious woman before George. He heard her say, "Son of the Republic, what you have seen is thus interpreted: Three great perils will come upon the Republic. The most fearful is the second passing which THE WHOLE WORLD UNITED SHALL NOT PREVAIL AGAINST HER. Let every child of the Republic learn to live for HIS GOD, HIS LAND AND UNION." Then the vision vanished and General Washington could again move. The dispair had left for he felt he had seen a vision of the birth, progress and destiny of the United States.

Washington's famous vision doomed the British and American successes followed. These successes led to help from France and with this assistance the tide turned and America was free.

A government needed to be formed, so a little over two hundred years ago a group of men of very varied interest and goals met in Philadelphia where they wrote the Constitution of the United States. They were verbally attacked as counter-revolutionaries and inside the walls of the chamber they verbally attacked each other. The months they labored were filled with heated debates and finally compromise. What was written in 1787 must have been inspired for it was different than most of them argued for and was for the people. It has served as the foundation for our country.

The Liberty Bell was cast in England in 1752 and sent to the states to be used in Philadelphia to call the members of the Colonial Assembly to the meetings. The bell met with an accident while it was being unloaded from the ship and so was recast. On it was inscribed the scriptural passage, *Proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof*, a phrase that was **predictive** of the events to come. The bell was the means of announcing to the people of Philadelphia the signing of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776. During the revolutionary war when the British occupied Philadelphia the bell was taken down and sunk in the Delaware River. It was returned after the war and rung every Fourth of July and other memorable occasions, until in 1854 it cracked during the burial of Chief Justice Marshal (also a Continental soldier). The Liberty

Bell is now positioned in the entrance hall of the State House.

The flag has symbolic meaning also and George Washington explained the symbolism of the United States flag in this way. He said the stars had been taken from heaven, the red from England, separating it with white stripes to indicate a separation from the mother country. Stars have been used in history to denote dominion and sovereignty. Blue signifies vigilance, perserverance, justice. Red means hardiness, energy and valor. White is for purity, liberty and innocence. Blue is one of the honor colors and as such outranks both white and red. It is interesting how the countries forefathers had a metaphysical understanding of life and its symbols.

Francis Scott Key and his vessel were detained for the evening by a British ship which was bombarding Fort McHenry near Baltimore. He knew if the fort fell the British would proceed to attack the city. When dawn arrived it revealed the American flag still flying above the fort and he knew that the attack had not succeeded. In his joy and

relief, Key was **inspired** with the first stanza of The Star-Spangled Banner which he then finished when his vessel was released and allowed to land.

Predictions told of our great land, Columbus was guided to know that the world was not flat and discover the America's and so many other events point to the premise that Spirit has been with the development of our wonderful country. America is a place of freedoms of thought, speech and of course religion. This historic occasion which we celebrate this month is truly a blessing gained through the revolution and future evolution, that will continue to develop as we send out the thoughts for peace, brother-hood, and Liberty and Justice for All.

What a fitting place for the birth place of Modern American Spiritualism. The power and inspiration of spirit led the forefathers of our country just as it led the pioneers of the Spiritualist movement. It leads each of us now if we will but stop and listen. Let us send out a prayer of thanksgiving to our forefathers and for being Americans.

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The Mind Of Man

By Elizabeth Harris, D.S.N.U.



dvances in Scientific knowledge has been phenomenal in the last century, and nowhere has it been more improved than in the study of the silent invisible human mind. The pioneer in this study was Sigmund Freud, and in 1900, when he began his experiments in Vienna, he was laughed at, jeered, resisted and scorned. The study of the human mind was considered taboo, forbidden and unhealthy, and shocked and horrified the medical world as well as society at that time.

This study of the revelations of the mind 'shook the sleep' from the world, but today, Medical Psychology, as it's called, is a recognized and respected scientific study.

No one has ever seen the mind or been able to draw a diagram of the exact spot in our brain where it dwells. But we know we have it because we can see the 'results'. We can't 'see' electricity either, but we know there are electrical impulses that travel over wires and produce certain effects.

We know our mind never sleeps. It breaks through in dreams and produces the spark for our creativity and imagination.

Nor does the mind ever grow old only the brain - the mind's instrument, or vehicle, becomes impaired and worn out as the physical body grows old and deteriorates. But nothing we have learned is ever lost. Even in physical death when the worn-out body is laid aside, our memory remains unaltered, and we lose nothing valuable. The mind never dies - it is eternal and infinite. We take with us, at death, our mind, our faculties, our memories and our knowledge.

The working human mind thinks and produces thoughts. Thinking is a mental vision - a process and a skill. Thinking does not have to produce words - it can create images and feelings. In practice it is extremely difficult to think first and feel second. The natural tendency is to feel first and then use thinking to back it up. It must be kept in mind, however, that feelings can change, but thinking is a process - a skill - to be learned and practiced.

The mind uses the physical brain, as electricity uses wires, and from a physical point of view, we have far more gray brain matter than we could ever use even if we worked our brain to capacity. Louis Pasteur had a stroke which destroyed half his brain, yet he made some of his greatest scientific discoveries after that. Comparatively speaking, the mechanical complexity of the human brain has a million times more potential than any modern digital computer. Nearly all of us have far more mental capacity than we ever use.

To be intelligent is not the same as to be mentally gifted. Those with high intelligence are not necessarily the ones who produce the best results. Nor is education a vital factor. Many highly trained people are not creative, while others accomplish outstanding

results in spite of an almost total lack of formal instruction. The telegraph was invented by Morse, who was not a scientist but a portrait painter. The steamboat was designed by Fulton also an artist. Eli Whitney, designer of the cotton gin was a school teacher.

Nor is age important to thinking. Oliver Wendell Holmes was an unknown professor until at 48 years of age he first became famous as a writer, and at 75, he wrote his masterpiece. George Bernard Shaw, the British playwright, won a Nobel Prize when he was nearing 70, and Mozart composed a symphony when he was five years old.

An exalted form of mental activity is called 'inspiration', common with geniuses, although it is also found in ordinary individuals. In true inspiration, knowledge surges up spontaneously and unexpectedly into the mind. It may have great force, appearing as a revelation, from some outside and unfamiliar or other world source, giving the person receiving, a feeling of elation or ecstasy - a common experience of great poets, writers, artists and musical composers. Shelley, Coleridge, Blake, Mozart, Beethoven, Chopin and many others were inspired this way. Socrates, the Ancient Greek Philosopher said, "I found it is not by wisdom that the poet creates his work, but by a certain natural power and by inspiration, like soothsayers and prophets."

Inspiration, wisdom, truth and knowl(Continued on next page...)



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edge is not born in the physical brain, but originates in the spirit world. It is a definite attempt on the part of someone, attracted by similar qualities or interests, who is trying to give what he or she has already achieved. However, it must be remembered, our scientific inventiveness, our creativity, our music, writing and art, depends on our capacity to receive and accept inspiration from the spirit world.

The language of spirit is the language of thought, or to put it another way, spirit communication takes place by 'thought'. The importance of using the mind and learning to think properly can't be underestimated. The Spirit Guide Ramadahn explains this importance when he says;

Within the first plane of spirit we have schools where those newly come are taught how to use their power of thought. How can we explain in the simple words of earth that these men and women, whom you considered wise in their earthly years, are at school learning to think! Not many of you learn to use your power of thought correctly or constructively. You allow your thoughts to go this way and that.

Consider how it will be when you yourself have died and are living again in the spirit existence. You may come close to the earth, wishing to convey comfort to your mother, brother or to the child whom you love, but they do not hear your thought or know that you are near. Therefore, you as a spirit must wait patiently until such a time as they are in a state when the mind is at rest. Then, standing by, you create by thought a memory picture of your appearance, or something your loved one will remember.

You will have to concentrate all your effort on thinking, then silently gathering all your will power, project it on to the mind of that one you desire to help.

Your thoughts from earth to the spirit world need also to be trained. Your minds should vibrate thoughts of encouragement to those spirits who wish to return to you. Thus as you learn to think thoughts now, so are you training yourselves to think well when you come to the closure of your earthly life and continue in the planes of spirit existence.'

Not only skilled and knowledgeable adults, but children, too, can communicate with the spirit world. The spiritual integrity of the young is apparent and in their instinctive, imaginative, uncomplicated way, are often able to accept communication with the spirit world as natural. There are many documented stories to this effect.

One story which is especially poignant, has been recorded in the American Society of Psychical Research, telling of a child's simple belief in the power of thought. Excerpts from the records say: —

'Daisy Dryden passed to spirit at the age of ten, During the last days, her psychic faculties awakened. So detailed and explicit were the death-bed revelations of the child that her mother recorded them. This is from the account recorded by Daisy Dryden's mother.

Three days before her passing... the child said she hoped to return after 'death' to console her parents. She added, I'll ask Allie about it.' (Allie, her younger brother of six, had passed to spirit about seven months previously). After a short silence, Daisy said, "Allie says I may go to you sometimes; he says it's possible, but you will not know I'm there, but I can speak to your thoughts.'

While the mother sat by the bed, clasping her daughter's hand, Daisy looked up wistfully and said, 'I do wish you could see Allie; he's stand-

ing beside you. He says you can't see him because your spirit eyes are closed, but I can, because my body only holds my spirit, as it were, by a thread of life.'

Mrs. Dryden asked, 'Does Allie say that now?"

The dying child replied, 'Yes, just now.'

Wondering how Daisy could be talking to her brother when there was not the slightest sign of conversation between them, Mrs. Dryden asked, 'How do you speak to Allie? I don't hear you nor see your lips move.'

Smiling, the little girl answered, 'We talk with our think.'

Thoughtfully and painstakingly over the years since 1900, both Scientists and Spiritualists have been studying the hidden recesses of the silent invisible human mind. We know this mind of ours never sleeps, never ages, never decays. We know we can be inspired. We know we have minds receptive to communication from outside sources. And we know the mind is eternal - it will be with us - with faculties, memories and knowledge intact, when we pass to the spirit world.

And so, the study of the human mind, which shook the sleep from the world in 1900 and outraged society, continues, and is an acceptable study today. The study is far from complete, the invisible world continues to fascinate, and many new scientific facts continue to come to light. Spiritualists as well as Scientists continue to study the human mind, delving into it's vast untapped potential, and they will be able, no doubt, with help from the spirit world, to harness this tremendous force for good.





Education Speaks For Itself

MORRIS PRATT INSTITUTE ASSOCIATION Joseph Sax, Secretary

Each month *The National Spiritualist* will feature the writing from a student who is currently taking the Education Course from the Morris Pratt Institute. Featured this month is Roberta Kanefsky of the Spiritualist Society of Los Angeles.

What is the relationship between science and Spiritualism? Science or the study of nature tries to understand the universe and its effect on man's life. Like science, Spiritualism investigates, analyzes and classifies facts and manifestations demonstrated from the spirit side of life. To demonstrate these facts, in the scientific realm, a hypothetical solution is tested through observation and experimentation. However, even if data from these trials prove the hypothesis true, the procedure must still be repeatable to be considered valid. This is where Spiritualism and science differ. Because Spiritualism deals with the science of the entire cosmos, while science only deals with the material world, science is limited to depending on the repeatability of contacts with individual discarnate beings as proof of the spirit world's existence. However, the whole phenomenon of mediumship, which Spiritualism deems to be proof of the interrelationship between the physical and the spiritual world is a subjective experience, making proofs of spiritual existence capable of modification and change. But the Spiritualist attempts to use the facts of science as its foundation. Therefore, scientists and scientific organizations from the inception of modern Spiritualism have been welcomed to test the people and the environment through which and in which spiritual phenomenon have occurred.

The scientists who have tested Spiritualism's phenomenon have been many. They have approached the subject matter sometimes skeptically and sometimes with an open mind. Sir William Crookes, for instance, in 1869, before he investigated the mediumship of Daniel Dunglas Home, believed that "we have by no means exhausted all human knowledge or fathomed the depth of all physical forces." Therefore, as a fair investigator he felt from his study of Home that he could declare conclusively the existence of a psychic force. Other investigators tried to further an ordered, and logical observation and study of the phenomenon of Spiritualism by employing scientific testing procedures. The London Dialectical Society, whose research was published in 1873, examined many kinds of phenomena including the seance. A typical report listed the procedure followed in studying the seance in which were included the members involved, the time, and the location. Lighting was described. Physical origination of raps was specified. And evidence was collected to show that communications were actually from spirit entities. The conclusions drawn from these experiments were: that the production of phenomenon were aided by such things as

passive actions and quiet surroundings; and that failure to obtain phenomenon was caused by such things as a room being completely dark and an overly intense desire to obtain results.

Medical doctors, and college professors, and researchers in our era, called parapsychologists have studied the phenomenon of Spiritualism. For instance, Dr. Hereward Carrington, who established the American Psychical Institute and Laboratory in 1921, spent 35 years of his life investigating such famous mediums as Eusapia Palladino, Mrs. Piper, and Margery Crandon. Some of the books he authored were The Physical Phenomenon of Spiritualism, and The Case for Psychic Survival, William Denton, author. in 1863, of The Soul of Things, conducted many experiments in geological psychometry until he eventually proclaimed that the existence of the faculty of psychometry was irrefutable. Camille Flammarion, who coined the word psychic, in the book Unknown Natural Forces published in 1865, was the first to uphold the interrelationship between Spiritualism and science. James Harvey Hyslop, a professor of ethics and logic at Columbia University, through examining the mediumship of Mrs. Piper in the book Life After Death came to the conclusion that the existence of discarnate spirits could be scientifically proven. And a more recent investigator, D. Scott Rogo, in 1986, also authored a book called Life After Death. In The Case for Survival of Bodily Death, he "considers whether mankind possesses the capacity to live on after death and looks at the evidence for post-mortem communication." He makes an orderly progression from proving the mind can live out of the body through his examination of near death experiences and his researching of occurrences of spontaneous contact with spirit through such means as tape recordings and telephone calls.

In the future, the use of the scientific method to verify the truth of the existence of the spirit world will not only prove to those people who are not Spiritualists the validity of mediums' demonstrations but it will also prove to them that there is a continuation of life after the cessation of the functioning of the physical body, that there is a hope that we will see our loved ones again, and that there is a life everlasting. And as Spiritualism includes science now in its definition, in the future, hopefully, Science will include the spiritual realm as a part of the existing universe it regularly examines and researches.



When It Comes To Spiritualism, I'll Take Vanilla, Please

by The Rev. Alfred A. Conner, NST

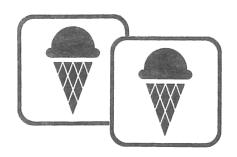
Have you noticed that Spiritualism, like Baskin and Robbins' ice cream now seems to come in 31 flavors - at least! And I'll take vanilla, please.

This incursion of the variety of flavors stems from the individual opinions and terminology that people introduce into the religion of National Spiritualist Association of Churches' Spiritualism and that taught and accepted in other Spiritualist organizations.

In reading the last few issues of *The National Spiritualist/Summit* and *Spotlight*, it was clear that the pioneers of our National Spiritualist Association of Churches were concerned that compromise and accommodation of other religions within ours would bring about the demise of (pure) Spiritualism. As several of our pioneers have declared, "We are not Christians, we are Spiritualists."

In no way do we denigrate Christians or the Christian religions. Some Universal Truths we share, as we do with Buddhism, Judaism, Islam and other major religions of the world. It would be unrealistic not to accept the validity of those religions and the rights of those who profess those faiths to practice them. However, those rights do not extend to sponsorship under the auspices of National Spiritualist Association of Churches' Spiritualism, a separate and distinct religion.

The Gospel of Spiritualism came as a direct revelation from Spirit/God/Infinite intelligence either through a medium or through a spirit entity and a medium, as every religion has done since the beginning of time. And the Universal Truths revealed were expressed in American terminology.



We are purportedly the "Keepers of the Flame" and as such we ought to be vigilant with respect to the terminology used in our religion. Many of you either knew or have heard of Dr. Victoria Barnes, M.D. former Vice President of the National Spiritualist Association of Churches and Superintendent of the Bureau of Education. She was particularly close to my teacher, The Rev. Mitzie Monroe, who gave Dr. Barnes her last seance in the hospital room where Dr. Barnes was waiting to make her transition to spirit. Mrs. Monroe (Mitzie

to almost everyone) was among the most devoted of Dr. Barnes' students and a true disciple on the use of correct Spiritualist terminology. No "psychic" or "occultist" terminology was permitted to be uttered more than once! An immediate correction was lovingly but firmly made - as a parent teaching a child.

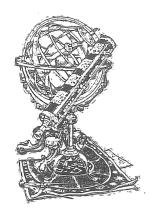
What has this to do with National Spiritualist Association of Churches' Spiritualism and vanilla flavor? We have to start somewhere to lead Spiritualism into the next decade, so let's start by cleaning up our terminology and jettisoning "chakras, your universe and astral flight" and rid ourselves of similar expressions, which smack of mysticism and occultism, replacing them with "nerve centers, aura, trance state or rate of vibration" respectively.

Let's revert to vanilla, a pure, uncomplicated religion, easy to understand and familiar, rather than complex, obtuse and mystical. Let's make the National Spiritualist Association of Churches' Spiritualism what it was intended to be, a simple plain religion "of the people, by the people, for the people."

BUMPER STICKER:

If you are heading in the wrong direction, God allows 'U' turns.

N.S.T. Forum



PROPHECY

By Rev. Genevieve Woelfl, N.S.T.

or as long as man has labored to unravel the mysteries of life he has struggled to learn the source of and reason for prophecies. Their nebulous beginnings flow from the intellectual founts of earliest history itself. Their reason is clearly for the edification, guidance, and protection of the vast human family. Throughout time they have been accepted, but without the depth of study available today. Man's evolved thinking enables him to better assess the prophecies and their actual results. By this century great prophecies have been fulfilled or are in the process of development.

Prophecy is a forecast of what, at the moment, seems likely to occur in the future.

A **Prophet** is a **Seer** (See-er), a Sensitive Medium with Spiritual vision who conveys Spirit-word to man foretelling what is apt to be. Prophets can psychically see events developing which could result from causes already in motion through the action of Natural Law.

Prophecy is ever a thought procedure, born in the mind and sent out on waves of thought to be mentally picked up by the mind tuned in to the same vibration of thought. In this manner whatever is seen mentally and spiritually by a Spirit-mentor, who recognizes natural law in operation with its branches of Cause & Effect and Vibration, can be put out into the Universe as a prophecy, if it may so result. Psychically it registers upon the consciousness of those able to receive it at that time. A correct interpretation by the receiving Medium is essential.

This is much like weather prediction through knowledge derived from continuous study of patterns followed over and over again under similar conditions.

Prophecy is not infallible. A change of plans or procedure automatically influences the action. When the original Cause is supplanted by a new determinant, a different result may follow. Even hurricanes and typhoons are known to change direction when acted upon by extraneous forces. But all is according to natural law. Natural Law is infallable. In most of life's affairs prophecies follow through to the end unhampered and unchanged.

Four hundred years ago Leonardo da Vinci foretold the atomic destruction of 1946, although he was unacquainted with atomic energy. This superb scientist, sculptor, engineer, naturalist and unsurpassed painter was also

a visionary prophet. He said:

There will come forth from beneath the earth that which by its terrific report shall stun all who are near it and cause men to drop dead at its breath. It shall devastate cities and buildings. Men shall see new destruction in the sky and flames descending therefrom.

Did not the atomic bomb drop over two cities in Japan to terminate World War II? Did it not stun and kill and devastate? From where did this great man receive this prediction if not from Spirit-Intelligence? His open mind made da Vinci great. He ever sought to know more, to use his knowledge to better the whole world. With his drive and will to achieve people today could attain some of the wonders he did.

Victor Hugo also gave us something to think about. This French Writer and Master of many Arts wrote a prediction on the wall beside his death bed in 1885:

I represent a Party which does not yet exist. This Party will make the twentieth century. There will issue from it first the United States of Europe, then the United States of the World.

The Common Market of Europe is well under way and the United Nations is of the World. This noted Thinker also declared that the scaffold would be abolished in the twentieth century. If this finally comes to pass, capital punishment will be a thing of the past.

Psychic Prediction has long centered around prominent people. On her coronation day in 1558 Queen Elizabeth listened to John Dee, who spoke to her Majesty while psychically gazing into his pink-tinted Crystal-Ball (now in the British Museum) saying:

For three-hundred years these Islands shall flourish, their power shall increase and their strength and domain shall spread.

Dee's prediction proved correct. Queen Elizabeth reigned nobly and long. Now, three centuries later, Britain may be in a period of decline from the powerful nation that ruled the waves and on which the sun never set, but Britain's

solid foundation shall yet endure.

Enlightenment with new hope and great good can come from Prophecy. A very famous Prophetess was Mother Shipton. In 1571 she told of World War II ending her poem with:

Old Worlds shall die and new be born.

Her prophesying continued in rhyme:

Carriages without horses shall go And accidents fill the world with woe Around the world thought shall fly In the twinkling of an eye The world upside down shall be And gold found at the root of a tree Through hills men shall ride And no horses be at their side Under water men shall walk Shall ride, shall sleep, shall talk In the air men shall be seen In white, in black, in green Iron in the water shall float As easily as a wooden boat Gold shall be found and shown In a land that's not now known

Many of these predictions have materialized in the last one hundred sixty years, the automobile, airplane, submarine, telephone, telegraph and many more. Astronauts have traveled in the air and seen the world upside down. Gold was discovered in California, 'a country not yet known' and deep-sea divers have walked on the ocean floor.

Five hundred years have passed since Mother Shipton's prophecies. How was it possible for her to see then what has become commonplace today? Only intelligent mentors (now living on the Spirit-side of life) could have

impressed upon her mental sensitivity what was to come a half millennium later. Her subconscious mind could never have housed thoughts of the unknown probabilities which even her imagination could not conjecture. Spirit-communication must be the source of such prophecy. It has been said that in spirit a thousand years are as a day here. If spirit-entities have the ability to produce such a fantastic, yet true forecast, what can they not see ahead for you and me!

To be forewarned is to be forearmed. We can always change our pattern of life for better results through Natural Law, the God-Law of the Universe. Every day is a new beginning.

Much is known about Nostradamus. He prophesied that men would fly through the air like birds touching the stars. He told of other inventions and developments of world significance.

In 1555 Nostradamus brought out his first edition of *The Centuries: The Prophetic Works Of Nostradamus* containing prophecies into the year 3797. These writings were composed of one hundred quatrains, verses of 4 lines. The true meanings of this psychic's predictions were often veiled to obscure them from eyes of contemporaries who might have persecuted him because of their own ignorance. This was strongly inferred in his Epistle to his friend, Henry II, King of France. He wrote:

I would have calculated more profoundly and integrated them even further, Most Serene King, but for the fact that some given to censure would raise difficulties.

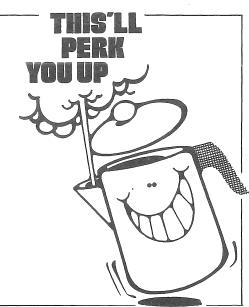
There is still much more to learn about Prophecy, but we can use the knowledge we have gained toward the understanding of Spirit Communication and its contribution to World Prophecy.

Jest Joking...

A LISTING OF EVENTS TO COME IN A SPIRITUALIST CHURCH BULLETIN ENDED WITH — "But you already knew that."

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A friend of mine always tries to say things in a positive manner. One day we were having a picnic at the park. A group next to us became extremely loud and foul-mouthed so we decided to move to a quieter place. I asked her opinion of the people and she responded, "They sure picked a nice park."





Our First National Convention — Part 7 —

(N.S.A.C. Centennial Series)

by Rev. Bernard F. Baker, NST



Continuing Mrs. Ada Sheehan's response on behalf of the Convention delegates:

"The Theosophists say that the cycle of manifestation is about over. We do not believe our Theosophist brother knows anything about it. We believe that as our demands are higher and holier and actuated by deeper impulses of love for humanity, that our manifestations will be purer, sweeter, and grander than they ever have been in the past.

We believe that as the medium or individual lives, aspires, and desires so shall his or her mediumship testify to the inner unfoldment of his or her soul.

We believe in this coming together today that all our mediums of the future will realize that much is expected of them. We demand a purer, nobler and grander character in the lives of all our people. We do today demand from the Spiritualists more than the mere belief that spirits can and do commune; we demand a higher, a nobler standard of manhood and of justice.

If we give you the name of Spiritualists, we expect you to be worthy of all that grand and noble term implies, and as our delegates sit here ready for business, we ask you in all earnestness, in all honesty, to bring your richest

thoughts, your grandest ideas, your noblest conclusions. "Come let us reason together."

Let us not forget to reason and in response to the kind welcome that has been uttered, let us show not only in my poor words that we appreciate the welcome, but let us show in that which we do in this hour of great moment to Spiritualism, that we realize the importance of being here and realize the importance of our acts upon this subject.

Let the report go out from this hall, that we are wide awake to the interests of humanity and of Spiritualism. Let people understand that we are in earnest and expect and desire those who are asking for humanity this grander achievement, better examples than have ever been set in the past, and as we ask this, and as we have found fault with every other institution and every other organization, as we have withdrawn from everything or refused to join anything, and now come here to form an organization representative of our disagreeableness to other people's arrangements, let us, at least, put forward here that which we can substantially, individually and collectively carry out.

We may say a great many things; we may do a great many things in this Convention that we would never carry home with us, never put into our lives, never put into actual practice. Now, if we do but little in passing, if it is nothing more than to organize, to leave the purpose and the work that we are to do by and by until we have cool heads, time to think and realize that which is necessary to be done, let us do that which we are intending to do with all our might.

Let us be in earnest; and to those who have been instrumental in bringing this meeting about, let us show our appreciation of Spiritualism and the effort to organize us, to bring us together, to make us better acquainted with each other, if nothing more.

Why, my friends, even among the workers in Spiritualism, though there be but a few in comparison to the workers of any other system of thought and progress, we are but slightly acquainted with each other or each other's methods. All over the country we are reported as disputing with each other, because we do not say exactly the same thing upon the same theme.

This we can gradually change by organization; by coming together once a year or oftener, if possible, and exchanging views, discussing the thought of Spiritualism, and its bearing upon humanity; joining hands, if you please, and showing those who have misunderstood us, because they did

not see us together, that we are in harmony, are interested in the work that will establish here on earth a sure and certain foundation for growth in man and woman, and justice for both.

It seems to me that we talk a great deal about the woman question in this movement, and necessarily so, because woman is coming to the front, and insists upon being talked to and talked about, and talk herself whenever she gets a chance. But we can not, as our sister has said, advance woman beyond man, and we won't permit man to get ahead of us.

We want to stand side by side with him, and in this movement here today delegates are equally divided between the sexes, and we are positive when the work is really on, and the work is to be done, you will hear from both sides, and both will be represented.

In the words of our delegates who are assembled here, and who are at the head of our present temporary organization, that we are glad to be here, and we have come for a purpose; we are going to say something, and we promise, don't we, that when we go home we are going to do something too? We are not going to sit down and wait until we meet again.

There has several times in the history of Spiritualism been a movement organized, or attempted to get organized

at least, and we are informed that in every instance the attempt was a failure. Why? Because almost everybody that went there had an ax to grind, and because almost everybody that went there did not want to turn the grindstone for all the others.

Now friends, I want to say to you as a delegate, if you have brought an ax to grind you may as well throw it out of the window now, for even the grindstone is absent here.

We are going to talk, to reason with one another, to subscribe our names and put our hands to the work of unfolding the powers that lie within ourselves, our children, and our neighbors, if it be possible for us to go to them; and so bring gradually but certainly and surely to the minds of the outside world who do not know us, that we are a people who are trying, according to the light that has been shed upon us from the spirit side of life, to grow to be true men and true women.

Again, I say with our hearts and our minds intent upon a larger possibility for spiritual unfoldment and acknowledgement by the world at large, we pledge ourselves as delegates to honestly work not for self, but for the great cause which we have been sent here to represent."

Mrs. Sheehan's response on behalf of the delegates deserves very careful reading. She again addressed the equality of man and woman. She strongly encouraged cooperation between the delegates and all Spiritualists. She asked that the delegates don't just leave the (First Organizational) Convention and do nothing until they meet again.

She addressed the repeated attempts at organization that have failed and explained the reason for those failures. She TOLD the delegates that if they were here with an ax to grind they were wasting their time and should throw axes out the window.

I carefully read those words over and over again. And I wondered if this same logic does not apply today. I wondered if all of us who are Spiritualists should not think long and hard about these words and determine for ourselves if we "have an ax to grind" that not only overshadows our actions, but also disregards what is truly in the best interests of Spiritualism.

I wondered how the N.S.A.C. would benefit if each one of our members took a good hard look at their own motives and actions and in turn, made sure that each and every act was truly in the very best interests of our beautiful religion.

I promise that I am doing this. Will you also make that promise?

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"Spiritualism takes into its arms and folds contentedly to its heart the philosophies of all mankind . . . No one philosophy can possibly contain all the truth. Those things we do not comprehend, let us not condemn. But by studying various philosophies we

— taken from **Becoming A Spiritualist**, by H. Gordon Burroughs

attain a wider interpretation of God."



Why All The Trouble?



Last month in the C.S.S.A, spring Newsletter this article appeared about the California State Spiritualists' Association's Annual Convention. There are some very good points that relate to all conventions including the up and coming N.S.A.C. Convention in Phoenix, Arizona. We thought we would reprint the message so hopefully many of you may be encouraged to attend your state and national conventions. You meet the nicest people at these conventions and most all of them are Spiritualists!

The California State Spiritualists' Association's Annual Convention is only a few weeks away and all who are involved in the responsibility of seeing to the myriad details that are essential to a smooth running program are quite busy. Why do we go to all the trouble you might ask? Why do we have conventions at all? That is a fair question and perhaps we can supply an answer.

There are all kinds of conventions, conferences, institutes and seminars held by many organizations. They are held for a variety of reasons; social, business, in-service training, and even mutual admiration. But there is also another reason and all conventions and conferences have this ingredient in common - EDUCATION.

Conventions are held for the purpose of learning more about your organization - **EDUCATION**. The more you know about something you believe in, the firmer that belief becomes.

Conventions are held for the purpose of exchanging ideas - EDUCATION. Sometimes we hear something familiar but from a different source, and suddenly, the light dawns, and we understand.

Conventions are held for the purpose of fellowship - EDUCATION. Learning to know and enjoy our fellow man is but a better way to understand ourselves.

Conventions are held for the purpose of promoting interest in your particular group or organization. We return from our conventions inspired and re-dedicated to the ideals and purposes of our organization. We are able to see a broader view and we learn that our position or problems, our successes or failure are not really so unique, but are shared by others with like interests. We learn how important it is to be a doer and a mover. These are the people that not only get things done, but these are the people who reap the harvest from the efforts they make. For we know that first we give and then we receive.

The members of your C.S.S.A. Board hope that each and every one of you will make an opportunity for yourself to become involved in your religion, in your church, and to be a mover and a doer. Try it! You'll like the results.

Come to the Convention this June. Delegates are needed, and visitors are always welcome.

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As Spiritualists' we believe that prayer should be spontaneous, and come from the heart, it is for the need of the moment. Some feel a need for a prayer that all can say together, however we should think of the words we are speaking if we use a set prayer, do they express the true teachings of Spiritualism? The following is offered as a prayer that can be memorized if there is a need.

Infinite Intelligence, source of all life and love, we give thanks for the strength abundantly supplied on asking, that we may learn and control, from the experiences brought about by our own actions.

We ask for guidance along our daily paths, that we may learn to live in harmony and peace with

all peoples. Teach us to be tolerant and understanding of others, allowing them to be individuals with their own free will, to learn with their own reasoning.

May all grow Spiritually to find the beauty of sharing with all one's neighbors the world over. In sincerity, light and truth.

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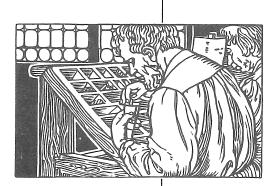
by Charlene Kleinschmidt

There are five words in the healing prayer that we often say but neglect to accept, "I will do my part."

If you are troubled physically, financially or mentally it often becomes easy to blame Spirit when we do not see the expected outcome from our prayers.

But Spirit needs our acceptance of personal responsibility and cooperation to be able to help us in our needs. We must also understand ourselves and give ourselves the same understanding and patience we would a stranger who came to us seeking answers. Often we defeat ourselves by becoming angry and impatient with ourselves for

not meeting our goals. Such behavior is self-defeating and detrimental. Look at yourself at this moment and ask yourself how you would treat you. Are you getting the rest you need? Are you denying the need to see a physician (often we forget that spiritual healing does not deny the need at times for medical attention)? Are you eating nutritionally sound diet? Are you doing something for the pure pleasure of enjoyment? Spiritualism teaches us to live in balance and harmony and yet we often deny either our physical, spiritual or mental needs in our pursuit of some goal. Until we understand our own responsibility in our healing, let us not say "I will do my part" without careful consideration of what we are promising.



OOOPPs!

Pardon us. I know that you are all disappointed that the convention is not going to be a month long, from September 30 to October 30, as noted in last months' magazine. However, you'll be pleased how much fun, work and Spiritual Services we can pack into the time we have, from September 30 to October 6. Make your plans to come to the convention **now**, so we can all meet and share together.

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1280 Claas Ave., Holbrook, N.Y. 11741; Secy., Virginia J. Berg.

NORWITH - National Spiritualist Church,

29 Park St., 06360; P.O. Box 939; Asst. Pastor, Michael Fretard, 446-8058, Hope Valley, R.I.; Secy., Alvera Gauvin, 70 Peck St., 06360, 889-5968.

OLD GREENWICH - Albertson Memorial Church,

293 Sound Beach Ave., 06870; Sun. Serv. 11:00 a.m.; Pastor, Rev. Melvin O. Smith; Secy., William Habekost, c/o Quintile, 75 Mason St., 06830, (203) 661-5770.

STRATFORD - The Temple of Divine Truth, Inc., N.S.A.C.,

Boothe Memorial Park; Serv. 6:00 p.m. on the 2nd & 4th Sat., Sept.-June; Pres., John Paterna, 39 Quintard Ave., So. Norwalk, 06854, (203) 866-3885; Secy., Doris G. Wendell, 377 Queen St., Bridgeport, 06606, (203) 374-5174.

Directory of Churches, cont'd.

WILLIMANTIC — First Spiritualist Church of Willimantic,

268 High St., 06226; Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m.; Pres., Joyce Orcutt, 13 Wales Rd., Andover, 06232, (203) 742-7846; Secy., Donna Szall, RFD 1, Box 551, Jewett City, 06351, (203) 376-3382.

• DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA •

WASHINGTON - Church of Two Worlds,

3038 "Q" St., N.W., 20007; Sun. Healing 2:00 p.m., Serv. 2:30 p.m.; Pres., Michael Dyer, 2912 N. 7th St., Arlington, VA 22201; Secy., Janese St. Coeur, 2505 N. Kenilworth St., Arlington, VA 22207, (703) 241-0350.

• FLORIDA •

CASADAGA - First Spiritualist Church of Cassadaga, P.O. Box 185, Cassadaga, FL 32706

FRUITLAND PARK - Spiritual Enlightenment Center, N.S.A.C., P.O. Box 519, Fruitland Park, FL 34731.

MIAMI - Metaphysical Science Church, N.S.A.C., 7701 S.W. 76th Ave., Miami, FL 33143.

ORLANDO - Spiritualist Church of Awareness, N.S.A.C.,

3210 Chickasaw Trail (P.O. Box 571043, 32857); Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m. and Wed. 7:30 p.m.; Healing, Lecture, Messages all services; Pres., Jean I. Lerch, 335 Piney Ridge Rd., Casselberry, 32707, (407) 834-5378; Secy., E. Ann Otzelberger, 4332 Woodlynne Ln., 32818.

• GEORGIA •

ATLANTA - First Spiritualist Church of Atlanta, 3120 Maple St., Atlanta, GA 30309.

BRUNSWICK - Golden Isles Spiritual Chapel, N.S.A.C., 2916 Springdale Rd., Brunswick, GA 31520

• ILLINOIS •

ILLINOIS STATE SPIRITUALIST ASSOCIATION.

Pres., Rev. Bryan McCotter, 313 E. Center St., Leroy, 61752; Secy., Arsenia J. Williams, 10913 S. Parnell, Chicago, 60628, (312) 995-1911.

AURORA - Christabelle Spiritualist Church Of Aurora Inc.,

141 N. State St.; Sun. Serv. 7:00 p.m.; Pres., Alma L. Kaes; Secy., Annabelle B. Saxon, 1312 E. Division St., Lockport, IL 60441, (815) 838-6961.

BURNHAM - Puritan Spiritualist Church,

13906 Greenbay Ave., 60633; Sun. Serv. 2:30 p.m. & Wed. 7:30 p.m.; Pastor, Anna Gross, 10930 Ave. "M", Chicago, 60617; Secy., Joyce Balducci, 10624 S. Bensley, 60617, (312) 375-6530.

CHERRY VALLEY - Cherry Valley Spiritualist Camp, Inc.,

8002 Service Rd., 61016, (815) 332-5359; Camp Season: June thru Sept. - Nov. thru May; Serv.: First Sun. of each month at 1:00 p.m.; Pres., Maurice Witt, 624 Walnut Ave., Elgin, 60123, (312) 931-4373; Secy., Richard Taylor.

CHICAGO - The Church of The Spirit,

2651 N. Central Park Ave., 60647-1101, (312) 489-5422; Chicago's Oldest Spiritualist Church; Sun. Family Worship Hour, 10:30 a.m.; Wed., Development Class, 7:00 p.m.; Pastor, Ms. Marrice Coverson; Secy., Ms. LaVerne DeChristopher.

CHICAGO - Spiritualist Church of Truth,

6343 West Cuyler (½ block north of Irving Pk.) 60634; Sun. Serv. 3:00 p.m.; Pres. Mrs. Helen Lopotowski; Secy., Margaret Altese, 4050 N. Oriole Ave., Norridge, 60634, (312) 452-8754; Lyceum every second Sun. after Church Serv., Mr. Fred Detzner, Conductor.

CHICAGO - Tucker Smith Memorial Spiritualist Temple,

6146 S. Ashland Ave., 60636; Sun. Serv. 11:30 a.m., Lyceum every third Sun.; Pastor, Louise Washington, 6146 S. Ashland Ave., 60636; Secy., L.B. Johnson, 8227 S. Marquette, 60617.

CICERO - First Spiritualist Church of Cicero,

5033 W. 25th Pl., 60650; Serv. Sun. 2:30 p.m., Lecture, Messages & Healing; Pastor & Pres., Ellen Stopa, 5033 W. 25th Pl., 60650; Secy., Joseph A. Stopa, (312) 652-6953.

LE ROY - J.T. & E.J. Crumbaugh Spiritualist Church,

102 S. Pearl St.; Sun. Serv. 2:00 p.m.; Lyceum Sun. 12:30 p.m., Tues. 6:30 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Bryan McCotter, 313 E. Center St., 61752; Pres., Ella Martinovich, 1402 E. College, Normal, 61761, (309) 452- 1738; Secy., Donna K. O'Crowly, 34 Chiswick Circle, Bloomington, 61704, (309) 662-3845.

• INDIANA •

INDIANA STATE ASSOCIATION OF SPIRITUALISTS,

Pres., Rev. William F. Melick, 1806 E. 66th St., Indianapolis, 46220; Secy., Doris Copeland, 5096 N. 300E Greenfield, IN 46140, (317) 326-2523.

FORT WAYNE - Spiritualist Church Of Divine Science,

1615 Wells St., Mailing Add: P.O. Box 8151, Station D, 46898; Sun. Lyceum Classes 10:00 a.m., Thurs. & Sun. Eve. - Healing 7:00 p.m., Serv. 7:45 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Bernice Brock; Assoc. Pastors, Rev. Jay Fisher & Rev. Edward P. Cummings; Secy., Jeanne Navaro, 1615 Wells St., 46808, (219) 422-8600.

FRANKFORT - First Spiritualist Church of Frankfort Inc.,

Magnolia & Green Sts.; Serv. Sun. Lyceum 1:00 p.m., Church Serv. 2:30 p.m., 1st and 3rd Sun. each month, Dinner at 5:00 p.m., Message Circle 6:00 p.m.; Pres., Billy Joe Gregory; Secy., Henrietta Reed, 1321 E. Spann Ave., Indianapolis, 46203.

GARY - First Spiritualist Church, Inc., N.S.A.C.,

2430 W. 11th Ave.; Serv. Sun. 3:00 p.m., Wed. 8:00 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Velma Dickson; Pres., Jesse James Jr., 1301 Pennsylvania St.; Secy., Verillia Sharref, 768 King St., 46406; Unfoldment Classes Fri. 7:30 p.m., Dinner every third Sun.

HAMMOND - First Progressive Spiritualist Church of Hammond 230 Hobart St., Hammond, IN 46406.

INDIANAPOLIS - Progressive Spiritualist Church,

6225 N. Carrollton Ave., 46220, (317) 255-4902; Serv. Sun. "Psychic Tea" 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., Reg. Serv. 3:00 p.m.; Pres., Paul E. Keller, 9341 West County Line Rd., Camby, 46113, (317) 831-2499; Secy., Willie Wissing, Route 5, Box 137, Rushville, 46173, (317) 663-2582.

INDIANAPOLIS - Psychic Science Spiritualist Church, Inc.,

1415 Central Ave., 46202; Philosophy Class 6:00 p.m., Sun.; Healing Serv. 7:00 p.m., Devotional Serv. 7:30 p.m., Sun. & Thurs.; Healing Prayer Group 7:00 p.m., Mon.; All Message Serv. 2:00 p.m., Tues.; Classes, Seminars, Consultations & Special Activities available. Pres., Herbert Ray Worth, (317) 251-4889; Secy., Edith Myers, (317) 248-9773, Church phone (317) 634-1430.

MICHIGAN CITY - Spiritual Science Church, N.S.A.C.,

314 W. Coolspring Ave.; Correspondence to: P.O. Box 8923, 46360, (219) 874-6002; Sun. Serv. 2:00 p.m.; Pastor & Pres., Rev. Ruth Novak, 7008 W. U.S. 20 W. Daphne Park, 46360, (219) 872-6621; Secy., Carleen Boyle, 2878 W. Small Rd., LaPorte, IN 46350.

MUNCIE - First Church Of Spiritual Science, N.S.A.C.,

Corner of Ninth & Mulberry; Sun. Healing Serv. 2:30 p.m., Church Serv. 2:45 p.m., Dinner served last Sun. of the month at 5:00 p.m. followed Student Serv. 6:00 p.m., Unfoldment Classes Tues. 8:00 p.m., Muncie - Fri. 8:00 p.m. Chesterfield; Pastor, Rev. Virginia L. Falls, 2221 W. Ninth St., 47302, 284-2494; Secy., Doris Copeland, 5096 N. 300 E. Greenfield, IN 46140, 326-2523.

• IOWA •

CLINTON - First Spiritualist Church,

541 - 6th Ave. So., 52732; Sun. Serv. 2:00 p.m., classes Wed. 7:30 p.m.; Pastor & Pres., Edward E. Ridyard; 1249 - 15th Ave. So., 52732, (319) 242-0462.

CLINTON - Mississippi Valley Spiritualist Assoc. Camp., Mt. Pleasant Park, Clinton, IA 52732

DAVENPORT - Spiritualist Harmony Church,

1429 W. Seventh St., 52802, (319) 324-9659 or 326-3453. Worship & Message Serv. Sun. 2:00 p.m.; Adult Lyceum Class, Tues. 7:00 p.m.; Children's Lyceum avail.; Pastor, Rev. William E. Buchholz, Jr., 805 E. Thirteenth St., 52803, (319) 326-3201; Secy., Roma Plagman, 1715 W. Eighth St., 52802, (319) 322-6353.

Directory of Churches, cont'd.

• MAINE •

MAINE STATE SPIRITUALIST ASSOCIATION,

Pres., Thomas B. Haldane, Box 222, Rt. 1, W. Buxton, 04093; Treas., Bernard R. Langley, RFD #4, Box 208-L17, Auburn, 04210; Secy., Florence C. Langley, Same address.

AUGUSTA - Augusta Spiritualist Church,

Corner of Perham & Court Streets; Sun. Serv. 2:30 p.m.; Pres., June L. Conley, 50 Windy St., 04330; Secy., Carole Rideout, Birmingham Rd., Chelsea, 04345; Treas., Lyndell Heald, Rt. 2, Box 80, Litchfield, 04350.

LINCOLNVILLE - Temple Heights Spiritualist Assoc. Camp,

P.O. Box 166, Lincolnville, ME 04849.

DOVER-FOXCROFT - First Piscataquis Spiritualist Church,

Thompson Free Library Clubroom, 04426; Services 2nd Sun. each month at 2:00 p.m.; Pres., Mrs. Kathy Herring, RFD #1, Box 55, 04426; Secy., Kathryn Weymouth, RFD #1, Box 16, Abbott, 04406, (207) 876-3005.

ETNA - The Harrison D. Barrett Memorial Church,

P.O. Box 100, 04434; Sun. Serv. 10:00 a.m.; Healing Serv. Wed., 7:30 p.m.; Pastor Rev. Arlene Sikora, (207) 938-2807; Secy., Carol Rickards, P.O. Box 100, 04434, (207) 327-1458.

AUBURN - Madison Campmeeting Spiritualist Assoc.,

R.R. 4, Box 208 L 17, Auburn, ME 04210.

PORTLAND - Portland Spiritualist Church,

302 Stevens Ave., 04103; Mailing Address: P.O. Box 6551, P.T.S., Portland, 04102; Sun. Serv. 7:30 p.m., Healing Serv. 7:00 p.m.; Class Fri. 7:30 p.m.; Pastor, Thomas Haldane, R-1, Box 222, W. Buxton, 04093, (207) 727-3850; Pres., Warren Nielsen; Secy., Dale Johnson, 75 Forest Ave., 04101.

MASSACHUSETTS •

BALTIMORE - Sanctuary Of Truth Spiritualist,

YWCA Bldg., Room 108, Baltimore, MD 21201.

BROCKTON - First Spiritualist Church of Brockton,

54 Glenwood, Brockton, MA 02401.

METHUEN - The Church of Spiritual Life, Inc.,

37 Lowell St., 01844 (in Chapel of 1st Methodist Church); Sun. Serv. 6:00 p.m.; Acting Pastor, Elva Peters, 830 Broadway, Haverhill, 01830, (508) 373-2408; Secy., Mary F. Gibeau, Concord Garden Apts., Bldg. 16, Apt. 2, Concord, NH 03301.

ONSET - On-I-Set Wigwam Spiritualist Church Camp,

13th St., Onset, MA 02558.

SALEM - First Spiritualist Church, Inc.,

34 Warren St., 01970; Early Serv. 5:30-6:00 p.m.; Lunch break 6:00-6:30, Healing & Evening Serv. 6:30-8:00 p.m.; Telephone for weather cancellations: (508) 745-2098; Wed. Billet Serv. 2:00 p.m.; Church season is Sun. after Labor Day - last Sun. in May; Billet Serv. Oct.-May; Pastor, Rev. Gladys Worsencroft, 28 Riverside St., Danvers, 01923; Pres., Muriel Karolides, 9 Harbor St., Danvers, MA, 01923, (508) 774-2753; Secy., Dorothy R. Crocker, 14 King St., Peabody, MA, 01960, (508) 977-9554.

SPRINGFIELD - First Spiritualist Church, Inc.,

33-37 Bliss St., 01105, (413) 732-1234; Sun. Serv. 3:00 p.m.; Pres. Bernard Hilton, 133 Upper Rd., Deerfield, MA (413) 774-2354; Medium Secy., Mrs. Alyce Andrews, 53 Burns Ave., Springfield, MA (413) 782-4584; Recording Secy., Mrs. Elaine Avery, Avery Rd., Montgomery, MA (413) 862-3310.

• MICHIGAN •

MICHIGAN STATE SPIRITUALIST ASSOC. OF CHURCHES,

Pres., Marcia Hyatt, 4161 Buckingham, Detroit, Michigan 48224; Secy., Marjorie Elaine Weichner, 8022 W. Chain Lake Rd., P.O. Box 89, South Branch, 48761-0089, (517) 4133.

CHARLEVOIX - Golden Rule Spiritualist Church,

1½ miles west of Bay Shore on Old U.S. 31; Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m., Lyceum meets Sun. 9:30 a.m., Pres., Mr. Otto Allen, 419 Pearl, Petrosky, 49770; Secy., Ralph B. Cheney, 7453 Old 31, Rt. 3, 49720, (616) 347-3899.

CHARLEVOIX - Northern Lake Michigan Spiritualist Camp,

1½ mile west of Bay Shore on Old U.S. 31; Service 10:30 a.m., Wed. 7:30 p.m., June-Sept.; Pres. Ralph B. Cheney, 7453 Old 31, Rt . 3, 49720.

DETROIT - First Spiritualist Temple, 97 Delaware Ave., Detroit, MI 48202.

JACKSON - Goodfellows Spiritualist Church, 1014 LeRoy, Jackson, MI 49202.

LESLIE - Flower Memorial Spiritualist Church,

West Bellevue at High St.; Sun. Lyceum 10:00, Church Service 10:30 a.m.; Pastor, Rev. Cosie Allen, 1418 Hall S.E., Grand Rapids, 49506, (616) 241-2761; Pres., Timothy Weichner; Secy., Mary Ellen Weichner, 808 State St., Jackson, 49202, (517) 787-0422.

MUSKEGON - First National Spiritualist Church.

3320 Thompson St., Bluffton Area; Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m.; Pres. & Secy., Marvell Francisco, 14439 Mercury Dr., Grand Haven, MI 49417.

OXFORD - Spirit of Harmony Chapel,

21 Dennison St., 48501, (313) 628-2353; Sun. Serv. 7:30 p.m.; Pastor, Catherine Welch; Pres., Michael Dumbrique.

ROYAL OAK - First Spiritual Temple,

3224 Greenfield Rd., 48072; Sun. Serv. 11:45 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.; Sun. Lyceum - Sept. till May 10:00 a.m.; Pres., Rev. Stanley Gutt, 813 E. Evelyn, Hazel Park, 48030, (313) 548-2240; Secy., Marguerite (Peggy) Gutt, 813 E. Evelyn, Hazel Park, 48030, (313) 548-2240.

SOUTH BRANCH - Chain Lake Spiritualist Camp Association,

8000 W. Chain Lake Rd., 48761; Sun. Serv. 11:00 a.m., July & Aug.; Annual Retreat Week in July; Lyceum Supt., Dawn Hyatt; Pres., Donald Weichner, 8022 W. Chain Lake Rd., P.O. Box 89, MI 48761-0089; Secy., M. Elaine Weichner, 8022 W. Chain Lake Rd., P.O. Box 89, MI 48761-0089, (517) 257-4133.

• MINNESOTA •

MINNEAPOLIS - State Spiritualist Assoc. of Minnesota.

3328 Minnehaha Ave., #4, Minneapolis, MN 55406; Secy., Melanie L. Helvig.

CRYSTAL - Spirit of Life Spiritualist Church,

Knights of Columbus Hall, 4847 W. Broadway, Crystal, MN 55427; Pamela Ashlay, Healer, Medium, L.M., 3908 Georgia Ave. N., Crystal, MN 55427, (612) 535-2746.

DULUTH - First Spiritual Church,

1414 E. Ninth St., Duluth, MN 55805.

MINNEAPOLIS - Second Spiritualist Church,

2230 Lyndale Ave. N.; Sun. Serv. 3:15 p.m.; Secy., Melanie Helvig, P.O. Box 6115, 55406.

ST. PAUL - Spiritual Science Church,

65 E. Kellogg Blvd., 55101; Secy., Menalinn Haberkorn, 1040 Laurel Ave., 55101.

• MISSOURI •

KANSAS CITY - The Light of the World Spiritualist Chapel, N.S.A.C.,

5112½ E. 27th St., 64127; Sun. Serv. 7:30 p.m.; Wed. 7:30 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Mollie Foreman, N.S.T., 403 Cambridge Rd., #101, Belton, 64102; Secy., Edna Rowland, 601 South West Ward, Apt. B, Lee Summit, 64081.

ST. LOUIS - Fifth Spiritualist Church,

6026 S. Kingshighway Blvd., 63109; Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m.; Pastor, Rev. Brenda Wittich, 3903 Connecticut St., 63116; Secy., Mrs. Virginia Lee Gummels, 7608 Comfort Ave., 63143, (314) 647-5289.

• NEBRASKA •

OMAHA - Spiritual Science & Philosophy Church, N.S.A.C.,

321 Hascall St., 68108; Sun. Serv. 11:00 a.m.; Pastor & Secy., Alace Fanslau, 321 Hascall St., 68108, (402) 345-8042; Class - Sunday Noon.

• NEVADA •

LAS VEGAS - Spiritualist Desert Church, N.S.A.C.,

867 N. Lamb Blvd. (meeting room); Sun. Serv. 7:00 p.m.; Pres., Catherine C. Stewart, (702) 453-2571; Secy., Helen L. Camp, 867 N. Lamb Blvd., 89100, (702) 438-0602.

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NEW JERSEY

WESTVILLE - Church of Eternal Life, N.S.A.C.,

Mailing Address: c/o Mrs. Edith Pedrick, 123 E. Oakland Ave., Oaklyn, 08107; Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m.; Pastor, David H. Edwards, 25 Lippincott Ave., Gibbsboro, 08026, (609) 784-2340; Pres., Mrs. Edith Pedrick, 123 E. Oakland Ave., Oaklyn, NJ 08107, (609) 767-1651; Secy., Irene DiRenza, 119D Haddon Hills Apts., Haddonfield, 08033, (609) 858-6535.

N. CAPE MAY - Stow Memorial Foundation,

Florence Statkiewicz, 218 Siva St., N. Cape May, NJ 08204.

NEW YORK •

ALBANY - Spiritualist Open Center,

79 Central Ave., 12206; Sun. Serv. 6:30 p.m.; Spiritual Unfoldment Classes: Mon.-Thurs.; Hands of Light Healing Circle; Silver Cord Bookstore; open Mon.-Fri. & after all church func.; Pres., Hillary Kramer, (518) 371-8975; Secy., Helen Scheer, (518) 372-3993.

AMSTERDAM - Circle of Light Spiritualist Center, RD #1, Langley Road, Box 1114, Amsterdam, NY

BINGHAMTON - First National Spiritualist Church,

97 Riverside Dr., 13905, (607) 723-0695; Sun. 11:00 a.m., Wed. 7:30 p.m.; Pastor, Robert Howell, 97 Riverside.

BROOKLYN - The Temple of Divine Guidance, N.S.A.C.

493 Clinton Ave. (2R), 11238; Serv. 1st & 3rd Sat. 2:00 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Benjamin R. Cooper, Jr. (same address); Secy., Willette Law, 10 Argyle Rd. #6C, 11218, (718) 282-8542.

BUFFALO - Spiritualist Church of Eternal Brotherhood,

1980 Bailey Ave., 14211, (716) 892-5277; Sun. Lyceum Serv. 10:30 a.m., Director, Mrs. Marilyn Shei, Healing Serv. 11:30 a.m., Worship Serv. 12:00 p.m., Mediums Day 2nd Sun. every month, Dinner 1:00 p.m., Message Serv. Every Wed. 7:00 p.m., Classes, Seminars, Consultations & Special Activities available, contact Pastor or President for further information; Pres., John Renzo, 90 Gibbons Rd., Lackawana, 14218.

EAST AURORA - First Spiritualist Temple,

29 Temple Pl., 14052; Sun. Healing 6:45 p.m., Lecture & Message Serv. 7:30 p.m., Mediums Day 4th Sun. of month, Lecture & Message Serv. 3:30 & 7:30 p.m., Dinner 5:00 p.m., All Message Serv. 6:00 p.m., Healing Serv. 7:00 p.m., Coffee Hour 9:00 p.m., Adult & Children Lyceum Sun. 5:30 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Paul F. Spencer, N.S.T., Box 511, Delevan, 14042; Secy., Charlene Kleinschmidt, 1071 Wish Circle, 14052., (716)

ELMONT - New Horizon Spiritualist Church,

261 Elmont Road, Elmont, NY 11003; Secy., Milagros Figueroa.

FREEVILLE - Central New York Spiritualist Assoc. Camp, Box 26, Freeville, NY 13068.

ALBANY - The Capital District Spiritualist Church,

1011 Troy-Schenectady Road, 12110; Sun. Serv. 6:30 p.m., Progressive Development & Philosophy classes Mon.-Thurs., Open Seances Every Friday at 7:30 p.m.: Windows To Your Soul Bookstore open weekdays and after all church functions; Church is open all year; Pres., James Jamieson, Pastor, Rev. Stephen C. Robinson, N.S.T., (518) 783-1315.

LILY DALE - Lily Dale Assembly,

5 Melrose Park, Lily Dale, NY 14752.

LILY DALE - Lily Dale Spiritualist Church, Sun. Servs. Healing & Development 10:30 a.m., Worship 11:00 a.m. (Sept.-June), Fri. eve. Development Class 7:30 p.m.; Lyceum Sun. 9:30 a.m. - Lois Theis, Director; Pres., Ron Robertson; Secy., Dr. William B. Hartley, 250 Central Ave., Fredonia, 14063. Address all correspondence to church at P.O. Box 1128, 14752.

LONG ISLAND - Temple of Metaphysical Science, N.S.A.C.,

15 Oak St., Patchogue, 11772; Service alternate Sundays 11:00 a.m.; Pastor, Rev. Edna C. Claussen, 737-4651; Secy., Rev. Virginia Berg, 1280 Claas Ave., Holbrook, 11741, (516) 588-1442.

ROCHESTER - Plymouth Spiritualist Church,

175 Carter St., 14621, (716) 544-0427; Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m., Wed. 7:30 p.m.; Pastor, Rev. Ronald Skowronski, 1100 Ave. "D", 14621, (716) 266-5617.

ROCHESTER - Spiritualist Church Of Light,

315 Gregory St., 14620; Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m.; Pastor, Rev. Ann Lazerson, 691 Parsells Ave., 14609, (716) 288-5666; Secy., Jean MacNeill, 8 Beechcraft Dr., 14606, (716) 458-9303.

• OHIO •

OHIO STATE SPIRITUALIST ASSOCIATION,

Pres., Neil Griffen, 8521 Worthington Rd., Westerville, 43081, (614) 895-0873; Secy., Caroline Taylor, 850 N. Meridian Rd., Apt. 610, Youngstown, 44509, (216) 792-8633.

ASHLEY - Ashley Spiritualist Camp,

P.O. Box 24, Ashley, OH 43003.

ASHTABULA - First Spiritualist Church,

4320 Main Ave.; Sun. Serv., 2:30 p.m., Healing & Clairvoyance; Pres., Charles J. Benes, 8513 Creek Rd., Williamsfield, 44093, (216) 293-7056; Secy.-Treas., Dorothy A. Benes, 8513 Creek Rd., Williamsfield, 44093, (216) 293-7056.

COLUMBUS - First Spiritualist Church of Linden,

1751 Aberdeen Ave., 43211; Devotional Serv. Sun. 10:00 a.m., Sun. Lyceum 9:30 a.m., Wed. Message Serv. 7:30 p.m., Pres., & Lyceum Conductor, David H. Ereira; Pastor, Rev. Neil C. Griffen, 8521 Worthington Rd., Westerville, 43081; Secy., Lois E. Ereira, 280 Triumph Way, Gahanna, 43230, (614) 475-3250.

COLUMBUS - Spiritualist Church of Spirit Revelation,

1081 E. Weber Rd., 43211; Sun. Serv. 7:00 p.m., Wed. Serv. 7:00 p.m. with Lyceum, All Message Serv. every 4th Fri.; Pastor, John S. Matrunick, 11 Woolley Park, Box 7, Ashley, 43003, (614) 747-2352.

DAYTON - The Church of Two Worlds, N.S.A.C.,

848 Clover St., 45410; Sun. Serv. 2:30 p.m., All message Serv. 4th Sat. 7:30 p.m.; Pres., Ray Moschke, 1468 Ironwood Dr., Fairborn, 45324, (513) 878-1165; Pastor, Juanita M. Luppeti; Secy., Vanita Scholl, 1330-B Black Forrest Dr., West Carrolton, OH 45449.

KENT - First Spiritualist Church,

146 W. Oak St., 44240; Serv. 2:00 p.m. Sun.

MARENGO - The Spiritualist Temple of Light,

1463 Co. Rd. 24, 43334; Sun. Serv. 10:30 a.m.; Pastor & Secy., Frank Staats, P.O. Box 217, Ashley 43003; Pres., Ardella Staats, (419) 864-4655.

MARION - Memorial Spiritualist Church,

667 Henry St., 43302; Sun. Serv. 2:30 p.m.; Pres., Robert Hull, 316 Franklin St., 43302, (614) 387-8887; Secy., Helen Brown, 400 Delaware Ave., #905, 43002, (614) 387-5834.

MASSILLON - Sanctuary of Eternal Light, N.S.A.C.,

224 North Ave. N.E., 44646, (216) 832-9764; Sun. Serv. 7:30 p.m.; Pres., Nettie Hicks, 224 North Ave. N.E.; Secy. Karen Elias, 224 North Ave. N.E., 44646, (216) 832-9674.

SHERWOOD - Crystal Foundation Spiritualist Church, N.S.A.C.,

Services 2:00 p.m., 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays, March thru Dec.; Pres., Robert D. Comstock; Secy., Hertha L. Comstock, 1629 Franklin Ave., Ft. Wayne, IN 46808, (219) 426-6793.

YOUNGSTOWN - First Spiritualist Church,

323 W. Le Clede Ave., Youngstown, OH 44509.

OKLAHOMA

OKLAHOMA STATE SPIRITUALIST ASSOCIATION,

Pres., Orpha V. Neal, P.O. Box 376, Kellyville, 74039; Secy., Juanita R. Oyer, 6216 S.E. 10th St., Oklahoma City, 73110, (405) 732-7975.

BLACKWELL - First Spiritualist Church of Blackwell,

1202 W. Oklahoma St., Blackwell, OK 73701.

OKLAHOMA CITY - Central Spiritualist Church,

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Rev. Hillary Kramer, NST 15 Huntwood Drive Clifton Park, NY 12065 February 1990

Dear Fellow Spiritualist:

Music speaks to the soul and uplifts the spirit! A NEW SPIRITUALIST SUPPLEMENTAL SONGBOOK is being developed for use in our churches. We need YOUR help in this Spiritualist musical endeavor.

As you know, at our last convention held in Fairfax, Virginia, a Resolution was passed which stated:

Be it resolved that this 97th National Convention of the NSAC appoint a committee to collect, to review and to assemble music for a supplemental songbook for the purpose of enhancing the music available to our churches. This committee will present a first draft of the songbook for review at the 1990 convention.

I was asked to chair this committee, and serving with me are Linda Alden, Rochester, New York and Bruce Lehrer, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

If you or any members of your church family know of any humns or songs that you would like to include in the songbook, please send them to me at the following address:

Rev. Hillary Kramer 15 Huntwood Drive Clifton Park, NY 12065

Tel. #: 518-371-8975

Please include the music, lyrics, title, and the names of the composer and publisher. Remember to include contemporary as well as original compositions from your members.

As we move into the 1990's let us join together to further Spiritualism in song and harmony.

Love and light,

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We believe that this nation was ordained and founded by a divine plan, for express purposes, having for their object the enlightenment and upliftment of humanity.

We believe that one of these purposes and perhaps the greatest, was the providing of a people, free in thought, fitted to receive and understand the great truths which Spiritualism teaches and proves.

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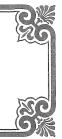
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H. E. Wheeler





A Summary of Spiritual Science



by Elmo C. Julian

Imo C. Julian is a retired chemist originally from Ohio and now residing in Texas. A reflective man, he enjoys music, reading, and philosophy. His questions about life and what happens to an individual after death have led to much research.

He says, "It has become my belief that one's world-view plays a very important role in one's life and destiny in this world and in the world beyond death. It is my desire to present the following brief text of thirteen statements of postulates which summarize

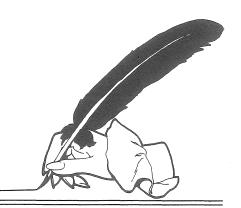
spiritual science. It is hoped that these statements would aid an individual establish his own world-view which would help him to live a reasonably spiritual life and finally, to find himself on a highly beneficial plane of existence."

- A Summary of Spiritual Science -

- 1. There are a large number of planes of existence. The physical earth is just one of many planes.
- 2. The human being consists of, at least, a physical body and an etheric body. The essence of the human being may be thought of as SPIRIT.
- 3. The human being may be thought of as being in a state of progression from the undeveloped through many, many states of development.
- 4. In his existence on the earth plane, the human being is ignorant of many things.
- 5. It is thought, with some basis of fact, that there is a very high Infinite Intelligence behind ALL THAT IS.
- 6. It is believed that ALL THAT IS, both the physical and the ethereal, are an expression of this interpenetrating Infinite Intelligence. This intelligence may be termed God, Allah, Jehovah, Elohim, etc.
- 7. It is thought that religion affords information on principles of living.
- 8. On death of the physical body, the ethereal body continues in existence.
- 9. Psychic phenomena indicate the presence of etheric beings and their communications with the earth plane.
- 10. There is a principle behind life on all planes: that is the Golden Rule.
- 11. Progression of the human being is thought to be based on individual responsibility. Individuals higher in progression assist those individuals who are not so high. Teaching is an important activity of all beings, whatever their level of progression. There are many other activities and pleasures accorded those beings in the planes of light. There are also realms of darkness which protects undeveloped beings who are not yet ready for the light. These undeveloped beings are those who have shown no responsibility in practicing the Golden Rule and who show little love of others. When these undeveloped beings finally show some desire to progress, they will be aided by ministering beings from higher planes. Thus, no one is barred from reforming his ways and progressing.
- 12. The individual, on departing the physical plane is attracted to those beings who love him and whom he loves.
- 13. The final end of progression is beyond human understanding. The scope of ALL THAT IS is beyond human comprehension.

Votes

otes from the Field



On May 26 . . .

Our Reverend Bernard Baker performed the marriage of my youngest daughter Jacki . . . How proud I was at the wonderful job he did. Most of you know Bernard as Pastor of The Chapel of The Sunflower, Phoenix, Arizona, and one of the Directors on our National Board.

We had a wonderful time and I thought a lot about marriage and asked Spirit to give me some thoughts I could share with the new couple at their wedding reception. The ingredients to a successful marriage were given to me by Spirit as follows:

LOVE — Thank goodness in America we can fall in love and not have our spouse picked out by our families. How much more fun marriage is when we love and have God's love. From God's love our love flows even better to each other.

RESPECT - Don't put each other down, but keep love flowing with respect.

FRIENDSHIP - When you are friends you are always there for each other. Pick the other person up when they are down. You are each others support system. Do things together, and most important, you grow together through the years.

COMMUNICATION - We all know when the lines of communication are open we can make it work — but with communication not only comes talking, but listen to each other.

Think of the excitement, fun and love you had when you first married and make a new committment as this newly wed couple, Jackie and Fred have just done.

 by Bonnie Armbruster, Mother of the Bride, and member of Chapel Of The Sunflower



The Wedding Party . . .



Congratulations!



A new beginning for the happy couple.



The Magic Staff

by Bonnie Woods, Lily Dale Spiritualist Church

alen, the Spirit Guide of Emanual Swedenborg and later of Andrew Jackson Davis gave to Davis a Spiritual truth which would eventually become known as "The Motto of Modern Spiritualism".

"Behold here is thy Magic Staff, under all circumstances keep an even mind; take it, walk with it, lean on it. Believe on it forever."

As I walked in my backyard the sun was streaming in through the surrounding trees. I had forgotten that it had rained in the night, although I had been picking my way through the grass to avoid the soggy spots. As I looked out across the yard something shiny caught my eye. A piece of tinsel in the small pine tree which stood before me? For a few moments that seemed as logical a thought as I could have had. Christmas tinsel does seem to have a way of showing up months after the holidays. On a sweater, a blanket or on the bottom of a sock, it seems to appear as a gentle reminder. A closer look revealed not a worn-out piece of glitter but thousands of beads of shimmering rain, looking as though they were just so many sparkling diamonds. Before me stood a humble and quite scraggly pine, adorned with raindrops acting as thousands of prisms. Prisms catching this first sun and breaking it into every color of the rainbow. All the colors of the rainbow bringing balance and an incredible feeling of oneness and upliftment to me. The happiness I felt standing before that humble representative of nature could not have been out-shone by the happiness of a child standing in front of a fullyadorned, perfect Christmas tree.

The idea of living in the light came to me while feeling the warmth of the sun on my back. The humble had been trans-

formed into a thing of natural beauty beyond description. If, in turn, I let the light into my life, into my very essence, will a transformation occur in me? Will balance be brought? Just as every color of the rainbow brings balance when the white light is broken down into its components.

My very essence is my spirit. The light is Infinite Intelligence, high Spiritual Teachings and Natural Laws. The balance is found in striving to remain humble, yet an individual. It is found in remembering that I am a spiritual being and striving to be in attunement with my higher spiritual nature. The balance is in keeping an even mind. It is found in trusting that all comes to us as a learning experience.

Living in the light is my Magic Staff to lean on. If I am willing to believe in it forever and grow towards the light balance and harmony will always be mine. As I learn to lean on it, seeing the connection of all things in the universe, an even mind and greater perspective will be attainable. When the continuity of life is believed in, the importance of daily events begin to come into clear focus. Happenings are not longer a matter of "life or death", but can be viewed more objectively. I'm sure that patience, understanding and tolerance during this period of "perspective awakening" is needed by me and those around me both on the Earth and Spiritual planes.

The beauty that will be mine will be a beauty of spirit that will shine out to all and everything. We are spirits of infinity and our beliefs will be ours forever. The journey on our path is long. To have faith in Spiritual truths and the Infinite to lean on is both a comfort and a joy. Those thousands of raindrops illuminantly beautiful in all colors were gentle reminders of these truths to me.



I rise triumphant over life's challenges, for Spirit is within me.



Meditation

In the still of the morning as I gaze out my window The snow is gently falling now and then caught up in the wind swirling and prancing to and fro

And so are my thoughts in quiet meditation, as my mind drifts along, like the gentle falling snow.

How serene in my bosom are the wonders of God, hiding there dormant and waiting in thought, to burst forth, in its truths and beauties, the Lord has wrought.

So that one day, these thoughts shall emerge, in all their splender and glory, for all to behold.

A story so wondrous, that it must be told to the ones who will listen, and there to unfold, the truths and the beauties that were never told. At last all the glory in its splender so bold, shall come forth and then told, of a home that is waiting, with love in its fold.

Everlasting peace, and joy forever to behold.

by Anna R. Murphy January 1, 1978



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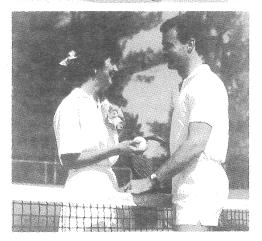


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What Did You Do Today?

One day last year as I was meditating Spirit asked, "What did you do today?" I mentally began listing my daily activities, but was cut short with a curt, "What did you **DO** today?"

I realized that Spirit was questioning what I had done spiritually. My list was short. I had sent out healing to Abe, **one** friend. This lesson made an impact on me and often comes into my thoughts.

So many things we do each day are routine, so we can use our minds to send healing, love and light to others in need. A prayer, an affirmation, some toneing and the moment is used for good. How many moments each day can you help, can you do God's work?

"What did you DO today?

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Imagine a road without any direction signs. One might travel this way and that, become lost or end up on a dead end street. Think of Natural Law as your guidelines to help you travel your pathway of life more smoothly.

The natural laws are numerous, interrelated and wonderful. Knowing them will benefit each of us, so for this reason a monthly column will be introduced, by some very knowledgeable writers. Look for it, contribute to it, enjoy it, but most of all practice using the laws on your daily path.

— Book Review — By The Rev. Sharon Lynch, N.S.T.

In an effort to update and expand the Book Store at the NSAC General Offices in Cassadage, Florida, our personnel have found two very interesting and informative books which are currently in print and will hopefully be of great interest to many of you.

QUANTUM HEALING; Exploring the Frontiers of Mind/Body Medicine

by Deepak Chopra, M.D.

This book has just gone into print as of May 15, 1990. You can't get more current than this! The work is hailed by the New England Journal of Medicine, Dr. Elizabeth Kubler-Ross who so many of you are familiar with and by Dr. George Freeman Solomon, Professor of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, University of California, Los Angeles.

Dr. Chopras book holds an extraordinary approach to healing quite similar to Harry Edwards of England. He also views the physical body as possessing a "Healing Intelligence" which he refers to as a "Network of Intelligence" which is grounded in quantum reality.

"Not a superficial psychological state, this intelligence lies deep enough to change the basic patterns that design our physiology - with the potential to defeat cancer, heart disease, and even aging itself. In this inspiring and pioneering work, Dr. Chopra offers us both a fascinating intellectual journey and a deeply moving chronical of hope and healing."

It will widen your horizons and enlarge your comprehension expecially in the area of this little understood "Network of Intelligence" which belongs to each of us.



THE NEW AGE HANDBOOK ON DEATH AND DYING

by Rev. Carol W. Parrish-Harra

Rev. Parrish-Harra although not a member of NSAC is a practicing Spiritualist Minister and is currently Pastor of the Light of Christ Community Church and co-founder of Sparrow Hawk Village in Tahlequah, Oklahoma. Her writing exhibits a beautiful understanding of death and dying from a Spiritualists perspective. It places a shining light on grief, convinces us that we can face death and still learn and grow in the process.

This book not only deals with death and dying like so many have before it, but is found to be refreshing in the fact that it looks further into the psyche of the individuals involved and examines such questions as "Can Death Be Birth?"

Among it's many chapters you will also find those that deal with Suicide, Living with Change, Children and Death, Losing a Pet, Help from Beyond, Belief Versus Knowing and Continuing Life.

And old theme, yes, but presented in a manner which makes it accessible to the eternally living in a manner which is understandable and harmonious to all life and living.

We do hope that you will enjoy and take advantage of our latest offerings.

Have you looked over the NSAC Book List lately? You will be bound to find some periodic changes.

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- 3. We affirm that a correct understanding of such expression and living in accordance therewith, constitute true religion.
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- 5. We affirm that communication with the so-called dead is a fact, scientifically proven by the phenomena of Spiritualism.
- 6. We believe that the highest morality is contained in the Golden Rule: "Whatsoever ye would that others should do unto you do ye also unto them."
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