New Website: Rhine Online

The Rhine Research Center is pleased to present our new website, which we affectionately call "The Rhine Online". You may have had the opportunity to view our new site since its 2008 release, but we invite you to take another look around as more information is being added each week.

Our most ambitious new project is the archived audio and video featuring Researchers, Scientists and Teachers who lecture at the Rhine about their work in the Consciousness and Psi Related Fields. Members of the Rhine can access our Private Collection of Interviews, both on audio and video. Our first video of this type has been released this month, which features a program on the Early Days of the Duke Parapsychology Lab, presented by Dr. Elizabeth McMahan. This presentation is currently available for free on the Media page of the website. I believe you'll enjoy it and we look forward to offering many other presentations of this nature, with a special Rhine historic series beginning this Fall. We're very excited to offer these programs online so that Members around the globe can enjoy the programs presented here in North Carolina.

This is only the beginning of what we are planning to offer here at The Rhine Online. Stay tuned for exciting new programs that you will be able to attend from the comfort of your home. If you have a computer and a telephone, you'll be able to participate in our upcoming "Webinars", attending the programs live on the web and interacting with the speakers who lecture on a wide variety of psi, consciousness and paranormal topics. We'll also be featuring DVD's for sale of these events should you want to have them at home to watch over again.

Discover the amazing people who lecture and work at the Rhine. Become a Member of the Rhine Research Center today and access all of the interviews and ground breaking information. Do your part to spread Consciousness Today! Thank you for your support of the Rhine.

Kala Ambrose
Executive Director
Rhine Research Center

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ESP: An Awareness
with Court TV's Psychic Detective
Noreen Reiner
Saturday, July 12th
9:30am to 4:30pm

Noreen Renier, takes you through a series of exercises aimed at increasing your awareness of: Meditation, Energy, Right and Left brain specializations, Intuitive Communication, Pendulum, and Psychometry. The major aim of this workshop is to focus on techniques she has noted to help develop intuitive ways of knowing, exposing the student to brain hemisphere differences, and encouraging stimulation of the right side of the brain as we involve the student in techniques to explore innate potentials for intuitive ability. Noreen’s goal is to enable the student to utilize various aspects of the mind to increase awareness. By extending the use of their basic senses the student becomes exposed to new ways of ‘seeing’ and ‘perceiving’ information. Some of the concepts presented are both simple and astoundingly easy; others are more difficult to master, and practice is as essential as is commitment.

For more info on this one day workshop visit www.Rhine.org and click on the events page.
Remote Viewing
with Psychic Spy
Joe McMoneagle
Saturday, June 28th

Joseph McMoneagle is known for his involvement in the development of Remote Viewing by U.S. Army Intelligence and the Stanford Research Institute. In 1977, he was one of the original Officers recruited for a top secret army project that became known as Star Gate -- psychic spying on behalf of the United States. The army showed McMoneagle secret documents, based on information compiled by the Stanford Research Institute, that revealed enemy psychic spying on the United States. Willing to learn more, McMoneagle soon became immersed in the program, which was set up in some old buildings on the periphery of Fort Meade, Md., near Washington, D.C. During the 10 years that McMoneagle spent with this program, he developed an uncanny ability at "remote viewing," a process by which he was able to psychically see a targeted object, at one point seeing into a secret Soviet submarine construction facility and at another pinpointing where an American general was being held by members of Italy's Red Brigades. After the Star Gate program was revealed to the public on Nightline, McMoneagle appeared on television in America and Japan. Joe's program, which was held at the Rhine in June, offered a unique opportunity to learn from one of the best remote viewers in the world. Practical exercises were offered during this course. This workshop sold out early and received rave reviews. For other programs, visit www.Rhine.org.

Rhine PRS Alliance
Paranormal Research Society founder and Director Ryan Buell and Rhine Research Center Executive Director Kala Ambrose are pleased to announce the alliance of the Paranormal Research Society (PRS) with the legendary Rhine Research Center (RRC).

The Rhine Research Center (www.Rhine.org) spans 70 years of historic and groundbreaking scientific research in the study of psi and the paranormal, beginning in the 1930's as the Duke Parapsychology Lab and continuing today with research and education in the RRC located in Durham, NC. The Paranormal Research Society (www.PennStatePRS.com) was formed in 2001, starting out as a student club at Penn State. Now an independent organization, the researchers explore the paranormal in the field investigating reports of ghost activity and other phenomena. PRS currently has a national television series on A&E called "Paranormal State." PRS is located in State College, PA.

According to Kala Ambrose, the Executive Director of the Rhine Research Center, "The alliance between the Rhine Research Center and the Paranormal Research Society is one whose time has come. Dr. J.B. Rhine led the exploration into the study of Consciousness and existence in all of its forms including what is described as the paranormal and psi related activity. We now have greater technology and the ability to push the boundaries and explore these fields like we have never done before. Now is the time when we step forward again, with open minds to explore the realms of science and spirituality, to uncover the far-reaching mysteries of humanity, both within and beyond. Combining the careful scientific study from our scientists at the Rhine with the direct field reporting from the PRS researchers allows our work to move forward in new directions and dimensions as well as at a faster pace than previously seen."

Add's Buell, "It has been one of my dreams to one day work with the famous Rhine Research Center. They have over 70 years of research, documents and records in their libraries. To top it off, almost every major scientist and academic person in the paranormal field is associated with Rhine. They have a tremendous amount of wisdom and experience that we can all learn from. I feel that PRS can bring new energy and ideas to the table as we move forward in this exciting venture."

Psychic Medical Diagnosis - A Serious Discussion
by: Leon E. Curry, M.D.

It was a cold winter day in Durham, North Carolina with several inches of snow on the ground when in the late 1970’s I visited Dr. Rhine at his country home, some few miles from his Durham house and office. J.B., as he preferred I address him, and his wife Louisa were very cordial. I appreciated them allowing me to come on short notice to spend a little time with them. We shared a warm beverage as we chatted. Afterward, J.B. and I retired to the den.

J.B. remained a strong and energetic mountain of a man. He went out in the back yard and brought in some big logs for firewood. He built a huge fire in the fireplace. It was so hot that we sat across the room from it to keep from getting blistered. And sit we did, for a long time, discussing two primary subjects.

I was eager to get started revolutionizing medical care in this country by using ESP in medical diagnosis. My quest was to use psychics to assist physicians in diagnosing human illness. The advantage to medicine was faster diagnosis, with less cost, risk, pain and expense in reaching that diagnosis. I had been very impressed with Greta's ability to describe, in lay language, my patients' ailments to the degree that I could understand the nature of the illness in medical terms. Confirmation by conventional medical testing had proven many times that her descriptions were accurate.

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Intuitive Medical Diagnosis: Fact or Fantasy?
by: Larry Burk, M.D.

Have you ever been to a healer or psychic who detected a physical illness that your doctor had not diagnosed? Have you ever sensed an illness in someone else that turned out to be correct? These kinds of experiences are actually quite common although generally not acknowledged as possible by modern mainstream medicine where expensive technology is the gold standard.

As a high-tech radiologist, I’ve used MRI and CT for the past 23 years to diagnose all kinds of conditions, although my specialty is musculoskeletal diseases. Shortly after completing my radiology training, I was introduced to the possibility of intuitive diagnosis by detecting my own father’s renal cancer in a dream which was unexpectedly verified a week later by a CT scan.

I then met Terry Ross, past-president of the American Society of Dowsers, who was famous for being able to dowse illness from a distance without ever meeting the patient. He and his collaborators at the Temple University Center for Frontier Sciences shared with me some of the dozens of cases they had carefully documented, thus giving me my first research ideas.

My interest was further stimulated by meeting medical intuitive Caroline Myss in 1992, appropriately, at the Edgar Cayce Association for Research and Enlightenment. In their book, The Creation of Health: Merging Traditional Medicine with Intuitive Diagnosis, Norm Shealy, MD, PhD, claimed that she was 93% accurate based on an informal study of 50 patients.

As I described in my talk at the Rhine last year and in the panel discussion at our Myrtle Beach conference “Where Scientists and Psychics Meet”, I subsequently had an experience with Caroline Myss that changed my diagnostic paradigm forever. Over the phone she was able to diagnose a young girl with a rare malignant tumor in the pelvis that I had recently discovered on MRI.

Since that amazing event, I have been on a quest to find ways to prove to the medical community that intuitive diagnosis is a real phenomenon. It turns out not to be as easy as I first thought it would be after that initial miraculous experience. There have been only 7 formal research studies published in the parapsychological and medical literature, none of which are definitive.

I reviewed the first 6 of these studies in my paper, Intuitive Diagnosis Research Methodologies: Past, Present and Future, at the Bridging Worlds and Filling Gaps in the Science of Healing Conference in 2001. I also presented the results of a small pilot project that Rhine Research Director John Palmer and I did with 7 local intuitives and 4 patients here in the Triangle.

We are currently developing the study design for a larger project to investigate whether intuitives can determine if women have metastatic breast cancer or not. This research will require collaboration from an integrative medicine center and sufficient funding to answer the important question of whether intuitives might have a role in cancer screening and diagnosis.

Rhine Research Center
Summer Psi Camp Calendar of Events

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Parapsychology 101
Featuring:
Dr. Sally Rhine Feather and Rhine Center Instructors
Saturday, July 26th
10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Near Death Experiences with IANDS
(International Association of Near Death Studies)
Friday, August 8th
7:30pm to 9:00pm

For more upcoming events, visit the www.Rhine.org website.
Psychic Medical Diagnosis
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was faster proof of the worth of ESP research. I was there to convince Dr. Rhine that funding for ESP research would be easier to obtain if there was a possibility of a quick payoff. A demonstration of the usefulness of ESP in medical diagnosis provided an opportunity to show, with a minimum of expense, how useful and important it could be.

And Greta could be the person to do the demonstration. I believed that acceptance of psi as a useful tool would be quickly shown in the medical field and its importance enhanced dramatically. Well, Dr. Joseph Banks Rhine was caution personified. He realized I was impatient to get on with my effort to revolutionize medicine. I was on a mission. I was inspired. I wanted instant action.

J.B. reared back in his big chair and began to wisely counsel this impetuous physician to be cautious and proceed slowly, one step at the time, to avoid the pitfalls that might result from haphazard research. He went on to point out that in his original ESP research he waited some seven years to publish his studies, and in so doing, was able to refute the criticisms that were inevitable from other researchers. His careful preparation had made him essentially unassailable from his critics.

I realized the wisdom of his counseling, but I was not about to wait seven years to do what I was burning up inside to do. He had made a momentous contribution to science. I was merely eager to implement that contribution. I would assist parapsychologists by bringing attention to the effect that ESP could have on the most important aspect of anyone's life, his health. In so doing, I felt that research funding, which was badly needed, would be forthcoming. Dr. Rhine listened and thoughtfully agreed that it might be a worthwhile approach.

Our discussion then ranged thru other subjects and evolved into the spiritual nature of man. Early in his life he had intended to become a minister. In his college days he became interested in biology along with his wife Louisa. One of his college professors told him a story of a neighbor whose sister had a psychic dream that upon investigation proved to be dramatically true. The subject in the dream had indeed climbed up into the barn and committed suicide.

J.B. was strongly influenced by this story and its potential. His subsequent academic duties took him to Duke University where he developed the first university parapsychology department. He was widely regarded as the dean of parapsychologists around the world having proven scientifically the existence of ESP, or Extra Sensory Perception, a phrase he coined in the 1930's. But his earlier yearnings to be a minister were not completely dormant. He, like other parapsychology researchers, wondered about the survival of the personality after bodily death.

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Our discussion on this day mused over the changes that might be brought about on our planet if one could devise an experiment that would prove beyond reasonable doubt that our spirit, our personality, our soul survived bodily death. Up to now that was a religious responsibility. Strong religious faith was required to believe in soul survival. Ultimately, religion was authoritarian-based and man-made. And conflict between religions was the source of man's worst inhumanity to man. Could scientific proof of soul survival ameliorate such strong religious conflicts?

Spirit on the other hand was God-made if it existed. Does it in fact exist? How could this be proved? Why was it necessary to have religious faith? What if it could be proven, scientifically, that man's spirit does exist after death? Do psychics who claim to see spirits actually see them? What manner of “seeing” allows them to see what I do not see? Why do men and women pray? What causes this urge to communicate with God? Is this urge God-made, or just a part of the nature of man? Is a part of us God? Is a part of God us?

What marvelous world changes might be possible if science could prove that what religion had taught for eons was in fact true? Man's inhumanity to his fellow man in war might become a thing of the past. Sharing of life's resources more equitably might alleviate starvation on several continents. All manner of things on earth might greatly be improved.

The answers to these questions all seemed to focus on the nature of man. Dr. Rhine had begun “The Foundation for Research on the Nature of Man” (FRNM) to explore the answers to these questions. That foundation was the springboard from which the Institute for Parapsychology was formed. Dr. Rhine was a great source of scientific inspiration for me before this discussion. Afterwards I stood in awe of this giant humanitarian who had done so much for mankind. He thoroughly filled me with a hunger for knowledge not only for science but for spiritual matters as well.

As the fire settled down to glowing embers and the sun sank to the horizon I felt a sense of serenity and calm and patience in the company of this great man. I was infused with energy, but it was a controlled energy, not the impatience and impetuousness that I arrived with. I was filled with resolve to make our research worthy of Dr. Rhine’s attention and respect.
PSI CHRONICLES
By Dr. Sally Rhine-Feather

With this issue we begin a column that will share examples of spontaneous "psychic" (psi) experiences that have been reported to the Rhine Center over the years. In 1948 after years of laboratory research had brought solid evidence of the reality of psi, my father JB Rhine and his staff at the Duke Parapsychology Lab felt it was time to look back at the experiential reports that were the original impetus for the scientific studies. My mother Louisa E Rhine, recently returned to work after years of child-raising, took on the task of answering the waiting stack of letters sent in from all over the world by an eager and sometimes frantic public. After reading the first hundred accounts of experiences, she realized that these reports were giving valuable clues about how psi occurs in everyday life, well beyond what lab studies alone would reveal, and she was hooked on what became a lifetime career. She published her findings in several books and many scientific articles over the next two decades, and by the time she had retired, her collection amounted to over 14,000 cases, the largest collection of its kind in the world.

Today we continue the collection of spontaneous psi experiences at the Rhine Center, with email replacing the postal mail of my mother's time. Otherwise the reports are indistinguishable in form and substance or in the accompanying questions and concerns from those sent to my mother many decades ago.

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2007 Journal of Parapsychology
by: John Palmer, Ph.D

The purpose of this short article is to give you a brief overview of the latest issue of the Journal of Parapsychology (spring/fall 2007). We published six full papers in this issue. An article by Julie Beischel describes the most advanced stage of the evolving research methodology she and Gary Schwartz have used to demonstrate psi abilities in well-known trance mediums such as John Edward. The methodology combines scientific rigor with procedures to make the experience congenial for the mediums. In a related article, Robin Wooffitt applies a special kind of linguistic analysis to the dialog between a psychic and client during a reading, illustrating the point at which the psychic customarily states that the information is psychic or spiritual in origin. Ita Ivtzan reviews the scientific literature on tarot card reading, including a couple experiments designed to see if ESP can be demonstrated in such readings. Craig Murray and colleagues report an unsuccessful attempt to elicit ESP in a virtual reality environment. A possible explanation for the failure is that the virtual environment was not as compelling as the authors would have liked. On a more positive note, Patrizio Tressoldi and Guido Del Prete report success in eliciting ESP in hypnosis using both remote-viewing and out-of-body suggestions. Finally, I report a statistical problem I found in a famous experiment by William Braud seeking to demonstrate "healing" of red blood cells in test tubes. There is still some evidence of psi, but not as much as previously thought. We also published substantial obituaries of three famous parapsychologists who passed away in 2007. Robert McConnell was a biological scientist who conducted some classic PK dice experiments and was a co-founder of the Parapsychological Association. Psychiatrist Ian Stevenson was a world-renowned psychical researcher best known for his extensive studies of children who claim to remember previous lives (reincarnation). Rhea White was for many years Editor of the Journal of the American Society for Psychical Research and in her later years championed a feminist approach to the study of spontaneous psychic experiences. The book review section is highlighted by Joe McMoneagle's "insiders" perspective on a book describing the famous Star Gate remote viewing project funded by the U.S. government.

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Are You a Member of the Rhine Research Center?

Membership in the Rhine Center provides a way for the public to support the Center's research while learning more about the phenomena we study. There are four categories of membership, each with different benefits.

General membership is intended for the general public or for academics who do not care to receive the Journal of Parapsychology.

Membership includes:
• 10%-20% discount on select classes, lectures and special events
• Discounts on Rhine books, DVD's and other materials
• Invitations to special VIP events
• Access to all Media on the Rhine website

Professional membership is best suited to specialists in Parapsychology / Consciousness research or academics who wish to receive the Journal of Parapsychology.

The Domestic rate for Professional Membership is $110 per year. The International rate is $120 per year, due to shipping costs of the journal.

Membership also provides more than just discounts on events and items for sale. Members have access to private research files, audio and video files and interviews, such as the new interview with Dr. Stefan Kasian on Intuitive Real Estate & Dreams.

Visit the Rhine's website at: www.Rhine.org for more details on the various membership levels and benefits.
Finally, a brief note for readers who are not professional scientists. The JP publishes many experimental reports that contain a lot of technical language and jargon that untrained readers may have difficulty following. Let me encourage you to not be intimidated by such articles; just skip over the parts you can’t understand. In most cases, you will still be able to get a good idea of what the experiment was about and what was found. For example, most authors summarize the contents of the “Results” section in relatively non-technical language at the beginning of the “Discussion” section. Thus, you often can skip the Results section entirely and still understand the main findings.

I hope you enjoy reading our latest volume of the JP.

John Palmer, Ph.D. Editor, Journal of Parapsychology

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I have selected a report from a gentleman I will call Dan, that is copied here in his own words and with his own title,

Lost Dog

"On the night of January 13, 2006 I was awakened from my night’s sleep at approximately 11:30 pm in the evening by one of my 14 year old twin daughters telling me that our female Boston terrier by the name of Sandy was missing. The girls had been traveling in and out of the front door with friends and it was believed Sandy had left out of the front door of the house about 20 minutes earlier. Sandy was hunted by my children and wife without finding a trace of her prior to getting me up from bed. I told everyone to wait there at the house in case the dog returned and I got in my car and went down the street to see where she may have run to.

I first turned south and started looking with my eyes and hearing with my ears thinking she may have followed the main street thoroughfare. I rolled down the windows and called out to her but I felt I was moving away from her after I went two blocks south. I felt that she was further north and in the direction of the house. After about ten minutes, I started toward my house and asked the Lord to help me as he had done before in helping me find things hard to find using what is called ESP. I then felt impressed to go back to my house and start from there. I did ask if anyone had heard or seen Sandy but no one had. My wife prepared the girls for the worse by saying she is probably gone for good due to her being "in heat". No one had seen Sandy, and the girls were in much distress and despair.

When I left the house I had a picture of a diagram of the layout of the neighborhood in my mind and I followed my strong intuitive impulse on which street to travel on in the dead of night thinking about the strong urges that the Lord gives me when I am hunting for things that are lost. I could see a picture in my mind of the path in dots I was taking as I turned and traveled each street. I also saw Sandy in my mind traveling in that direction. I turned west from my house for one half blocks, then turned right one half blocks traveling south, then turned left and went two blocks traveling east before turning right traveling south. While traveling in this southward direction rather slowly for two blocks after my last turn, I felt a very strong urge to stop the car and open my door as this was the place.

I cut my car engine. After doing so and opening my car door, I then called for Sandy. In that instant, I then heard the clinking noise of metal (coming from the sound of dog tags) coming closer from my left but not seeing anything from the darkness. Then Sandy jumped from the street and into my lap proceeding to lick my face. I thanked the Lord for his mercy and brought Sandy home telling others that the Lord led me to Sandy so that we could finish raising her. The time I left the house the second time until Sandy was reunited with me took about 8 to 10 minutes total time. Today Sandy still lives with us and with one of her daughters Ronnie, after she had six puppies. Three of Sandy’s puppies are with other families fulfilling joy for them.

I replied along these lines, “Thank you for sending us this interesting case. This seems to be a case of clairvoyance, or remote viewing, where you intuitively seemed to follow a complicated physical path to find your lost dog on a dark night some distance from home. Or possibly it indicates a type of telepathic between man and animal in which your concern “pulled” Sandy to move towards you at the precise time you were drawn to that area, or vice versa. The whole realm of psi ability with animals is one that remains relatively neglected, except for the work of Rupert Sheldrake, and reports like yours might stimulate other such reports or even research if they got more notice.

As I recall from our earlier correspondence, your psychic abilities have ranged rather widely from precognitive dreams to finding a healing effects upon others. You have reported being able to find lost objects by apparent clairvoyance and now a lost pet. It is noteworthy that you allowed your mind to rest and call upon a Higher Power that you felt was instrumental in guiding you on the right path. We hear that kind of report from others, and even in the lab studies it appears that meditation and tuning out the outside world is important for allowing psychic information to be received, by whatever route it comes.”

For more information on related psi experiences, the reader may want to read:


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