##### Survivorship Notes



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Dear Survivorship Community,

We have made several changes to our board of directors this summer. We would like to say goodbye to Spence and thank him for his work on the board and Survivorship Notes. We wish him success in his future endeavors. We have added two new temporary members to our board of directors, Alison Miller and Wendy Hoffman. They both have a lot of experience helping survivors of ritual abuse.

**Alison Miller** is a clinical psychologist in private practice in Victoria, British Columbia, Canada. She is the author of 2012's *Healing the Unimaginable: Treating Ritual Abuse and Mind Control* (for therapists) and 2014's *Becoming Yourself: Overcoming Mind Control and Ritual Abuse (*for survivors), both published by Karnac Books.

**Wendy Hoffman** somehow survived various forms of high level secret mind control. She tried all her life to get free and has finally succeeded. Now she wants to help and support other survivors in their quest for freedom. She is a LCSW-C with decades of experience and is the author of *The Enslaved Queen, a Memoir about Electricity and Mind Control*, published in 2014 by Karnac Books, London.

We will keep our members updated on our conference plans for next year and let people know more in our next notes.

The Survivorship Board of Directors

Micci, Neil, Alison and Wendy

**Survivorship blog**  [https://survivorshipwp.wordpress.com](https://survivorshipwp.wordpress.com/)
**Survivorship**on**Twitter**  <https://twitter.com/Survivorshiporg> **Survivorship**on**Facebook** <https://www.facebook.com/SurvivorshipRitualAbusePage>

**Ritual Calendar 2015- Difficult Days**

**September**

**9/1 Start of WW11**

**9/4 Birthday celebration of Shri Krishna**

**9/5-9/7 Marriage to the Beast (Satan)**

**9/7 Feast of the Beast, marriage of virgins to Satan**

**9/7 Labour day**

**9/13 New Moon**

**9/13 Partial Lunar Eclipse**

**9/13 Grandparents Day**

**9/15 Rosh Hashana (Jewish New Year)**

**9/17 Ganesh Charurthi; Hindu: Birth of Lord Ganesha, god of wisdom, prosperity, and good fortune**

**9/18-22 Durga Puja**

**9/27-10/4 Sukkot**

**9/20-9/21 Midnight Host, vows, blood sacrifice from tip of finger**

**9/21 Fall Equinox**

**9/28-10/12 Pitr Paksha: Hindu 16 day period when spirits visit their descendant’s home**

**9/21 Rituals of the Elements and Feast of the times**

**9/23-10/2 Mysteries of Eleusis**

**9/28 Full Moon**

**9/28 Solar Eclipse**

**9/25-10/3 Navaratri: Hindu: Fall Festival, Worship of Durga. Lakshmi ans Saraswati**

**9/29 Michaelmas**

**October**

**10/4 Simchat Torah**

**10/5 Opening of Mundus Ceresis**

**10/12 Thanksgiving: Canada**

**10/12 Columbus Day:US**

**10/12 Dia de la Raza: Mexico**

**10/12 Hitler’s half birthday**

**10/13 New Moon**

**10/13 Backwards Halloween**

**10/14 Thanksgiving Day in Canada**

**10/15 Death of Goering**

**10/16 Death of Rosenburg**

**10/22 Ashara (Kali’s victory over Mahishasura)**

**10/22-10/29 Preparation for all Hallow’s Eve**

**10/27 Full Moon**

**10/24 United Nations’ Day**

**10/31 Halloween/Samhain/All Hallow’s Eve/ Hallomas/ All Souls Day**

**10/31 Preparation for the Isia (ring of six: Isis, Hathor, Nepthys, Horus, Thoth, Anubis) Resurrection of Osiris**

**10/31 Start of the Celtic new year. Dark half of the year**

**CONFERENCES, WEBINARS, WORKSHOPS, AND TRAINING**

**Male Survivor: Weekends of Recovery**September 18- 20, 2015 Alta Level 1 Alta, UT October 16 – 18, 2015 Hope Springs Level 1 Peebles, OH <http://www.malesurvivor.org/weekends/2015/schedule.html>

**PODS -** POSITIVE OUTCOMES FOR DISSOCIATIVE SURVIVORS (PODS)

*Trauma and the Body: Somatisation and Dissociation*

Belfast: October 17

Birmingham: November 14

Rotherham: March 19, 2016

Bradford: July 2, 2016

Nottingham: July 16, 2016

*London. “Working with Relational Trauma - Dealing with Disorganised Attachment” September 26*

Darlington: December 5

Huntingdon: February 26, 2016

Bristol: February 27, 2016

Bristol: March 5, 2016

Brighton: April 23, 2016

London.

*Trauma, Dissociation and Recovery: Working with Dissociative Identity Disorder and Complex PTSD.”* November 7

Crawley: November 27

Bristol: November 28

Bristol: January 30, 2016

Darlington: February 6, 2016

London: May 7, 2016

Rotherham: May 14, 2016

Exeter: October 15, 2016

London: November 12, 2016

Brighton: November 26, 2016

info@pods-online.org.uk <http://www.pods-online.org.uk/events.html>

**1in6 Webinar: Engaging Men Sexually Abused in Childhood**

[**September 16, 2015 @ 9:30 am - 11:00 am**](https://1in6.org/events/1in6-webinar-engaging-men-sexually-abused-in-childhood-2/)

[**1in6 Webinar: Responding to Men Sexually Abused in Childhood: Hotline Practices**](https://1in6.org/events/1in6-webinar-responding-to-men-sexually-abused-in-childhood-hotline-practice/) [**October 21, 2015 @ 9:30 am - 11:00 am**](https://1in6.org/events/1in6-webinar-responding-to-men-sexually-abused-in-childhood-hotline-practice/)

Contact Martha Lucia Marin at Martha@1in6.org to register for info on upcoming webinars.

[**https://1in6.org/therapists-and-other-professionals/books-and-films/ptsd-and-dissociation/**](https://1in6.org/therapists-and-other-professionals/books-and-films/ptsd-and-dissociation/)

**Eleos Support Network**

November 14-15, 2015

“Organized Criminal Abuse of Children: Taking a Closer Look”

Carco Theater Renton, Washington

[www.eleossupportnetwork.org](http://www.eleossupportnetwork.org)

Presenters include Michael Salter and Alison Miller

**TALOMIN BOOKS
"Treating Complex Trauma."**Presenter: Leah Giarratano
October 22 - 23, Adelaide

October 29 - 30, Perth

November 5 - 6, Brisbane

March 10 - 11, 2016, Singapore.
Information**:** [**https://www.talominbooks.com/html/store/training/details.asp?prodid=198**](https://www.talominbooks.com/html/store/training/details.asp?prodid=198)

**Bessel van der Kolk's complete speaking schedule is at:**[**http://www.traumacenter.org/about/speaking\_schedule.php**](http://www.traumacenter.org/about/speaking_schedule.php) [**http://www.traumacenter.org/training/workshops.php**](http://www.traumacenter.org/training/workshops.php)

**Organized Ritual Violence**September 5, 2015 Bremen, Germany nivt@nivt.de [www.nivt.de](http://www.nivt.de)

**IVORY GARDEN**

2015 Annual International Trauma and Dissociation Conference: "How the Past Affects the Now."

October 16 - 18, Seattle, WA.

Presenters include: Alison Miller (all day Friday), Steven Frankel (all day Saturday), Lynn Crook, Joan Golston, Robin Shapiro, Rich Loewenstein, Laura Brown. Information: <http://igdid.org/>

**International Conference on Innovations in Family Engagement**

Dates of Conference: 10/27/2015 - 10/30/2015

Location: Minneapolis , MN
Contact Information: Amy Hahn
For more information, contact: amy.hahn@childrenscolorado.org

**THE MEADOWS**

Second International Conference on Sex and Love Addiction: "The Changing Architecture of Addictive Desire, Trauma and Attachment: Families, Children and Partners."

November 12 - 14, Fort Lauderdale, FL.

Presenters include: Patrick Carnes, Bessel van der Kolk, Claudia Black, Donald L. Hilton, Helen Fisher, Rob Weiss, Pat Love, Ken Adams, and Stephanie Carnes.

Information: <http://www.usjt.com/Conferences/2014/2nd-Intl-Conference-On-Sex-and-Love-Addiction>

Workshops for survivors, therapists, family and friends. For dates and other information, click the workshop titles at the left on <http://www.themeadows.com/workshops/survivors-i-workshop>

Survivors I

Survivors II

Strengthening Coupleship: Working Together

Love Addiction / Love Avoidance

Family Workshop

Men's Sexual Recovery

Journey Of A Woman's Heart: Finding True Intimacy

Healing Intimate Treason: For Partners of Sex Addiction

Healing Heartache: A Grief And Loss Workshop

Spirit: A Somatic Equine Workshop

Mind and Heart: A Mindful Path To Wholehearted Living

**Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect**May 22 - 25, 2016 Stockholm, Sweden.
<http://www.nfbo.org/web/page.aspx?sid=7799>

**NEWS AND LINKS**

**Bill Cosby: 35 Women Accuse the Actor of Assault on New York Magazine Cover**

http://abcnews.go.com/Entertainment/bill-cosby-35-women-accuse-actor-assault-york/story?id=32710622

**‘I’m No Longer Afraid’: 35 Women Tell Their Stories About Being Assaulted by Bill Cosby, and the Culture That Wouldn’t Listen** http://nymag.com/thecut/2015/07/bill-cosbys-accusers-speak-out.html

**Child sex abuse inquiry: Leon Brittan among leading Westminster figures named in documents**

http://www.dailyrecord.co.uk/news/uk-world-news/child-sex-abuse-inquiry-leon-6119976

**Jehovah's Witnesses failed to report 1,000 alleged perpetrators, child sex abuse royal commission hears**

http://www.abc.net.au/news/2015-07-27/jehovahs-witnesses-child-sexual-abuse-royal-commission/6649340

**Milwaukee archdiocese settles with clergy abuse survivors for $21 million**

The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Milwaukee said Tuesday that it will pay $21 million to more than 300

http://www.usnews.com/news/us/articles/2015/08/04/apnewsbreak-milwaukee-archdiocese-settles-for-21-million

**TLC cancels ‘19 Kids and Counting’ amid Josh Duggar abuse scandal**

http://www.nydailynews.com/entertainment/tv/tlc-cancels-19-kids-counting-duggar-abuse-scandal-article-1.2294251

**Rotherham child sex abuse: Most victims have not yet come forward for help, says lawyer The Jay Report estimated that more than 1,400 children were sexually exploited** http://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/crime/rotherham-child-sex-abuse-most-victims-have-not-yet-come-forward-for-help-says-lawyer-10468543.html

**Edward Heath abuse claims: Five forces investigating ex-PM** Edward Heath, who was prime minister from 1970 to 1974, died in 2005 http://www.bbc.com/news/uk-33770021

**Number of arrests in child abuse scandal rises to 14 - Pakistan**

Investigations into the massive child sexual abuse scandal – termed the biggest in the country's history – revealed that around 400 videos were made of 280 minor victims of sexual abuse by the organised gang of over 25 criminals. http://www.geo.tv/article-193765-Number-of-arrests-in-child-abuse-scandal-rises-to-14

**We Asked an Expert on Ritual Murders About the Triple Homicide in the Florida Panhandle**

http://www.vice.com/read/we-asked-an-expert-in-ritual-murders-about-the-triple-homicide-in-the-florida-panhandle-806

**US torture doctors could face charges after report alleges post-9/11 'collusion'**

Leading group of psychologists faces a reckoning following repeated denials that its members were complicit in Bush administration-era torture

http://www.theguardian.com/law/2015/jul/10/us-torture-doctors-psychologists-apa-prosecution

**PSYCHOLOGISTS FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY PsySR Responds to Hoffman Report about APA Collusion** http://www.psysr.org/about/statements/PsySR\_Statement-Hoffman\_Report.pdf

**Elizabeth Loftus and the Hoffman Report**

http://blogs.brown.edu/recoveredmemory/2015/07/22/loftus-hoffman-report/

**What Beck Left Out** By Ross E. Cheit

Richard Beck, a comparative literature major from Harvard who works at a literary magazine, is the latest one spreading the witch-hunt narrative about those cases. His book, We Believe the Children, based largely on secondary sources.... In both instances, the authors repeatedly omitted significant evidence that contradicts the witch-hunt narrative. http://blogs.brown.edu/rcheit/2015/08/08/what-beck-left-out/

**Former Subway spokesman Jared Fogle to plead guilty to child pornography charges**

http://fox59.com/2015/08/18/former-subway-spokesman-jared-fogle-to-plead-guilty-to-child-pornography-charges/

**ON-GOING MEETINGS AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**

**More information is available at** <https://survivorship.org/community-calendar-of-events/>

Adult Survivors of Child Abuse-ongoing meetings/Beyond Surviving

Second Thursday of each month, 6:00-8:00 PM

Embarcadero YMCA, 169 Steuart St., San Francisco, CA

<http://rachelgrantcoaching.com/>

ASCA (Adult Survivors of Child Abuse)

On-going meetings in CA, FL, IL, NE, NJ, NY, NC, RI, and South Africa

info@ascasupport.org

[www.ascasupport.org](http://www.ascasupport.org)

Christina Arguello
<http://therapists.psychologytoday.com/rms/prof_detail.php?profid=119345&sid=1336589023.0802_18054&city=San+Francisco&county=San+Francisco&state=CA&spec=19>

Intensive Trauma Therapy, Morgantown, WV.

Free Thursday morning Trauma Seminars

info@traumatherapy.us

<http://www.traumatherapy.us>

Safeguarding Children - Ongoing training North Yorkshire, UK <http://www.safeguardingchildren.co.uk/lscb-training-brochure.html>

Survivors of Incest Anonymous

SIA holds 12-step meetings for incest survivors. Those designated “Nothing Too Heavy to Share” meetings are designed for ritual abuse survivors.

410-282-3400

<http://www.siawso.org>

SIA Coming Home phone meeting

Daily at 11:30 am and 9pm Eastern time.

1 712 432 8808 code is 742247 then press 5 once you're in.

Trauma Center at JRI

Free lecture each Thursday of the month, 12-1 p.m., Brookline, MA

moreinfo@traumacenter.org

617- 232-1303

[www.traumacenter.org/training/workshops.php](http://www.traumacenter.org/training/workshops.php)

Womencare Counseling Center

Weekly ongoing groups, Evanston, IL

info@womencarecounseling.com

847-475-7003

[www.womencarecounseling.com](http://www.womencarecounseling.com)

Women’s Center, 46 Pleasant Street, Cambridge, MA

Weekly and monthly groups for survivors of child sexual abuse, incest survivor’s interfaith quilt project, Survivors of Incest Anonymous, eating disorder support group, emotional healing group, more.

info@cambridgewomenscenter.org

Phone: 617-354-6394

Helpline. 617-354-8807

<http://www.cambridgewomenscenter.org>

Dissociation & Trauma Clinical Discussions

The Dissociation & Trauma Clinical Discussions (DissTCD) list has been created to allow for clinical discussions for all licensed mental health counselors and retired licensed mental health counselors around the world. If you have a related license or degree, please write for more information at DissTCD-owner@yahoogroups.com <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DissTCD>

Ritual-Abuse/Mind-Control Special Interest Group

The Ritual Abuse and Mind Control Special Interest Group (RA/MC SIG) of the International Society for the Study of Trauma and Dissociation (ISSTD) was approved by ISSTD’s Executive Council in 2008. The Mission of the RA/MC SIG is to further dialogue, knowledge, research, and training on the etiology, evaluation, and effective treatment of trauma and dissociation in clients reporting histories of ritual abuse or mind control. Membership in the RA/MC SIG is free to all ISSTD members as an ISSTD membership benefit. To join the RA/MC SIG, please contact: Ellen Lacter: ellenlacter@earthlink.net Ann Beckett: ann\_at\_stgeorgestreet@yahoo.ca

Survivorship is presenting this as information and cannot guarantee your safety. If you choose to get involved, please know that you are choosing to do this at your own risk. We advise having support systems in place before reading.

**The Childhelp National Child Abuse Hotline** 1-800-4-A-CHILD (1-800-422-4453)

HOTLINES FAMILIAR WITH RA ISSUES

\* Bay Area Women Against Rape (BAWAR): 510-845-7273

\* San Francisco Women Against Rape (SFWAR): 415-647-7273

\* Women’s Center, Cambridge, MA: 617-354-8807