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"ROO's" BOOS - Notes from Kelly

Where did the summer go? Halloween will be here before you know it - it's a crazy busy time for John & I but we love it!

John and I have been busy working with the "*Here Lies Harrisburg*" event that will take place in October. (See more details in the newsletter). I'm sure it will be a great weekend. We need more volunteer to help keep the candles lit and perhaps other small activities. (Please sign up tonight so we can give John Bry a final count). John and I will be giving a Power Point presentation and talk at the holding vault during both evenings. *Here Lies Harrisburg* supports the Harrisburg Cemetery Association and Historic Harrisburg. It's something you do not want to miss -- tell your family and friends about this fun-filled *spirited* Halloween event!

Harrisburg Magazine interviewed me for an upcoming article about ghosts around the Harrisburg area. The article will be out in their October issue. I was also a guest on Rick's new paranormal radio show last Monday. To listen to the interview, go to: http://www.blogtalkradio.com/hostpage.aspx?host_id=6128

FRIGHT NIGHT with the

PSP Due to our plate being full this October, we will **not** be holding an SSP Halloween party, but we will once again join Rick Fisher and the PSP for **Fright Night** at the Railroad House in Marietta. Date is **Sat Oct. 13, 7:00-8:30**. All SSP members are invited, and contributions of snacks (as we do at our meetings) are welcomed, but remember to let Rick know if you plan on attending; please e-mail him at rfisher@paranormalpa.com. Rick will also have prizes for the best scary story, costumes (not required) and more. More details can be found on the "Events" page of the SSP site at www.spiritsocietyofpa.com. Directions to the Railroad House are available at their website, www.therailroadhouse.com.



HBG. CEMETERY INVESTIGATION - SEPT. 22

For any SSP members who have yet to actually take part in a paranormal investigation, here is your chance. ***This is for serious individuals only!*** Sorry, no children under 18 allowed. I will be breaking people up into small groups that will have at least one sensitive (if possible) per team. You will be given lay-

outs and certain areas to investigate. This will be well organized and serious. SSP members who are on our current team will be distributed amongst the groups to assist those who wish to learn more about and actually get involved in the investigations operations of our group.

You will need your good walking shoes & a bright flashlight, plus, of course, whatever ghosthunting gear you have (cameras, camcorders, audio recorders, EMF meters, etc) Perhaps Craig will have his version of "Frank's Box" on hand.

We are asking that you bring some snacks/non alcoholic beverages that will be set up on the porch. We will begin the evening at 8:30 in the front of the caretaker's house.



We plan on working for a few hours on this project. If you are interested or want to learn more about how to do a paranormal investigation, please register at tonight's meeting.

As part of the investigation, we also plan to do some work around the superintendent's home, where activity has been reported and John has already recorded some EVP.

Shown above is a photo of Mr. Barnes, a former superintendent of the Harrisburg Cemetery. The first time Kelly was in the house was during a cemetery tour hosted by the Camp Curtain Historical Society a few years ago. At the time, she "felt" the presence of an older man who was tied to the house and cemetery. After meeting the current resident, John Bry, this spring, he showed us this photo of Mr. Barnes and told us of a visual encounter one of his guests had with an older gentleman matching Barnes' description. We suspect it may be Barnes' voice that was responding affirmatively to his question of "Do you like what they are doing with the place now?" (Referring to John Bry's restoration efforts in the house) Perhaps we'll soon learn more about Barnes or whoever else frequents this beautiful old home on the cemetery grounds!

Appropriately, on Sept. 4 we received these comments from John Bry: "*The clock in the receiving hall started ticking. It wound down over two weeks ago, and no one has re-wound it. It just started going a moment ago, and is continuing. The pendulum looks like it is going with quite a bit of momentum.*" Yes, this should be interesting!

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The Magic in Numbers - by Kelly Weaver

Every number has special significance and according to ancient astrologers and numerologists, every person has a lucky number. In general, odd numbers are considered luckier than even ones.

Our ancestors who developed the idea of lucky numbers did not all agree on how to arrive at one, though. Some said that you should add up only the vowels in your first name. Others said the consonants held the key. And still others were convinced that you should add up all the letters of your name plus your birthday. Nearly all numerologists agree with the rule set down by the Greek mathematician Pythagoras in the sixth century. There are only nine numbers, he said. All the rest are simply multiples and therefore repetitious.

One simple way of finding your own lucky number is by adding:

1. The day of the month you were born
2. The number of the month
3. The number of the year

The sum of those numbers added together is a widely accepted key to your lucky number. For example, someone born on November 7, 1945, the seventh day of the eleventh month, would add $7 + 11 + 1945$. Then the result, 1,963, is added again: $1 + 9 + 6 + 3$ to arrive at the number 19. Add $1 + 9$, which equals 10. Then reduce this number to a single digit by adding the two numbers: $1 + 0 = 1$. One is the lucky number.

However, apart from giving you a start on the sequence to use next time to by your lottery ticket, it will be helpful to understand the significance of numbers.

One – As a symbol of beginnings, the number one is assigned to the sun. People whose lucky number it is, including anyone born under the sign of Taurus, will find the 1st and 10th of any month a fortunate time to begin new ventures.

Two – Almost anyone with the lucky number two is likely to have a dual personality. They may also have psychic powers. The ancient Egyptians often carved lucky amulets in the shape of two fingers. They also frequently wore two feathers in their headgear, one signifying honesty and the other a symbol of knowledge. With two as your special number, your lucky days are likely to be the 2nd, 11th, or 20th of the month. Two is also a lucky numbers for persons born under the astrological signs of Cancer or Taurus.

Three – Almost every religion has regarded three as a sacred and mystical number. It is also a lucky number for persons born under the signs of Cancer, Capricorn, Gemini, and Scorpio. The Egyptians worshiped the trinity of father, mother, and child. The Druids of ancient Britain considered three the number of their unknown, all-powerful God. Buddhists worship, his word and his church as three in one. They also strive to attain three virtues: endurance, courage, and obedience. Christians regard God as the Trinity: Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit.

The Romans wore rings engraved with three ravens to bring them luck in love. Gypsies, who also believe in the power of the number three, believe, that is a dream comes three times it will certainly come true.

If three is your lucky number, your lucky days are the 3rd, 12th and 30th of the month.

Four – Four was considered sacred to Horus, the sun god of ancient Egypt, to Baal, the supreme god of the Babylonians, and the sun itself. For all these reasons, it is regarded as one of the luckiest of lucky numbers. This is the only exception to the belief that odd numbers bring more good luck than even ones. People with four as their number are likely to become powerful and successful. This includes those born under the signs of Aquarius, Gemini, and Virgo. Their lucky days are the 4th, 13th, 22nd, 31st of the month. Sunday's, no matter what the date, are also lucky.

Five – Often called the Soul Figure or the Figure of Life, five represents the center of all things. The five-pointed star is regarded by many as symbolic of geometrical perfection. Wizards and magicians in the Middle Ages wore them on their capes to symbolize the universe and all its mysteries.

The Bible tells us that Joseph presented five suits of clothes to his brethren and that he introduced only five of his brothers to Pharaoh. David took five smooth stones to overcome Goliath. Joshua hanged five kings from five trees. And most significant of all, every measurement in Solomon's Temple was either five or a multiple of it.

Muslims follow five articles of faith. Jews and Christians follow the ten commandments of God, a multiple of five. Among the Chinese, good fortune comes from five blessings: long life, luck, wealth, health, and peace.

Five is considered a lucky number for people born under the signs of Leo, Pisces, and Scorpio. Lucky days that go hand in hand with five are the 5th, 14th, and the 23rd of the month.

Six – The greatest students and thinkers have six as their lucky number. According to astrologers, Libra people influenced by this number will experience an event of great importance every sixth year. IT is also lucky for those born under the sign of Aries. The influence is at its luckiest on the 6th, 15th and 24th of the month.

Seven – Seven represents self-sacrifice and higher virtue. IT appears repeatedly in Scripture in such things as the seven lamps of the temple, seven wise and seven foolish virgins, and Christ's feeding the multitude with five loaves and two fishes. The early church taught that belief in God brings seven gifts: wisdom, understanding, honor, glory, blessings, strength and godliness.

It is believed that the seventh son of the seventh son has the power of healing and that the seventh daughter of a seventh daughter has the gift of interpreting dreams. Lucky days that complement seven are the 7th, 16th, and 25th of the month. Seven is lucky for people born under the signs of Aries and Capricorn.

Eight – Although it is not generally considered as lucky as other numbers, eight is believed to be favorable to people in the middle and later years. It sometimes has a negative effect on the young, but others hope that luck will change for the better as the years go by. Anyone whose astrological sign is Aquarius or Capricorn will find luck in the number eight. Lucky days for people with eight s their number are the 8th, 17th, and the 26th of the month.

Nine - Nine is the sum of three, considered among the most powerful of numbers, multiplied by itself. It is multiplied by any number; the digits of the resulting number added together will always be either nine or another of its multiples. Because of these things, nine is considered a mystical number that has held an important place in most ancient traditions. Many of history's most powerful amulets contained nine stones.

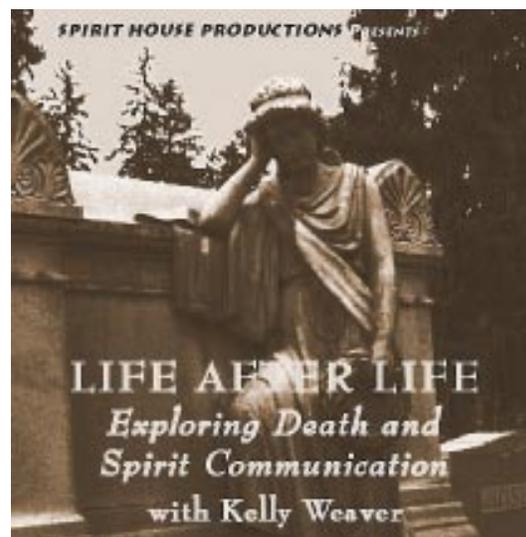
If nine is your lucky number, you will be especially lucky on the 9th, 18th, or the 27th of the month. It is the lucky number of the Sagittarian, the only sign with just one lucky number, as well as those born under the signs of Leo, Libra, and Taurus.

What's your lucky number? Give the formula a try.

Excerpted from *The A-Z Guide of Good Luck Charms and Symbols* - by Bill Harris Otterheimer Publishers

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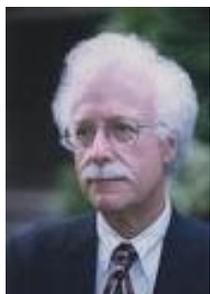
The fascinating subject of After Death Communication, including interesting superstitions along with historical facts about death, is the focus of, "*Life After Life*", a new DVD from *Kelly Weaver / Spirit House*



Productions. It ends with a soothing meditation to help you connect with your loved ones on the other side. *Life After Life* (along with Kelly's new *Meet Your Angels and Discover Your Past Lives Meditation* CDs) is available this summer at Mark Nesbitt's Ghosts of Gettysburg Headquarters on Baltimore Street and through www.kellysmagicalgarden.com.

Coming Sat. October 20, 2007 S.E.A.R.C.H. Presents:

•Featured Speaker: Renown Alien Abduction Researcher DR. DAVID M. JACOBS, Ph. D.



David M. Jacobs, Ph.D. is Associate Professor of History at Temple University specializing in twentieth century American history and culture. Dr. Jacobs began researching the controversy over unidentified flying objects in America in the mid 1960's, and has amassed over 38 years of primary research data and analytical hypotheses on the subject.

Since 1973 Dr. Jacobs has continued to devote most of his professional and personal energies to researching the UFO phenomenon in general, and the abduction phenomenon in particular. Having conducted nearly 900 hypnotic regressions with over 140 abductees, Dr. Jacobs is one of the foremost UFO abduction researchers worldwide. As a result of his extensive primary research, he has developed the first scientific typology of the abduction experience.

•Guest Speaker: Noted Paranormal Investigator RICK FISHER, Founder PSP



Since founding the *PA Ghost Hunters Society* in 1997 (Now the *Paranormal Society of PA*) Rick's reputation as a dedicated and innovative paranormal investigator has continued to grow. For decades, Rick has been assembling a vast collection of artifacts pertaining to the paranormal which will be the foundation for the upcoming non-profit *National Museum of Mysteries and Research Center* for which he serves as Executive Director and Curator.

Rick's presentation will focus on the Carbondale, PA incident in November, 1974. Some claim it was merely a railroad lantern thrown into a silt pond, but others say - like Roswell and Kecksburg - a UFO crashed and was retrieved by military forces. Rick's extensive research - which includes many witness interviews - is compelling and brings this sometimes forgotten event to life!

•Location: Colonial Park East Shore Library, Rms A & B 4501 Ethel Street, Harrisburg PA (Behind Colonial Park Mall)

•Time: 10:30am-4:45pm (Lunch break 12-1) •Donation: \$12 per person

•If you have questions or need directions, please e-mail S.E.A.R.C.H. President Steve Groff SGROFF@paonline.com or call (717)566-2835



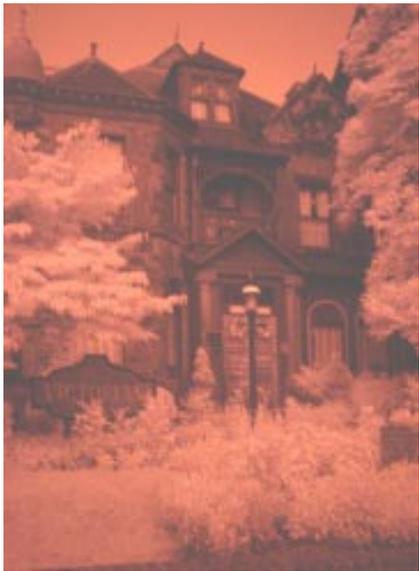
With the past month being so crazy at work (its the busiest time of the year for our business), along with summer home projects and lots of summer hockey (I stop pucks year round), my "ghosthunting" activities have been minimized. It's been over a month since I was last able to re-visit a couple isolated and promising areas I discovered on the Gettysburg Battlefield, nor be present at the ongoing "Ghost Quest" project some of us are assisting Rick Fisher with at a Lancaster County location. I hope to have more time for these projects soon but during a hectic August I did come across some interesting stories about paranormal activity in my own home town of Mechanicsburg! On Saturday afternoons while running errands I often stop by *Civil War & More* in Mechanicsburg to check on any new books of interest, and of course talk military history (and the paranormal) with SSP member Jack Thomas. Jack is not only one of the most knowledgeable and recognized people in the midstate Civil War community, but a great supporter and promoter of SSP as well. Particularly when folks check out their small paranormal section, he will tell them about our group, offering newsletter copies, etc.

During my last 2 visits, I was fortunate to hear tales about some haunted locations in town! *(At this point, I won't use names or exact locations, but I suspect some long-time residents such as SSP members Ray & Terry Krouch will easily recognize them.)*

The first involved a small main street business. It seems that when cleaning up later at night, one of the owners has been hearing unexplained whistling in a certain part of the facility. (She actually took me there and showed me the precise location.) This woman is not frightened and seems very sincere, thus I did offer to come and formally investigate it with Kelly and others, should they prefer. I am quite intrigued by this location because during the 1960s it was part of a "men's & boy's" store where my parents often took me for "good" clothes. The proprietor was a good friend of my Father's (my Dad once worked for him) who ran the store by himself, and I recall a particular habit this old fellow had: **Whistling!**

The second tale came from a lady who came into the shop with her little girl. Jack and I were talking about some recent experiences at Gettysburg when she stated she "believed in that" because her apartment was haunted! She went on to explain that they constantly heard footsteps in the unoccupied attic area, and had experienced doors opening and closing without reason. Here daughter also quite matter-of-factly confirmed this; neither were scared. She also noted that on several occasions, she had felt unseen small "things" jump onto her bed... like a dog or cat might. She then surmised the reason for this: Their apartment is in the former office of a well known & now-deceased **veterinarian** who practiced in Mechanicsburg for decades!

Dinner with a Psychic-Medium (Kelly Weaver) at Historic, Haunted, ALFRED'S VICTORIAN Middletown, PA



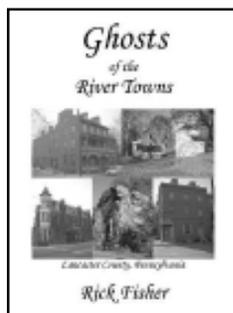
Enjoy a sumptuous meal in the region's most romantic restaurant, hearing tales and evidence of "Emma" the famous ghost of the Victorian. Price: \$29.95 all inclusive; \$10 for 10 Min. Readings w/Kelly are available.

Next 2007 dates: Sept 26, Oct 10

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