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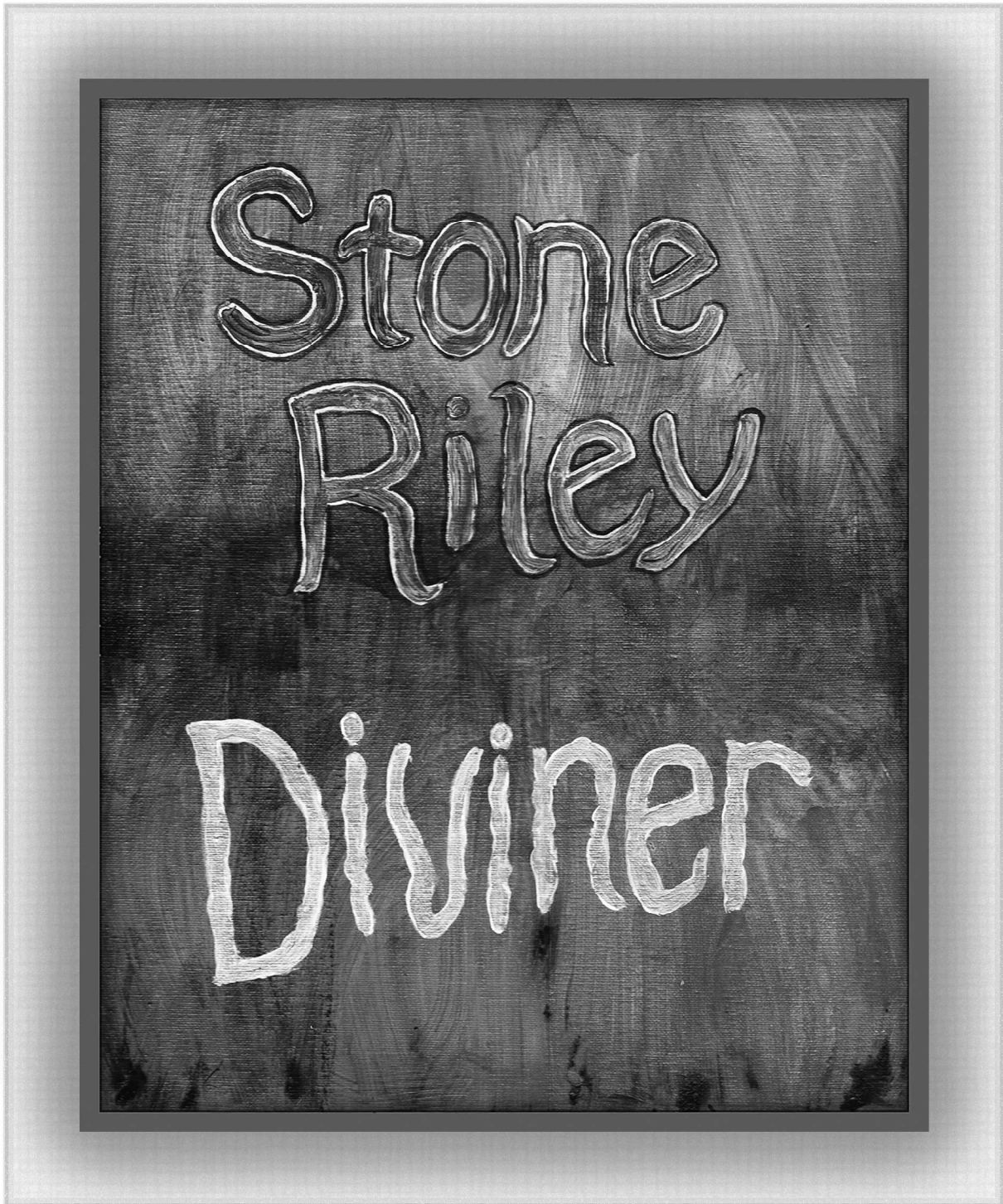
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## Public Announcement

# Attention USA <sup>{Any Legal Status}</sup> HUMANS!!

*(Citizenship legal status is irrelevant in all cases.)*

Announcement:

## THE AMERICAN PAGAN PSYCHIC CHAPLAINCY AND FIRST AID CORPS

*(most all of our diviners and fortune tellers)*

### IS NOW ACCEPTING YOUR CASUALTIES FROM THE HORRID SUFFERING OF THESE TIMES

For in-person information or psychic services inside USA...

*Attend most any Paganish roadside psychic fair, • or yoga class, • or wild Green activist planning camp-out, • or in-person Paganish living-room meet-up book-study, • or Pagan art studio, • or marketplace, • or hotel conference, • or local Nature Sanctuary • or etc. in USA. Once there, say hello and chat.*

*(In some places clothing may be optional.) Payment... It is considered proper to pay money or give someone a sandwich or something, in return for first aid or major psychic services, if you need something like that, and if you can. So be nice and say Thank You if they are nice. And take notes.*

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**All In Spiritual Need Are Now Welcome**

No I'm  
Not Joking

**Pic 1. Spirit Hill Studio's Tent At Fair**  
**Niniann's Sacred Place Benefit Psychic**  
**Fair And Holistic Flea Market,**  
**Canaan, New Hampshire, USA**  
**August 3, 2019,**  
**General View From Footpath**

THE FAIR WAS WONDERFUL!  
 THANKS TO ALL!

Back half of tent, beyond screen of startling  
 psycho-symbolic paintings (prints on canvas)  
 (at-right half-way back inside tent) and beyond  
 screen of gorgeous scarves hanging all inter-  
 furled (at-left half-way back inside of tent) :  
**THE FORTUNE TELLING PARLOR**

Madame Zhou



He's exactly here, for us just left  
 of center, back in Parlor, back at  
 the back wall, wall being two Indian cotton  
 print spreads knotted to tent's overhead frame.  
 Perfect fancy print Indian cotton flowing with  
 a forest breeze, that is tent's back wall at this  
 edge of forest fair's forest clearing.

**Exactly there is Vapes Artist.**

Seated camp chair, leaning over special camp-size Reading  
 Table, reading glasses, Hippie Love Beads necklace real  
 antique, other necklace lovely gift of Madam Zhou,  
**Veterans For Peace t-shirt.**

And right now shares smile with current client for a new  
 response to client's life dilemma has been found.

**Vapes  
 Shops**

**Series : PerformancePiece**  
 And heap of related material.

Next Client  
 Waiting turn.

Good News! The Free Handout Sheets  
 featuring pictures, even **thrilling pictures**,  
 were almost all still there inside Dada  
**Cardboard Box** at end of day, whereas  
 those featuring text, the "**poems, stories,**  
**philosophy discussions**", as promised  
 at the very top of my **colorful advert** on  
 my colorful Dada fine art Cardboard Box,  
 mentioned there along with "**free take**  
**some**", well the sheets featuring text were  
**almost all gone at end of day.** Nice.  
 Dada Box shown here (pink and green) is  
 Design 4, is not in project documents.

## Pic 2. Tireless Advertising Effort Pays Off



I'm Not Joking. For months before, Ninian repeatedly inserted notices in free community boards over a large area of this rural region. On the day, only this simple sign, looking just like countless others here all summer, selling tomatoes and corn, but more like a secret sign on a secret door on Frodo's journey, only this was needed.

I must also mention the site she got for the fair, the grounds of the area's most respected crystal shop! A powerful and friendly place! Thanks to her extensive community relations.

## Pic 3. Vapes Artist Dozes Off In Slack Moment - Huge Tide Of Clients Needing Psychic Services

Maybe I'm exaggerating the number of clientele a little, but this photo caught me blinking at the sunlight in a moment of exceedingly blissed-out Zen rather than exhaustion, delighted to feel energized and harmonized instead of tired. I came out of retirement as a public fortuneteller for this charity event! Hurrah!

Another great thing Ninian did was know what kinds of diviners people around there would like and assemble a roster of those! Like she knew Angel Cards are popular there and was sure to recruit a specialist in that. And put this helpful info right there on a clipboard same table shoppers buy the nicely handmade divination tickets, hot dogs or cookies.

Me, what she wrote there was perfect. Mainly that I do Tarot (most-trusted method) that I teach and am an artist. I got persons wanting beautiful useful conversation. Got right to it, made their minutes worth their time. All expressed happy satisfaction while I thanked them for their trust.



**"Free Take Some Poems, Pictures, Stories, Brief Philosophical Discussions"** Here is the Dada Cardboard Box (green-pink) dispensing the folded-up Vapes Handout Sheets to the passersby. Sheets with poems, stories, discussion were taken, featuring pictures left.

## Pic 4. Side View Reveals Secret Chamber

(In American Pagan practice, the personal intimacy level of a divination session nears the level of pillow talk, but with zero sex, rather the careful tender ambience of a very chummy chat. With this photo we start asking what those chats, plus watching the public at the Handout Sheets, tells about the Vapes Shops Series project's main subject. Specifically, how is our religion's response to Climate Catastrophe going?

To be continued on new pages.)





### Pic 5. Artist's Impression Of A Good Divination Session

Top Left: **Seeking Truth**; Top Right: **Self-Portrait As A Japanese Theater Mask**; Btm Left: **Odysseus Before The Gates Of Troy** (Self-Portrait In Confusion); Btm Right: **Back Of Spirit Hill Tarot Cards**. All by SRiley. First 3 are acrylic/canvas paintings, last is edited from a photo of a painting.

Ordinary chat, third cousin over coffee or a stranger on a train, if chatting and person tells you real-life troubles, any chat has vivid thoughts and honesty, you may reach quite high levels of heart-sympathy. Real divination happens there.

But suppose you've got only just the same few **fleeting minutes** as a simple hair cut, or a nice nail polish, no more minutes than that. Furthermore: Pretend you claim to be "**professional**" at this, even claim **you help people** by doing this.

Well so now you're stuck. You need a nice card deck or such to crawl into. Good thing you've had some practice.

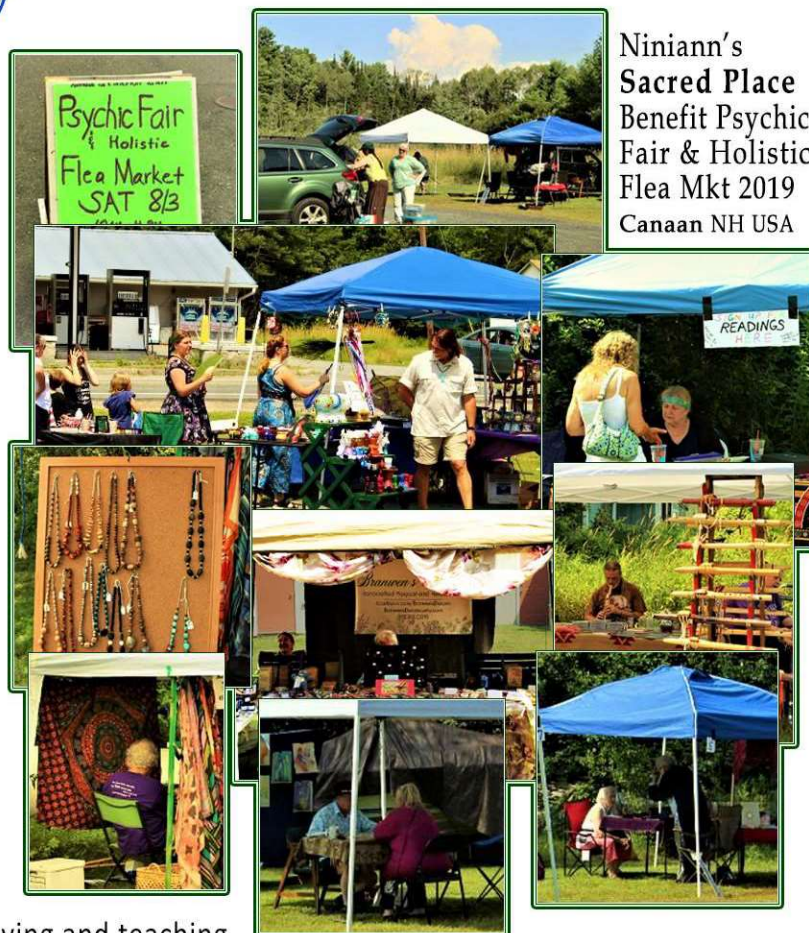
### Pic 6. And It's An Ordinary New England Day

Quantum Information Theory, part of Quantum Physics, in this chat of honest vivid thought and longing, probably explains why **your eye and hand fall on exactly the right cards** in good divination reading, but the scientific understanding is poor.

On the other hand, we surely know what good divination **feels like**, for we've been doing it doubtless thru all human history. Cards, pebbles, bones, voice of wind, flight of birds, etc., **it feels Divine**.

Apparently **it really is**, that broad plain of high heart-sympathy, a **divine realm**, or really maybe is the kind of place humans **call "Divine"** for it looks **boundless** and you feel **purified** somehow, focused, by your honesty to find and say the **truth**. Plus you're **made courageous** by the work.

I came to Paganism thru Tarot study, first deck I made Pagan truly, packed with striving and teaching passion suiting that beginning time. Story maybe fiction Aug 2019: Three strong women, maybe four, in a car. Pagan Queens in Age of Oprah, going event rousing spiritual love and power, but all wish practical divination power and don't got it yet. Come upon a roadside divination fair. ....



**True Story...** August 5th: **Three strong women**, spiritually resembling acolytes of Queen Oprah whom I know (the acolytes, not Oprah) and I saw them closely. More or less simultaneously appeared and used the **three quarter-hours** which they purchased, each in succession separately, to seriously **mine my skills**, seeming seeing their life-problem **semi-detached**, like a case study. Wonderful discussions then vigorous handshakes.

I pulled all sorts **surprising useful tricks** out of my repertoire to show **these three**, each one's own approach, two straight to work but one demanding theory first. For one spun some High Imagination pulling magic objects from a box. For another showed crystal-gazing which I don't do well at all. Fun times. I fancy this: **They did arrive together in a car**, but if by accident and on the way to somewhere else I do not know.

**Fourth strong woman**, seeming spiritual sister to first three, coming to me with ticket last, but then differing much from them in the **raw intimate connection to the session**, this woman bringing Self fully to this temple for these minutes for the good in Self's life. With her **full presence**, and her Oprahish **pure clarity**, went well. **Tears and smiles**.

Was she with them in the car? This seems important to me, to see the picture. Now I think on this and say Yes, and say this one's urgent need likely is the very reason why the sisters stopped. Urgently perused the psychic service providers offered, gave me the honor of their testing, finally sent their sister in.

**And so this is a story of their sisterhood, a magic bond, expanding.**

Now, what does this say of the Vapes Shops project's main question, of the quesiton how we shall respond to the likely imminent death of Living Earth?

### Pic 7. Vapes Shops Series Performance Piece And Heap Of Related Material

**Little Sign:**  
 >: Virtues key to all brilliant deeds: •Joy in truth •Willful courage •Consciousness of freedom •Love for All That Lives <:

**Three Large Books:**  
 Spiral bound double letter-size with interesting picture

**Paperback Books** Bright vivid covers. Several titles  
 For sale budget price.

**Artist's Tarot Deck**  
 For sale budget price.

Free take some. **Safety Pins**  
 Pin-on card has real safety pin. Says >: Safety Pin - I will give Safety to anyone threatened by hate violence <:



**Psycho-Symbolic Paintings** A neat pile of things here looks like scrolls but curious you look up. Hanging above! Look! Dramatic modern art prints.  
 For sale budget price.

**Brochures** Lettersize, Many titles. For sale budget price.

**Fancy Little Cloth Bags**  
 Mysterious tags. For sale budget price.

**Artist's Other Tarot Deck!**  
 For sale budget price.

**Dada Cardboard Box** (Design 4, not shown in Vapes Series Project Brochure, color scheme resembling a fruit-flavored bubble-gum or grass retail display. Called "Dada" for generating a classic dada situation. Loaded with **very wide variety** of Handout Sheets, each featuring either a picture or text.) Attractive advert on the green-pink display card of the box says... >: Free Take Some \* Poems, Pictures, Stories, Brief Philosophical Discussions \* Entirely humane anti-violence material. \* Written for ages Adult and Young Adult \* Each handout sheet is one piece of paper folded up and taped shut so you only see a little of it \* Suggestion: If you want to, take one sheet for each member of your family or group of friends, let each person open theirs. Or take a few privately for yourself. \* Please feel free to discuss this material with our friendly staff \* This is our art project called "Vapes Shops Series". \* Project website: www.stoneriley.com/zzzzz <: (At end of day on August 5th those feature a picture, even a very dramatic exciting picture, were almost all still in the box, those with text almost all gone, showing an

## Part Seven: Telling The Tale



**Telling The Tale**  
Digital Image by Stone Riley

# Alphabet Of Life

By Stone Riley © 2019

Part of Alphabeticon Tarot

## If you're chatting with someone or thinking alone...

and suddenly, urgently, for some reason, you need a piece philosophy or divination equipment, well here it is. Yes really.

This is an alphabet of life, an aid to thinking. You can use it for practical philosophy or for divination anywhere by yourself or in a conversation.

You can use it in prayer also, or after you've gotten used to it, use it in your dreams.

Simple example: Suppose you have a pressing question. Get it very vivid in your mind. Also try to clear hopes and fears away as much as you can, so they will not confuse you.

Then imagine speaking, like you speaking to a person, to Alphabeticon. Ask it to please show you one letter A to Z, or else show a number either 1, 2 or 3, show it clearly in your mind. Maybe ask for more than one.

Pay attention to what comes to mind, trying earnestly to fit it onto your question, and also free-thinking from it too. And don't let any fleeting ideas get away without you getting a good look at them.

Also consult the list at right.

When confused, often quickly, just stop, think back on what's been thought so far. Watch for the bits that seem more lovely, louder or brighter. Try taking them seriously.

Seek some large or small voice of beauty, truth and love.

Over time study this art. It is an art of reverently and respectfully asking and listening as in the famous "Grail Question".

This Alphabeticon method is based on Tarot cards. Here are the 22 Tarot Trumps, plus its 4 Aces, multiplied by an alchemical 3-beat rhythm I feel in the Major Arcana.

Good luck. -Stone Riley

A is for	Apple	An apple is bright and juicy and there are seeds inside that will grow.
B is for	Baseball	It's your turn at bat. Things will change fast so keep your eye on the ball.
C is for	Cup	You look down in a cup of water and see your soul. Breathe. The vision ripples, changes.
D is for	Delivery Room	It's like you gave birth. You did good. Rest, then go ahead.
E is for	Egg	New things will begin soon. Get clean and well to break out of the shell.
F is for	Fruit	It's like you have become delicious by ripening in the Sun.
G is for	Greed	Nobody likes a miser. But you may have duties to supply. So think about it.
H is for	Help	Open honest partnership is wonderful.
I is for	Island	You are alone so tend your garden.
J is for	Jack	Jack was a brave boy who brought treasure home from a cruel land of giants and became a man.
K is for	Knots	Untie your bundle of stuff so you can swap for new stuff and tie it up again.
L is for	Lake	Lie down in the beautiful water and let your true soul rise up to the surface.
M is for	Moon	The astonishing mysteries of birth and death and birth and death.
N is for	Natural	Drastic change is natural, so be your natural self.
O is for	Oh No!	Total terrible surprise. Don't give up your finest goals.
P is for	Plant	The life of plants is slow and still. Patience is strong.
Q is for	Quick	Quick actions, quick feelings, quick understanding.
R is for	Ride	You're being carried to a new good place. You won't have to come back.
S is for	Sex	Tender passion. Be together now, with another person or with yourself.
T is for	Tree	Reach deep for power. Stand up tall. Stretch out to the light.
U is for	Up!	Leaping up into a lucky new life.
V is for	Vestibule	The waiting room. But you can get ready for the future by looking back.
W is for	Walk	Step by step, moving gradually ahead.
X is the	Unknown	Darkness. Have courage.
Y is for	You	You are the center of what's happening now. Be good. Everything around you will be good.
Z is for	Zodiac	Wisdom brings fulfillment. Be grateful, generous and happy.
1 is for	Unity	Everything there is or ever was or ever will be is all one holy living thing.
2 is for	Separation	Inside or out, if there are boundaries there's force and life.
3 is for	Reunion	All things are always kin to one another.

## Tales Of Men And Women – Telling The Tale

**Tarot World Map**

Digital image by  
Stone Riley

**Invitation To A  
Student Of Tarot  
a magic poem**

Here is a fortune telling system, a magic book,  
a diagram of human life and soul wherein your intuition  
speaks the truth your self can never know or soon forgets.

Here is the classic deck of picture cards,  
the old city of 78 squares, the ancient map drawn  
up as though life were an ever-shifting game of 78  
tiles whereon each human token at each moment falls.

In this book of pictures, poetry and prose  
you will come upon a certain numbering of roads,  
a careful survey of the gods and men in their abodes,  
a full accounting of the ancestor odes.

Naked, clothe your self in daring  
and simply touch the flow of an infinite  
and ever-present moment which you know is now;  
feel at once the night and morning; thus come to be  
like a dolphin touching echoes in the ever-present sea.

Ask a question, touch a page; there study what  
good fortune and your own eye have to say. To learn of  
life just ask for guidance; your own hand can point the way.

If you wish now, come with me; stand upon  
my shoulders as I walk the sea. Repeat the journey  
trod when you were young; hearken to the tale from  
your own tongue. At every marker stone embrace the view;

**Comprehend the truth and speak it new.**

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Osiris Rows Into The Water  
(poem)

He would take to the oars at first, he decided now,  
because he had to test himself, he needed,  
first of all,  
to see how soon the fabled Ethereal Tide  
would force him to rig the gull's wing linen sail  
that would stand head-high,  
and let himself lie back for a rest.

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My Dear Brother,

I take so long to write because I scarcely have any  
idea what to say. If we were going to reminisce  
about our childhoods together, I believe that could  
do a lot of good. I would like to try it.

But us discussing our work projects in response to  
Climate Catastrophe is quite a different thing. You  
haven't seen the effort that I'm working on yet, but  
rest assured it's extremely different from yours.  
Different philosophy. It tries to grab a different  
handle on the big problem.

I am attaching a related comic book just finished.  
Please see if you can make heads or tails of it.

I'm a clergyman you know, besides old soldier. I'm  
an Elder among the Pagans of New England. I'm a  
third-degree Wiccan from the movement's early  
years, but now just an ordinary Druid. More specifi-  
cally, I'm a Druid who has chosen teaching and art  
as a path to wisdom.

Okay so far?

Have you had time to glance at my attachment yet?  
Are you saying "WTF"?

Let me tell you a little story from political history to  
reveal one aspect of the idea:

In the Mexican Revolution of the 1910's they vastly  
expanded the country's literacy thru a skill-sharing  
approach. A person was not only taught to read by a  
streamlined adult method, but they were taught the  
teaching method too. Learn it, teach it, with the  
teaching considered a moral duty to The People.  
Huge success.

On the same line later, in the 1970's to 80's in US.,  
the Pagan Movement suffered a hard repression by  
Christian police across the country. We survived by  
the skill-sharing top-priority principle. Learn every-

thing you can, and when you find an interested  
student, teach them everything you know. And  
that's your moral duty. How many times did I  
say that? We preached it as a priesthood duty,  
and taught the classic "universal priesthood"  
doctrine.

You understand, our movement in those days was  
entirely an intense religion research experiment.  
On exactly the lines proposed by Karl Jung the  
great psychotherapist, who was then just recently  
dead, btw. And studying Jung's great follower,  
Dr. Campbell.

We all had collections of unusual scholarly paper-  
backs that we devoured, in between standing  
around in the woods, or someone's garden or living  
room, earnestly trying out spiritual phenomena  
with amazing results. So when under pressure,  
keeping what we learned was essential.

(By the way, another of our responses to the 70's-  
80's repression was Massively Coordinated Love  
Prayers, organized thru a horde of photocopy-  
printed zines and tip sheets, and by telephone  
net. ((I published a photocopied zine myself.))  
The Massively Coordinated Love Prayers were  
effective.)

So enough history lessons, let's skip forward to  
the present.

Well, it turns out a few thousand people, spread  
across a large country, for decades working  
together to follow pointers from a great psycho-  
therapist, about how to be a real mystic today,  
works okay. Not surprising really.

Transporting this to hard-science language, it  
seems that living beings on this planet are  
evolved to use quantum physics facts in their  
processes of consciousness. (Of course.) So  
Quantum Information Theory has a reality that  
our ancestors have always been aware of and  
able to use. And of course we can do that too.  
(Of course.)

And of course it feels weird when you do it. But  
fortune telling, and all that stuff like that, is not  
actually difficult if you're able to be reasonably  
sociable with people, and if you learn some  
mental tricks to get into that quantum info mode.  
(See my attachment's page 4 for a practical  
applied narrative.)

Now let me explain how the list of necessary mental tricks was decoded. But you know, most people get all this by demonstration and practice first, then some theory. But let me tell you how I figured out the mode-entering mental tricks for getting into quantum processing.

Well, I'll summarize. Decoding the mental tricks employed a juiced-up stripped-down experimental Tarot deck, and using it to tell fortunes for a whole lot of people, and observe how they learn to read that deck themselves, all done very interactively. For many years. (Deck's available online with instruction book.) See attachment's page 4 for my mode-entry tricks explained.

But okay, what am I getting at? What has all of this to do with Climate Catastrophe? What response effort am I working on?

I want many, many more people to become good kitchen-table psychic advisors for their friends and neighbors. Learn to soothe wounds in a stranger's soul by means, maybe, of some colored pebbles tossed on the park bench between you. You'll be glad you did. I want Angel Cards or gazing crystals, or etc, etc, etc, etc, etc, in 51% of America's bedside tables. I should put this paragraph in big font and underlined.

Climate Catastrophe? Okay the learn-and-teach skill sharing, but what's this to that? I mean really, how does this ameliorate that?

To quote a poem on this subject: "Splint up people's broken wings, and bandage broken hearts so they can read the charts to fly away..."

Help facilitate a good transition. Program Goal: Help facilitate a creative and joyful reality-transition for our fellow human beings and any others who request our help.

I may have mentioned my work volunteer public teaching, on Fridays, at a great history museum that's a local industry here. World class great museum's a pleasant drive from my house. Fridays five years. I wore an 1830's business suit and I was usually Mr. Banker in this particular rural-industrial very small town. Everything could have been actually where it is standing now, at that bend of one of the small winding rivers we have here, in recreation, and some of it was. 1830's, dawn of Modern Capitalism, and Mr. Banker had no existing defined reenactment

role. The museum's training was very good, but no one knew who Mr. Banker is. I had to make the role from original research. And this was during early days of the great financial collapse, which I'm sure you remember, so demand for an accurate voice from the dawn of Modern Capitalism was very high. Either original research or else I could just stand around the tiny actual real antique 1830's bank office, with its amazing real furnishings, finely sculpted plaster ceiling no shit, antique real hilarious opinionated painting of George Washington looking like his horse, and all, and thousands of visitors to talk to, with my tall black felt hat up my ass. Either that or original research about the dawn of Modern Capitalism. This is a local industry here. And me, my one scholarly credential was Consulting Engineer.

Well now, enough about Early Modern Capitalism. Instead may I offer some accurate history of New Age Thought? It began in New England in the 1830's among these manufacturing mills and beautiful forest rivers.

Called New Thought then, had a major revision by the Hippies in the 1960's and now, with it's details now, it's called New Age Thought. The amateur-science philosophy like it's where an old engineer might seriously say...

"Project Goal: Help facilitate a creative and joyful reality-transition for our fellow human beings and any others who request our help."

Well, for my next step along that line, I am next considering applying to our local great museum, to let me make a small comeback, to let me develop, and occasionally perform, for potentially hundreds of museum visitors, me occasionally in the village, costumed from their excellent costume office, me playing a new highly researched 1830's psychotherapist who is likely named Dr. Mesmer.

Please take a look and see if you can make heads or tails of the attached comic book.

Now that the ice is broken between us, I'm looking forward very much to our future correspondence.

Your loving brother Stone.

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