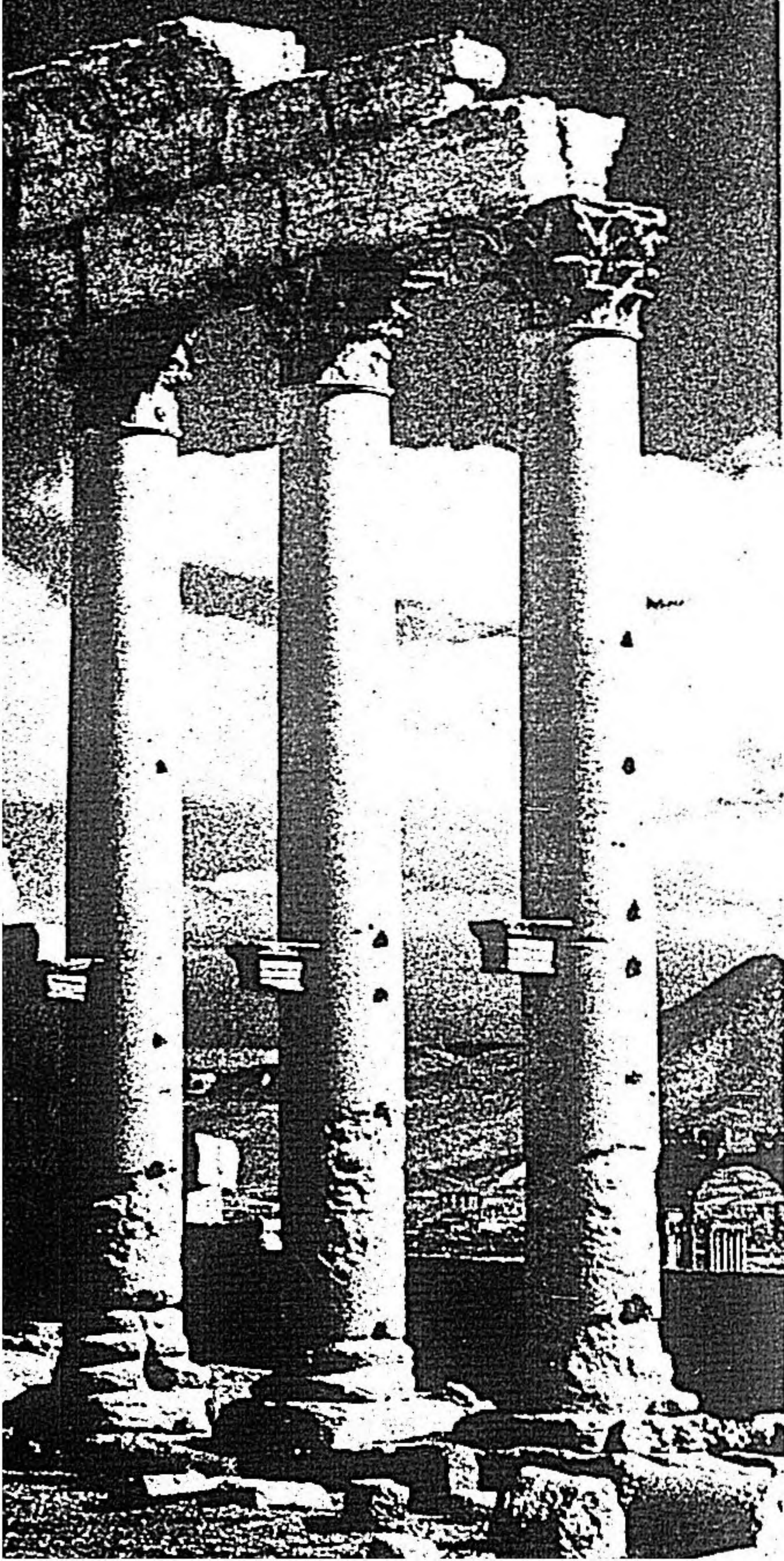


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JOURNEY INTO INFINITY

By Swami Parampanthi

Infinity Within

Our journey into infinity is taking place all the time due to the following elements in our personality:

First, though we are physically limited and finite, mentally and spiritually we are indeed limitless and infinite.

Second, our capacity for love, wisdom, knowledge is infinite and eternal.

Third, our life is a ceaseless movement — a powerful dynamism. It can easily take us on an epic journey into living God.

Fourth, there is a constant urge within us for perfection. It is our nature to expand our consciousness, to become better persons and to continue our effort to attain our abiding unity with God.

Finally, we continually feel the presence of God in the very depths of our being. Our soul longs to participate in a vaster, grander universe. Soul within is the divine spark of God within and without. Therefore, there is within us the living presence of Infinity.

Steps To Infinity

Is it possible for all of us to speed up this journey? The answer is a resounding YES!

First of all let me define more precisely what I call "the journey into infinity." Whenever we move a step closer to our soul, expand our emerging consciousness, better ourselves, correct our past mistakes, become a little more mature, understanding and spiritual and express our divine attributes of love, compassion, kindness and wisdom.

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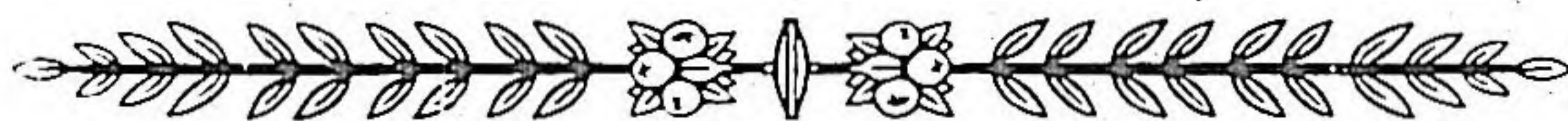
ASTARIANS CELEBRATE

The celebration of Astara's 24th anniversary serves as the bond for unifying Astarians around the world this month. The focal date is the traditional third Sunday of October (the 19th), the Sunday on which the first Astarian services were held in 1951.

Special services will be held in Los Angeles, with Elaine St. Johns as guest speaker, and Astarians everywhere will celebrate the occasion in the chancel of their own hearts.

Astara completes its 24th year with approximately 140 lessons in print and with four books currently being distributed. Two more books are scheduled to be released in the first month of the 25th year.

On the inner planes, Astara's work is exactly the same now as in the first year of existence — healing and assistance for all manner of disharmonies, whether physical, emotional, mental or situational. Service and education continue to be the dominant activities in Astara's efforts, making a living reality of the now-treasured theme: "An Astarian in need never walks alone."



COOKBOOKS FINALLY ARRIVE

We deeply appreciate the patience of many purchasers of the *Light and Life Cookbook* who had to wait so long for it to be delivered.

Delays caused by typesetting an incorrect manuscript, and by a colossal equipment breakdown at the company which did the binding, more than used up the extra time we had allowed for such possibilities. At this writing the full printing still has not been delivered to us. However we have been able to fill all orders, and can ship any new orders immediately.

Again — thanks for your patience. Enjoy happy and healthy dining.



Robert examines a press sheet containing 32 pages of the *Light and Life Cookbook*, 16 pages on each side of the paper. Both sides of the sheet are printed on one pass through the press.

TWO MORE MYSTICAL CLASSICS

Astara's *Library of Mystical Classics* will publish two more books simultaneously about Nov. 15. Both are books that achieved success in their original hard cover editions and are now being made available in soft covers.

Make it an Adventure by Dr. Marcus Bach is the first of the two. It tells how to "turn life around" and make it an adventure. It offers ideas the well known author has gathered during his own adventures around the world — ideas which will help you grow in mind and spirit, get rid of daily irritations and shape your own desires and abilities. **The Inner Way** by Robert Chaney is the second book in this duo. Many Astarians were helped by this book in its original edition several years ago. It has been requested constantly ever since. It offers specific meditations for healing body and mind, for an alert and creative consciousness in everyday affairs, for personal understanding and numerous other personal needs.

The price of the books, and publishing details, will be available soon.

Teach yourself awareness and appreciation of all the wonders of nature. Thank God daily for the precious gift of life. Genuine gratitude and discontent are never found together.



An Astarian in Need Never Walks Alone

He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds. (Ps. 147:3)

Dear Earlyne, Robert and all my Friends
at Astara:

I am writing this letter to you to share the most beautiful experience of my life. Last Thursday I awoke with the most agonizing back pains, combined with severe shakes. I was supposed to go to work that day, as usual, but I could hardly stand up. I couldn't understand what was happening to me. All I knew was that I couldn't go to work and I couldn't concentrate enough to contact Zoser to help me.

The next thing I knew, I was calling Astara on the telephone to ask for help in contacting Zoser. I knew I could count on you to help me get through. Not five minutes after the phone call was placed, I found myself in the most wonderful bubble of love and healing. This was an experience that is most difficult to explain, but I know all of you at Astara can understand how I felt. I laid in bed for what seemed like only seconds, and before I knew it, I felt like jumping for joy! I felt the Healing Light going through my body like electricity!

I can't thank the Great Zoser or all of you enough for allowing me to experience such glory.

God Bless You.

A. B.

Redondo Beach, CA., 90277

Dear Earlyne and Robert:

I came to Astara in March of this year. I am now on Lessons 12 & 13 of the 1st Degree. I can't begin to tell you how much knowledge and strength I have received from each lesson. It is like being in a whole new world with each page I read.

I want to thank you both for such wonderful work. But I owe you an even greater thanks. Several months ago, I sent in a Healing Request for pain I had been feeling in my ovary. (I only have a half of an ovary, due to an operation in 1971.) I went to the doctor, and he told me that they would have to perform a hysterectomy because the ovary was swollen so large it might burst. As I said, I sent in a Healing Request and I waited, but then one day the pain was so bad all I could do at night was roll from side to side moaning with pain. I decided to phone in a prayer request and asked for emergency service. I thought I would have to wait again, but I was fooled. Before the day was over, I was relieved of my pain and could feel new strength. I have been to the doctor, who was surprised to tell me that the swelling was gone completely and there was no need for surgery. I haven't suffered a day's pain since.

I wish to thank you again for all that you have given. Love to both of you and Astara.

Gratefully yours,
T.M.
Houston, Texas

— our journey into infinity is on.

We must become aware of our divine destiny. We must become aware of our sacred mission to become godly and to manifest in an increasing manner the divine within us. This is the first step.

Second, we must not allow static dogmatism, stubbornness and blind fanaticism to stand in our way. We should be open to new revelations, to mystical wisdom and spiritual truths always.

Third, we should not allow negative qualities like hatred, greed, violence, ignorance and neutral qualities like hesitation, inertia and indecision stand in our way. We should try continually to develop all of our divine qualities.

Fourth, we must learn to align ourselves with cosmic and divine forces and laws of life. We should abide by the Astarian principles which represent the wisdom of all ages and revelations from Higher Dimensions of life.

Fifth, we should effectively speed up our journey with a vibrant, sincere and deep interior life of prayer, meditation, contemplation and soul-expansion.

As we continue to take these vital steps into infinity the power and grace of God will descend upon us and show us the way. In this great journey do not give into despair which may come momentarily; do not give up hope; do not be discouraged by temporary setbacks which are natural. Always move forward, always keep that undying faith burning, always trust God. Eventually, by the grace of God and our own determination we will succeed. For, our life is destined to reach the shining summit of God.

“REMEMBERING” IN SOFT COVER

Dr. Earlyne's popular book, *Remembering — The Autobiography of a Mystic*, will be available in soft cover by October 31. The text of the book is the same throughout as the original hard cover edition.

The price of the soft cover *Remembering* will be \$6.95 in bookstores. Astarians and persons on the *Seeker's List* may obtain it from headquarters at \$6.60. California residents living outside the U.S., its possessions and territories, Canada or Mexico, should send \$1 extra to apply on postage.

It is expected that this lower priced edition will enable us to reach many more persons with the fascinating story of Earlyne's life . . . a story which also depicts much of Astara's future.

IN MEMORIAM

We acknowledge the following memorial gifts — and express our appreciation to those who made them and those whose memory they honor.

Benjamin W. Lehn in memory of Julia Lehn.

Calla Haack in memory of Yvonne Ferrari.

Mark D. Fraser in memory of his father, Winston R. Fraser.

Marie Nash in memory of sons Gary Gordon Sigmon and William Duncan Mangum.

Connie Veloz in memory of her mother, Alvina Ayala Mora.

Robert Leon in memory of his mother, Rose Leon.

Donna Beaber in memory of her mother, Esther L. Beaber.

SHARING

Dear Earlyne,

I don't know if you remember me. I was at your seminar on Saturday, August 2. I was the one who you asked to stand up and share my experiences with LSD.

First I want to say how much I enjoyed and learned from you that day. And the love I feel for you and Robert is so dear. I feel a beautiful feeling whenever I come to Astara. It is a place of light for me. And I pray everyday for all Astarians and the world.

One of the reasons I'm writing you this letter, is because I've been reading your book "Remembering" this morning. I was sitting outside in the garden and a flow of inspiration came to me. Words just came pouring into my mind and I managed to write them down. This is the first real poem I've ever written in my life. The words just came to me. And your book inspired me. So I wanted to share it with you.

*With love,
Cheri Mandrique
L.A. CA. 90065*

"MY GUIDE THROUGH ETERNITY"

by
Cheri Manrique

*As I drift through eternity,
My mind is ever seeking.
As the clouds roll by
As they touch the sky
My mind still wanders ever seeking.
As the words flow through
My mind and hand.
I feel the misery
throughout the land.
And there will be a day
I feel,
the light will shine!
And with all its glory
Will be mine.
While I sit in my garden reading,
As the words flow from my hand.
I cannot explain this blissful feeling,
That my teacher too,
Is guiding me throughout this land.
for the path I have chosen
Will ever be,
The one that guides me
Through eternity.*

ONE IS THE MANY

By Patrick Mahony.

The two mystical mottos of the United States Great Seal — **E Pluribus Unum** and **Annuit Coeptus** — were chosen from the Latin of Virgil because they have esoteric significance for America's destiny and also for the fact they both contain thirteen letters and thus carry out the theme of this number throughout the seal. In these days of national celebration it is good to ponder the first and most important motto: One out of many.

If we think about it, the whole

scheme of the Founding Fathers was directed to self-realization. The exhortation to think of ourselves as one out of many involves the paradox that only by giving our sympathies to others (The Many) can we realize the One. Mankind may have the appearance of plurality but the paradox is that you yourself are the most important person in the universe because in a sense you are the Universe! Once we fully grasp the great thinking of Virgil, we see that truly there is only one individual and this soul exists eternally. There can only be

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Swami Satchidananda

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July 5, 1975

"Remembering" is the honest portrayal of the enactment of those ideals which enabled Earlyne Chaney to struggle and search for the meaning of life and death, and consequently come to a deep understanding of our Humanity as God intended it to be. A burning love for Truth lead her to renounce a life of promise and glittering success as a movie and stage actress, in favor of one of simplicity and service to humanity.

Serious, poetic, and humorous by turns the book reveals the beauty of this evolving soul, and its message of Unity in diversity provides an example filled with hope and inspiration which is more timely now than ever before.

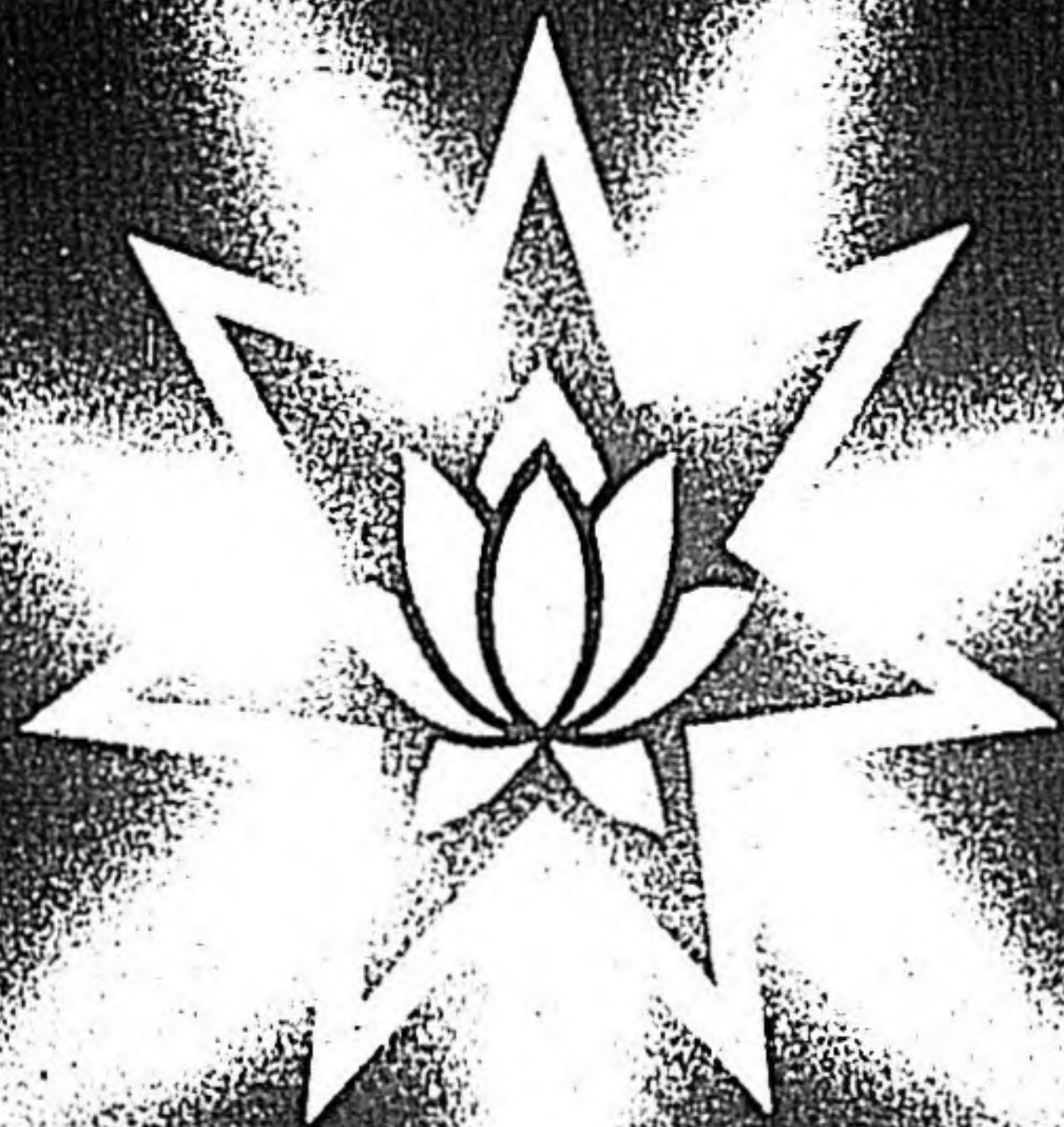


Swami Satchidananda

Swami Satchidananda is renowned as a beloved teacher of the principles of Integral Yoga. The Integral Yoga Institute was founded under his direction. Yogaville, a model community, based on Yogic principles, has been formed by his American devotees. Millions have heard him through many T. V. and Radio Programs.

Swami Satchidananda is the author of Integral Yoga Hatha. (\$5.65) paper-back. His Biography is now in print, as well as other booklets on various Yogic subjects. (His book is available at Astara's bookstores.)

ASTARIAN healing petition



1. Fill in the Petition.
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3. Hold it between your hands with a prayer . . . then send it to us.
4. Each day sit in meditation for a few moments, visualizing yourself in an aura of White Light.

Please direct your prayers and spiritual healing energies to:

Name _____

Address _____

for the following difficulty: _____

NOTE: When requesting healing for someone else, write your own name and address on the back of this Petition. This is *IMPORTANT*.

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THE ASTARIAN AFFIRMATION

I am surrounded by the Pure White Light of the Christ . . .

Nothing but good can come to me . . .

Nothing but good shall go from me . . .

I give thanks!



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Los Angeles, CA 90004



Earlyne Chaney whose quest for truth led through Hollywood to world-wide prominence as a teacher of mysticism.

Remembering

THE AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF A MYSTIC

By Earlyne Chaney

REMEMBERING is . . . a story of life after death . . . and love beyond death . . . the story of a quest for a love from a past life whose eyes haunted her dreams . . . of contact with a Great Being from the Other Side whose influence brought illumination to one in search of Light.

Do you believe unseen beings guide our lives?

Do you believe unseen beings sometimes guide and guard those whose destiny is marked for greatness? *Remembering* tells of such a being — his appearance and his prophecy to a girl whose search for God led her away from orthodox religion and into mysticism . . .

Do you believe in life after death?

Do you believe our loved ones can, under certain circumstances, return to bring solace and guidance to their bereft? *Remembering* tells of the pilot whose death in a plane crash changed the life of this same girl — how she turned from a career as a movie actress to search for the meaning of life and death and immortality. And how he returned to tell her he still lived . . .

Do you believe you have lived before?

. . . and that you can dream dreams of the one whose love endured from the past? *Remembering* tells of the girl's lonely search for the beloved and how the pilot, from the Other Side of life, guided her to find the eyes that haunted her dreams.



Robert Chaney whose love, haunting her dreams of a long-ago life, guided her way into a new light.

This autobiography of a mystic is a true story of life from a humble beginning to a film career, then to eminence as one of today's outstanding authors of mystical teachings whose writings are sought by mystical seekers the world over.

Remembering by Earlyne Chaney is a life-changing experience. A journey through its pages is an upgoing path into the starmists of your own soul searchings, vague rememberings of other lives, other loves, other hopes, your own yet-to-be dreams.

"... a philosophically guided tour past the treasured milestones of memory in the romantically inspiring life of the modern mystic, Earlyne Chaney."

—Harold Sherman, author of *How to Make ESP Work for You and You Live After Death*



Cpt. Marvin Moore the pilot who pierced the veil of shadows to tell of continued life.



CREATIVE SELF-TRANSFORMATION THROUGH MEDITATION

by Swami Parampanthi

A SIX WEEK COURSE

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ADVENTURES IN ESP

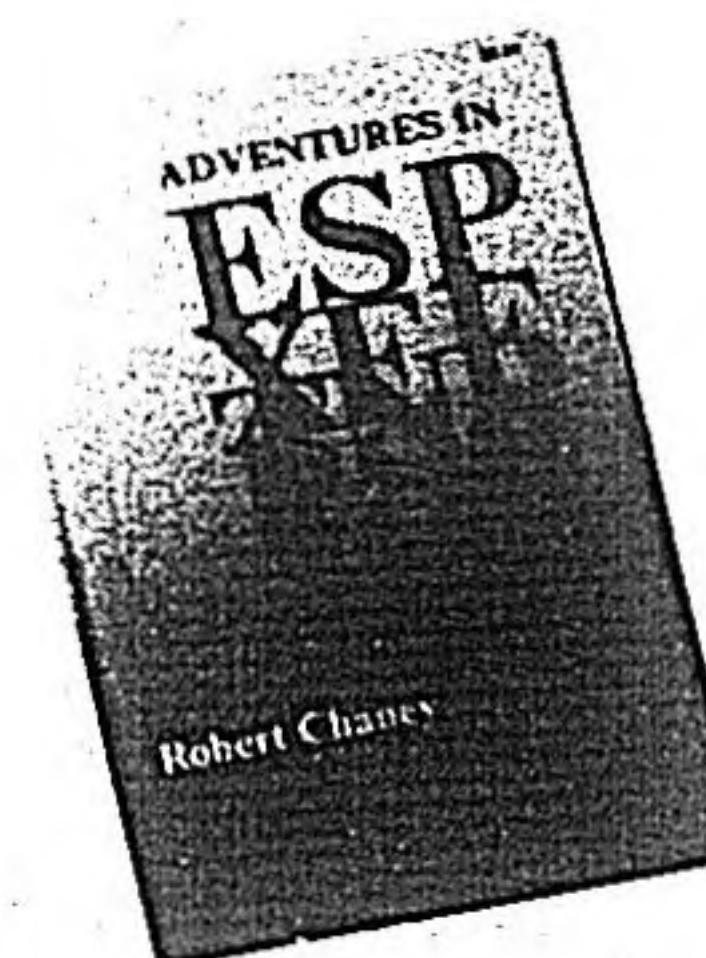
by Robert Chaney

Could you use a time-tested formula to improve your intuition? Would you like to focus your inner sight on visions of other dimensions, or on scenes a thousand miles away? Or know the history of an object, simply by touching it?

Adventures in ESP is a fascinating guide to unexplored areas of your inner being . . . areas that become revealed to the Aquarian Age person.

Here is a book of New Age ideas, lessons and development exercises to help you use Extrasensory Perception, ESP, in your daily life . . . to help you solve problems, be more creative, harmonize your relationships with others, improve your business or profession, and experience a deeper and more enriching inner life.

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Ramamurti S. Mishra

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Yoga Sutras



These two books are invaluable basic texts for those considering yoga on their path to spiritual awareness and better health. Born in India, Dr. Mishra is an endocrinologist, neurosurgeon and psychiatrist as well as being an eminent scholar in oriental languages.

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This is one of the most authoritative yet easy-to-follow manuals available on the theory and practice of yoga. The methods it describes have been tested and proven for over a decade to ensure practical results and genuine understanding. Originally intended as the official text for Dr. Mishra's own school of yogic instruction, this book is fully illustrated for self-teaching.

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In this edition, the third-century sutras of Patanjali are presented in word-for-word English translation. The most widely revered formulator of yoga principles, Patanjali coined these aphorisms to form the basic text of yoga philosophy. Dr. Mishra interprets the ancient teachings and gives his own commentary as a respected Sanskrit scholar. Also included are specific breathing instructions for your own practice.



WHERE DOES LIFE END?

Is there a place where there is a cessation of life? Where man is no more? Where disintegration signals the end of the being and oblivion the end of consciousness?

The very thought of such a possibility is repulsive to most persons . . . and that fact in itself may be among the most noteworthy pieces of evidence that life never ends. Man's spirit is always telling his mind that life continues, but his mind doesn't always listen.

And if life never ends, where does it go from here? Along what paths does it lead an eternal sojourner of the spheres? Are there dangers ahead? Adventures? What remains the same? What changes?

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HE GAINS LIFE

WHO REACHES FOR IT.

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YOU AND ASTARA

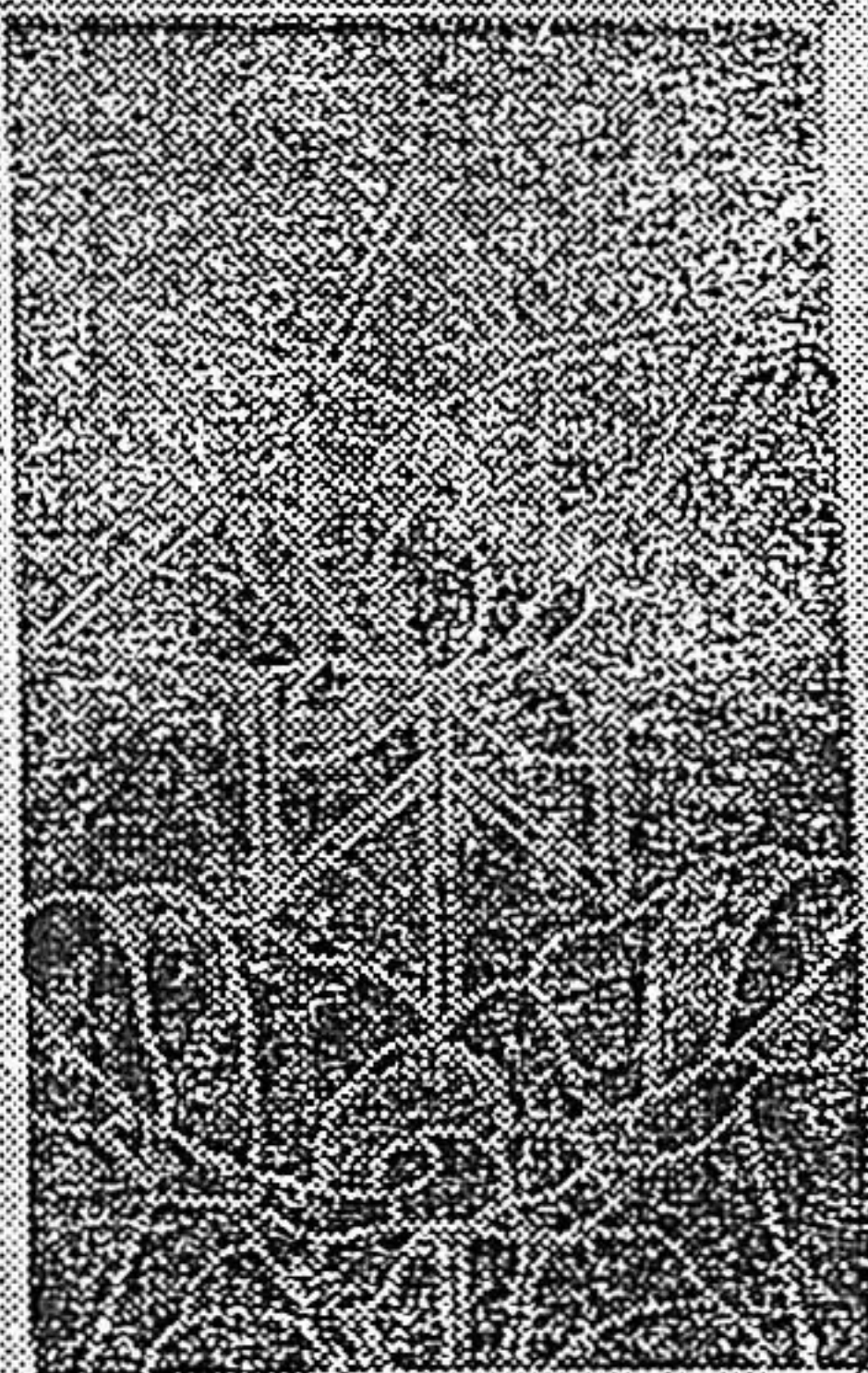
You and Astara together become a living Place of Light.

For almost a quarter of a century Astara has been a channel through which various forms of Light--knowledge, understanding, strength, healing, inspiration--are diffused into the hearts and minds of members around the world. We celebrate the 24th Anniversary of that continuing mystical occurrence during the month of October, 1975.

Astara remains in existence, fulfills its purposes, and continually grows as a universal channel of service, only with your participation. We do hope you will respond to the nobility, the challenge and the service opportunity provided by your joint participation in the Light with Astara--and that you will make as generous as possible use of the accompanying 24th Anniversary offering envelope.

Thank you--

Robert



Dear Earlyne, Robert
and all at Astara,

Yes, I do wish to be part of the Light which
Astara sends to me and others, for I realize that
the needs in all our lives respond to the common
purposes in which we join.

Therefore I am sending the enclosed 24th
Anniversary gift, \$ _____, which I have
dedicated to Astara and endowed with spiritual
qualities to the best of my ability. Please
add it to the Light and use it for Astara's
good work.

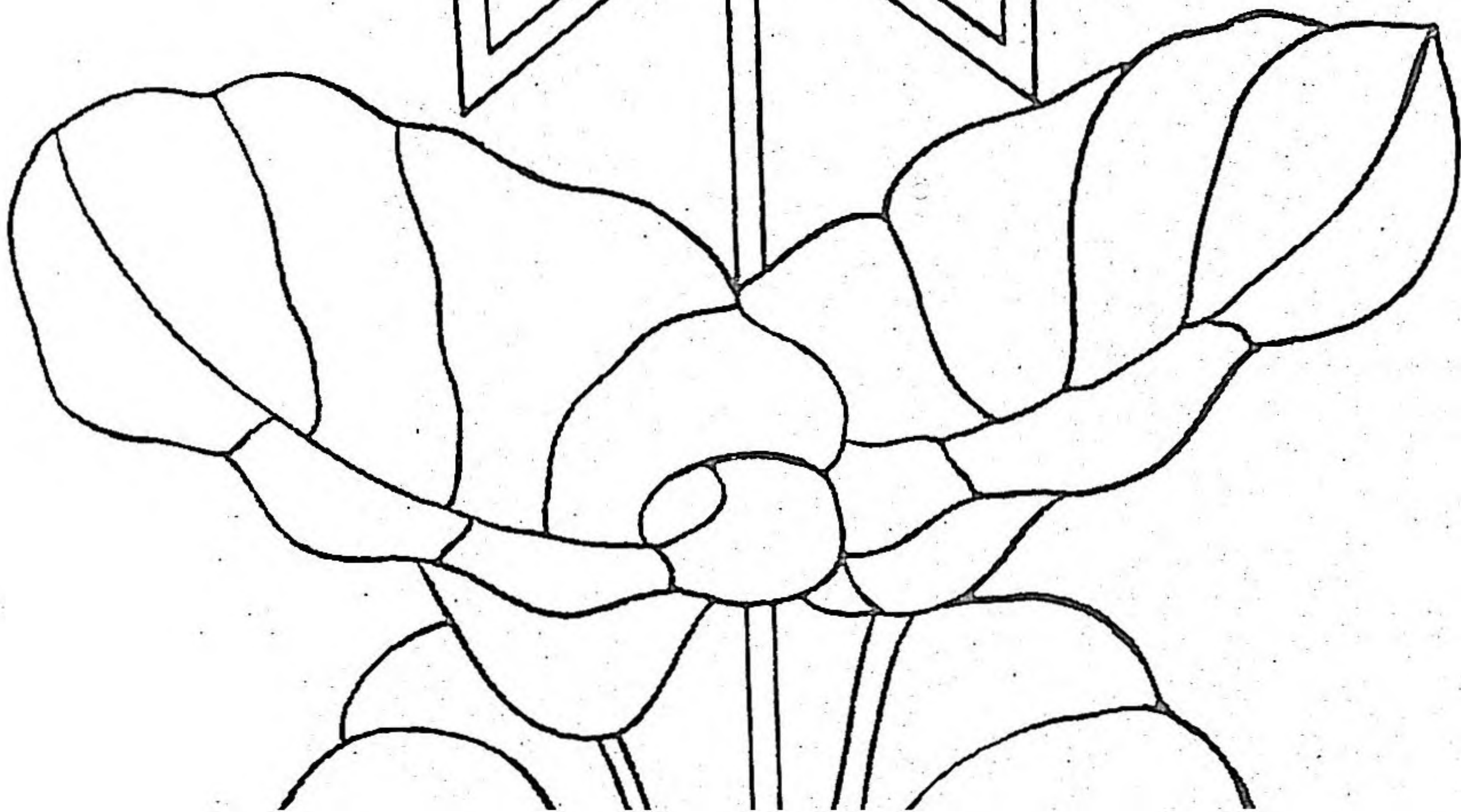
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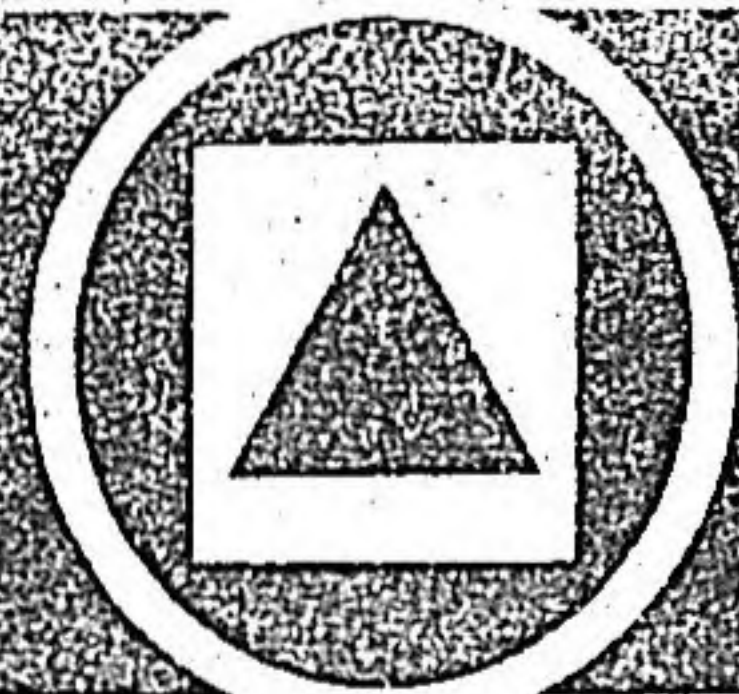
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request for cosmic help



circle of the secret seven

On this petition write clearly and briefly the nature of your need, then sign below.

Meditate with it a few moments before sending it to Astara.

Name

Address

All communications on this sheet are held in the strictest confidence.

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Give us, O God, the vision which can see Thy love in the world in spite of human failure.

Give us the faith to trust Thy goodness in spite of our ignorance and weakness.

Give us the knowledge that we may continue to pray with understanding hearts, and show us what each one of us can do to set forward the coming of the day of universal peace. Amen.

Astronaut Frank Borman's Prayer for Mankind, Beamed 230,000 Miles from Moon to Earth, December 25, 1968



A Visit with Robert

Astara's 24th Anniversary
October, 1975

Dear Fellow Astarian:

Do you ever give thought to the
"vibratory connection" between us?

What is the mystic magnetism that
transmits a "feeling" from one of us to
the other? Exactly how does the energy
of healing, or love, or the pure sense
of oneness flash through space and impress
itself on the receptors of our individual
lives -- so that consciously or unconscious-
ly we are truly one?

As long as mystical and occult science
has been with us, we really know very little
about the answers to these questions. And
the modern research laboratory which, fi-
nally, occasionally admits the existence of

the higher energies, cannot yet truly describe them or understand how they work.

In the meantime, you and I must continue to use the "unseen" and the "higher" for ourselves and as many others as possible. Its effectiveness for us, and its benefits for all, depend upon our belief or acceptance of it, our desire for it, and our readiness and willingness to use it whenever possible.

We contribute most to the New Age when we become examples of its effectiveness in our own lives. Each of us can do this personally -- and we can also do it as a combined effort through Astara -- by studying the Degree Lessons (and other lessons, too), by recommending Astara to friends, by contributions of good thoughts and prayers as well as monetary donations.

Each of us has a personal way to help "spread the Light." So we enter Astara's 25th year with many golden opportunities to advance the world and all who are in it. In time, all the world will be with us. Not everyone a member of Astara, of course, but everyone in that area of Light which Astara represents.

Best wishes for a personally helpful association with Astara -- and through Astara -- during its 25th year --

Sincerely,

Robert



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one individual living in this world in which we have our being, and the billions of population are in reality an expression of a single consciousness — not the Many but the One.

Our separateness from each other is the great illusion which we must shed in order to understand the motto of the United States. All the great healers and religious leaders have been aware of this and thus they can enter all the souls of the world's humanity at will. To every great mystic or poet the psychology of the idea of Many has to be the great unreality. What appears to us as an infinite succession of individuals is to them the eternal appearance and disappearance of the One. For them the individual is contained in the infinite and the individual contains the infinite. That is why each newborn child and each opening flower is a delight to everyone of us because unconsciously we see the eternal One constantly being reborn. How else explain the wonder of the dawn and the miracle of Spring? They make us witnesses to the secret of Oneness. Likewise, let us see humanity as the Many who are One.



Patrick Mahony, an authority on the supernormal, has written many books, including **ESCAPE INTO THE PSYCHIC KINGDOM**. This book teaches how to expand the inner life and develop ESP. He sheds truly helpful light on psychic phenomena. Members' price \$2.80, plus 17¢ tax for Calif. residents.

OCTOBER 1975

SEMINAR CHANGE

All the available seats for Earlyne's day long seminar November 1 were reserved in September, so the location has been changed to accommodate all who wish to attend.

"A Day with Earlyne" will be held at the Scottish Rite Temple, 4357 Wilshire Blvd., Saturday, November 1, from 10:00 to 4:00. To make sure of your place, send your reservation now. The tuition is \$10 — \$5 for a second person in the same immediate family — and it includes lunch.

SPECIAL CLASS

Arthur Blackmer will present a special class at Astara Friday night, Oct. 31, at 7:45, on Physical Fitness, Scientific Nutrition and Healthful Living Habits.

Mr. Blackmer is the author of *The Science of Eating*, and enjoys an enviable reputation as a lecturer on various aspects of healthful living. His ability as an educational speaker, and his demonstrations of feats of strength, have been described in nearly every metropolitan newspaper and many national magazines in this country.

A DAY WITH ROBERT

There are a very few seats remaining for the all day seminar to be presented by Robert, Saturday, Oct. 18.

With color slides and demonstrations he will discuss aspects of Hermetic wisdom, ESP, the psychic breath, healing, mysticism and other facets of Astarian teachings.

Tuition for the seminar is \$10, and includes lunch. A second person in the same immediate family may register for \$5. The sessions will begin at 10:00 and last until 4:00

VOICE OF ASTARA/11

PROPERTY ANYONE?

Some of Astara's dreams for the future require space in order to be realized. Even now we are crowded and must soon either rent additional space or remodel existing facilities.

It may be that somewhere an Astarian possesses property not being used at the present which would help Astara attain the dreams which do require space. We could easily use up to ten acres or more.

Additional office and print shop space is not a dream, of course, it's a practical necessity. The library, museum, larger meeting quarters, retreat and seminar area, living quarters for both retired and active members, are all a part of the future which awaits the proper combination of circumstances to be actualized.

If any member owns suitable property that could be used for any or all these purposes, please contact Dr. Robert.

OCTOBER STUDY CIRCLE

THE MYSTERY OF SELF

Swami Parampanthi presents the Study Circle every month to explore the wisdom of all ages — mystical, psychic and spiritual — in informal sessions, Friday evenings at 7:45 in the Museum Room. The emphasis is on practical methods of self-development and spiritual wisdom. Each evening begins with simple Yoga exercises to help the students relax and ends with a healing meditation.

Each Friday evening in October excluding the last Friday, Swami Parampanthi will discuss and explain one of the great mysteries of

SEEKER'S LIST

If you, as a member of Astara, receive a folder describing a *Seeker's List* of persons to be sent announcements of new books we are publishing — pay no attention to it!

The *Seeker's List* includes every Astarian, automatically. It also includes non-members who wish to be notified of forthcoming *Library of Mystical Classics* books. We are happy to give them the information, for each of them is a potential Astarian. The books are another way we can find those who need Astara.

Remember that you are already on the *Seeker's List* if you are an Astarian. You will receive announcements through the *Voice* and special mailings. So do not ask to be put on the list—you're already there.

existence: the mystery of self. Progress, success and wisdom of life are possible only when a person understands his or her own mystery. It is the key that unlocks the door to creativity, illumination and psychic manifestations. Swami Parampanthi will explore in fascinating detail all aspects of human self in the light of Eastern wisdom and Western science.

Oct. 3: TECHNIQUES OF SELF-UNDERSTANDING: Step by step method of self-understanding.

Oct. 10: HOW TO TAP OUR UNCONSCIOUS: a practical guide to creative resources of human unconscious.

Oct. 17: HOW TO DISCOVER OUR PSYCHIC FACULTIES: an interesting journey into our psychic realms.

Oct. 24: METHODS OF SELF-PROJECTION: Self-projection is a valuable key to success and maturity, power and grace.

FIFTH DEGREE LESSONS READY

Two more new Lessons in the Fifth Degree are now available to Astarians who have progressed to that point in their studies.

Lesson 20 continues with the following teachings: Jesus — Man, Myth or Christ, the conflict between Church dogma and doctrine, the Christian Trinity and the Hindu Trinity of Brahma, Vishnu and Siva, the doctrine of resurrection at the last day, gnosticism VS catholicism, the mythic Christ, true meaning of Christmas, the mystic Christ, the mystery of Immaculate Conception, the needs of salvation, the sun and moon seeds.

Lesson 21 discusses the salvation by planetary migration, the meaning of the sacrifice of the Christ spirit, the mystery of true baptism, the Christian mysteries, the meaning of the Fall of Man and the Forbidden Fruit, the karmic law of Redemption and the nature and meaning of salvation.

If you have progressed in your studies through 5th Degree Lesson Number 19, the above lessons may be requested by using the enclosed continuation form.

HELP NEEDED

From time to time Astara needs to add full time, qualified employees to the headquarter's staff. There are numerous types of office positions, clerical, steno, etc. that occasionally need to be filled — also print shop, maintenance, etc.

If you live nearby and would like us to let you know when a position is open, please ask Fred Stewart for an employment application. We'll keep it on file and notify you.

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STAFF CHANGES

Irma Mills, in charge of Astara's book department for nearly 15 years, has retired and returned to Toledo, Ohio, where she lived before moving to California.

Irma's constant efforts to make books of quality available to Astarians around the world endeared her to thousands through the years. She will indeed be missed. Irma has our profound gratitude for her devoted service.

Al Bala, a valued member of the print shop staff since 1966, has transferred to a commercial shop but will continue with Astara on a second shift. We're happy Al is going to continue with us even though it isn't on a full time basis.

As an Astarian you are urged always to seek only for truth, to analyze for yourself all that is taught, and intuitively to perceive truth as you see it. Never are you subjected to dogmatic self-aggrandizement, authority, recognition or obedience, but always you are urged to seek for that which seems TRUTH to you, gently rejecting and releasing that which does not.

STUDIES IN KARMA

by Gregg Rolla

The Family

Even a brief encounter with a history book will reveal that the social institution known as the *family* has been around as long as man. Indeed, the family is one of the major foundations of any society.

In early days, primitive society was small and isolated. Culturally, it was homogenous; that is, the members had, more or less, the same ideas and beliefs about things. The basic group was the clan, and evolving from this emerged the eventual family as is known today.

According to Cayce, the family serves a most important purpose. It is not merely a sociological function. It is a spiritual function: it is the cosmic "womb" of growth and development for each of the souls within its confines. Parents have no superiority over their children, for all are equal members of the vast community of beings existing throughout all the planes. Cayce called parents "channels" through which souls are given opportunity for rebirth.

States one reading: "It has been given as an opportunity to man through coition to create a channel through which the Creator may give to man the opportunity of seeing His handiwork. Be watchful, then, of your attitude and that of your mate in creating this opportunity; for the character of the incoming entity depends in part upon the attitude of the parents."

The relationship between parents and child is not by chance. Almost always, there has been some connection throughout previous incarnations. The readings are very definite about this. For example,

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LEISURE WORLD SEMINAR

Earlyne and Robert will conduct two special meetings at Laguna Hills Leisure World on behalf of the Parapsychology Club there — the evening of Nov. 5 and all day Nov. 10. Information is available from Bernice Bishop at (714) 837-3975.

The Nov. 5 meeting is open to everyone without reservations being necessary. The sessions on Nov. 10 will be an all day seminar for which reservations are necessary. For instructions on how to gain admission through the Leisure World security gates be sure to contact Mrs. Bishop.

WEDNESDAY CLASSES

Continuing her series of Wednesday classes, Jacelyn Eckman will speak on the subject of VIBRATIONS during the month of October. The individual topics to be covered will include: The Spiritual Meaning of Color, Numbers, Symbols, the Alphabet, and related subjects.

Classes will be held on October 1, 8, 15 and 22 at 1:30 p.m. and again at 7:45 p.m.

These exciting classes focus on the individual's needs for understanding and growth. Jacelyn says the class belongs to the students and it flows in the direction of their interests.

Each session begins with an attunement bringing the participants into a group vibration. There is a lecture/workshop bringing forth the higher teachings, and ending with a meditation.

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within the files are cases of a mother and son who had once played similar roles: a father and daughter who were once husband and wife, etc. There are no set "laws" governing such relationships, however. These are decisions left up to the individual souls on what karma must be meted out.

Dr. Cerminara: "In general, choice of parentage would seem to be the soul's prerogative. It is not easily understandable why an unborn entity should deliberately choose a slum environment, degenerate parents, an ill-equipped body, or unfavorable circumstances. Superficially, such a choice would seem psychologically implausible; but more deeply analyzed, there is no real psychological contradiction."

In *Astara's Book of Life* it is taught how a soul is given a "preview" of its forthcoming incarnation. However, it is noted that the entire incarnation cannot be accurately predicted simply because of human free will. Not all future events can be foreseen, nor the opportunities. As a consequence, a soul may discover just before or at some time after birth that the parents are not living up to the hoped-for expectations toward providing the needed environment for growth. Realizing that the purposes for rebirth might very well be thwarted, the soul will withdraw. Such withdrawals are not uncommon for this reason.

In a larger sense, although we are an integral part of a family unit, we are still, on a much greater scale, members of the family of God and man. This is a much more sober Truth than we dared realize and, thus being so, everyone has a right to life and existence, whether born

ANNIVERSARY PULPIT GUEST



Guest speaker Elaine St. Johns, author and lecturer, will help Astarians at headquarters celebrate Astara's 24th anniversary. The date is Oct. 19, at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Her subject is *The Mystical Rhythm of Aquarius*.

Elaine has spoken at Astara on numerous special occasions. Her writings have appeared in many national magazines and she has been editorially involved in nearly two dozen widely published autobiographies, biographies and novels. With Dr. Wm. Parker she is co-author of the continuing best seller, *Prayer Can Change Your Life*.

or unborn. And this fundamental Cosmic right cannot be taken away without having dire repercussions in the future.

Oct. 5: THE FOURTH EMPIRE
Rodolfo Silva

Oct. 12: THE LIVE RELIGION
Robert Chaney

Oct. 19: 24th ANNIVERSARY SERVICES
11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

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Oct. 26: SELF-ACTUALIZATION
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