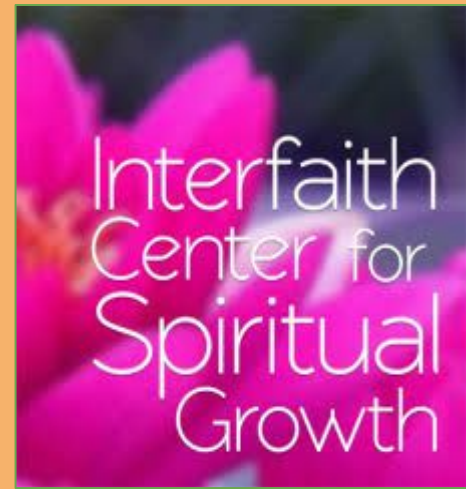




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SHORTENED VERSION DURING THE PANDEMIC

MINISTERIAL MISCELLANEOUS BY ANNIE KOPKO

Do some people, even friends of ours, seem to have all the luck and others seem to be a magnet for misfortune? Yes, probably. Are we ever going to stop comparing ourselves to others? No, probably not. How many times have you said to yourself, “there but for the grace of God go I”. These eternal questions are not about luck at all, or whether or not we believe in the favoritism of God, but I think they are about the kind of meaning that we have ascribed to the greater landscape of our lives. I think about the struggles of my young life, and I think this is where we begin a life-long attitude, as a “ground of creation” for our future selves. More than anything else, I remember reading a hundred books in seventh grade, maybe it was seventh and eighth grades combined, but it was a lot of books! Altogether, these had a great influence on my life, and what I began to think it meant to be alive. I learned that some things that happened made me feel good, and some things made me feel horrible, and that I could be moving forward no matter what I had to go through to get there. Still doing that, 65 years later. In only a vague kind of way do I remember my Spirit self with me all that time, but it certainly was.

We make our own luck by being in the right state of mind to perceive and take advantage of opportunities that are all around us all the time. The opportunity to laugh, be loving, not take things too seriously and notice what we are curious about. What is it we will want to explore today?

Speaking of exploring, Interfaith has so many events and groups that meet every week both on Zoom and some returning in person, wearing masks. All of our events are right there on the website, easy to find, easy to sign up (if necessary).

This month Cafe 704 is on the 11th of September starting at our new time of 7:00 p.m. and features the group: PATH with Chris Hedly (Songwriter & Guitarist), Tim Prosser (Mandolin), Scott McQuinney (Harmonica) and Don Allen (Percussion). Go to the website, interfaithspirit.org to sign up if you plan to come in person or to order your tickets if you prefer the Livestream on Zoom.

Blessings, Annie



SUNDAY CELEBRATION SERVICES FOR SEPTEMBER 2021



Sept 5

Service Leader: Rev. Lyriel Claire

Message: Heide Kaminski "My Path Through the Pandemic"

Reading: Jana Healy

Meditation: Janet Somalinog

Special Music: Scott McWhinney (PATH – Café 704 Promo)

Sept 12

Service Leader: Janet Somalinog

Message: Destiny Muhammad "H O O D: Honoring Our Own Divinity"

'A conscious conversation on the individual and collective acknowledgment and expression of Divinity. #HOODHappensHere'

Reading: Laurie Knerr

Meditation: Brett Koon

Special Music: Destiny Muhammad

Sept 19

Service Leader: Rev. Annie Kopko

Message: Gathering of the Waters Ceremony (Open Mic)

Reading: Dawn Swartz

Meditation: TBA

Special Music: Interfaith Musicians

Sept 26

Service Leader: Rev. David Bell

Message: Rev. Annie Kopko "What Shall We Do With Our Power?"

Reading: Ahna Cleveland

Meditation: Ahna Cleveland

Special Music: TBA

PEGGY'S COLUMN

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THE ELEPHANTS OF RETETI

"Namunyak Wildlife Conservancy in Samburu County of northern Kenya is home to the first community owned elephant orphanage in Africa. The Reteti Elephant Sanctuary was officially opened by the Samburu County Governor, H.E Moses Lenolkulal, on the 20th August 2016. [It has been] designed to Rescue and release orphaned and abandoned elephant calves, whilst creating much needed benefits to the local people that live alongside them. The Reteti Elephant Sanctuary, is the representation of the communities standing up united for wildlife, in recognition of the value that they can cultivate.

The orphaned elephants that are cared for by the Samburu community, are symbols of a new wave of thinking about wildlife and the environment, that goes far beyond traditional conservation methods, and dives deeper into the core value of what nature represents."

(From the website: retetielephants.org)

Peggy: May I speak with a representative for the animals of Reteti?

Elephant: *I am here. I am Elephant. I shall be your guide to this place.*

We have been waiting for an opportunity to speak for ourselves. This connecting will be a great blessing to all who perceive it.

Peggy: Thank you, I agree. I have only recently learned of Reteti, in a television program. Will you please describe Reteti for those who are unfamiliar with it?



Elephant: Gladly. This place of peace and hope does great service to the Earth and all who live upon her. The Light that emanates from this place is the universal light of Love as expressed in the animals and people who come here for healing. [Because] it is not only animals who are healed here. The experience of helping others to heal, helps to heal oneself. This is a universal Knowing [law].

The location of the entity Reteti was not a casual choice. The land here has a very special frequency or vibration that is directly connected to the Heart of the Mother. It is not really a portal, as you are wondering; but it is a distinct location of very free exchanges of energies.

Peggy: If Reteti is actually an entity, do you speak for it?

Elephant: Yes, I have offered and been encouraged to do so. The energies of Reteti are beyond ageless and beyond conception [understanding]. This place has always been, and will always Be, even if its physical-ness changes profoundly.

Peggy: Are you yourself currently in physical form?

Elephant: No. I am a representative entity comprised of many kinds of beings who are involved with Reteti, as you requested.

Peggy: Will you tell us about the humans who work with the animals?

Elephant: As you might guess, most of these humans have done this work in many, many lifetimes; just as many of the animals they care for have provided this experience to humans in many, many lifetimes.

Peggy: So, these young animals who have lost their mothers and families and herds are voluntarily experiencing this terrible trauma multiple times, in order to help humans?

Elephant: Exactly. Elephants have always been the record keepers, the Wise Ones. We have long lives, and we understand all life is eternal. So, not all of us but many of us, are willing to help humans in this fashion.

Peggy: In this healing work, are those we call Nature Spirits also involved?

Elephant: *Certainly, and they are a very significant group in this endeavor. Their intimate connections to Earth and their healing skills and arts are most beneficial. In fact, I understand that there is great interest among their peoples in this kind of healing work, all over the Earth.*

Peggy: I'm actually not surprised to hear this. Do beings come from other planets to help at Reteti?

Elephant: *Not here, not yet, no, though they are certainly represented in many other healing endeavors, working in many timelines, you see. Earth is a place with a unique need and desire for healing in all its aspects. It has always been so, therefore [offworld] assistance has long been offered here, since the beginning as one might say. I am being told that at this time the Earth Spirit beings and Nature Spirits wish to accomplish their workings in a certain energetic environment -- this is the best I can describe their intention in words -- so offworlders are respecting that intention.*

Peggy: That's remarkable! What else would you like to share with us at this time?

Elephant: *Look beyond. Look within. Look without your physical eyes. Experience life from your Heart. I am Elephant. This sharing is complete.*

Board of Trustees

Board meetings are held on **Zoom** the **3rd Sunday** of each month from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. unless otherwise announced. The meetings are open for all to attend and community input is greatly appreciated.. You may communicate with the board by email at board@interfaithspirit.org .

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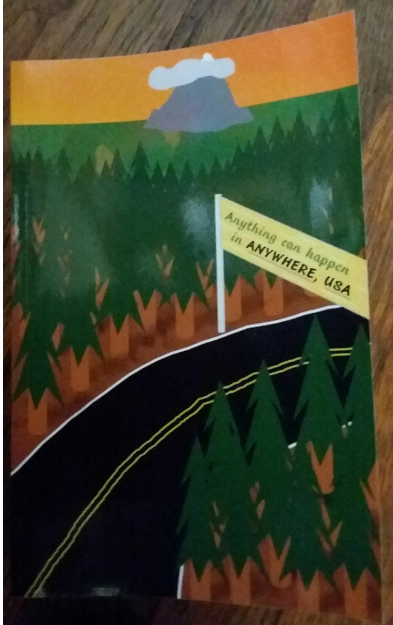
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DRUMROLL, PLEASE....

Anywhere, USA: An Adventure Away from Reality

Magic, myths, and monstrous creatures: what more could you want during these troubling times? Take a break from real life and escape to *Anywhere, USA*, a town of dark secrets, rural charm, and a history cloaked in mystery. Join along with Jules and Elliot Paige as they dive headfirst and blindfolded into a world they never knew existed, where fairytale creatures—both good and bad—roam the Earth (or at least roam this one national park in Washington State). There, they will fight for their lives and for the town they've come to call their home, not only discovering the great evil that lurks beneath, but also a little something about themselves as well. Available on Amazon. Suitable for ages 13+.



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