Announcement

CAN SCIENTIFIC UNDERSTANDING OF RELIGION CLARIFY THE ROUTE TO WORLD PEACE?

INSTITUTE ON RELIGION IN AN AGE OF SCIENCE

THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL SUMMER CONFERENCE

JULY 27-AUGUST 3, 1985

STAR ISLAND in the ISLES OF SHOALS, off PORTSMOUTH, NEW HAMPSHIRE

IRAS will attempt to use its more than thirty years of investigating religion in the context of science to explore the problems involving the processes of peace. To this end we will address the following sets of questions: (1) What roles do religions play in the origin and maintenance of cooperation in historically large societies? Are secular ideologies as effective in attaining large-scale cooperation? (2) Do secular and religious ideologies differ in their formation and maintenance of social identity and boundaries? How have these processes changed in modern times? (3) How do secular and religious ideologies contribute to inter- and intrasocietal aggression and warfare? (4) How can we use our knowledge of these processes to reduce the potential for warfare and possible nuclear confrontation?

CONTRIBUTED PAPERS: Besides invited addresses, IRAS is accepting a limited number of contributed papers on the above questions. Those interested in presenting should send a two-page abstract for peer review to Ralph W. Burhoe, 1524 East 59th Street, Chicago, Ill. 60637, before 15 February 1985.

PROGRAM CHAIRPERSONS: RALPH WENDELL BURHOE, Research Professor Emeritus in Theology and the Sciences, Meadville/Lombard Theological School; SOLOMON H. KATZ, Professor of Anthropology, University of Pennsylvania.

CONFERENCE COORDINATOR: EDWARD F. RUTLEDGE, Department of Psychology, New England College

REGISTRATION: Please fill out the form on the next page and mail it with the appropriate registration fee to:

Mrs. Bonnie Falla, Registrar
810½ North 9th Street
Allentown, Pennsylvania 18104

Checks should be made out to IRAS.

Additional registration forms are available from the Registrar, or legible copies of this form are acceptable.

Registration Fees: Husband and wife, $165. Singles over 20, $90. Children between 12 and 20, $60. Children under 12, $50. Fees (less 20 percent) are refundable if registration is cancelled before June 1.

Registering in January or February by all conference attendees is advisable because accommodations are limited to 200. Room and board, provided at about $200 per adult for the week, will be payable on the island.
REGISTRATION FORM
1985 STAR ISLAND CONFERENCE
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Room preference:  single (few available) ___ ; 2 in room ____ ; 3-4 in room ____

Please indicate any health problem that may require special attention: include names, specific medical conditions, allergies, continuing medications, etc.

Meals are served family style; the kitchen is not able to handle individual diets. Salt-free food, supplementary protein, and meat-free meals are available, if indicated at time of registration. Please list such needs:

Name, address, and phone of person (not on Star Island) to be contacted in an emergency:

name ____________________________

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I plan to arrive at the Island on Saturday, July 27, on the boat leaving Portsmouth at: 2:00 P.M. ______, 6:00 P.M. ______, and leave on Saturday, August 3 on the 8:40 A.M. boat.

Signature ____________________________  Date ____________________