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In this issue, Current affairs includes articles on the passing of Rudy Phillips; the 2019 Integral Yoga Retreat in Greenville, SC; an Integral Yoga Retreat at the Madhuban center in the Himalayas; activities at the Sri Aurobindo Center, Los Angeles; and news of the website: motherandsriaurobindo.in. In Briefs, there is news about AUM 2019, the Auromira Centre in the UK, and the move of the Institute for Wholistic Education from Wisconsin to Hawaii.

AV Almanac has an article by Alan about the challenges of Auroville, and news by Aravinda on the government-planned highway through Auroville.

The Salon section features short essays by Julie of Light Omega about the Matrimandir Meditations and the Matrimandir, Kannappan Singaram on his experiences attending a Savitri workshop, and Seabury Gould on his experiences of faith.

In Chronicles, we have an interview of Auroville newcomer Lucas by Matthias Pommerening, about the former's spiritual journey leading him to Auroville.

In Essays, our first article is by Larry Seidlitz about two central processes in the Integral Yoga, “becoming conscious” and “finding the psychic being,” as well as specific practices described by Sri Aurobindo and the Mother for achieving these aims. The second essay, by James Anderson, deals with an essential step in the Yoga, becoming an integrated conscious individual able to surrender.

Source material includes selections from Sri Aurobindo and the Mother about karma yoga. In Book review, we have a review by Larry Seidlitz on the third of Shraddhan's series of books on the English of Savitri.

We conclude the issue with a rich assortment of spiritual poetry in The poetry room, and inspiring quotations in Apropos.

Invitation to submit a short essay for publication

With the intention to make Collaboration more interactive and participatory, we invite you to submit a short essay of about 300-800 words for the next issue on any topic related to Integral Yoga for the Salon section. We hope that the relatively short length of these articles may inspire more writers who may be reluctant to write the longer essays which have become the norm in Collaboration. For the next issue, please email your essay by April 1, 2019 to the editor at: editor@collaboration.org.