

## CHURCH MINISTER & DIRECTORY OF MEDIUMS

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Private Readings - Call 283-1102

### TWO MEDITATION & PSYCHIC AWARENESS GROUPS

The CFSC is pleased to announce that there will be two meditation groups starting in January, 2008. Loretta Letendre will facilitate a **Daytime Meditation & Psychic Awareness Group** every Wednesday from 10:30 am to noon. The first meeting will be held on **January 9, 2008**. Loretta felt that this group would appeal to people who find it difficult to travel out at night or would come when their children are in school. Loretta will also help Rev. Ella Groves facilitate an **Evening Meditation & Psychic Awareness Group** which will meet every Friday at 7:30 pm except on holiday weekends. The evening group will start on **January 11, 2008**. Both are drop-in groups and all are welcome to attend. Donations are gratefully received.

### HOLIDAY CLOSURES

To enjoy the rest and restoration that the holiday season offers, the church will be **closed** from **December 24, 2007 to January 2, 2008**. This means that the regular church services will be closed for Wednesday, December 26 and January 2 and Sunday, December 30. The last meeting of the year for *A Course In Miracles* will be Tuesday, December 11, and the last meeting of *IANDS* for the year will be December 7. *ASHA* will be closed for Monday, December 24 and 31.

### MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

It is now time for **Membership Renewal 2008**. Marlene Harris, membership director, will set up a table at the back of the sanctuary this month and be happy to facilitate the renewals. Please fill out a renewal form and submit it along with \$30 to Marlene. Make cheques payable to Calgary First Spiritualist Church.

### NOMINATIONS FOR THE BOARD

If you have full membership and wish to serve on the **Church Board**, please contact a nominating committee member. The committee is composed of William Pelech, Mary Grace Nelson and Laura O'Connor. The new board will be elected at the AGM on Sunday, March 16, 2008.

### SEASONS GREETINGS FROM THE BOARD

The CFSC Board Members would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas. Christmas is a very special time of year, a time for us to reflect on the past year's activities and to remember all the good things that we have been blessed with. May this Christmas Season be one of the best ever!

—Tom Groves, William Pelech, Lorrie Gainor, Ella Groves,  
Laura O'Connor, Mary Grace Nelson and Delmar Hunter

**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



## DECEMBER 2007 NEWSLETTER

### WEEKLY CHURCH SERVICES

SUNDAY	7:30 pm	SUNDAY SERVICE	
Dec 2	Speaker:	Margo McKinnon	
	Topic:	<i>The Exquisiteness of Being Human</i>	
	Medium:	Louise Gebhart	
Dec 9	Speaker:	Greg Deabler	
	Topic:	<i>Forgiveness and Enlightenment</i>	
	Medium:	Mary Jane Kapteyn	
Dec 16	Speaker:	Andy Hall	
	Topic:	<i>Trance Lecture</i>	
	Medium:	Donna Kiss	
Dec 23	<i>All Message Candlelight Service</i>		
	Mediums:	Elsie Pytel & Susan Gormley	
Dec 30	<i>Closed for Holidays</i>		

### 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

Dec 5	Medium:	Mary Jane Kapteyn
Dec 12	Mediums:	Louise Gebhart & Susan Gormley
Dec 19	Mediums:	Elsie Pytel & William Pelech
Dec 26	<i>Closed for Holidays</i>	

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

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## ONGOING GROUP MEETINGS

<b>MONDAY</b>	7:30 pm	<b>A.S.H.A. HEALING</b> Closed Dec 24 & 31 Healing is offered every Monday—Donations Welcome
<b>TUESDAY</b>	7:00 pm	<b>A COURSE IN MIRACLES</b> Closed Dec 18, 25 & Jan 1 Facilitator: Greg Deabler—Drop In Donation \$5
<b>FRIDAY</b>	7:30 – 9:00 pm	<b>INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR NEAR-DEATH STUDIES (IANDS)</b> Dates of Fall/Winter Meetings – Dec 7, Closed Dec 21 Facilitator –Lucia Lastella —Donations Welcome
<b>SATURDAY</b>	9:45 am	<b>ADVANCED ENERGY HEALING</b> (formerly Trance Healing) Dec 1 & 15, 2007—Enter <u>East Door</u> —Donations Welcome

## SPECIAL EVENTS FOR DECEMBER

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>SÉANCE CIRCLE</b> With <b>Donna Kiss</b> Sunday, December 2 1 to 3:30 pm Cost: Members \$35 Non-members \$40</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>AURA READING &amp; ENERGY MANIPULATION</b> With <b>Donna Kiss</b> Sunday, December 9 1 to 4:30 pm Cost: Members \$40 Non-members \$45</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>CHURCH SERVICES:</u></b> <b>ALL MESSAGE CAROL SERVICE</b> Wednesday, December 19, 2007 7:30 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>ALL MESSAGE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE</b> Sunday, December 23, 2007 7:30 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>CHRISTMAS GIFT &amp; FOOD HAMPERS</b> Donation Deadline: Sunday, December 16, 2007 <b>ALL DONATIONS WELCOME</b></p>
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**DONATIONS TO THE FOOD BANK ARE APPRECIATED**

### WELCOME BACK DONNA!

The church and entire congregation are thrilled to welcome back Donna Kiss after recovering from surgery. She will be offering two of her most popular workshops. They are as follows:

- **Séance Circle** on **Sunday, December 2, 2007** from **1 to 3:30 pm**. Donna will bring messages from Spirit and describe the entities that are present. She has a high degree of success in contacting Spirit as specifically requested.
- **Aura Reading & Energy Manipulation** on **Sunday, December 9, 2007** from **1 to 4:30 pm**. This is an excellent course to learn to see auras and to interpret the energies.

Take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to enjoy Donna's special gifts as a teacher and medium. She will also be back on the platform for the regular evening service on **Sunday, December 16**.

### CHRISTMAS GIFT AND FOOD HAMPERS

It is now time to get ready for the annual **Christmas Project**. The church enjoys providing **Christmas Gift and Food Hampers** for individuals and families who are experiencing hardship at this time or separation from their families. Church members work together to bring unexpected Christmas cheer to those who are less fortunate, and the volunteers are always delighted by the positive response they receive on behalf of the church.

You can help make this project a success in a number of ways:

- First, **donations of cash** are needed right away so that the shoppers know how much money is available and can purchase presents, groceries and Safeway certificates. Charitable tax receipts are given for cash donations. See Tom Groves.
- Second, there is a **Christmas Wish List** for those who want to purchase a particular gift for an individual, especially the children. Gifts should be under the church Christmas tree by **Sunday, December 16, 2007**. Contact Elsie Pytel.
- Thirdly, lots of **non-perishable groceries** are needed to fill the hampers. Groceries should be in by **Wednesday, December 19, 2007** so volunteers can do the wrapping and packing the next day.
- Lastly, you can **volunteer your time** to help pack the hampers or deliver them.

Please contact the *Christmas Project Coordinators*, Elsie Pytel or Ella Groves, for details. Messages or inquiries related to the *Christmas Project* can be left on the Church message line at 283-1102.

### SPECIAL SERVICES IN DECEMBER

To celebrate the **Holiday Season** we will hold an **All Message Carol Service** on **Wednesday, December 19, 2007**. Messages will be enlivened by inviting everyone to sing favourite carols at intervals with church organist, Laura O'Connor. On **Sunday, December 23** at **7:30**, we will hold an **All Message Candlelight Service**. Everyone is invited to light a candle for peace in the world and celebrate the last Sunday Service of the year. Come celebrate the season.

### SPIRITUAL CHRISTMAS TREE

Each year the church Christmas tree is decorated with **special ornaments** on a spiritual theme to remember a loved one in Spirit. Everyone is invited to bring an ornament to honor our loved ones who have passed. **Name tags** to label them are available at the back of the church.