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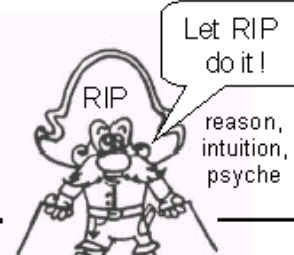
Those interested in expanding their knowledge of everything connected to water dowsing should check into a book by George Applegate, *The Complete Guide to Dowsing: The Definitive Guide to Finding Underground Water*. Published by Vega in 2002, this book covers everything from dowsing techniques (on-site as well as distance) to geological strata, water purity analysis and pumping systems. Barnes and Noble will have it.

**MEETING SCHEDULE: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2005**

Warren Wilson College in Swannanoa, NC

\*(see directions on back page)

- 9:30 - 10:00 Registration
- 10:00 - 10:15 Welcome and Introduction
- 10:15 - 12:00 Speaker: Mo Wheeler
- 12:00 - 12:30 Business Meeting
- 12:30 - 1:30 Lunch Bar/Books and Supplies
- 1:30 - 3:00 Speaker
- 3:00 - 4:00 Dowsing School/Clinic



**NOVEMBER'S SPEAKER**

Marty Cain

Marty is one of the most gifted, creative and experienced (and enthusiastic!) dowsers that has ever visited these mountains. Some of us remember the splendid workshop "Building Labyrinths of the Earth" which she gave at our dowsing conference at Warren Wilson College in 1996. We are fortunate that she has recently moved to Black Mountain from her native New Hampshire. A dowser since childhood and a lifetime member of ASD, she collaborates with Angels, Elementals and the Earth to design intimate, healing landscapes for individuals and institutions, outstanding

examples of which are the seven circuit labyrinths. We will see, no doubt, the outstanding results of some of this work in her slide presentation. Marty actually wears five hats well; she is a teacher, dowser, geomancer, researcher and artist all in one. (She has Masters of Fine Arts from the U. of Iowa and has taught and exhibited throughout New England for 20 years, including at Boston's School of the Museum of Fine Arts and at Tufts U.). Much of her presentation for us will be based on her extensive personal experience researching and documenting hundreds of ancient and sacred sites in England, Europe and the Americas and elsewhere, especially during her most recent travels. For beginning dowsers as well as the experienced, Marty has proven to be a great inspiration, a "dowser's dowser," who opens up the Mysteries of Things for us.

## PRESIDENTS CORNER



The Appalachian Dowers are updating their member list of regional water well dowers. If you are a current member, please contact Lee Barnes (828-452-5716; lbarnes2@earthlink.net) and provide a contact number and areas where you will travel. The Appalachian Dowers neither endorse nor confirm the experience of these dowers.



Grace Maxwell continually offers Silva Mind Control Classes for the expansion of the mind. Please contact her if you are interested about times and places. (828-296-9522)

Many dowers work with earth energies, whether it be to clear houses and work places of geomagnetic pathogenic zones, find the best location for one's house or septic system, or, as in the case of Michelle Small Wright, communicate with the Devic Kingdom for placement and care of plants, etc. Then there is dowsing for how to use these energies in a sacred way - in ceremony. Perhaps no-one better exemplifies this use than Marty Cain in her construction of labyrinths, as we shall soon see.

Last weekend I had occasion to do some dowsing in the "earth work" sense in another area: the location and construction (and use in ceremony) of a sweat lodge in Tennessee for a friend diagnosed with lung cancer. As we all know, the Inipi (cleansing lodge) is a very ancient and sacred prayer ceremony of the Native People which has great power if done "in a good way". That is, with gratitude, focused intention and respect for the earth and all Creation. I find that dowsing, (which the Native People achieved by simply "sensing" or "knowing") is of enormous value in all ceremony, especially the Inipi. Not only can you find, as Marty does with labyrinths, the exact place where the earth and the Spirit World want the ceremony,

but what stones and saplings want to offer themselves and participate. The same can be said for the construction of a medicine wheel. You could even say that all of the ceremony, its various parts, consists of a form of dowsing, both with the body (intuition) and the heart. For example, the water pourer/prayer leader has to "feel" or sense what the participants needs are and "check in" with them constantly, especially if they have physical or emotional problems going on.

Another aspect of the Inipi ceremonial process has to do more with prayer. Once having found the best energy spot on the land for sacred work, that energy can be altered to just the right level for maximum benefit to those in the lodge by simply asking for it. Even the hot stones and the "water people" can be asked to "lend a hand" with the energy - and the healing. In fact, all of Nature and the Universe is there, it seems, for the asking. As they say in Dowsing 101: "It's all in the intention". I would say too, that, as with all types of healing work, dowse the results.

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# BUNCOMBE COUNTY DOWSING

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## Water Dowsing in Buncombe Co....Note Well

All reports from people wanting to have wells dowsed in Buncombe Co. are that they are now, for the first time, having to apply for a permit and pay a fee of \$220. To do this they must go to the Buncombe Co. Health Dept. (Dept. of Environmental Health), located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of Asheville's Radisson Hotel. They are then given the name and tel.no. of an agent who will go out to "site" the well according to regulations set by the NC Dept. Of Environment & Natural Resources. (Their manual is called "NC Division of Water Quality 2-C rules"). Apparently this new system, which makes it considerably more difficult to dowse on a limited piece of land, especially if the septic system and house are already sited or in place, is an attempt of the county to fall in line with state regulations.

We are finding that new home owners are very much troubled by the above fee, and understandably so. The rationale behind such a fee is that subterranean water, like metals, is considered a "natural resource" and property of the state, not one's private property. Two points to consider, however, are that 1) the agents in this county have the reputation of being very reasonable and flexible, realizing the difficulty of practically applying such strict limits (especially in view of the need now to put in two septic fields and still be 100 ft. from the well), and 2) if your well is a "dry hole", you get your \$220. fee back. One essential question remains, however, for people who are informed enough to use a dowser (!): If you refuse to drill where the agent says to (because that's not where the vein is !), will your money then be refunded? To be researched. Rumor has it, too, that farmers and home owners who have wells already drilled (before the new regulations), will have to submit some form of application or documentation but will not have to pay the fee. Apparently this is to check on the safety of old wells in the county.

Why all the fuss? One Asheville driller said " because a few drilling companies in the area have been stretching the rules and endangering clients' health and the environment". Whatever the justification, it's getting harder and - harder for dowsers to find water for folks where it can legally be drilled! Comments? Send them to the newsletter (Joseph Allen: charlienyland@juno.com or secretary@wncdowsers.org.

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### Give the Gift of an App Chapter Dowsing Membership!

Your paid membership helps to promote the continued education and research of dowsing, as well as funding our chapter's expenses. As a member, you will pay two dollars for entrance to our quarterly meetings, instead of the five-dollar visitor's fee; and be subscribed to a one-year subscription of our Newsletter, printed every four months. It is also available online. Maintaining a membership in the Appalachian Chapter of the American Society of Dowsers requires an annual 15-dollar fee. This may be paid at any time, and your membership will expire one year from receipt of payment. Please make checks payable to: The App Chapter of the ASD, and please do not send cash through the mail. Thank you! (If this is a gift, fill in with the recipient's information.)

Return this slip with dues to:

The App Chapter of the ASD  
PO Box 837  
Leicester, NC 28748

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

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## GETTING TO WARREN WILSON COLLEGE

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Driving east on I-40 take Exit # 55, go underneath the interstate and turn R onto Hwy 70 and go east for two miles. Turn L at the first traffic light onto Warren Wilson Rd. and go 1.5 miles to the campus. Continue straight up the hill past the first entrance to the campus on your right to the intersection at the top. Turn L. onto Chapel Dr. The WWC chapel is straight ahead. Park in the lot or on the road to the left of the chapel. Fellowship Hall is behind the chapel, off the back end of it. Enter the Hall via a walkway along the right side of the chapel or off the road on the left side, where you will have to follow a path up to the ground level.

If you are driving west on I-40, take Exit # 59, turn R , go to the traffic light and turn L onto Hwy 70. Proceed west on Hwy 70 for about three miles and turn R at the traffic light onto Warren Wilson Rd. Then follow the above directions into campus and on to the Presbyterian chapel.

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## QUARTERLY MEETING NOTES

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1. **Fee Schedule:** These remain the same as in Sep. \$ 3.00 for members, 5.00 for guests, 3.00 for minors (18 and under). For scholarships for minors, see R. Crutchfield at meetings. Warren Wilson students are encouraged to participate free of charge at any time during the day.
2. **Lunch Arrangements:** Pot luck with ample kitchen facilities for warming and preparing dishes. Volunteers are needed for setting out food and cleaning up. (See sign-up sheet at registration).
3. **Books and Supplies:** Sales table will be open during lunch and from 3:00 to 4:00 PM during the dowsing class/clinic. Members and guests are invited to bring their used books and periodicals on dowsing, healing, earth sciences, etc. as a donation to the chapter to be sold during the meetings. Due to limited storage space, however, they should retrieve unsold items at 4:00 PM.
4. **Dowsing Clinic:** Lessons and demonstrations in basic dowsing, as well as advice for intermediate dowers, will be arranged by one or two experienced practitioners after the PM program, according to the needs of those interested. This period, as well as the lunch hour, are the best times to share experiences, chat with the presenter, peruse the supplies table, etc.

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