

SPECIAL CONTROVERSIAL ISSUE! FSLA ELECTION COMING UP! FAW REPORT ON "IC '93" SCHEDULED

President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership Committee, Education Committee, Hospitality Committee, Book Committee, Monitor Newsletter Committee. That's the list. Details for each are on Pg. 4.

Please review it and consider serving on one of the above positions. Or maybe you know someone you think would be great -- "ask them," to run and if they accept then you can nominate them from the floor Sunday, September 12, 1993. Or if they have said yes, and you cannot attend the September meeting ask them to please attend so they can be introduced as a candidate. Then call our Nominating Committee Chairperson Richard Omura (310) 306-9789 with candidate's

name and phone number so they can be added to the slate for the election date Sunday, October 3, 1993.

We fellowship all year in the loving spiritual sense and elections are always hard to get through, for most of us. These positions are filled each year with service-oriented readers who in offering to serve you, the members, help maintain our year's meetings, communication, funding, programming and feasting. So for 11 months we can fellowship completely because we have confidence in our elected body of people.

It is through each of us sharing that our love energy flows and we evolve as readers of The Urantia Book.

GENERAL COUNCIL REPORT AND DUANE FAW ON INTERNATIONAL '93 CONFERENCE

Sunday, September 12, 1993 FSLA meeting 2 PM at 18th & Arizona Streets, Santa Monica. Discussion "THE URANTIA BOOK AROUND THE WORLD."

This gathering will be packed full of news about the UB, the growth of study groups, General Council report from Lucile Faw to keep you informed and a talk by Duane Faw on the great event The 1993 International Conference (with a video hopefully).

Followed by a Mexican Fiesta potluck social to close this day of fellowship. Don't miss this action packed report on international activities! Be there!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, October 3, 1993 is FSLA Dues Deadline to pay [or submit written hardship waiver request] in order to vote in Election. Dues are \$24 and are paid to our Treasurer, Robert Burns.

Sunday, October 3, 1993 FSLA Elections; Nomination Committee Chairman is Richard Omura (310) 306-9789. Call Richard if you wish to run for office or assist on the Nomination Committee. The Election slate will be presented September 12, 1993 for additional candidates. "Live" entertainment (improv-comedy) will be provided by the Cindy Burn's Troupe along with a tasty potluck.

October 15-17, 1993 So. California Retreat from Adventures in Spiritual Living. Join the activities Friday evening through Sunday afternoon in San Juan Capistrano. Registration deadline is September 15, 1993. Send \$75 check to Andrea Barnes 14575 Springvale St., Poway, CA 92064. Contact (619) 486-0125.

Sunday, November 7, 1993 FSLA meeting 2 PM at 18th & Arizona Streets, Santa Monica. SPECIAL PANEL DISCUSSION on Women's Role in the Movement -- Past, Present & Future. Panelists are Dora Schmalz, Anton Schmalz, Christine Docimo, Robert Burns, Stella Religa, and John Roper.

WHITTIER BOOK FAIR A GROWING SUCCESS

The Whittier Book Fair was held July 10 - 11, 1993, thanks to the hard work of Stella Religa was an even bigger success than last year.

Over 3,000 Urantia Book information handouts were given to fair attendees. Responses were 99% positive. Congratulations to Stella on directing an outstanding outreach program

Stella sends a big "thank you" to all those many readers who worked with her at the booth and vows to do even better next year.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

"Gathering In His Name"



"While you cannot observe the divine spirit at work in your minds, there is a practical method of discovering the degree to which you have yielded ... and that is the degree of your love for your fellow men." (Pg. 1642)

One of the greatest benefits of being human is that we have freedom of thought. Spirit leaves us alone to make up our own minds, to discover for ourselves that the kingdom of heaven is "at hand" here and now. Jesus taught that the kingdom is within us. We can enter anytime we choose by beginning to live our lives in harmony with God's universal Law of Love.

It's September, time to think ahead, we have four more FSLA meetings this year.

1993 has been a fast moving, eventful year. We have grown much as readers.

The time for an election of your future Governing Committee is here. Richard Omura, is our Election Committee Chairman for the 1994 board and committee chairperson elections held on October 3, 1993, his phone number is (310) 306-9789.

Serving the readers has been a very gratifying experience. A special thanks to our host and hostess for the welcome greeting at our door.

- The Monitor's, editor has put out a first class publication for FSLA members that has been an outstanding communications asset to all of us.
- Our FSLA membership has grown the most it has in eighteen years. The programs have been enlightening and entertaining.
- The Secretary has kept our records. Books and lots of interesting related materials have been well supplied.
- Hospitality has had a gourmet buffet every meeting.
- Our Treasurer has planned on ways and means to support our efforts;
- Our Vice President has stimulated and supported our membership in every area.
- And thanks to you the faithful readers attending our meetings our success has been 100%.

As your president, I am ending one very wonderful and inspiring year thanks to the hard work and loving support of all of you.

In loving service,
Marlene Chicoine

"Love is infectious, and when human devotion is intelligent and wise, love is more catching than bate. But only genuine and unselfish love is truly contagious. If each mortal could only become a focus of dynamic affection, this benign virus of love would soon pervade the sentimental emotion-stream of humanity to such an extent that all civilization would be encompassed by love, and that would be the realization of the brotherhood of man."

(Pg. 1098)

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EDITOR'S CORNER

"The Passing Of The Torch"



Being the mischievous personality that I am and willing to do most anything for a laugh, I hope you enjoy the issue and have a chuckle or two over my literary swan song and impetuous behavior. If you should find anything offensive or distasteful in this issue, my heartfelt apologies in advance, but I'm only speaking my mind. Just one person's opinion. Perhaps you can write (evidently something most readers have forgotten how to do) to whomever is appointed the new Editor and express either your outrage or your approval. I never was concerned with which response you might have involving the contents of the Monitor, I just wanted a response. Any response.

For those who have only recently become aware of our little group (i.e. new readers, etc.) who are unfamiliar with the Foundation and FSLA's Monitor evolution to date, some of this may seem a tad obscure or even deranged. Not to worry, I can guarantee this issue will change nothing (other than my office with FSLA) and probably a much more conservative and orthodox person will take my place. Any conflict this missive my cause will be quelled by the typical apathy that dominates this Society (and the Movement) that avoids like the plague the word "organization."

Someday perhaps things will evolve to the point that words like "participation" and "involvement" in spreading the most important message on our planet will not be dirty words. I on the other hand choose to involve myself in the creation of a new uncensored publication called the Artisan which will be sent to subscribers and every study group leader in the domestic US somewhere around the first quarter of 1994. It will directly address the pros and cons of every issue facing the 5th Epochial Revelation's mission on Urantia along with applicable creative endeavors relative to our planetary spiritual progress.

This includes: poetry, essays, opinions, fiction, debate, artwork, and photography. It will be open to all faiths and current religions now appearing on Urantia and hopefully will become a communication template for a large scale interfaith publication. Or, it could fail miserably. Either way, I'll be happy knowing, at least, I made the effort and tried.

Editor

Editor's Note: In humility or hubris (you decide dear reader) I have decided to try to publish an outspoken collection of: all the Monitor editorials I've written (published and unpublished), some correspondence to the head of the Mormon Church, President Grobachev, the Foundation and my speech to FSLA on "The Ministry of Mirth." Also included is some poetry and two Urantia inspired works of fiction. One is "Secret of the Unicorn" (which someday will be an animated feature film) and of course, "Mac & Me" (with the missing "Day 7"). It will be utilized as a fundraiser for FSLA initially and, if interest develops outside the SoCal sphere, for the Fellowship. I should mention that it will be 150 pages and they will run \$10. and generate at least \$5 for FSLA activities per unit sold. I will receive the satisfaction of knowing my work was read and appreciated. If you want more information on this please call Marlene at (714) 229-9658. It may be your interest that helps to produce the funds for printing (and funds for FSLA too!)

"No true revealed religion can spread to all the world when it makes the serious mistake of becoming permeated with some national culture or associated with established racial, social, or economic practices."

(Pg. 2064)

"Old editors never die they just tirade away." someone said that around the turn of the century. I find that it is just as true today. I have truly enjoyed serving as Publication Chairman and Editor for the Monitor over the last two years and wish to take this time to give thanks to all those readers out there who have persevered enough to actually read their Monitors. The time has come for the torch to be passed as I hear the beat of a different drum (talk about Excedrin headaches!).

In the time I've spent as your humble editor, I have tried to impart a semblance of aggravation to those who have become apathetic, irritation to those who have allowed their minds to close and brought perhaps a smile or two to those who take themselves too seriously. I hope that my tenure as your Editor has accomplished at least one of the above.

This being my last issue, I have decided to publish many of the items which, for better or worse, were censored previously or considered too volatile for print. Having a profound aversion for censorship of any kind, political bull—and petty squabbles over insignificant matters while the larger, more important issues are tabled or ignored, I gift you with what I hope is the most controversial Monitor ever published!

ELECTION INFORMATION FROM THE CONSTITUTION OF THE FIRST SOCIETY OF LOS ANGELES

PURPOSE: The purposes of FSLA are the study and dissemination of the teachings of The Urantia Book; the inculcation and encouragement of the realization and appreciation of the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man in order to increase and enhance the comfort, happiness and well-being of man as an individual and as a member of society through the medium of fraternal association, ever obedient to the laws of this country and to the regulations of Fifth Epochal Fellowship (FEF).

ELECTION: The officers shall be elected by the Assembly of the Society at its Regular Annual Meeting and shall hold office for a term of one year and until their successors are duly elected and qualified. The election of Officers shall be by secret ballot from candidates nominated for each office by a nominating committee appointed by the Governing Committee, or from the floor and a candidate receiving a majority of the ballots cast shall be declared elected to the office for which he or she was nominated.

PRESIDENT: The President shall be the principal executive officer, shall preside at all meetings of the Assembly of the Society and of the Governing Committee, and shall have such other powers as may from time to time be conferred or imposed by the By-Laws of this Society or by the Assembly of the Society, or by the Governing Committee.

VICE-PRESIDENT: In the event of the inability of the President to act, the Vice-President shall perform the duties and exercise the powers of the President in his or her place or stead, and shall perform such other duties and exercise such other powers as may from time to time be imposed by the Governing Committee and the President.

SECRETARY: The Secretary

shall keep and preserve the records of the meetings and proceedings of the Assembly of the Society and of the Governing Committee, shall keep and preserve the official record of the members of this Society, shall have the power to certify to the correctness of any copies of records in his or her custody and possession, and shall perform such other duties and exercise such other powers as may from time to time be imposed by the By-Laws. In the event of the inability of both the President and Vice-President to act, the Secretary shall exercise the powers and perform the duties of the President. If no Assistant Treasurer is elected then the Secretary shall serve as the Assistant Treasurer.

TREASURER: The Treasurer shall be the principal officer and shall have general supervision and control over the monies and properties of this Society, shall collect and receive all monies and properties due this Society, shall render reports to the President and Governing Committee at such times as either shall require, shall have the custody and control of, and shall preserve financial and property records of this Society, and shall render a full and complete final report on the financial affairs of this Society and the conduct of his or her office at the Regular Annual Meeting of the Assembly of the Society. If no Assistant Secretary is elected then the Treasurer shall serve as the Assistant Secretary.

STANDING COMMITTEES: The Standing Committees of this Society are as follows:

(a) **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE:** This Committee shall pass upon the qualifications and eligibility of all candidates for membership in this Society. It shall have the final determination of the acceptance or of the rejection of all such candidates for membership in this Society, subject to the authority of the

Governing Committee. It shall participate in the initiation of all members in accordance with this Constitution.

(b) **EDUCATION COMMITTEE:** This Committee shall be concerned with the educational and informal activities under the guidance of the Governing Committee.

(c) **HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE:** This Committee shall be concerned with the social and fraternal activities of the Society. [Serving coffee and snack at monthly meetings.]

(d) **FINANCE COMMITTEE:** This Committee shall assist the Treasurer in the handling of the financial affairs of the Society. The Treasurer shall, by virtue of holding that office, be the Chairman of the Finance Committee.

(e) **BOOK COMMITTEE:** This Committee shall be concerned with the donation and distribution of Urantia Books to appropriate public and private institutions and individuals and shall perform such other functions as the Governing Committee may from time to time determine, provided those functions are consistent with the primary responsibility of the Committee.

(f) **NEWSLETTER/(THE MONITOR)/PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE:** This Committee shall be responsible for the publication of a newsletter, subject to review and supervision by the Governing Committee or its designees.

DUES: Members shall pay dues in such amounts and frequencies as may be proposed from time to time by the Governing Committee and approved by a majority vote of the Assembly of the Society. Dues may be waived in whole or in part by the Governing Committee upon receipt and favorable consideration of a member's written request for waiver of dues based on financial hardship. [Dues are \$24 and due on or before September 12, 1993.]

MONITOR MYSTERY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

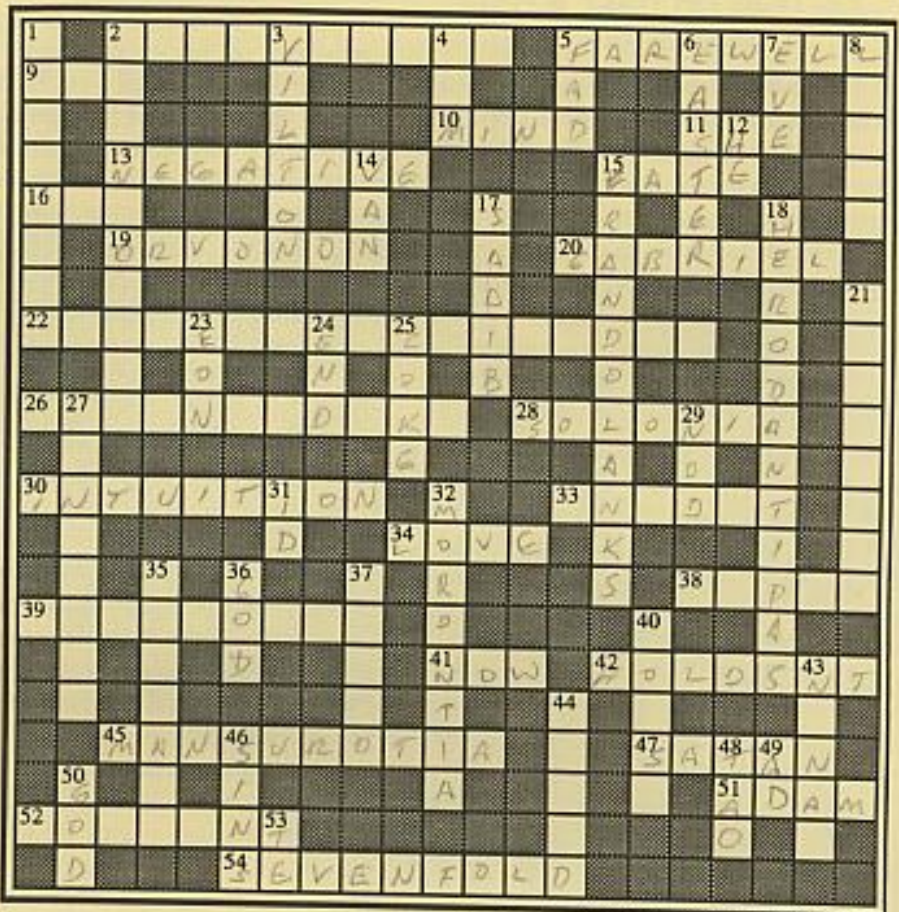
Contributed by Jeffery Keys

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- 2 Supervisor who isolated Urania at the time of the Caligastia betrayal
- 5 Discourse in which Jesus gave a new commandment and promised a new teacher
- 9 Creation story involving this confuses two events more than 450,000 years apart
- 10 The total conscious and unconscious experience
- 11 Pronoun used to refer to Deity
- 13 People on a neighboring planet are passing out of this era of law
- 15 The Stoics believed that a controlling Reason-_____ dominated all nature
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- 33 Long ago led his people in the worship of "The Breath Giver"
- 34 The Universal Father's attitude toward his children
- 38 Jesus's discourse on Jonah was here
- 39 System Sovereign
- 41 When the religious soul of spiritual illumination knows
- 42 Salania's system custodian
- 45 First Assistant System Sovereign
- 47 First assistant System Sovereign - no longer
- 51 Made it plain that he would accept any honor and receive all respect, but worship never!
- 52 Bestowal director on Jerusem
- 54 To atone for our finite status and conceptual limitations, the Father established a _____ approach to Deity

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- 1 Prince of the blue men
- 2 Residential citizen administering routine affairs on Uversa
- 3 Satania's system recorder
- 4 Must exist before all existentials and after all experientials
- 5 Formulated the first alphabet
- 6 3:02 AM, Sunday, April 9, 30 A.D.
- 7 Mother of the violet race
- 8 Jesus refused to serve these little ones
- 12 Pronoun used to refer to Deity
- 14 Steadfast hero of the Caligastia secession
- 15 Direct offspring of the Supreme Power Centers
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- 21 One time rebel
- 23 Long period of time
- 24 A finite reality might not have one of these
- 25 The real thing
- 27 Chairman of the
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- 31 Part of the unconscious experience, according to Freud
- 32 Paul wrote of it, "They have in heaven a better and more enduring substance."
- 35 Great teacher in prehistoric times
- 36 The absolute personality
- 37 He wiped out Josiah, and was later overthrown by Nebuchadnezzar
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

MODERN MEDIUMS: FACT - FICTION OR HALF & HALF

By R. Ziglar

It has been over a year now that I have had a chance to study the transcripts of various channelers in the Urantia movement, and without question there are more than just superficial flaws in the information imparted from this rather diverse of alleged teachers; teachers representing a coordinated teaching mission, imparting information which is supposedly to become an essential part of the Urantia movement and its subsequent expansion. So plentiful, however, are the inconsistencies and so shallow are the explanations for such widespread error that I felt compelled to offer my own thoughts, along with those of Dr. William Sadler (author of *The Mind At Mischief*) who presents a fairly definitive rationale of such events occurring at the time *The Urantia Book* was being received. Sadler was regarded as the foremost investigator of this type of mind phenomenon for several decades and without a doubt would be suspect of much of what has recently been transcribed. Apart from what is submitted here, for lack of space, I have compiled a more detailed report mentioning specific details of errors and unreliable information, which can be ordered at my cost if the reader wants to expand his own understanding of this recent phenomenon.

It is quite difficult for me to perceive how and why this teaching corps of personalities would allow an individual to admix his own impressions with those coming directly from his mentor, especially when we are placed in the capacity of having to sort out the error and unravel the truth. In other words, if part of the information emanates from an outside teaching source, and part originates from the subconscious of the Channeler, who is to determine which part is which, and why should we be put in that position in the first place.

Sadler states that "It is probably to errors in the working of mental machinery in the realm of the association of ideas that we must ascribe the origin of much of the autosuggestion, self-hypnotism, and other self-deception which many mediums and clairvoyants learn to perpetrate and practice upon themselves. Association of ideas is usually wholly unconscious to the individual, but in some cases it may be highly conscious. Association of ideas may be regarded as the psychic clearing house, as the great majority of all our concepts and mental images pass that way en route to the realms of higher thought activity." He also says that "What we call intuition, which is so largely possessed by these various sorts of psychics -- in the majority of cases women -- is simply the process of spontaneous association of ideas -- unconscious association ... What unlimited possibilities must exist, for weal or woe, in the confines of this little known realm of idea association! How many of the delusions of the spirit-world must be concocted in this mysterious center of the mind! Sadler goes on to say, "Let the reader stop for one moment and consider the tremendous possibilities of thus getting wires crossed, messages tangled, thoughts twisted, images substituted; in fact it might not be out of the way to imagine thought wrecks and other psychic catastrophes as the result of misthrowing-throwing switches and misreading signals in this important and more or less mysterious realm of the mind."

He goes on to say, "In the study of the subconscious, while its operation seems to be based on memory, we observe that it manifests a creative ability that includes all the powers of thought, fabrication, reasoning, volition, etc. The unconscious seems to be able to function logically and intelligently in its subconscious sphere. The elements of the unconscious realms, therefore, include all the

ideas and emotions of our everyday experience, such as fears, doubts, affections, wishes, resentments, etc., and therefore all the factors are present for the building up of fictitious fears, and false images, with which the patient can deceive himself and lay the foundation for the various neuroses."

Sadler continues, "In a word, we must recognize that the subconscious is intelligent; it is adaptable, it is able to reason, to indulge in constructive thinking, and to utilize the powers of a creative imagination; and further that it is keen, cunning, and crafty, and is able to formulate and perpetrate systematic deceptions and sustained delusions upon the minds of 'mediums' who accept these experiences as supernatural and thus come to deceive the credulous beings who so unquestioningly receive these mediumistic teachings as either messages from the dead or as the voice of God."

A medium as herein defined is merely the intermediary, liaison, or connection between two parties existing in different realms and the term channelers, transmitter receivers, and mediums are used interchangeably and synonymously, since the above as regards function and capacity are, for the most part, identical. Many present day T/R's don't want to be associated with the channelers of past eras, who by Urantia parameters were tapping their own subconscious; but my concern is -- are these present day T/R's making the same mistake?

Sadler further states, "We begin to see that an idea, an experience, a sensation, a pain or even a disease, may be wholly unreal -- that it does not follow that it is genuine just because the mind reports it as true. The mind is capable of almost unlimited deception, monstrous imposition, and is subject to innumerable errors and inaccuracies of internal working ... and so various sensations of feelings -- itchings, burnings -- as well as sounds and

voices, sights and objects, may arouse in the brain, while in reality they have no existence; they are merely illusions, sense delusions; or mental hallucinations. Sensations can produce ideas, and it should be borne in mind that ideas can reproduce sensations."

Psychology of Self-Deception

"It is a fact that good-hearted people can honestly deceive themselves. There exists a definite mechanism which can be used by one part of our mind (the subconscious) to deceive and mislead the other half of our intelligence (the conscious mind) ..."

He continues, "When individuals have long desired to and intensely wished to communicate with spiritual entities (mortal or otherwise), when they have studied, thought, and prayed over this problem; when they have faithfully allowed the longings of their souls to be focused and concentrated on the desire to draw the veil aside and communicate with the spirits beyond -- is it any wonder that ultimately the overflowing content of the subconscious will emerge toward the attainment and realization of those visions and experiences which would in some measure justify this intense longing of the soul."

This material, incidentally, was written by Dr. Sadler after he had received most of the Urantia messages. And I might also add that if a member of a group purporting to have such a contact is uncertain as to its origin, either order my paper or contact me by phone -- with a little ingenuity anyone can attempt to establish the validity of contact! Either they are real or unreal, for if they are partially real (a genuine contact influenced by the medium's own thoughts), the content is contaminated and only worthwhile insofar as this is recognized and accepted. Do not be intimidated by the medium; anyone on the other side will certainly understand the mortal point of view and will attempt to respond to anyone's inquisitive nature to get at the truth; otherwise, the statement in The Urantia Book, "Follow the truth wherever it may lead", would not make any sense to us at all.

FSLA MEETING OCTOBER 3, 1993

**FSLA Election and Comedy Special 2 PM Sunday, Oct. 3, 1993
At: Forbes Hall 18th & Arizona Streets, Santa Monica, CA**

FSLA in keeping with our strong devotion to do the Father's work and remembering to lighten up -- after the business of paying dues and elections -- we will be entertained by a special Comedy Presentation by Cindy Burns and her Comedy Troupe. This will be followed by our great and tasty Potluck Social.



FSLA'S TAPIA PARK 4TH OF JULY GATHERING A GREAT EVENT!

It took two eight-foot picnic tables to hold the food. What a spread! And that's what makes a picnic a success. The sumptuous feast was diverse and delicious.

Folks from as far as Santa Cruz were present to bask in the warm fellowship always present where Urantia Book readers gather. Most of the time spent (not eating that is) was the ever popular catching-up on things and events shared by those who hadn't seen one another for a long time.

Lots of fun for the 60 or so persons who attended and this time the signs and banners were out to help everyone find the picnic area.

Ed Healy gave a discourse on "The Three Distinct Forms of Religious Devotion." Ed gave us an example of his public evangelism, which he does at beaches, parks, etc. His dedication to spreading the teachings of Jesus is to be admired.

He is a powerful speaker -- likened to "John the Baptist." Thank you, Ed, from all the FSLA members lucky enough to have heard you. Ed's talk will be available at our September 12, 1993 meeting.

STUDY GROUP CORNER - CORONA DEL MAR

The group in Corona Del Mar began in 1992 when six long-time readers of The Urantia Book decided they wanted to investigate the "Teaching Mission" phenomenon more closely by requesting a teacher. It was the beginning of June of that year when Bertrand, and later Signa arrived to teach our class their marvelous lessons of the practical ways to actually put the teachings of the book into our daily lives and reclaim our planet for Michael.

The class grew fairly quickly into the nearly 25 members it has today, meeting every Monday evening at 8:00 pm at the home of Wally and Sharon Ziglar. The format is fairly typical for a Teaching Mission class, it begins with fellowship, followed by group prayer and worship – centering ourselves in our Father's will and asking that the Spirit of Truth guide, protect and direct our class. Bertrand or Signa and sometimes a visiting teacher then delivers a lesson and the group is invited to ask questions, either about the lesson or on whatever has been on our hearts and minds that week. We usually meet for two hours and end with more fellowship and yummy refreshments.

Some of the topics of our lessons have centered on such things as "What It Is To Be An Agondonter"; "Your Relationship With Your Thought Adjuster"; "How To Recognize Truth-seekers"; and "Levels Of Service"; among many, many others, all of which have been wonderfully beneficial to each person's spiritual growth as we apply them in our daily walk with God.

Another very critical lesson we have been taught repeatedly and consistently is the importance of communing daily with the Father in

a meditation practice that the Teachers call the Stillness. The Stillness is nothing new or revolutionary – it is simply taking the time to Be with God every day, even if only for ten minutes.

As I considered this practice the thought came to me that taking the time to be with God is like developing or sustaining a great friendship. One cannot in truth say, "I have this wonderful friend, but I never call him, I never want to talk to him, I don't spend any time at all thinking about him, or even trying to be with him, but boy are we close." It is the same with our relationship with God. In order to know him, know his will for our lives, it is crucial we create the time in our busy lives to devote solely to him, it actually is the most important thing we should do, more important than working, eating, relaxing, shopping, exercising, visiting with our friends and family. It is the highest priority, and for all of us requires discipline and devotion.

Bertrand and Signa have given us many exercises over the last year and a half, visualizations that attempt to help us in this time alone with God to clear our minds of the chatter and enable us to be receptive to that small still voice within. Sometimes I think our Adjusters must be very lonely waiting for us to acknowledge them as they labor on, mostly in ignored isolation.

Our class has lately received a new assignment and that is of increased service to each other in the area of spiritual service. What does this mean? This is not easily answered and had caused much discussion for the members of our group. What we are learning an also attempting within the safe confines of our class is how to minister to

brothers and sisters from our hearts, not just our intellect. It is a practice ground for us, to speak to each other of our disappointments and our doubts, our faith an our hope. We are learning to drop the social masks and share ourselves, warts and all, as this is what we are all called to do in the world. The world, as are we all, is starving for the simple touch of a brother or sister's hand in gentleness; a cheerful word; a reassuring hug; a look that says don't worry, everything really is okay. And most of all, they need to hear the teachings of Jesus, restated in our own lives, speaking to them where they are, telling them, yes, we are family, you are loved, and we journey on in this glorious adventure together to our Father.

Our class sometimes receives instructions to read certain papers or sections from The Urantia Book and bring questions to the class that have arisen from our reading. The usual term of a Teaching Mission class is two years, so we are beginning to approach the end of this class. What will the group do when the class is completed? I don't know, perhaps we will disband, although that seems unlikely as the group is very important to many of us; more likely it will evolve – perhaps into a conventional study group, or something totally new and unexpected. Whatever happens I know that we have been touched and moved by this experience in ways that we are not yet able to articulate or measure. We have all grown, and for that I know each of us will assuredly be eternally grateful.

Our class is open to visitors, please call (714) 496-4543 for more information.

"John said to Jesus: "Master, yesterday I went over to Ashtaroth to see a man who was teaching in your name and even claiming to be able to cast out devils. Now this fellow had never been with us, neither does he follow after us; therefore I forbade him to do such things." Then said Jesus: "Forbid him not. Do you not perceive that this gospel of the kingdom shall presently be proclaimed in all the world? How can you expect that all who will believe the gospel shall be subject to your direction? Rejoice that already our teaching has begun to manifest itself beyond the bounds of our personal influence. Do you not see, John, that those who profess to do great works in my name must eventually support our cause? They certainly will not be quick to speak evil of me. My son, in matters of this sort it would be better for you to reckon that he who is not against us is for us. In the generations to come many who are not wholly worthy will do many strange things in my name, but I will not forbid them. I tell you that, even when a cup of cold water is given to a thirsty soul, the Father's messengers shall ever make record of such a service of love."

(Pg. 1764)

MEET YOUR BOARD OF GOVERNORS - LYN LEAR



Born in Whittier, California Lyn Davis Lear grew up in Sacramento then moved to Los Angeles and joined FUSLA (now FSLA) and Julia Fenderson's study group. Over the years, Lyn has served as Vice-President twice, Membership Chair once and Education Chair twice. She is currently a General Counselor for The Fellowship (FEF) and, of course, our FSLA Vice-President.

Lyn is a co-founder and member of the Board of the Environmental Media Association (EMA), a non-

profit organization created to inspire and coordinate an entertainment industry response to the global environmental crisis.

Lyn's many other activities on behalf of social issues and charitable causes include serving on the Board of Directors of the Rape Treatment Center and the Women's Political Committee and Earth Day 1990. She is also an advisor for the Woodshore Oceanographic Institute and the Center for Reproductive Law & Policy.

Lyn received her B.A. degree in psychology from CSU Sacramento and was a Rockefeller Fellow in the Humanities at the University of Massachusetts. She went on to obtain her teacher's credential in psychology from CSU Northridge and subsequently taught humanities, psychology and philosophy at Brentwood School, a private school in Los Angeles. Lyn received her Ph.D. in clinical psychology at the Professional School of Psychologi-

cal Studies in San Diego. She has practiced therapy at New York's Foundation for Manic Depression, and was formerly in private practice in psychotherapy in Beverly Hills.

Lyn also helped found the San Francisco based public relations and lecture agency of Crystal Presentations, where she served as a partner. She began her business career as a fashion coordinator for Roos/Atkins.

Lyn has "Introduction to The Urantia Book" meetings periodically in her home. And she planned and presented Mo Siegal in an Introduction to The Urantia Book which through the media invited the public to attend. Lyn is sincere and active in the support and teachings of The Urantia Book.

Family is her number one dedication. Lyn is married to her beloved husband Norman and they have a beautiful 5 year old son, Benjamin.

MEET YOUR BOARD OF GOVERNORS - ROBERT BURNS



"Abide joyfully ... and cooperate heartily" are Robert's daily reminders. To quote Robert, "Not that I am always successful with this, it is my daily goal."

Robert is a strong supporter of the importance of study groups. He believes, study groups are an extension of family, the bridge between family and a large organized group of worship (church). The new church, with deeper insights of our universes" structure and purpose, will be forming in the next 50 years.

Study groups play an important role, creating the resources and ground work that will be needed. Robert always get excited when he hears a new study group is forming. And he states, "I like to hear that they are forming in all different ways, exploring the possibilities of how the sons of God can and will study their Creator, their infinite Father."

It is Robert's hope that FSLA and the Urantia movement will contribute to developing and advancing the ideals of our world to such an extent that these ideals become our compass to finding and understanding our Father's will. And we can be assured and comforted in the higher principles of our universe as we experience transition from our current level to the next level in the universal plan of our Eternal Father.

Robert was born in Lynwood, California in 1954. Raised in a weightlifting and health club environment, he earned two Jr. Olympic Weightlifting Championships in

1971 and 1972 in the 148 pound and 164 pound class and held five National records.

After a career in health clubs, he opened up Shape-Up Newport in 1982, with Pierre and Marlene Chicoine. Shape-Up Newport currently employs 60 people, owns one facility and developed and manages 14 other fitness facilities.

Family - Robert has been married to Cindy Burns for 20 years. Cindy is the owner/ operator of Interior Fabric and Upholstery. Her passion is comedy, winning the Northern California Comedy Competition. She plays in local clubs and has done three successful tours in Oregon and Washington.

Together Robert and Cindy have a daughter, Amber Burns, 16, whose passion is to get a car and a driver's license. All agree she is a very special person.

Robert has served FSLA as our Treasurer this year with great success. We all wish to thank you, Robert, for a great job.

PROS & CONS

(A Thought Adjuster's Lament)

(UB Pg. 1224)

Urge of ambition

Ideals of a superior people

High purposes of a great mind

Long-distance view of a
far-seeing Monitor

Progressive plans of an
ascending being

Flashes of universe intelligence

Urge of angels

Training of an intellect

Experience of the individual

Aims of the best

Flight of genius

Progress of the good

Art of the beautiful

Buoyancy of health

Fountain of faith

Spring of joy

Gladness of anticipation

Joys of living

Animal indolence

Instincts of an inferior race

Urge of a primitive inheritance

Nearsightedness of a creature of
time

Desires and longings of a material
nature

Chemical and energy mandates of the
evolving race

Emotions of an animal

Tendencies of instinct

Accumulated propensities of the
race

Drift of the worst

Gravity of mediocrity

Inertia of the bad

Presence of evil

Debility of disease

Poisons of fear

Waters of sorrow

Bitterness of realization

Sorrows of death

Such a life on such a planet!

A LETTER TO THE FOUNDATION - 5/27/93

Dear Hoite,

In our last conversation you had asked me to put to paper some of the general feelings and opinions held towards the Foundation by a majority of Urantia Book readers in the Southern California area. I will also include some brief personal opinions on the 'channeling' episodes currently occurring as well. I apologize for the delay in getting this to you. Any percentages or words like 'majority', etc. mentioned in the following, are simply derived from those readers across the US with which I have personally come into contact with or by telephone.

The most prevalent (approx. 85%) consensus concerning the UF is that their method of obtaining the copyright on the book and the trademark applications are illegal and invalid. Most feel when the adjudication of the court case involving Kristin occurs the copyright and trademark protection will be removed from Foundation control.

This anticipated result is felt by the majority to be a blessing inasmuch as it will "free up" the Urantia Movement to more individual expression, participation and dissemination. All feel that this event will not unduly affect the "inviolable" text concern of the UF. Most feel that any who wish to have an accurate reproduction of the original work will still buy from the UF provided that the price is reduced to a more reasonable level as the percentage of costs for legal expenses will be largely eliminated.

The Urantia Book should be (legally) in the public domain because, as both you and I know, The Urantia Book was not written by any human being. The majority feels that divine revelation cannot be confined by human laws regardless of whatever "good intentions" may be held by those who choose to do so. This applies as well to the three concentric circles emblem of Michael, the words Urantia, Uranian, etc. primarily due to the fact

that this insignia and those words were in existence (as you know) hundreds of thousands of years before The Urantia Book arrived here.

Due to the above, the general impression of the UF by long time readers of The Urantia Book is that (however unfair this opinion may seem) the UF is suppressing and oppressive to the overall Urantia Movement and this must end. I understand and empathize with the UF's concerns that radical elements or the 'fringe' may cause embarrassment (or worse) to the conservative majority of readers (and potential new readers) if the UF's controls over these copyright matters are eliminated, but I personally feel that this will happen regardless of the UF's currently imposed "rules & regs."

Throughout the 'wild and wooly' vicissitudes the Movement has gone (or will go) through it must be remembered that, as human beings facing the results of a millennia-old rebellion and knocking off our Creator, that we are only expected to do our best. I am sure the path the Foundation has taken has been thought of (by the Foundation) as the most correct path possible. I think only a few of the 'fringe' would deny this. However, most anyone with eyes can see some of the Foundation's actions are analogous to some of the behavior of institutionalized religion described on page 1092

"... diversion of religion from the service of God to the service of the church; inclination of leaders to become administrators instead of ministers; tendency to form sects and competitive divisions; establishment of oppressive ecclesiastical authority; creation of the aristocratic "chosen-people" attitude; fostering of false and exaggerated ideas of sacredness... tendency to venerate the past while ignoring present demands; failure to make up-to-date interpretations of religion... it creates the evil dis-

crimination of religious castes; it becomes an intolerant judge of orthodoxy..."

I have often heard mentioned that the Foundation's actions are demeaning to the majority of readers. As though they are 'children' who are incapable of making important decisions for themselves. Frustration is now the watchword between Urantia Book readers and the Foundation.

"and the fruits of the divine spirit which are yielded in the lives of spirit-born and God-knowing mortals are: loving service, unselfish devotion, courageous loyalty, sincere fairness, enlightened honesty, undying hope, confiding trust, merciful ministry, unfailing goodness, forgiving tolerance, and enduring peace. If professed believers bear not these fruits of the divine spirit in their lives, they are dead; the Spirit of Truth is not in them; they are useless branches on the living vine, and they soon will be taken away." (Pg. 2054)

Judging by past actions (not intent) the way mortals are always prone to do the above quotation does not, by any stretch of the imagination, describe the Foundation's legal reprisals on those readers who have developed different new ways to share The Urantia Book's teachings. It must be said that some of these 'adventurous' readers have attempted implementation or promotion of things which, reasonably considered, might be somewhat irresponsible but even so, the methods and techniques utilized by the Foundation to correct these types of behavior have not displayed the above 'fruits of the spirit' behavior. But, so what?! Disgruntled readers seem to forget that the trustees of the Foundation are human beings as well. As a whole, neither group has been showing a great degree of cosmic maturity or real brotherhood.

From what I have been able to determine there is an inherent

desire for a democratic consensus method for the establishment of the Movement's overall policy (i.e. one Society member, one vote). While, if instituted, this may cause as many problems as it solves but it would undeniably place the responsibility for policy and all related actions by the Movement squarely on the shoulders of those who choose to be members and vote.

Hoite, both you and I know that there will never be complete or perfect solutions to the effective integration of the teachings of The Urantia Book, but we also know that unless the majority of the students of the Book have the desire, an effective method for sharing the 'new gospel' with their brethren and a means for contributing their own individual expression of faith, there is little chance to develop the unity required for the Movement. As you also know this evolving unity, to actually come into existence, must depart from the mere intellectual acceptance of the teachings which is so prevalent currently and cultivate true faith in the manner prescribed by Jesus... the actual establishment of the Brotherhood of Man by faith in the Fatherhood of God. Those of us who are truly devoted to the teachings must perforce become "preachers of the gospel" each in our own individual fashion and spread the news in every way within our own talents and abilities. This can only be realized by doing this first, in microcosm within the Movement, then in macrocosm with the rest of the world.

On page 1767, Jesus states unequivocally: "If you dare to believe in me and wholeheartedly proceed to follow after me, you shall most certainly by so doing enter upon the sure pathway to trouble." Of course, this is not news to us. I have a sure feeling though, that the squabbles we as a Movement have passed through are nothing compared to the vicissitudes that we are in for when we 'go public' with The Urantia Book. I am just as sure that, prior to this event, we must manifest a 'unity of spirit' whatever the cost. The following is two of the

primary and essential 'costs' that must be faced:

First, the need for a sense of identity with our faith. Among other things, this involves free and unfettered use of the currently copyrighted words and symbols by which our gospel will be known by. There is no better way to provide for the inherent desire among all readers to 'identify' their faith. You asked me over the phone if I really wanted a Urantian T-shirt. The answer is absolutely yes! I think this is an ideal (and subtle) technique to inspire both curiosity in those who observe it for the first time and second, it provides the opportunity for sharing our gospel with others. Our faith must not ignore or fail to acknowledge the current level of Urantia's western culture as, over time, the merchandising of the Book's words and symbols (i.e. coffee mugs, enamel pins, T-shirts, bumper stickers and the whole nine yards) will occur in spite of efforts to the contrary. This method will serve a functional dual purpose in that it promotes both believer's and seeker's communication on most important levels and could provide individuals and Society's with funds to create even better modes of gospel communication. On the other hand, this method will be abused and distorted by some, but until the Age of Light and Life arrives, there will always be those who 'use and abuse' on Urantia. So what?!

Second, The Urantia Book must be made available at low cost and in plentiful variety worldwide (more translations, paperback versions, audiotape, etc.). The current price and availability of the Book is unacceptable by virtually all with whom I've spoken to. With the contents of the Book in the public domain this will occur of and by itself. Hoite, I assure you, this is going to happen. I have it on high authority (no, I'm not channeling this prediction). The Foundation will still be the provider of the "Authorized Version" but competition will force some significant price reductions. I am also sure that this event will be

used and abused by some as well. Again, so what?! I have little doubt that the Foundation's publication will ever be considered the 'benchmark' for accuracy. I'm also positive that any other versions which emerge from other sources which evince any 'modification' from the original will be duly reported and publicized as 'altered text' by long-time students to any potential new readers. This is also inevitable so why not sooner than later? Ah! There's the rub! Anyway, on to the next topic.

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Channeling! (Dum da dum dum!) Is it real or is it Memorex? I will save my personal opinion for the latter part of this section. As far as I can determine, the 'channeling movement' is considered by some to be on the decline. This is mainly due to the inconsistencies in content which keep cropping up and the broken promises of the many and varied 'predictions' which have emerged in the past. Most readers I have spoken with have generously allowed their views on the subject to remain open and non-judgmental as a whole. It seems those who believe in it will continue to believe until disillusioned or bored with the redundant content and 'mystical' flavor it contains. Those who do not believe will continue to disbelieve and this will run the spectrum from the majority which are open-minded, non-judgmental folks to the severely critical minority who think Caligastia is behind it all. There are much greater challenges to the Movement's growth than this (much ado over nothing).

Those who view this phenomena with concern or even anxiety generally feel that this practice will be regarded by 'outsiders' as representative of the entire Urantia Movement and that these channelers will inadvertently cause the general Movement to be seen as just another 'way-out cult' or something like that. These folks think that this public perception will make some seekers reject the credibility of the

Movement, and even worse, the Book itself. I have the feeling this 'perception' will occur with or without the channeling phenomena. You win some, you lose some. Again, so what? Now for the personal opinion part.

I would like to preface the following by saying it contains my own personal opinions on the subject and does not reflect the views of anyone but myself. Also, I must make clear to you that I pray, several times a day, that I am entirely incorrect in the views and theories I share herein. This stated, I continue.

I have received a number of reports from readers all over the US that many UB study groups are diverting their meetings to 'channeling' rather than the study of The Urantia Book. In addition, these channeled groups have a tendency to quote from and even take the 'authority' of channeled materials over what is contained in The Urantia Book! On the face of it, this is inappropriate to the established function of study groups. It would seem to me to be wiser to separate these two divergent activities and hold regular UB study groups at different times (and different locations?). This would allow for most new readers to overcome their initial skepticism concerning the source and revelatory content of The Urantia Book let alone the even more 'metaphysical' practice of channeling.

I truly believe the Hamites (those involved in the 'channeling' events) are mistaken in their belief that the source (if other than their own minds) of their channeled material emanates from any friend of Michael. I suspect that, considering the mortal capacity for error, the egocentric, 'special' and 'miraculous' nature of its advent, the contradictory and error-ridden character of the channeled content, this phenomenon could very well be under the direction of Caligastia for the specific purpose of aborting the mission of the Fifth Epochal Revelation. Admittedly, this is a bold and sweeping statement, but now that I have your attention, I will

endeavor to further explain why I entertain this opinion.

The Urantia Book is without equal on our planet as a material source of Truth, so naturally its dissemination would be Cal's prime initial target closely followed up with the disruption of the established readers of the Book.

Now, let's take a look at Cal's tactics. I have to say Cal would make Sun Tzu and Machiavelli turn green with envy. First, gain control of your opponent by providing for one of their fondest desires (tell the Big Lie). One of the first 'messages' received was that the Lucifer case was adjudicated, Machiventa Melchizedek was installed as Planetary Prince and that the circuits are opened. I envision that the best way to further his despicable mission, Cal would first eliminate himself and his superiors as a possible source for these 'messages'. It has always been difficult to attribute evil conduct on a corpse. Second, divide existent authority into factions hostile to one another. The covert fear and ego inflation of a mere handful of mortals has nearly halted Book distribution and effectively divided the movement. Third, divide the followers of the opposition in such a manner that they can never unify to threaten your rule. Now Cal, to capitalize on his initial success, has developed a much more personalized attack and sub-division with the overt channeling campaign. The channeling technique is a simple thing to accomplish for a being like Caligastia once the fraudulent facade of its origin is established.

Nearly every mortal has a childish tendency to hope for the authority of a 'special' or unearned level of spiritual status and using this inclination in an admittedly adroit manner with just the right subjects (UB readers) Cal has indisputably succeeded. Anyone who has read and understood the papers on Adam & Eve and the Lucifer rebellion will notice a striking tactical similarity. No rational mind would doubt that Cal's timing is well nigh perfect for his diabolic plan. Al-

though his soul is twisted and iniquitous, no one can say Caligastia is stupid nor incompetent.

"God is so all real and absolute that no material sign of proof or no demonstration of so-called miracle may be offered in testimony of His reality. Always will we know Him because we trust Him, and our belief in Him is wholly based on our personal participation in the divine manifestations of His infinite reality." (Pg. 1119)

If channeling is not miraculous in nature, I don't know what would be. The fact that 'channel groups' are being 'directed' to be formed to receive and discuss material acquired in this fashion is so utterly contrary to Michael's (and any of His staff's) methods of teaching, one would wonder if the followers of this phenomenon ever read The Urantia Book or if they technically did read it, they would so erroneously absorb its content.

I have never been able to fathom why some of our brothers and sisters, when they have the unquestionable advantage of The Urantia Book for a reference and such clear historical examples of this type of potential error, would evince such conspicuously incorrect conclusions and elevate them to an erroneous faith so contrary to our Master's purpose and plan as revealed in the Papers.

"But religion is never enhanced by an appeal to the so-called miraculous. The quest for miracles is a barking back to the primitive religions of magic. True religion has nothing to do with alleged miracles, and never does revealed religion point to miracles as proof of authority. Religion is ever and always rooted and grounded in personal experience."

(Pg. 1128)

As every reader knows The Urantia Book seldom makes absolute statements, but when it does, it often understates the referenced material. The above quote is made clear by its use of the words never and nothing in defining Michael's and the revelators opinion of

miracles in relation to true religion. How a reader with any depth in their knowledge of the Book's contents could rationalize this simple and direct statement is quite beyond my modest level of logic.

"The Master thereby chose a program of living which was the equivalent of deciding against miracles and wonders. Again He decided in favor of 'the Father's will'; again He surrendered everything into the hands of His Paradise Father." (Pg. 1518)

"Jesus very wisely foresaw that the working of miracles and the execution of wonders would call forth only outward allegiance by overawing the material mind; such performances would not reveal God nor save men. He refused to become a mere wonder-worker. He resolved to become occupied with but a single task - the establishment of the kingdom of heaven." (Pg. 1520)

Since the spiritual ambition of every believer of Michael should be to integrate His teachings, as best we can, into our lives and try to emulate His superb example for living while subject to the Father's will, it seems ludicrous to imagine that Michael would now inaugurate a program of teaching that creates a 'double standard' for His believers to live by.

"It should again be emphasized that Serapatatia was altogether honest and wholly sincere in all that he proposed. He never once suspected that he was playing into the hands of Caligastia and Dalgastia. Serapatatia was entirely loyal to the plan of building up a strong reserve of the violet race before attempting the worldwide upstepping of the confused peoples of Urantia. But this would require hundreds of years to consummate, and he was impatient; he wanted to see some immediate results - something in his own lifetime." (Pg. 841)

With illustrations like the above, how could we believe for a moment that Michael would allow or utilize channeling as a valid revelatory

technique? The answer is simple... we are human beings living on Urantia! We make mistakes so fast we don't even leave a cloud of dust to mark our path.

Now obviously, this missive will not change anyone's belief on this matter and may exacerbate an already present division. Unfortunately, I can't think of any sure-fire mortal solution. The only thing that comes to my mind is my unshakable personal faith in Michael and the Father. That their united will can overcome any transient evil and further, their divine love for us can never truly be subverted by the likes of Cal or any other being.

Make no mistake, I love and will continue to love all my brothers and sisters whether they agree or disagree with me in this matter. I, in no way, believe that any mortal involved in the channeling activity is consciously attempting to align themselves with Caligastia nor deliberately subverting the Fifth Epochal Revelation. In every case I could easily be wrong in my conclusions, but I feel I must share what my spirit tells me. Please forgive me for any discomfiture this missive may cause you and remember it comes from an error-prone mortal on Urantia just like you. I have only the authority of my imperfect spirit perceptions to go by.

I have prayed that the duration of the confusion caused by this event can be shorter than those in the past as we all need to unite our Movement before we can bring about any effective outreach for new believers. These prayers appear to have caught the attention of at least some folks up there as many who were strong supporters of channeling are now 'returning to the fold.' My real concern, the reason for this writing and my various involvements in the Movement is the essential evolvment of unity in our collective Movement. I leave you with this quote from The Urantia Book:

"Learn to approach the miracle through Jesus. but do not make the mistake of approaching Jesus through the miracle." (Pg. 1671)

Well, I've got to be about some business so I'll say goodbye for now. Thanks for the invite to share some views on life, the universe and everything. God be with you, brother. Call me anytime.

Faternally yours,
Doc Livingston

Editor's Note: I received a welcome FAX from Kristen Maaberra involving some positive movement in her Copyright case against the Foundation. The "Maaberra Defense Fund" and their attorney, Joe Lewis really needs your help, NOW! If you'd like to see The URANTIA Book freed up from the fetters some have placed on it and have it more available (and cost a lot less), send whatever you can immediately. You can send \$\$\$ directly to Kristen Maaberra at 152 California Gulch, Jamestown, CO 80455 or the Agondonter Fund, HCR Box 93, Payson, AZ 85541 or directly to the man Joe Lewis c/o Cleary and Komen, Suite 200, 600 Pennsylvania Ave. SE, Washington, D.C. 20003-4304. Just be sure to earmark the donations to "Maaberra Defense Fund" on your checks. I personally feel that this will be the most important investment you can make towards your beliefs and your planet (but what do I know?).

(Thank goodness Doc's retiring, next might be a Martin Meyers fold-out!)

I hear that someone from "elsewhere" is teaching "cosmic geometry" to students of The Urantia Book to enable them to translate with full memory retention. Verry interesting if true.

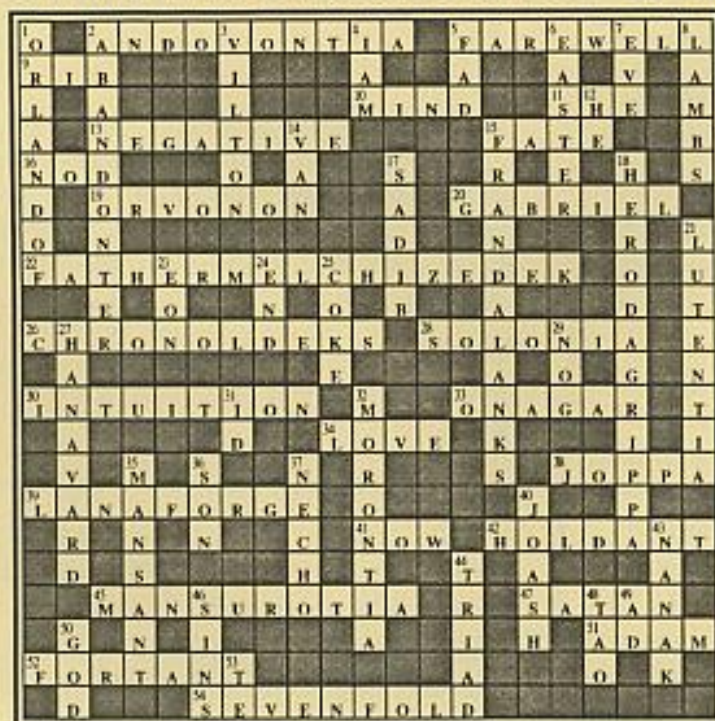
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Thanks again for putting up with me for all this time.

Southern California Study Group Listing

AREA	MEETING INFO	CONTACT	PHONE
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ARCADIA	Mondays @ 7:30PM	Hal & Lucille Kettell	(818) 447-1403
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LOMPOC	Wednesdays @ 7:00PM	George Fledge	(805) 736-0320
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	1st & 3rd Fri. @ 7:30PM	Stella Religa	(310) 698-2122

MONITOR MYSTERY CROSSWORD PUZZLE ANSWERS



EXPECTATIONS

Expectation wells within my hopeful heart again,
A pristine moment of wholesome, trusting prophesy.
This held within a generous portion of imagination,
But older now, requiring more energy than before.

That elusive ideal of soul's contentment alive again,
With the vision of an intuition now becoming reality.
A lethargic spirit reawakening a long stilled faith,
In tomorrow's gift of united lives, combined loves.

A fervent prayer answered in the halls of desire,
Aglow with a brilliance beyond sight and mind.
Something so rare and precious, a reward for both,
Patience and virtue resurrected once again.

Doubts conquered with the slightest touch of promise,
A light and subtle joy emerges courageous over fears.
Opportunity once again offering the heart's desire,
With all the attendant happiness destined to arrive.

Memory whispers of past failures are shunted aside,
With that less cynical faith in love, mobilized anew.
All I am, calling to the wilderness held within life,
To hold open yet again my calloused compassions.

So willingly I plunge forward, colorful banners of trust,
Waving in the breeze of the new dawn's sunrise.
Only the Father certain of the outcome of this event,
My trust in Him the only anchor in life's rough seas.

Like a fine wine aged and seasoned for the harvest,
Taken gently from the shelf and poured with reverence.
An open heart awaits whatever novel flavors may come,
To be shared with one another. I must not doubt.

Suddenly annoyed at my insecurities and confusion,
At the potential failure and the attendant regrets,
I sat down and began to list the reasons not to try,
All the reasons why I should ignore my foolish desires.

All the excuses for me to drop these imprudent hopes,
Those burgeoning dreams of fulfillment lacking logic.
Yet, with each reason I wrote to run from the challenge,
I remembered a thousand reasons why I must try again.

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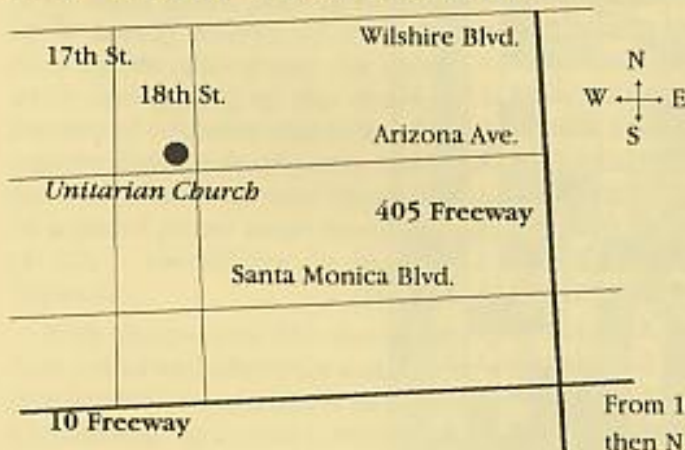
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