



monthly

# MONITOR



FIRST URANTIA SOCIETY OF LOS ANGELES

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

The religion of Jesus consists of two essential activities: The maintenance of a living, conscious contact with spiritual realities and the rendering of loving social service to one's fellows.

Throughout history religious movements have confused the place of these two activities. The service aspect of religion has been seen as a requirement of receiving God's love. This view of service as a duty or obligation may imply the absence of the wholehearted joyous motivation of a truly loving soul.

Ideally, service is the direct result of an inner recognition of God's love for the individual and therefore every other individual, and thereby the feeling of brotherhood with all of God's children is born in the human heart.

---Kermit Anderson



## F. U. S. L. A. ANNUAL ELECTION NOTES



Each year in August, F.U.S.L.A. holds their annual election to fill the Governing Committee Seats that became vacant. It will be of interest to many, as a reminder, that the Governing Committee is made up of four (4) Offices and five (5) Chairs. Each of these posts become vacant each year and must be filled by electing a new candidate, or re-electing an incumbent member of the Committee. The tenure of each Office or Chair is one year. They may be selected by the Nominating Committee or nominated from the floor by any F.U.S.L.A. member, at the annual election. In any case they must indicate, or have already indicated by statement, their desire and willingness to serve a full term of the F.U.S.L.A. seat they seek or have been nominated for. Whether a F.U.S.L.A. member is eligible to vote or not, is determined by Article I, Sec. 1-2 (a) and (b) in the By-Laws of your booklet copy of the F.U.S.L.A. Constitution as amended August 6, 1978. Additional information on the coming election will be found attached to the MONITOR.



## THE URANTIA BOOK

After reading the URANTIA Book for only one year, I am staggered by the scope and the depth of the knowledge it contains. At first examination the average person becomes intrigued by the immensity of its size and weight alone.

However, when one becomes familiar with its contents it becomes a masterpiece of brevity as it interlaces historically the entire compendium of knowledge pertaining to God, universe, man and his destiny.

It is a grand blueprint for the puzzle of existence and every subject matter pertaining to it.

It equips the sincere student with the most accurate and enlarged concept of the universe, evaluates myriads of theoretical, dead philosophies, penetrates through man's groping speculations of knowledge and easily bridges the gap of distant antiquities right on through and beyond man's most sublime and enlarged visions of the future, with unmatched authority.

Man's evolvement is catalyzed, physically, mentally and spiritually;



No Doctor is a good doctor who has never been ill himself.

The willingness to sometimes be misunderstood is often the better part of valor.

--anonymous

### WEDDING BELLS AGAIN !!

FUSLA

members have been keeping Vern Grimsley busy here in our area with marriages this year. The latest was bride Wynette Testa and groom Don Alexander. The wedding ceremony was performed by Verne at Mrs. Baker's (Wynette's mother) home in a lovely patio setting with loads of beautiful flowers. A sumptuous buffet dinner was served after the wedding. Wynette and Don were honeymooning in Santa Barbara. Best ever to the bride and groom !!!



sustaining his sense of personal dignity and elevating his slow path from the dangers of degradation and the darkness of ignorance.

Amazingly it adds substance to abstract intangibles and takes you another step beyond the threshold of Faith to the Grand Blueprint Room in view of the Master's Workshop.

Humbly submitted by,  
Roger J Abdo

## REVERSION DIRECTOR'S SECTION

WIFE, poring over figures, to husband: "Well, I've worked out a budget-- now you'll have to work out a raise."

### SOMETHING OLD--SOMETHING NEW

"WHAT A WAY to begin a honeymoon," She thought, as the traffic officer wrote out a ticket. There was no doubt that Charlie her husband of two hours, had exceeded the State speed limit. He had been trying vainly to shake the rest of the wedding party, all of whom were in the car parked right behind them, also victims of the zealous young policeman. Charlie had explained the situation to him, but to no avail.

Finally, with a flourish, the officer handed Charlie the ticket and moved us on. Steeled for the worst, we read:



"Congratulations and best wishes! Have a wonderful honeymoon. Now make your getaway while I issue your friends a ticket."

We returned from our honeymoon two weeks later to find a letter from our best man. Attached was his "citation", and it told the rest of the story.

"Sorry to hold you up, but my sympathies are with the groom. You see, tonight at eight I'm being married myself."

---anonymous

WHY DON'T YOU STOP WHAT YOU ARE DOING, CALL SOME FRIENDS RIGHT NOW, AND OFFER THEM A RIDE TO OUR NEXT F.U.S.L.A. MEETING? WE CAN BEAT THE GAS "CRUNCH" WITH CAR POOLS!!!





While this is the July issue of the MONITOR, it has possibly been sent early so the election information it contains would be received in time for members to submit names of candidates for the August 5th election and so notify the Nominating Committee Chairman before July 1st. THIS IS NECESSARY BECAUSE:

With the F.U.S.L.A. annual election scheduled for August 5th, 1979, the month of July becomes a very important one. It is during this time that all the preliminary preparations must be made for the election. Probably the most important in these preparations is the response of the Governing Committee members and the membership-body to the Nominating Committee's need for names of candidates to the nine (9) open seats in the Governing Committee. This response is needed from two sources:

- (1) Those individuals who are seeking a Governing Committee Seat themselves.
- (2) Those who are nominating a candidate to a Governing Committee Office or Chair.

In the first case, any F.U.S.L.A. member who seeks a Seat in the Governing Committee or is currently an incumbent Officer or Chairman of the Governing Committee seeking an Office or Chair, should submit a statement of intent along with a resume of qualifications to the Nominating Committee Chairman before July 1st.

In the second case, those who are submitting names of other members as candidates for Governing Committee Seats, should be reasonably sure their candidate/s will accept the nomination/s if selected.

An early response by the membership is urgent, for after the Nominating Committee has received these names, each one's qualifications must be evaluated; those members who have been nominated by another member must be contacted to see if they will accept the nomination; and after all those accepting nominations as candidates for the nine (9) Seats respectively, ballots with their names printed thereon, with voting instructions to the membership, must be printed and made available at the August 5th meeting.

For your convenience, a Form slip is attached which you may wish to complete and forward to Duane Faw, Nominating Committee Chairman, at his Malibu address.

Duane Faw, Chairman  
Nominating Committee  
F.U.S.L.A.  
23301 Bocana  
Malibu, CA 90265

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Ref: August 5th annual election of FUSLA Officers and Chairmen.

Dear Chairman:

The following names of F.U.S.L.A. members is my selection for nominees to the open Offices and Chairs as shown respectively:

<u>OFFICE</u>	<u>COMMITTEE CHAIR</u>
PRESIDENT _____	MEMBERSHIP _____
VICE-PRESIDENT _____	HOSPITALITY _____
SECRETARY _____	EDUCATION _____
TREASURER _____	BOOK _____
	NEWSLETTER (AGONDONTER) _____

SIGNED (Optional) \_\_\_\_\_



## V I E W P O I N T

On LOVE and Ill Temper

In Henry Drummond's thesis on LOVE in his classic "The Greatest Thing in the World", He makes a strong division between sins of the body and sins of one's disposition in his consideration of the contrast between LOVE and Ill Temper. Abridged, there follow these quotations from his fine work:

"We are inclined to look upon bad temper as a very harmless weakness. We speak of it as a mere infirmity of nature, a family failing, a matter of temperament, not a thing to take into very serious account in estimating a man's character.

The peculiarity of ill temper is that it is the vice of the virtuous. It is often the one blot on an otherwise noble character. You know men who are all but perfect, and women who would be entirely perfect, but for an easily ruffled, quick-tempered, or "touchy" disposition. This compatibility of ill temper with high moral character is one of the strangest and saddest problems of ethics.

The truth is there are two great classes of sins--sins of the Body, and sins of the Disposition.

We have no balance to weigh one another's sins, and coarser and finer are but human words; but faults in the higher nature may be less venial (forgivable) than those in the lower, and to the eye of Him who is LOVE, a sin against LOVE may seem a hundred times more base.

No form of vice, not worldliness, not greed of gold, not drunkenness itself, does more to un-Christianise society than evil temper. For embittering life, for breaking up communities, for destroying the most sacred relationships, for devastating homes, for withering up men and women, for taking the bloom off childhood, in short, for sheer gratuitous misery-producing power, this influence stands alone.

What is it made of? Jealousy, anger, pride, uncharity, cruelty, self righteousness, touchiness, doggedness, sullenness--in varying degrees and proportions, these are the ingredients of all ill temper. Judge if such sins of the disposition are not worse to live in, and for others to live with, than sins of the body.

You will see then why Temper is significant. It is not in what it is alone, but in what it reveals. It is a test for love, a symptom, a revelation of an unloving nature at bottom. It is the intermittent fever which bespeaks unintermittent disease within; a sample of the most hidden products of the soul dropped involuntarily when off one's guard.

Hence it is not enough to deal with the Temper. We must go to the source, and change the inmost nature, and the angry humours will die away of themselves.

Souls are made sweet not by taking the acid fluids out, but by putting something in--a great LOVE, a new Spirit, the Spirit of Christ, Christ, the Spirit of Christ, interpenetrating ours, sweetens, purifies, transforms all. This only can eradicate what is wrong, work a chemical change, renovate and regenerate, and rehabilitate the inner man.

Will-power does not change men. Time does not change men. Christ does. Therefore "Let that mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus".

--ed.

## V A C A T I O N S

The word came to this listening post that Lucille and Duane Faw are currently enjoying themselves in Israel. While their trip came about with practically no fan-fare, we look forward to a detailed account of their experiences to the Society upon their return home. They should be back around the middle of June.

F.U.S.L.A. Secretary Dick MacDonald and wife Vernie will be leaving July 1st for a one month vacation. They plan a big-loop round trip of the U.S. Basic stops on their trip will be to visit with a son in Texas, another son in Mississippi; a few days at "533 Diversey Parkway"; a daughter in Pennsylvania. A return trip through Canada; a stop-off to see a brother in Spokane, a grandson in Susanville, a sister in Sacramento, a niece in Stockton, a war-time buddy in Las Vegas---and, home. 8,000 miles!-----30 days?? That's a vacation !?!?!

## E M E R I T U S

What does the word "emeritus" mean? The dictionary defines it as "one who has honorably resigned or retired from a position of trust or responsibility but is retained on the rolls."

Our F.U.S.L.A. Constitution expands on this definition and amplifies its application under Article II of the By-Laws, Sec. 2-1.

In the May issue of the MONITOR there appeared an article in which it was noted Julia Fenderson will be nominated for this distinctive award at our coming election August 5th, 1979. After 34+ years of dedicated and unselfish service to the entire URANTIA movement and our Society in particular, an award of "President Emeritus" status will be conferred upon this devoted and deserving beloved Ascender.





GAMES



F. U. S. L. A.



LET YER HAIR DOWN

SPEECHES

RELAX



HIKING

FOOD

CONIGS

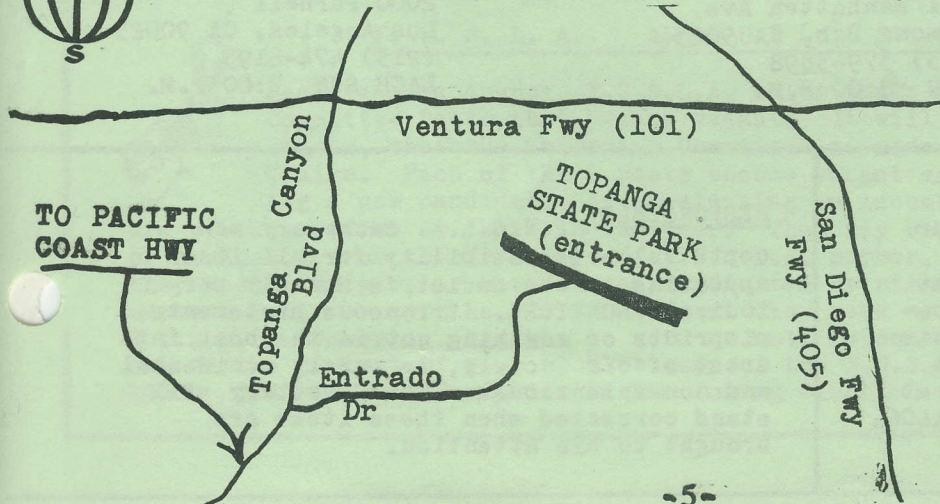
HAVE FUN!

GAB-FESTS



SUNDAY

JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 1979



MAP IS NOT TO SCALE !!

Reservations have been made at the TOPANGA STATE PARK for a F.U.S.L.A. picnic on July 1st 1979. The park opens at 8:00 A.M. and closes at 7:00 P.M. At this time of the year no fires will be permitted. Hot drinks should be brought in a thermos. The State allows beer, wine and champagne in the area. Everybody come and have fun!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!



**ANOTHER NEW STUDY GROUP:** We are again happy to announce the formation of another URANTIA Book Study Group. Dick Ziglar a long-time member of F.U.S.L.A. and some of his Reader friends will be gathering at his place each Sunday evening at 7:00 P.M. to share with each other their own interest in the fifth Epochal Revelation given to humanity. Dick has long been a student of the URANTIA Book and is well known among his many friends in the Society. The meetings will be held at Dick's place at 2000 Parnell, Los Angeles, CA 90025. Everyone interested is cordially invited. Detailed information may be had by calling Dick at (213) 474-8195. Our very best wishes to this new group which by the way, is the fifteenth Study Group active in the Los Angeles area.



**PLEASE NOTE:**

If you have a new study group or if there is a change in an existing group, or you desire information on study groups, please contact Dick MacDonald, Secretary, or Julia Fenderson, Membership Committee Chairman. The Society will update this list each month, and copies will be available at the monthly meeting also. F.U.S.L.A. supports the establishment and development of URANTIA Book study groups, but is not responsible for their activities. These groups are voluntary and informal associations of URANTIA Book readers and they are not formally a part of any URANTIA organization.



URANTIA BOOK STUDY GROUPS



KERMIT & JACKIE ANDERSON  
15872 Wicklow Lane  
Htgton Beach, CA 92647  
(714) 894-5417  
THUR 8:00 P.M.

LARRY WHELAN  
146 Fraser Lane  
Ventura, CA 93001  
(805) 643-8728  
MON 7:30 P.M.

CHICK & ELLEN MONTGOMERY  
10320 Samoa Ave  
Tujunga, CA 91042  
(213) 353-2973  
WED 8:00 P.M.

CHARLES & DOROTHY HICKS  
11347 Berwick St  
Los Angeles, CA 90049  
(213) 472-8722  
CALL FOR INFO

JIM WATLASS  
3264 1/2 Motor Ave  
Palms, CA 90034  
(213) 836-4343  
TUES 8:00 P.M.

TAMMY ERIKSMOEN  
3601 Blue Key  
Corona Del Mar, CA 92625  
(714) 640-4710  
ALT THUR 8:00 P.M.

GARY & PRISCILLA REEDY  
1291 Old Ranch Road  
Camarillo, CA 93010  
(805) 484-2991  
WED 7:30 P.M.

DENNIS NICOMEDE  
1308 W. Jacaranda Pl  
Fullerton, CA 92633  
(714) 879-9267  
WED 8:00 P.M.

BEVERLY WOLD  
42751 Florida #64  
Hemet, CA 92343  
(714) 927-1015  
THUR 7:30 P.M.

BILL & CORLIN SHERWOOD  
517 Wing St  
Glendale, CA 91205  
(213) 247-5640  
MON 8:00 P.M.

PENNY & JEFF OSTER  
6010 Riverside Ave  
Riverside, CA 92506  
(714) 686-6905  
2nd SUN 7:00 P.M.

EUNICE G GREATON  
1827 Olive Ave  
Santa Barbara, CA 93101  
(805) 962-5100  
THUR 8:00 P.M.

MACDONALD RESIDENCE  
16950 Hartland St  
Van Nuys, CA 91406  
(213) 343-3364  
ALT THUR 8.00 P.M.

DIANNE BISHOP  
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Hermosa Bch, CA 90254  
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DICK ZIGLAR  
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(213) 474-8195  
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