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*Appalachian Chapter*  
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presents

## **Dowsing the Dog** (and other critters)



**Kate Pittman, animal communicator**

**Saturday, September 15, 2007**

10 am – 3 pm. Registration starting at 9:15 am

Leicester Community Center, 2979 New Leicester Hwy (Hwy 63), Leicester NC

Our animal companions have something to say, and they fervently wish that they could say it and we could hear it. Kate says that when we do hear it, it pleases them greatly. Even wild animals and birds are conscious and have feelings. Opening up the interspecies chat room benefits both them and us.

Kate has been a dowser for over 30 years. She has worked for several years as a dowser/intuitive/animal communicator both on-site and remotely. In her workshops she teaches people how to effectively communicate with their animal friends through dowsing, to find out about their well-being and what they want to say to us. She also will talk about using animals to discover information in dowsing situations that are not animal-related at first.

Come to this educational and enjoyable presentation and hear Kate relate some of her remarkable adventures with animals. Please leave your animal friends at home for this meeting. If you would like to bring a photo of an animal buddy, you may find another attendee who would like to practice the new techniques with you during our lunch break.

Kate lives in Haywood County with her family of 2- and 4-leggeds and in the midst of many friends in nature.

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## Confessions of an Aquarian

By Richard Crutchfield

Each of us is living a particular ancient myth and has a story to tell, an archetypal dream to explore. Funny how things in life, looking back on them, seem to conspire to point you in a certain direction to fulfill exactly that. My destiny, for example, surely has had something to do with water. From the beginning its myriad forms have filled me with wonder and prodded my imagination: streams, waterfalls, downpours, the dripping in silent caverns, mist and clouds on the mountainsides, the blue infinity - even the smell- of the ocean, the silence of snowfalls. Why was I always diving underwater to explore the bottom as a boy while my friends raced madly for first prize on the surface? What was I looking for? Myself? Some mystery?

Now it hits me: it's like Mexico's great Tantric poet, Octavio Paz, once told us students in Texas years ago (speaking of us men in the scheme of things): "We all emerge from that place of dark, watery Mystery, the Womb of Being, and forever seek to return, for it is the Source, the Other, and woman is eternally our Sacred Gateway to both." The "Mystery" I have been awed by and searching for is indeed "watery", for here I am, 40 years later, searching for subterranean water and energy fields and their profound implications for us, as if descending into the underworld (the Source) like Orpheus to recover his lost Eurydice. Could she be "lost knowledge"? Lost powers"? The lost Truth of who we really are? And more, could a secret of access to the "Other" lie perhaps in water itself, what makes all life possible here? But how to "get to the bottom" of this water thing? I seem driven to do so. Dowsing will have it no other way.

The implications of the work of Dr. Emoto and Raymon Grace are enormous. For example, the power of the mind to alter the frequency vibration of the molecular structure of water (and therefore its healing power) - even at a distance. Yet there is more to the story. All kinds of questions arise. In his article in a former newsletter, Paul Bennett opens up the subject of water to possibilities that have even more startling and profound implications, I think. Approaching the subject from its frozen state, he proposed that there is a "consciousness" behind the

infinite elaboration on the hexagonal structure of snowflakes and that such intricate organization in nature cannot possibly be random. My dowsing readily confirms this - and more. I invite all our dowsing enthusiasts to check me on the following - and to offer suggestions or corrections as you see fit.

Not only is there a Consciousness behind the geometrical formation of snow flakes (which implies that they are "thoughts" frozen in visible time and are, in fact, an infinitely variable expression of the infinity of Consciousness), but water itself, in all its forms and wherever they are found, is a physical form of Consciousness and is, in fact, conscious. I am sure that most Eastern and indigenous cultures would have not difficulty with this notion. Dr. Emoto has proven that water has memory and can be "programmed", either through sound or writing or thought. I would add, however, that water, being of "Infinite Mind", remembers literally everything that has ever happened, even the thoughts and feelings of humankind, on this planet in its entire history - including that of its predecessor, which according to Zecharia Sitchin's research of ancient Sumerian records, was a watery planet called Tiamat.

If this is true, then we as dowsers should be able - with permission, of course - to get any information we want about life, the history and well being of ourselves and the planet, physics - whatever - from any form of water we encounter: that of our bodies, the oceans, DNA, rain, clouds, snowflakes - even sewer water! We have all heard that each of the trillions of cells in our bodies (which are, of course, 70% water) knows what all the other cells know and are doing and act accordingly. Could it not also be true that they, being part of Universal Consciousness (which has infinite memory), "know" everything the Whole does? The cells (and DNA) of trees are another example. Their very existence, like ours, depends on water - which is true for all of life. And dowsers are able to "talk" with them, get essential information on their environment and health - even the presence of human thought forms and activities. If this theory of the total omniscience of water is correct, the implications for "programming" or prayer are enormous. That is, effective prayer depends on having access to the precise, accurate and timely information only available to us through the water we are made of and which is all around us. It does seem that our "Gnosis" has only begun.

## *Upcoming Events*

### **September Quarterly Meeting**

September 15 2007 at Leicester Community Center, Leicester NC

Speaker: Kate Pittman

See page 7 for details and directions

### **Dowsers' Picnic**

August 18 2007 at the home of Janet Shisler, 137 Bob Barnwell Rd. Fletcher, NC

(828-628-1758)

10 am – 3 pm or so. Pot luck lunch outside.

Directions:

**From I-40, exit 53A, and I-240 exit 9:** turn onto 74A toward Fairview (away from Asheville) and go about 5 miles. Turn Right on Emmas Grove Rd. just before the “Fairview Station/Huddle House”. Go almost 1.4 mile. As you go up a hill, look for Bob Barnwell Rd on the right. If you go past the Emmas Grove Baptist Church you’ve gone too far. Go almost ½ mile on Bob Barnwell Rd. Turn left at Cloud Nine, mailbox #137. Park in the field next to the garden. Walk to pond on the woods path.

Directions from Arden: Go to the intersection of Hwy. 25 and Mills Gap Rd. (Eckerds Drug, Ingles, Food Lion corner) Turn onto Mills Gap Rd. Cross over RR tracks, go straight thru light, crossing Hwy 25A). Go about 1 mile to Concord Rd. on the left. Turn L and follow Concord to Y where Concord veers right, you stay straight which is Emmas Grove Rd. Go past the Emmas’s Grove Baptist Church, then turn left sharply on Bob Barnwell Rd. Go almost ½ mile and turn left at Cloud Nine, mailbox 137.

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Mo Wheeler reports that the recent ASD National Convention in Sugarbush, Vermont “was wonderful, in spite of a location not very conducive to our conference”. Incidentally. Mo is in the process of moving to Bend, Oregon. Everyone in App Chapter wishes her well in her activities and we expect to hear the news from Bend periodically.

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## Beauty, Truth, Energy, Power and Water

By Paul Bennett

'Power' and 'energy' are words you hear frequently in dowsing circles. Earth energies. Power spots. Power domes. Energy lines, and so on. Dowzers know intuitively that they are working with something that somehow touches the essence of creation. We've all pondered over the concept that everything is vibration. The branch of physics called string theory is a mathematical explanation of how vibration becomes matter. But what's vibrating, before it becomes matter? The theory doesn't answer that question but most of us call it either energy, light or consciousness. Energy or consciousness is what existed before anything else.

When we perceive objects in the 3-dimensional world we are not looking at vibration directly, and yet sometimes we can sense their energy. Any large, distinct formation of 3-D matter such as a mountain or lake has its own accumulation of energy or power, and sometimes the power is so strong we can't help being affected by it. But the effect is often unconscious. We say "that mountain is beautiful". If we were more in touch with our intuition we would say "that mountain is powerful". We interpret power as "beauty".

Water is a special form of matter because it is the most common non-organic substance that exists naturally as a liquid, and somehow the liquid state enhances its built-in power, as does its very high density. We know by now that water has consciousness (ask Raymon Grace and Dr. Emoto). And dowzers know that moving water generates a detectable field of some type. (Our member Lee Barnes has attributed it to charged ions in the water)<sup>1</sup>. Therefore we can infer a general principle: moving energy creates a field. This is probably true of any kind of moving material such as a lava flow from a volcano. And it's well known that moving electricity creates a magnetic field and vice versa.

The above paragraph belies my tendency toward somewhat dry scientific thought, but as a water sign (Scorpio) I have a personal connection to water and can sense its energy, both when it's moving and when it's still. I shiver if I drive by a large reservoir holding dammed-up water. In a recurring dream when I was very young, I would be suspended above a lake or sea in a non-physical state looking down at the water, sometimes moving over it. And I love being in rain.



Speaking of feelings, emotions and feelings that we experience are a different kind of power. They are pure vibration in their essence, I believe. An interesting thing about this kind of power is that it can be incorporated into and carried in works of art and music. Again, we often use the word "beautiful" with such works rather than "powerful".

And so "beauty", "power" and "truth" may be different words for the same thing. The Keats poem says "Truth is beauty, and beauty truth". Incidentally, my studies of the energies in the most pure music leads me to believe that there are seven such energies, and they can be related to the chakras. There isn't space here to go into what the energies are, but they all relate to an emotion or a mode of being or an ideal. That in turn leads me to conclude that each of the chakras is associated with a certain mode of being. The 5<sup>th</sup> energy in music is simple beauty and its appreciation, and so the 5<sup>th</sup> or throat chakra, which is usually written off as only relating to communication, in its highest aspect actually has to do with appreciation of beauty and truth. This is the first of the three higher awarenesses represented by chakras 5, 6 and 7. Communication is a mechanical process and is merely a secondary and much less important aspect of the 5<sup>th</sup> chakra. (Please excuse the digression).

I think these thoughts arise out of the increased awareness of power by humanity in general, and by the apparent increase in strength of earth energies recently. Power and awareness of it seem to be on the rise for some reason.....

<sup>1</sup> "The Subtle Energies of Flowing Water", Permaculture Activist, May 2004

## *Chapter Activities*

Lisa Parresol shared her house and property in Fairview for a dowser's social on June 16 – thanks Lisa! These pictures show some of the places where nature spirits were dowsed.



Fun and food for all at the dowser's social at Dora Nell Hedrick's house in Clyde on July 21. Atop the Dora Knoll, many vortexes were dowsed. There were upspouts and downspouts and a rock formation sending out energy (upflowing). Especially interesting was a circular indentation in the earth that was dowsed to be where the Guardian Deva of the land was located. Paul and Polly dowsed an underground stream about 8 feet wide but it wasn't the most potable water. It was most magical and we all appreciate Dora Nell sharing her place with us. She's been holding out on us....now we know why! – *Marilyn Gasque*



## *The Critter Corner*

By Kate Pittman

I first used dowsing as an animal communication tool with a young Welch Pony stud in Colorado named Enki. He had a gigantic “tude” and many behavior issues ranging from the downright dangerous to very entertaining. Soon after helping Enki eliminate some of his dangerous activities, I was asked by his human to determine why the scalawag insisted on throwing all grain put in his bucket to his stall floor.

When I eventually asked the right questions, Enki, although located over fifteen hundred miles away, could practically be heard sighing a huge “Finally you’ve got it! (you silly human).” To my delight, the information he gave me was confirmed. A week earlier, as a present to Enki; a new bucket had replaced his old battered and bedraggled one. The new pail was made of a black rubberlike substance and, as Enki said, “It smells terrible!” He couldn’t stand eating out of it, so quickly scooped the grain out of the offensive container and then bulldozed his

nose around the stall floor. Smart horse! Smart owner too! She listened, gave him back his old bucket and the problem was solved.

Dowsing to chat with animals is just like any other dowsing and it is done by asking numerous yes and no questions. It can be a lengthy process, but often the result will be a simple remedy to a confusing and frustrating problem. If we can learn to “listen” with the help of our dowsing, problems may quickly disappear and even more exciting: a lot of amazing ideas, conversations and happenings will thrill us constantly. Try it, and just be ready to act as if you believe until over time denial is no longer an option.

*Kate Pittman is a dowser, intuitive and animal communicator. Starting in this issue she will contribute a brief account of one of her experiences to the newsletter. She hopes that many other dowsers will see the fun to be had and important lessons to be learned when we dare to hear what the non-humans are telling us”.*

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### O’Keefes to offer workshops on Dowsing for Personal Guidance and Safety

Would you like to be able to  
    assess the quality of your food  
    determine the effectiveness of herb and vitamin supplements  
    find the best treatment or medical practitioner for a particular problem

This four-hour, two-session class will easily and quickly teach you how to use a small pendulum (or to use ‘deviceless dowsing’) for many purposes including the ones listed above. This class is for beginners and also for those who want to increase their dowsing skills. The fee of \$30.00 includes a simple pendulum and a copy of Letter to Robin, the basic instructional booklet recommended by the American Society of Dowzers.

Call to enroll for any one of these five workshops held on Sunday afternoons from 2:00 to 4:00 PM:

September 9 and 16, 2007  
October 14 and 21, 2007  
November 11 and 18, 2007  
December 9 and 16, 2007  
(For full value it is necessary to attend both sessions.)

Instructors: Romella Hart-O’Keefe and Ed O’Keefe, longtime members

POSITIVE POINTS WELLNESS CENTER, Mills River, NC 28732 (828) 890-4889

See ya there!



## Quarterly Meeting Schedule

September 15, 2007

9:15 – 10:00	Registration	12:30 – 1:30	Lunch / book table
10:00 – 12:00	Program	12:30 – 1:30	Program, continued
12:00 – 12:30	Business meeting	3:00 – 4:00	Dowsing clinic

### QUARTERLY MEETING INFORMATION

Fee Schedule: **members: \$ 3.00 ; non-members: \$ 6.00.** Talk to Richard Crutchfield about scholarships for children. Students are encouraged to participate free of charge at any time during the day.

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.)

Books and Supplies: sales table, with books and other items related to dowsing, will be open during lunch and from 3:00 to 4:00 PM. Members and guests are invited to bring their used books and periodicals related to dowsing, healing, earth sciences etc. as a donation to the chapter to be sold during quarterly meetings. Because storage space is limited, however, unsold items should be retrieved at 4:00.

Dowsing Clinic: Lessons and demonstrations in basic dowsing, as well as advice for intermediate dowsers, will be arranged by one or two experienced practitioners following the afternoon program, according to the needs of those interested. This period and the lunch hour are the best times to share experiences, chat with the program speaker(s), and peruse the supplies table.

### DIRECTIONS TO LEICESTER COMMUNITY CENTER

**From I-40, Exit 53B** and Asheville center : follow I-240 west thru Asheville; on the Westgate Bridge over the river be in the left two lanes, and continue onto 19/23 west (Patton Avenue). 4<sup>th</sup> light, near Ingles, is Leicester Hwy (state hwy 63). Turn right onto 63.

**After turning onto 63**, follow it for about 9 miles, passing signs for Erwin Middle and High Schools, and Leicester Elementary. The Community Center is less than one mile past the Leicester Supply Company, which will be on the right. There will be a low sign for the Center on the right.

**From I-40, Exit 44:** turn Left at the end of the ramp onto 19/23 (Patton Ave) going toward Asheville. Leicester Hwy (Rt 63) will be on the left near the second Ingles grocery store. Turn left on 63. See directions above (“after turning onto 63”).

**From I-26 going north** toward Asheville: exit I-26 onto I-40 West. Take Exit 44 off I-40 and follow the above directions.

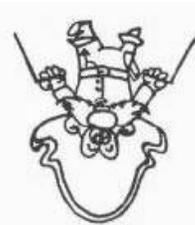
**From I-26 East going south** toward Asheville: I-26 will merge with 240. On the Westgate Bridge over the river be in the left two lanes, and exit 240 onto 19/23 west (Patton Avenue). 4<sup>th</sup> light, near Ingles, is Leicester Hwy (state hwy 63), going to the right. Follow directions for “After turning onto 63” above.

Submissions to this quarterly newsletter relating to dowsing are encouraged. Send by email to paulwbennett@bellsouth.net. Deadline for the November issue is October 1.

Also please consider submitting a post to WNCdowsers@yahoo.com. If you are not a member contact Lee Barnes about joining.

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