



DICK & JANE'S SPOT

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DEAR SEYMOUR,
I'VE HAD YOUR ADDRESS FOR SEVERAL
YEARS, IT TOOK RUNNING INTO YOUR BOOK
IN CELEBRATION OF OURSELVES + THEN TRYING
TO FIGURE OUT SOME USE FOR OUR NEW
STATIONARY TO WRIGHT.

WE GOT B.A.'S IN ART IN 1971, LIKED
ELLENSBURG, DECIDED TO STAY. STARTED
A JANITOR BUSINESS AND KEPT DOING
ART. 7 YRS. AGO WE BOUGHT OUR HOUSE.
5 YRS. AGO WE REALIZE WHAT WE WERE
DOING + BEGAN DOING WHAT EVER IT
IS WE ARE DOING IN CONSCIOUS EARNEST.

I WOULD DESCRIBE OUR PLACE AS
AN ART SIGHT WHERE PRIMITIVE AND
FOLK ENERGIES DOMINATE. THE PLACE IS
PROBABLY DEDICATED TO THE EXPRESSION

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CREATIVE FORCE. A MAIN DIFFERENCE FROM OUR PLACE THAN MOST OTHER SITE IS THAT MANY ARTIST ARE INVOLVED. THERE ARE OVER 35 DIFFERENT ARTED IN OUR OUTDOOR COLLECTION. SOME ARE PIECES WE COLLECT & SOME ARE MADE BY FRIENDS FOR A SPECIFIC PLACE. THE SPOT SEEMS TO HAVE AN ENERGY OF ITS OWN, AT TIMES ATTRACTING PEOPLE & PIECES. JANE & I ARE ^{THE} CARE TAKERS AND THE MAIN PARTICIPANTS. IT HAS GROWN RAPIDLY WITH OVER 50 ^{PIECE} IN THE MAIN GARDEN & OVER 125 PIECE TOTLE. THERE ARE ABOUT 400 REFLECTORS UP AND 10,000 BOTTLE CAP STAPPELD TO THE FENCES AND POST. I CAN SEE WHERE THE PLACE COULD EASILY GROW FOR AT LEAST 5 MORE YEARS.

THE GARDEN AND PLANTS ARE INTERMIXED WITH THE ART. THERE ARE MANY KINDS AND TYPES, WITH OVER 80 VARIETIES OF DAYLILIES ALONE.

I BELIEVE WE ARE THE MOST ADVANCED SIGHT IN EATHER OREGON OR WASHINGTON. THERE IS A HOUSE IN VANCOOVER WA. WHICH PAINTED BRIGHTLY & HAS 3 STARS ON THE ROOF. IT HAS A VERY STRONG PRESENCE. EMIL & VERA

Gehrke had a fantastic place at Grand Coulee WA. but died in 1979, but the city saved 200 of there whirl-i-gigs & have them in a city park. Rolling Thunder in Inlay Nevada is the only other sigat I know of. It is really quight powerfull.

I enjoyed your book, if there is other good material in print I might want to get it. It sounds as if we have similer phylosophies. I would be happy to here back from you. Hope this finds you well.

Orin Elliott

