The Mission:

The Science of Mind Archives and Library Foundation is a 501(c)3 charitable nonprofit organization. Its mission is to locate, organize, preserve, and share records, resources, materials, and documents that support the activities and expressions of Science of Mind®.

The Vision:

The vision of the Science of Mind Archives is to *Preserve, Protect and Present Science of Mind Philosophy and History.*
Dear Friends:

I am proud to say that 2016 was a successful year for the Science of Mind Archives. Financially, we had a good year, even though grants for several new projects were delayed due to changing conditions. Our goal is to have diversified funding sources for the Archives (including: private donations, grants, and product sales) to ensure that we have financial stability to move the organization steadfastly into the future.

The Archives set a clear intention to increase our funding support through 1st Circle memberships (for Practitioners and Ministers) as well as our important Friends of Ernest membership program (for all Centers and laity supporters of SOM history). These donations continue to grow, demonstrating that we are on the right track. The Archives has an overall goal of 100% of all Centers for Spiritual Living being members of Friends of Ernest—meaning every Center shares a weekly, monthly or annual tithe or donation to the Archives.

Our social media growth in 2016 was remarkable. The Archives’ Facebook page started the year with 3,587 “likes” and ended 2016 with almost 1,000 new “likes” (4,574)—a 28% increase. Facebook has been a powerful and easy way to connect with and educate our supporters on the progress of projects, share spiritual wisdom of Dr. Ernest Holmes, share the availability of new products and publications and the many ways that the Archives can support their spiritual practices. The Science of Mind Archives is eternally grateful for your ever-present support. Thanks to you, our history will be preserved for all of us and for future generations to come.

Dear Beloved Archives’ Supporters!

It is with joy and enthusiasm that I write this letter for the Science of Mind Archives and Library Foundation’s first ever Annual Report! I would like to start off with gratitude for YOU. If you are reading this, it is because of you that the Archives is able to do the sacred and critical work of our vision: To preserve, protect and present our Science of Mind philosophy and history.

When I first started work three years ago at the Archives, I said, “I’m like a kid in a spiritual candy store!” Especially as a Practitioner and a third year student in the Holmes Institute and School of Spiritual Leadership, this feeling still holds true today. Every box that we open is FILLED with amazing treasures of our history. We have the daunting and inspired task of digitizing everything in the Archives so it can be available online for all to enjoy. I am so glad that God/Spirit can do anything; knowing that more and more people are inspired to share their generosity and dedication to this teaching to truly preserve our history so it is available and around forever.

Volunteers Rock! The Archives has only one full-time staff person (me) and a part time Prosperity Manager, Rev. Valerie Torphy. We are so grateful for her skills and passion for the Archives. Therefore, most—if not all—of the preservation work is done by our talented and dedicated volunteers. From digitizing Creative Thought magazines to research, adding books to the library data base, and so much more—thank God for our volunteers!

I am humbled and so grateful to be in service to our profound Science of Mind history here at the Archives. It truly is a magical and inspiring place: I invite you to come and visit in person or virtually and see all the history that is being brought to life again—thanks to your continued support.
Preserving Radio Talks

Dr. Holmes' radio shows from the 1950's are now available for purchase and download on iTunes and Amazon! Thanks to Rev. Doug LeBow, many volunteers, Mile Hi Church for sponsoring this project, and Park Peters with AudioPark Recording for transferring the reel to reel tapes into a digital format, we all get to hear Dr. Holmes and experience his profound message straight from him to our ears, to our hearts.

Each album contains two half hour radio shows, each fully complete with the original music, and Dr. Holmes’ message and meditation, for only $9.99. Have Dr. Holmes join you as you drive, as you meditate, in classes, as part of Sunday Service, and as you do your sacred work on this planet. Open your heart and have this wisdom guide you through This Thing Called Life!

Preserving Dr. Holmes’ Honorary Doctorates and the Holmes’ Personal Artifacts!

Our beloved Founder, Dr. Ernest Holmes was recognized around the world for his extensive wisdom in many topics. (Unfortunately, his honorary doctorates were not preserved properly.) In 2016, thanks to many donors (including Ministers, Centers, Practitioners, and caring individuals), many of these items are now permanently preserved with acid-free backing, museum glass and new frames.

Photo Preservation Project

For the past two summers, the Archives’ Board President, James Van Cleave, Ph.D. and his wife, Emilie RScP have come to Golden with their friends Jeff and Sue Kouba from InSpirit Center for Spiritual Living, Orange County, California, to work on a project. In 2016 they took on setting up everything to start seriously scanning, digitizing and preserving archival photos from our history. The Archives now has a beautiful Epson Scanner and Dell Computer to get this project rolling! The Archives also had preservation funds, thanks to Dorianne Cotter-Lockard, Ph.D. to purchase archival quality sleeves to properly store our photos. The Archives also picked up two dedicated and talented volunteers to work on this project, Michael Cowdin (a professional photographer!) and his wife, Barbara. Thanks to all who volunteered and donated funds, the Archives’ photo preservation project is on the fast track!
New Metal Bookshelves!

Thanks to an evaluation from professional Archivist, Barbara Shane with Shane Archival Services, we learned that to truly protect our rare books they needed to be on metal shelves. This turned into fundraising, researching, purchasing, and installing the new shelves—which was accomplished in 2016. A big “thank you!” to Dorianne Cotter-Lockard, Ph.D. for her generous donation, volunteer Izabella Mastroianni for researching, measuring and finding the shelves at a great price, volunteer Melinda Eskridge for her help figuring out how to put the shelves together, and to fourteen volunteers from Mile Hi Church’s Business Honoring Spirituality group, coordinated by Cheri Jensen, RScP, who boxed up the books and cleared out the old shelves. A special thank you to Tom Scholet who spent many hours putting the new shelves together and Pete Merges who put the finishing touches on it all. Thank you to Rev. Phil Tapp for putting all the books back on the shelves!

Road Trip! New Archival Items from Rev. Dr. Marilyn Leo in California

Marilyn Leo has been the main “collector” of the Archives since its inception. She had a few remaining boxes of artifacts from our history in a storage unit in California, but did not want to ship a few of the fragile items. Enter Executive Director, Kathy Mastroianni, RScP and her daughter and Archives’ volunteer, Izabella Mastroianni, up for a road trip from Colorado to California to pick up these treasures to add to the Archives’ collections.
New online shopping cart!

Thanks to a grant from the Hefferlin Foundation and the talent of webmaster, Chris Loving-Campos with (in)spire graphics, the Archives has a new online shopping cart so it is truly EASY to fill up with spiritual wisdom, both free and low cost! Check it out at www.somarchives.org

1st Circle YouTube Video

Thanks to the talents of board members Rev. Doug LeBow and Rev. Stephen Rambo, the Archives has a wonderful 2-minute video for Practitioners and Ministers to learn more about all the resources available to them through the SOM Archives. Watch it here! https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5MoCy-J10Qo

Rev. Dr. Marilyn Leo’s Presentations

In September of 2016, Marilyn came to Golden, Colorado and represented the Archives in many ways:

She assisted with Centers for Spiritual Living’s participation in the International Day of Peace by filling a time capsule with visions of Peace, thanks to CSLs from around the world and youth from a local Montessori school.

Marilyn presented her famous “An Evening with Ernest Holmes” at Home Office and the Archives. This event was filmed and digitally preserved, thanks to sponsorships from: Science of Mind Publishing, The Studio Nova and the Holmes Institute.

Mile Hi Church

Marilyn had the honor of presenting a framed certificate of gratitude to Rev. Dr. Roger Teel and Mile Hi Church to thank them for their sponsorship of digitizing Ernest Holmes’ Radio Shows from the 1940’s and 50’s!

90th Anniversary Articles SOMM

Starting in October of 2016, the Archives was honored to co-author 13 months of articles celebrating 90 years of continuous publication of Science of Mind magazine. Executive Director Kathy Mastroianni worked with Rebecca Hiraoka, Guest Contributor and Holli Sharp, Associate Editor to chronicle the 90 years of the magazines’ history along with the evolution of the Religious Science movement and what was happening in the world.

In 2016, the Archives made a total of 11 presentations reaching (at least!) 1,600 people!
2016 Financial Report

INCOME & EXPENSES

Unrestricted Contributions: $72,029
Product Sales: $7,610
Rental of Office Space $1,200
Fundraisers & Other $1,366
Total Income $82,205

Expenses
Tithe $191
Salaries & Benefits $66,685
Contract Services 2,836
Fund Raising Expenses 665
Product Expense 1,125
Operations 3,590
Travel & Meetings 1,343
Depreciation 795
Total $77,230

Unrestricted Income Less Expenses $4,975

Special Projects
Temporarily Restricted Donations: $7,957
Temporarily Restricted Expenditures $8,946
Difference: -$989

In-Kind Donations
CSL Office space $32,238
Contract Services 1,490
Donated Goods 874
Fund Raiser 2,295
Total In-Kind Income $36,897

In-Kind Expenses
CSL Office Space $32,238
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Total In-Kind Expenses 36,897

Total Income $127,059
Total Expenses $123,073
Net Income $3,986
2016 Donors

The Science of Mind Archives and Library Foundation is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization and is funded by our donors. A big thank you to all of our 2016 donors. Those individuals and organizations donating $500 and over are listed here. A complete list of donors is available on the Wall of Gratitude at our location in Golden Colorado and on our website. The lists are updated bi-annually. The Archives is very grateful to Centers for Spiritual Living, the large donation we received in 2016.

**Individuals $1,000 and over**

- James Van Cleave, Ph.D. and Emile Van Cleave, RScP
- Rev. Dr. Marilyn Leo
- Rev. Valerie & Rev. Michael Torphy
- Dorianne Cotter-Lockard, Ph.D., RScP
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- Rev. Drs. Kenn & Deborah Gordon

**Individuals $500 to $999**

- Tim Haffner
- Jeff Kouba
- Rev. Dr. Karen Kushner
- Rev. Kathleen Lenover
- Rev. Liz Mirante
- Steve Burton and Rev. Judy Morley, Ph.D.

**Centers & Organizations $500 and over**

- Centers for Spiritual Living
- Hefferlin Foundation
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- Center for Spiritual Living Asheville
- Center for Spiritual Living Reno
- Center for Spiritual Living Grand Junction
- Center for Spiritual Living Columbia
- Center for Spiritual Living Simi Valley
- Monterey Center for Spiritual Living

Volunteers

During 2016 the Archives was blessed with 37 unique volunteers contributing 767 volunteer hours (including 14 volunteers from a local business group)

**2016 Key Volunteers:**

- Board of Directors
  - *Most hours!* Melinda Eskridge, RScP
  - Michael and Barbara Cowdin
  - Cheri Jensen, Tom Scholet and crew
  - from Business Honoring Spirituality
  - Cleo Burton
  - Jim Corbett
  - Sarah Kerr
  - Jeff Kouba
  - Rev. Dr. David Lowe
  - Izabella Mastroianni
  - Ted Penberthy
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  - Sherille Raphael
  - Layne Taylor
  - Rev. Michael Torphy
  - Johanna Van Gelder, RScP
  - Brad Wentker, RScP

2016 Website Statistics

**2016 Main Website Statistics:**

- 89,568 Unique visitors
- 163,621 visits
- Top 10 Countries accessing the website: United States, France, Russian Federation, Germany, Poland, Canada, Ukraine, Great Britain, Romania, Israel
- Most Downloads: The October 1927 Science of Mind magazine (1,601)
- #2 Item downloaded: The December 1954 issue of Creative Thought magazine (1,569)
- Most visits to the Archives website were from Facebook

**2016 New Online Shopping Cart Website Statistics:**

- 5,867 Unique visitors
- 11,417 visits
- Top 10 Countries accessing the website: United States, Canada, Philippines, France, Poland, Israel, Great Britain, Russian Federation, India, China
- 2,790 items downloaded. $1,030.40 in revenue
- Most downloads: 14 Mental Treatments (115)
- 2nd Most downloads: Creative Mind and Success (87)
- Top Earner: Extension Study Course Volume 1
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