



# The APRAition

A publication from the Arkansas Paranormal Research Association

Have you ever noticed how orbs love to have their picture taken in the snow and rain? It's weird...almost seems paranormal. Someone should investigate that.



## What's Inside

*An unusually short issue for the last quarter of 2010, that's what!*

## Who Said

Even if I saw a ghost I wouldn't believe it.

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## 2010 APRA Recap

By Amy Thompson

2010 was the busiest year APRA has ever experienced. Investigations and events ran practically non-stop all year, but we managed to get through them all fairly unscathed. So, in the spirit (get it?) of being proactive, APRA is looking into possible revamping of our investigation scheduling.

OnAir Paranormal completed its 17<sup>th</sup> episode with an interview with author Stephen LaChance. Other guests this year included Mark Easter, Pat Fitzhugh, and Travis Walton.

The Old TB Sanatorium continues to be an APRA favorite. Keeping with tradition, we investigated twice this year, staying two nights each time, and giving good-sized donations to the BHDC Volunteer Council. We were also thrilled to be present for the "100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of the Arkansas Tuberculosis Sanatorium" and opening of the sanatorium museum. Also, Mike dedicated and created a special OnAir Paranormal "Epis'ode' to the Old Arkansas TB Sanatorium."

APRA assisted with Haunted Tours of Little Rock once again, and we made new friends at the Dreamland Ballroom and helped them with a ghost hunting event and fundraiser. All donations made at the fundraisers went to the Friends of the Dreamland to help restore the old ballroom and educate the community on its historical and cultural significance.

In April, APRA hosted an EVP workshop for paranormal groups in Arkansas. Due to the severe weather in the state that day, the turnout wasn't as good as we'd hoped, but we're glad everyone was safe.



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What else? A few members went to stay at the Myrtle's Plantation in Louisiana: a paranormal bucket list stop for some of us.

APRA is in the process of making plans and setting goals for 2011, and we're looking forward to another great year.



**Uhh...**

**By Amy Thompson**

Ok, so we heard that thousands of birds fell dead from the sky in Beebe, Arkansas on New Year's Eve. That sounded strange, and still no one knows the cause for that. Then three days later, hundreds of birds fell dead in Louisiana. Ok, so it must be some weird bird disease, right? Or the fireworks. Then today hundreds of turtle doves die in Italy. Maybe it's a fluke.

Maybe the ones dead in Kentucky, Canada, Japan, and Sweden are, too.

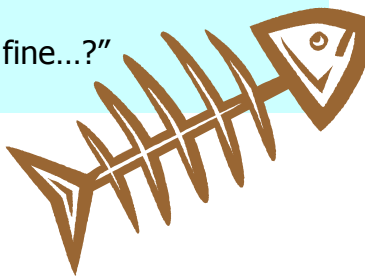
Then there's the fish.

Thousands of fish have gone belly-up in Arkansas, Louisiana, Maryland, and New Zealand. Millions died in South Carolina.

So...I'm not laying down any personal pet theories on what's happening. According to the experts, this is not uncommon, and there is a reasonable explanation.

But it's still weird. If this happened all the time, would it be making national news? I'm not sure.

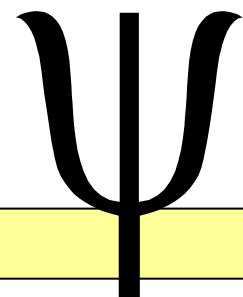
I just want to say, "Uhh...and I feel fine...?"



**Who Said**

**Answer:  
Albert Einstein**

**Psi** – A letter in the Greek alphabet that denotes psychic phenomena.



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## LOOKING FOR A GOOD READ?

In this hobby, we are so often bombarded with poorly-thought-out books consisting of anything from questionable investigation techniques to too-good-to-be-true accounts of ghostly encounters.

For a change of pace, pick up a copy of Stacy Horn's book, *Unbelievable: Investigations into Ghosts, Poltergeists, Telepathy, and Other Unseen Phenomena, from the Duke Parapsychology Laboratory.*

This isn't a ghost book. It's not about aliens or cryptids. It's about ESP and the attempt of one parapsychology's early pioneers, J.B. Rhine, to scientifically research and document psi. Read about his successes and failures in bringing psi to the scientific community.