

# Bumps in the Night!!!!

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At TnT Paranormal Investigators our primary mission is to help the client with their paranormal concerns. We research the background of the property, gather data during an onsite investigation, review that data to determine if any paranormal evidence was captured, and provide the client with a report of our findings. We also use this time to educate our clients on the paranormal field and helping to ease their fears.

We would love to assist you with your paranormal needs. If you would like to know more about our services, ask us questions, or to request an investigation please go to the [www.tntparanormal.com](http://www.tntparanormal.com).

## TnT Paranormal Happenings

The TnT Paranormal team has been staying really busy this past winter and spring and is looking forward to a busy summer. Since January we have had seven client investigations, as well as our Paravan trip to Waverly Hills and McPike Mansion this past May. We look forward to what is in store for us the rest of the year.

### Paravan to Waverly Hills and McPike Mansion

What is a Paravan? It is a caravan of paranormal investigators heading to a paranormal event(s). One of our team members coined the phrase.

The Paravan consisted of five (5) from TnT Paranormal, one (1) from Windy City Paranormal (WCP), one (1) from PACT (aka Chicago Paranormal Investigations), and two (2) novice ghost hunters. We left from Chicago and first headed to Louisville, KY to spend a night, for a private investigation, at Waverly Hills Sanatorium (WHS or Waverly for short). We arrived at Waverly at 7:30 PM, and after unloading all the equipment, the security guard took part of the group on a tour of the location, while those of us that had been there before started setting up equipment to cover as much of the building as we could.

Waverly is roughly 180,000 SF in five (5) stories, as well as a gift shop and a 400 ft long "Death Chute". Limited power and very few windows, made conditions extremely hot, then to add to our challenges we had the distinct pleasure of dodging an abundance of bats that decided to join us during the investigation! Despite these obstacles, we were able to keep up with our plan that allowed everyone to investigate on unique teams and still be able to make it through the entire building. After a long night locked in this amazing building we are hopeful on what we may have caught. To learn more on Waverly Hills go to: <http://www.therealwaverlyhills.com/index.htm>.

From there five (5) of the group drove to Alton, IL for a private investigation at the infamous McPike Mansion. We arrived at 6PM and began to take photos of the entire property. As many claims of activity is through photographs.

Once gaining entrance to the mansion we began to unload and setup the equipment. Covering every floor of the historic house with cameras and digital recorders, which ran until around 1AM. Unfortunately time and the

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elements have not been kind to the McPike Mansion so investigating in the mansion is not allowed. However, we were allowed to investigate the cellar and basement.

In the end even if we did not find any ghosts we did rescue a poor ferret that had strayed from home. It was exciting to have the opportunity to investigate one of the most notorious Illinois haunted locations. To learn more about the McPike Mansion go to:

<http://mcpikemansion.com/>.

**Note: Doing investigations at these locations is what we call Pay to Play events. Meaning we pay a fee to investigate there. The fees go to restore the location. Please note that time and the elements have left both of these locations in a state of disrepair and even threatened their very existence. You can help restore these historic locations, please visit their websites to see how!**

Now that we are back home in Chicago, we have begun the process of reviewing the data collected from both of these locations. We have already found some great evidence of the paranormal. Check out our website soon for updates and the evidence that was captured, [www.tntparanormal.com](http://www.tntparanormal.com).

### TnT Paranormal - This Fall

We have a very busy fall coming up with the **Introduction to the Paranormal** library presentations in October and November and **Investigate with TnT Paranormal** ghost hunt at the Fox River Bed and Breakfast in October. You can find out more information at: <http://www.tntparanormal.com/events.htm>.

Even though we are busy with events we will continue on with our investigations. If you know of anyone needing assistance please don't hesitate to contact us! Hope to see you this fall!

## Paranormal 101

### Types of Hauntings

The theory and common belief among paranormal experts is that there are four types of hauntings:

- Residual Haunting
- Intelligent Haunting
- Poltergeist
- Demonic

The first type of a haunting is called *residual*. A *residual* haunting is not a spirit at all, but rather energy imprinted on the environment, much like information captured on a recorder, such as a tape or CD. This energy is a playback of some event from the past. The theory is that a *residual* haunting is caused by some traumatic or life-altering event that occurred either in that location or to the object it's tied to. A *residual* haunting will not interact with you. It will typically have a pattern to its occurrence. Most paranormal researchers believe this is the most common type of haunting.

The second type of a haunting is called *intelligent*. An *intelligent* haunting is a spirit (also known as entity) that has some intelligence to it. Meaning that it will react with or to you and the environment surrounding it. An *intelligent* haunting will have no set pattern to the activity and will make attempts to communicate with the living.

The third type of haunting is what is called *Poltergeist*. *Poltergeist* means "Noisy Ghost" in German. The theory surrounding *Poltergeist* is that it is not a ghost but rather activity caused by kinetic energy given off by an agent. The agents most generally are adolescent females. This energy is given off due to stress or high emotions.

The last and most rare type of haunting is what is called *demonic*. A *demonic haunting* is a non-human, supernatural entity that is evil or malevolent in nature and is very dangerous. The theory is that this type of entity has never been human at all and has some unique characteristic such as an extremely foul odor, growling, and/or negatively interacting with humans in ways such as striking or pushing.

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### Upcoming TnT Paranormal Events

- Introduction to the Paranormal, Mt. Prospect Public Library, October 26, 2010 at 7:30PM
- Introduction to the Paranormal, Shorewood-Troy Public Library, October 28, 2010 at 7:00PM
- Investigate with the TnT Paranormal team; Fox River Bed and Breakfast, Ottawa, IL, October 30, 2010 at 5:00PM \*\*\* **This is a Pay Event** \*\*\*
- Introduction to the Paranormal, Westmont Public Library, November 4, 2010 at 7:00PM
- Introduction to the Paranormal, Franklin Park Public Library, November 11, 2010 at 7:00PM

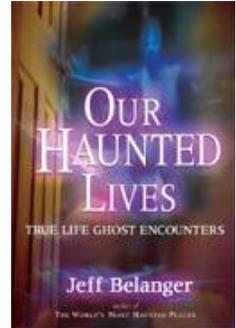
NOTE: Please go to our Events page of our website for more details.

### From the Paranormal Bookstore

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-Brad Steiger, author *Real Ghosts, Restless Spirits, and Haunted Places*



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### Investigator Spotlight

Marcie Clarke

*Investigator in training*

Marcie joined TnT Paranormal in March and is new to paranormal investigating. However, she has held an interest in the paranormal for a long time and has had several personal experiences.

A little known fact about Marcie, is that she once was a client. Nothing tells a team how well they are doing more than when a client wants to become a member. We are so grateful she wanted to call us family.

Marcie was raised in Mokena, IL and moved to Joliet when she was 12. Besides working on her Master's degree in counseling, she is a wife and a mother of two wonderful children.

In addition to the paranormal, her interests include camping, fishing, and horseback riding.

### Upcoming Paranormal Events

- Aug 13-15 – Awakenings: Unwrap your psychic Presence, Minneapolis, MN (<http://www.darknessradio.com/TRIPS/index.html>)
- Aug 13-14 - 2010 Afterlife Paranormal Conference, Sycamore, IL (<http://www.afterlifeparanormal.com/events/2010-afterlife-paranormal-conference/>)
- Oct 16 - TAPS Lecture Series, Pabst Theater, Milwaukee, WI (<http://www.pabsttheater.org/show/ghosthunterslive>)
- Nov 13 - The Queen Mary Investigation with Nightwatchers, Long Beach, CA (<http://www.nightwatchers.info/> - Event Page)