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"To be born, to die,
to be reborn again,
and constantly
progress, this is the
Law."
- Allan Kardec

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Bridging Health and Spirituality First U.S. Medical Spiritist Meeting



The United States Spiritist Council (USSC) and the International Medical Spiritist Association, supported by the U.S. spiritist centers, organized the first U.S. Medical Spiritist Meeting on

October 7 and 8 in Washington, DC. The event was co-sponsored by the International Spiritist Council, the Brazilian Spiritist Federation and *Lar Fabiano de Cristo*.

In the opening ceremony, Mr. Antonio Cesar Perri de Carvalho, representing the International Spiritist Council and the Brazilian Spiritist Federation, greeted the public in English. He reviewed Allan Kardec's observations, William James' studies and Andre Luiz's reports on a new vision of the relationship between the physical and the material worlds. Representing *Lar Fabiano de Cristo*, Mr. Marcelo Jorge Costa Neto talked about the great philanthropic work initiated by Carlos Torres Pastorino in 1958. Dr. Marlene Nobre, president of the Brazilian and International Medical Spiritist Associations, paid special tribute to the USA for its pioneering scientific research on Spirituality and Health. Finally, Mr. Vanderlei Marques, president of the USSC, concluded the opening ceremony by giving a brief history from the spirit phenomena in 1848 with the Fox sisters to the Codification of Spiritism in France through the pioneering efforts of Allan Kardec. He also mentioned that Kardec reinforced the importance of an indispensable collaboration between Science and Spiritism.

The first lecture of the meeting was given with great elegance by Dr. Harold Koenig, physician, professor at Duke University and director of the Center for Studies on Religion, Spirituality and Health in North Carolina, USA. He reported on his scientific research about the importance of Spirituality in the promotion of health. Among his findings, Dr. Koenig presented data on the fact that "negative emotions can change our brain." He also called the public's attention to the need of understanding the cultural aspects of the patient in order to effectively approach his/her spirituality. In that sense, Dr. Koenig emphasized the importance

of using the word Spirituality instead of Religion, in order to avoid controversial issues. However, he recommended that health practitioners talk with their patients about spirituality, because his research demonstrates that spiritual people live longer and are less addictive.

Dr. Marlene Nobre added to this discussion by introducing the medical-spiritist paradigm and stressing the importance that health professionals should see their patients as whole, integral beings. She clearly presented her scientific findings on Francisco Cândido Xavier's mediumship. At the end of her second day presentation, she touched everyone when showing a short video on the life of the greatest medium of the 20th century.



With great ability, Dr. Décio Landoli explained the impact of reincarnation in the change of paradigm, concluding that reincarnation "kind and beneficially imposes ethico-moral changes (...), due to a consequent transdimensional view of the human being." Evidence on the importance of Spirituality, intercessory prayer and cardiovascular diseases were discussed by Dr. Álvaro Avezum. In relation to mental disturbances, Dr. Roberto Lúcio, with a vast experience at the Psychiatric Hospital Andre Luiz in Belo Horizonte, talked about interesting clinical cases that were analyzed through the medical spiritist view. After that, Dr. Sérgio Felipe de Oliveira stated the importance of an educational system for the Third Millennium in which we study spirit and matter together. *Cont. on next page -->*

II Annual Spiritist Retreat

The Spiritist Society of Baltimore organized and sponsored its **II Annual Spiritist Retreat** last October 21-22, 2006. The retreat main goal was to (1) gather together Spiritist workers; (2) to learn new tools that can be used to improve our work in Spiritism. It was held at the wonderfully relaxing setting Harmony Farm in Parkton, MD. Members from other Spiritist Groups also joined us. The retreat was adjourned with a four-hour workshop presented by Nara Venditti, PhD, a linguist and educator. The theme of the workshop was "Eliminating cultural barriers". — *Cont. on page 3*



With great eloquence and humor, Dr. Oliveira approached his scientific research on the relationship of the pineal gland and mediumship. Dr. Alberto Almeida concluded the two days of lectures in style and kindness, talking about the transpersonal view on the need of forgiveness and love as essential tools to healing in general.

The audience was also blessed with the presentations of Drs. George Ritchie and Melvin Morse, pioneers in the field of health and spirituality. Dr. George Ritchie, emeritus professor of the University of Virginia, talked about his own near-death experience (NDE) and his encounter with Christ. He said he greatly influenced Dr. Raymond Moody Jr., who was his student at the time, before he became the renowned and pioneer investigator of NDEs. Dr. Morse, pediatrician and professor at the University of Washington, Seattle, USA discussed about his research on NDE in children. He presented many drawings that his patients did about their NDEs. Although he said he is not religious, he touched the audience when telling the story on the birth of his first biological son. *"(...) On the day of his birth, I felt like my arms were guided by invisible beings who helped me realize that the umbilical cord was rolled around my son's neck, which saved his life(...)"*, declared Dr. Morse, introducing his baby son and his wife to the present audience.

Due to the absence of Dr. Andrew Powell, a British psychiatrist who could not be present due to health problems, the USSC invited Drs. Sonia Doi and Vanessa Anseloni to present Dr. Powell's interesting research on *Why must we suffer* and *The contribution of spirit release therapy to mental health*.

The organization of the event provided simultaneous translation of all talks either to English, Spanish and, eventually, to Portuguese. The event was professionally recorded and also transmitted online live through the webtv of the International Spiritist Council (www.tvcei.com). A set of DVDs will soon be available through the United States Spiritist Council (www.usspiritistcouncil.com).

and to the spiritual help for the accomplishment of the successful meeting.

The I United States Medical Spiritist Meeting undoubtedly promoted fraternity and solidarity of all spiritist centers in the U.S., which will open perspectives for new meetings of the kind in North America. May those fraternal and harmonious moments readily multiply themselves on future occasions! ■

- The Editors



From Left - Doctors: Roberto Lucio, Décio Iandoli, Marlene Nobre, Alberto Almeida, and Sérgio Felipe.



Dr. Harold Koenig



Dr. George Ritchie



Dr. Melvin Morse



According to the organizers of the event, 320 people attended the meeting. The majority of the attendees were Brazilians and Hispanics living in the U.S. Participants from Canada, Japan, Portugal and Puerto Rico also attended the meeting. However, less than 10% of the audience were Americans, which denotes a present need of a deeper and more effective work to disseminate Spiritism in the USA in the English language.

"We wish to leave a suggestion that all spiritist centers and institutions be grateful to this country [USA], because as Emmanuel said in the book "In the Pathway to Light", the great North American people contributed and will still contribute to Humankind in the scientific investigation and love for Truth. I would like to humbly ask that all spiritist nuclei from the smallest to the biggest respect those who live in this country. The greatest reverence is the union of our efforts [in the dissemination of Spiritism] (...)", proposed Dr. Marlene Nobre in her final comments.

The closing ceremony of the meeting was very moving. Mr. Marques, president of the USSC, expressed his gratitude to all



To see more photos from this event, please visit the SSB web site at www.ssbaltimore.org. And to order a DVD contact the USSC at www.usspiritistcouncil.com.

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II Annual Spiritist Retreat

What an enriching opportunity! Those will certainly be memories for a lifetime. Some of the highlights of our two-day retreat were: (1) *integration of SSB Spiritist workers/volunteers;* (2) *exchange of experiences with Spiritist workers/volunteers from other Spiritist centers in the U.S.;* (3) *review of the importance of teamwork and self-awareness of our unique task;* (4) *unveiling the DNA of a happy Spiritist worker/volunteer;* (5) *insights on how to overcome the "obsessor factor";* (6) *building together interesting Spiritist approaches to treat depression, grief, addiction, low self-esteem and family issues;* (7) *revelation of participants' artistic ability and skills;* (8) *special tips and suggestions on how to be a more culturally-fit spiritist worker/volunteer.*

May we continue performing our unique task counting on one another always!

Some Testimonials (II- Annual Spiritist Retreat)

Harmony Farm was the site of the 2nd annual retreat for the Spiritist Society of Baltimore. My arrival on Saturday in time for breakfast turned out to be the perfect beginning to a very productive and enjoyable retreat.

All day Saturday was filled with activities that helped us to get to know each other better, to flesh out our unique talents, skills and abilities and to determine just how deeply we can involve ourselves in the service of others through love and in the framework of Spiritism.

We were able to delineate the unique approaches that will be critical in bringing others to an understanding of Spiritism, as well as to take a good hard look at ourselves as workers, practitioners and volunteers. The design of the retreat was great for getting us to work together in various groups named after notable Americans such as Abraham Lincoln, Clara Barton, Ben Franklin, Abigail Adams, and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. This retreat turned out to be a real "party with a purpose." I say that because the food, the games, movies and exercises turned out to be a really great time. Both my sense of purpose and of love was heightened and expanded.

I came away from this weekend with a new sense of purpose and direction of my spiritual life in service to others with like minded people who just happen to be Spiritists.

- by Margo Johnson

Few times in life we have the opportunity of spending quality time among those that share our thoughts and beliefs. During the weekend of October 20 to 22, we were able to gather in a harmonious group to improve our skills and to discuss better ways to spread Spiritism in the USA. The gathering was made possible by the impeccable organization of the members of the Spiritist Society of Baltimore, Inc., and to the kind and generous help of Judith and Kevin Campbell, who gratuitously offered her farm in Maryland for the weekend.

It is difficult to express in words what happened there, particularly because we, spiritists, know quite well that things go beyond the limits of our physical eyes.

The name of the farm, Harmony Farm, actually describes quite well the atmosphere of peace and friendship that we all enjoyed there.

On Saturday, the day was dedicated to diverse spiritist activities, which were developed in rotating groups. On Sunday, we had a special seminar with Nara Venditti, PhD about *Eliminating Cultural Barriers*. We would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to the spirit of generosity, duty and service that the SSB has been demonstrating since their formation in the dissemination of the Spiritist Thought in this country. We are sure that long lasting friendship were developed among all participants.

-by Jussara and Joao Korngold

Tucked away in the bucolic fall scenery of Harmony Farms, all who attended the Second Annual Spiritist retreat enjoyed ourselves and are ever so grateful for the generosity of our brother and sister Judith Campbell and her husband for the use of their retreat center. All the activities were centered around a common theme, what it means to be a good, active Spiritist worker or practitioner, even volunteer if you will. Once we defined ourselves and realized what keeps us from being our true selves as God intended, we are open to share with others the good news of Spiritism and help bring about the transformation of the American spirituality. We learned that the DNA of a good Spiritist worker will release the hold of a strong ego and self-sacrificially work for the common good. And it is the challenge of our faith in God and commitment to each other to find what piece of the puzzle make us tick complementarily with the rest of the group. We can certainly identify with those we have a lot in common and also find ways to work well with those who differ from us. Such was illustrated all weekend long. We also shared Spiritist approaches to everyday problems, such as depression, grief, addiction low self-esteem and family issues working out improvised skits, doing PowerPoint presentations, singing and distributing pamphlets. There is talent in SSB and the New York Spiritist group like you wouldn't believe. Broadway watch out! Finally, we ended the weekend with a day-long seminar on how we can become culturally savvy enough to introduce Spiritist values to others and how to make the average person who walks through our doors feel good about something that can transform their lives for the better.

When we have a clearer understanding of God's will for our all our lives, to evolve in each life-time, be free of obsession and be faithful to help suffering souls, we will know what Kardec meant when he wrote over 200 years ago about humanity's transformation being complete. America is waiting my friends and the time is ripe, now.....

- by Jackie Cho



The second annual Spiritist retreat held on October 21 -22, 2006 was a momentous event. I have waited years to commune with people of loving hearts and like minds committed to advancing the great work of Jesus Christ, our mentor. How grateful I was to share in creating

a venue for like-minded people to brainstorm on issues crucial to our personal development and spiritual growth. Workshops on topics examining depression, family issues, grief, low self-esteem and the role of Spiritism in helping people manage these concerns were an integral part of the retreat. The focus on dealing with the self in advancing Spiritist views was both enlightening and instructive. Affirming my belief in the spirit world and the teachings of Allan Kardec, in a safe haven with others who shared my views, was invigorating. I anxiously await next years' retreat!

- by Mary Tandia



"The Spiritist retreat weekend on October 21-22 at Harmony Farm was a truly enriching and harmonious event. The event which gathered people from different centers, towns and backgrounds in order to learn together and share experiences proved very positive. Also beneficial was the opportunity of expanding our networks of people who come together in the interest of developing themselves and spreading the philosophy

found in the works signed by Allan Kardec. At the end of it, we have realized that the amount of people sharing our beliefs and goals is much larger than that which we see in our own groups every week, giving a boost in the confidence and effort that each one of us puts into working towards the spreading of spiritism and expanding its fraternal links among the centers."

- by Danny Claudio

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Cont. Testimonials

What a beautiful and peaceful weekend! The second annual retreat was a renewal in the foundation and philosophy of Spiritism! To revisit the principles and reflect on the dissemination of Spiritism energized me with excitement!

Though there was much work to be done, we found time to laugh and share beautiful, happy memories. Janete learned to think and speak fast in the "Taboo board game," Daniel and Val learned what an "A-S-2" is (Angel Second Class), and Jackie worked on her theater skills by being an obsessed alcoholic who finds help in Spiritism! I also met wonderful new friends from the New York and Rockville, MD centers who gave me hope of the growing presence of Spiritism across America.

Our speaker, Nara Venditti, also pointed out the importance of cultural barriers being dissolved through understanding and education. This is not only a task for those here who came from other countries, but for those American-born as well. We should acknowledge humanity's importance through our respect and compassion for others.

This weekend's retreat was a gift - thank you!

- by Becky Stafford



We would like to express our deepest gratitude to the SSB for having offered us the opportunity to join their weekend retreat at the beautiful and tranquil setting of Harmony Farm. As with other SSB events, the retreat reflected intensive planning focused on the central themes of propelling the evolution and expansion of the Spiritist movement in the United States. Passing the weekend in the intimate, fraternal company of fellow Spiritists from the SSB and other Spiritual centers around the country elevated the joy of the occasion.

One highlight of the weekend workshops for us included the detailed group discussion of the unique challenges of being a Spiritist in the United States, which focused on the importance of spreading the movement to the mainstream population. Another favorite workshop involved working in teams to identify obstacles that we encounter in our quest to being good Spiritists, and brainstorming solutions to overcome these barriers.

The SSB weekend retreat provided us a valuable opportunity to expand our network of Spiritist friends and clarified our responsibilities as Spiritists living in the United States. We look forward to integrating these gifts into our daily lives. God bless.

- by Chris and Djanira Murchinson



WHAT IS TO BE SPIRITUAL?

Nowadays, it is fashion to say "I'm spiritual." But what is to be spiritual? In a nutshell, to be spiritual is to be open to the ins and outs of our true reality, as spirits. It is to feel ourselves as spirits living an incarnate life. The implications are great. It changes our perspective.

But who is invited to be spiritual? We all are. But, many are invited and few are chosen, the saying goes. But why? Because the choice comes at our own pace. Little by little, each one of us is called to realize our greatest insight: the insight of being an immortal spirit. The people that we know today will not disappear with death. Instead, they will keep on living and we will meet them again. That is the reason why Christ suggested that we should make friends and reconcile with the enemy as we walk with them. After all, life doesn't end for anyone.

The spiritual person learns the value of each and every second as the ultimate opportunity to interact with a fascinating world of hopeful possibilities. Love and kindness become our motto. Neither fear, nor doubt remains in the heart of the spiritual person, because of the assurance that God is always present, loving and kind.

Let us get off the ground and be spiritual!

- by Vanessa Anseloni

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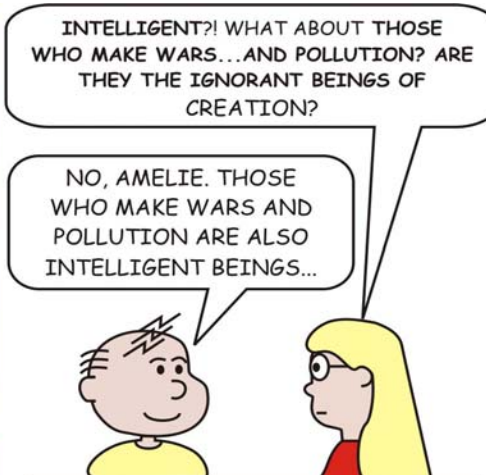
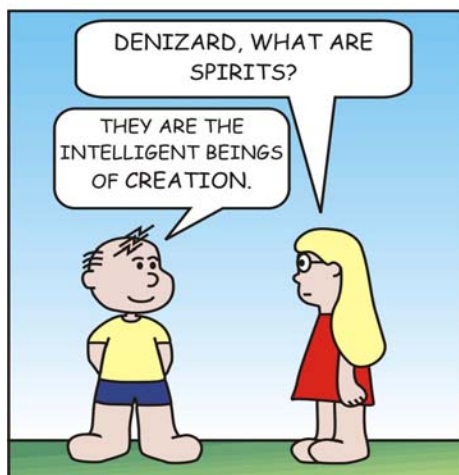
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EVENTS in the U.S.

Workshop Series on Spiritism in Boston, MA

On September 8, 2006, the Allan Kardec Spiritist Society of Massachusetts launched their Workshop Series on Spiritist Thought in the English speaking language. Vanessa Anseloni, *PsyD, PhD* was invited to give a keynote address on *The Medical-Psychological Spiritist View on Depression*. Americans and Brazilians gathered together to celebrate the beginning of a new phase in the AKSS-MA's works. Last October 13, Jussara Korngold, BS, MBA, gave a workshop on *Life in the Spirit World*, when she brought in new insights on the spiritual communities that are devoted to goodness. Next November 10, Judith Peterschmitt, MD, PhD will give a workshop on *Health and Spirituality*.

I Auta de Souza Fraternal Meeting in Marlborough, MA

The 'Workers of the Last Hour' Spiritist Group sponsored the I Auta de Souza Fraternal Meeting on September 17 in the Holiday Inn Hotel, in Marlborough, MA. The main theme of the meeting was the spiritist view on Life through discussions on the topics of Abortion, Euthanasia, Suicide and Capital Punishment. On the day before the event, Spiritist workers from other States as well as from the region, gather together to discuss the *Role of Spiritism in America*. The meeting was dedicated to the illustrious Brazilian poet Ms. Auta de Souza, who inspired Chico Xavier to write beautiful poems. In September 1948, Divaldo Franco launched a charitable work to help elderly and disabled people in Salvador, Bahia - Brazil inspired by the Spirit Auta de Souza. (see some pictures below)



USSC General Assembly



According to the USSC's Bylaws, the next United States Spiritist Council (USSC) General Assembly will be held on Sunday, November 12th, at 10:00 AM. For more information visit the USSC website at:

www.usspiritistcouncil.com

II International Spiritist Meeting in Miami, FL

On September 8-10, the Spiritist Center Jose de Luz sponsored the II International Spiritist Meeting in Miami, FL. The acclaimed medium and speaker Divaldo Franco and representatives of Argentina, Cuba, Panama, Colombia, Guatemala, France, Brazil and USA presented talks on the scientific, philosophic and religious aspects of Spiritism. The three-day event was a great success! (see some pictures below)



AKES/USSC Ambassador Program

The Allan Kardec Educational Society (AKES), a non-profit educational organization based in Philadelphia, PA and The United States Spiritist Council (USSC) are pleased to announce an exciting training program for public speakers.

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WHEN: Introductory Session: **November 3-5, 2006**
Intermediate Session: Spring 2007

WHERE: Dallas, TX

For additional information, please contact Daniel Benjamin, (714) 469-7922, ambassador_20_20@yahoo.com or Sonia Doi at sdoi@usuhs.mil

Allan Kardec Spiritist Society of Massachusetts (AKSS-MA)

invites you to the III Spiritist Conference of Massachusetts on Nov 19, 2006. General Theme: "**Invitation to Love & Reason**". Speakers: Raul Teixeira, PhD, Vanessa Anseloni, PhD, Judith Peterschmidt, MD, PhD and Rômulo Fanni, LL.M. For more Information visit AKSS-MA web site at: www.akssma.com

The Christian Spiritist Study Center of Pompano Beach, FL is sponsoring and organizing a *Training for Spiritist Public Speakers* conducted by Vanessa Anseloni. This training session will help current Spiritist Speakers to learn how to adapt their public speaking skills to the American public. All other interest persons are invited to participate even if not related to public speaking. For more info. go to: www.kardec.com

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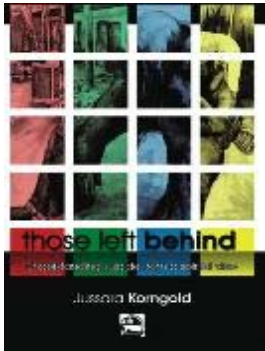


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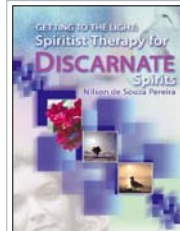
NEW RELEASE



Those Left Behind: Understanding Suicide from a Spiritist View

by **Jussara Korngold**

This is the first book in English to examine suicide from a Spiritist viewpoint. With extensive research, author Jussara Korngold follows the steps of noted Spiritist Allan Kardec to illuminate classic Spiritist attitudes toward suicide. If you have endured the trauma of a loved one taking his or her own life, *Those Left Behind* will console and comfort to help you find answers you need to some of your most difficult questions. - To order this book send an e-mail to: sab-books@sgny.org



Getting to the Light: Spiritist Therapy for Discarnate Spirits

by **Nilson de Souza Pereira**

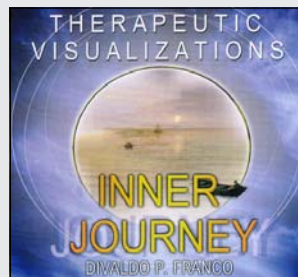
This small book offers objective guidelines about the therapeutic approach to troubled discarnate spirits according to Spiritism. It's strongly recommended to anyone interested in (1) understanding the dynamics of spirit intervention; (2) using Spiritist therapy for the good of humankind; and/ or (3) serving as a Spirit counselor or psychotherapist. (35 pages) - Published in collaboration with SSB.

Therapeutic Visualizations – Inner Journey (CD)

"Live in a way that you leave enlightening footprints in your pathway as if they were stars pointing out the pathway to happiness." - *Joanna de Ângelis*.

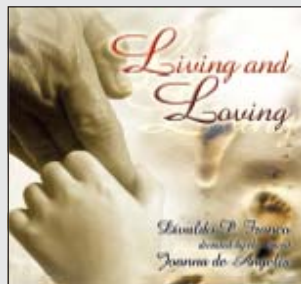
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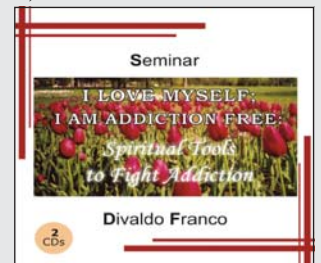
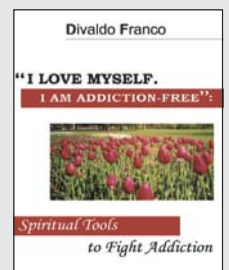


These books/CDs are available for purchase at [SSB bookstore](http://SSBbookstore.org) online. The production of these materials is a fruit of collaboration between SSB and the "Mansion of the Way"

"I love myself, I am addiction-free": SPIRITUAL TOOLS TO FIGHT ADDICTION

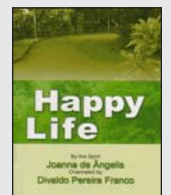
Bilingual book (English - Portuguese) and CD (English). Seminar given by the renowned medium *Divaldo Franco* in Baltimore, MD - USA, 2005

The seminar covered true stories about drug addiction; family issues in drug-addiction; and genetic, psychosocial, socioeconomic and spiritual issues that induce addiction. Divaldo Franco explored academic and spiritual therapies from a Spiritist perspective. He placed special emphasis on the role of education as a critical factor for the health of the whole person. (CD voices: *Greg Stewart* and *Vanessa Anseloni*)



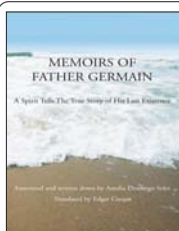
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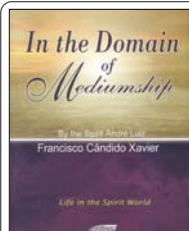


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by **F. Candido Xavier** and the Spirit *Andre Luiz*

In this book, Andre Luiz analyzes the various aspects of mediumship, emphasizing the efforts of mediums faithful to the spiritual mandate received prior to their reincarnation. He also warns of the risks involved in the poor interchange between the two worlds. Published by the ISC, translated by Jussara Korngold. - To order this book write to: sab-books@sgny.org

Special Talk

THOSE LEFT BEHIND: A Spiritual View on Suicide

by Jussara Korngold

Saturday, Nov 11, 2006
8pm - 9:30pm



Jussara Korngold, BS, MBA, is the founder-president of the **Spiritist Group of New York** and the Spiritist Alliance for Books, located in Manhattan, NY. She is second generation Spiritist from Brazil, and has been translating and writing Spiritist materials and books since 1993.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

2006 WORKSHOP SERIES

Sep 30 - A Medical/Psychologic-Spiritist View of Depression
Oct 28 - Do Spirits influence our lives?
Nov 18 - Aging well
Dec 02 - Who is my Model?

Free Admission !!!

Activities for CHILDREN (above 4 years old) are provided, while parents are at Workshop
Time:

7:30 PM - 9:15 PM

OUR SERVICE LOCATION

SpiritWorks Resource Center
1300 York Rd - Building C, 3rd Floor
Lutherville, MD 21093



WATCH IT

every Saturday
from 7:30PM

at:

www.ssbaltimore.org

2006 Calendar (special events)

JANUARY

14-Training for Spiritist Speakers (Course)
28- Indigo and Crystal Children:
A Spiritist View (Special Workshop)

MARCH

4 - Spiritism 101 (Course)
9- Training Program (God and Us)
11- SSB General Assembly
16- SPECIAL SEMINAR with Divaldo Franco and Raymond Moody Jr. MD, PhD
25- Sex and Destiny (Special Workshop)

MAY

11- Training Program (Sleep and Dreams)
13 - Educational Fundraiser
20- Parenthood for Modern Times (Special Workshop)

JULY

13 Training Program (Reincarnation)
15- Art in Action: mediumistic painting with
Maria Gertrudes
29-Am I a medium? How? Why? (Special Workshop)

SEPTEMBER

28- Training Program (Spiritual Intervention in the Incarnate World)
30-A Medical/Psychologic-Spiritist View of Depression (Special Workshop)

NOVEMBER

14- Training Program (Hopes and Solaces)
18- Aging Well (Workshop)

FEBRUARY

25- Adolescence and Spirituality (Special Workshop)

APRIL

13-Movie Discussion: What the Bleep do we know (Special Activity)
22- Training on "Passes" (course)
29- Healing Through Reincarnation (Special Workshop)

JUNE

08- Book Discussion: The Messengers (Special Activity)
24- Forgive and be healthier... but how? (Special Workshop)

AUGUST

10- Movie Discussion: Just like Heaven
19- Fun with family -Picnic (Fundraiser)
26- Evolution in Two Worlds: Material evolution driven by Spiritual Conscience (Special Workshop)

OCTOBER

12- Book Discussion: Emmanuel's book (Special Activity)
21-22 - II-Spiritist Retreat
28- Do Spirits influence our lives? (Workshop)

DECEMBER

2- Who is my model? (workshop)
9- Art & Spirituality Event (Fundraiser)
16 Special Talk - TBA

JOIN OUR ACTIVITIES

STUDY GROUP ON SPIRITISM

These meetings take place every **Thursday** from 8:00 to 9:30PM for the study on Spiritism. They are open to the general public.

FRATERNAL COUNSELING & SPIRITUAL TREATMENT

These services are offered every **Monday** from 7:00-7:45PM.

Meditation with Kardec

Every Saturday 7-8 PM,
except on the day of our monthly workshops

Mediumship Educational Meetings (by invitation only)

These meetings take place every **Monday** from 8:00 PM to 9:30PM for the study and practice of mediumship according to Spiritism.

Please, contact us for more info.
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Activities are free of charge !!!