

Telepathic Pets, Well Said, That Video Analysis, Follow-Up, Improving the Law, More Waldorf, and In Closing...



Rupert Sheldrake

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Does your dog seem to know when you're coming home? Do other people in your house tell you they knew you were on the way home based on how your dog was acting? If so, your dog might be a good candidate for our experiment, and may earn a \$1,000 prize offered to successfully participants. [For more click here...](#)

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You may be wondering if you've heard of this somewhere before. Here's a link to the original article: [The Dog's Secret Knowledge](#)

"Some scientists remain unconvinced"? Come on! Any scientist worth the paper his/her credentials are proof

I'm amused at the title of [Skeptics and Naïve Scientists: We're Gonna Open the Magic Trolley](#) regarding the subject

The shortcomings of this loosely-stated protocol as described, are obvious, but the JREF may soon be in

And, me with a *negative attitude*? Never!

WELL SAID

Sometimes others state [what you say is not what I hear](#) by Mark Kleinman. I can improve on it. When Bob Park, for example

Casting out demons

Exorcism is one of those [ideas that have passed from copy to copy](#) since the Christians, not to mention the pagans, started

Of course it's wrong to [take a look at the people's beliefs](#). But also of course it's wrong to [scold them for their](#) beliefs.

He should avoid in the course of the rite everything that savours of superstition.

Well, yes. And the chimney-sweep should avoid in the course of his labors anything that savors of getting

THAT VIDEO ANALYSIS

Reader Craig Anderson craig@compuserve.com best analysis of the Keith Charles reading's rigour when he said

The Keith Charles demonstration was fascinating, not because he used many of the same tired old tricks

He's getting someone named "John," or "Michael."

Well, there are no Michaels in my immediate family, but... oh yes, my (deceased) grandfather was named

You buried a pet recently.

Not recently, although we lost our cat not long after grandfather John died. That must be what he means

A birthday or anniversary around the month of August.

Grandpapa John was married in August

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Written by James Randi
Thursday, 19 June 2008 16:44

You hurt your left foot recently.

Yes, when I was ripping out the hedges in front of our house, I got a nasty scratch on my calf.

[Grandpa John] had a recurring heart condition.

Nope, it was esophageal cancer, but that's close, I guess. Chest region, you see. He was in and out of the

Some kind of ring that belonged to you or to your Mum.

This is where – if I were a believer – he'd have had me. My grandpa John had a ring that he wore every

You've just redecorated.

We just moved into the house two years ago, so we've been redecorating constantly. We do keep some

There was a split in the family.

Yes there was! This was the huge dispute that split us off from his other 15 siblings! It was before I was

So apparently Keith Charles is not only an amazing psychic, but he is in fact SO AMAZING that he can

And yes, I noticed how Keith Charles kept asking things like "Do you understand?", "And

You say “no,” he's saying “yes.” I'm just telling you what he's telling me!

Charles manages to be timid and pushy at the same time. It is a refreshing change from aggressive type

Remember that even if a reading seems to apply more readily to another member of the audience, that p

Thank you, Craig, and thank you to the number of persons who sent in comments on this Keith Charles

FOLLOW-UP

Re the item back at tinyurl.com/5oge8h , we have a follow-up. In the Kisii district of Western Kenya,

During the police investigations, an exercise notebook had been found in the local primary school contain

IMPROVING THE LAW

From reader Avital Pilpel, re the recent suggestion that psychics should use disclaimers:

I agree the “for entertainment purposes only” disclaimer should be put on church collection b

“For entertainment purposes only” surely should also be prominently displayed on psychoan

MORE WALDORF

From reader Kitty Mervine – who is attending TAM6 as I write this:

We have a fancy Waldorf school in Keene NH. Every year they have a "craft fair" to help raise

One family that I know that has sent their child to the Waldorf School (through 8th grade) had a "Na

In apology, I must say that the reader Nienhuys – who supplied the item last week on the Steiner system

IN CLOSING....

As I mentioned above, I'm presently in Las Vegas and very busy with TAM6. This SWIFT is a bit short, b

