



Spiritualist Church of Canada

Eternal Progress Open to Every Soul

Summer 2019

From the President

The month of June is associated with the beginning of summer and the month that people consider getting married. Do you know how June got its name? June is a derivative of the name of the Roman goddess Juno, the goddess of marriage and the wife and sister of Jupiter.

How many people do you know that got married in this auspicious month of June? Congratulations to all who are planning to marry this month!

I believe that we all understand the formal definition of marriage; however, I would like to draw your attention that marriage brings two people together in a close or intimate association or union.

Are we not in a close or intimate union with our Spirit on a day-to-day basis? Do we not work within our own personal development to bring the human side of who we are to meet our divine self? To come in union with both aspects and to blend each other on a path to freedom, fulfillment and joy, which is our divine soul heritage. Keep up the good work towards this goal.

Six months into 2019 and the Board of the Spiritualist Church of Canada has been busy managing and completing tasks.

Here are some of our highlights:

A few of the board members, Reverends Mary Schamehorn, Brenda Philp and myself, represented the Spiritualist Church of Canada at a new church dedication in Hydesville, New York, on the anniversary of Modern Spiritualism.

Reverend Janet Nohavec opened the doors to her new church on March 31, 2019 called The Journey Within North.

Along with representatives from the SCC, we shared the day with Reverends Steven and Stella Upton who represented the SNU, and Carol Luetkens, the secretary of the NASC, and all our amazing American Spiritualists. As you read on in the newsletter, you will find pictures that accompany this special day.

We launched our new website and along with the fresh look, we added a list of our ordained ministers, by province and area. If you or a loved one is looking for an ordained minister who can perform marriages, funerals or naming ceremonies, please go to our section under Contact Information.

Many of you heard about and may have attended the SCC Twilight Gala with a Sparkle of Mediumship on May 31, 2019.

The Twilight Gala hosted many mediums from your Board who helped with the mini readings during the dinner, and our main event "A Sparkle of Mediumship" highlighted Reverends Marilyn Mazzotta and Addariah Waugh. These two mediums are well respected and loved in our spiritualist community. They are wonderful ambassadors for the world of Spirit and both displayed in the purest form demonstrations of our fourth Principle "The continuous existence of the human soul."

Wishing everyone a wonderful summer and may your days be filled with sunshine, love and joy.

*Blessings,
Reverend Angie Morra*

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From the Editor

The active life most of us lead in the summertime is what we wait for with baited breath each winter. Socializing while the evening sun still shines; be it walking along the lakeshore or stopping at a park bench to enjoy your latest book and people watch, summer makes everything seem...dare I say it...relaxed and non-intensive.

Our connection with Spirit can be likened to a summer's day at times; relaxing and warm, nourishing, encouraging growth both within and without. It can feel like the proverbial hothouse flower sometimes too, delicate, tenuous and requiring gentle loving care at all times. No matter how each of us experiences our connection, it is unique to you, revel in it and enjoy the lessons along the way.

the month of June trembled like a butterfly." Pablo Neruda

Have fun this summertime, take the time for you, to relax, connect in all ways possible but most of all to share and grow.

In this edition:

Photos of the Hydesville Commemoration celebration on 31st March.

There are workshops and events at a few of the member churches in Ontario this summer so check one out when you can! <https://www.spiritualistchurchofcanada.com/index.php/events-and-news>

We have the pleasure of welcoming a new SCC Minister, Reverend Jill Washington of Edmonton

We want to remember Father's Day, so member Gary Miles shares a poignant moment in his and his Father's life filled with love and thankfulness.

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Check out a back issue or two of the SCC newsletter at the Spiritualist Church of Canada website:

<https://www.spiritualistchurchofcanada.com/index.php/events-and-news/president-s-message-newsletters>

There's the latest recommended reading from a stalwart of Spiritualism to whet your appetite for research and science.

As always, we welcome your ideas. Please use our email address feedback@spiritualistchurchofcanada.com to let us know what you are thinking.

Hydesville Commemoration 31st March 2019



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Ordination Celebration

Reverend Jill Washington

**St. Brigid's Spiritualist Church
Edmonton, AB**

The Spiritualist Church of Canada is very pleased to welcome the newest Minister from Western Canada, Reverend Jill Washington of Edmonton. On March 23, 2019, in front of a packed church, Reverend Jill took the oath to represent Spiritualism and the SCC.

Rev. Jill was introduced to Mediumship when she started sitting in a circle run by Rev. Patricia Strong almost 10 years ago. Shortly after that, St. Brigid's Spiritualist Church was being formed in Edmonton by Rev. Richard Lanigan and Rev. Patricia and came to play an important part in the early years for Jill. It wasn't long before Rev. Jill discovered the church had a pull for her and she found her Spiritual home.

Under the direction of Rev. Richard and Rev. Patricia, Rev. Jill blossomed and not only became a remarkable Medium, Healer and Speaker, she also began to share her knowledge with others, leading circles and teaching development classes. She then decided that she had a calling to become a minister to take on a leadership role.

Because most of the SCC Board of Directors reside in Eastern Canada, it is sometimes difficult to arrange for the Education courses to be taught and demonstrations to be observed in the Western Provinces. Then along comes technology that opens up the world. Rev. Jill is the first SCC Minister to be ordained using different technologies to complete the requirements needed.

First, some of the courses were offered using an online meeting product call Zoom. This allowed a course to be offered in Calgary while those in Edmonton could "Zoom" in and participate, as it is quite a distance to be able to attend in person.

Second, to meet the requirement of giving a Mediumship demonstration that is observed by a panel of three experienced Mediums from the SCC Board of Directors, Rev. Jill did a demonstration via Zoom to those members in Ontario and was able to provide detailed information from their loved ones in Spirit.

*Congratulations to Reverend Jill Washington for being a
Pioneer for the Spiritualist Church of Canada.*



Jill and Richard



Jill with Banner



Patricia, Jill and Richard

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HEALING WITH MY FATHER AFTER HIS DEATH Gary Miles

I'm writing this to thank the mediums at the church, all of them, including the ministers. I write this with so much gratitude in the same way I'd write Oprah Winfrey to thank her for her guidance over the years.

I've been attending the Calgary First Spiritualist Church, silently absorbing the information I've seen for about four years. It feels like a university or college because I'm constantly learning how spirit guidance helps in life.

I have been estranged from my adoptive family for 15 years for personal reasons. It felt like a regrettable decision, and I knew full well my decision would have dire consequences on them. I never wished ill will on my family, but no matter what I learned I couldn't find the answers that would help in reconciling with them.

My father passed away February 16, 2019 and once I found out my dad passed away, I processed it even being from afar. I know full well his spirit has free will so I decided to apply what I had learned about spirit communication. I called his full name and birth date and started to feel him around me; I was stunned but grateful. Endless times growing up I saw mom and dad return from a funeral saying, "That's another person we'll never see again." I'm sure he was pleasantly surprised he's alive in death.

My dad and I are reconciling, with understanding, tears, curiosity, anger, sadness, chuckling, and re-establishing a relationship that for many reasons didn't fully work on the Earth Plane. He was forgiven a long time ago but that didn't stop the mental wall between us. My mother will

follow soon, and I hope to repair the connection as am doing with him. If not, I will come to understand why.

I'm full of gratitude for your church because I can see how this experience not being understood can put someone in a psychiatric hospital. I've never taken a course, just listened and asked what I thought were relevant questions. I saw grieving people come to the church, and they feel greatly comforted by the mediums. For me the value of what the church taught me with your unique truths was that Spirit continues to cheer us on from the other side.

I promise I'll be back to the church sometime before you celebrate your 100th anniversary to acknowledge the valuable service it gives to people's lives.

My dad was nine months older than the birth of the church. He was 99 years old.

'I want to congratulate all the men out there who are working diligently to be good fathers whether they are stepfathers, or biological fathers or just spiritual fathers.' -TD Jakes



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Inspirations

The thing to do, it seems to me, is to prepare yourself so you can be a rainbow in somebody else's cloud. Somebody who may not look like you. May not call God the same name you call God - if they call God at all. I may not dance your dances or speak your language. But be a blessing to somebody.

Maya Angelou

'happiness is like a butterfly which when pursued is just beyond your grasp; but which if you would sit still, just may alight upon you' -**Nathaniel Hawthorne**



In the
Know

You may be ordained more than once but you can only be registered to perform marriages in the province that you live and only with one organization.



Spirit's Reading Corner

ON THE EDGE OF THE ETHERIC

Arthur Findlay

On the Edge of the Etheric is Findlay's tome of specific, detailed evidence of life after death. Anyone skeptical of the idea should read it because the author presents the most compelling evidence that you will ever find.

Arthur Findlay was a writer, accountant, stockbroker and magistrate, as well as a significant figure in the history of the religion of Spiritualism. He was a co-founder of the newspaper Psychic News and also a founder of the International Institute for Psychical Research. In his will he left his home, Stansted Hall, to the Spiritualists' National Union

Findlay was a well-respected man who wrote a two-volume book called "The Curse of Ignorance," about human folly and the ensuing issues; thereby proving he knows how to conduct research on a penetrating and revealing level.

"On the Edge of the Etheric" is a lively and entertaining read, containing many true cases. The author presents the evidence in a way that shows how fraud, trickery or coincidence could not possibly explain it -- leaving you with the reality of the phenomena.

This book may not prove conclusively, beyond the shadow of a doubt that an afterlife exists because it cannot take you there and bring you back. Short of this, however, it makes the idea highly probable. Recommended for every serious researcher, believer or open-minded skeptic. -edited web review

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Spiritualism History

References are taken from:

History of Spiritualism by Arthur Conan Doyle and
The Spiritualist Gazette

1 June 1973

The *Spiritualist Gazette* newspaper announces the new format of this paper

2 July 1892

Katie Fox worked as a medium and conducted seances until, at the age of 56, she passed on to Spirit

7 July 1930

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, who was nominated the honorary president of the International Spiritualist Congress, made his transition

10 July 1857

English Medium William Eglinton born -after joining his father's home circle in 1874, physical results began with the rising of the table

17 July 1872

Professor Sidgwick delivers first address as President of Society of Psychical Research

September 1907

Dr. Joseph Venzano documents in an 'Annals of Psychical Science' article, the experience of materializations in a Madame Palladino sitting

Around Town

London Spiritualist Church
Annual
"PSYCHIC TEA"
JUNE 22, 2019
READINGS
\$30
For
20 minutes
MEDIUMS - TAROT READERS - VENDORS
10am - 3pm
TRINITY ON HALE - 76 DOULTON STREET - LONDON
www.londonspiritualistchurch.com

Let's Talk Mediumship
Sun. JUNE 30/19 ~ 1:00pm
Join host Rev. James Kinnear and
SPECIAL GUEST, Andy Byng
for insights into mediumship.

Ask questions, share viewpoints and expand your knowledge of Mediumship. All are welcome to attend.

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INTERNATIONAL MEDIUMS SERIES



ANDY BYNG
UK Medium & Arthur Findlay College Tutor

MEDIUMSHIP DEVELOPMENT COURSES

"Developing the Self for Spirit"
Mon. Jul. 1, 2019 FEE: \$135

The clarity and depth of connection that we can achieve with the spirit world is intertwined with the depth and connection we have with ourselves as individuals. As we begin to understand ourselves more deeply and learn who we are, we open ourselves further to understanding and strengthening that connection with the spirit world.

This course will focus on you, your spirit, the energy that emanates from you and how that energy can be utilized by the spirit world. Andy will help you tap into the personal power within yourself that further opens the lines of communication with spirit and provides a clearer channel through which spirit can communicate.

"The Way of the Spirit"
Thu-Sat. Jul. 4-6, 2019 FEE: \$405

This course will focus on working with your sensitivity to enable you to meet the need of the spirit communicator without demand or control. Emphasis will be placed on surrendering to the power of the Spirit and allowing the spirit communicator to decide what information they want to communicate and how they want to communicate it. In this sense rather than trying to lead the way the medium enables themselves to actually follow the way of the Spirit, which leads to more natural, emotional and evidentially accurate communications from the Spirit World.

Info & Registration: ssb@bell.net or (289)439-7016

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LONDON SPIRITUALIST CHURCH
PRESENTS:
A NIGHT OF MEDIUMSHIP
WITH PSYCHIC MEDIUM

RHYS WYNN DAVIES
FRIDAY

9TH OF AUGUST 2019
7.00 PM - 9.00 PM
\$20 ENTRY ONLY
LOCATION: LONDON SPIRITUALIST CHURCH
(TRINITY UNITED CHURCH)
76 DOULTON STREET, LONDON ONTARIO
NOT EVERYONE WILL RECEIVE A SPIRIT MESSAGE
BOOKINGS: [LSC4COMMITTEE@GMAIL.COM](mailto:lsc4committee@gmail.com)
[HTTPS://WWW.LONDONSPIRITUALISTCHURCH.COM](https://www.londonspiritualistchurch.com)
[HTTPS://WWW.RHYSWYNNDAVIES.COM](https://www.rhyswynndavies.com)

INTERNATIONAL MEDIUMS SERIES



An Evening of Mediumship with UK Medium
Andy Byng

Wed. Jul. 3, 2019 ~ 7:30p.m.
TICKETS:
\$20 each in advance
(\$25 at the door, space permitting)

Born in 1985 in Birmingham, Andy became aware of his latent mediumistic abilities in 2004. His work has taken him across the world uniting people with their loved ones and teaching others how to realize the potential of their own gifts. Andy is a tutor at the Arthur Findlay College in Stansted England. He is passionate about his work and strives to push boundaries with a sincere, genuine and modern approach, making his work accurate and heart-felt.

Tickets & Info: ssb@bell.net or (289)439-7016



PSYCHIC MEDIUMSHIP WORKSHOP
LONDON SPIRITUALIST CHURCH
ONTARIO, CANADA
SATURDAY 10TH AUGUST 2019

RHYS WYNN DAVIES

- Learn attunement and sensing spirit for yourself and for others;
- Learn Rhys JP's to mediumship and a deeper connection with spirit;
- Learn how to enhance your own unique psychic mediumship style working direct /indirectly being psychic and mediumistic during one to one readings and demonstrating;
- Learn the do's and don'ts of presenting information from spirit using a variety of tools.
- Learn how present professionally while giving one to one readings and demonstration work;
- Do tailored individual platform exercises to enhance your own demonstration abilities.
- Present your unique style on stage in front of a live audience and receive feedback.
- Learn to sit in the power of trance, be able to do trance communication and trance healing .

Time Location
Saturday 10th of August 2019, from 10 to 5PM, London Spiritualist Church (Trinity United Church) 76 Doulton Street, London, Ontario Canada

Cost To Book Info
\$100 CAN for the full day. Please bring a plate to share
Send an email to lsc4committee@gmail.com for payment
For other events: www.rhyswynndavies.com
Rhys's Psychic Mediumship Training Cards can be purchased on the day also for only \$30 CAN

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WHAT'S NEW IN THE SCC



SCC Ministers and Healers every 5 years you must update your Police Vulnerable Sector Check with us. Please check your document and send updates to SCC

The SCC has developed a '**New Board**' Training Course available to our Churches that will be adapted specifically to your Church.

This training will be presented in parts, tailored to your By-Laws, letters patent, Mission Statement and the roles of Pastor and Board members. A personalized Church binder will be provided for easy reference in running your Church.

"Extremely comprehensive course, the reference material and examples were very helpful. The fact that a binder full of information was prepared for each board member was a bonus! The time spent answering our questions and getting to know the SCC board was invaluable. Thank you, SCC."
Rev Edwards, Church of Universal Board

Please contact the SCC for further details.

Last Words/Beginnings

To our friends and family who made their transition in 2018 we wish them safe passage and that they were met by family and loved ones.

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