

CHURCH MINISTER & DIRECTORY OF MEDIUMS

Reverend Ella Groves
Donna Kiss, Mary Jane Kapteyn, Louise Gebhart
Private Readings - Call 283-1102

THE ORGAN STORY

Years ago, Laura O Connor, the church organist, had donated her wonderful old Baldwin organ to the church. It has played so many notes and given unfailing service, but after 50 years it needed some expensive repairs. Laura felt that the church needed a newer model. Fortunately, an acquaintance of hers by the name of Brenda had a Yamaha organ that she wished to donate to the church. The question about what to do with the old Baldwin was quickly resolved when Greg Deabler happened to hear of an aspiring young musician, Spencer, with technical inclinations who could not only give the old organ a home, but could take on the restoration project to bring it back to its original glory. Greg and Spencer took the new organ to the church where an eager Laura was waiting with an open heart to receive it. They delivered the Baldwin to Spencer who promptly took some vacation time to start playing with the old organ. Many thanks to all those who made this story end on a very happy, musical note. – Greg Deabler

MEMBERSHIP AND LIBRARY UPDATE

CFSC extends a warm welcome to Celina Footit and Jason Denesik as two new Associate Members. For those wishing more information on membership, please pick up an information leaflet from the display holders at the back of the church or e-mail the church at: info@calgaryfirstspiritualistchurch.ca. Along with membership in CFSC comes library borrowing privileges. Members wishing to sign out books should see Marlene Harris or another Board member. CFSC is very grateful to Veronika Mueller, one of our members, and to Mary Jane Kapteyn, one of our church mediums, for their very generous donations of books to the church library. The church is always very grateful for donations of books that focus on our spiritual nature. If you have books to donate, please see Marlene Harris or another Board member or e-mail the church at: info@calgaryfirstspiritualistchurch.ca - Marlene Harris

ANNUAL PICNIC & BBQ HIGHLIGHTS

The spectacular, gigantic, orange full moon resting on the eastern horizon that we saw in the late evening upon our return to Calgary easily sums up and symbolizes the *fullness* of the day spent at the farm of Vreny and Ferdi Zumbuhl: beautiful, joyful, restful, bountiful, flavourful, delightful! Special thanks go to Vreny and Ferdi for hosting another very successful picnic, to Dave Radke for leading us on an intriguing spiritual journey to find our power animals, to Mary Grace Nelson for co-ordinating the event, to the carpooling organizers and drivers, to Helen Burke for taking photos, and to the two dozen eager attendees who brought scrumptious food and their congenial presence to share. Indeed, most of us ate so much that, like the moon (and the mosquitoes!), we ended up being very full! Congratulations go to Erna and her red team for narrowly edging out the blue team and winning the challenging Bean Bag Toss game! Hip-hip.

- Marlene Harris

CALGARY FIRST SPIRITUALIST CHURCH AUGUST 2008 NEWSLETTER



WEEKLY CHURCH SERVICES

SUNDAY	7:30 pm	SUNDAY SERVICE
Aug 3	<i>All Message Service</i> Mediums: Rev. Ella Groves & Louise Gebhart	
Aug 10	Speaker: Marlene Harris Topic: <i>Getting Excited About Growing Old</i> Medium: Mary Jane Kapteyn	
Aug 17	Speaker: Roger Nelson Topic: <i>Spiritual Journey's</i> Medium: Donna Kiss	
Aug 24	Speaker: Lanis Berglund Topic: <i>Inspirational Talk</i> Medium: Louise Gebhart	
Aug 31	<i>All Message Service</i> Mediums: Rev. Ella Groves & Donna Kiss	

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
Aug 6	Mediums: Donna Kiss & Susan Gormley	
Aug 13	Mediums: Louise Gebhart & Elsie Pytel	
Aug 20	Mediums: Mary Jane Kapteyn & William Pelech	
Aug 27	Mediums: Louise Gebhart & Lanis Berglund	

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

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ONGOING GROUP MEETINGS

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

SPECIAL EVENTS FOR AUGUST

INTRODUCTION TO MEDIUMSHIP INTENSIVE

with Donna Kiss

**Friday to Sunday
August 8, 9, & 10, 2008**

**Cost: \$100 Members
\$110 Non-members**

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

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ADVANCED MEDIUMSHIP INTENSIVE

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**Friday to Sunday
August 22, 23, & 24, 2008**

**Cost: \$100 Members
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DONATIONS TO THE FOOD BANK ARE APPRECIATED

SUMMER INTENSIVES WITH DONNA KISS

The weekend intensive course offered by Donna Kiss, *Introduction to Mediumship* from Friday, August 8, through Saturday and Sunday, August 9 and 10 is now full. **Donna Kiss** will also be teaching **Advanced Mediumship** from **Friday, August 22** through **Saturday and Sunday, August 23 and 24**. Participants will explore all aspects of mediumship such as private readings, platform work, psychometry, spiritual healing, trance mediumship, the afterlife, rescue work, Guides and Spirit Helpers. If you are a developing medium with experience or are registered in the *Introduction to Mediumship* and wish to take this course contact the church as soon as possible.

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 cost is \$100 for church members and \$110 for non-members. Class size is limited and pre-payment is required. Email info@calgaryfirstspiritualistchurch.ca or call the church message line at 283-1102.

ASHA FALL TRAINING COURSE

The **Association of Healers of Alberta (ASHA)** offers its eight-week *Fall Training Course* in Spiritual Healing from **Monday, September 15 to November 10, 2008**. This course provides a thorough teaching program followed by a practicum that leads to professional certification. ASHA is associated with *Healing Network International*, the *National Federation of Spiritual Healers, UK*. CFSC healers have received their training through the ASHA program and belong to the organization as healer-members. Those interested in becoming Spiritual Healers can register on-line by going to the ASHA website at www.spiritualhealersalberta.ca. Please pick up a brochure in the alcove at the back of the church. You may wish to discuss the benefits of the program with the church healers.

FALL CALENDAR 2008

The *Fall Calendar of Program and Events* will soon be available. There are a variety of workshops, courses and special events planned throughout the fall season. Please pick up a copy at the church or find it on the church website: www.calgaryfirstspiritualistchurch.ca.

LOOKING AHEAD TO SEPTEMBER

- **ASHA Fall Training Course** in Spiritual Healing runs from **Monday, September 15 to November 10, 2008**. Pick up a brochure for details.
- **Body Soul & Spirit Expo** - Sept. 19, 20 & 21, 2008 at the Big Four Bldg. – Stampede Park
- **Fine Tuning Mediumship workshop** – Sept. 27, 2008 - Lyn Inglis

Further details on these September Events will be in the **2008 Fall Calendar of Programs & Events** or the **September 2008 Newsletter**.

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.