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What Is a Paranormal Spirit Attachment?



Spirit attachment has been known about by mediums and psychics for a very long time but is only now coming into the limelight mainly due to the increase in paranormal investigations. Spirit attachment is basically just what it says. A living person has the energy or spirit of a dead person/entity attached to them. Many are parasitic, some malevolent others are benign. There are also the few rare cases where it is alleged that spirits have attached to people who then are able to do things they had no talent for previously such as writing music, painting, drawing, writing poetry, and so on. In most cases attachments range from being temporary and unpleasant to long-term and terrifying. There are also physical and mental health complications.

There can be many reasons why a spirit attachment occurs but the most common reasons are given below:

Many earthbound spirits attach simply because they find comfort in re-living some of the physical aspects of life. Others are confused and don't realize they are dead and want to get close to a living person. In this case they are often trying to contact the living for help. These attachments might be deliberate or happen without the spirit realizing what it's doing. In these cases the spirits don't usually have any intention of harming the person they are attached to.

Other spirits and entities deliberately seek out the energy of living people. They are known by many names and basically they feed on the energy given off by people in the physical world. For spirits to do this, the easiest way is to take the huge resources of a living person and drain the energy away from them very much like a parasite. Indeed many of these energy stealing manifestations are called psychic vampires. In addition, the most common type of spirit who is both determined and strong enough to latch on are usually malevolent. They not only want energy but enjoy creating havoc with their host and those around them.

It seems that although earthbound human spirits are the main offenders when it comes to attachment they are not the only form of spirit or force that does this. Firstly, there could be energies from perhaps the mind/sub-conscious that are focused and externalized. Many famous occultists have actually achieved this using mental exercises and meditation. The resulting energy is known as a Tulpa. It's also interesting to note that quite a number of group experiments into the power of the mind have seemingly been able to create a group mind energy that responded to questions.

Earthbound spirits

Basically these are human spirits who are either trapped or have chosen to stay close to the physical dimension. The reasons some do remain are numerous. Many are traumatized and distressed people. Others are malevolent and choose to stay around the earth plane seemingly enjoying the havoc and fear they cause. It's not unknown for these negative spirits to pretend to be demonic and so on, when in fact they are not. However, they are still dangerous and it's always wise to have protection before investigating a location that has these types of spirit.

Non human entities

Spirit energies that have not incarnated into the physical realm. Some seem to be benign. Many are strange and unknown but not necessarily negative. The most common forms or the frequent names given to non-human entities are shadows, shadow people and demons.

Elementals

These spiritual beings are often confused with other entities and are frequently and unfairly given a bad name. Basically an elemental is a spirit being that belongs to one of the four classic elements – fire, air, water or earth. Whereas human beings are complicated, the elementals are much more simplistic. Neither are they a spirit form such as a human in the afterlife. Their natural state is in spirit.

Unfortunately for them, elementals are frequently attracted to the human energy fields. In their original form, elementals are certainly not evil. They are often invoked in negative occult practices where they are used, abused and then become distorted and warped. In addition, in places where people have committed extreme violence, abuse, and evil thoughts, elementals who unwittingly absorb these energies can, through no fault of their own, become monstrous. It needs a very loving and caring cleansing to remove the elemental back to its natural form.



Many elementals unfortunately end up in the lower astral planes due to being corrupted by humans. So basically any positive ritual or prayer that is used to release a person from the elemental should also help this spiritual being as well. The most famous elemental is alleged to reside in Leap Castle in Ireland where it has become a dark and distorted image of its original self. Many put forward the theory that murder and other evil acts carried out at the castle centuries ago, are responsible for this unfortunate elemental 'being trapped in its present state. It does appear to people and its often accompanied by a horrible stench. People also report intense feelings of being watched and strong impressions of dread or evil.



Urban Legend

The Pine Barrens

New Jersey

The Pine Barrens in New Jersey, encompass over 1.1 million acres of preserved woodland. Sprawling over seven counties, the piece of land has many associated legends and tales. The story is that the Pine Barrens are home to the Jersey Devil. It started in 1735 when a woman, known as Mrs. Leeds, gave birth to her 13th infant baby.

The child transformed into a winged devil, seen as a grotesque flying beast, with cloven hoofs for feet, a goat's head and haunches, a forked tail, and massive wings. For nearly 200 years, the creature has supposedly roamed the haunted forest.

Along with an incredible assortment of ghost towns within its parameters, this heavily forested stretch of the state is also known for an abundance of ghosts. It is home to the famous Jersey Devil. With these saturated claims, many national publications have listed this scenic spot among the most haunted places in the country.

The Jersey Devil made his first original appearance in the early 19th century. Reports of its early sighting date back specifically to 1820 when Joseph Bonaparte claimed to have witnessed the Jersey Devil on his Bordentown estate. The creature was blamed for livestock killings in the 1840s and again in the 1920s.

Escalated reports of the sighting, considered to create a historical panic, occurred around 1909 when 100s witnessed the monster just in January! The terrified residents would not leave their homes, with schools and the local mill closing for several days. Today, many avoid the Pine Barrens or warn their children not to swim in the Blue Hole. It is believed this is where the Jersey Devil lurks.

The Jersey Devil is accompanied by a volume of reported phantoms. A ghost of a small boy is said to haunt the Atco area. Many say he was a victim of a hit and run, and roams Burnt Mill Road still searching for his killer.

Drive down the road at night with your lights turned off. If you see a boy running for his ball, you have spotted him!

A spirit, known as James Still roams the Pine Barrens too. As an African American physician during the time of slavery, he was lynched when locals found that he was practicing medicine. Many say that he is a friendly ghost, assisting those lost or injured in the area.

Other ghosts include that of a blonde woman, white stag, black dog, and the spirits of maimed workers could be found lingering these cursed parcels. One of the favorite haunts is that of a headless spirit of a famous pirate, Captain Kidd.



The Bangor House

Bangor, Maine

The Boston Strangler terrorized the city of Boston in the 1960s, murdering over ten women. He was later identified as Albert DeSalvo and arrested. A few months after his detainment, an eerily similar murder took place a few states away. Effie MacDonald, an employee of the Bangor House went missing and was later found murdered in an unrented room. She had been strangled and sexually assaulted, much like the victims of the Boston Strangler. This crime was deemed to be unrelated, and is consequently unsolved. The question remains, did they get the right man?

Even to a skeptic, some of these stories are hard to explain away. When one person tells of a supernatural experience, it is easy to ignore. When multiple people experience the same thing at the same place, it begins to seem as though something larger is occurring. From the history that these hotels hold in their walls, it's no surprise that these entities were trapped. Buildings are not evil, but the spirits who reside in them may be.

The Comedy Store

Los Angeles, California



Before the world famous Comedy Store was a breeding place for countless brilliant comedians, it was a mob hangout for Ciro's in the 40s and 50s. Now it's said to be haunted by several hit men, as well as a woman who performed illegal abortions in the downstairs lounge and a woman who died getting one of those abortions. There are at least five distinct ghost entities that have been reported at the Comedy Store, including one that is said to have heckled Sam Kinison.

Often when Kinison was on stage performing, strange problems occurred with the audio. Electrical issues arose as well. As he talked into the mike, strange hisses were broadcast over the room's speakers. One witness stated that it sounded as if someone was angrily saying, "It's him" over and over again.

One night Kinison finally fed up with this strange activity challenged the ghost. As he finished his set, Kinison told the spirit he needed to stop playing around and that it should make an appearance. Right after he finished this statement, the crowd gasped as the lights in the entire club went out, and they found themselves in complete darkness.

An upstairs area of the comedy club housed a piano that was frequently heard being played with nobody there. Club waitresses would set and dress candles on club tables only to come back and find them rearranged.

A former security guard once claimed to have seen audience chairs mysteriously slide across the floor unassisted, as well as lights flickering on and off. Even once, a stack of chairs left their position and were supernaturally stacked in the center of the room without a sound.

Supposedly, the Hollywood mafia made sinister deals down in the basement of Ciro's decades earlier and their shady dealings and possible deaths committed there have attributed to the supernatural activity in the Comedy Store today.

Other instances of paranormal activity include extreme cold spots in the common room and weird reports by waitresses, who say tables will re-set silverware behind their backs and lights that are turned on are turned right back off. There is also the mysteriously nonexistent Line 31, on which employees will receive calls from an unknown entity that is breathing heavily. Most people who have investigated the Comedy Store have found the activity to be from a prankster spirit of some kind as no real malevolent activity has ever occurred there.

St. Louis Cathedral

New Orleans, Louisiana



Louisiana is one of the country's most infamous states when it comes to the supernatural. It is one of the oldest churches around and has a breathtaking view. Well-known personalities in history, such as voodoo queen Marie Laveau and french socialite Delphine Lalaurie, are just two of the many devoted people to set foot in here.

St. Louis Cathedral has a long and storied history in New Orleans. Untold hundreds of thousands of people have spent time here. Perhaps St. Louis Cathedral's role of the heart of the community has led to so many ghosts being seen here.

Prior to the newest construction of St. Louis Cathedral, the Cathedral itself was used to bury some of New Orleans' most prominent citizens and members of the Church. When you visit St. Louis Cathedral you're walking right over one of New Orleans' earliest cemeteries. Perhaps some of the ghosts which reportedly haunt St. Louis Cathedral as those of the men and women buried beneath the Cathedral itself.

The most famous ghost associated with the St. Louis Cathedral is that of Pere Antoine. His ghost is easily recognized, as there is a portrait of him inside the Cathedral. Another famous ghost would be that of Pere Dagobert. People have seen the ghost of Dagobert walking the aisles of the Cathedral, his head down to the ground, walking silently in sandals.

Delphine LaLaurie and Marie Laveau are said to be two of the many entities walking among the living in the cathedral. People have also witnessed the apparitions of 6 men who were executed on the church grounds.

Castle Stuart

Scotland



Built in 1561 by James Stuart who is Mary Queen of Scot's half-brother, Castle Stuart is said to be one of the most haunted castles in Scotland.

There are numerous ghost stories that have circulated around Castle Stuart but the most common dates back to the 18th century. Legend has it that the Early of Moray inherited the castle and wanted to rent it out but had difficulties doing this due to rumors of a headless man who tormented the servants of the castle. In attempts to prove the castle was not haunted, he offered a reward to four local men who were willing to spend the night with the door locked the entire night.

The first three men, a minister, an Elder in the Presbyterian Church, and a Shoemaker all reported haunted dreams and sightings of a blood-spattered or dark figured man in the room. The fourth visitor, Rob Angus, a stocky Scottish man who claimed to be afraid of nothing, was found dead lying on the ground. A sheep farmer claimed that he heard loud screams and witnesses a light on in one of the castle's windows where he can see the body of Rob Angus explode through the glass. The farmer claimed that he saw hideous face was grinning down at him that he believed to be the devil.

Other paranormal activities include ghostly cries, shouts, and the sound of crying coming from hidden rooms within the castle. Most recently, builders working on the castle reported hearing strange noises, feeling cold hands pushing at them and finding their tools smashed, and broken after leaving them unattended.



ANGELIC MESSAGES From Beyond

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DO ANIMALS HAVE ANGELS?

Animals are Gods greatest creation. Dogs are man's best friend and what would a Witch be without a cat. How would we know what it's like to feel free like riding horseback on a beautiful golden beach.

The birds show us the power of flight and pet fish show us there garden in a water tank that is a beautiful picture of the sea.

Animals can see ghosts. They can not tell us, but have you ever seen your pet stare at something that's not there ?

Cats are the Gods of the Animal Kingdom and dogs are named after God. Dog spelt backwards is God. This is a huge statement God is making to name a dog after his own name backwards.

Animals have spirit guides, just like humans do, for God is so beautiful he has his army of beautiful Angels on Earth for his animals to. Not just people have guardian angels.

If a animal is not feeling well, there angel may lead them to eat grass or make their owner aware there pet is not well.

Many people do have a connection with their pets and can understand through the animal's body language and the pets eyes what they are saying.


This is a special gift to have and some Clairvoyants can even channel deceased animals or pets that may come through in a reading, that are guardian angels on earth for their owners that they had to sadly leave behind. For everyone has a time of death, no one can escape the next phase of life's cycle.

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WHERE SPIRITS COME TO LIFE



Haunted Salem

Where the Dead Educate the Living

9 More Nurses Share Their Scariest Paranormal Encounters



1. The Sleep Experiment

Most very old hospitals, at one time our hospital was run by nuns. One particular unit had been converted into a sleep study lab area for outpatients tests. One shift in the middle of the night I was watching the video monitor and five patients simultaneously began removing their monitoring equipment. I went into the first room to ask what was going on and the patient said that old nurse with the cap on told her the study was over and that she could leave. All the patients reported the same story.

2. They Come Out With Bitemarks

My mom is a nurses aid in a old folk's care facility. She is constantly seeing shadows and things move and it has become the norm for her.

She is afraid to go into one of the rooms because something is always hurting the old people that enter it. They have come out with bite marks, scratches, and broken bones. They think the old people go in there and do it to themselves but a few of the old people report that a big dark man was hurting them.

3. The Pain Medication Trick

I used to work on a surgical ward that was a ward for returning POWs after Vietnam. One side of the ward was used as a same day surgery unit and the other half was an impatient ward. At night, the same day surgery side was locked up and no one was over there.

Several times, between 1-4 am, the same day side would have patient call buttons go off. Random times but usually the same 3 out of 5 rooms and in the same beds. Frequently, our storage room, not used for patient care in years, would have the most amount of call buttons going off. It would happen several times a night.

The hospital admissions staff came over and asked why there were people moaning in the rooms next door. When they were told there were no patients in that room and no one had used that room in

years, they got creeped out and would run past that room. Watching all this gave me an idea.

One night the call buttons went off 7 or 8 times in a row. I was tired of getting the keys and going into the same creepy dark room several times in this one night. I stood near an empty bed and told the air that I was giving the patient something for pain. Then I said that I hoped they felt better, said good night, locked the door and went back to the other side of the ward. It quit going off that night after that.

I knew others had this same issue and told them to try the pain medication trick, and eventually, we would give the patient(s) pain medication on the first call and it would be quiet for the rest of the night. Other times we wouldn't do it and the button would go off multiple times a night.

Don't know if it was truly ghosts or an electrical glitch. But it only happened at night.

4. The Little Boy With a Cast on His Arm

Before my days as a nurse I was a housekeeper at a hospital that was about 400 beds. We had this one unit, 4 North that was basically an overflow unit/unofficial hospice. Now most of the time the unit was closed on the weekends. The nurses there would float to the adjacent units. If the unit was closed for the night, I basically had to go through pull any trash left over from day shift, and clean bathrooms.

Now, at the end of the hallway there is a family break room. So I'm going through pulling trash, and I see a kid at the end of the hallway. He's about 5-7 years old, black hair, and his right arm is in a cast. Once I notice him, he goes down into the lounge. I figured that a family was on another unit and they were taking him to a closed lounge so he could run around and burn off some energy. So I'm working my way down the hallway, pulling trash and I get to the lounge. It's empty. Totally empty. No one passed me going down the hallway. At this point I'm pretty freaked out and I'm trying to convince myself that a family passed me that I didn't see.

I haul my cart out of their and find a nurse that normally worked on 4 north. I told her my story, and she replied that the floor was indeed haunted. I avoided taking that shift whenever I could in the future.

5. He's Right Behind You

Used to work in a skilled nursing facility. I was usually assigned to the Alzheimer's ward. One night I'm in the linen room stocking my cart, and I heard someone shuffle up behind me, then I felt a hand on my shoulder. I turned around and there was no one else in the room. The door was still shut too.

Another lady started to complain that a man was coming into her room at night (again, Alzheimer's so I didn't think much of it) so to reassure her, I told her I'd check on her throughout the night. She complained of this man for every night for 2 more weeks when I asked her to describe him to me.

"He's real handsome, and wears a black suit. Oh. He's right behind you now, honey."

That freaked me out. Of course there was no one behind me. She died the next night in her sleep.

6. "Don't Let Me Go Back There"

When my mom worked as an E.R. nurse a guy came in from a car accident and was losing blood. In the midst of resuscitation, the man jolts awake and screams "Don't let me go back there! Please, please, please don't let me go back!" A few seconds later they lost him.

7. The Whistling Ghost

Worked at a hospital doing transport for a couple of years. The transport home base was in the basement of the hospital, where all the laundry is done and supplies are also sorted there. I hated working late nights after this incident.

On this particular night, I was the only one in the basement when I heard whistling at the end of the hallway by the elevator. I poked my head around the corner expecting to see my only coworker on duty that night but there was absolutely no one there. I shrugged it off. I'm not easily spooked.

Nights are slow, so I ate some snacks and hung out in the break room for a bit. Next thing I know, I hear a loud bang. I walked into the hallway and a bed is rolling down the hall bumping into the sides. At this point I think that my coworker is bullshitting me. I radio him and he says he's upstairs in the cafeteria.

Ah, I still don't believe him and think I'll catch him in the act. I walk past the laundry room and the machines start. Pop my head in there expecting to find him but it's completely empty. Okay. Starting to get a little nervous. I walk into the laundry room, and the machines completely stop. I freeze, then run out and head towards the elevator when I hear whistling again. At this point, I know I am the only worker in the basement. As I am standing there waiting for the elevator, things start falling off of the shelves down the hall. Boxes of gloves, tissues, packages of tubes. I am literally standing there watching them fall off one by one at the opposite end of the hallway. My entire body broke out in goosebumps, my hair stood on end and I had this strong gut feeling I was being watched. I was not alone.

As I'm getting into the elevator, I feel what feels like someone brushing my arm. Went upstairs and found my coworker in the cafeteria, freaked out to him. I got out of there and transferred soon after that. The creepy thing to add to it is that I usually whistle mindlessly to myself at work, it was almost as if the spirit was mimicking me. Creepiest feeling ever.

8. The Elevator

A woman I work with tells this story of how she showed up to work early for her shift, around 6:30 a.m., things are pretty much dead quiet. She gets on the empty elevator, hits the button for the 9th floor, elevator goes up to the 11th floor, doors open, no one there, doors close, back down to the 9th floor, as she gets off sees an old woman standing behind her in the elevator.

9. She's Hiding Behind The Curtain Now

I'm a CNA and work in ICU and PCU. We have a lot of older patients who come in and are at most times confused. PCU is a tele floor and we have the monitors out by the nurses station. One of the patients heart rate suddenly started getting higher and higher. I went to go check on her and I asked if she was okay. She said, "well tell that lady to quit staring at me." I looked around and there was no one there. I said, "ma'am there's no one in the room. Just me and you". And she said, "well she's hidding behind the curtain now. She'll stand here and tell me I'm going to die when you leave". I got so freaked out. I told the nurse and she said she had been confused all night. She ended up coding and dying by the end of the shift.

The Hinterkaifeck Massacre

Germany



The Hinterkaifeck Massacre is one of Germany's most puzzling crimes. The events begin in 1921 when a maid quits working for the Gruber family, as she believes the farm is haunted.

Six months later, the entire family and the newly arrived maid are murdered. The killer is never identified.

Late 1921 the family maid at the Hinterkaifeck farm, 70km north of Munich, suddenly quit and gave the most perplexing of reasons, she was scared. She said the farmhouse was haunted and she would no longer work there. This was not good news for the Gruber family, Andreas Gruber and his wife Cazilia, their widowed daughter Viktoria Gabriel and her two children, Cazilia (7) and Josef (2) as they needed the maid to run the day to day domestic duties as they saw to their farm.

However they had to let her go after which they set out to find a replacement. They were unable to find a new maid until the following year and when one finally did arrive she would only work for the Grubers for a few hours.

Before the new maids arrival and the ensuing massacre, several other strange events took place at the farm in March 1922.

Young Cazilia had trouble staying awake in school and one day she was found to be asleep in class. When she was awoken by the teacher and asked why she had been so tired, she told how she had spent the night looking for her mother who had run away into the woods the night before and when she was discovered she was crying uncontrollably.

Also footsteps in the attic were keeping her awake at night but no one believed her.

A few days later Andreas Gruber discovered footprints in the snow leading towards the farmhouse. As he backtracked them he found they had come from the woods. However there was no trail leading back. Andreas rushed to the farmhouse and gave it a thorough search. When he heard footsteps coming from the attic, he grabbed his gun and went for a look but found no one there.

Puzzled, Andreas approached neighboring farms to see if they were having any troubles but all reported things as normal. However one neighbor did remind Andreas of the reason why his maid had quit months beforehand the farm being haunted.

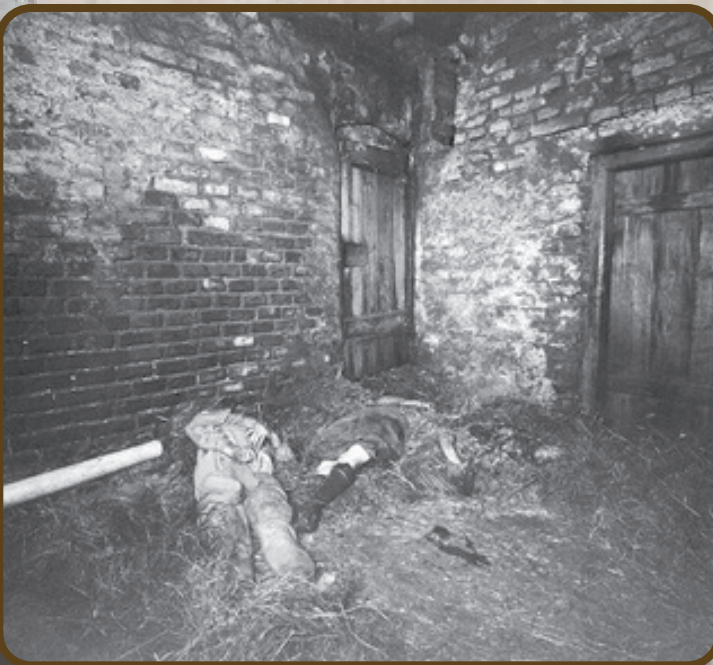
Andreas, being a logical type of person, brushed the suggestion off as foolish and went back to the farmhouse. It was there that he discovered his keys were missing.

It was all very puzzling for the Gruber family and no doubt quite scary for the young children of the household.

On the Friday 31st of March the new maid arrived at the house. Maria Baumgartner may or may not have heard the stories of the apparent haunting of Hinterkaifeck. If she had and was nervous. She would not have to wait very long because in a matter of hours she, along with the entire Gruber family, would all be dead.

For the following couple of days things at the farm seemed to be almost normal to the outside world. Smoke could be seen coming from the chimney and the animals were fed. However, on the following Tuesday, 4th April people started to get worried. Young Cazilia had not turned up to school. The postman noticed the mail was piling up and the neighbors had not seen the Grubers for a number of days.

The neighbors went to investigate and were shocked by what they found. Andreas Gruber, his wife, their daughter, and granddaughter Cazilia were found dead in the barn. They had been stacked on top of each other and lay in their own blood. A search of the house found the youngest of the Grubers, Josef, just two years old, and the new maid also murdered.



On the 5th of April, the day after the bodies were discovered, the autopsies were carried out. Interestingly they were carried out in the barn where most of the victims had been found. The physician was able to identify the weapon as either a pick axe or mattock, however it was believed the killer took it away with them. Also it was determined that the murders had taken place over that Friday night/Saturday morning.

It was also discovered that young Cazilia had lived for several hours after being attacked and that sometime during this period had torn out clumps of her own hair.

With the autopsy complete all of the bodies were decapitated, defleshed, and the skulls sent to Munich where clairvoyants were hoped to use their abilities to give further clues. However, these amounted to nothing.

A picture of the crime was put together. Investigators were able to piece together what most likely had happened on that night.

Those found in the barn had been lured out there somehow, one at a time, only to be assaulted. As more of the family entered they too were killed. Then the killer entered the house where young Josef was next to be killed, before the new maid, arriving just hours earlier, was the last to die.

The Hinterkaifeck Massacre would end up becoming one of Germany's most notorious cold cases. More than 100 suspects were questioned but nothing concrete could be made and no charges were pressed. All leads were dubious at best and there were many puzzling factors.

The motive was not believed to be a robbery, as it seemed all the money and valuables went untouched. Whoever committed the crime was also believed to have stayed at the house for a number of days looking after the cattle and even preparing and eating the Grubers food. If they were after money or other valuables, they had plenty of time to make off with them.

It is said that the murder weapon was eventually found, the farm was partially burned in a fire the following year and was then demolished. A pickaxe, with bloodstains still visible was found in the attic. The police and other investigators had thoroughly searched the entire attic during the initial investigation the year before, as the footsteps the family had heard leading up to the crime were a promising lead. However they never did find the weapon at that time.

The family and the maid were buried near to each other in the Waidhofen graveyard. However the bodies are not whole. The skulls were never returned and were since lost during the fighting and turmoil of world war two.

Many theories have been presented by amateur detectives over the years but by far the most enduring and mysterious is that the deaths were paranormal in nature. Some negative agent or entity being the culprit of murdering the entire family in cold blood.



Lake Shawnee Amusement Park

Rock, West Virginia

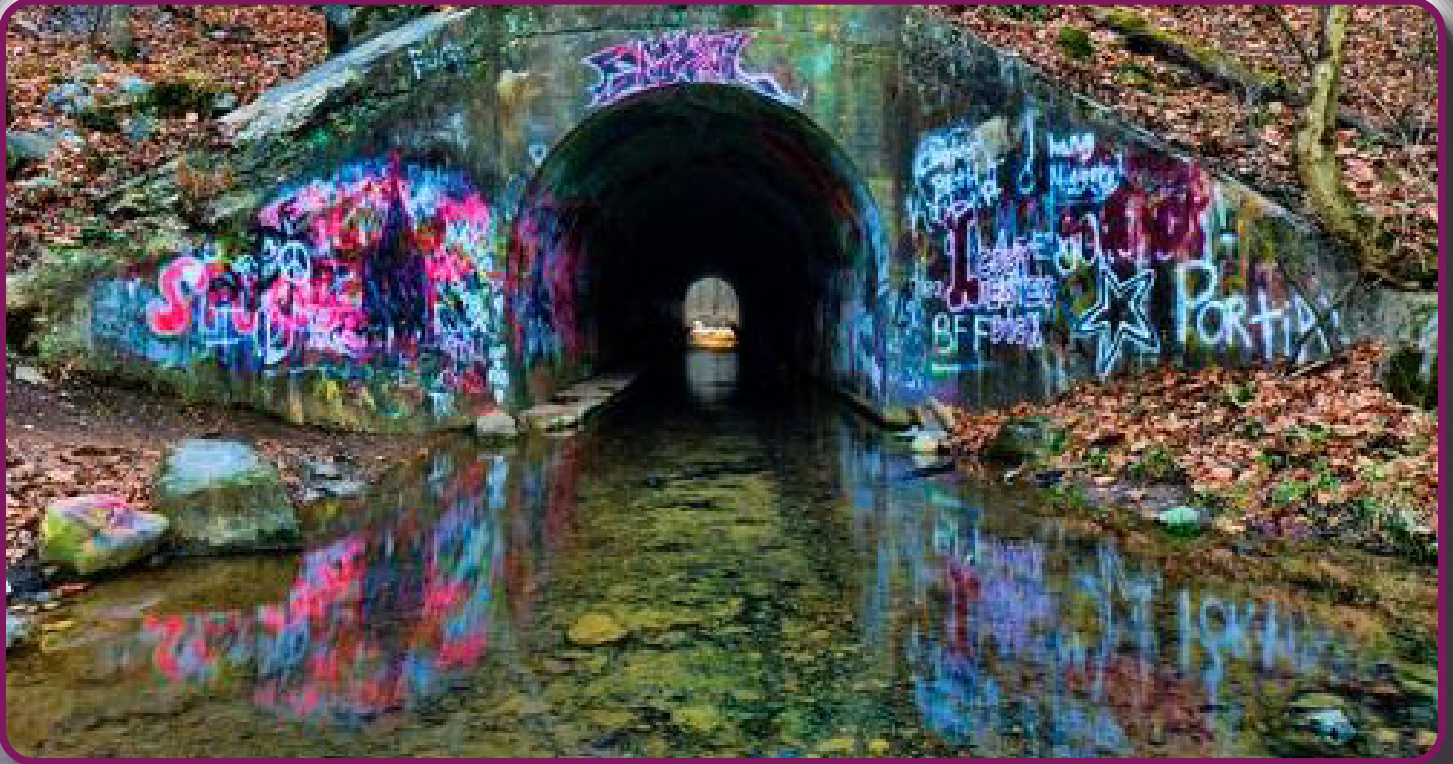


Amusement parks are supposed to be places for fun, where the whole family can enjoy themselves, and while that may certainly be true at the best of times, it certainly seems that these places sure can be some of the creepiest around in death. There just seems to be a certain, palpable sense of dread inspired by abandoned amusement parks. Maybe between the once bright smiling faces of the past now faded and contrasting with the feral, overgrown tangles of brush and hulks of long dead, forgotten machinery presently scattered about that strikes a chord of unease in us. Maybe it is our natural dislike to places that have been forsaken and left to rot. Or perhaps it is something more; something even spookier. One abandoned amusement park in West Virginia, in the United States has such a brutal past and history of misfortune and death that these macabre elements fuse together with its rundown, ragged appearance to make it truly a disturbing place to be. Commonly called the scariest amusement park in the world and one of America's most haunted places, the Shawnee Lake amusement park gives us plenty of reasons to continue to fear these ruined sites of long gone happiness.

Located in Mercer County, West Virginia just a few miles from Princeton, the area where the abandoned Lake Shawnee amusement park sits has a dark and menacing history. The land was long used by the native Shawnee tribe of the region as a burial ground. Archeologists digging here have estimated holds the bodies of perhaps 3,000 people, but this would not be the extent of the death associated with the place. In 1775, a family of white settlers known as the Clays, consisting of the father Mitchell Clay, his wife Phoebe Belcher Clay, and their three children, Bartley, Tabitha, and Ezekial, moved into the remote area and set up a homestead there right over the burial ground. This perhaps unsurprisingly did not sit well with the local Shawnee people, as it was sacred land, and the Clays, who were among the first white people the tribe had ever come across, had just come in and set up shop right over the buried corpses of their kin.

The tribe, angered by the desecration of their land, repeatedly warned the family to leave but the Clays defiantly chose to ignore them. Many people report interactions with the little girl who died on the swings. Because the White family acquired the original swing set when they reopened the park in the 1980s. Her swing is marked by a red ribbon, although she seems to prefer an adjacent swing where an owl ornament hangs down. On a still day, the owl seems to dance in a breeze only it can feel; we watched it shake and spin on an otherwise still day, when not even the leaves in the trees above seemed to move.

The boy who died when he drowned in the lake it also reported to move throughout the park, seemingly preferring the area at the front of the park where he can welcome and protect visitors in a way that he could not protect himself when he was alive. While it may be impossible to separate the suspicious from the supernatural, one thing is for sure: there doesn't seem to be any evil spirits on the property.



Sensabaugh Tunnel

Church Hill, Tennessee

Built in the 1920s, The Sensabaugh Tunnel now stands in a state of disrepair. It is covered in graffiti and the road through it is only used by locals, and even then they prefer to take a different route than pass through the tunnel.

The Sensabaugh Tunnel is notorious because of a murder that occurred in it many years ago. There are several versions of the story but all of them involve a baby. The most widely shared story is that of a hobo who wandered onto the grounds of the Sensabaugh family. They took him in, but he was eventually caught stealing from the family. When he found out about the thievery, Mr Sensabaugh went for his rifle but the hobo lifted the family's baby and used it as a human shield. The homeless man escaped with the baby and once he was a safe enough distance away from the house he drowned the baby in the creek that runs through the tunnel. In another story Mr Sensabaugh went mad and murdered his entire family, including a baby, and dumped their bodies in the creek. Another story tells of a young pregnant woman who was kidnapped and murdered inside the tunnel.

There have been dozens of reports of strange happenings inside the Sensabaugh Tunnel. It is believed that the baby who was murdered still haunts the tunnel. Its cries are said to be heard if you drive inside the tunnel and stop the car when you are halfway through. That can cause a problem though, as it believed that car ignitions will not start once they have been turned off inside the tunnel. As well as baby cries the sounds of a woman screaming have been heard along with heavy footfalls rattling around the tunnel. Mister Sensabaugh is said to appear in the rear-view mirrors of cars when they stop inside the tunnel.

Haunted Salem

Where the Dead Educate the Living

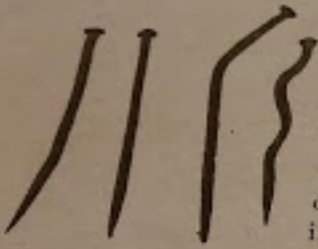


Witch Pins

Salem, Massachusetts

THE CITY OF WITCHES,

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Dear

I have seen the most famous pins in all history. When they tried the witches in Salem two hundred years ago, one of the charges against them was that they stuck pins into persons they hated (on one occasion it is claimed pins were thrust into the lips of a witness in court as she was about to testify against the witches), and these identical pins are still preserved in the court house here, along with other interesting documents and records of the trial. I wish you could see them.

In the late 1800s, many of Salem's businesses and organizations began embracing the city's dark history by including witches in their advertisements and celebrations. Tourists gather to Salem to see artifacts and locations from the Witch Trials of 1692, including a display case at the Essex County Court House that housed, among other items, witch pins. These straight pins were said to be evidence presented during the trials, used to inflict harm by the accused witches during the city's period of hysteria.

The postcard above dates circa 1900-1901 and references the witch pins on display. The exhibit at the Court House was eventually discontinued due to the disappearance of many of the pins. Although the pins once showcased in the Court House are not thought to be original to the trials of 1692, references are made in The Salem Witchcraft Papers (trial transcripts) to straight pins being used by the accused. Below is an excerpt and original manuscript from the trial of Rebecca Nurse.

"The Deposition of Tho: Putman aged about 40. years & Edward Putman aged about. 38. years. witnesseth & saith that having been several times present with Ann Putman jun'r in & after her fits & saw her much afflicted, being bitten, pinched, her limbs distorted, & pins thrust into her flesh, which she charged on Rebekah Nurse that she was the Acter thereof & that she saw her do it..."



Floating Home

In 1899, while touring Texas, Canadian actor Charles Coghlan fell in and died in the city of Galveston. His body was placed in a lead coffin which was sealed and the interred in a vault.

A year later, a severe hurricane hit Galveston, causing much destruction including the cemetery where Coghlan was buried. His coffin was washed out of the vault and out of the cemetery by the raging waters and was carried out to sea.

The coffin drifted for years on the ocean currents, out of the Gulf of Mexico, along the Florida coast, and into the Atlantic Ocean where the Gulf Stream carried it north. Coghlan's body had drifted more than 5,600 miles when it was finally discovered in 1908 by fisherman on the shores of Prince Edward Island, Coghlan's home! His body was reburied in the churchyard of the parish where he was baptized.

BUFFALO, N. Y. TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 1913.

BULLET FIRED 20 YEARS AGO, KILLS MAN TODAY!

(By the National News Association.)

FORT WORTH, Tex., Jan. 7.—A bullet fired at Henry Ziegland twenty years ago struck him yesterday and caused his death today. In the early nineties he jilted a noted Texas beauty, who, despondent, killed herself. Her brother sought out Ziegland, fired at him and then committed suicide, thinking he had killed Ziegland.

The bullet, however, missed the target and lodged in a tree. Ziegland yesterday split the tree with a small charge of dynamite, which dislodged the bullet, sending it crashing into Ziegland's head. The injury caused his death.



A Bullet That Reached Its Destiny Years Later

Henry Ziegland thought he had dodged fate.

In 1883, he broke off a relationship with his girlfriend, Maysie Tichnor, who, out of distress, committed suicide.

The girl's brother was so enraged that he hunted down Ziegland and shot him.

The brother, believing he had killed Ziegland, then turned his gun on himself and took his own life. But Ziegland had not been killed. The bullet, in fact, had only grazed his face and then lodged in a tree.

Ziegland surely thought himself a lucky man. Some years later, however, he decided to cut down the large tree, which still had the bullet in it. The task seemed so formidable that he decided to blow it up with a few sticks of dynamite. The explosion propelled the bullet into Ziegland's head killing him instantly.



Mythical Mysteries

DIVE INTO THE UNKNOWN

The Bermuda Triangle

Date: June 9, 2022
By: High Priestess Katherine

The Bermuda Triangle is the most mysterious place on the planet and is situated in the Western part of the North Atlantic Ocean.

Ships, aircrafts and people have vanished into the infamous Bermuda Triangle, also known as the Devil's Triangle.

The greatest magnetic frequency in all oceans is the Bermuda Triangle and through foul weather and good weather it is a place of a horror movie at sea a lot of the time .

Think of a suction cup that pulls through its funnel anything that enters into its circumference, with no return, when waters are wild or calm. For a person to go through the triangle is to play Russian roulette with ones life.

Maybe the missing crafts are sucked into a dimensional world that can only been seen once through the suction cup at sea.

Or could it be Alien abductions at sea, the Aliens pulling through the crafts to study them and the people on board. No-one has ever been sucked through and come back to tell the world, not yet or maybe never.

Did you know that Christopher Columbus wrote in his log about bizarre compass bearings in the area of the Triangle when he saw a mysterious fire on the ocean in the area on his first new world voyage.

Thousands of people have been said to have disappeared into the Bermuda triangle, been sucked through its funnel of wonderment.



Would you take an adventure through the Bermuda Triangle?

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Katherine

Katherine McCormack
Poet, Clairvoyant &
Beyond The Gravestones Magazine CEO



Union Cemetery

Easton, Connecticut

This cemetery is so absurdly haunted, Ed and Lorraine Warren, the world-renown demonologists, wrote a book about it, entitled *Graveyard*. Located in southeastern Connecticut, near the New York border, this cemetery dates back to the early 1700s.

People often report seeing a White Lady roaming the cemetery grounds. Dressed in a white nightgown and bonnet, she has been described as having long dark hair, and has been also seen in the roadway along Route 59. Some say she also haunts the Stepney Cemetery in nearby Monroe, CT—spending her time walking back and forth between the two graveyards.

While no one knows who she is for certain, many people speculate that the White Lady is the ghost of a woman who was murdered after slaying her husband in the 1940s. Others contest she is the apparition of a woman who was brutally murdered in the early 1900s and dumped in a ditch near the cemetery.

Other sightings in the cemetery are far spookier. People have witnessed glowing red eyes peering at them from the darkness. Many believe it is the specter of Earle Kellog, who died after being set afire across the street in 1935.

Always pay attention while driving past this cemetery. Several motorists have nearly gotten into accidents after the White Lady suddenly appeared in the middle of the road before them. One person pulled off to the side after the sighting, finding a mysterious dent in his car from the impact with the dead woman.



The Tallman House Ghost

Horicon, Wisconsin

This is a true story that was highlighted on the television series, *Unsolved Mysteries*. The Tallman House Ghost is one of the best-known stories this series aired. It is also considered the most frightening.

It is about a family that lived in the small farming community of Horicon, Wisconsin. The Tallman's, Debbie and Alan moved into a one-story home with their children in 1986. They were excited about owning their own home. Strange things began to happen to the family once they bought a bunk bed, at a second-hand store.

The couple came to believe what happened next was somehow connected to this wooden bunk bed. They experienced nine months of terror and fear.

Their children had never been sick, even with colds but mysteriously as soon as this bed was brought into the home their children, two daughters, and a son, became seriously ill for no apparent reason.

A clock radio near their son, Danny's bed began to have a mind of its own. It would turn off and on and switch channels without assistance. At first, when Danny told his parents about this, they did not believe him. But then strange things began to happen to Alan.

Painting the basement one day, he left his work to eat dinner. When he returned, he found his paintbrush had been turned upside down. The bristles were now sticking up out of the paint gallon.

Their youngest daughter, while sleeping in the lower bunk was startled awake, several times by a dark figure, staring at her, that was surrounded by a red glow. Several weeks later her brother, Danny, saw the same figure.

The family had their pastor, Wayne Dobratz visit the home and he told the couple he sensed something evil was haunting them.

After this, the whole family began to hear doors slam shut violently. They also heard strange voices.

The children's visions continued and Danny became so frightened, he told his parents he wanted to

move. Allan now frustrated and angry told the entity to leave his children alone, that he was willing to fight it if necessary.

After this, the dark entity focused upon him. Returning home late one night from work, he heard an odd howling sound that evolved into a voice calling, "come here." He followed this voice around the house but nothing was there.

When he returned to the garage, it was on fire so he ran into the house to retrieve a fire extinguisher. When he returned, everything was calm. There was no damage or sign that anything had burned.

When Alan re-entered the house, he went to retrieve his metal lunch pail, which he had set down earlier, but the entity yanked it from his hands and threw it across the room.

Alan began to sleep in his daughter's room to provide protection and comfort. One night a fog rose from the floor and surrounded him. He then heard a voice say, "You're dead."

Debby called the family pastor, once more. She explained Alan was distraught. Dobratz felt the Tallman's home had a Demonic presence.

Their pastor didn't find any evidence they were fabricating the incidents.

Several weeks later, Alan working late, asked a male relative to stay with his family. This man, a skeptic, did not believe what the Tallman's had told him about the haunting. That night he changed his mind.

The same dark figure, glowing red appeared, in the children's room and screamed. Debby told this relative, who was now in shock, to gather up the children, they were leaving.

The Tallman's shortly after this had the bunk bed destroyed. This worked but despite the activity settling down, they moved to a different town.



Pennsylvania Ghost Car

In the 1950s Newton Square, Pennsylvania was a sleepy farming community. The local newspaper reported mostly items about dogs killing sheep or escaped cows. One December in the mid 1950s this local paper reported a particularly bad traffic accident. A local family driving home from Christmas services on West Chester Pike shortly after midnight were struck by another car. Unfortunately, this family, a mother, father, and their teenage son were killed instantly.

It was determined that a young male driver who was drunk and driving recklessly caused the accident. He and his one male passenger survived the accident unharmed. The two were out late joy riding in hopes of finding more booze and a party. This young man's family was well connected politically so he avoided persecution. It was stated this drunk driver felt no remorse for what he had done. In fact, he joked about the accident and the deaths he had caused on

several occasions. A year later, this young man with his same friend were out driving drunk and reckless, on West Chester Pike, early Christmas morning. The 1938 Plymouth hot rod the young man drove overturned near the spot where they had hit and killed the family twelve months before. Both men died. These coincidences are spooky enough but what happened next is even spookier.

Shortly after these two young men died officers from the local municipal and State Police started to report an unusual sight. They all recounted seeing a '38 Plymouth careening down West Chester Pike recklessly. They also reported when they attempted to pursue the vehicle they were not able to keep up with it.

As the years passed these reports became even more interesting because to see a '38 Plymouth hot rod on the road was no longer a common occurrence. But officers continued to report spotting an early model Plymouth speeding recklessly down West Chester Pike. The reports were all the same, they either couldn't catch the hot rod or the car appeared to just disappear. Officers even set up roadblocks in an attempt to catch this vehicle but it never appeared at the roadblock after being spotted heading in their direction.

Many of the witnesses stated that they most often spotted the car in the early morning hours. The car is often seen around Christmas but there have been reports written of sightings at other times of the year. More recently, two officers did manage to pull alongside the speeding hot rod. They saw two occupants in the car.

"... two young men in strangely out-of-style slicked back duck-tail haircuts, with expressions of absolute and abject terror and pain, as though they were seeing Hell and knew they could never escape."





Stricker Ranch

Hansen, Idaho

The Stricker ranch has a very simple history, being built in 1901 by Herman Stricker and his partner John Botzet. The first building in the area was the stage station which was built in 1865 by James Bascom who built the building as a stop between Salt lake and Washington. The Stage station and accompanying house was bought by the two men in the fall of 1876, and they stayed in the house bought with the station until the Stricker Ranch house was completed in 1901.

A small cemetery was also constructed nearby to accommodate the few who died on their travels through the area.

The Stricker Store and the Stricker home are now all that remains of the small village known as Stricker, and the Idaho trust has provided grants for both the store and the house. The land and properties are now owned by the Idaho State Historical Society.

The ranch is one of the less terrifying places that's featured on this site but not because of is lack of ghosts, but more due to the friendliness of the spirits that linger here.

The only ghost on the land that is thought to have been identified is that of Mrs Stricker herself, who has been known to awake people sleeping in the property whenever someone trespass's onto the land. She is also thought to be responsible for items being moved around the cabin, mostly in the kitchen area.

Other paranormal reports from the land are mostly focused around the cemetery area were visitors to the site have reported seeing shadowy figures moving around the outside of the cabin and the cemetery area. Interestingly enough these shadow figures are only ever seen after dusk, as if the activity thought to be produced by the deceased Mrs Stricker.

Christina Corsetti Biography



My name is Christina Corsetti and I grew up in Salem, Massachusetts. I have had many paranormal experiences and I became very interested in the paranormal field. From there, Haunted Salem was born and I have dedicated over 20 years to the education of the paranormal with various articles on social media. Over the years giving the fans what they have craved, I will always continue to bring life to the paranormal world with my experience and dedication.

I have been a paranormal investigator for many years and I do my own evidence review. I enjoy collecting EVPs and have collected many over the years. I am a Solitary Witch, the

owner of Beyond the Gravestones Paranormal Magazine, and the author of The Family Cabin: The Life of Philip Siracusa.

I will continue researching and investigating different paranormal avenues and devote my time to helping others. I have helped many over the years whether it was mentoring or through my spells to help banish or attract what they were looking for.

I was born in Beverly, Massachusetts, and graduated from Salem High School back in 1996. Spent a lot of time in Salem and it has 35 haunted locations that are documented. Back in the 90s, life was a lot easier and refreshing. We use to hang out in the cemeteries and walk the streets at night looking for local haunts to investigate when we were not running amuck. Being 15 years old and growing up in Salem was wicked awesome, to say the least. Consider myself to be quite blessed growing up in rich history and the greatest Halloween spot you could ever imagine. People come from all over the world to visit Salem and most locals will tell you that they have never been on the tours even though they live there.

The architecture alone on those houses is absolutely stunning as well as the brick roads. I lived in an 1800s house of Gifford Court and the place was not only roomy but gorgeous. All hardwood flooring and the crickety creeky drafty windows would whistle in the winter storms. Back then we would have nor'easters where your power went out and you hung out in darkness around candlelight. In fact, at this very location, I had my first few paranormal experiences. I was in a sleep paralysis when my alarm was going off but I was unable to move. I could see and look around but that was all I could do. A Silhouette came from a lying down position to a sitting up position to shut the alarm clock off and when he did that he laid back down into me and I was free to move. Another incident occurred when I would wake up every morning and my comforter would be all the way across the room.

I was always fascinated with the paranormal and wanted to create something to share with others. I remember creating Haunted Salem and many people till this day have been with me since day one. I have lost many accounts along the way because I use to get shut down due to graphics and adult humor. All my post were random and I have met many to where I can call family now because i've been doing this for so very long.

For a long time people didn't know who I was. I kept it a secret for a while, then I became more social. At that time Facebook started changing the rules and they wanted to see my license to prove my name wasn't Haunted Salem. I had to change my name to my real one and place Haunted Salem as my nickname. As Facebook got stricter the less humor I posted. At first I was real bad but calmed down through the years. I use to post all day and all night getting lots of comments and responses. Now, Facebook has gone downhill so bad, the algorithm doesn't allow anyone to see the posts like they use to. No one comments anymore because no one sees your posts or the same twenty people do on a day to day basis. What about the rest of the seven thousand. It tends to just be a waste of time now because of this fact which is a shame. This was how the magazine was born.

I procrastinated for a few years on the magazine. I wanted to make a ghostly magazine, something different, something unique. I wanted to make a high quality product. At first i wasn't sure how to exactly do it but the one thing about myself is if I do not know how to do something, I research how to do it and I figure it out.

First to figure out was the best program to use to create it. Once I found out the best program, I then taught myself how to use the program as I created each issue. January 2021 I created the first magazine and by this issue 13, I feel that I have a better handle on how to use the program to create the style I am looking for.

Since I started the magazine, Issue 6 starts the new re-design of the entire magazine including the logo. I added over 20 more pages of content and added more games.

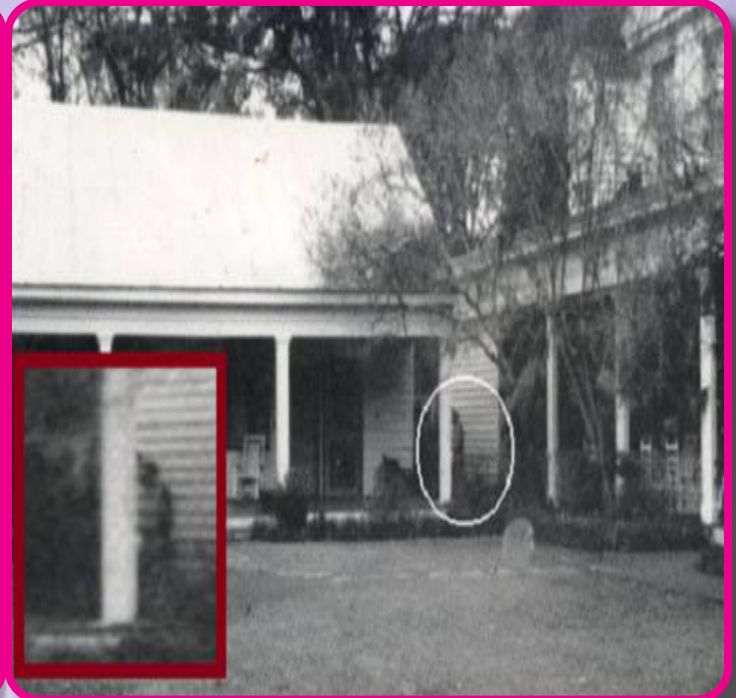
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If you are looking to purchase a digital copy, email Christina Corsetti at beyondgravestones@gmail.com. If you are looking to purchase a hardcover from Amazon, just search Beyond the Gravestones and all the issues available shall pop up. Also available on Amazon Kindle. As far as the physical hardcopy of the magazine itself, that is on hold for now and delayed.



Myrtles Plantation

St Francisville, Louisiana



The Myrtles Plantation in St. Francisville, LA bills itself as one of the most haunted homes in America. Dozens of legends surround the historic property, though the tale of Chloe the killer slave is by far the most famous. But is it true?

According to popular legend, a slave named Chloe baked an oleander-laced cake and poisoned three members of the prominent Woodruff family: Sarah, the lady of the plantation, and her two daughters. Some say Chloe purposely killed the family, while others insist she only meant to make them ill. In any event, Sara and the children died and are now trapped inside a large mirror inside the plantation, or so the stories go.

Today, visitors report seeing hand prints on a mirror that reportedly belonged to the Woodruffs. Strange “drip” marks also run the length of the mirror, and no amount of cleaning can remove the residue. Visitors have also spotted figures in old-fashioned clothing lurking inside the mirror’s warped glass.

While the Myrtles mirror may seem strange, it’s highly unlikely that Sarah, her daughters, or even “Chloe” is to blame. Plantation records show no record of a slave named Chloe (or even a slave owned by the Woodruffs at all). Plus, none of the Woodruffs died of foul play. In fact, one of the Woodruff daughters survived well into adulthood while the other daughter perished from yellow fever. Sarah Woodruff also succumbed to the disease.

Urban Legend



William Wood

On the night of July 16, 1823 William Wood, a weaver, was returning home to his small village from selling his wares in Manchester, England. On a lonely stretch of moorland road between Disley and Whaley Bridge, a gang of highwaymen attacked and killed Wood, clubbing the traveler to death and robbing him of his possessions.

Wood hit the ground so hard that his head left a deep impression in the soft ground. Oddly enough the hole remained so for many years, despite rains and winds that shapes and erodes the rest of the landscape. Moreover, what vegetation once grew there soon died and the spot remained lifeless thereafter.

A local legend arose from this oddity, one that reached the attention of Alfred Fryer, a famous naturalist. Fryer visited the spot in 1859 with a local man who told him how neither rain nor wind had managed to deposit any sediment over the years.

Scoffing at such ridiculous nonsense, Fryer packed dirt and stones from the road into the barren hole and retired to a nearby pub for a pint. When he and his companion returned an hour later, Fryer was shocked to discover the dirt and stones scattered about, seemingly ejected from the cavity produced by William Wood's head.

Fryer repeated his attempt several more times to the same shocking conclusion. So dumbfounded and shaken by this inexplicable occurrence, Fryer didn't even bother with an explanation. He simply walked away from the bizarre and unnerving mystery.

Deborah Hoyt



In the wee hours of June 10, 1994 Deborah Hoyt awoke with a start. She was staying with her husband at a relative's house in Sacramento, CA, when she sensed they had to leave immediately. The winding mountain road between Sacramento and the Hoyts' own home in Lake Tahoe made Deborah uneasy, especially at night, but the urge to leave was overwhelming. "I just felt like there was something pulling me up the mountain," Hoyt said in an appearance on *Paranormal Witness*.

At a section of Highway 50 known as Bullion Bend, near Placerville, Deborah spotted a nude woman lying near the shoulder of the road. The woman was positioned on her side, bent legs together with an arm over her head. She was ghastly pale and looked dead.

Horrified, Deborah and her husband drove to the nearest phone and called the police. Sheriff's deputy Rich Strasser arrived at the scene, but found no trace of a woman, nude or otherwise.

Four days earlier Christene Skubish, 24, and her son Nick, 3, left her parents' home near Sacramento to embark on a new life. Bound for Southern California, Christene was excited to begin a new job and provide a better life for her son. However, the pair never made it to a friend's house as planned. The concerned friend eventually phoned Christene's father who alerted authorities. The police brushed off the report at first, saying Christene and Nick would likely show up.

Meanwhile, Christene's aunt began having strange dreams. In one, she was riding in the backseat of a car and saw the silhouette of a woman and a young boy riding up front. It was night, and the car was traveling in a heavily wooded area. In another dream, Christene and Nick stood in a yard as hurricane-force winds whipped around them. Christene tried and tried to reach her son but the

howling wind repeatedly pushed her back. The aunt asked Christene if she was okay but a haunted-looking Christene said no.

The aunt's dreams had come true in the past, and she was sure something terrible had befallen Christene and Nick. Frightened, she called Christene's father and then left to look for the missing pair.

Back in Placerville, Deputy Rich Strasser couldn't forget the sighting of a nude woman near the road. Deborah Hoyt seemed like a credible witness, and Strasser was certain she'd seen something. After learning about Christene and Nick's disappearance, Strasser wondered if the two incidents were related. On a hunch, he returned to Bullion Bend to scour the area.

The deputy found nothing out of the ordinary at first, but he soon came across a child's shoe. After peering into the brush, Strasser spotted a demolished car at the bottom of a 40-foot embankment. He raced to the vehicle and found Christene and Nick inside. Christene was dead, her body fully clothed in the driver's seat. Nick was curled up nude in the passenger seat, alive, but in critical condition. Nick ultimately survived his injuries, though he'd gone five days without food or water. Authorities believe Christene fell asleep at the wheel, leading her car to plunge off the highway and roll down the steep embankment. The coroner determined that she'd died upon impact or shortly thereafter.

Though he was only three at the time, Nick says he remembers the accident and the long nights after. He remembers climbing up and down the embankment. He remembers a glowing white light hovering near the mangled vehicle and a shadowy figure standing nearby. Once at the hospital, he'd told nurses family members about the angels that had watched over him.

Christene was fully clothed when Strasser found her, and authorities believe she died soon after the crash. So who was the dead woman on the roadside? Hoyt believes it was a spirit sent by God to save Nick before it was too late. Christene's friends and family believe she watched over her son, even after death, appearing as a nude apparition to get the attention of passing motorists.

"I absolutely think something special happened here," Deputy Strasser said on Paranormal Witness. "I think it is a miracle. It's a whole series of events that I can't explain. I've often thought about it. I just don't have the answers."

Unlike many paranormal tales, the facts of this case have been well documented. Christene Skubish indeed ran off the road near Bullion Bend, and Deborah Hoyt indeed reported a naked woman near the accident site before anyone knew about the accident. So who, or what, did she see?

The most intriguing theory is that Christene's ghost remained near the wreckage and appeared nude to draw attention to Nick. Some versions of the tale claim "numerous motorists" called authorities about seeing a naked woman near Bullion Bend. However, mainstream coverage of the event only mentions Deborah Hoyt's report.

Another theory is that Deborah saw Nick on the road, not Christene. After all, police did find him naked in the vehicle and he does remember climbing up and down the embankment. It was also dark and Deborah may not have seen the figure clearly. Could she have confused the three-year-old boy with a grown woman?

The other paranormal elements of this story is Deborah Hoyt's sudden urge to leave, the aunt's premonitory dreams, the light and figure watching over Nick in the car are interesting but of course impossible to prove.

How Can a Four-Year-Old Girl Disappear Without a Trace?



Robert Keyes moved his family to Princeton, Massachusetts in 1751 purchasing 200 acres of land on the South-Eastern slope of the Wachusett Mountain. Four years later on April 14th, his daughter Lucy (4) followed her sisters to Wachusett Lake for some sand. This adventure in the woods would be her last. Lucy never returned home.

The townspeople created search parties, drained the lake but came up empty-handed. Lucy's mother, Martha scoured the woods, calling for her. Night after night, she searched the woods. Her grief overwhelmed her sanity. She died in 1786 never knowing what happened to her daughter.

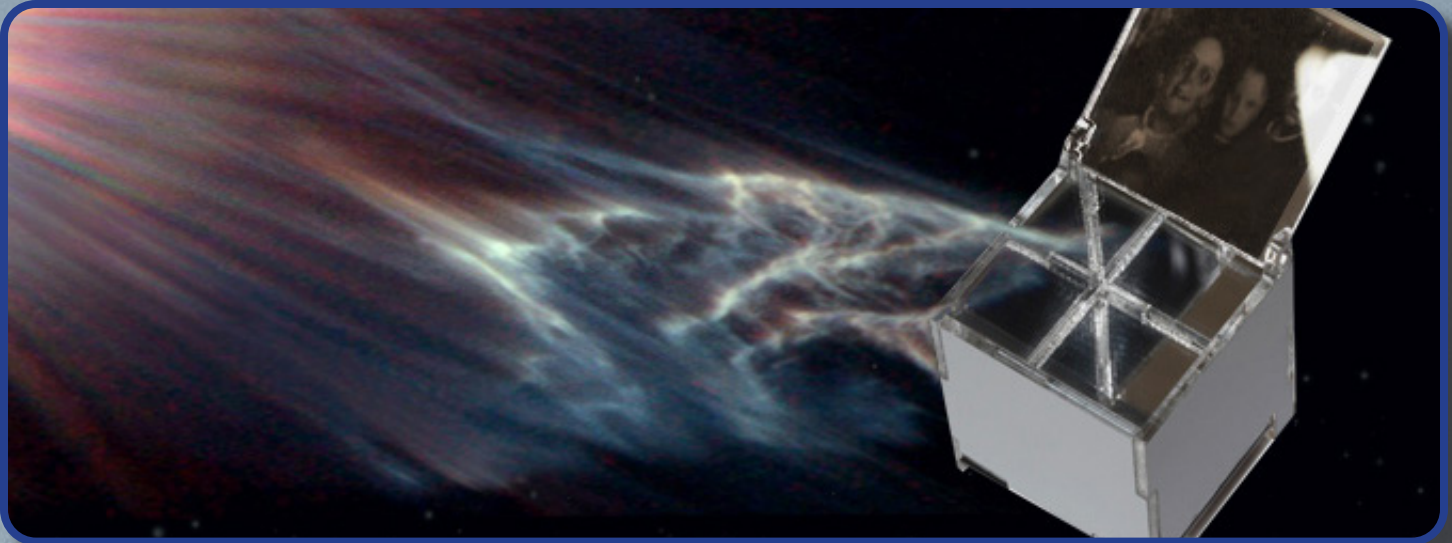
There are many theories as to what happened to Lucy Keyes. There was a letter found after Martha and Robert Keyes had died. This letter was from the Keyes' neighbor Tilly Littlejohn written on his deathbed. He had a quarrel with the Keyes over property line, and resented the family's happiness. When he spotted Lucy Keyes wandering in the woods all alone, he struck her head with a rock several times. Then, concealed her body in a hollow log and went home. He joined the search party. As the townspeople thoroughly combed the woods, he feared the discovery of her body. Littlejohn retrieved her body and buried it under a fallen tree, placing stones and dead leaves over it. Then built a fire over it to conceal his crime even further. The body was never found even after the discovery of the letter. Whether any of this is true, I don't know.

Littlejohn presented the theory of Lucy being taken by Indians. Claimed he had seen some in the area to shift any suspicions off of himself. Indians took children all the time. White men traveling in Canada came across an Indian tribe who had a white girl with them. The only bit of English she knew was "Chusett Hill". Wachusett is classified as a mountain but looks more like a hill. It was never confirmed whether the girl was Lucy or not.

Something else to consider. Lucy was four years old at the time of disappearance. A number of things could have happened to a girl that young in the woods alone. She could have been attack by wild animals. Only problem with this theory is there was no trace of her found. If she was killed by animals there would be tracks, blood, pieces of her clothing, or something left behind for someone to find.

It is believed Lucy and her mother Martha haunt on or around Wachusett Mountain. A Lifetime movie was made about this little girl called the Legend of Lucy Keyes.

Can a Devil's Toy Box Really Catch Ghosts?



The concept of the Devil's Toy Box is simple. Ghosts are supposedly drawn to mirrors, they are lured into the odd mirrored box. Once they get inside, they find themselves in a fun house of mirrors and are unable to escape. This was more than a catch-and-release program though. What exactly does one do with a ghost once they've trapped it?

The paranormal world has been linked to mirrors for centuries. In the middle ages, the Romans believed that if you broke a mirror, you would have seven years of bad luck. In the Jewish religion, mirrors are covered after a death to prevent the newly departed from becoming trapped inside the mirror. Mirrors are often used for channeling the dead, a technique called scrying. Even movies and literature promote mirrors as evil. Would you consider standing in front of a dark mirror and say, "Bloody Mary," three times?

Some researchers consider mirrors portals to the other side of the veil, where ghosts reside. They feel that ghosts can move through them at will like doorways. While there isn't any proof to this claim, it is still an interesting concept.



Melissa Sloan Ferrazzano

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The Salem Witch Trials were a series of hearings and prosecutions of people accused of witchcraft in Colonial Massachusetts between February 1692 and May 1693. 19 were hanged and 1 was pressed to death.

The Salem Witch Trials was about a group of young girls in Salem Village, Massachusetts who claimed to be possessed by the devil and accused several woman of witchcraft. Belief in the supernatural that the devil's ability to give human's the power to harm others through witchcraft in return for their loyalty to him.

Back in those times, founded in rye, wheat and other cereals was a fungus called ergot which can cause delusions, vomiting and muscle spasms. The rye had become the staple crop

in Salem Village due to problems with cultivating wheat, but a local doctor diagnosed bewitchment. This began the infamous Salem Witch Trials in Salem Village, Massachusetts in 1692.

Melissa Sloan Ferrazzano researched and created her family tree. She traced her family right to being a descendant of Martha Allen Carrier which is her 9th Great Grandmother. Martha Carrier was the first person accused in Andover, Massachusetts. Several women accused and confessed that Martha had led them to practice. Ann Foster said she rode on a stick with Martha to Salem Village, that the stick broke and that she saved herself by clinging onto Martha's neck. Martha's nephew, Allen Toothaker testified that he lost 2 of his livestock due to Martha. Samuel Preston blamed the death of his cow on Martha stating that she had hexed the animal.

Reverend Cotton Mather called Martha a rampant hag and queen of hell. She was convicted and hung on August 19, 1692. May the innocent accused rest in peace.

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Beyond the Gravestones would like to thank you Melissa for this opportunity. Wishing you the very best for every step of your journey toward a bright and successful future.



Thomas Carrier
1636-1735

Martha Allen
1643-1692

Richard Carrier
1674-1749

Thankful Brown
1680-1759

Rememberance Carrier
1715-1790

Curtis Cleveland
1700-1758

Isaac Cleveland
1740-1819

Sarah

Catherine Weiss
1792-1864

Parley Cleveland
1765-1849

Sina Ann Cleveland
1821-1903

Michael Pace
1819-1896

George Ney
1821-1913

Ann D. Pace
1841-1927

Cora Mae Adkins
1883-1973

Charles Ney
1862-1922

Samuel Birney
1901-1988

Delia M Ney
1899-1984

Dorothy Birney
1925 -

Paul Sloan
1926-1988

Richard Sloan

Deborah Creegan

Anthony Ferrazzano

Melissa Sloan

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Descendent of Martha Allen Carrier

9th Great Grandmother

One of the 20 executed

First accused in Andover

- **1643 born Martha Ingalls Allen to Andrew Allen and Faith Ingalls (two of the original 23 settlers of Andover, Mass)**
- **1674 Martha became pregnant, married Thomas Carrier (7ft tall) relocated to Billerica, MA**
- **Executed 8/19/1692**
- **Was a puritan accused and convicted of being a witch during the 1692 Salem Witch Trials**
- **Housewife – 8 Children**
- **Hung @ 42/49 years old**
- **Spouse – Thomas Morgan Carrier**
- **Children – Andrew, Richard, Thomas Jr., Sarah, Hannah, and Jane**
- **7/18/1692 Ann Foster was arrested on charges of witchcraft. Examined 3x and accused Martha Carrier of becoming a witch 6 years ago stating that Carrier frequently brought Ann to witch meetings at Salem Village**
- **Of Andover's 45 accused witches, 42 have known dates of accusation**
- **Martha Carrier first accused case in Andover**
- **Salem Village Accounted 39 out of 152 accused – 25%**
- **The first 3 targets were Sarah Good, Sarah Osborne, and Tituba**
- **In colonial times, smallpox was a serious and infectious disease. In 1690 a smallpox outbreak began in the Carrier family where there are now 5 children. The Carriers were looked at with suspicion and believed to be the cause of the epidemic**
- **The Intersection of Porter Road and Spring Grove Road approx. area where the Allen Farm and Carriers Lived in 1692**
- **Martha Allen Carrier was the only one of Faith Ingalls's children to be executed, but she was not the only one accused, examined, imprisoned, and tried**
- **Martha's 3 children, Richard, Andrew, and Thomas were tortured until they confessed**
- **Sarah Carrier was not accused**
- **Several women accused and confessed that Martha had led them to practice. Ann Foster said she rode on a stick with Martha to Salem Village, that her stick broke and that she saved herself by clinging around Martha's neck**
- **Martha's Nephew, Allen Toothaker testified that he lost 2 of his livestock due to Martha**
- **Samuel Preston blamed the death of his cow on Martha stating that she had hexed the animal**
- **8/19/1692 Martha and 4 men were carried through the streets of Salem in a cart. Her body was dragged to a common grave where she joined the bodies of Reverend Burroughs and John Willard**
- **Witch Trials – Belief in the supernatural that the Devil's ability to give humans the power to harm others through witchcraft in return for their loyalty to him**
- **Fungus ergot, found in rye, wheat, and other cereals, can cause delusions, vomiting, and muscle spasms, and rye had become the staple crop in Salem Village due to problems with cultivating wheat. But a local doctor diagnosed bewitchment**
- **Reverend Cotton Mather called Martha Carrier a Rampant Hag and Queen of Hell**

(Q) How did you find out that you are a descendant of Martha Carrier, 9th Great Grandmother, who is one of the 20 executed in the Salem Witch Trials?

(A) I remember one lazy Sunday afternoon about three years ago, I was looking at my family tree app on my phone, just mindlessly tapping away at the pictures of my grandparents on my father's side. (This particular app only shows parents, grandparents and great-grandparents, no siblings, aunts, uncles, or cousins). I began with my father, then my grandmother, my great-grandmother, her father, and then continued to tap on various pictures up the tree, not following any particular order as there are many branches with lots of twists and turns. It was fascinating to see how some of my grandparents traced all the way back to 1500s! However, one picture in particular stopped me in my tracks immediately, as a grandmother of mine from the 1600s had a profile picture of her as a witch on a broomstick. I thought "why on Earth would someone make this her profile picture? That is very odd." I immediately researched her name and cause of death which was easily found on-line. My jaw immediately hit the floor! To say that I was in shock and disbelief is an understatement! Her name is Martha Allen Carrier, and she was convicted and executed for witchcraft during the Salem Witch Trials. I wanted to be sure that this information was accurate and therefore, I took things a step further and researched every single grandparent listed who led up to her to make sure every family member was legit. Thankfully I found that that they were. I have spent so much time since then learning about her life and why she was accused and eventually executed. It is both fascinating and heart-breaking, and the news still shocks me to this day!

(Q) Do you have any fears or phobias in your life due to the Salem Witch Trials?

(A) Although the Salem victims were not actual witches from what I understand, I myself have hidden fears about being persecuted for my beliefs, especially for following an earth-based spiritual path. Being called a witch is still a dirty word to many people today unfortunately, even though it has been over 300 years since the trials. There are still fears within myself for being called a witch, and although I most likely will never be executed for my beliefs, I can't help but worry as there is so much misinformation out there about witches. Many are quick to assume that it is something evil and dark, which certainly is not the case. Even though I have been walking this path for over 15 years, I still feel that I have to keep it on the down low at times due to judgment and exclusion, especially from those close to me. It is unfortunate that we are still dealing with this unnecessary fear of witches in this day and age. Also, for many years prior to learning about my ancestor, I was unable to watch anything having to do with the Salem trials on the many documentaries I own about the history of witches. I would always fast forward any parts where the trials were discussed as it was much too painful to watch and I would actually start tearing up. Now it makes me wonder if this was the underlying reason which I was unaware of at the time.

(Q) In your dreams, have you had any visions regarding the Salem Witch Trials?

(A) Yes! As a matter of fact, I have. I can remember a few years ago before I found out about my ancestor, I drifted off into twilight sleep and saw myself in a different time from a few hundred years ago. I had long flowing dark hair and was frantically running for my life from "witch hunters" who were chasing after me and screaming the word "WITCH!" I was frightened and all I could do was continue to run. It makes me wonder if I was seeing myself in a past life and if it had anything to do with the trials. Maybe I was getting a glimpse of what my grandmother endured, even though I had not found out about her at the time. That vision was very real, it was more than just a dream as I felt like I was living that scene. It was very frightening!

(Q) What is your view of the people who led the Salem Witch Trials?

(A) The first word that comes to mind is greed, and especially a fear of strong independent women, which is exactly who my grandmother was. She was a no-nonsense woman that did not hesitate to speak her mind. Later on it was revealed that she was executed for having an “independent mind and unsubmitive character.” She was 300 years ahead of her time. She did not fit the bill of what a puritan woman was expected to be like. I know there are many speculations as to why certain women (and men) were targeted, but I honestly feel that if you did not blend in with the crowd and stood out instead, whether you were outspoken, poor, etc, you were targeted. I do feel that there was also something to gain for those who led the trials. Whether it was fame for ridding the town of “witches,” or perhaps they took possession of the personal property once the person was executed, there was certainly something to gain in the end. Even though the state of Massachusetts apologized and admitted its wrongdoing in the year 1711, it is still an unnecessary tragedy and a huge stain in US history.

(Q) As a child, did you feel different from other children? When did you receive your gift of a psychic medium?

(A) Feeling different from other children while I was growing up is an understatement! I remember being able to feel other people’s energy and emotions at a very young age. Because I was so young and didn’t understand what was happening, I remember being constantly upset and crying often and I think I was taking in more than I could handle. It was interesting how I always stood out even though I was always a very shy kid, which I still am to a point. I stood out for being shy and sensitive, and my growing-up years certainly were not easy! I was a daydreamer and constantly analyzed the world around me. I was a very deep thinker and sadly I was diagnosed with a learning issue because my mind was always someplace else. In the midst of everything, I was always seeing spirits, mostly at night. I was around three years old when it began, and I thought it was normal at the time. Although it was normal to me it also frightened the life out of me! Waking up and seeing a spirit in your room as a young child was scary of course. This continued as I was growing up and I did everything I could to tune it out and turn it off. No matter how hard I tried I never was able to completely turn off this ability. The best thing I did was embrace it in my adult years instead of fearing it. Now I am using it to help others by bringing through messages from their loved ones in spirit and also seeing what I am picking up on during paranormal investigations.

(Q) Being an assistant lead paranormal investigator and case manager with Phantom Detectives, what is the most haunted place you have visited? What happened to make it the most haunted?

(A) I would say the most haunted location I and my team investigated was the Sanderson Museum in Chadds Ford, PA in September of 2021. The building was once the home of Christian Sanderson and is filled with over 200 years of American history. I learned that his mother Hannah also used to live in the building and passed away due to an illness in the early 1900s. I was tuning into her spirit the most that evening, especially when we were investigating the second floor. When I and another team member walked down to the first floor to grab additional equipment, something we cannot explain happened. Someone (or something) had moved all of our belongings, our jackets and heavy boxes of equipment on the bottom of the staircase like it was trying to barricade us from coming downstairs. After climbing over our belongings, I double-checked that the doors of the building were locked to make sure that no outsiders came in and did this. We still cannot explain to this day how this happened, as all of our team members were upstairs at the time our belongings were moved. While we were conducting an EVP session in hopes to capture voices on our recorders, we asked the question “who moved our belongings?” and a woman’s voice clearly came through and told us to “be afraid.” I feel that it was Hannah Sanderson’s voice and she had something to do with trying to prevent us

from leaving the second floor that evening. We have no explanation as to how this happened and it still gives me the chills to this day!

(Q) Do you find it difficult as a case manager to look up and research haunted locations that you are to investigate?

(A) I would say that the most difficult part about researching haunted locations is that I have to stay away from the history and any back story of who is haunting the place. It isn't easy of course, since the information is usually volunteered by an owner of the property or perhaps by employees that work at the location. Of course, information is easily found online. As a psychic medium, my job is to go in there as blindly as possible, meaning that I am to know little to nothing about history. If I know too much then what I am picking up may not be entirely authentic. Our goal is to see if what I am tuning into can be verified along with the history, and our equipment may also pick up on certain things. For instance, if I am tuning into the spirit of a woman, our recorders may also capture a woman's voice. The other team members spend time researching the back story and comparing it to my findings. My job is to contact the location that is known to be haunted and ask if they are interested in an investigation. From there I go in blindly knowing little to nothing else.

(Q) Have you ever witnessed a Cryptid?

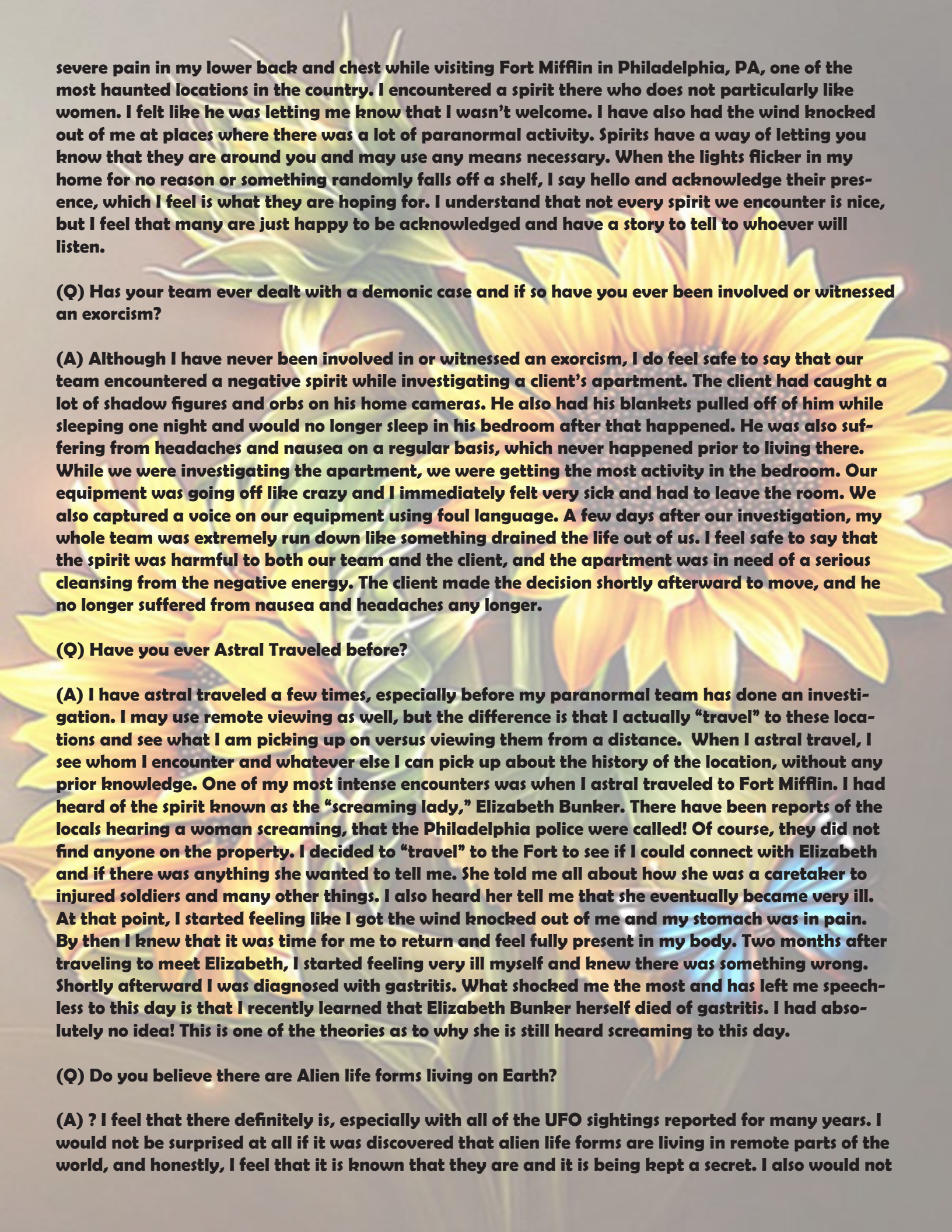
(A) I have never encountered any type of cryptid we have heard of, especially the well-known ones like the Jersey Devil, Moth Man, Yeti, etc. However, I have encountered something along the lines of a cryptid while in a home I was visiting that is known to be haunted. I encountered something that was half-lion, half-man running through the kitchen. At the time I was tuning into this otherworldly being, the owner's cats were also acting very frightened and ran away to find the nearest hiding place! I feel that we were both seeing this creature simultaneously. I did my research later on and found that it was actually a Manticore, which is a Persian legendary creature and is mostly found in medieval art. Interestingly, this home was filled with lots of antiques and abstract art and sculptures, and it makes me wonder if there was some kind of attachment to one of these items. This creature was not particularly friendly and I couldn't wait to leave the home.

(Q) As a member of the Coven of the Silver Fairies, share with us a little bit about your position and what a coven is all about?

(A) I am considered a high priestess in my coven, and although our members may alternate roles when we circle together, mine is usually to bless and consecrate our space using the symbols of the elements (earth, air, fire, and water), and I also cast a sacred circle. In the circle, we honor the elements, celebrate the seasons and the cycles of the moon, give thanks to our mother and father deities, and put our intentions into the universe. This may be for healing, empowerment, growth, or any positive changes we are seeking within ourselves, which may include letting go of what does not serve our highest good. We celebrate with cakes and ale, and most of all enjoy fellowship with each other. Being with like-minded people in my circle brings me so much joy! We consider ourselves to be the "Circle of Wisdom and Knowledge," and we are also a teaching coven. We strive to focus on the magick and support each other as we learn and grow together. It truly is a beautiful path to walk!

(Q) Have you ever been touched by a ghost?

(A) Although I cannot say that I have experienced being physically touched, scratched, or pushed, there have been times when I felt an unexpected breeze on my face in my home when there was no logical explanation. (I do share my home with the spirits of the prior owners). Recently, I did feel



severe pain in my lower back and chest while visiting Fort Mifflin in Philadelphia, PA, one of the most haunted locations in the country. I encountered a spirit there who does not particularly like women. I felt like he was letting me know that I wasn't welcome. I have also had the wind knocked out of me at places where there was a lot of paranormal activity. Spirits have a way of letting you know that they are around you and may use any means necessary. When the lights flicker in my home for no reason or something randomly falls off a shelf, I say hello and acknowledge their presence, which I feel is what they are hoping for. I understand that not every spirit we encounter is nice, but I feel that many are just happy to be acknowledged and have a story to tell to whoever will listen.

(Q) Has your team ever dealt with a demonic case and if so have you ever been involved or witnessed an exorcism?

(A) Although I have never been involved in or witnessed an exorcism, I do feel safe to say that our team encountered a negative spirit while investigating a client's apartment. The client had caught a lot of shadow figures and orbs on his home cameras. He also had his blankets pulled off of him while sleeping one night and would no longer sleep in his bedroom after that happened. He was also suffering from headaches and nausea on a regular basis, which never happened prior to living there. While we were investigating the apartment, we were getting the most activity in the bedroom. Our equipment was going off like crazy and I immediately felt very sick and had to leave the room. We also captured a voice on our equipment using foul language. A few days after our investigation, my whole team was extremely run down like something drained the life out of us. I feel safe to say that the spirit was harmful to both our team and the client, and the apartment was in need of a serious cleansing from the negative energy. The client made the decision shortly afterward to move, and he no longer suffered from nausea and headaches any longer.

(Q) Have you ever Astral Traveled before?

(A) I have astral traveled a few times, especially before my paranormal team has done an investigation. I may use remote viewing as well, but the difference is that I actually "travel" to these locations and see what I am picking up on versus viewing them from a distance. When I astral travel, I see whom I encounter and whatever else I can pick up about the history of the location, without any prior knowledge. One of my most intense encounters was when I astral traveled to Fort Mifflin. I had heard of the spirit known as the "screaming lady," Elizabeth Bunker. There have been reports of the locals hearing a woman screaming, that the Philadelphia police were called! Of course, they did not find anyone on the property. I decided to "travel" to the Fort to see if I could connect with Elizabeth and if there was anything she wanted to tell me. She told me all about how she was a caretaker to injured soldiers and many other things. I also heard her tell me that she eventually became very ill. At that point, I started feeling like I got the wind knocked out of me and my stomach was in pain. By then I knew that it was time for me to return and feel fully present in my body. Two months after traveling to meet Elizabeth, I started feeling very ill myself and knew there was something wrong. Shortly afterward I was diagnosed with gastritis. What shocked me the most and has left me speechless to this day is that I recently learned that Elizabeth Bunker herself died of gastritis. I had absolutely no idea! This is one of the theories as to why she is still heard screaming to this day.

(Q) Do you believe there are Alien life forms living on Earth?

(A) ? I feel that there definitely is, especially with all of the UFO sightings reported for many years. I would not be surprised at all if it was discovered that alien life forms are living in remote parts of the world, and honestly, I feel that it is known that they are and it is being kept a secret. I also would not

surprised if alien hybrids are walking around on Earth, especially since some who have been abducted have gone through hypnosis and claim that their DNA was extracted for the purpose of what is believed to be the creation of a hybrid, a is half human and half alien being. I do feel that it is very possible for hybrids to be walking among us, and I believe without a doubt the reports of alien beings being captured when extraterrestrial vehicles crashed and scientific experiments were performed on them. I believe this sort of thing definitely happened at Roswell.

(Q) Is there any message you would like to share with our readers?

(A) The one thing that I live by is to always be true to yourself, no matter what. Remember that you are unique and do not have to be like everyone else. I found it is much more enjoyable to stand out rather than to blend in. It has taken me a very long time to get to where I am today as far as self-acceptance and self-confidence. People may not understand the path I walk as far as my spiritual beliefs, practicing mediumship, and paranormal investigating. That is okay with me because what it all comes down to is that people fear what they don't understand. It was uncomfortable at first when I chose to accept and embrace myself and my path 15 years ago rather than the one I was brought up with. There was a lot of fear involved and it was a very long process. But I am so happy to be where I am today and I can't see myself being any other way. Always honor what is inside of you and what is in your heart. Intuition never lies. Trust in the universe and remember, people will gravitate to you because you are you! Embrace your uniqueness. Believe me, it is a lot of fun!





No Escape Asylum

Beechworth Lunatic Asylum

Australia

The Beechworth Lunatic Asylum has been reported haunted by all the patients, that have died. There have been reports that people have heard, people walking, screaming, and doors opening and closing. The Beechworth Lunatic Asylum currently resides in Australia, and has been shut down since 1995.

Beechworth Lunatic Asylum in Beechworth, Victoria is reportedly haunted by several ghosts of departed patients. The asylum was open from 1867-1995.

One of the ghosts most often seen at Beechworth is that of Matron Sharpe. Her apparition has been seen in several different parts of the hospital. Matron Sharpe's ghost has been seen in the former dormitory area, which is now part of Latrobe University's computer rooms. Witnesses have seen her walking down the granite staircase and into one of the classrooms. Matron Sharpe was apparently very compassionate toward the patients, which is uncharacteristic of the era. One patient whose ghost is thought to haunt Beechworth is Tommy Kennedy. Tommy was well liked at the hospital and was given a job as a kitchen hand. Tommy actually died in the kitchen which is now part of the Bijou theatre, it is here that people have said they have felt the sensation of someone tugging at their clothes or poking their ribs. The Reaction Hall was an area where patients could sing, play music or perform in plays, on Sundays the hall doubled as the chapel. In 1939 the hall became a cinema, where inmates could come in to watch movies. There are two common sightings in the hall, one is of a young girl, who approaches women and desperately tries to communicate with them. The other ghost has been seen in a window that was once part of the Bell Tower; the apparition of an elderly man facing away from the window is often seen.



The Grevillia wing was the section of the hospital all patients feared. It has been closed for 13 years, and now in a derelict state. As medication wasn't introduced until the 1950s, restraints such as straightjackets and even shackles were commonly used as well as electroshock treatment. Electroshock treatment was widely used in the hospitals early days and there are stories of mass treatments in which almost the entire patient population was shocked in one session. When the shocks were administered the patient's bodies either splayed out backwards with force or contracted inward into a fetal position, which ever position ligaments would snap. Bones were often broken and teeth shattered.

There are two common sightings in Grevillia, one is thought to be that of an unknown male doctor, his apparition has been seen wandering the corridors at night. The other is Matron Sharpe whose ghost was often seen in this area by the nurses who worked at Mayday Hills. They would report seeing the Matron sitting with patients who were due to have electroshock treatment. Those who say they've witnessed this say the room was icy cold but her presence was comforting, and seemed to bring a sense of reassurance to the patients.



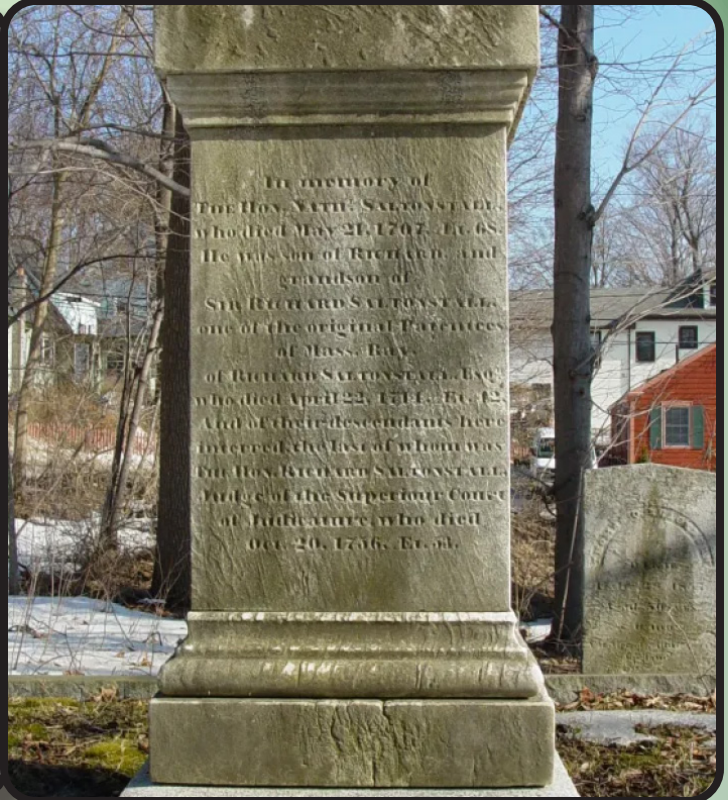


Haunted Salem

Where the Dead Educate the Living

Saltonstall's Grave

Salem, Massachusetts



The most impressive monument belongs to the family of Nathaniel Saltonstall, who was one of the judges at the Salem witch trials in 1692.

Saltonstall was born in Ipswich in 1639. He attended Harvard, and eventually became Haverhill's town clerk. He married Elizabeth Ward, who was the daughter of John Ward, the minister who founded Haverhill. In short, he was kind of a bigwig.

When the 1692 witch craze broke out in Salem Village, Saltonstall was appointed to the Court Oyer and Terminer, a group of seven judges who would oversee the witch trials.

Saltonstall only heard one witchcraft case, that of Bridget Bishop, who was found guilty and hanged on Gallows Hill. After this, he removed himself from the Court Oyer and Terminer. Salem was far from his home in Haverhill but more importantly he didn't believe the afflicted girls were really possessed, and found the spectral evidence admitted in court unconvincing.

It wasn't so easy for him to escape the Salem madness unscathed, though. When he returned to Haverhill he started to drink heavily, and was reprimanded for it by Samuel Sewall, one of the judges who remained on the court. Saltonstall likely suspected, given the hysteria, that he risked being accused of witchcraft himself. Indeed, he was accused, but the claims did not stick.

Since he was well-connected, Saltonstall was never brought to trial. He weathered the witch craze, and eventually died in 1707 at the age of 68.



The Eilean Mor Mystery

The Flannan Isles are a small cluster of islands that are situated about 65 miles to the north-west of Scotland, and are part of a vast number of islands that make up the Western Isles of Scottish territory. The seven islands were named after St Flannan, a preacher from the 7th century. The largest of the group, named Eilean Mor is the location of a century old mystery, one in which three men, lighthouse keepers situated on the island, were to vanish without a trace.

Eilean Mor has for centuries had an eerie reputation for people living on the nearby larger island of Lewis who would tell tales of a group of little people whom resided there, said to possess strange magical powers. It was also said to be the home of giant birds, and islanders traveling to Eilean Mor were said to use a strange dialect to communicate with the beings living there, and obeyed rules and laws in their dealings with them.

It is claimed that many since the disappearances have sighted both these strange beings and the birds, but most, if not all, of them also vanish. What these beings are is not known, although many believe they are either aliens or Fey folk, fairies, pixies, elves etc. It is said that they don't ever willingly allow themselves to be seen, and are wary of humans.

In 1896 a lighthouse was starting to be built on the island, and three years later after costing nearly 7000 pounds, the Flannan Lighthouse began flashing out into the sea on December 7, 1899. Many ships and vessels had gone missing or sunk prior to the lighthouse being constructed, and only the ruins of a chapel and several houses stood on the island. Located on the islands highest point, it stands 75 feet high and its light has a range of about 20 miles. Many believed it was impervious to the elements and was built to withstand high seas and gale-force winds.

A year after its beacon begun flashing to help light the way for passing ships, it was the scene for a mystery to unfold, as three men situated at the lighthouse near Christmas 1900 were discovered missing. The light usually flashed twice every 30 seconds, and on the night of December 15, 1900 a passing American steamer heading to Edinburgh noticed the light was not flashing, and upon arriving 3 days later reported the mystery to port authorities.

The men who regularly resided and worked on the island all undertook two week shifts, and it was their jobs to not only maintain the lighthouse and polish its lenses every day, but also maintain their living quarters. It was a lonely existence on an isolated island, with no radio communication to the nearby islands. Thomas Marshall, James Ducat and Donald Macarthur were the three men on shift in late December 1900.

On 26th of December a delayed relief vessel, carrying Joseph Moore, who was to replace one of the men, arrived at the isle. Due to bad weather, the relief vessel was nearly a week late, and arrived to change men on Boxing Day. It was Moore who would make the discovery of the empty lighthouse, as he found when he made it ashore that the entrance of the main compound and the main door to the lighthouse were closed and unlocked. He heard nothing but the crashing of waves on nearby rocks and the eerie shrills of birds overhead.

Thinking the men may be in the kitchen area, he found a clock that had stopped, a meal that had been half consumed and an overturned chair, suggesting perhaps someone had left in a hurry. None of the beds were made, and after making contact with the relief vessel, Moore and two other men further inspected the lighthouse. Lamps were clean and had been re-filled, a set of oilskins were found and a half-starved canary was the only sign of life discovered. The oilskins indicated that one of the men had been outside without them, which was unusual given the recent weather.

Moore and three sailors were left to man the lighthouse, and they searched all over the island, finding no trace of the missing keepers or clues to their fates. The last entry into the lighthouse log was made on the morning of the 15th of December and indicated nothing out of the ordinary.

A few days after the discovery the Northern Lighthouse Board launched an investigation, and found rope strewn about on crevices and rocks below, a wooden box that they were contained in was missing. Iron railings around the landing area were bent and twisted and a large block of stone had been displaced from the cliff face and had smashed all over the landing area also. It had weighed at least a ton.

It was concluded that the three men had left the lighthouse together, disregarding rules stating that the three were never to be outside in a group, possibly to secure the missing box that had been threatened by bad weather. While working, they had become victims of a freak wave and had been swept out to sea, perishing in the Atlantic waters. However, many were not convinced with this easy conclusion and many felt questions still remained.

Allegedly Moore, when he arrived at the isle, saw three strange, large black birds watching him from a rock as he came ashore. The birds were observed after taking off diving into the sea, inspiring a poet in 1912 to write a epic poem which speculates a supernatural force took the men and turned them into sea birds.

The mystery has inspired an opera, and has been the subject of books and articles, and even songs by popular artists and bands such as Genesis.

The Flannan Isles have been free of residential communities since the early 1970s, when the lighthouse became automated. A concrete helipad was built soon after, enabling maintenance in bad weather. It is very unlikely that we will ever know for sure what happened to the three lighthouse keepers stationed at Eilean Mor in late 1900, but one thing is for sure, these men who probably had no intentions or aspirations of being famous and being known world-wide now are, but for all the wrong reasons.

The Great Eastern

The Great Eastern was a haunted ship that was launched in 1862 and was said to be cursed. It dogged by misfortune from the beginning. Construction men fell to their death while working at deadly heights. Other gruesome accidents took the lives of other workers.

Construction of such a massive ship involved millions of hard driven rivets. An Estimated 1,000 workers were hired to comprise 200 rivet gangs to get the job done. Because someone small had to squeeze inside the narrow space between the double hulls, young bash boys were hired to do this work.



These boys spent 12 hour days in the space between the hulls, enduring the deafening thunder of the riveter's hammers. After construction was completed, some of the men working as riveters could not be found. There were rumors that they had been accidentally sealed into the hull of the ship. During the launch, a mooring cable snapped and killed a crewman. A disaster happened during the ships trials when a boiler exploded killing five workers. Another jumped overboard and was crushed by the ship.

The Great Eastern never lived up to expectations. The ship never carried a full complement of passengers. On its fourth trip it suffered severe damage in a storm at sea. In 1862 it struck an uncharted rock and tore open its hull. The ship was saved from sinking by its double hull, but the damage was costly.

The ship continued losing money for its owners. Attempts were made to sell the steamer but there were no takers. The men who worked aboard the steamer complained of an eerie hammering noise constantly heard from far below decks. They said it often woke them from their sleep, and was loud enough to be heard during storms. It was said to be made by the ghost of one of the souls left trapped between the hulls during construction.

When the ship was dismantled for scrap, the skeletal remains of the riveters were found. This proved once and for all that they had indeed been sealed into the hull of the ship during construction and had starved to death. The rumors were true. Was this the cause of the ghostly noises heard on board?

Eleanore Zugun



In 1925 at the age of twelve, frightening events began to occur to Eleanore Zugun. When she visited her grandmother's cottage in Romania, stones smashed against the structure. Pins and needles flew across the room to scratch her and bury themselves in her arms. Broken dishes added to the ordeal. A witness reported seeing a water jug float through the air and land several feet away. Her grandmother believed Eleanore was possessed by an evil spirit.

Months later, Eleanore was sent to a monastery where she was given an exorcism with no effect. The priests sent her to a lunatic asylum. By that time, newspapers had reported her story, which came to the attention of Fritz Grunwald, a respected researcher. His observations of Eleanore concluded the supernatural phenomena was genuine.

Next, she was invited to live with Countess Zoe Wassiliko-Serecki in Vienna. The countess became her protector and had thirteen year old Eleanore trained as a hairdresser. The strange events continued, including objects appearing out of nowhere or disappearing into thin air. The attacks on Eleanore escalated. She was knocked to the ground, slapped, bitten, had her hair pulled, and things thrown at her. On a couple of occasions, the countess observed an inexplicable moving shadow in Eleanore's vicinity shortly before phenomena occurred.

Eleanore was taken to London for more testing by the National Laboratory of Psychical Research, and also to Munich, where she was caught cheating. On her return, the activities began to fade gradually, although the attacks against her continued. By the time she turned fourteen, all phenomena ended and her life returned to normal.



The Methuen Water Demon

The Martin family's ordeal in Methuen, Massachusetts began in October 1963 when Francis, his wife, and children first noticed a damp patch on the wall in the den. While they watched, the patch grew larger. A moment later, they heard a popping sound and a drenching spout of extremely cold water began spewing from the wall.

Francis Martin immediately ruled out frozen pipes, temperatures weren't freezing, and he'd recently had the drains cleaned. The inexplicable water spout continued to stream a few seconds before it stopped. The next day, a second spot in another location began to spew water like a fountain. The spray lasted less than half a minute and ceased. The phenomena continued over several more days, with new icy water streams occurring at fifteen minute intervals in various rooms throughout the house, soaking floors, furniture, and occupants. A deputy witnessed a water jet burst out of a wall and spray two feet into the room.

When the Martin's moved into a relative's house, that place was also afflicted with mysterious water streams from the walls. Returning his family to their own home, Francis Martin had the water turned off at the mains. The next day, water spouts began to explode from the plaster walls, often from several spots simultaneously. Gallons of water poured out in twenty second intervals but the source remained unknown. The Martin's moved away again but were forced to return to Methuen when the water demon followed them.

Gradually, the phenomena tapered off and stopped altogether. The family never discovered what caused the frightening activity.

The Black Flash of Provincetown



Beginning just before Halloween 1939, the citizens of Provincetown, Massachusetts were startled by the sudden, eerie appearance of a mysterious Black Flash, an impossibly tall, impossibly fast human-like creature who appeared dressed all in black, with a black face, pointed ears, and silver eyes. According to witnesses, the Black Flash also made a loud buzzing sound. He lurked around Provincetown jumping at people, laughing maniacally, and eluding pursuit with extreme agility and speed.

Witnesses would report seeing the Black Flash in one location, and a minute later, other reports would come in of sightings across town. Some said he was a Peeping Tom. Others thought he was a devil with supernatural powers. The town was in such an uproar, frightened children refused to go trick-or-treating that year.

The police believed the Black Flash was the work of practical jokers. Chief Anthony Tarvers claimed he knew the identity of the hoaxers but he declined to name them. "The Black Flash is dead and buried," he said. There were no further appearances of the terrifying phantom fiend who menaced the small town.

Who was the Black Flash?

No one has ever claimed responsibility, and Tarvers died with his secret intact.

The Strange True Mystery of the Chase Vault



In the 18th century, the Walronds, a wealthy rich family of planters built a rock-hewn tomb at Christ Church, Barbados. It was sealed with a massive marble door.

One family member to be interred there was Mrs Thomasina Goddard, in 1807. A year later the vault was taken over by the Chase family also slave-owning planters who purchased it to bury two daughters in 1808 and 1812. When the tomb was opened again in 1812 to receive the body of the father, Thomas Chase, the girls' lead coffins had been stood on end, upside down. There was no sign of a break-in.

Nor was there in 1816, when the

tomb was again opened for the body of a boy relative. The Chase coffins had again been wildly disarranged. That of Thomas, which had taken eight men to carry was leaning upright against the wall of the vault. By the time of the next funeral, eight weeks later, word of the strange tomb had got around and a huge crowd turned up for the ceremony. They were not disappointed. Although the tomb was sealed, the four Chase coffins inside were once more in disarray.

The Governor of Barbados, Lord Combermere, now took a hand. In 1819 he supervised the orderly restacking of the coffins and had seals put round the door slab. The following year, after reports of noises, he visited the site again. His seals were intact but the lead coffins were in their customary jumbled confusion. Only the little crumbling, wooden coffin of Mrs Goddard still lay peacefully in the corner.

The confusion around the vault was centered around the lack of a suitable explanation. Slaves could not have moved the coffins without leaving a trace. There was no evidence of flooding. Earthquakes would hardly have shaken one tomb without disturbing others in the surrounding area. After all of the unexplained disturbances, it was decided to empty tomb of its occupants and relocate them almost 200 years ago. It remains empty to this day.



The Foley House Inn

Savannah, Georgia

The Foley House Inn is located in Savannah, Georgia and boasts one of the most romantic getaways the state has to offer. Rooms are equipped with jacuzzis, fireplaces, private balconies, courtyards, gardens, and breakfast brought to your room. Such a beautiful place also has a haunted story that will send shivers down your spine.

During construction in 1987 workers tore down a wall and discovered a skeleton inside of it. It is believed that the body was of a poor gentleman who was the victim of a murder. This man, named Wally, had his body hidden in this wall in the late 1800s.

The story that has been shared around was that this gentleman was trying to court the owner of the the house, Honoria Foley. He had secured a room in the Inn and would often try to make moves on Honoria. One night he decides to sneak into her room while she was asleep. Startled, Ms. Foley grabbed the nearest thing to her, a candle holder, and swung it with all of her might. The heavy candle holder struck Wally in the head, killing him instantly.

The story goes on to say that she was friends with a different man who happened to be a mason and a carpenter. He allegedly helped Ms. Foley hide the man's body in the wall of the Inn.

Wally's ghost is said to still walk the grounds of the Foley House Inn. With such an abrupt death his soul may never be at rest. In life he spent much of his time tormenting himself trying to woo Honoria. He would essentially take that energy to the grave with him.

Ghost Sickness



A native American belief that the dead can cause illnesses in living people, though it can also be caused by witchcraft in rare cases. Spirits can be provoked into cursing someone with ghost sickness if they are angry or if the proper burial rituals have not been followed. Ghost sickness is a ghost's attempt at trying to take someone with them and children are more vulnerable to the disease.

Symptoms Include:

- **General weakness**
- **Loss of appetite**
- **Feeling of suffocation**
- **Reoccurring nightmares**
- **A constant feeling of terror**
- **Sufferers may become obsessed with a particular dead person**
- **Dizziness and fainting**
- **Anxiety**
- **A strong sense of danger**
- **Hallucinations**
- **Depression**

It is possible for ghost sickness to go away on its own but it can result in death.

Baleroy Mansion

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania



In Chestnut Hill section of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania stands a mansion that has had inhabitants that go back to before the Civil War years. The house was constructed in 1911 by the family of Civil War General George Meade. The latest owner and descendant in the historic family line, George Gordon Meade Easby passed away recently at the age of 87.

Haunted Baleroy Mansion in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania is home of The death chair.

Many paranormal observers believe that a female ghost haunts the blue chair due to a deadly curse caused by insanity. George himself dubbed the overactive spirit that lives in the Blue Room, Spectral Amelia. A blue mist comes out of virtually nowhere when Amelia is present and anyone who dares to sit in her chair while in her presence quickly meets their demise. To date, four brave souls, one a former Baleroy curator has boldly tempted fate and took their chances at reclining in the blue chair, and as the curse states, not one of them is living to tell about it.

The mansion is no stranger to paranormal activity and that includes lights magically turning on and off on their own accord. George Meade once stated in an interview that the electrical fields in the house attract lightning, and the electricity goes off with little to no explanation.

Speculation over the various ghosts, apparitions, and paranormal activity throughout the mansion are believed to stem from the many antiques found throughout the estate. George Meade was himself a major art and antique collector, who during his life inherited over 100,000 antiques and personal items, many of which had been in his family for centuries and were simply brought home when placed in the mansion for safekeeping.



Hammond Castle

Gloucester, Massachusetts

The haunted history of the Hammond Castle has drawn the interest of several individuals both locally and abroad. Starting in the year of 1926 and all the way through until the year of 1929, Hammond Castle was constructed by a man by the name of John Hays Hammond, Jr. in the ever-popular architectural style of medieval. Hammond had a keen interest in collecting rare and elaborate artifacts that were medieval based. However, he also enjoyed collecting artifacts that were Roman based and also from the Renaissance period.

On April 13th 1888, John Hays Hammond, Jr. was born to an engineer in the area of mining by the name of John Hays Hammond, Sr. in the city of San Francisco, California. The family moved around to several different places. However, it was in England where a young Hammond, Jr. discovered a fascination with castles. This move occurred when he was twelve years old. Eventually, the family would move back to the United States. This is when young Hammond would meet Thomas Edison for the first time in New Jersey.

Edison was completely impressed with the young boy due to the fact that he was so inquisitive. He decided to become the boys mentor. He continued to thoroughly enjoy castles and all things that were unique as far as artifacts and other types of items but he developed a fondness for science and inventions. As he grew, he learned to value education. He went into college and then developed an interest in studying how radio waves worked. This is when the young Hammond boy, now a man, received a

new mentor. This mentor was Alexander Graham Bell.

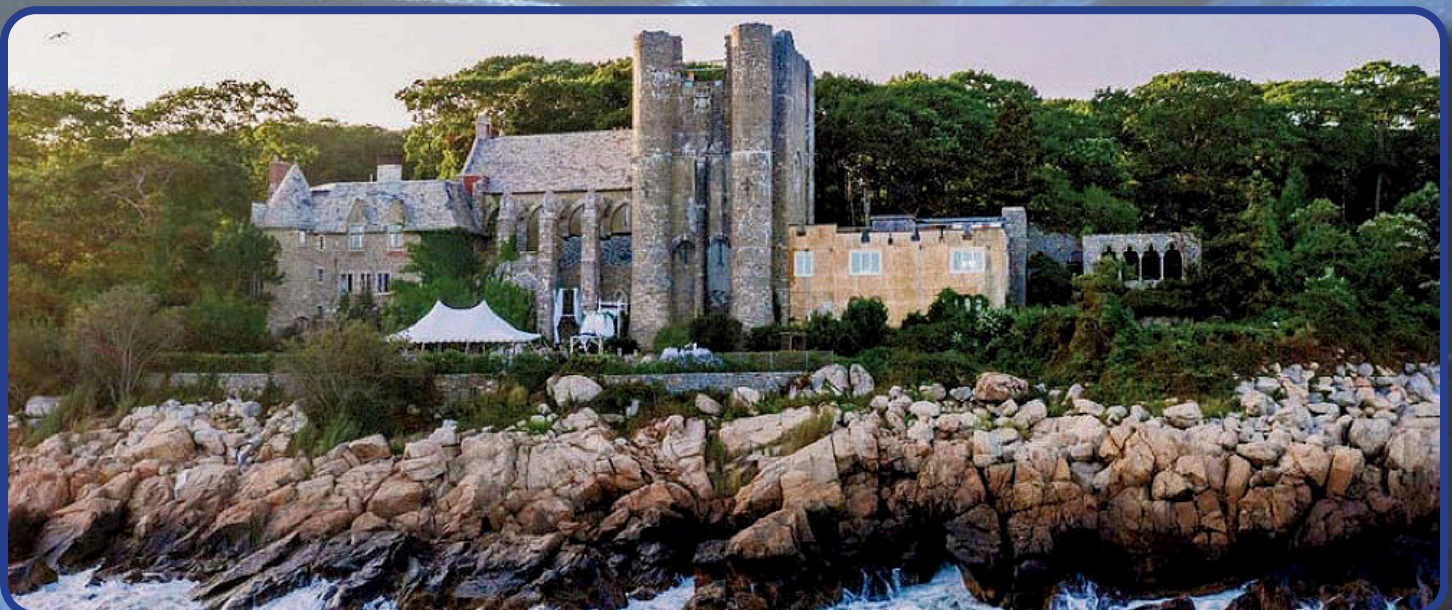
His first job once college ended was in the year of 1910. This was at the U.S Patent Office. He intentionally gained this position so that he could become an expert in the field of patents. He sought to learn as much as he possibly could. Eventually, he came to own the Hammond Radio Research Laboratory. This was created on an estate in the city of Gloucester in the state of Massachusetts that his father owned. Throughout his lifetime he invented hundreds and hundreds of unique things, and patented them all.

Starting in the year of 1926, Hammond began construction on the infamous castle. This construction took place in Gloucester. He constructed the castle in a unique style. It was built in sections on Cape Ann. Each of the unique sections was designed to highlight various distinguished periods of architecture that were popular in Europe. These included Romanesque, Medieval, Renaissance French, and Gothic. In addition to this, he integrated many unique features that many refer to as bizarre. Examples include passageways that were secret, and even rooms that rained through special devices.

In the year of 1965, Hammond passed away. The individuals that buried him were sure to do so on the property of Hammond Castle. He was actually buried in the same location as his beloved cat. He specified that, in death, he wanted the grounds that he would be buried in to be covered with poison ivy. He did not want to be bothered once he was put to rest. It is believed that the poison ivy was not enough to hold the spirit of Hammond in as many have claimed to have seen his spirit in various locations around the premises.

In addition to the spirit of Hammonds, there are several other spirits that seem to linger around the area. One story tells of a groundskeeper that apparently died during the commission of his work at the castle. It is believed that the spirit of the man still roams around on the property as if he is still trying to care for the plants and all other items that is a part of the landscaping. In addition to this, it is believed that the deceased wife of the popular Hammonds still moves restlessly among the castle.

Then, several individuals have claimed that there seem to be spirits moving about in and around the facility that are not recognized. Several unexplained phenomenon such as apparent ghost pictures, ghost videos, and occurrences seem to indicate that there is a high level of paranormal activity that seems to occur at this grand castle.



The Expressionless



In June of 1972, a woman appeared in Cedar Senai hospital in nothing but a white, blood-covered gown. Now this, in itself, should not be too surprising as people often have accidents nearby and come to the nearest hospital for medical attention but there were two things that caused people who saw her to vomit and flee in terror.

The first being that she wasn't exactly human. she resembled something close to a mannequin but had the dexterity and fluidity of a normal human being. Her face, was as flawless as a mannequins, devoid of eye-brows and smeared in make-up .

There was a kitten clamped in her jaws so unnaturally tight that no teeth could be

seen, and the blood was still squirting out over her gown and onto the floor. She then pulled it out of her mouth, tossed it aside and collapsed.

From the moment she stepped through the entrance to when she was taken to a hospital room and cleaned up before being prepped for sedation, she was completely calm, expressionless and motionless. The doctors thought it best to restrain her until the authorities could arrive and she did not protest. They were unable to get any kind of response from her and most staff members felt too uncomfortable to look directly at her for more than a few seconds.

The second the staff tried to sedate her, she fought back with extreme force. Two members of staff had to hold her down as her body rose up on the bed with that same, blank expression. She turned her emotionless eyes towards the male doctor and did something unusual. She smiled. As she did, the female doctor screamed and let go out of shock. In the woman's mouth were not human teeth, but long, sharp spikes. Too long for her mouth to close fully without causing any damage.

The male doctor stared back at her for a moment before asking "What in the hell are you?" She cracked her neck down to her shoulder to observe him, still smiling.

There was a long pause, the security had been alerted and could be heard coming down the hallway. As he heard them approach, she darted forward, sinking her teeth into the front of his throat, ripping out his jugular and letting him fall to the floor, gasping for air as he choked on his own blood.

She stood up and leaned over him, her face coming dangerously close to his as the life faded from his eyes. She leaned closer and whispered in his ear. "I...am....God...." The doctor's eyes filled with fear as he watched her calmly walk away to greet the security men. His last ever sight would be watching her feast on them one by one. The female doctor who survived the incident named her "The Expressionless". There was never a sighting of her again.



Ringwood Manor

Ringwood, New Jersey

This amazing Victorian mansion sits quietly among the trees, nestled in an area that is known for exquisite landscapes and designs but is anything but quiet. Originally constructed in the year of 1740 by a family with the name Ogden, this immense and strikingly attractive structure has been rumored to contain unexplained phenomenon, supernatural occurrences, and real ghosts.

In the early years of the 1900s, this individual worked as a servant for the family that resided in the manor. While an apparition has appeared only a couple of times of what is believed to be this gentleman, his strong, steady footfalls are heard by a number of individuals on a regular basis. This man was an African American with strong Indian roots. It is believed that this spirit still walks in the home, watching over it, and ensuring that all is well and in perfect order.

There is a small pond that was created in honor of a former resident named Sally. It is believed that Sally still haunts the home but in a residual type haunting. This means that she is basically a recording of energy from the past. She has been located in what appears to be the room of music in the home. She is always seen sitting by a beautiful harpsichord. This appears as a full body apparition. Many individuals who have experienced this spirit also say that there seems to be a floral fragrance in air. They believe that it is either flowers that she enjoyed picking or a perfume that she wore.

There is a grave on the property of this real haunted house that is unmarked but historical documentation concludes that it contains the bodies of Frenchmen who fought during the time of the Revolutionary War. It is believed that, at night, when the lights are out and the moon hangs brightly over the manor, that these lost soldiers walk around the pond at the manor, and gaze over the shore in search of their homes, their loved ones, and with hope that they may someday return to the place that they miss the most.

Oak Alley Plantation

Vacherie, Louisiana



The Oak Alley Plantation is a very popular location in the city of Vacherie, Louisiana. This structure has been said to be haunted by many who reside near to the location, individuals that work in and around the structure, as well as those that visit the building. This particular structure is so popular that it has been used in a variety of movies to enhance the plot. One of the most popular movies to feature this location was the movie called "Interview with a Vampire".

In the year of 1837 the Oak Alley Plantation was constructed by an individual who was named

George Swainey. The family to move into the residence was construction was completed was one that an included a wealthy man by the name of Jacques Roman III. His wife, Josephine, joined him and helped to make the structure a comfortable home. Prior to the building of the home, a great number of trees were planted in the front yard area of the structure and this earned the plantation the name of Oak Alley. Approximately ten years later, this owner passed away due to the fact that he had acquired the devastating condition of TB. By 1866, this property was placed up on an auction and several owners took possession of the property immediately following.

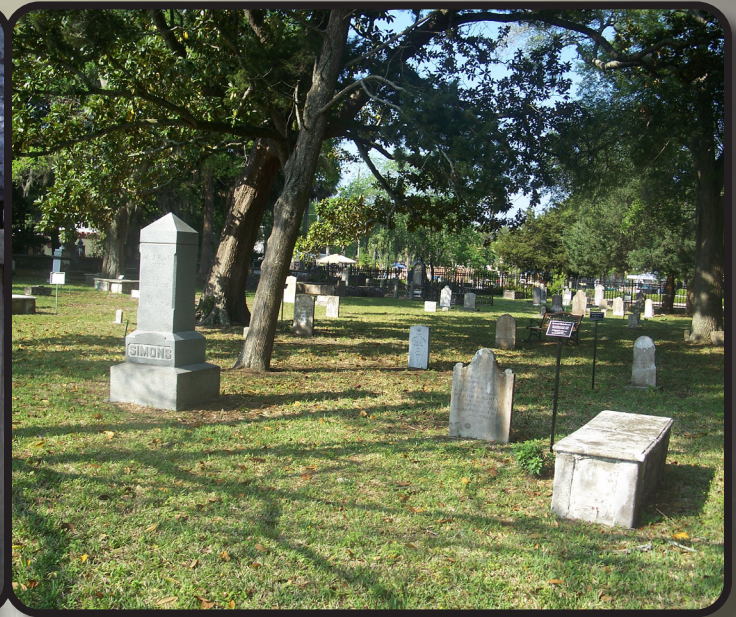
A couple by the name of Josephine and Andrew Stewart eventually gained possession of the structure in the year of 1925. By this time, it had reached the point of despair. The couple worked diligently to restore it to its original splendor. Eventually, Josephine developed a foundation called the Oak Valley Plantation. In the year of 1972, she passed away and the foundation took over and gained control. By the time that 1998 came around, the beautifully restored building was opened as a bed and breakfast to guests traveling through the area, and locals that just wanted to escape for short periods of time.

Individuals who work offering tours, cleaning services, and handling other responsibilities through the Oak Alley Plantation have claimed that there are many different unusual events that have occurred inside the structure, as well as around the structure. Many of these employees will refer to the plantation as the "Big House". One of the most common haunted legends that many of them claim is that they hear the sounds of someone crying. The sound of crying appears to be either a woman, or a child but the individuals who witness it are unable to distinguish which it is.

Several individuals have claimed that they have seen an apparition that appears to be a female. This spirit appears to be quite slender and is said to have hair that is long and either dark brown in color, or possibly even black. In studying the history of the home, many of the employees and local historians state that this could be the lady, Josephine that originally lived in the home once it was constructed. There are many who are under the impression that it could also be Josephine's daughter, Louise. If you visit the plantation, you will likely catch a glimpse of the apparition in the rooms, lingering in the widow's walkway, or possibly even taking her phantom horse for a ride around the building!

The Huguenot Cemetery

St. Augustine, Florida



One of the most haunted St. Augustine spots is the Huguenot Cemetery located just a short distance from the old city gate, and across from the ever-popular “Old Fort” as dubbed by locals of the “Nation’s Oldest City”.

In the year of 1821, this cemetery opened due to the fact that there was a need to have a location where individuals who were not Catholic could be buried. In addition to this, there was a severe outbreak of yellow fever in the St. Augustine area, and these individuals needed a place to rest as well. Originally owned by the famous Rev. Thomas Alexander of the area, he sold it to the Presbyterian Church in the year of 1832. By the 19th century, it was deemed appropriate to close the cemetery due to overcrowding, and open others around the city to accommodate the public. However, due to the real ghost stories that seem to occur here, this part of haunted St. Augustine is still very appealing to the public.

Judge John B. Stickney is one of the most popular individuals buried in this haunted cemetery. This individual came to live in the area of this coastal city shortly after the end of the Civil War. When he came to live here, he brought along his three children but his wife had recently passed away. As time passed, he became well-known and well liked by many in the area. He was known to offer free legal advice, as well as free legal services. On a business trip north, the famous judge met his fate by contracting the yellow fever outbreak of the time. He died in the year of 1882. He was laid to rest at the popular Huguenot Cemetery of St. Augustine.

As time passed, and his children became adults, they decided to relocate to the north. They called for the city of St. Augustine to have the body of their father exhumed so that it could be transported to the area where they resided, and buried there. An unfortunate event occurred during this process, though, when a couple of thieves came and pulled out the gold teeth that the judge had. In addition to this, they also took other valuables that belonged to Judge Stickney. Today, this judge is believed to still reside in spirit at the haunted graveyard. He sometimes sits in a tree, while other times, he is seen walking around the grounds, as if he is looking for something. While all accounts claim that he appears to be friendly, he definitely does not appear to be happy.

Hexes and Hauntings of Pennsylvania



Pennsylvania has a long tradition of religious tolerance that brought diverse settlers to the young colony, so it's no surprise that the state has become known for the various modes of religious expression of its people. These very traditions brought with them their own unique ideas about magic and the supernatural, and the state's central position in national affairs and wars has drawn plenty of ghosts to the region.

Pow-wow is a system of folk magic unique to the Pennsylvania Dutch but with heavy European and Christian influences. The charms and spells offered by Pow-wow offer protections from illnesses, witches, and other dark forces. For example, if your horse refuses to eat, here's a Pow-wow spell that will fix the problem: wrench open your horse's mouth and knock on its palate three times.

Many Pennsylvania Dutch barns are decorated with large circular symbols that usually have some kind of five-pointed design inside of them. These are hex signs, which were once thought to be Pow-wow talismans that would bring fortune to the farm but are really just designs that grew out of a Pennsylvania Dutch art tradition. The symbols that are used to bring fortune to the household were called barn stars, large metal five-pointed stars. Hanging a barn star on your house is similar to nailing a horseshoe above your door in other cultures. You can buy hex signs and barn stars from Pennsylvania Dutch craft shops if you want to bring a little extra luck into your life.

The modern age may have decreased belief in magic power but it seems to have had no effect on the belief in life after death. Pennsylvania is littered with pre-Revolution buildings that still contain their original inhabitants. Many born long after then still remain with us.

Philadelphia is home to many of these lingering spirits. Eastern State Penitentiary, a prison dating back to 1827 and now located well within the city is a famous paranormal landmark, with every ghost hunting team you can think of probably having taken a sweep of its cellblocks. Al Capone

had a brief stay in the penitentiary and even he claimed to be haunted by a victim of the St. Valentine's Day massacre.

Another famous location that can only be entered with special permission is Pennhurst Hospital. Pennhurst was formerly an asylum for people, mostly children, whose mental illnesses or disabilities rendered them incapable of caring for themselves. Conditions for patients were notoriously bad, and Pennhurst employees, understaffed and intolerant, frequently abused their charges. These atrocities were eventually exposed and Pennhurst was shut down but many believe the hospital is still haunted by the ghosts of patients and caretakers who suffered there mentally and physically. Workers hired to help maintain the site often report seeing shadow people, hearing crying, and feeling presences when they should be alone.

Cited as one of the most haunted cities in America, Gettysburg is a small town surrounded by beautiful, rolling fields. These fields, hills, and forests were once where one of the most important engagements of the Civil War was fought and it may still be living that history, as numerous sources claim to see both Confederate and Union soldiers marching there. Ghosts of soldiers have been spotted at every major location of the battle, and many ghosts are spotted inside buildings within the city proper. Even the sole civilian casualty of the battle, Jennie Wade, is reportedly haunting her home. Spirits aren't the only relics from the battle you can find in Gettysburg, to this day, visitors can stumble upon bullets laying quietly in the grass. Perhaps the most haunting aspect of Gettysburg is how peaceful and serene it is. Though statues and monuments commemorating the battle now dot the landscape, it has remained mostly unchanged.

These are famous haunted locations but there are plenty of lesser-known hauntings in Pennsylvania. York, for example, was once home to an asylum that burned down before firefighters could arrive. Seven gates were built so local authorities could rescue patients that had escaped. According to a legend, anyone who walks through all seven of the gates goes straight to Hell. Another haunted town is Centralia, under which burns a massive coal fire that forced the city to be abandoned by all except a stubborn few. The fire is still burning decades later and the smoke attracts tourists and ghosts. Even Hershey Park has its share of paranormal encounters to its name.



Madame Sherri's Castle

West Chesterfield, New Hampshire



Madame Sherri became known to the locals in West Chesterfield as quite an eccentric. She was known to cruise around town in her cream colored Packard touring convertible wearing nothing but a fur coat. When she was wearing clothes, she wore some of her extravagant costumes that she designed. Besides the lavish parties that she would throw in the mansion, she lived in a much smaller cottage near the place. That home was later discovered to be packed full of boxes and such, leaving very little room for living space. There always seemed to be a entourage of young french beauties that was in her company which led some to believe she used the castle as a brothel.

As Madame Sherri grew older and had a harder time getting around she moved to a nursing home in Brattleboro, Vermont. Over the years her castle sat empty and had been looted and vandalized several times. In 1962 the castle burned to the ground. Madame Sherri made arrangements to have the grounds and castle remains sold. On the day the sale was finalized, Madame Sherri passed away. Many believe that this meant her spirit was tied to the castle and remains there to this day.

Today, the castle ruins remain in what is now the Madame Sherri Forest near West Chesterfield, New Hampshire. The stone foundation, fireplace and grand stairway entrance are still intact. Many visitors to what remains of Madame Sherri's castle claim that they heard the sounds of a grand party emanating from the ruins with music playing, guests chattering and having a good time. Others say they have seen the Madame Sherri's apparition ascending the grand staircase in one of her extravagant dresses.



The Gypsies' Cemetery

Indiana

South East Grove Cemetery is located in Indiana near the town of Crown Point. This old cemetery sits near a country road. There is a legend connected to this cemetery that has been told since the late 1800s.

It is said there was an injustice done here over 180 years ago which resulted in the area being cursed. Others feel the strange activity experienced at South East Grove is because this small cemetery is haunted.

The most common story told involves a band of gypsies that were passing through the area in the 1820s. They stopped and camped on the land that was later used for the town cemetery.

Some of the townsfolk found the gypsies fortune telling and the jewelry they sold fascinating but most of the locals were not welcoming. They were suspicious and felt these strangers were there to rob them.

The leader of the band was approached and ordered to gather his group and move on. It was late fall, and before the band could do this several members were stricken by influenza.

When several members died the Gypsy leader approached the local doctor but the residents were afraid the disease would spread so the doctor refused his assistance.



Urban Legend



Uley Road Cemetery

Uleybury SA, Australia

Over time, a local prank can turn into an urban legend, and then into a real deal ghost story. Uley Road Cemetery is one such place, where nearby events may be the cause for its haunted reputation, at least for one of the stories. Still, this place creeps out many who visit it.

Uley Road Cemetery is built in Uleybury a little ways East of Munno Para. When Moses Bandle Garlick, a weaver, migrated to Australia from Uley, Gloucestershire, England, he was so reminded of his home that when he settled he named the area Uleybury.

In 1851 Garlick paid four hundred pounds for a small chapel to be built in an acre of his land set aside for the church. Garlick also helped the building of the Uleybury School in 1856. Moses Garlick died in 1859 and a memorial spire is erected in the Uley Cemetery to his name and efforts.

There is much history to be found in the cemetery with many tales both grand and strange. A English woman traveled to Uleybury to plant a stick of willow from Napoleons grave on her sons burial plot where it grew into a fine tree. Many of the pioneers of the area are buried in that acre of land, land which has been used by the many religious denominations common to that area.

As with all cemeteries Uley is not without it's share of ghost stories. The old chapel which was demolished in 1981 is said to have been used for all sorts of unholy practices. Through the 70s and 80s the cemetery was a regular hangout for young people and the headstones and chapel were badly vandalized. Most of the damage you see today was caused back then. Many stories have popped up from that time and the stories still linger either re-experienced or passed down as legend.

One of the more common ghost stories, the ghost in white, may have been seeded prior to 1953 when a local man would dress in white sheets and jump out, scaring the hell out of passers by. The nearby crossroads have the local name Ghost Corner due to these pranks. Today people share stories of a girl in white stepping out on the road right in front of your car, or a woman in a wedding dress running out on the road screaming. Variations of peoples experiences due to that old prank?

Footsteps, moving shadows, whispers, talking, and cries in the dark have all been reported out at Uley Road. Many people who have ventured out there at night have taken away an experience.

Are the stories of ghosts and spooks due to heavy imaginations born from the all too commonly found tales about the area or is there indeed something haunting this piece of colonial past?

Okiku the Doll

In 1918 a young man bought this doll for his two year old sister. The sister and the doll became inseparable until her untimely death the following year. It was soon after the death that the family noticed the dolls hair getting longer.

Was Okiku the doll inhabited by the spirit of their daughter?

Located in a little wooden box, on display in the Mannenji temple in the town of Iwamizawa, Hokkaido, Japan, stands a small, 40cm doll, which takes pride of place as part of a shrine. This doll is no ordinary doll, as every year its hair needs to be trimmed, as it grows.



The hair is allowed to grow till it hits knee length on the doll, then is trimmed back to just below shoulder length. The hair has been growing for at least the past 75 years, and it is from this that the shrine has become famous. The doll was bought in Sapporo by a 17 year old Eikichi Suzuki in 1918, for his 2 year old sister Okiku. He was visiting the area for a marine exhibit, but upon seeing the doll in a shop window, he knew at once that the doll needed to be bought and given to his sister.

The doll stood about 40cms tall and was dressed in a traditional kimono. The hair was black and cut to about shoulder length, in a traditional style, and the eyes were piercing, like black beads pressed into the life-like flesh of the face. When Eikichi returned home he presented the doll to his little sister, who fell in love with it immediately. The doll became Okiku's favorite toy and, it would seem, best friend. Okiku played with her doll everyday, and soon gave it the same name as herself, Okiku. The doll would never be out of Okiku's sight.

Unfortunately, in 1919, Okiku passed away after a severe fever. She was only three years old. The doll was to be buried along with Okiku but due to some unforeseen circumstance, the doll was never placed with Okiku in her final resting place. Okiku, the doll was instead placed in the family's altar, in commemoration of their daughter. Sometime thereafter the Suzuki's noticed that the dolls hair was getting longer. It once had a traditional shoulder length cut with neat ends but now the doll had hair reaching down towards the waist, and the ends were more random in length.

The family believed the spirit/soul of their daughter inhabited the doll. In 1938 the family moved to another locality but not wanting to take Okiku with them, they instead took it to the Mannenji Temple. Here they informed the priest of the dolls hair, and the priest, over time, could confirm that the story was true, the hair did indeed grow. Periodically the hair would get a trim and soon photos of the doll with different lengths began to adorn the small shrine, dedicated to the Okiku the doll and Okiku the girls memory.

It has been said that upon analysis of a cut sample from the hair that it does indeed belong to that of a child but since the sample was not cut directly from the doll itself, no definitive conclusion can be made.

The Haunting of Jay's Grave



Out in the country side of south-west England, near the town of Manaton, Devon can be found a lonely grave. The grave belongs to a woman named Jay. It sits in unconsecrated ground at the intersection of a road and a lane. The burial of a suicide victim.

What is the story of Jay's Grave?

In 1851, some workmen removing excess soil from a minor cross roads near the town of Manaton, came across a plot of ground that appeared to be a grave. Further digging had them discover human bones. An inquiry was made, and it was soon evident that the skeleton belonged to a woman who was buried a good forty years beforehand.

The skeleton was recovered, and the dirt piled up so the boundaries of the woman's final resting place could be more easily discerned. A simple headstone was placed at the head of the grave and, finally, the legend of Jays Grave was told.

In the late 1700s an orphaned baby was taken to a poor house in Newton Abbott. The baby girl was quickly given the name Jay but as she grew into her teens the name Mary was added. Jay, in those days, was a term given commonly to prostitutes, so the name was not very becoming of a young girl raised in a Christian home.

In her late teens Jay had to leave the home and was sent as an apprentice and farmhand to a farm located just outside the town of Manaton. She was utilized as cheap/free labor. She worked for the roof over her head and the food in her stomach. She worked both in the house and the fields making for very hard labor.



She would not have been highly appreciated, being treated as little more than a slave. However, when she began to develop more into a woman, she did begin to become appreciated but for all the wrong reasons.

The farmhands became quite sweet on her, and through these relationships she was given yet another name, Kitty which was a nickname given to girls of a more promiscuous variety. Soon she and the farmers son become more closely acquainted, and a relationship was formed.

Life looked to be promising for Jay but then tragedy struck. One evening, working the fields,

she was raped by a farmhand, and from this became pregnant. Being as things were in the older times she was declared a whore, the farmers son would have nothing more to do with her, and she was finally forced to leave the farm. Completely at a loss for what to do, and her life shattered around her, she went to one of the barns on the farm and hung herself.

When she was discovered, she was taken down unceremoniously, and taken to be buried. One after another the local parishes refused to bury her in their cemeteries, as she had committed suicide, which was an act against not only the law but also against God. She must be buried in a manner befitting her crime.

Eventually she was given a suicide victims burial. She was taken out of town to a crossroads, and buried in a shallow grave in the middle of the night. She may have had a stake driven through her heart, as was common for suicides back in those days (a practice used up until about 1823) she was not going to be given a place in heaven, and no risk was taken of her coming back. The burial at the crossroads was to fool her spirit, keeping it trapped at an intersection.

There she would have lain forgotten, had the grave not accidentally been discovered by those workmen many years later. However, some questions were answered regarding strange experiences that had been known to take place on that crossroad. A dark figure in a black shroud had been seen in the immediate area. This figure was often seen sitting or kneeling at the side of the road, their face in their hands. Was the figure weeping or praying?

Many believe the figure is the spirit of the farmers son who shunned and shamed Jay, driving her to take her own life. The figure is still reportedly seen in modern times. Another phenomenon that is reported is the arrival of fresh flowers on a continuing basis. It is true that many venture to visit the grave, and many leave tokens such as flowers, candles, prayer papers, and coins but some mornings locals will find a brand new cut of flowers. Not strange in itself but it does become more odd when it is winter, and no footprints can be located in the snow around the grave, and no new snowfall has happened in order to cover them.

One final strange mention must be made, that could be tied to the above strangeness. There have been reports of the apparition of a footless, female figure seen in the vicinity of the grave. Once again, it is not known who this figure could be but many suspect it is Jay herself, still stuck at the intersection, unable to break free from her church imposed prison.

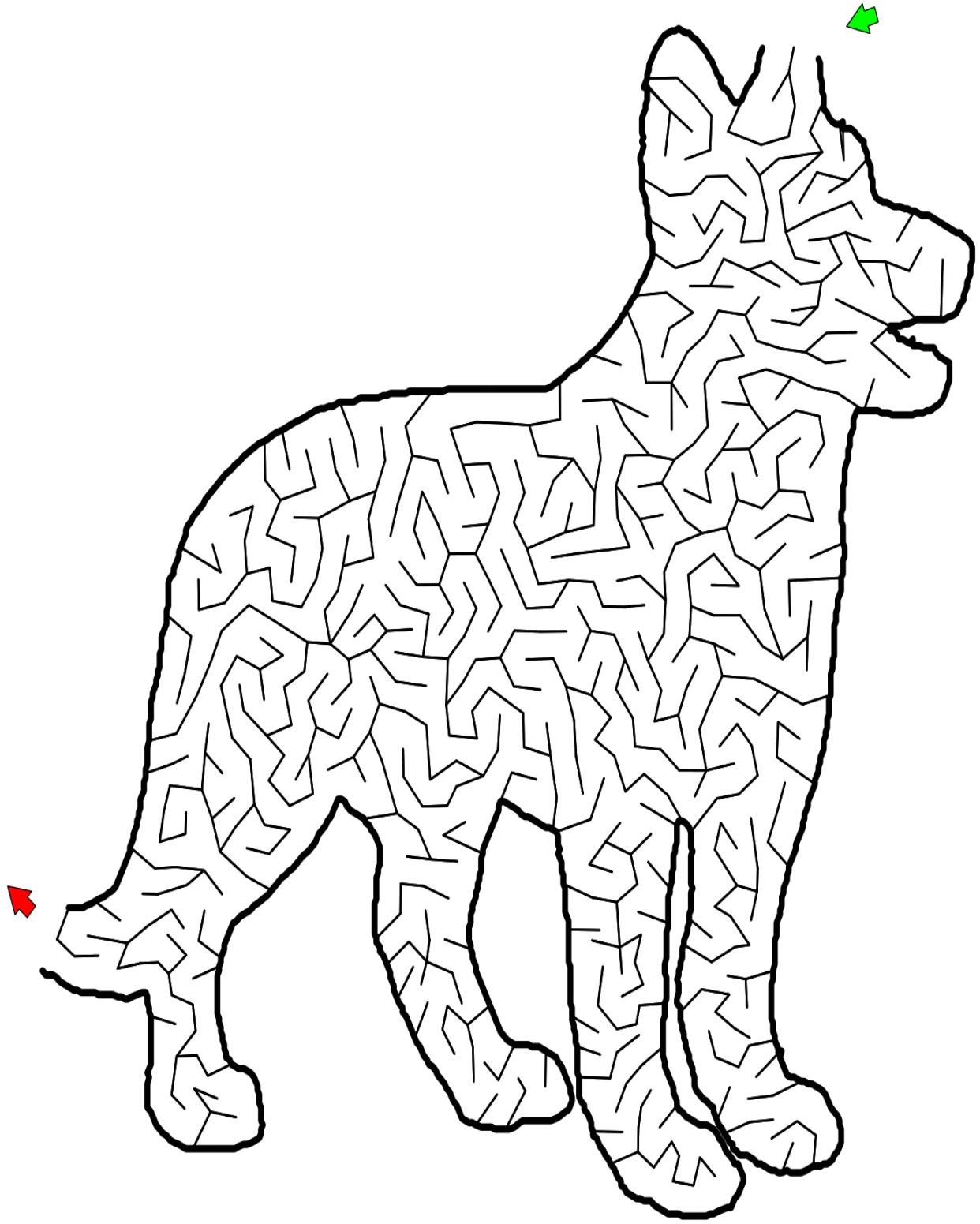


**THE
PHANTOM MIND
GAMES**

Haunted Bridges Word Scramble

Scrambled Words

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5. YADLI
6. OBYLOD
7. LNNOACDLIES G
8. ESORRO IEVG
9. URKBRBEA
10. IHMDCRNO
11. HETORSAO
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13. TOGNAMA
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15. LDIJET
16. WEHITTS OGAESRTNN
17. ANDAASPE
18. RLNBOKYO
19. IMNAATAS



Math Squares Puzzle

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Fill in the missing numbers

The missing values are the whole numbers between 1 and 25.

Each number is only used once.

Each row is a math equation.

Each column is a math equation.

Remember that multiplication and division are performed before addition and subtraction.

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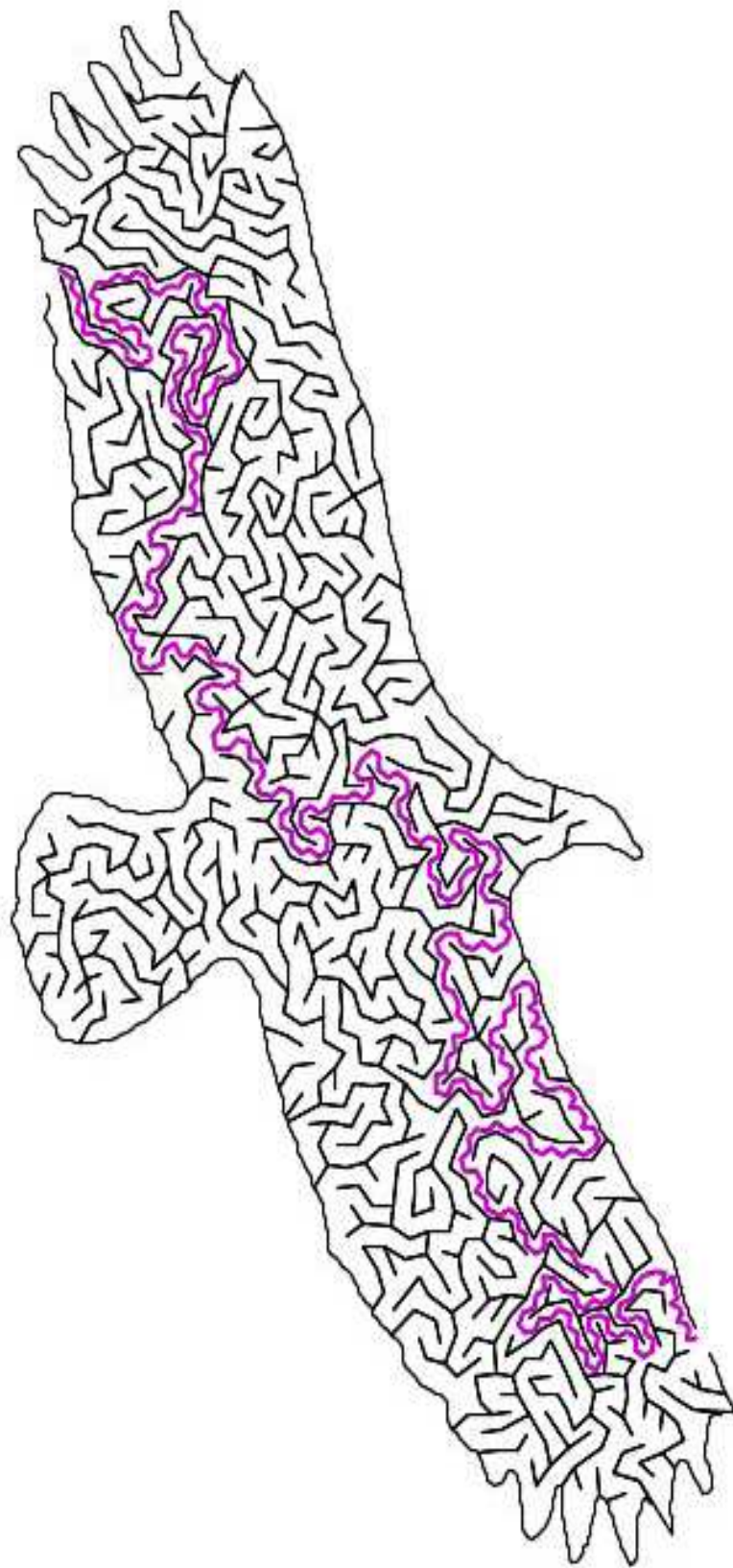
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Across:

3. A presentiment of the future; a foreboding; a warning in advance; a forewarning
4. The energy field emanating from the surface of a person or object
9. The supposed power to see objects or events that cannot be perceived by the senses
10. Attempts to treat both the mind and the body
12. Thought transference
14. Having real being within itself. The cause of its own being, depending upon nothing but itself.

Down:

1. The study of the occult meanings of numbers and their supposed influence on human life
2. The art of mentally projecting a thought form into the Universal Creative Medium
5. The act or faculty of knowing or sensing without the use of rational processes; immediate cognition.
6. Relating to existence outside the natural world; attributed to a power that seems to violate or go beyond natural forces
7. The movement of consciousness
8. Communication through means other than the senses, as by the exercise of an occult power
9. The self-knowing mind in God or man
11. Confidence in the truth or existence of something not immediately susceptible to rigorous proof
13. A person thought to have the power to communicate with the spirits of the dead or with agents of another world or dimension.



Cryptogram Puzzle 4

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
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Decode the message.

Each letter in the phrase has been replaced with a random letter or number.

Try to decode the message.



Leo Bonomo

The Voice of Spirit

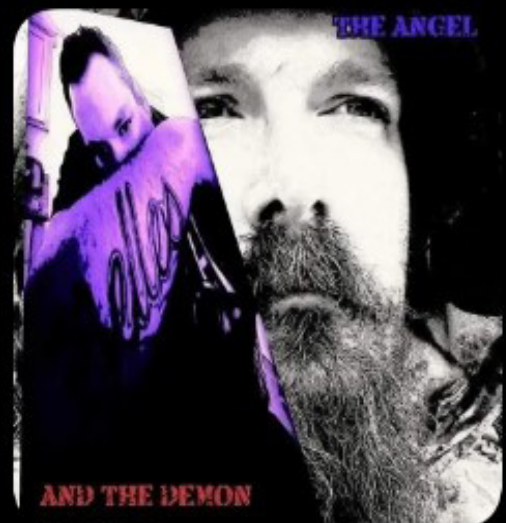
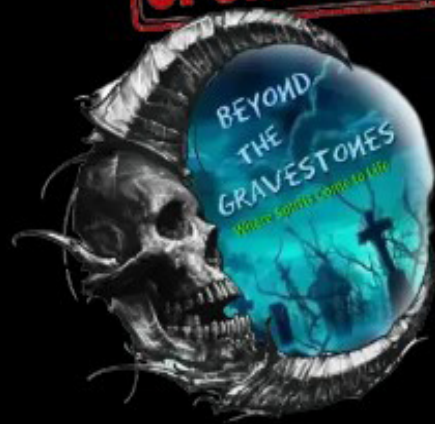
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