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OUR RECENT MEETINGS

Eloise Riley Hurst gave a most interesting and informative lecture and demonstration of "Reading the Runes" at our April meeting. The runes, as you will recall, are small stones with ancient spiritual symbols carved or inscribed upon them, and are used in psychic divination work. Eloise gave a few readings to demonstrate the use of the runes and show the accuracy she has been able to achieve in this type of psychic work.

Our PSYCHIC FAIR in May was extremely well attended and was a very busy evening for those of us who volunteered to do the free psychic readings. I would like to personally thank Tom Andersen, Eloise Hurst, and Barbara Loewe for working with me to make this evening so successful.

HER HEADACHES REAL EARTH SHAKERS!

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (UPI) -- When Charlotte King has bad vibes, it could mean an earthquake or some other disaster.

King, one of hundreds of people who claim to have "human seismograph" powers, has been predicting earthquakes and volcanic eruptions for several years.

Just hours before the Aleutian Islands shook with a temblor measuring 7.7 on the Richter scale Wednesday [May 8, 1986], King said her brain began to throb painfully.

"It was like slamming into a brick wall," she said shortly after the quake struck. "My blood pressure went real high, I had difficulty breathing. My pulse started racing. I was sick."

Her latest prediction to UPI on Thursday was that there would be volcanic activity at Etna on Sicily, or Kilauea on Hawaii. The eruption of the Kilauea volcano was reported from Hawaii three hours later.

Two days before the Aleutian

earthquake, she had told UPI a major quake was about to strike. She said a sound in her head - alternating between a noise like a single fog horn and dual tones - indicated to her that the coming quake probably would strike the Aleutians or Japan.

Three quakes rocked the Aleutian Island Wednesday.

On Apr. 27, King called UPI to predict that Mexico would be rocked by a temblor measuring 6.2 or higher within 12 hours. Three days later, a quake struck Mexico registering 7.0.

King said on Saturday she called the Mexican Consulate to warn another quake of similar intensity was on its way. The following day, a quake hit Mexico registering 6.0.

"I feel so frustrated because there's got to be some way to alert officials or medical people that something will happen again," King said.

King said her condition, which began in 1976 "for no apparent reason," results in her continuously hearing 13 tones, which undergo changes when events such as earthquakes or volcanic eruptions are about to occur.

The changing sounds are sometimes accompanied by intense pain in her head or chest, King said.

She said she has gradually been able to pinpoint which sounds and pains represent various regions of the Earth by monitoring events that have accompanied her body's actions.

"I called geologists but I didn't know what it was. I knew something was going on," she said. "I knew I was having heart pressure, lots of earaches. That showed it was a very significant water event. King said she is extremely sensitive to environmental nuances.

King, an unemployed clerical worker, received widespread attention with a prediction of the 1980 eruption of Mount St. Helens.

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= Motion



= Growth



= Healing



= Love/Happiness



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As with all local Mensa meetings, there will be a \$1.00 PER PERSON KITTY collected at the SIG meetings to help defray the cost of snacks and drinks. Your cooperation is necessary and appreciated.

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SATELLITE SIG MEETINGS

A couple of SIG members in other parts of the state and country have indicated an interest in holding some meetings in their respective areas:

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JUNE MEETING / JUNE MEETING

June 6 - Friday - 8:00 PM

The Parapsychology SIG meets this evening at the home of Tom and Janet Andersen at 6234 38th Avenue North for a discussion of GHOSTS.

Tom will begin the discussion by relating to us a recent personal encounter he had with a three-dimensional apparition living in the home of a St. Petersburg physician. Tom says that he not only saw this ghost -- he talked with it!

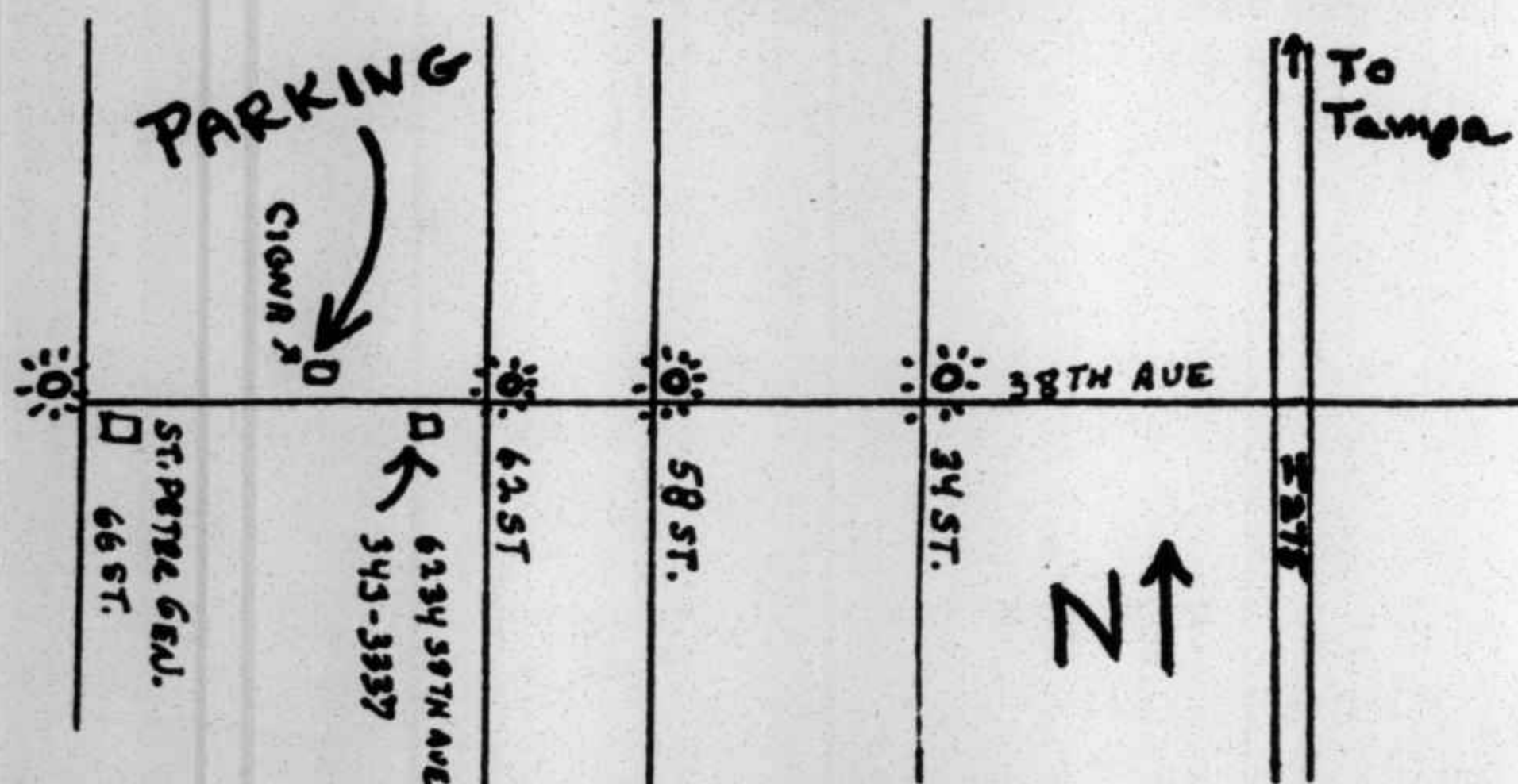
I shall speak briefly about a ghost (or something) seen leaving Eloise and Dan's former house the night we helped them move. Hopefully the young man who actually saw the phantom will be willing to join in and share what he saw. (I had partaken of some beer during the move, but my friend was totally sober!) Perhaps we can persuade Eloise and Dan to relate some of the sightings (and smellings) they experienced while occupying that particular house for the past 2+ years.

Secondly, we are encouraging the rest of you to participate by relating your ghost stories to the group.

Finally, we shall discuss what can be done to help people who are living in a home with unwanted "extras." I have been in this situation myself recently, but fortunately seem to have been able to disperse whatever it was that was frightening my house guests.

Please RSVP to the Andersen's at 384-0006 by Wednesday, June 4th so they will have plenty of snacks and drinks available for all. Remember, there is a \$1 PER PERSON KITTY, and remember to ask about any designated smoking areas. Parking is available at the Cigna lot a couple of blocks west of their house.

Carole Jeanne Rockwell



JULY MEETING / JULY MEETING

July 11 - Friday - 8:00 PM

USE OF PSYCHICS IN CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS will be the topic of discussion for this evening as the Parapsychology SIG meets at the Girls Club of Pinellas Park.

Local Mensan, Tim Caddell, who served with the St. Petersburg Police Department for seven years and then spent 6 years as a private investigator, will be our speaker on this thought-provoking subject. How have psychics helped to solve murders in our own neighborhoods? What kinds of clues do they give to criminal investigators? How accurate are they? How did the SPPD weed out the "quacks" from the genuinely helpful psychics? Do they keep a file of helpful psychics to call on when they need help in solving a disappearance or a murder?

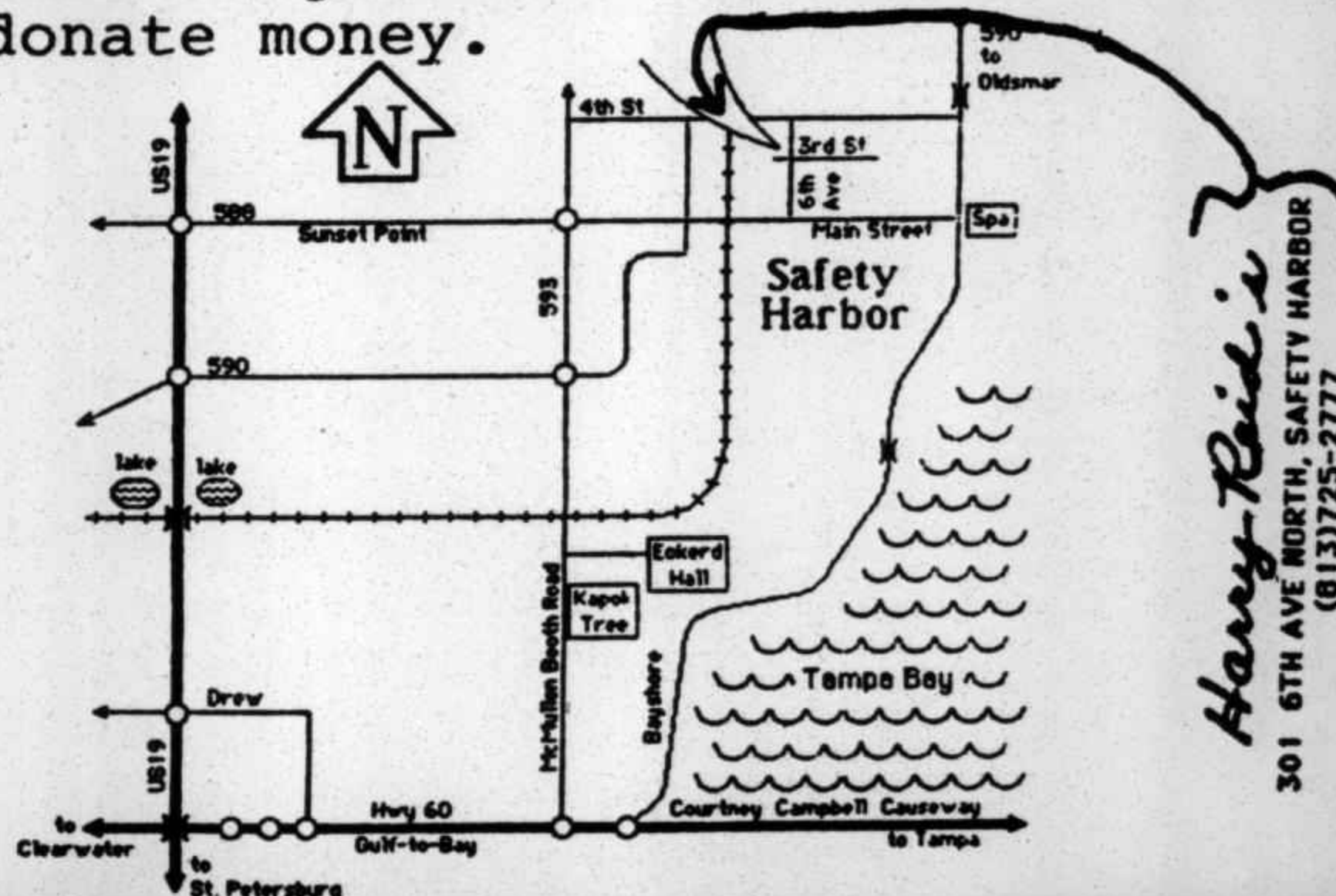
The Girls Club of Pinellas Park is located at 7700 61st Street North, and offers adequate parking to handle a mob of us! An RSVP IS NECESSARY to Tim Caddell by Wednesday, July 9th. It is easier to reach Tim at work during the day at 544-6230. His home number is 546-5273. Please be considerate and RSVP as requested! Normal \$1 PER PERSON KITTY. NO SMOKING is allowed INSIDE the building.

SWEAT LODGES SCHEDULED

Sundays - 2 PM (June) / 4 PM (July)

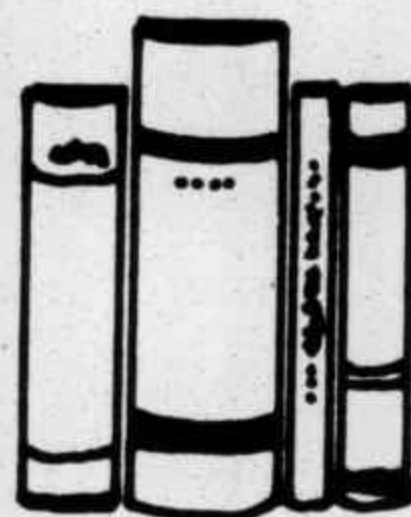
In Safety Harbor at the home of Harry Reid. Bring food and/or drinks to share and tobacco (any kind) for the pipe.

Donations are gratefully accepted for this work, but all are welcome regardless of their ability to donate money.





READING THE RUNES



This column provides an overview of parapsychological literature. Not all of the books reviewed will be currently in print. This does not mean that they are unavailable however. If a book that has been reviewed interests you, begin searching for it by contacting your local library or bookstore. Either of these sources should own an annual publication called Books In Print. If it is listed in the current edition of this reference work, it is probably in print and obtainable through any bookstore that has it in stock or is willing to order it from the publisher. If the book is not in print, a library in your area may have a copy you can read. If the book is not in the collection of a library where you have check out privileges, they may still be able to obtain a copy for you through interlibrary loan. Ask the librarian for details. It is also possible to buy out of print books. If the book is recently out of print, call the publisher and ask if they still have any copies available for sale. Also, check with any used or antiquarian book dealers in your area. Many of these dealers provide search services for out of print books at little or no charge. Mail order services, such as Publishers Central Bureau, often carry out of print overstocks which they have purchased from the publishers. If you reach a deadend on searching for a book, or have any other questions, write me: Ms. Eloise R. Hurst

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Oppenheim, Janet. The Other World: Spiritualism and Psychical Research In England, 1850-1914. Cambridge, MA: Cambridge Univ. Press, 1985. 501 pages.

This book chronicles public interest in spiritualism and psychical research in England during the late nineteenth and early twentieth

centuries. It examines the social conditions which fostered wide-spread interest in psychic phenomena, as well as the personalities which dominated the field.

The book was well-researched and provides a scholarly chronicle of the era. It is a bit dry for casual reading, but for anyone interested in the historical background of psychic study it will prove informative. There is no bibliography, but the 87 page "Notes" section in the back names many interesting sources for those who wish further information.

There was no background of the author given in the text, and I was unable to locate her in other sources.

Eloise R. Hurst, Librarian

Eisenbud, Jule. Paranormal Foreknowledge: Problems and Perplexities. New York: Human Sciences Press, 1982. 312 pages.

Addressed to professional clinicians and therapists, this book discusses the underlying mental processes that result in precognitive experiences. The author advances and supports his own theory that, rather than being incidents of pre-occurrence foreknowledge, precognitive dreams are actually a desired goal expressed by the dreamer which he then deliberately brings about through subconscious psychic manipulation.

The book is slow moving, repetitive, written almost exclusively in psychological jargon, and filled with endless clinical examples intended to support the author's theories. All of this makes it very dull and difficult reading. If, however, you are willing to wade through it, the author's radical theory on precognitive occurrences is very thought-provoking and well worth consideration.

Dr. Eisenbud has a private practice in psychiatry and psychoanalysis in Denver, Colorado. He is also an Associate Clinical Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Colorado Health Sciences Center.

Eloise R. Hurst, Librarian

Art by Bernice Richmond.



THE FOLLOWING BOOK REVIEW WAS ALSO
SUBMITTED FOR PUBLICATION:

Agartha: A Journey To The Stars,
by Meredith Lady Young. Stillpoint
Publishing, Walpole, NH. Paperback,
336 pages, \$9.95.

When Meredith Lady Young accompanied her husband, Jim, to a Gateway weekend of meditation study in the mid-70s, she had no idea her life was about to change. Jim had long been involved in meditation, and she went along mostly because the practice was important to him. The skills she learned were enjoyable, and she continued to meditate daily after they returned to their suburban Connecticut home and their two young children.

One morning several months later, Young recognized a different quality about her meditation. The sensation continued to build over a period of days, until the floodgates of her mind burst with a clear, concise message from an entity which called itself Mentor. He addressed Young as "Agartha." Her journey to the stars had begun.

Young/Agartha, who never aspired to becoming a channel for cosmic wisdom -- or even conceived of such a possibility, had been chosen by Mentor to deliver a universal message of love, healing, and faith. Mentor gently proved his veracity to her before leading Agartha to the outline and writing of this book.

Detailing the wisdom of the universe and the perfection of life within this Earth School, Mentor's message is one of hope. Like so many other entities channeled in the past few years, Mentor describes the potential for vast, cataclysmic earth changes around the turn of the century. But, according to Mentor, these changes do not have to be -- if mankind tunes itself to the healing of its race and all life on this planet.

Reminiscent of the Seth books, Agartha explains many of the universal mysteries which have puzzled humans since the beginning of time. Unlike the turgid style of Jane Roberts, channel of Seth, the style and tone of Agartha make for easy -- although challenging -- reading.

While much of the information offered is of an abstract nature, Mentor explains specific meditation exercises for a variety of purposes, including the development of one's own potential, for healing of others, and of the earth.

One of these exercises is a simple, short meditation Mentor suggests be used throughout the day, when longer periods of meditation are impractical. (This reader has found it to be surprisingly rejuvenating.) The "meditation" consists of mentally separating oneself from the bustle of life for a moment, and repeating:

"There is a purpose to my existence."

"I live, I love,

"I work, I die,

"I am refreshed, and begin my life anew."

Also covered are detailed explanations of the chakras, color values, and herbal "potions" for the enhancement of a fulfilled and healthy life.

Agartha is not meant as a quick read. It is designed as a progressive learning tool, to be read at a pace which allows Mentor's messages to be internalized before proceeding. It is a book to be treasured by anyone seeking intellectual growth and a positive future for this earthly plane in which we presently exist.

-- Paula Stahel Willson

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"I who am the beauty of the green earth and the white moon among the stars and the mysteries of the waters, I call upon your soul to arise and come unto me. For I am the soul of nature that gives life to the universe. From Me all things proceed and unto Me they must return. Let My worship be in the heart that rejoices, for behold -- all acts of love and pleasure are My rituals. Let there be beauty and strength, power and compassion, honor and humility, mirth and reverence within you. And you who seek to know Me, know that your seeking and yearning will avail you not, unless you know the Mystery: for if that which you seek, you find not within yourself, you will never find it without. For behold, I have been with you from the beginning, and I am that which is attained at the end of desire."

{An excerpt from THE SPIRAL DANCE by
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LETTERS

April 4, 1986

Dear Carole:

Thank you and the SIG for the quick response to my application for membership and the warm welcome. I'd like to share some of my thoughts and experiences with you and the group.

A bit of background first. Like many of the rest of the group, I seem to have a few talents. Telepathy seems to be the strongest, occasional clairvoyance and some others that surface when the need arises. And I am able to locate untrained telepaths who suffer from their talents and give them training enough that they (and those around them) don't suffer from undisciplined abilities. Both of my grandmothers were gifted, and while my maternal grandmother tried to deny it, my paternal grandmother encouraged me to stretch and grow. As for my parents, I suspect there's a skipping of generations. I can't swear about my father, but my mother is a null signal.

My primary "calling" seems to be as a healer, although my gift goes into an area not usually addressed. My "specialty" appears to be injured emotions, hurt minds and crushed egos. By that I mean that I have been able to go in to people and help them work through the pain into a new sense of self-worth and back into life. I tend to work one "case" at a time. I also tend to work best when the "patient" is male (telepathy, empathy and all of the interactive talents seem to work best when there is male/female polarity).

Cases tend to find me; I don't go looking for them. Because of the need to form an emotional bond with the subject, the cost of a successful healing is the loss of a love, but then all use of talent requires some price paid by the operative. In the past, I've come off one case swearing to never use that talent again, but the Front Office tends to ignore me only as long as it takes me to recharge, then drops another situation into my lap. Kicking and screaming tends to do no good . . . the patient is there begging help (whether he knows it or not . . .

usually the latter).

I read with interest and a mixture of amusement and disgust the account of the recent meeting in which telekinesis was the subject. Why is it that people think that talents can be summoned up at any time and for any reason, then get frustrated when they can't pull off frivolous tricks? Two basic tenets get ignored under circumstances like the meeting described. One: that the exercise of a gift exacts a price in proportion to the amount of effort being expended. "There ain't no such thing as a free lunch." Two: that the use of a gift should be in response to need. Gifts should not be squandered. Sorry about the soap-box and my apologies to anyone who might take offense.

Here's a possible discussion question. Do the members find that they gravitate toward or away from a possible mate dependent on the other person's telepathic abilities? Or put another way, is it as difficult for you to relate to a member of the opposite sex who is head-blind as it is for me?

Luana Ross Hackney
Dallas, TX

Dear Carole,

Hi. I'm one of those silent 100 members who's decided to write. I lived in Florida for 13 years and do consider it 'home.' I'm currently in Boston and work as a professional psychic. I thoroughly enjoy reading your newsletter and hearing about your progress.

I was sorry to hear you had no success with telekinesis. It is a most difficult ability to master. One experiment I do with my students is to balance a pencil with a string tied to it and a small light ring hanging at the other end over the top of a glass mason jar. I feel this would be a bit easier than off a light fixture.

Please keep up the good work. The silent 100 are enjoying it or else we wouldn't renew. Hopefully if I travel to Florida in the next year or so I'll try to stop by and say hello.

Robin Leslie
Woburn, MA

Günther Vogl, West Germany

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Anyone who assumes that he is able to decode the sequences or to get in touch with Dr. Thouless and learn about the correct code should contact the Society for Psychical Research, 1 Adam & Eve Mews, London W8 6UG, England. {Source: ASPR Newsletter, Oct. 85, via Günther Vogl.}

Can the Japanese really innovate? Or are they, as the current canard has it, merely good at improving other people's technology? Perhaps to dispel that illusion, a tiny

The panel, nine leading scientists appointed by the Ministry of Posts and Telecommunication, earlier this month started delving into ESP and brain-wave transmissions as alternatives to the standard electromagnetic waves that now dominate communications. To make headway, the group must crack a longstanding mental block: legitimizing telepathic communication as anything more than a fickle, freakish staple of science-fiction movies. Says Soji Otani, Japan's leading parapsychologist: "If we could establish telepathy in half of (our testing subjects), it could be utilized as a method for communication." The group, called the Research Committee Concerning Future Communications Media, will also investigate how the human body translates stimuli into electrical impulses that channel information to the brain. "We are discussing fantasies now," says group physicist Kunitomo Sakurai. "Someday they will come true." {Newsweek International, December 2, 1985, via Günther Voigl.}

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