

17th Annual Meeting

on the grounds of the University of Virginia in Charlottesville

May 28–30, 1998

Program

The theme is "History and Philosophy of Science" with sessions stressing "Research on the Edges of Medicine," "Ideas for a New Biology," "Global Warming," and "The Sociology of Science Reporting." The discussions and presentations will be held in Classroom 140 in Clark Hall. The Opening Reception will be in the Cavalier Inn on Wednesday evening at 7:00 pm. The Closing Banquet and Cocktail Party will be in the historic Rotunda of the University.

THURSDAY

- 9:00 Opening Remarks — Gene Bloch, Vice President for Research, University of Virginia
- 9:20–9:50 Personality Differences between Conjoined Twins — J. David Smith, Longwood College, Farmville, VA
- 10:00–10:30 The Heart is Not a Pump: A Refutation of the Pressure Propulsion Premise of Heart Function — Ralph Marinelli, Rudolf Steiner Research
- 10:40 Break
- 11:00–11:30 The Concept of Feilds in Morphogenesis — John Opitz, University of Utah
- 11:40–11:50 Ideas for a New Biology — Angela Thompson-Smith, Inner Vision Research Institute, Las Vegas, NV



11:55–12:05 The Unifying Concept of Information in Biology and Medicine — Beverly Rubik, Institute for Frontier Science, Oakland, CA

12:10–12:20 Complementary Medicine Treatment of Neurological Disorders Using the Cayce Wet Cell Battery — Douglas Richards, et al., Meridian Institute, Virginia Beach, VA

12:25 Lunch

2:00–2:30 The Dinsdale Prize Lecture — Ian Stevenson, University of Virginia.
"What are the Irreducible Elements of Scientific Research?"

2:40–3:10 William James's Passionate Advocacy of Alternative Healing — Eugene Taylor, University of Virginia School of Nursing

3:20 Break

3:40–4:10 Current Research on Alternative Methods of Medical Treatment — Ann Taylor, University of Virginia School of Nursing

4:20–4:30 Positive Therapeutic Effect of Distant Healing in an Advanced AIDS Population — Fred Sicher, et al., Geraldine Brush Cancer Research Institute

4:35–4:45 Does Recurrent Isolation Sleep Paralysis Involve More than Cognitive Neurosciences? — Jean-Christophe Terrillon, Advanced Telecommunication Research Institute, Kyoto, Japan

4:50–5:00 Stress and Adaption Processes Aspect of Reflexotherapy with "Psychic Fluids" — Ion Lisii, Romanian National Association of Complementary Therapies, Bucharest, Romania

5:05–5:15 What if all there Really is, is Mind? - H. D. Froning Jr., Flagstaff, AZ

5:20–5:30 Unexplained Weight Gain Transients — Lewis Hollander, Redmond, OR

5:35 End

FRIDAY

9:00 Announcements

9:10–9:40 Just How Common are Near-Death Experiences? Survey of Surveys — Bruce Greyson, University of Virginia

9:50–10:20 Near-Death Experiences with Reports of Meeting Deceased Relatives — Emily Williams Cook, University of Virginia

- 10:30 BREAK
- 10:50–11:20 New Cases of Experimental Birthmarks - Jim B. Tucker, University of Virginia
- 11:30–11:40 A Model of Circular Migration: Does Population Growth Rule Out Reincarnation? — David Bischai, Johns Hopkins University
- 11:45–11:55 After-Death Communication — Judy Guggenheim, ADC Project, Princeton, NJ
- 12:00–12:10 Medium to Departed Medium Communication of Pictorial Information — Gary Schwartz, et al., University
- 12:15–12:25 Channeling Ramtha: Is it a "High Risk" Procedure? — Stanley Krippner et al., Saybrook Graduate School
- 12:30 LUNCH
- 2:00–2:10 Parapsychology in the 30's: The Intellectual Context at Duke — Robert Creegan, SUNY, Albany, NY
- 2:15–2:25 Interpersonal Registration of Actual and Intended Eye Gaze: Relationship to ESP and Survival of Consciousness Experience — Linda Russek and Gary Schwartz, University of Arizona
- 2:30–2:40 Interpersonal Registration of Actual and Intended Eye Gaze: Relationship to ESP and Survival of Consciousness Experience — Linda Russek and Gary Schwartz, University of Arizona
- 2:45–2:55 Correlations of Solar Activity and Earthquake Moment — John Derr, Albuquerque Seismological Lab, and Michael Persinger, Laurentian University, Ontario
- 3:00–3:10 The Saguenay Quebec Earthquake Lights, November–December, 1988 — France L. St. Laurent, Commission Scolaire du Sault-St-Louis, Quebec, and John Derr, Albuquerque Seismological Lab
- 3:15 BREAK
- 3:35–3:45 The Scientific Method as Defined by the Hunefer Papyrus of the XIX Dynasty of Ancient Egypt — Rush Allen, Orange, CA.
- 3:55–4:05 Nibiru, Planet X: Evidence from Antiquity for the position of its Orbit and Its Current Position — Richard Day, University of Cincinnati
- 4:10–4:20 Plentiful Enlightenment of Ancient Experiment Sciences — Tao-qiu Chen, The Chinese Society of Somatic Science, JiangSu Province, China
- 4:25–4:35 Menstrual Periods and Quantum-Periods — Arnold Lettieri, Jr., Hopewell, NJ
- 4:40–4:50 The Phi Streamline Principle: The Path of Least Resistance in Nature and Technology — John Petersen, The Arlington Institute, Arlington, VA
- 4:55 BREAK



5:05

Business
Meeting

5:35

END

SATURDAY

9:00

Announcements

9:10–9:40

Global Warming: A Tutorial - Grant Goodell, University of Virginia

9:50–10:20

Global Warming: Data versus Models — Pat Michaels, Virginia State Climatologist, Charlottesville, VA

10:30

BREAK

10:50–
11:20

Long Term Consequences of Altering the Habitat – Mark Walters,
Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation

11:30–
11:40

Anomalies in the History of Relativity — Ian McCausland, University of
Toronto

11:45–
11:55

What can Elementary Particles Tell Us About the Space in Which We
Live? – Ronald Bryan, Texas A&M University

12:00–
12:10

Exploring What Changes Might Be Made in the Philosophy of Science in
order to Allow for a Theory of Truly Everything – Charles Berner,
Merimbula, NSW, Australia

12:15–
12:25

The Mars Effect Data-Base – Francoise Gauquelin, Paris, France

12:30

LUNCH

2:00–2:40

Science and the Scientific Exploration of Anomalies: An Empirical
Comparison and Some Normative Comments — Henry Bauer, Virginia
Tech

3:20

News Reporting of Anomalies and Anomalies Research: General Remarks
by: Mark William Logas, WVIR-TV/NBC, Charlottesville, VA; Sara
McConnell, WINA-Radio, Charlottesville, VA; Beverly Orndorf, The
Richmond Times Dispatch; Tom Shroder, Miami Herald

3:40–4:10

Panel Discussion with Interlocutor

4:10–4:20

Cold Fusion: A Progress Report and Assessment of Media Coverage —
Eugene Mallove, Cold Fusion Technology, Inc.

4:25–4:35 **Statistics, Subjectivity, and Consciousness: An Introduction to the Origins of Probability Theory — Michael Partridge, Sante Fe, NM**

4:40–4:50



Effects of Perceived Success or Failure in Anomalies Experiments — York Dobyns, PEAR, Princeton University

4:55 **END**

6:45 **Cocktails – Lower West Oval, The Rotunda**

7:30 **Closing Banquet – The Dome Room, The Rotunda**