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*Lawson in earlier days making a snowman at Southern Lights Centre*



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## URANUS IN TAURUS

In March 2019 Uranus transited into Taurus, where it will remain until April 2026. What can we learn from this important transit? How can we best accommodate and respond to the shifts in energy and consciousness the transit will bring, to support and quicken our own development and the spiritual evolution of the life of the planet?

### The Myths and Archetypes

Let's look first at the essence of Uranus, and the Uranian impulse. Various Greek mythologies abound. But for the purpose of this essay, let's work with the most widely and easily understood, wherein Uranus was both conceived from, and then procreated with, Gaia or Mother Earth.

Uranus therefore symbolises both the progenitor (Spirit) as the first Aspect of being, and (as the offspring of the union of Spirit and Matter) consciousness as the third Aspect. We can say that Uranus is both pure mind, boundless and unlimited by time or space, with the capacity to think form into being; and also consciousness, as it precipitates the development of awareness and understanding.

In the myth, Uranus mated nightly with Gaia, and produced a number of children who he hated, being of Matter ('earthbound') rather than of Spirit. However, one of those sons, Kronos (Saturn) using a sickle fashioned by Gaia, castrated Uranus. The genitals of Uranus fell into the sea where, from the resulting froth was birthed Venus, intelligence embodied in form, or Soul. Saturn then assumed Uranus' former mantle as the lord of human consciousness, albeit on a more limited and bounded plane, until himself being usurped by his son Jupiter.

The symbol of the sickle places the demise of Uranus within the period of the development of agriculture in human evolution. Time and timing became of supreme importance, in planting and harvesting. Cities developed, and civilisation (Venus). Humans became physically bounded and separated, from each other and from Nature, and identification became narrow and parochial, leading eventually to the city/state. The Uranian impulse remained, but was banished to inaccessible realms of consciousness. One could say, though, that his procreative power (symbolised by his castrated genitalia) was appropriated and transmuted into the creative power of Art, symbolised by Venus.

Significantly, the myth dramatises the horror of the psychic mind/body, Spirit/Matter split which so catastrophically warps human (and particularly Western) consciousness. Interestingly it is Uranus' unwillingness to integrate fully with the matter aspect (his hatred of his offspring), which precipitates that psychic split.

As pure mind, Uranus is the place from which genius springs, the genius that drives the development of technology and thus the evolution of the human species, a species whose material progress and development has been primarily driven by its ability to technologise. In that, it has a particular affinity with humanity, the kingdom characterised by its capacity to think.

Its symbol is lightning, the flash of insight or perception that reveals the next stage in the development of human consciousness and evolution. Its effect is therefore disturbing, unsettling. It is the new, the unexpected, the unheard of, that challenges our existing frames of reference and causes us to consider either our own fixed patterns, or those of our society.

In Taurus, its effect is on form and matter. Taurus is fixed Earth, inertia, the resistance of Earth or matter to change. It is the beauty of the feminine in all things, that which is responsive to the force of attraction, as opposed to the force of repulsion. It is of course Eros (physical love), art, music, civilisation and its fruits. Taurus' primary impulse is for security. Hence the resistance to that which change represents, be it a new environment or new ideas. In order to perpetuate its feeling of security it will accumulate that which nourishes and sustains it. Thus, it is associated with the resources of the Earth and, in their abstracted

expression, money. The spiritual recognition of the Taurean, however, is that man does not live by bread alone. In that recognition, the light of Spirit begins to shine.

### The Problem

Of course, the problem of over-consumption and depletion of the resources of Nature and the Earth is of primary importance for the future survival of the species. Recognition of this fact does not, however, lead inevitably to the adoption of wise solutions. Our problems in this respect are both Taurean and Uranian. On the one hand, Taurean inertia and resistance to change, its desire for the continuation of pleasure and the avoidance of pain, negate any serious solutions that involve even the most minor discomforts or disruptions to fixed ways of being.

On the other hand, the attraction of technological ‘Uranian’ solutions to what is fundamentally a problem of desire and greed, entrenches the growth = progress paradigm, while simultaneously satisfying humanity’s craving for the new.

In Taurus, the expression of the illuminated, transformational Uranian mind will be slow, steady, but ultimately fundamental. It may not be observable during the course of the transit, except as the impression of a dawning shift in consciousness. Our sensitive awareness will be called on to observe and respond to these shifts.

### The Context and The Opportunity

The passage of Uranus through Taurus, I suggest, represents something of a recapitulation of the progenitor myth of Uranus and Gaia. Perhaps Uranus is given the opportunity to ‘get it right’ this time, and to avoid the fate inflicted upon him by his denial and repression of the Divine Feminine. Perhaps the masculine intellectualised impulse for abstraction, planning, self-directed assertion and even aggression, might find a better outlet in service of nature and the feminine, if we are to transmute the toxic masculinity exemplified by the hedge fund and other symbols of unenlightened greed.

The timing of the entry of Uranus into Taurus associates the transit fairly and squarely within the Covid crisis, and offers us a useful means and metaphor to better understand and interpret the evolutionary shifts associated with it.

Anyone familiar with the basics of astrology will recognise that Taurus is associated with stubbornness and reflexive positionality. It can hold to its course in the face of considerable pressure for change, including arguments that might persuade a more flexible framework of mind. The ‘cure’ for the type of instinctual defensiveness and positionality that characterises both sides of the Covid-focussed culture war, is of course the light of the rational (not rationalising) Uranian mind, which offers insight, revelation, and the disentanglement of Mind from its kama-manasic aspect.

But we need to consider closely how in fact the Uranian impulse is being expressed in Taurus. What can a deeper esoteric understanding of systemic forces at play, bring to the wider conversation, to allow us to contribute to a more fruitful and integrative expression of that impulse.

It will take until at least the end of the present Uranus transit through Taurus to deeply realise the cosmic influences to which we have been subjected. But we can certainly see and begin to respond to some apparent themes which are strongly suggestive of the energy of Uranus playing upon the Taurean archetype.

### The Symbol in Manifestation

Interestingly, we have been given a startlingly representative physical symbol of the transit in operation. A number of deep thinkers have commented on the phenomenon of the Q shaman, including in his (its) cultural significance. Few, as far as I know, have recognised its import as a manifestation of cosmic placements.



For those unfamiliar with the story, the so-called Q (short for QAnon) shaman was one of the many who ‘invaded’ the precincts of the U.S. Capitol building during the disturbances attending Trump’s laboured and reluctant relinquishment of Presidential power. Wearing buckskin and an animal fur headdress atopped with bull horns, his face painted in red, white and blue and carrying the Stars and Stripes, the Q shaman quickly became a cultural icon and phenomenon.

It would take another article to explore the psychological background to, or to consider the cultural import of, QAnon in all its seemingly portentous weirdness. Suffice to say, it is indicative, albeit in extreme and irrational form, of an intense dissatisfaction with outmoded but clinging forms of government which give the appearance of freedom and participation, but which are designed primarily to enable the few to profit materially at the expense of the many. The Q shaman’s appearance on the international stage graphically symbolised the eruption of this disturbing and unmanageable revolutionary impulse for change, into the halls of civilisation and power, challenging their resistance to evolutionary growth. In other words, we saw Uranus as the (redeemed) bull in the china shop.

Without ascribing to the tribal and regressive worldview of the extreme alt-right, the phenomenon of the Q shaman and the Capitol riots reminds us that the governing structures we have built are largely historical edifices. They are constricted by forms (processes, traditions and rituals) that largely serve only their own existing patterns of control, rather than the needs of their creators. We are at a stage, highlighted by the current transit, where we need to be building new forms that serve the more open, egalitarian, genuinely progressive worldview that most of us aspire to.

### The Battle for the Body

There are other spaces in which the Uranus in Taurus conundrum is markedly playing out. One, most obviously and unsurprisingly, is that of the human body itself. As archetype of Earth/Nature, Taurus in relation to humanity represents the physical body, and humanity is currently polarised between two aspects of the Uranian as they battle for sovereignty over the form of the human body.

To date, that space has been largely claimed by Nature, notwithstanding that in most other respects, Nature has increasingly become merely a principle to be controlled, manipulated and exploited by the scientific mind, in the service of human greed.

Of late, though, science and technology, wielded as weapons by global elites, have more and more supplanted the place of Nature in the treatment of illness, at least for the masses of humanity. That is not to say, of course, that humanity has not previously manipulated and supplanted natural processes, and one can point to any number of scientific/medical advances which appear at least to have been progressive and beneficial to humanity. Possibly, what appears to be emerging as a new paradigm is simply a matter of degree. However, it seems like much more than that. Indeed, it appears that the new paradigm has at its core,

the principle that Nature itself is unreliable, alien and inimical to humanity, and that as a species we can only be 'saved' from its unpredictable and destructive malice by reliance on complex medical/industrial solutions.

No doubt this has been spurred by the enormous wealth able to be generated by finding 'cures' for the symptoms of an ever-expanding panoply of diseases, and the global power and influence available to those who benefit from such cures.

That, however, is only one side of the polarity. At the other end are many deep and truly progressive thinkers to whom Nature is not an 'other' to be suppressed, but our source, guide, mother and (co-) creator. They see illness not as some random event, but as an inevitable symptom of a way of life that has fractured from Nature. Similarly, the 'cure' lies not in suppressing and controlling Nature, but in listening deeply to her advice, observing closely her methods, and designing according to her ways. These great thinkers include: Charles Eisenstein, Vandana Shiva, Zach Bush, Gabor Mate, Bernard Lipton. They are true Uranians who see forward with increasing horror to a technologised future in which the autonomy of the human being, including the right to sovereignty over our human body, is sacrificed to a medical/industrial elite which employs technology as an instrument of control, power and material gain.

These are two sides of the Uranian impulse. On the one hand there is mind and technology employed according to a mechanistic understanding of life that is purely anthropocentric, and the psychological wellspring of which is a deep fear of loss of control, in particular the ultimate loss of control which is death. On the other hand, there is that which sees the totality of life, the inter-relatedness of all things, and which holds a deep humility and reverence for Nature, as both life-giver and destroyer. That us Uranus expressing as the higher, synthetic Mind.

#### Entrenched Financial Structures

There is another polarised expression of the Uranian/Taurean dance which has recently come into the light of global consciousness. Taurus is archetypally aligned with resources, money and economic systems. The bull is enshrined in statue on Wall Street. We have been in a 'bull market' for over 10 years, the longest period in the history of the S&P 500.

Uranus in Taurus suggests a slow breaking up of entrenched financial structures. But what do we see? On the surface very little seems to be transforming. Resistance to any step change to the economic system seems entrenched. There is little appetite at governmental levels for a shift away from the 'growth is good' paradigm. The threats associated with extreme climate-change effects seems only to have resulted in a re-positioning towards 'green' technological solutions within the same growth paradigm. The relative wealth of the obscenely rich has continued to grow, while the middle-classes of Western industrialised countries have become increasingly marginalised, and the position of the lower classes increasingly desperate. Seemingly, the Uranian impulse to the new is unable to penetrate that aspect of the Taurean which is characterised by greed, materialism and selfishness. While there has been some exploration of Universal Basic Income and other innovative economic ideas, they have been largely inconsequential.

We are, however, only at the beginning of the cycle, and given the extent to which economic injustice and disparity has concretised, a breaking apart seems inevitable.

In the meantime, one expression of the cosmic transit which is coming to increasing prominence, particularly with the erratic activities and pronouncements of the uber-Uranian Elon Musk, is the elevation of crypto-currency (such as Bitcoin) into planetary consciousness. Perhaps that will result in a subversion of the financial system at least. But before we get too optimistic, we should recognise in the rise of crypto-currency much of what is problematic in our existing economic system.



Crypto-currency is built on a relatively new, advanced and complex technology known as 'blockchain'. Initially its impetus sprang from a desire to decentralise currency systems and to take control of the financial system away from banks and governments. In that respect its roots are decidedly Uranian. During the period of the current transit, the public at large has started to become increasingly enamoured of crypto-currencies as a speculative investment, much in the way of our own stock market in the period preceding the 1987 crash or the Global Financial Crisis. With that has come a greater enquiry and much controversy around the societal value of bitcoin and other crypto-currencies. Many have questioned whether it has any intrinsic value as a means of exchange, given exceedingly low take-up to date and its inherent problems in enabling point of sale transactions, or whether it is simply a vehicle for a planetary Ponzi scheme, and intrinsically suited only as a medium of exchange for illegal activity. Doubts have been heightened by the way in which Musk in particular appears to have 'gamed' the market for Bitcoin and other currencies by alternatively promoting and denigrating them.

Undoubtedly crypto-currency is a new technology that may become a vehicle either for good or ill, depending on whether it is employed to undermine the existing financial system and to replace it with something more open and accessible, or simply as a new and more exciting vehicle by which the existing financial system and its elites can continue to monopolise wealth and power.

In the meantime, a more fruitful and positive effect of Covid in terms of money and values, appears to be a greater questioning of how we might engage positively with the existing economic structure, while maintaining both our integrity and autonomy. That is something we at Southern Lights Centre are witnessing as a strong theme in our interactions with young people. Quite simply they appear much less willing to compromise their authentic selves simply to feed off the scraps from the table. There is a much greater sense of agency, a greater will to design their own lives. The financial and even existential uncertainty generated by years of neo-liberal capitalism, heightened by the Covid experience, have led to a widespread loss of trust in the capacity or even the motivation of the system to provide for their needs.

The Great Reset promoted by the World Economic Forum offers its own take on this theme, characterised by the following quote: 'By 2030 you will own nothing, and you will be happy.' Presumably the elites who control the Forum will be exempted from the 'owning nothing' classes. In any event, and regardless of the duplicity of said elites, I am optimistic that the forerunners who are now being born into the Aquarian Age will bring in with them the wisdom to effect fundamental, if not immediate and cataclysmic changes, to the economic order, as is mandated by a Taurean expression of the Uranian impulse.

### Embodiment

Spiritually, the keynote of the present age, consistent with the incoming 7<sup>th</sup> Ray of organisation, is embodiment, the bringing down of subtle spiritual principles into proper expression within the form life of the individual and the collective.

Embodiment involves taking personal responsibility for all aspects of life, aligning with our authentic selves, and manifesting our spiritual development in the forms we create. In aligning with our true nature, we are led to alignment with Nature itself. We are drawn to enduring values including a deep reverence for our own life, and for all life.

The present transit of Uranus allows us to observe and reflect on the forms we have built, by which we express our spiritual aspect. We may also consider whether our spiritual expression is assisted or retarded by the forms and the conditioning of our human environment. It is trite to say that as humans we are both spiritual and animal beings. We are an indivisible whole expressing our essential spiritual selves through the vehicles of our form. We are psychically, archetypally, Uranus in Taurus, all the more so for the next 5 years. Albeit the process may be slow and grudging, let's go with the sluggish flow of radical change.

*Peter Richardson*

## SOLAR FIRE MEDITATION RETREATS 2021



*Please join us for the next meditation retreat days, Sundays 9.30 am to 4 pm.  
Mark your diaries and join us to celebrate the different solar fire astrological energies.*

**LEO (Sirius Festival)**  
**22 August 2021**

**VIRGO**  
**19 September 2021**

Those wishing to participate are welcome to book in advance and send their birth details so a natal chart can be made for discussion at the Sunday retreat. For example, if you were born in Aquarius, how does your birth chart relate to the full moon chart and energies for Aquarius?

All welcome

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## THE NOBLE MIDDLE PATH – AGAIN

Perhaps the most useful service which many esoteric students can render in the world at this time is to live and radiate a field of light, love and spiritual will-to-good and walk the noble middle path advocated by the Buddha.

This might help to bring balance in the “great divide” between the jabbed and the non-jabbed. I heard someone question “Have you had the jab?” The answer was “No”, to which the questioner replied “Ah, you’re one of those.”

The current situation takes me back to the History Museums in West and East Berlin in 1967. I crossed Checkpoint Charlie into East Berlin and discovered a totally different version of the history of the liberation of Berlin at the end of World War II. Somehow I had held a sub-liminal expectation that there would be one version of history shared by all and based on the facts and figures of events at the time. But differing world views held by different people involve selective perception.

Now, with the jabbing situation I am confronted with two realities. There is a one-page notice in our local newspaper informing local people of the rollout of the vaccine now available here. This is in contrast to the information increasingly coming across my screen which tells a very different story. Increasing numbers of medicos are expressing concerns about the experimental nature of the vaccines which are not yet fully trialled, increasing numbers of deaths and injuries associated with vaccination and the lack of an open forum for discussion of alternative forms of treatment and protection.

This divide prompted me to reread Scott Peck’s book *People of the Lie*. It was published in 1983 yet the issues raised seem pertinent to today’s world and issues. Where lies the truth and where are lies lying?

In his book Scott Peck sees people as intellectually lazy, relying without question on current scientific opinion as a reliable source of authority. “*It is our carelessness...and willful ignorance that endanger the world*”<sup>1</sup> He suggests that all people should be scientists, evaluating good and evil, and that science can no longer be value-free. He writes:

*The technology required for modern investigation itself had become so complicated that it can be dangerous. The fact is that modern science has become so inextricably interwoven with big business and big government that there is no longer such a thing as “pure” science.*<sup>2</sup>

*“...debate is the cornerstone of genuine science ... The best safeguard we have against the misuse of the concept of evil by scientists is to assure that science remains scientific and grounded in a democratic culture in which open debate is encouraged.”*<sup>3</sup>

Peck believes that there is a need for a psychology of evil (evil which “kills spirit”, which “seeks to kill life or liveliness”). This must be a “healing psychology”<sup>4</sup>, motivated by a love for the fullness of human living- laughter, love, caring. He writes “There are various essential attributes of life – particularly human life - such as sentience, mobility, awareness, growth, autonomy, will.”<sup>5</sup>

I ask myself how the spirited living of humans is faring in the current aftermath of the pandemic and its management worldwide.



In *People of the Lie* Peck refers to Erich Fromm's understanding of necrophilia (in Fromm's book *The Heart of Man: Its Genius for Good and Evil*) which includes:

*"The desire of certain people to control others – to make them controllable, to foster their dependency, to discourage their capacity to think for themselves, to diminish their unpredictability and originality, to keep them in line"*<sup>6</sup>

Fromm delineates a "necrophiliac character type" aimed at "transforming others into obedient automatons, robbing them of their humanity."<sup>7</sup>

From the fields of theosophy come the following understandings of what will be required of scientists and medicos in the future.

*True knowledge is obtained by participation and fusion of the knower with the object of study- and the scientist is required to become higher in order to understand higher things. Such a science would demand and assist the preparation, integration and attunement of body, mind and heart of the scientists so that they would be able to participate in the vision revealed by the higher consciousness. The important lesson here from the perspective of any future science of consciousness, is the importance of knowledge by identity. We cannot remain separate and detached if we wish to understand. We need to participate in and be one with what we wish to understand.*<sup>8</sup>

*The new view of medicine is an integral multidimensional view wherein the subtle domain levels of the practitioner, patient and the universe, to some degree, all cooperate in the repair, balancing and transformation process.*<sup>9</sup>

Each person has the right to make choices, hopefully informed choices based on a scrutiny of easily accessible, accurate and comprehensive information, provided by diverse investigative journalism. On the back of my school bus ticket is an aphorism that has stayed with me all my life:

*The price of freedom is eternal vigilance.*

*Julia Tarnawsky*

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## SOLAR FIRE DATES AND TIMES

Monthly meditations are always held at the full moon at Southern Lights Centre near Akaroa.

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## MEDITATION TEMPLE DATES

Cancer	24 June 2021	4.00 pm
Leo	21 August 2021	4.00 pm
Virgo	20 September 2021	4.00 pm

## FULL MOON

Cancer ♋ **Keynote: I build a lighted house  
and therein dwell**  
(actual time 25 June 2021 6.39 am)

Leo ♌ **Keynote: I am That and That am I**  
(actual time 24 July 2.37 pm)  
(actual time 23 August 0.01 am)

Virgo ♍ **Keynote: I am the mother and the  
child, I God, I matter am**  
(actual time 21 September 11.53 am)

## NEW MOON

Cancer ♋ **Keynote: I build a lighted house  
and therein dwell**  
(actual time 10 July 2021 1.16 pm)

Leo ♌ **Keynote: I am That and That am I**  
(actual time 9 August 1.50 am)

Virgo ♍ **Keynote: I am the mother and the  
child, I God, I matter am**  
(actual time 7 September 12.52 pm)

## THE GREAT INVOCATION

**From the point of Light within the Mind  
of God**

**Let light stream forth into the minds of  
men**

**Let Light descend on Earth.**

**From the point of Love within the Heart  
of God**

**Let love stream forth into the hearts of  
men**

**May Christ return to Earth.**

**From the centre where the Will of God  
is known**

**Let purpose guide the little wills of men**

**The purpose which the Masters know  
and serve.**

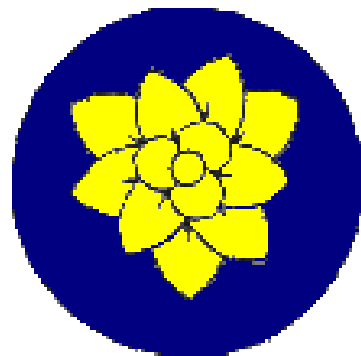
**From the centre which we call the race  
of men**

**Let the Plan of Love and Light work out**

**And may it seal the door where evil  
dwells.**

**Let Light and Love and Power restore  
the Plan on Earth**

**Om Om Om**



**FEAST OF THE LOCAL GODS**

On the other side of the harbour

Above Wainui

A vast flat tablecloth of cloud

Drapes pristine edges over steep mountain sides

Radiant in the morning sun.

Is it prepared for a feast of the local gods?

We simulate nature

Feasting on cloths of a lesser scale,

Our world of things seems solid

The other, ephemeral.

Yet all is soon gone

Save remnants of stone and bone

In the grand scheme of things.

Rather to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest

The fruit of human consciousness

As lessons to be learned at the student's desk of life.

Consciousness remains forever

Or so they say

Who have ventured beyond the veil and returned.

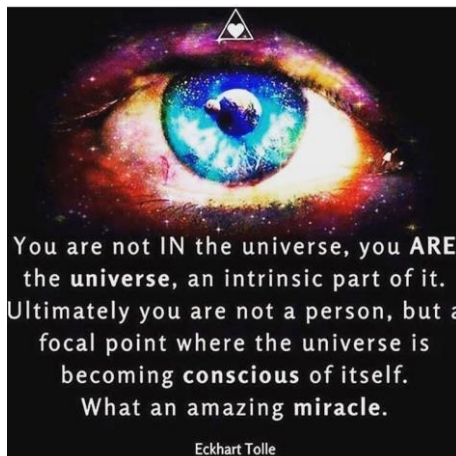
*Julia Tarnawsky*

## THROUGH THE CURTAIN

Let us Broadcast the “Net of Harmonic SOUND”.

*“The final phase of the divine purpose is the most difficult of all to indicate, and when I say indicate, I mean exactly that, and nothing more definite and clear. Does it mean anything to you when I say that the ceremonial ritual of the daily life of Sanat Kumara, implemented by music and sound and carried on the waves of colour which break upon the shores of the three worlds of human evolution, reveal—in the clearest notes and tones and shades—the deepest secret behind His purpose? It scarcely makes sense to you and is dismissed as a piece of symbolic writing, used by me in order to convey the unconveyable. Yet I am not here writing in symbols, but am making an exact statement of fact. As beauty in any of its greater forms breaks upon the human consciousness, a dim sense is thereby conveyed of the ritual of Sanat Kumara's daily living. More I cannot say.”* ‘The Rays and the Initiations (rule 12), Alice A Bailey, page 247)

This is the major broadcasting of sound each and every moment!



This quote from Eckhart Tolle suggests that each individual unit of consciousness is both a receiver and transmitter of vital energies.

Thou Who givest sustenance to the universe  
From Whom all things proceed  
To Whom all things return,  
Unveil to us the face of the true Spiritual Sun  
Hidden by a disc of golden light  
That we may know the Truth  
And do our whole duty  
As we journey to Thy Sacred Feet.

This English translation of the Gayatri is revealing the One who sustains the Universe...an act of Broadcasting and receiving of the greatest significance.

The flow from Spirit to matter and the return to Spirit...the journey of involution to Evolution...we all take this pathway. We incarnate on earth to experience a life of free-will...we, as personalities, make decisions/choices and we respond to circumstances doing it “My way”. The personality soon may realise that short-term benefits and knee-jerk reactions carry consequences. Gradually responsibility becomes known as suffering is overcome and we live, conscious of each presenting moment. Each here/now moment we stay fully awake; fully appreciative and fully in acceptance of the total experience. We are assuming soul consciousness! We are receivers of soul life!

This “journey of return” has involved stages of recognition from essential body/feeling awareness towards that stage of FIELD awareness. “What is important to know is that your thinking is in **your field** and not in your head, which is only a transformer...**your thinking and your self are in the field**. Your body is only a transformer for your everyday life consciousness.” These thoughts, expressed by Andrew Glazewski, place emphasis upon experiencing the reality of being other than your body thus holding a more comprehensive and real view of life. For me this is a significant stage of realisation your thinking and your self are in the field that you emit, and the field is present in your surrounding space. The pattern, which is unique to your personality, is in the form of sonic, infra-red and electrical potential (plasma?) radiations. This is our secondary field. This secondary field is personality consciousness.

We have another field, what the scientists call the Organizing Field (Primary Field), which is not of a physical nature. This Primary Field Andrew equates with the SOUL. His writings connect with David Bohm’s plasma research and the work of Rupert Sheldrake morphogenetic fields. (<https://www.sheldrake.org/research/morphic-resonance/introduction>) as well as with Dr Harold Saxon Burr’s research.

Andrew’s book, “Harmony of the Universe” by Andrew Glazewski with Paul Kieniewicz, triggered an “IMPACT-Revelation” response that provided a realistic gateway into the Cosmic Physical Plane. Concepts that were known as ideas became potentially more experiential and verifiable. Tangible in that a feeling state is experienced through meditative effort linked to comprehension.

All is flow, threads of plasma unite in currents of motion at a macro and micro level...Birkland currents form as solar flares erupt these currents reach all the planets activating their poles in N/S light displays... this also touches all torus forms of life...human to bacteria. This is the reality behind appearances. We are parts within a greater whole. This also fits in with Field Theory!

Geoff Haselhurst’s [www.spaceandmotion.com](http://www.spaceandmotion.com) - On Truth& Reality...The wave structure (WSM) of matter in space. This website’s basic hypothesis has had an extremely strong impact upon my thinking thus far. As I re-read articles, listen within to Milo Wolff (Schroedinger's Universe) and view illustrations the fundamental postulates increasingly are embedded.

This is undoubtedly the single, most significant revelation in my life!

“There is no particle-wave duality of matter, just a spherical standing wave structure of matter where the wave center creates the 'particle' effect, and the spherical in and out waves provide continual two way communication with all other matter in the universe.” ([www.spaceandmotion.com](http://www.spaceandmotion.com))

This viewpoint is central to Kashmir Shaivism ... “The Secret Supreme” by Swami Lakshimanjoo and is a basis of the audible life stream meditations.

Andrew Glazewski expresses ideas which seem to blend into the writings of Viola Petitt Neal, thus I have added her grasp of reality. The essence of Viola’s understanding of Space and Time becomes the significant key that brings synthesis to this combined viewpoint. It is as if there is a synthesis as the three spheres sounding combine: - the sphere of the Trans-Himalayan Wisdom Teachings; Andrew’s Christian esoteric sphere and Viola’s night classes sphere unite and merge...Exciting!

“Through the Curtain” by Viola Petitt Neal and Shafica Karagulla - this book has gems that glint at the reality behind manifestation. Potential concepts are introduced that seamlessly meld into the esoteric view. You the reader are requested to consider with care and allow deep pondering to influence your decision to introduce newer versions of reality. (All quotes from “Through the Curtain”)

“Remember the basic concept given in the lecture that when life or spirit moves outward from a center, it is energy and when energy moves inward to a center or vortex it becomes matter. Matter is a pattern rather than a solid, a pattern of energy moving into a center. As long as the pattern is manifested, we have the so-called solid matter.”



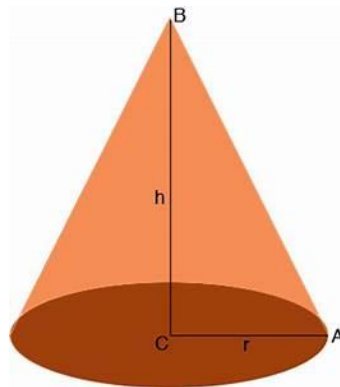
“Sound may be considered as having a positive charge, Geometrical forms as having a negative charge. These two have a polarity aspect together which give rise to colour.”

“In this particular trinity the seven colours correspond to the seven planes of manifestation.”

“Crystals are the key to this polarity relationship because they are exact geometrical forms.”

“Platonic solids are the basic forms for studying relationships to sound.”

“The cone of ninety degrees on four sides is the key pattern- a bridging form.”



“There are two more forms in addition to the platonic solids, making in all seven forms. The sphere is one of these forms and represents the top head center. The world of form in its essence means geometrical forms. Dense physical forms are the final manifestation of these geometrical forms.”

“Audible sound is a very small section of the sound spectrum. **Light on our planet is the result of sound frequencies from the sun, intersecting with form frequencies from the earth, producing light and in the lower octave heat...this is sound in marriage to form-and from this light is born.**”

When the Hubble Telescope photographed the distant stars of the astoundingly beautiful Hubble extreme deep field, it took the picture using an infrared camera. Britannica quote!

The word “ritual” in its true defining is an orderly movement of sound and geometrical form in sequential patterns. (Orest...**This is the creative process!**) Please note: - “The ceremonial ritual of the daily life of Sanat Kumara,”... this Is the reality, this is SPACE! ORIGIN OF MAGNETISM.

“He went back to the discussion of an atom as being interlaced spirals of energy—they move in on themselves. When ever these out-rushing great spirals of energy turn in upon themselves and form a pattern you have an atom, or a solar system ,or a human being...a form through which life is moving. The pattern is always the same. **TORUS** ...but the pattern remains in the way in which the spiral energies move in upon each other through the center of every form...

There is a point where these energies move around each other as if they were moving around a rod. Now that rod is the neutral point. this pattern is ever-moving, but appears to be stable because the pattern is stable. The energies are moving all the time...rod of mercury...this “neutral point” is a type of energy and has something to do with magnetism, the binding force of the universe.

In a sense the “neutral point” holds the two polarities sufficiently apart to guarantee interplay...and yet preserves the pattern...keep it in continuation...it is the holding apart and it is the holding together of energies at the “neutral point” of the universe. Magnetism is the attraction and repulsion.

In the overall concept, the Soul is the magnet. The Soul as a magnet partakes equally of Spirit AND Substance.”

“Crystal is a magnet of di-electric polarities having equal amounts of positive and negative energy, which is equal and opposite to that of electric energy in this relationship. Di-electric energy is Spirit and electrical energy is the Matter polarity.

Dia-magnet is equal charges of positive and negative di-electric energy, which helps in a permanent or temporary pattern. The relationship of di-electric and electric energy, where they are in a creative pattern, is a solar system which is actually a magnet where the two energies, di-electric and electric, are held in equal relationship.”

Time and Space chapter of “Through the Curtain” from page 198:

“Tonight we want to think in terms of sound and sequence: sound we will roughly equate with space, sequence we will roughly equate with time... **The visible material universe is put together by sound in an orderly sequence. This orderly sequence is the basis of mathematics...sequence is a more expanded concept and we must define sequence to mean instantaneous or timeless, and many stages in between.**

Now let us define substance: Substance is that state in the universe similar to the condition in solution just before the point of precipitation and matter is the precipitate.

In the larger picture of the universe, sound moving in orderly sequence causes substance to precipitate and it becomes matter with the stamp of orderly sequence upon it and a perfect pattern which we call different elements.

Orderly sequence determines wave length. In the vaster structure of the universe wave length determines which and what element.

Space is an infinite web of sound moving in orderly sequence.”

“an atom is composed of a stable pattern with a tight and dynamic spiral vortex of subtle energy moving into the centre of the pattern at high rates of speed...”

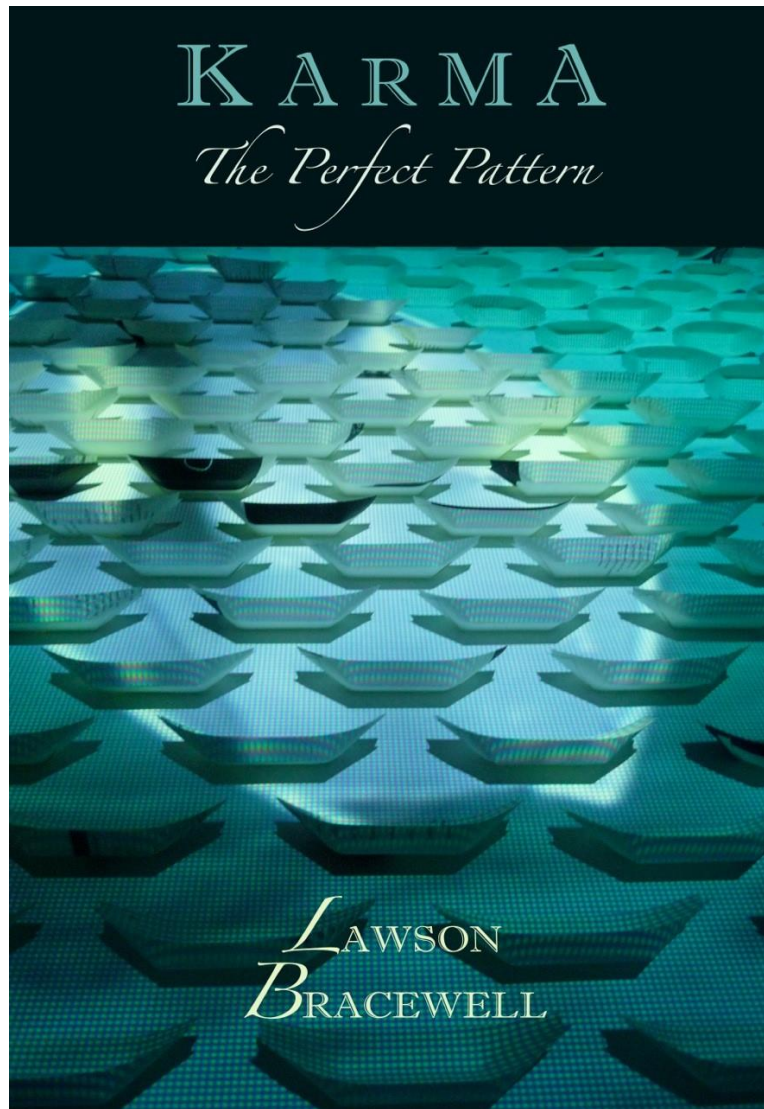
“Ritual is an ordinary sequence of words, movements or acts performed in right and correct order in order to invoke and direct energies (physical, etheric, astral, mental, and spiritual) towards definitely –intended purposes.”

These essential quotes direct my attention to the significance of sound as the reality behind manifestation. The huge responsibility of each conscious unit; especially human individuals to create in balance and harmony so that the individual fields that construct the collective field become musical fields of magnetic love. Individual personality fields need to reflect the influence of the primary soul field. This time of great challenge and transformation requires us to be fully aware each moment as BUILDERS OF THE TEMPLE! Heaven on earth is our purpose!

It is difficult to express my deep and profound respect and gratitude to these two Writers; i.e. Andrew and Viola. My appreciation stems from the ability of their writing to strengthen my comprehension of the Ageless Wisdom Teachings.

These writings are still gestating within me and hopefully soon the expression will have a greater clarity and refinement.

*In love and light - Jurij-Orest Tarnawskyj*



Within a particular life there are many opportunities to practise the perfect pattern of karma. The pattern descends with the soul into each incarnation. We can live our lives free from limitation, free from negative associations of karma. Every relationship in each life is an opportunity to express the perfect pattern and beauty of karma.

The purpose of this book is to look at karma from an entirely different perspective to the one which is familiar to most readers. Karma will be presented as a perfect pattern, something which is exquisitely beautiful, resolved and complete. Karmic patterns the matter of the physical, emotional and mental worlds so that they demonstrate the pattern. In this demonstration, the chaos of matter, found on the grossest and subtlest levels, resolves into harmony. Matter no longer offers any resistance to the down-flow of energy. On all levels of reality, karma prepares the way for the intention and mind of God to manifest.

The book also offers astrological perspectives on the role of Saturn and Sigma (esoteric Saturn) in indicating karma. There is an ephemeris for Sigma so that it may be located in the chart.

The book can be purchased on Createspace, Amazon or Kindle.

## **PROTECTION**

(from issue 70 – 2014)

It would be hard to argue that we, as the human species, do not feel vulnerable. Our legal system with its laws, prisons, police and supervision and rehabilitation services is designed to protect us from those who would harm us. Our military protects our nation from the aggression of other nations. Our insurance companies protect us from the unexpected harm done by time or accident. In fact, our entire social system is designed to protect us.

We also view others as vulnerable and put ourselves in the role of protector. We supervise our children or grandchildren to protect them from self-harm or the harm of others. Much of our educational system is constructed to teach skills and convey knowledge that will protect students from ignorance or forces in society that would use or abuse them.

And, of course, we seek to protect ourselves. Most of our system of protection is sub-conscious. We have built-in psychological defense mechanisms to respond to fears generated by past painful or damaging experiences.

All of these forms of protection have adverse side effects. They limit our freedom. They take energy that might be used more creatively. And, they re-enforce the sense that we are weak, vulnerable and dependent.

Consciously or unconsciously, we all reach out for a more real and powerful protection. Our experiences and the Ageless Wisdom Teachings tell us that the most powerful protection is love. To understand why this is the true protection, one can look at the essence or numerical value of the word. Protection sums to  $54=9$ . Heart of God also sums to  $54=9$ . Essentially Protection and Heart of God have an equivalency. Love and Venus also both sum to 9.

The Spiritual Hierarchy of the planet with the Christ as its head is the heart of our planetary God. The Teachings tell us that, though we must deal with the evil (that which impedes evolution and freedom) that is within ourselves and others, the Hierarchy provides a great defending wall against true evil. Radiant love is the protective shield.

Emotional love provides little protection. But, the love which radiates from our heart centres protects from all suffering. This true love is impersonal; it induces the awareness that "It is not about me". It broadcasts that "Everything is perfect just as it is". It aligns us with your true self in such a way that courage and power floods the inner and outer world. We are no longer vulnerable when we lose the sense of being alone and separate.

Scientific research has confirmed that experiencing love strengthens the immune centre. Therefore, love strengthens and empowers. The body is able to fight all that might destroy the integrity of the system.

Our solar angel is a member of the spiritual hierarchy. As we align with the soul through meditation, study, service and an act of will, we draw on the centre of love within our subtle or higher self. Our spiritual practices and their fruits are our protection.

We protect those around us simply by our radiation of love. Our love affirms their ability to protect themselves. We protect and serve the whole as we protect through love our Self.

*Lawson Bracewell*

## REMEMBRANCE OF THE BEGINNING – A TRIBUTE TO LAWSON

I remember when Lawson Bracewell brought a group of us to the newly acquired property on Long Bay Road, Akaroa (soon to be named Christ College of Trans-Himalayan Wisdom). It was October 2001, after the biennial conference of the Seven Ray Foundation in the Great Hall at the Arts Centre in Christchurch. It was a rainy, windy, cloud-covered day and we huddled against the cold wind in the earth-floored shepherd's cottage. I remember that I thought "What a God-forsaken place" as we had seemingly never-endingly wound our way over the crater rim and up to 150 metres above sea level in the rain and cloud cover.



The Finnish people had brought stones from their homeland as an offering for the new venture. We meditated together to bless the new school, as yet a vision in the minds of so many for the first residential Preparatory School in the world along the lines portrayed by the Master Djwhal Kuhl in Alice A Bailey's book *Letters on Occult Meditation*.

By the time we returned from Australia in October 2003 for the next conference and another visit to the new property, Lawson, together with the architect and the builder, and with Lawson's son Brandon, had built the Temple and renovated the old shearing shed which had been named Long Bay House. The shepherd's cottage had also been renovated and housed the library.

What an amazing transformation! And what a labour of love by Lawson whose First Ray of Will and Power also enabled him to sacrifice his all for the new project. That will and power became an inspiration for me as he demonstrated a one-pointed, indomitable commitment to CCTHW, assisted by his wife, Leonie. Lawson's will was also at times a thorn in my side as we had very different temperaments and teaching styles. The three daily meditations were literally a God-send as they enabled each of us to move into our soul alignment and develop and demonstrate an impartiality, inclusive love and discernment with each other with which to approach the inevitable differences which occur in community life.

In conjunction with the two-yearly conferences we also attended esoteric study workshops, run by Michael Robbins and his wife Tuija, here at the new Christ College of Trans-Himalayan Wisdom.

Lawson had a team of willing helpers who met here yearly to plant native trees. On the October Labour Day long weekends the Friends of CCTHW gathered and slept on mattresses in Long Bay House. I remember these weekends after we came to live and teach here in June 2008. The College became



covenanted to the Banks Peninsula Conservation Trust, so a vast amount of the land was reserved for native bush only. A cash crop forest of macrocarpa trees was planted to accompany the Douglas fir forest already established by the previous owner.

Many students also attended Lawson's workshops on The Language of Energy at CCTHW. Clients came for astrological readings. We had special celebrations, for example for the commencement of 2012 and the transit of Venus over the Sun. At this latter event people came from Australia and in the heavy snow Lawson showed us how to make angelic forms by lying in the snow.

A quarterly newsletter began in 1996, delivered by snail mail. Now it is sent by email to around 330 readers across the world. When we arrived we became contributors to this.

Lawson endured many frustrating exchanges with the Christchurch City Council regarding the building of our teachers' house. We required a tribunal with a magistrate, a landscape architect and lawyer to gain approval since there had been opposition from two local groups to the new buildings. There was a grand plan that envisaged twenty five shipping containers set into the hillside for students, plus a large building for the library and student meeting room.

In September 2009 the building of the teachers' house commenced and an extension was added to Long Bay House. It was only a few years ago, since Lawson's death in 2014, that Peter Richardson, the Administrative Director of our new Southern Lights Charitable Trust, after frustrating delays, and after an inspection of the buildings, was able to obtain approval from the Council for the building work done in 2009-2010.

Lawson had run a community in the USA and was good at rallying people for projects such as the painting of the new house which we were all involved in.

The building of these student facilities was never accomplished and we never attracted residential students to the five year teaching program which Master DK envisaged. Nevertheless the three of us –Lawson, Orest and I- spent the five years from June 2009 to December 2013 carrying out the teaching program for six-monthly periods, teaching each other. Lawson was a stickler for following what had been laid down. Lawson arranged an inaugural dinner in Long Bay House at the commencement of the teaching program and a string quartet played that evening.

Lawson would come from Christchurch for half of the week to stay here in the bedroom at the end of the library in the shepherd's cottage. We would go to his home on alternative Saturday mornings, over several years, to study *A Treatise on Cosmic Fire* by Alice A Bailey with other students from Christchurch. I found this study most valuable in extending and enriching my understanding of the cosmology of the Trans-Himalayan Wisdom teachings.

Lawson also ran monthly weekend retreats for meditation and study for the Full Moon period and these were attended by several students from Christchurch, again sleeping on mattresses on the floor. He invited esoteric colleagues with expertise to run workshops here, including Leoni Hodgson from Brisbane and Jacquelyn Lane from Nelson.

We took part in the Great Invocation Day every year. One year Lawson decided that we would say the Great Invocation every 15 minutes. We were tramping alongside the Takamatua Creek on our property and I was straddling an old wire fence over a swampy area when he called out for us to sound The Great Invocation. I was up to my ankles in mud by the time we finished!

It was decided a short while before Lawson's death that we would change the name of our school to Southern Lights Centre so as to attract groups which were looking for community resources to hire for their workshops. A new website was established. I somehow feel that Lawson is aware that we are now attracting many groups who hire our facilities for workshops, including for yoga, dance, chanting and sound,

The four cabins were built for accommodation and a large greenhouse which has provided well for our winter vegetables and tomatoes in the summer. Every year Lawson grew strawberries behind Long Bay House and planted sweet peas near the greenhouse.

He was also a good cook, having run restaurants in the USA and Nelson. My favourite dishes were his pumpkin pie, raspberry muffins and Mexican food.

Lawson was also, for a great many years, a committed member of the Board of the University of the Seven Rays with which the three of us had trained in Esoteric Psychology. He consistently attended the annual Board meetings and following Conferences in the USA.

Many students across the world have requested recordings of Lawson's webinar series on *A Treatise on White Magic* by Alice A Bailey since his death. He was a magnificent teacher. We were grateful that Halina and Sheldon Hughes took on the task of completing this series after Lawson's death. I appreciated his reading for my Solar Return each year.

Lawson pushed himself relentlessly to meet his and the Centre's financial obligations, giving back-to-back astrological readings each year in Invercargill. I think that this was a great factor in his death. He died here on 15 July 2014, two days after his seventy first birthday. We were honoured to be able to sit with his body for several hours with lit candles and incense as we waited for the arrival of the funeral director.

Lawson was a Marriage Celebrant and he was preparing a couple for their wedding in the Temple around the time of his death. The couple were subsequently married in the Temple, accompanied by a lone piper playing in the surrounding mist. Later, the wife attended a monthly Full Moon meditation retreat day here and was astonished to realise Lawson's presence near her. He telepathically conveyed a message to her. One of the enduring legacies of Lawson's directorship here at Southern Lights Centre was the introduction of WWOOFers (Willing Workers on Organic Farms). To date we have had WWOOFers from twenty six countries and this program has enabled us to teach spiritual classes to these young people every day. They also participate in our three daily meditations. They have kept us young at heart!

*Julia Tarnawsky*



## NEEDED – A NEW LIBRARY

We are in the process of packing our vast spiritual library into boxes, complete with camphor cubes, and then to be wrapped in a strong tarpaulin. Some books are precious and out of print.

There is evidence of mice using the books for nesting material and possible food. Moths have found their way into others and sunlight has faded the covers of yet other books.

Our friend Lesley, an experienced worker in libraries, is mending some of these books. There is a good book-binder in Christchurch.



The reality is that our charming and dear 1875 shepherd's cottage was not designed to be a library.

Already we have received a generous donation to begin our library re-build fund. A shipping container was found not to be viable as a temporary measure for housing the library.

It may be a couple of years until we sort out the mode of building and begin the build - on the end of a proposed new house; an extension to our classroom; or free-standing next to the classroom.

I cannot contemplate in the future having my sudden urge to go to the library for a particular book being thwarted by the sober realisation that the library is no longer accessible.

We are seeking donations from those of you who cherish books like we do.  
If you wish to kindly donate to this project, please contact [peter@linwoodlaw.co.nz](mailto:peter@linwoodlaw.co.nz)

In gratitude,  
Julia, Orest and Peter (Trustees for the Southern Lights Charitable Trust and for Southern Lights Centre)

## SOUTHERN LIGHTS CENTRE DIARY NOTES



This quarter just past has been remarkable. We have had the usual joys of autumn with abundant fruit and vegetables in our new hugel garden and greenhouse and as gifts from neighbours and friends. Sitting in our garden was a delight with bumble bees humming and swallows swooping and colourful portulacas beaming up at us.

There was a drought and Akaroa is still on Level 4 water restrictions despite recent good rains. Our spring has dried up and was a major source of our water here. Orest employed a dowser to find another spring but no luck. Perhaps the water table is low. However, the latest rains have replenished our vast water tanks and we can again wash the sheets and towels of those who stay here (Peter and Christine would take them home to Christchurch).

An increasing number of groups are hiring our facilities - mainly women's health groups and the cabins are also in more use for people wanting a night or two in our ambience.

We had a visit from Bruce Lyon who runs Highden School in the North Island. It was a great opportunity to catch up with him and discover how Highden is unfolding and to share the happenings here. Ralph from the Triangles Centre in the North Island visited and joined our meditation. This centre made a donation towards our library rebuild and Ralph invited us to speak to their group when we are on a speaking tour in the North Island later in the year.

We also had a visit from a lovely woman whose path is interwoven with ours through connections with Highden and its original benefactor in Denmark, with whom she worked. Whilst there she had an astrological reading with Michael Robbins, the founder of the University of the Seven Rays in which we studied Esoteric Psychology. We also discovered during her visit here that we share a mutual friend and spiritual colleague in Wellington.

The weekly meetings with the Chinese Zen Buddhist group, as well as their visit here, have been rich and mutually supportive as we have explored ways to present the Buddhist and Ageless Wisdom teachings for seekers in this day and age. The meeting of eastern and western cultures and minds in these weekly meetings has brought to mind the statue of the seated Lord Maitreya which we saw in a Darjeeling Tibetan Buddhist Temple eighteen months ago. The linking of the two hemispheres of the world is presaged in the coming of this, the third World Teacher.





Several WWOOFers have stayed with us, continuing the work of painting the deck and stairs of our house and helping with the annual gathering of firewood from felled trees in the Douglas fir forest, as well as clearing the fire track of gorse. They were from Brazil, the UK, Germany and New Zealand. The British WWOOFer flew his drone around the Temple whilst here and made a beautiful short video of it which will appear shortly on our website. Our German WWOOFer cooked a birthday dinner for me which I greatly appreciated.

I am discovering with the WWOOFers that there tends to be an overlap between the class content with them and the ensuing meditation themes, sometimes spontaneously and as if “tailor-made”. We have entered a new, more integrating phase of service I believe.



An Indian dance teacher and her family visited us to view our facilities for a dance workshop. We enjoyed time getting to know them by the fire over tea.



A stray sheep kept us company for a few days, sleeping under the back of our house on cold nights. Then it wandered down the road to our farmer neighbour's sheep paddock where it is now with his sheep until its owner is located. We pondered the significance of its visit.

The monthly Full Moon day retreats have continued, sometimes with deep discussion which serves to bond us as a group. One of our neighbours, a Theosophical colleague, joins us for a Full Moon public talk and meditation at 4pm each month. I have had several requests for astrological readings, one from a WWOOFer now back in the Netherlands and another from a house-sitter who was our neighbour some years ago.

Orest and I continue to research our topics for our North Island speaking tour in which we seek to bring together the Ageless Wisdom teachings from the Alice Bailey books and aspects of contemporary science. Our Southern Lights Charitable Trust received a generous donation from a Family Trust recently. This will go towards the rebuilding of our library. We have passed on our gratitude via the solicitor for that Trust. Currently a young man is staying with us for an "orientation" week, with a view to coming here at the end of June as our first full time residential student. Lawson would be very pleased about this. We are keen to hear from any other people who are interested in full time study here with us.



Sending love and light to all readers and best wishes for the months ahead.

*Julia Tarnawsky*



## **CABINS FOR RENT AT SOUTHERN LIGHTS CENTRE CUTE, COSY AND AVAILABLE NOW**



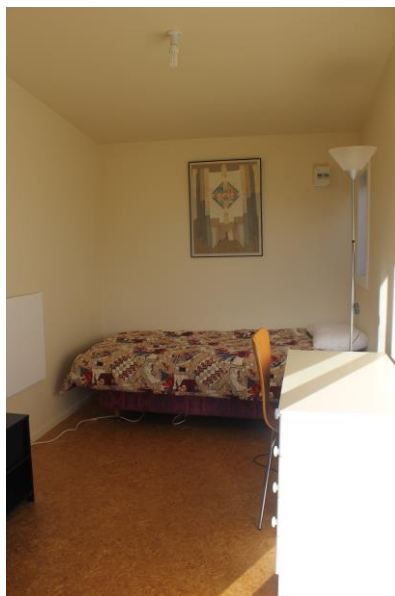
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THREE DAILY MEDITATIONS.**

**COME FOR A NIGHT OR FOR ANY NUMBER OF NIGHTS.**

**CABINS ARE WARM, ATTRACTIVE AND COMFORTABLE.**

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“May we fulfil our part in the One Work...”

Lawson Bracewell was the self-appointed director of Christ College of Trans-Himalayan Wisdom.



He is remembered for his 1<sup>st</sup> Ray of Will and Power which drove him to purchase the land; build the Silent Space Temple and establish our meditation school. This he accomplished with Leonie Fanthorpe and their group Seven Rays Foundation. The vision indicated in Letters of Occult Meditation by Alice A Bailey inspired Michael Robbins and those who studied with him at the University of the Seven Rays to initiate a preparatory school in New Zealand. Lawson as a board member and Ph.D. Student of this USR stepped forward at a conference with confidence and declared his intent. We the present trustees of Southern Lights Charitable Trust continue with joy to uphold his Vision.

This year has seen many small developments that have indicated a change in momentum towards making that “vision” a reality. We have met present students from Highden in the North Island. Bruce Lyon and others involved in Highden have also visited us and there have been meaningful discussions with a view of co-operation. Plus a suggestion that long term visits are in the pipeline.

The usage of facilities has increased with many groups returning. Peter Richardson and his partner are interested in becoming more active here by running workshops in their specialities. We have had some donations to our proposed new library facility. There has been regular interface with other groups particularly with a Chinese Chan (Zen) group.

The major indication is the prospect of full-time (six months) students studying our curriculum. Julia and I will be spending weeks on touring and giving presentations at Theosophical lodges shortly.

These developments combined auger well for our future.

Love and Light

Orest



*Orest, Lawson, Julia*



*Christ College Opening*





## WEDDINGS AT SOUTHERN LIGHTS CENTRE

Southern Lights Centre is a beautiful place for a wedding, especially as spring and summer approaches. The temple is available a wedding, Long Bay House for reception surrounded by beautiful views.

The temple is a unique space designed to marry heaven and earth, spirit and matter, the masculine and the feminine. It is a space that stands free from any religion or philosophy and offers any person(s) from any background a place where they can connect with their essential nature, connect with each other and find true meaning in their lives.



There are spaces (especially in front of the temple) where an outside service could be held. There are many possibilities at Southern Lights Centre to create a wedding. Below are three outlines that could be altered to suit your needs.

Option 1) - an outside service - The backdrop of the Akaroa harbour and the temple would make a perfect place for an outdoor wedding.

Option 2) - a service in the temple - The temple is a sacred space and talks constantly of marriage.

It is the perfect place to conduct a small ceremony.

Option 3) - a reception in Long Bay House – this could be used to house a small reception of up to 25 people. All the facilities of the space could be utilized for this occasion.



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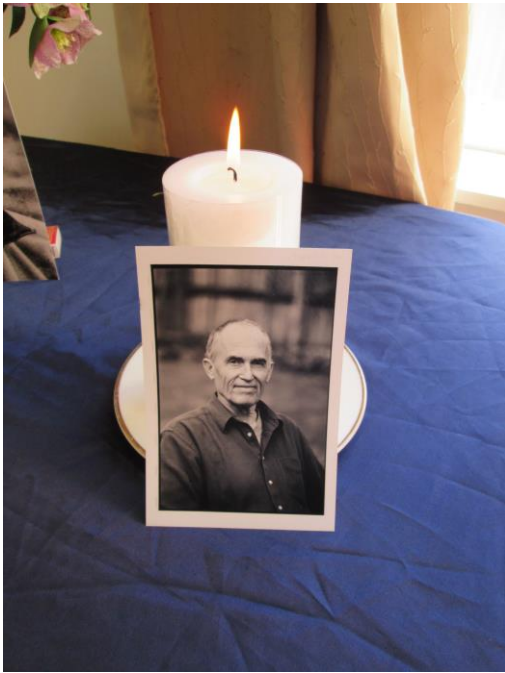
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## In memory of Lawson Lothair Bracewell

July 1943 – July 2014



*Painting by Claire Beynon created after Lawson's death*

Lawson Bracewell passed over in July two days after his 71<sup>st</sup> birthday. Lawson would often say “Hooray for them!” when someone died. He saw death as a graduation from life’s testing ground, a release of the soul to go back to its true home.

In this life, Lawson was an American, male, son, social worker, husband, cook, esoteric astrologer, father, student, teacher, adopted Kiwi, esotericist, meditator, director of Christ College. He sought to detach himself from these labels and masks. He saw himself primarily as a needle of light anchoring himself on the earth while aligned to the highest point of light.

He steadfastly held this alignment while at the same time opening his heart to those he came in contact with.

He saw love as “cold”, as in the cold light of buddhi, without fluff and sentiment. In Uranian fashion he aligned himself in the moment and trusted in this alignment.

I believe Lawson would not want to be remembered as any of those labels or roles he played in life, or his personality, but to know that others hold their own alignment with the Hierarchy and to the higher aspects of themselves; that they trust, are grounded and practical, say the Great Invocation as much as possible, and be of service. To simply align with what’s essential and live it practically – that would be the greatest tribute.

*Katherine O’Brien*



## **UPDATES and INFORMATION** **SOUTHERN LIGHTS CENTRE**

### **LONG BAY HOUSE – HIRE**



Long Bay House is available for hire. It is the perfect place for workshops, meetings, or a weekend getaway. It is nestled on the hills of the Banks Peninsula with stunning views. It comes complete with kitchen facilities, shower and toilet facilities and can accommodate up to 24 people and sleep up to 10, plus the cabins which sleep another 4.

#### ***Facilities available:***

- \* temple access
- \* 2 workshop/teaching rooms
- \* marae-style accommodation
- \* kitchen
- \* shower/toilet
- \* picnic table, nature walks

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