

## CHURCH MINISTER & DIRECTORY OF MEDIUMS

Reverend Ella Groves

Donna Kiss, Mary Jane Kapteyn, Louise Gebhart

Private Readings - Call 403-283-1102

### HEADS UP FOR APRIL

There will be two major church events held in April 2009. To find out more information, pick up the Winter-Spring Calendar 2009, upcoming April Newsletter or look on the church bulletin board.

- **Body, Soul & Spirit Expo 2009—Friday to Sunday, April 17-19**—CFSC will offer mini-readings at the Big Four Building, Stampede Park, Booth #41
- **Law of Attraction Workshop—Saturday, April 25** from 12:30 to 5 pm with Rosa Trakostanec, Spirit Medium and Medicine Woman (White Elk)

### 2009 AGM & PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my fellow Board Members for all the excellent work they have done throughout the year 2008. They are William Pelech, Vice President, Lorrie Gainor, Secretary, and the following Directors, Rev. Ella Groves, Marlene Harris, Delmar Hunter, Sharon Macpherson, Mary Grace Nelson and Laura O'Connor. All have worked diligently to keep our church moving forward in the way of a Spiritualist Church.

I would like to give a special thank you to Carol Klym who has been with the CFSC for almost three years. She supports the Program Committee by doing much of the clerical work, registration for workshops, answering the church message line and reviewing the emails. She assists the Treasurer with financial reports and supports the Board Secretary by attending board meetings to take minutes. Carol has done a fantastic job for us!

I would also like to give a special tribute to Lorrie Gainor for her many contributions. She served as the Board Secretary and chaired the Advertising Committee for a number of terms. Lorrie helped to design the church website and worked with the web master on a monthly basis updating the church website. She spearheaded updating the CFSC Constitution. Lorrie has been actively involved in the Advanced Healing Program and taught the trance healers the latest healing techniques. Lorrie could always be counted on to chair or be a healer at the Wednesday and Sunday services, and has served on special committees. I wish Lorrie and her husband, Les, all the best on their retirement to Courtenay, BC.

A successful Annual General Meeting was held on February 22, 2009. The various committee reports were presented and the numerous volunteers were thanked. The elected Board members will remain the same as last year with the addition of Greg Deabler. In accordance with the new constitution, the Board will appoint the executive positions at the next meeting. Andy Hall was this year's winner of the George Checklin Book Award.

It has been a pleasure to serve as the Board President and I look forward to continuing to support the work of CFSC in the year ahead. —Tom Groves



**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 MARCH 2009 NEWSLETTER



### WEEKLY CHURCH SERVICES

SUNDAY	7:30 pm	SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE	
March 1	Speaker:	Dr. William Pelech	
	Topic:	<i>Hello, It's Professor Myers Calling</i>	
	Medium:	Andy Hall & Guide: Blue Sky	
March 8	Speaker:	Rev. Ella Groves	
	Topic:	<i>Silver Birch: Wisdom from Beyond</i>	
	Medium:	Louise Gebhart	
March 15	Speaker:	David Radke	
	Topic:	The Shamanic Approach to Working With Spirit	
	Medium:	Donna Kiss	
March 22	Speaker & Medium:	Mary Jane Kapteyn	
	Topic:	<i>Inspirational Lecture</i>	
March 29	Speaker:	Donna Kiss	
	Topic:	<i>Trance Lecture</i>	
	Medium:	Mary Jane Kapteyn	

**WEDNESDAY 6:30 – 7:15 pm HEALING SERVICE**  
Enjoy an opportunity to receive Spiritual Healing with the church healers.

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

March 4	Medium:	Donna Kiss, William Pelech & Elsie Pytel
March 11	Mediums:	Louise Gebhart & Susan Gormley
March 18	Medium:	Mary Jane Kapteyn & Vreny Zumbuhl
March 25	Mediums:	Rev. Ella Groves & Jane Fleming

**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> March 15 – Facilitator: Mary Grace Nelson
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>7:30 PM</b>	<b>A.S.H.A. HEALING</b> Open every Monday except holidays—Donations Welcome
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>A COURSE IN MIRACLES</b> Drop-in Discussion Group – Facilitator: Greg Deabler – Contribution \$5
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>7:30 – 9:00 PM</b>	<b>EVENING MEDITATION GROUP</b> – Facilitator: Rev Ella Groves– Voluntary Contribution \$5
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>9:45 AM</b>	<b>ADVANCED ENERGY HEALING</b> March 7 & 21—Enter <u>East Door</u> —Donations Welcome

## SPECIAL EVENTS FOR FEBRUARY

### EXPLORING PSYCHIC EXPERIENCES WITH PARENTS AND CHILDREN

Forum with Donna Kiss

Sunday, March 22  
1:30 to 3 pm

To Register:  
Phone 403-283-1102 or Email  
[info@calgaryfirstspiritualistchurch.ca](mailto:info@calgaryfirstspiritualistchurch.ca)

**All Welcome:**  
Children Accompanied by Parents  
& General Public

### BEING SPIRIT DOMINANT WORKSHOP

with Margo McKinnon

Saturday, March 28  
10 am to 1 pm

Cost: \$40

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**All Welcome**

### EXPLORING PSYCHIC EXPERIENCES WITH PARENTS AND CHILDREN

The CFSC is presenting a special forum for parents whose children have shown indications of psychic tendencies. It is entitled *Exploring Psychic Experiences with Parents and Children* and will be held on **Sunday, March 22** from **1:30 to 3 pm**. Medium **Donna Kiss** will invite the children to share their experiences and answer questions. It is an opportunity for parents and their children to meet with an experienced medium to explore psychic phenomenon, learn ways to handle specific situations and to get a recommended reading list of books related to psychic children and psychic abilities. Today it is recognized that many children are experiencing the presence of Spirit, and it is important that these gifts in children are understood and supported. This program is also open to grandparents or others who recognize psychic gifts in their grandchildren, nieces, nephews or other children of their acquaintance. They are welcome to come and learn how to approach the children’s parents and ask questions on how to be supportive to these children. If you are interested in attending this forum, please use the sign-up sheet at the back of the sanctuary or leave a message on the church answering machine at 403-283-1102 or e-mail [info@calgaryfirstspiritualistchurch.ca](mailto:info@calgaryfirstspiritualistchurch.ca). There is no set cost for the forum, but free-will donations will be gratefully received.

### BEING SPIRIT DOMINANT WORKSHOP

**Margot McKinnon** will present a three-hour workshop on her stunning new theory of *Being Spirit Dominant*. It will be held on **Saturday, March 28** from **10 am to 1 pm**. This workshop is intended to assist the many sensitive people who are Spirit Dominant but find themselves in a materialistic, competitive world. Some of these people find themselves invisible, reclusive, vulnerable and experience difficulty with the challenges of life on the Earth Plane. Participants will learn how to stand in their own power, be visible, make their needs known, have their hard work recognized and bask in the joy of the human experience. They will learn to appreciate their gifts of intuition and be an inspiration to others. The cost is \$40. To register phone the church message line at 403-283-1102 or email [info@calgaryfirstspiritualistchurch.ca](mailto:info@calgaryfirstspiritualistchurch.ca).

### SUNDAY LECTURES ON CHANNELING

In the history of Spiritualism there have been some remarkable individuals who have served not only as mediums but also served as channels for entities from beyond the Astral Plane. A number of famous Spiritualist mediums have served as channels for guides and enlightened teachers to bring higher spiritual teachings and new knowledge to humanity. Over the next months, a number of the Sunday lectures will focus on these mediums/channels and their guides.

### DEFINING CHANNELING & MEDIUMSHIP

There is often confusion between the terms **medium** and **channel**. The terms channeling and mediumship are often used interchangeably. What we now call channeling was called mediumship during the early Spiritualist era, and channels were called mediums. According to Jon Klimo, author of *Channeling – Investigations on Receiving Information from Paranormal Sources*, some authorities make a distinction between the terms channeling and mediumship, with the mediumship being reserved for communication only from deceased human beings, while channeling covers communication with all other kinds of intelligences such as Guides, Group Souls, the Collective Unconscious, the Universal Mind, Ascended Masters and Extraterrestrials.

– Rev. Ella Groves

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