# SOCIETY NEWS

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Newsletter of First Society of Oklahoma for readers of The Urantia Book

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## A NEW NAME

At the Annual Business meeting in May, we decided on a new name for our Society. We are now First Society of Oklahoma. We also adopted a brand new constitution and new officers and committee chairs were elected. We are testing our new wings this year and hope to bring joy and service to the community of Urantia Book readers and to spread the teachings through the wisdom of group decisions.

#### STUDY GROUP UPDATE

Sunday Night: Richard Randall has been doing a "Favorite Parts" study enlisting each reader to choose his or her favorite section of the book and telling why they chose it. It has been very diverse and stimulating. Contact Berkeley Elliott at (405) 794-2978 for more information.

Monday Night: This class continues to go straight through the book. They're deep in the Jesus Papers and traditionally close with the Believer's Prayer. Contact Berkeley Elliott for more information.

<u>Tuesday</u>: Helen and Van Butler sponsor this study group which also studies straight through the book. Presently they are studying about Havona. Its somewhat heavyduty but we usually take a break and read some of the less difficult Papers at the end of class. Contact Helen and Van Butler at (405) 751-6594 for more information.

Wednesday: A new study group has evolved. Every Wednesday night truth seekers meet at the home of John Burchell in Bethany to study this great Revelation. They're currently studying in the Jesus Papers. Contact John at 495-1305 for more details.

Thursday: The Tulsa study group meets weekly at the home of Kathy Miller. Contact Don Gardner at (918) 838-7862 for more information. Sometimes some of the Oklahoma City readers caravan to Tulsa to attend this study group. Let Berkeley Elliott know at (405) 794-2978 if you'd like to join the caravan.

Saturday: Berkeley Elliott sponsors this study group which meets the first Saturday of every month. We call it "In-depth" because the topics are from the more difficult parts of the book. Dan Young is currently moderating the study of Personality. We still haven't figured it out yet but we learn a little bit more about it each time we study it. Contact Berkeley Elliott for more information.

Saturday Afternoon: "Kids Class" meets at various homes the third Saturday of the month at 2:00 p.m. Music and a short lesson for the kids is followed by crafts, snacks and play. Kids of all ages, from the cradle to the grave are welcome. Charlene Morrow will be in charge at the next get together September 24, 1991 which will be held at the Challis'. Contact Beth Challis at (405) 521-0806 for more information.

#### JESUS' BIRTHDAY

The birthday party of the King will be joyfully held Wednesday, August 21st at the Kirkpatrick Center Omniplex Science Museum. Carol Hay will be our guest speaker and no doubt she will help us feel the presence of the Master. Song and celebration will fill the Omniplex with good cheer and memorable moments. New members will be inducted into the Society at this time. If you're interested in joining, contact Helen Butler, Membership Chair.

#### BUDGET MEETING

The annual budget meeting was held at Berkeley Elliott's home on Sunday, August 3, 1991. The purpose of this meeting was to draft a budget for the Society for the coming year. If you are interested in knowing the budget decisions of the Assembly, notify any officer of the Society.

#### FALL FORUM

Planning for the Fall Forum is underway. It will be held October 11-13 at the Fifth Season Inn in Oklahoma City. Steve Dreier will give a presentation on "Personal Revelation." Registration and entertainment will be Friday evening. Steve will facilitate the program on Saturday. Sunday until noon will be devoted to worship. Rooms are available for \$40.00 per room, breakfast included. Child care will be provided for an additional fee. If you would like to help out in any way or for more information, contact Berkeley Elliott.

### SOCIETY OFFICERS & COMMITTEE CHAIRS

President	Tom Allen	722-7691	
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## OTHER NEWS

Michael Challis and John Lange recently returned from the TDA held in Chicago. They elected a new group of General Councilors and adopted some new resolutions for The Fellowship to consider.

A great big thank you goes out to our past President, Barbara mester for the wonderful job she did leading us through a somewhat difficult time. Without your leadership Barb, we wouldn't have accomplished so much. Thanks! Long time reader and friend Max Lawrence graduated from Urantia to begin his mansion world career. We'll miss him and look forward to seeing him again soon.

Anybody out there interested in putting Urantia Books in libraries, bookstore or other public places? We're looking for a few dynamic ideas on how to spread this revelation. Contact any Society officer with your thoughts & ideas.

Susan Wright, Social Chair is planning a Halloween party to be held halloween night, Thursday, October 31, 1991. Stay tuned to the reflectivity channels for more information.

Its not too early to plan for our annual Christmas Party. Mark December 14th on your calendars to be at the home of Tom and Karen Allen at about 4:00 p.m. A traditional pot luck dinner will be had.

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