

“Mystery of Dead Sea Scroll Authors Possibly Solved”



Isaiah Scroll facsimile.
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An article posted on Yahoo! News on November 23, 2011, announces proof that the “Dead Sea Scrolls may have been written, at least in part, by a sectarian group called the Essenes, according to nearly 200 texts discovered in caves at Qumran, in the West Bank, where the religious texts had been stored.”

<[Read the entire article “Mystery of Dead Sea Scroll Authors Possibly Solved” online at Yahoo! News.](#)>

Post submitted by Elizabeth Reece

Sunrise Service held in Japan

One of our new Consociates in Japan, Kaori Sujaku, sent us a few small photos from the sunrise service on October 20, 2011, held near the putative ancestral home of an ancient queen of the Yayoi era (300 BCE–300 CE) who was identified with the sun goddess. The Reverend Yaeno Sanada officiated the sunrise service that morning.



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Reverend Martin Luther King Memorial Dedicated



PHOTO submitted by Charles Stewart

The monument constructed to honor the Reverend Martin Luther King Jr. was dedicated on the morning of October 16, 2011, before thousands of onlookers. Speakers in the program included President Barak Obama, the Reverend Jesse Jackson,

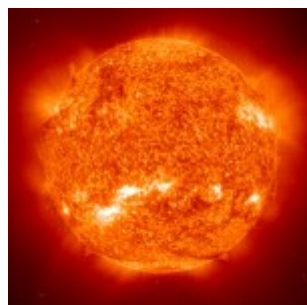
and the children of Dr. King. Performers included Aretha Franklin and Stevie Wonder.

King was enshrined by the Advocates for Religious Rights and Freedoms in 1999.

[Click here to take a virtual tour of the Martin Luther King Jr. National Memorial Park in Washington, D.C.](#)

Link submitted by Charles Stewart

James Oschman, PhD: “Conversing with the sun”



Dr. James Oschman, the keynote speaker at the 2011 Conference on the Spiritual State of the World presented by Cosolargy International, has written a short piece about, as he puts it, “conversing with the sun.”

The article was inspired by the people he met in the Community during his visit to Reno, where he participated in Sunrise Divine Service and Chapel Services, the Steamboat Health Center open house, as well as the conference itself.

Follow this link to read the entire article on www.Cosolargy.net.

Spiritual Seekers Flock to Burning Man; Perhaps to ICC, too?



The Temple of Transition, Burning Man 2011 PHOTO flickr user Michael Holden

During the 2011 Convocation, attending Consociates were asked to address questions regarding the Community's future path. Of course, outreach was included, and someone suggested that we target the people coming in for Burning Man the week before. There are about 55,000 people flooding into Reno for this weeklong event. Many of these people are presumed to be seekers for deeper meanings in life and thus potential candidates for Cosolargy. To read one Burning Man attendee's take on the event and its meaning click on the attached link. After you read the article, send us feedback about whether you think this group is worth approaching as part of our outreach.

[Read the essay "Burning Down the Temple: Religion and Irony in Black Rock City" online at *Religion Dispatches Magazine* .](#)

Post submitted by Robert Anderson

“Solar Unrest Culminates in Violent Eruption”



Photo NASA

This short article by Ian O'Neill holds two series of extraordinary photos of the sun taken by NASA's Solar Dynamics Observatory presented with captions by O'Neill and a video of "coronal rain."

Read the full article published August 9, 2011, on the Discovery News website:

<http://news.discovery.com/space/big-pic-sun-explodes-x-class-flare-110809.html>

Link submitted by Frieda Nelson.

“Tomb of St. Philip the

Apostle Discovered in Turkey”



Apostle Philip
painted by
Peter Paul
Rubens

Fox News published a short article on July 27, 2011, on the discovery of a tomb believed to be that of the Apostle Philip in the Turkish city of Hierapolis. Archeologists have been searching for the site for years and believe they have found it in the ruins of a recently excavated ancient church.

Read the full article at foxnews.com:
<http://www.foxnews.com/scitech/2011/07/27/tomb-st-philip-apostle-discovered-in-turkey/>

Link submitted by Robert Roy.

“Early Religious Archeology: An Easter Enigma”



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Elkington/Rex
Features

“Whatever happened to the Hebrew Christians?” The fate of the Jews who followed Jesus has been one of the puzzles of Christian history. The emergence of a collection of codices carved in lead, if they are genuine, might lead to the answer.

Read the full article “Whatever happened to the Hebrew Christians?” published July 8, 2011, at [economist.com](http://www.economist.com/node/18584132):
<http://www.economist.com/node/18584132>

Link submitted by Robert Anderson.

More on the Solar Minimum



Photo NASA

A well-written scientific report on the solar minimum without sensationalistic or armageddon overtones appeared June 30,

2011, on physicsworld.com, a website of the Institute of Physics. The report, with graphs and photographs, discusses projected high and lows for solar minimums and maximums in upcoming years and what they could mean for the planet.

Read the full article "What's Going On with the Sun?" at <http://physicsworld.com/cws/article/news/46387>

Link submitted by Frieda Nelson.

"Is the Sun About to Fizzle Out?"



Staring blankly: the solar disk with no sunspot activity (NASA)

An analysis published online in Discovery News on June 14, 2011, by self-professed space geek and astrophysicist Ian O'Neill contains a legitimate observation that may indicate our solar reflections are causing a change in predicting solar activity. The article also suggests the possibility that the sun is falling into a quiet period that may repeat the "little ice age" of 1650-1715.

Read the entire article online at <http://news.discovery.com/space/is-the-sun-about-to-fizz-out-110614.html> .

The link to this article was submitted to us by Frieda Nelson.