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NEWSLETTER OF THE FIRST URANTIA[®] SOCIETY OF LOS ANGELES

They Will
Be Done

*"To become acquainted with one's brothers and sisters, to know their problems and to learn to love them, is the supreme experience of living."
(p.1431)*

Sunday, August 7, we will read Paper 130, ON THE WAY TO ROME, (pg. 1427). August is the month of Jesus' birth an URANTIA and this paper is a fitting remembrance. In it we will read many truths concerning human and divine will, evil, reality, time, and space. Join us for this loving remembrance of Jesus. The optional group worship will be from 1:00 to 1:30 with the program beginning promptly at 2:00 pm.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

*"The will of God is the way of God, partnership with the choice of God in the face of any potential alternative. To do the will of God, therefore, is the progressive experience of becoming more and more like God, and God is the source and destiny of all that is good and beautiful and true. The will of man is the way of man, the sum and substance of that which the mortal chooses to be and do. Will is the deliberate choice of a self-conscious being which leads to decision-conduct based on intelligent reflection." (p.1431) **

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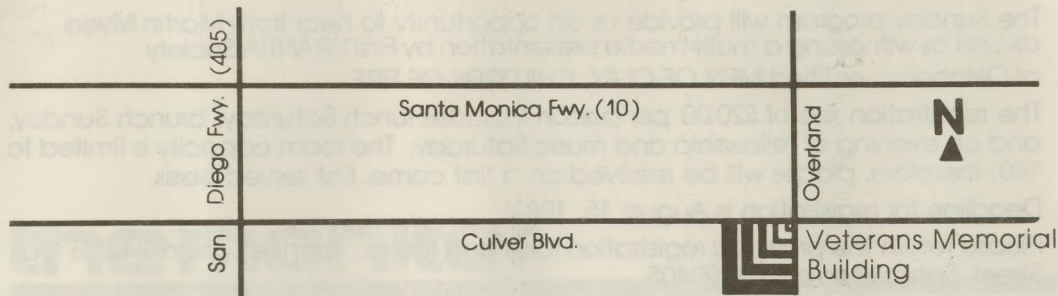
Due to the limited amount of time and the desire on the part of FUSLA to maintain a dialogue rather than a debate, questions will be taken from the floor at the Media Seminar in written form only and presented to a panel consisting of scheduled speakers. The question cards will be in all of your registration folders.

Pamphleteering and the distribution of literature will not be welcomed as this is an official function of FUSLA. Individual speakers will state if copies of their talks are available.

Please remember, there will be no regularly scheduled September monthly meeting. This media seminar can only be attended by registration in advance.

Please contact Dorothy Elder at 213-472-8722 if you are willing to house some of our visiting attendees. Remember to let Dorothy know if you already made arrangements to house an out of town guest. This will help avoid confusion of housing assignments.

For information or answers to any of your questions regarding the Media Seminar, please feel free to call Joanne Larson at 213-450-4475. You may also leave a message at FUSLA's 24 hour answering service at 213-836-2432.



TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE:

We are in need of a large screen (Advent style), a projection TV and/or a 3/4 or 1/2 inch video tape player, or donations to help cover the rental of these items. We are also looking for a high quality 1/4 inch tape recorder to record the seminar. If you can help or have any information, please contact Bruce Fiero at 213-822-2498.

AGONDONTER UPDATE

The first installment of copy on the Special Edition Agondonter has gone to the typesetter. We still hope to have the magazine out by October. We would like to thank all of those early subscribers who have been patient for so long now. Copies may still be reserved for a minimum \$10.00 donation payable to FUSLA. Send your order to 711 Superba Avenue, Venice, CA 90291.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

When was the last time you took a long walk on the beach and drifted off into a sunset? How long has it been since you took the time to look inside a flower or savor its delicate fragrance? Can you remember the silence which is treasured in the heart of a forest? Have you recently had the chance to worship beneath a sky filled with stars? Or, are you too busy and too tired? Perhaps an hour or two in front of the television would suffice. . .

If your doctor told you that you had six months to live, how would you fill your time? What "unfinished business" in your life would you attend to? How do you think you would feel? What would your priorities be? How much more deeply might you treasure the Gift of Love on Urantia?

I recently had the good fortune to meet a 53 year old man named Harry Bradish. He heard about me through a mutual friend who told him I was also a writer. Harry asked if I might take a look at some of his poetry and share my thoughts. Here is a sample of what I read

"I wonder about the ways of the fields
How one grain of wheat will grow very fast
And another will take such a long time
Yet, it can truly prosper the most from that growth"

Harry was very nervous about my reaction. Some of you may already know how difficult it is to share your poetry. I read this next poem which Harry calls Two Miles Down the Road

"Two miles down the road
There is something to be found
I can see birds flying above me
They seem to be seeking something
Perhaps they wonder what I am doing as I walk
While they, in the effortless ease of flight
Soar to the heights that I cannot attain
Except in my mind
But first. . .footstep after footstep. . .
I walk another mile."

Before my meeting with Harry was over, I had to momentarily excuse myself. You see, this was not only a very special sharing for him but for me as well. I had the best cry I have experienced in well over a year. For Harry Braddish is a student at the Exceptional Childrens Foundation where I teach painting. He has had Cerebral Palsy all of his life. And though very difficult to understand his speech, his mind is vibrant and creative and inspired. He began writing during his twenty year stay at a state hospital. Harry told me he doesn't want to make money from his writing any longer. Now, he only wants to help people understand what a gift life is and not to be discouraged by whatever difficulty or handicap we may have. In Harry's own words "I thank God for each new day I continue searching for something to say to the world."

Thank you Harry Bradish, I love you.

In Friendship & Brotherhood,
Vincent Ventola

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SEMINAR HOUSING

Some of the people attending the Media Seminar over Labor Day weekend will be in need of housing. If you can open your home to one or two guests for that weekend, or have already done so, please contact Dorothy Elder (213) 472-8722.

NO REGULAR MEETING IN SEPTEMBER

There will be no regular monthly FUSLA meeting during the month of September because of the Media Seminar. Registration for the Seminar is for both Saturday and Sunday and you must register for both days because of the room and catering expenses in order to attend.

OCTOBER ELECTION

Kermit Anderson is head of the 1983 Nominating Committee for 1984 FUSLA Officers and Committee Chairmen. If you are interested in running for office, contact Kermit Anderson at (714/894-5417). You must submit a statement of qualifications and reasons for running in writing. FUSLA members are invited to serve on the committee. Please call Vince Ventola (213) _____ or Lee Armstrong (213) 841-6286.

REMEMBRANCES

Polly and Jerry Friedman will be hosting a remembrance supper in their home on August 21. All are welcome. Please RSVP 880-5943.

OC HOSTS REMEMBRANCE PICNIC

Orange County study groups will host their third annual Pot Luck Remembrance Picnic on Sunday, August 21. The site will once again be the beautiful Corona Del Mar State Park near Newport Beach. Everyone is invited to attend and their promises to be more than enough Joy and Fellowship to go around. Take the Mac Arthur exit off the San Diego Freeway and head west to Pacific Coast Highway. Turn left and watch for signs to Corona Del Mar State Park. The park is below the cliffs on the beach. When you get near the park, you will see blue and white streamers to follow to the picnic site. Look for a large canopy, blue streamers and a large grassy area near the exit jetty. Car-pooling and early arrival are suggested as the park will fill up early. Lunch is expected to begin around noon, so allow plenty of time for travel, parking and a short walk. For more information and a map, call Jackie Anderson (714) 894-5417, or Marlene Chicoine (714) 761-1565.

AREA/CONTACT

MEETING INFO

Anaheim Marlene Chicoine	Mondays @ 10:00 AM (714) 761-1565
Anaheim Pierre Chicoine	Mondays @ 7:00 PM (714) 761-1565
Arcadia Hal & Lucille Kettell	Mondays @ 7:30 PM (213) 447-1403
Burbank Lee Armstrong & Roselyn Van Benschoten	Tuesdays @ 7:30 PM (213) 841-6286
Calabasas Polly Friedman	1st & 3rd Mondays @ 7:30 PM (213) 880-5943
Camarillo Gary Reedy	1st & 3rd Mondays @ 7:30 PM (805) 484-2991
Chatsworth Ray Caligiuri	1st & 3rd Tuesdays @ 7:30 PM (213) 993-5286
Downey Gerald D'Arcy	Tuesdays @ 7:30 PM (213) 630-8778
Fresno Lee De Mers	Tuesdays @ 7:30 PM (209) 221-0644
Hemet Beverly J. Wold	Thursdays @ 7:30 PM (714) 927-1015
Hollywood Carol Lee and Howard Warner	Mondays @ 7:00 PM (213) 469-3211 (days)
Huntington Beach Kermit & Jackie Anderson	Thursdays @ 8:00 PM (714) 894-5417
La Mesa Jim Felt	Thursdays @ 8:00 PM (714) 286-8220 (business)
Malibu Duane & Lucile Faw	2nd & 4th Mondays @ 7:30 PM (213) 456-9708
Orange (Singles Study Group) Janice Spirito	Fridays @ 7:30 PM (714) 633-4056
Orange City Jerry Lyle	Wednesdays @ 7:00 PM (714) 637-3065 / 633-2293
Palm Springs (Pinyon Pines) Ed Geisler	Sundays @ 5:00 PM (619) 349-3544
Placentia Dick Simmermacher	Mondays @ 7:30 PM (714) 996-6894
Rancho Santa Fe Rich Keeler	Alternate Thursdays @ 8:00 PM (714) 755-0264
Redondo Beach Jonathon Johnson & Betsy Slavik	Tuesdays @ 8:00 PM (213) 374-2720
San Diego Bill & Dorothy Hazzard	3rd Sunday @ 2:00 PM (714) 299-4195
San Diego Dick & Cheryl Prince	Tuesdays @ 7:30 PM (619) 270-6558
Santa Barbara/Goleta Samsara Amato-Duex	Tuesdays @ 7:30 PM (805) 967-0975
Santa Barbara Barrie Bedell	Thursdays @ 7:30 PM (805) 969-1565
Ventura Larry Whelan	Weekly @ 7:00 PM (call for day) (805) 643-8728
Whittier Stella Religa	1st & 3rd Fridays @ 7:30 PM (213) 698-2122 (eves)



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MEETING INFORMATION

AUGUST 7, 1983

1:00—1:30 Optional Group Worship
2:00 SHARP—Program Begins

Coast Federal Savings
718 Wilshire Boulevard, Santa Monica

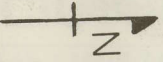
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