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## Winter side

Postcard written in November has arrived in Monroe.

## Special report

# Belief takes away friends, family — even lover

Part One of this series examined the working practices of Scientology through the 12-year experience of Margie Hoffman, who rose to become third in command at Harmony Palmer's Center for Creative Learning in Elmira before walking out last October. Today's segment continues Hoffman's story by looking at the personal sacrifices expected of Scientologists.

But she no longer wanted to spend time with them.

"That's the weird point," Hoffman said. "I was getting insight but (was) alienated ... I didn't want to hang out with them. That kind of life was not important."

That kind of life didn't include Scientology. And Scientology was considered more important than anything.

"My friends and family were appalled," said Hoffman. But, then, friends and family were not too much to sacrifice for Scientology.

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### A Scientologist's story

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After she became a Scientologist, Margie Kuentz Hoffman understood her parents better than ever before.



Margie Kuentz Hoffman