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IGT NEWS

Happy Birthday!

The Paranormal Press is one year old this month!

(insert party horn noise now)

OPEN INVITATION

All chapters, friends and family members are invited to IGT's

-All Hallow's Eve Ball-

Saturday, Oct. 28th, 8pm-1am.

Ticket info will be available soon!

We're Moving!

We will no longer have monthly meetings at the Valpo Elks. Langel's in Highland is still a go.

LOCKED IN

Old Valpo Jail overnites for **IGT members only**. July 7th & 21st. \$10 pp, first 20 people to RSVP.

Coming Soon!

"Mystic Indiana" DVD will once again be for sale in the near future

(Get yours before it goes back

into the IGT Vault!)

Shhhh!

www.deadwhisper.com has video clips of some of IGT's finest!

VOLUNTEERS

needed for Porter County Fair booth (July 20-29).

See Denise or Wendy

Our Place

IGT is on myspace.com. Join as "Friends"

ROUND THE CORNER

Porter County cemetery hunts to be set up within next few weeks.

DEADLINES

Angola witchcraft's child Victims

Source: BBC News

The conviction in Britain of three Angolans for the abuse of a girl they accused of being a witch has turned the spotlight on customs in Angola.

Angus Stickler of the BBC Radio 4 Today programme went to Angola to investigate the links between witchcraft, poverty and the rapid growth of churches preaching a powerful blend of traditional African beliefs and evangelical Christianity.

I visited the compound-cum-church of Avo Kitoko, a prominent, government-registered traditional healer. He says he has the power to identify and deliver people from bad spirits.

"Well, I can say that inside a patient we may find different types of sickness, sometimes they have bad

dreams, sometimes the patient thinks a wizard is putting a curse on them, someone is wishing bad things on them," he said. Stepping inside Mr Kitoko's "clinic" was like entering Bedlam. Many of the so-called patients were chained to the walls and floor.

A boy of 15 had been shackled here since January. There were nursing mothers, women and children. Many, we were told, had mental health problems - "sickness" caused by evil spirits.

In a darkened room, six men were chained to the walls and floor. A fight broke out over food. One man tried to stab another with a shard of glass.

'Evil spirits'

Even in more mainstream churches, the belief in child possession is evident.

At the Kimbanguista church, women wearing green dresses

with white lace collars rehearsed for the Sunday service. It is one of the larger churches in Angola, but even here they believe in the power of evil spirits - of Kindoki and fetishism.

Jose Gomes, the national secretary, said: "Well we can find children with witchcraft. The parents bring him here and they explain to the pastor, they explain that we have the children but he has problem, sometimes he says he is flying at night, things like that."

I asked him what happened if a child was suspected of being possessed.

"If these are children who can speak, the pastor will ask him to confess, confess, confess. Pastor can see if the children have witchcraft or not," he said.

To read the full story log onto:
<http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/africa/4677969.stm>

THE VIEWING ROOM

Over the decades there have been some extremely compelling and convincing evidence of the paranormal. From photographs showing mists and orbs to blood curdling EVP's, the evidence is compelling and further supports the theory that spirits are among us. However, there is one piece of evidence that truly raises the brow of society. It is considered the holy grail of ghost hunting...that evidence is the photograph of a full figure apparition.

Orbs and mists are easily disputed and are usually considered inconclusive because of the various possibilities of their origin. Full figure apparitions leave very little question about the validity of spirits and ghost-hunting.

Here are a few of the most famous pictures of spirits captured on film. They have been studied and all are considered original and authentic pictures.

1) Lord Combermere, Combermere Abbey Library, England, 1891

Lord Combermere was struck and killed by a horse-drawn carriage in 1891. As Sybell Corbet was taking the photo, Combermere's funeral was being held several miles away.

2) Ghostbed

3) The Brown Lady, Raynham Hall, 1936

The ghost is thought to be that of Lady Dorothy Townshend. Captured by photographers Captain Provand and Indre Shira while on a photo shoot for Country Life Magazine.

4) Ghost Girl, Wem Town Hall, Shropshire, England, 1995

Tony O'Rahilly, a local resident, took photos of the burning building from across the street and captured this image.

5) Freddy Jackson, Goodard's Squadron, HMS Daedalus, 1919

In back of the airman positioned on the top row, fourth from the left, can clearly be seen the face of another man. It is said to be the face of Freddy Jackson, an air mechanic who had been accidentally killed by an airplane propeller two days earlier.



WHAT'S ON SLAB

JULY						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2	3	4 	5	6	7 Old Valpo Jail Overnight	8 IGT MEETING*
9	10	11 	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20 Porter County Fair Begins*	21 Old Valpo Jail Overnight	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29 Porter County Fair Ends
30						

Notes:

The Meeting is to be held at the Valpo Library from 2-4:30 in Meeting Room B

***VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR PORTER COUNTY FAIR BOOTH. Many cities & towns are hosting festival days during this time of the year!!!

GRAVESITES

www.hauntedvoices.com

Offers basic to specialist EVP training

www.saloonrowghosttour.com

Williams, AZ, walking by night tour



www.ghostsofchicago.com

Chicago ghost investigations...daily

www.tlvpc.com

2nd Annual Paranormal Conference in Las Vegas, Oct. 1st & 2nd

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Presents

The 5th Annual

ALL HALLOW'S EVE BALL

**DJ & LIVE
MUSIC!**

**Costume
Contest!**

**Located in the
"haunted" old
courthouse**

\$\$Cash Bar\$\$

Saturday, October 28th, 2006
8pm-1am

\$10/Person—21 and up
220 South Main Street, Crown Point
The Hall of Justice

For more info: www.indianaghosts.org



We're dying to meet you!

"Cursed be he that
moves my bones."

Epitaph on William Shakespeare's gravestone

Eerie fact

Back in March, several English female patrons experienced the supernatural first hand. It seems the ghost that haunts the local pub has the habit of grabbing at the ladies bums. (A New meaning to the word goose-bumps)

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KING OF HORROR

In this excerpt from a 1988 interview, Stephen King tells of his brush with the supernatural.

"Well, I saw what I believe was some sort of a being or something that wasn't natural in a house in Bangor about seven years ago at a political party for George Mitchell. And for years I wouldn't talk about it, because I am who I am, and I figured that people would look upon me like the little boy who cried wolf or something, and it was an extremely prosaic encounter with the supernatural. In fact, it was in the winter-time, and it was on Grove Street, one of these white frame houses, and it was one of these political things when you go in, and you have two drinks, and you leave some money in one of those plastic straw campaign hats when you leave...

"And so I took (my wife's) coat and my coat and put them upstairs—there was this bedroom with the bed piled high with coats—and I put them down and we circulated for a little while, and then she said, 'We ought to go,' and I said, 'OK, I'll get the coats.' And a lot more people had come in in the meantime, and I went upstairs and the pile on the bed had grown apace. And I leaned down and I started to thumb through these coats looking for hers, and right over here where your glasses—you know, where that 'frame on the world' stops—I saw a guy sitting across from me on the other side of the room. And he was fuzzy above the glasses, but below them, in that part of my vision, I could see him pretty well. He was wearing a blue pinstripe suit, he was bald, but he was tan—you know the way these bald guys look when their heads tan—and there were little freckles, and he was wearing glasses, sitting there with his hands crossed. And I didn't know what to say, and I

felt extremely sort of nervous and guilty, and the thought came into my mind: 'This man thinks I'm going through coats looking for things to steal.' So I raised my head to say something pleasant to him, and even started to say something to him like, 'Isn't it hard to find your coat at one of these things?' or something like that, and there was nobody there. The chair was empty. And the thing is, it wasn't like a case of when you look away and when you look back the person is gone. I never lost sight of him at all. It was just that he was there, and then he wasn't there. There was no point where I saw him disappear or anything. He was just there, and then he wasn't there. And I got my wife's coat and I got my coat, because that's what you do; you don't blow your cookies or anything, your mind just says: 'Oh, this is like a kidney stone; I can't do anything with this, so I'll just have to pass it.' And we were halfway to (dinner) and I thought, 'Well, I'm not going to say anything about this because you thought you saw a guy, and the guy wasn't there, you were obviously mistaken or something,' and I just stopped and kind of mentally took hold of myself and said, 'Now stop it! Stop pandering to yourself! You saw someone!' And I did! I saw him just as clearly as I see you now. You're here. You're real. And I'm convinced that he was that real, but then he was just gone. And I had to take hold of myself and shake myself and said, 'This doesn't happen to you, but it happened this time, and it wasn't your imagination, and any of that silly bullshit, so don't just toss it out. It's inexplicable, but don't toss it out because of that.' So I told my wife what had happened, and she said what people say—she didn't faint; she didn't turn white; she said 'That's interesting,' and went on from there."

—*The Bangor Daily News*, Janet C. Beaulieu

SCREAMING ROOM

Incoming!

To continue last week's article, here are a couple more soon-to-be released films with supernatural themes.

(Dates and information are subject to change)

The Descent Rated: R; Release Date: 08/04/06

A female cave expedition team explores an unmarked cave and becomes trapped within. The women soon realize that finding their way out is

only part of their troubles as they soon discover that they are not alone in the dark and isolated caverns.

Ghost Rider Rated: NA; Release Date: 02/16/07

From the pages of Marvel Comics, stunt cyclist Johnny Blaze becomes the fire-wielding Ghost Rider, a supernatural agent of vengeance and justice after selling his soul to the devil to save his dying father.

Starring: Nicolas Cage, Sam Elliot & Peter Fonda