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The Prologue Society Newsletter

March 20, 2017



FROM THE CHAIR

On March 15, Caitlin Fitz, a wonderfully talented young historian and the author of *Our Sister Republics: The United States in an Age of American Revolutions*, gave us a fascinating presentation about the American response to the South American revolutions during the period between the Revolutionary War and the Civil War.

Please register as soon as possible for our April 6 luncheon with Annie Jacobsen and her book *Phenomena: The Secret History of the U.S. Government's Investigations into Extrasensory Perception and Psychokinesis*.

IMPORTANT: This will be the only notice you receive to register for this luncheon.

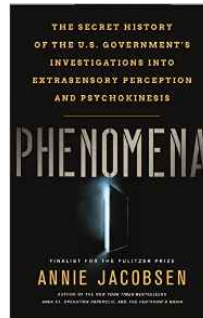
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Please Join Us at Our Next Luncheon
Thursday, April 6 at 12:00 Noon

ANNIE JACOBSEN

*Phenomena: The Secret History of the U.S. Government's Investigations into
Extrasensory Perception and Psychokinesis*



Pulitzer Prize finalist Annie Jacobsen has shown us time and again with her bestselling books that the truth is often stranger than fiction. In her powerful new book, *Phenomena: The Secret History of the U.S. Government's Investigations into Extrasensory Perception and Psychokinesis*, Jacobsen traces the U.S. government's long-hidden history—beginning during the Cold War—of military and intelligence agency experiments on extraordinary human functioning, including mental telepathy, clairvoyance, precognition, and other forms of extrasensory perception (ESP), for defense purposes. The scientific community rejected such investigations as pseudoscience, but the government raced to advance technology and influence human behavior after World War II by experimenting with these seemingly supernatural phenomena in a series of highly classified programs.

With Jacobsen's rich storytelling, key figures come to life, such as research scientist Andrija Puharich, who first postulated nerve conduction and an unknown energy force within humans; the Apollo astronaut Edgar Mitchell, who conducted ESP experiments while journeying to the moon; and Uri Geller, a former Israeli Army paratrooper who became one of the most famous psychics in the world—mystifying thousands with his seemingly inexplicable telepathic and psychokinetic abilities demonstrated by bending spoons and making watches stop. Jacobsen also probes the ongoing battle between skeptics and believers in the CIA over all things supernatural.

ANNIE JACOBSEN is the author of *The New York Times* bestsellers *Area 51* and *Operation Paperclip* and the Pulitzer Prize finalist *The Pentagon's Brain*. She was a contributing editor at the *Los Angeles Times Magazine*. A graduate of Princeton University, she lives in Los Angeles with her husband and two sons.

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To register:

- **The deadline for members to register for this luncheon is Friday, March 31.**
- **Online:** Go to www.theprologuesociety.org and follow the instructions;
- **OR by telephone:** Call 305-323-1154 and talk to Debbie Hirshson or leave a voicemail message that you plan to attend;
- **OR by regular mail:** Send note with a check for \$50.00 per person to The Prologue Society, 18495 S. Dixie Highway #373, Miami, FL 33157.
- **Include** the names of your guests.
- **IMPORTANT: IF YOU REGISTER BY MAIL, you must also call Debbie** (or reply to this email) so that she knows to expect you!

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- **Enter your credit card number** on the website;
- **OR mail a check** for \$50.00 per person to The Prologue Society, 18495 S. Dixie Highway #373, Miami, FL 33157;
- **OR bring a check** to the luncheon.

Note:

- **IMPORTANT: Remember that all luncheons are held at Riviera Country Club (Ballroom), 1155 Blue Road, Coral Gables, FL 33146.**
- To speed up luncheon check-in and accounting, our preference is that you: 1) pay online, OR 2) mail a check well in advance of the luncheon.
- Mail is taking a while to reach us. (Remember to call or email Debbie right away if you're registering via the mail.)
- **If you haven't yet sent in your membership application**, please do so right away (or activate and pay for your membership online). You will need to be on the membership rolls before we can accept your reservation for this and all future luncheons of this season.

RECENT LUNCHEONS



Another wonderful event is in the books -- what an enjoyable afternoon we had with Caitlin Fitz at our March luncheon!

UPCOMING LUNCHEONS

Our April 6 luncheon will bring to its conclusion our 2016-2017 season; we certainly hope that you're able to join us. And bring a guest!

Riviera Country Club
1155 Blue Road, Coral Gables, FL 33146
Doors open at 11:30AM. Luncheons begin at 12:00 Noon.

Your Board will be busy over the summer, preparing for next season's lineup of authors and events. Information about our 2017-2018 season will go out to everyone on our mailing list sometime in August. If you know anyone who would like to be included in our mailings and announcements, please have them contact Debbie Hirshson at theprologuesociety@gmail.com or 305-323-1154.

MEMBER-TO-MEMBER CORNER

Dear Prologue Members,

Are you looking for a book from a missed luncheon?

How about a carpool option?

Would you like to invite fellow Prologue members to get together after a much-loved book or author and continue the discussion?

We can help with that!

Introducing our Member-to-Member corner – a dedicated spot in our newsletter where you are able to post your Prologue-related message, connecting you with fellow members.

Simply call or email our program coordinator, Debbie Hirshson (305-323-1154 or theprologuesociety@gmail.com), with your message and your preferred contact information. If time is of the essence, Debbie will be happy to email your post to our members; otherwise it will appear in the following newsletter.

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