

## CHURCH MINISTER & DIRECTORY OF MEDIUMS

Reverend Ella Groves

Donna Kiss, Mary Jane Kapteyn, Louise Gebhart

Private Readings - Call 283-1102

### SUMMER COURSES OFFERED BY DONNA KISS

**Donna Kiss** will be teaching two summer intensive courses during the month of August. The purpose of these two programs is to facilitate those who are unable to attend the eight-week courses held during the fall or spring of the church calendar year. The first is an **Introduction to Mediumship** held **Friday evening, August 8, Saturday, August 9 and Sunday, August 10**. Participants will have an opportunity to explore their psychic abilities and prepare for communication with Spirit. This is the first step in developing your potential as a medium or discovering the joy of mediumship. The cost is \$100 for church members and \$110 for non-members. Since class size is limited it is important to register early. Pre-payment is expected. Email [info@calgaryfirstspiritualistchurch.ca](mailto:info@calgaryfirstspiritualistchurch.ca) or call the church message line at 283-1102.

The second intensive course is **Advanced Mediumship** in which participants explore many aspects of mediumship: private readings, platform work, psychometry, spiritual healing, trance mediumship, afterlife and rescue work, along with Guides and Spirit Helpers. This course is open to developing mediums or anyone who has taken the *Introduction to Mediumship*, including the *Introduction to Mediumship Intensive* as above. Contact the church as soon as possible and your name will be forwarded to Donna.

### THOUGHTS AND TALKS

The church has a website category called **Thoughts & Talks**. There are many interesting articles on a wide range of subjects taken from the lectures given at the Sunday service. The latest lecture to be published was *Finding Your Way to the Next Place* given by Chaplin Carol Barwick from Calgary Hospice. She reviews different religious beliefs and cultural traditions around 'crossing over' into the Spirit World. You will find it easy to review this excellent talk online. To access the website go to [www.calgaryfirstspiritualistchurch.ca](http://www.calgaryfirstspiritualistchurch.ca) and follow the links to Thoughts & Talks.

### SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

The Board is pleased to announce the awarding of two \$600 scholarships to Marlene Harris and Vreny Zumbuhl. The purpose of the scholarships is to assist those who wish to further their skills in areas related to Spiritualism. Marlene and Vreny will be attending the **2008 Stansted Experience** which will be held at Lake Simcoe, Ontario from September 14 to 20, 2008. Minister Steven Upton, Minister Simone Key, Matthew Smith and Stella Upton are the four outstanding tutors from *Arthur Findlay College* in Great Britain who will be teaching the courses. Marlene will take the Trance Healing training and Vreny is interested in the Evidential Mediumship program. Congratulations to Marlene and Vreny.

**LEGACY DONATION** If you've found the church has been good to you, giving you support and opportunities to grow, heal and develop, here's a suggestion. Think about how you could give back to the church through a legacy donation when you are updating or making out your will.

## CALGARY FIRST SPIRITUALIST CHURCH JULY 2008 NEWSLETTER



### WEEKLY CHURCH SERVICES

#### SUNDAY 7:30 pm SUNDAY SERVICE

July 6	Speaker:	Rev. Ella Groves
	Topic:	<i>Into the Light</i>
	Medium:	Louise Gebhart
July 13	Speaker:	Rosa Trakostanec
	Topic:	<i>Prophecy</i>
	Medium:	Donna Kiss
July 20	Speaker & Medium:	Mary Jane Kapteyn
July 27	Speaker:	William Pelech
	Topic:	<i>Stansted Experience</i>
	Medium:	Louise Gebhart

#### WEDNESDAY 6:30 – 7:15 pm HEALING

Enjoy an opportunity to receive Spiritual Healing with the church healers.

#### WEDNESDAY 7:30 pm ALL MESSAGE SERVICE

July 2	Mediums:	Rev. Ella Groves & Lanis Berglund
July 9	Mediums:	Donna Kiss & Susan Gormley
July 16	Mediums:	Mary Jane Kapteyn & Elsie Pytel
July 23	Mediums:	Donna Kiss & William Pelech
July 30	Mediums:	Mary Jane Kapteyn & Susan Gormley

**NOTE:** Due to personal circumstances, program arrangements may be subject to change.

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## ONGOING GROUP MEETINGS

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>5:00 – 6:30 PM</b>	<b>YOUNG PEOPLE'S SPIRITUAL GROUP</b> <i>Closed for Summer</i> Facilitator: Mary Grace Nelson	
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>7:30 PM</b>	<b>A.S.H.A. HEALING</b> <i>Closed Holidays on - June 30 &amp; Aug 4</i> <u>Open every Monday except holidays—Donations Welcome</u>	
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>A COURSE IN MIRACLES</b> <i>Closed for Summer</i> Facilitator: Greg Deabler	
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>7:30 – 9:00 PM</b>	<b>EVENING MEDITATION GROUP</b> <i>Closed for Summer</i> Facilitator: Rev Ella Groves	
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>9:45 AM</b>	<b>ADVANCED ENERGY HEALING</b> <i>Closed for Summer</i>	

## SPECIAL EVENTS FOR JULY

### SHARED PROPHECIES WORKSHOP

**with Rosa Trakostanec**

**Saturday, July 12**

**1 to 5 pm**

**Cost: \$45 Members**

**\$50 Non-members**

**Registration: Phone 283-1102  
or Email**

[info@calgaryfirstspiritualistchurch.ca](mailto:info@calgaryfirstspiritualistchurch.ca)

### ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC AND BBQ

**Saturday, July 19**

**4 to 9 pm**

**(supper at 5:00 pm)**

**To be held at the farm of Vreny and  
Ferdie Zumbuhl—near Irricana.**

**See poster for details and directions.**

**To arrange car pool use sign-up sheet,  
phone 283-1102 or email:**

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### SHARED PROPHECIES WORKSHOP

On **Saturday, July 12, 2008** from **1 to 5 pm**, CFSC offers a unique workshop entitled **Shared Prophecies** led by **Rosa Trakostanec**, Medicine Woman, shaman, master healer and spirit medium. From ancient times to modern, shamans have channeled the wisdom of the 'Ancients', old souls who return to earth to assist humankind in awakening to their connection to Mother Earth. In this workshop, Rosa will help people understand why so many changes are taking place with Mother Earth and why it is important that humankind awaken to their connection to the Earth and beyond. Rosa will help you understand the life lessons that are being taught at this time and the purpose for our ongoing struggles. Cost is \$45 for church members and \$50 for non-members. To register, email [info@calgaryfirstspiritualistchurch.ca](mailto:info@calgaryfirstspiritualistchurch.ca) or phone 283-1102. Come hear what the 'Old Ones' have to share as spoken through Medicine Woman White Elk, Rosa Trakostanec.

### ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC AND BBQ

Yippee! Time once again for the **Annual Church Picnic & BBQ** to be held at the farm of **Vreny and Ferdie Zumbuhl** near Irricana. The event will be held on **Saturday, July 19, 2008** from **4 to 9 pm** – supper will be served at **5:00 pm** Children as well as adults are invited to visit the many farm animals and birds, enjoy the hiking trails, share in a potluck social and sing along around the fire pit. Everyone is asked to dress appropriately for the weather. Guests are welcome to bring potluck dishes to share and something to barbeque on the grills. Beverages and hot dogs will be available. See the poster for details and directions. If you have any questions call Mary Grace at 616-0333. If you would like to join a car pool, use the sign-up sheet at the back of the sanctuary or phone the church message line at 283-1102 or email us at: [info@calgaryfirstspiritualistchurch.ca](mailto:info@calgaryfirstspiritualistchurch.ca).

### SPRING PSYCHIC TEA: A GRAND SUCCESS

The church was a beehive of activity on the last Saturday of May as volunteers prepared for the annual **Spring Psychic Tea**. Blanche Rutherford did an amazing job of transforming the sanctuary into a springtime theme with decorative umbrellas, flowering plants and handmade garden bugs scurrying across the tea tables. Dianne Hamilton-Makara and her hard working helpers spent the morning preparing food and the afternoon serving delicious sandwiches, fruit, desserts and beverages. A round of applause goes to all the kitchen volunteers for the wonderful job that they did.

A record number of people attended the Tea, and they were lined up outside well before the doors opened. Wes Reid and Rodger Nelson were kept busy booking readings and selling luncheon tickets. The Mini-Readings were booked solid and some of the mediums even extended their time so as to accommodate more people. Hats off to mediums: Heather Davis, Louise Gebhart, Susan Gormley, Mary Jane Kapteyn, Donna Kiss, Sharon Macpherson, Grace Nelson, William Pelech and Vreny Zumbuhl.

Big bouquets of thanks go to Hazel Koschel who took on the enormous task of organizing the whole event from beginning to end, Mary Grace Nelson who did a phenomenal job of overseeing the events once the tea was under way, and Teresa Norah and Gail Van Leeuwen for keeping the readings moving along. It was good to see Maggie Franklin and her daughter Kelly looking after the bake sale table and raffle again this year. Besides the people who took key positions, there are many others that worked behind the scenes donating food and raffle prizes and working tirelessly to make this Spring Tea a **GRAND SUCCESS!**

**DONATIONS TO THE FOOD BANK ARE APPRECIATED**