

BAKERSFIELD - The rituals here went as nicely as always. Cindy and Vulcan conducted the Full Moon, Lady Selena and Vulcan did the Craft ritual for Samhain, Judith & Terry did the Pagan Way ritual. We did have a most pleasant group including Tonya & Greg from L.A. (Walt made it, too) and Denise & her husband from Oxnard. We're always happy to see the new people, and they always seem to be more happy about things after their first visit.

This bit of news not so happy. Due to rising prices (our paper alone now costs \$1.55 per year more than a year ago) we have to raise the subscription rate. \$5. yr. in the U.S. and \$8. yr. foreign. Since we can't use the "Non profit" for foreign, it will cost us more than half that just for postage. Sorry to have to do this but we just can't afford to continue taking so much loss.

MODESTO - ORDER OF THE SILVER CRESCENT...It's been a year but once again Coven of Trothland and Coven Of Ceres were joined together for an exceptionally happy Halloweens. Both covens met this time at the Ceres covenstead. Unfortunately, a couple of people were unable to attend. Some of the people really got into the spirit of things with really unique costumes. Lena acted as HPs for the ritual, and did an extremely good job considering that this was the first time that she had ever led a ritual. Congratulations! Don't know who was the most nervous..Lena or Manon. Since most of the work was done by her coven, Manon enjoyed playing Lady of Leisure. Thanks to the attempts of both covens, the Sabbat feast was a masterpiece of gourmet delights. Most of the evening was spent getting reacquainted with old friends and making new ones. The wine flowed freely. We all joined in songs, and were even honored by the spiritual appearance of our oldest known priestess during a meditation session during the ritual. Her brief words left us with many bright hopes for the coming year. Scuttlebutt has it that Coven of Trothland was graced with two new 2nd degree initiations a few days later. Congratulations to Nunette & Nimrod. Also Happy Birthday to Iris.

The Full Moon of November brought a night to remember to Coven of Ceres as Adonis was raised to 2nd degree. Congratulations. We all anticipate some very heavy accomplishments coming from him.

The waning moon brought some less happy things to both covens. Magus Alexis died early this week in a Stockton hospital. He had been in a coma for about two weeks, and died without regaining consciousness. He is survived by his current Lady, a coven, and an x-wife, also by his daughter who lives in Anaheim. His Craft survivors are Manon, Coven of Ceres, and Iris, Coven of Trothland. He was well aware of his condition and dedicated the last few months of his life to insuring the strength and continuation of his covens and his tradition. Services were held Wed. morning, Nov. 26. He was initiated in early 1971, and had served as Magus in several covens in Stockton & Modesto since 1973. He was a veteran of the Korean war & served honorably in the U.S. Navy. Cause of death was Myelinolysis, a neurological disorder. May the Lady hold him lovingly until he may return to us again.

## STUFF AND THINGS

LANCASTER, PA. - Jeanne of Blue Moon sez: Joyce and Chuck & I went to N.Y. The most delight I found was meeting people I had corresponded with but had never seen...like Jim & Selena of Circle. My friends from Buffalo, Rod & Sharon, visited Rus & Ruthi while in N.Y. They said they were really fun and very hospitable.

Enclosed find one Blue Moon shirt. I finally saw a pix of you and your garden in a recently published book about the Craft. I think the shirt will look swell on you. I'm also enclosing our new illustrated brochure so you can see the shirts we offer instead of hearing about them from other people. Harry put the brochure together himself..I think it's quite splendid.

Blessed Be

Jeanne of Blue Moon

ED.NOTE: You're right. The brochure is excellent...and so is the shirt. You have quite a selection now but I really love that Unicorn model.

For the brochure or to order, write: BLUE MOON, 561 W. Orange St. Lancaster, Pa. 17603.

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ELLEN in No. Hollywood sent me a photocopy of a story which appeared in the News Chronicle of Thousand Oaks, Cal. on November 12. The story is about cats. Some nut(s) has been chopping up cats and then throwing the remains back on the cat owner's property. Estimates are that this has happened to at least 26 cats though others may go unreported. One woman says police told her she shouldn't talk about it because witches and devil worshippers will retaliate. Two detectives claim the butchering is done by witches. Detective Ehrlich says, "Ninety-five percent of witches are just bored housewives." Ehrlich Detective Delgado claim to know all about witches because they read some books and took a college course. They claim that besides animal killings, frequently using goats, witch rituals are heavily into sex, which accounts for a large proportion of women being involved.

If you like to complain about garbage such as this being printed (and you should), write:

Mr. Bob Pool  
News Chronicle  
2595 E. Thousand Oaks Blvd.  
Thousand Oaks, Ca. 91360

Det. Louis Delgado/ Det. Dave Ehrlich  
Ventura County Sheriff's Dept.  
2201 E. Olsen  
Simi Valley, Ca. 93065

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BEING A WITCH IS...

...becoming more convinced every day that the world is populated by idiots.

## MARTIAN HERBS By James Excell in Colorado

Mars is classically referred to as 'the lesser malefic', a term I've always felt places an unnecessary and incongruous moral value judgement on qualities and forces which are absolutely essential in the maintenance of any equilibrated level of existence in either the macrocosm or the microcosm. The properties and action of the herbs attributed to Mars, though frequently uncomfortable when actually experienced, point out the necessity of the Martian function in preserving life and health.

Mars is attributed to Geburah, the sephira of severity on the Tree of Life. It is that which binds, which breaks down and destroys; it quite frequently is allocated to the Martial situations of war, bloodshed and strife. On a microcosmic, metabolic level, it corresponds to the function of catabolism, the breaking down and clearing away of waste or dead tissue. In the case of a cancerous tumour, it would be difficult to consider the activity of Geburah/Mars to be 'malefic'.

Red, of course, is the colour of Mars. Which makes the Martian attributions of Dragons blood and cayenne fairly obvious on one of the more superficial levels. Dragons blood has its uses in rites of binding, protection, and purgation, all of which fall within the domain of Martian endeavour.

The herbs in general are irritants, purges, stimulants, and act to build up body heat, increase energy, and promote an aggressive vitality. Rue is an aromatic stimulant whose energizing qualities have been known to relieve nervous heart problems such as arrhythmia and palpitation. It also relieves colic, eliminates worms and can bring on menstruation. One quickly learns, upon handling the fresh herb, that the juice is a highly effective, though mercifully local, irritant.

All of the remaining attributions, in fact, are irritants: the nettle going so far as to possess thorns that act as hypodermics, injecting subcutaneous doses of stinging fluid. It is this same nasty juice however, that when properly prepared becomes a powerful internal astringent, elimination infection and blood in the urine, regulating blood pressure and flow, cleansing and relieving hemorrhoids, reducing susceptibility to colds and by virtue of its heating action, relieving rheumatic conditions.

Sulphur is another extreme irritant, being hot (in fact, flammable) and explosive - all properties that totally exemplify Mars. Peppercorns and cayenne share this quality of producing extreme heat, and the efficacy of their use depends a great deal on the resilience of an individual constitution. Peppercorn and cayenne are noteworthy digestive catabolists, aiding immeasurably in the aggressive breakdown of food and waste products. Cayenne, in building up body heat, is excellent for

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maintaining resistance to colds and will increase blood flow to any area covered when used in a plaster (although there is danger of blistering).

The internal effects of these irritants as well as the olfactory stimulus of sulphur used in incense, are highly effective in the induction of a Martian temperament, especially where aggression is called for and in path-workings pertaining to the sphere of Geburah.

TAROT READING CONTINUED by Demeter, Ye Full Moon Wicca  
Mastic Beach, N, Y,

C. I get so nervous when I start a reading and have to keep looking at the book. what should I do?

A. Calm down. People you read for know less about the cards than you do. What you will need is a lot of positive feedback from the C. You can start off by asking the C. if married and what kind of work she does. You are a card reader, not a mind reader and it is wise to avoid psychic head games. Initially, there are some things that you can do to smooth both yourself and the C. into the reading. I would like you to read the following statements and check off each one that applies to you:

1. You are a sensitive human being.
2. Sometimes you are harder on yourself than anyone is.
3. Sometimes others don't understand the depths of your feelings.
4. You feel guilty when you daydream and don't get tasks done.
5. Life has surely had its ups and downs for you.
6. You're happy when the people you love approve of you.
7. You retreat from reality in TV, movies, books or music.
8. There are times when you wonder what life is all about.
9. Sometimes you can't seem to get your point across.
10. Someone is jealous of what you are or what you have.
11. You'd like to have enough money so the bills wouldn't worry you.
12. You've been depressed on occasion.
13. You like to be honest.
14. Sometimes you'd just like to walk along the water without talking.
15. You take delight at sunsets.

In all probability, you've checked off just about every statement. All of us have other similar feelings. Some of these, will no doubt, show up in a spread. You can start off your reading with a few of these general observations. Your C. will agree and this will relax both of you. Warning: don't rely or this and listen to yourself when you are reading so you don't fall

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into this habit. Many well-intentioned readers are called accurate but examination shows they are simply reading human nature and have the O. agreeing to most of what is said. But the O. believes that it is all very, very personal.

Use what you can in the beginning and when you and the O. are more comfortable, you can use your book for reference. Appear concerned and when checking the book say something along the lines of "I want to make sure that I haven't missed something that might be important to you."

Q. Should I read for myself ?

A. Why not! of course you can. The Tarot can be a good guide for you in your personal growth. The only risks you face are basically selffulfilling prophecy and a tendency to overlook important messages in some aspects when concentrating on a point that holds your interest at that time.

A REALISTIC LOOK AT THE TAROT

The cards are old. They depict things that we cannot see around us today. There aren't too many kings, queens, knights anymore. It's months since I've seen a horse. An important thing to do after you have become familiar with the meanings is to go ahead and UPDATE the cards. Do this by taking a look at life around you. Are you urban, rural, poor, middle class, white collar, maybe rich? Are you and your friends sports-minded, intellectual, artistic, business, religion or education oriented? Pay heed to things that are part of your everyday life. Do you have a car and wonder about repairs, insurance, or parking? Wands V for example, can mean commuter traffic tie-ups to me because I live out here in the country and cars are the main transportation. But, when I read for someone from the city, the same card can be the crowds fighting for space on a bus or train at rush hour. Updating your cards will be an on-going process.

At first follow the book meanings of the cards. Many times you can give some excellent spiritual readings and guidance. These can help a person enormously. A woman just divorced, a college student preparing to go out in the working world, a doubtful young mother...may all need some insights very badly. So many people are looking for hope these days that we must remember it was the final thing to come out of Pandora's box. Keep in mind that the Tarot does depict all facets of life! while society changes, human nature remains the same.

Your spiritual readings will have more meaning to most people if you can add some tangible details. All of us live in both private and public worlds. As you get better you can combine these two facets for the O. As noted earlier, there are many books on the Tarot that will help you with the esoteric meaning

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of the cards. What we are trying to cover here is the mundane but nevertheless important associations. Heavens, by jove, there is alot to learn, isn't there? In the long run, be assured that the cards will take on the meanings that you assign them.  
(continued next month)

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- YOU'LL KNOW THE TIMES ARE CHANGING WHEN... Rus (Arcane Crafts)
- ...all traffic circles are directed deasil.
  - ...Halston unveils his fall collection of robes.
  - ...Julia Child tells on the tube how to make Goddess cakes.
  - ...the flag contains 51 Pentagrams (I want Long Island to become a separate state.)
  - ...a TV preacher changes his name to Aural Roberts.
  - ...the motto is "In Goddess We Trust."
  - ...flying ointment comes in Regular, Premium and No-lead.
  - ...nobody lands in the goofy-hatch for talking to trees.
  - ...Bob Dylan calls himself simply "Dylan" , and pronounces it correctly (Dullen).
  - ...the GEorgian Newsletter buys out the New York Times.
  - ...and Ellen Cannon's friend, Gnorman the Gnome, is "Gnominated" for President.

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Our very special thanks to all of you who sent the very nice birthday cards for my 60 th birthday. I do appreciate that. I've had a rule for a long time: no girlfriends over 30. That doesn't give my sexatary much more time....but she is so nice, I think I'll keep her anyway.

## WORDS OF WISDOM FROM W. C. PASTURE

Are you married?

No, I'm happy!

DO YOU HAVE ANY CHILDREN?

NO, I'VE ALWAYS BEEN LUCKY!

## STUFF AND THINGS

LONG BEACH - Jeannie & Dean have been busy moving to a new place. We'll be glad when they're done with that because they'll have no excuse for not getting up here.

MASTIC BEACH, N.Y. - Demeter says: enjoyed MAPPCAF although not as many people showed up as the last two. Many of the workshops were very interesting. Responsible Paganism was one. The old fears came out as has been expressed in the Newsletter because of the Moral Majority. My own opinion, other than going underground or financially backing a Pagan group, was simple, and I offer it to your readers for comments. We have a few things in our favor that we can use. One is purchasing power. If publishers know that there are groups who will buy...they will supply. Buy books on the Craft by Craft people...look what happened to the Witches' Almanac...gone...if you can't afford a book, then ask the library to order it, or borrow it. Support Craft publications...give one as a birthday or Yule gift. Buy incense, candles and oils from any one of the Craft stores that are in existence. Support those places which accept the Craft. Holiday Inns, for example, didn't knuckle under to Christian pressures to refuse the Samhain get together there in Texas. We have our intelligence, too. Writing to newspapers, magazines, TV and radio shows to let them know we either enjoyed or disputed their coverage, not only of the Craft, but any occult subject is important.

Letters are shown to sponsors who like our money. One letter carries the clout of 10,000 people who didn't bother to write.... and you can bet your bottom boopie that those Xian pastors are telling their people to write. How many Pagans bothered to write to give positive comments on "B J and the Witch"? Being public, I feel I have the obligation to talk openly about the Craft. Blessed Be, this year again, I have been invited back to a L.T. high school to lecture on Witchcraft as a religion, and I will do it gratis.

Ladies & gents can tell stories, not just to their own children, but share the mythology stories with other kids, and at least the younger generation can have a childhood introduction to the true picture of the Craft. With our brains, we should be able to keep ourselves hidden and still get the message across with something like.."I was reading that Witches used to tell their children these stories..." For those Witches who feel they must cover themselves by joining a standard religion..they can join the Unity Church which shares a lot of Pagan concepts (It's behind Beacon Press).

DEMETER, YE FULL MOON WICCA, 366 Neighborhood Rd., Mastic Beach, N.Y. 11951.

LANCASTER, Pa - Jeanne says they were planning to go with Joyce B. to the 5th annual Samhain festival, and meet up with friends from Buffalo. Hope they made it. Pagan T-Shirts. BLUE MOON, 561 W. Orange St., Lancaster, Pa. 17603.

## STUFF &amp; THINGS

Dates and sites for the 1981 National Pan Pagan Festival have been selected. July 15-19 at a private Nature sanctuary in the hills of southeastern Wisconsin. 170 acres of woods and meadows and a natural pond for swimming. Private enough for skyclad. Brochures will be mailed out next Spring. Write: 1981 National Pan Pagan Festival, c/o Circle, Box 9013, Madison, Wi. 53715.

The Midwest Pagan Council says they are planning the 5th annual Pan-Pagan Festival. Location and dates were expected to be announced at the end of November. Midwest Pagan Council, POB 664, Chicago Heights, Ill. 60411.

I really goofed on the last newsletter by not telling you who or what in some of the photos....and now I've misplaced my notes. Anyway, one full page was of Lady Alusha's meet recently. Too bad we couldn't get clear prints. Another page showed some of the staff of Arcane Crafts and of Ruthi in the Circle. Oh well, at least Gwenkin came out so you could recognize her.

MORWYN (Coven Gardens) says: we have moved to a new and larger warehouse. Nevertheless, we have been able to take a hike to the continental divide where we gathered runestones. We had two 2nd degree initiations on the Equinox. These initiations are rare for us, and the girls who achieved them worked long and hard for almost 10 years. We are all very happy for them. COVEN GARDENS, POB 1064, Boulder, Col. 80302.

RUTHI (Arcane Crafts) sez: well, Murphy's Law of the Newsletter and the Post Office never fails. It seems that no matter how late the Georgian Newsletter is, it will always arrive within a day or two after I telephone you to say it isn't here yet. Furthermore, it will always arrive after giving you enough time to send another one out, making a 2nd phone call from me to tell you it's finally here useless. I think we did better when we had the Pony Express - at least stuff got delivered in a shorter time period when there were no unions.

Rik has been coming out with some great stuff lately. He beat me to it with that fantastic article on rituals, and his latest, the Wiccan variation on the L.B.R. is excellent. I've seen the C.M. original performed in Craft Circles, and it just doesn't seem to fit, using the names of the archangels and old Pepperpot Jehovah to protect us from the beasties. I've long felt that ceremonial magic and Wicca just don't go together - they are based on totally different systems of belief. There are plenty of things that can be adapted from C.M. for the Craft (Rik has given us an example), but to spend one night invoking demons and angels, and calling on the Judeo-Christian god to keep them in line with biblical threats, then spending the next night in a Craft Circle, is a little too eclectic for me. When working magic, you've got to be consistent, or all you create is chaos. Folk magic has long been the way of the Witch, and it has been both sufficient and successful for us for countless centuries.

## STUFF &amp; THINGS continued

Interesting, that analysis of ritual submitted by Wyndel. I wonder if the "well-meaning Pagan" wrote the directions him/herself or got it from a book or another person. Wyndel didn't say, but I wonder. A lot of the uncertainties like this one come about because much of the teaching is handed down orally from teacher to student, and all that is written down of the rite is a note or two to fix a few points in the student's memory. In other words, the student would have been taught what the six sacred woods were, how to make "summer incense", when the Circle is cast, what aspect of the Goddess is invoked, and the reasons for building a bonfire and using yellow candles in a rite where the Goddess, rather than the God is invoked, etc. etc. and what was left of the teaching on paper would give away no secrets to anyone who should happen upon it by chance. Many covens keep their Books of Shadows this way--only the bare bones are in writing, and the rest, the coveners memorize.

But, if those bare bones were "it", and someone wrote that ritual with nothing else in mind, forget it! It's better to do nothing at all than to go about a rite in such a half-assed way. I'm a firm believer in creating your own rituals, but you have to know what you're doing first. And that means study and work so you know what belongs with what and why this or that should be done. A good HP/S can improvise a ritual on the spot that is concise, coherent, meaningful and appropriate to the occasion, but it does take time to develop that talent.

Ruthi, Arcane-Crafts, POB 383, Hastic Beach, N.Y. 11951.

VICKI- Oklahoma, says she doesn't understand. She has written and called Georgia and wrote Sandee more than 3 months ago but has had no reply from either...and they both live in Oklahoma. She says she feels so all alone.

ED. NOTE: Vicki went to Texas for initiation but an emergency forced her to return home before it could take place, so then she hoped Georgia could take care of it. Sorry there have been so many problems, Vicki. If you can make the trip here as you said you hoped to do, we'll see that it gets done. Meanwhile, keep on reviewing your lessons...and read everything on the Craft that you can find.

Thought we'd better remind you that this is the last newsletter of the year. Time for you to review your newsletters so you can send in your nominations for the "Georgie" awards for 1980. One for the best article or series in the newsletter in 1980, and one for the person or group that you think has done the most for the Craft/Paganism in 1980. Nominations will be in the January newsletter, then you vote on your choice, and winners will be announced in the February issue.

For those of you who have been subscribers for a short time, we'll remind everyone that Rus & Ruthi got it for the "Being A Witch" last year, and Elizabeth Pepper got the one for doing the most for Craft/Paganism.

Wizard By Ravenwolf

Modesto

This dark-eyed man who came to me  
with his body blazing, his mind on fire  
with windblown dreams of what could be  
An old man's sorrow, a youth's desire  
wrapped in the heartbeat of the sea  
with a griffin's wing and neptune's lyre

Three wildflowers on winter's grave  
Three gentle kisses in the rain  
The Earth embracing what he gave  
And giving too much to contain  
He learns to laugh at king and knave  
where light shimmers in his brain

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The thornbush blossoms in his hand  
Earth yields her secrets, he is caught  
Half-way between the gods and man  
With wisdom mortals never taught  
Knowledge no man understands  
And visions that he never sought

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BEING A LONG ISLAND WITCH IS.... from Rus (Arcane Crafts)

...going clamming early Midsummer morning, and noticing  
how many boats have "witchy" names.

... threatening to point the bone at the next conehead  
who asks you about the Amityville Horror.

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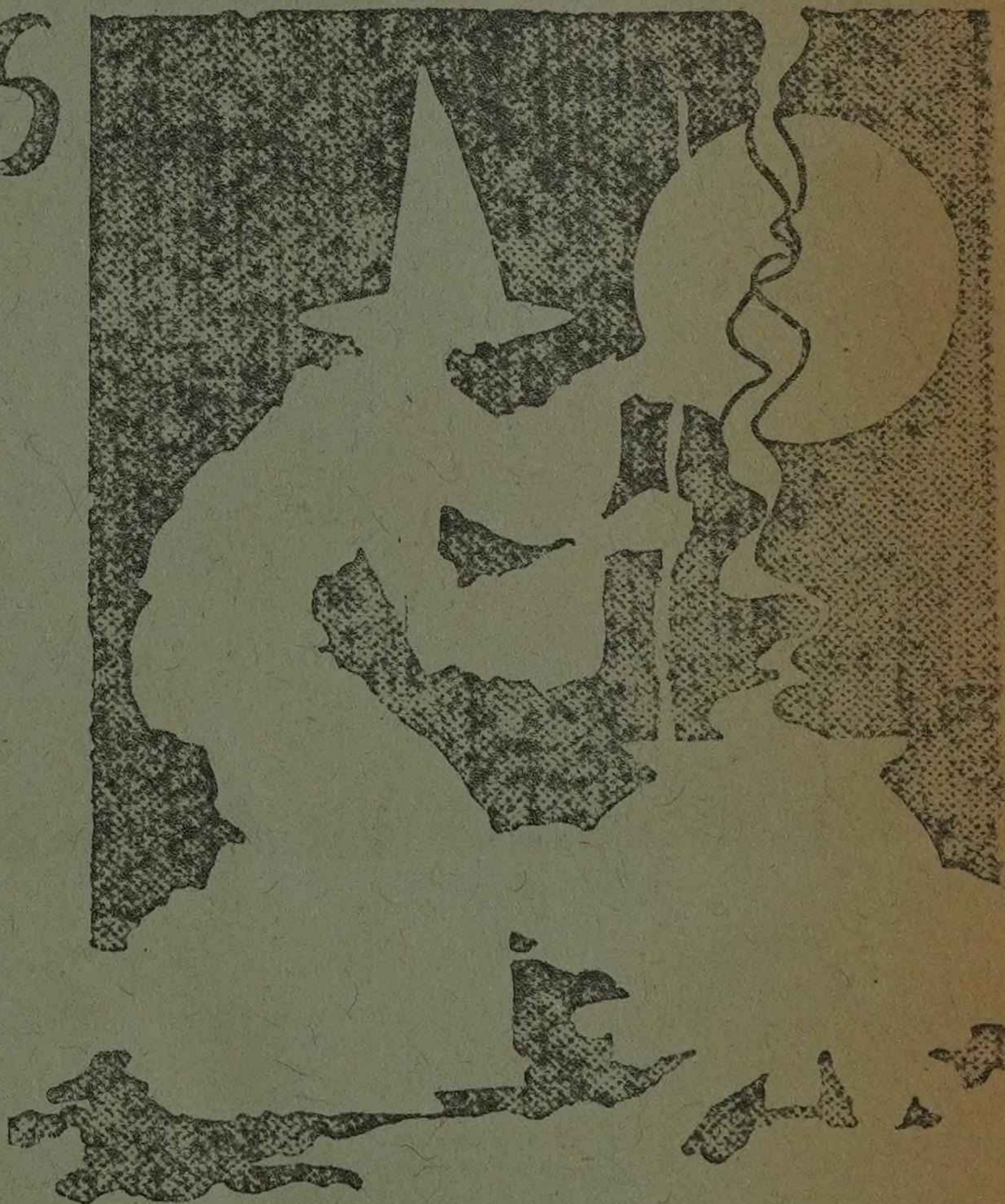
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## STUFF &amp; THINGS

ELLEN (No. Hollywood) SE4: Last night I got involved in something that could turn out to be exciting. I attended the first meeting of a broadcast media workshop put on by our local Pacifica station, KPFK. Pacifica is a public broadcasting system almost totally supported by its listeners, both in money and in work. They are giving us free training in news writing, editing, reporting, interviewing and production of documentaries. In return, we'll do some of the above for the station...if we chose to.

I'm excited about this because they encourage you to produce documentaries for their news and public affairs departments. If the documentary is worth using, it will be aired on KPFK, and will be offered to the other Pacifica stations. It can also be used on a lot of other public stations. All the people who attended are interested in one cause or another, and a lot of the causes overlap with ours. Naturally, I'm already planning at least one documentary on Paganism, the Craft, etc. Don't know what the slant of the documentary will be, but I'll try to make it good. Hope you'll wish me luck.

In the latest issue of WHICH WAY from Florida, Janice has a nice editorial, the point of which is this...(or one of the points ...As long as we hide in our individual broom closets, we are horribly vulnerable to harassment, with very little recourse. As a matter of fact, we are vulnerable to worse. She gave the following example: In Argentina, the Jews have to be underground, much as we once had to be. In France, they don't. If a follower of Judaism were attacked in France, it would be considered anti-semitism. If one were attacked in Argentina, it would be nothing.

It is time that we let people know we are here, and that has to be done by individuals. It's the same principle as voting. True we only have one vote. It is all our votes that count (unless of course you live on the West Coast, in which case they don't seem to). If each of you would "come out of the closet", if the world could see how many of us there are, we would be a lot less vulnerable. And you might be gloriously surprised at the good reception you'd get from many people.

You will also, possibility, get harassed. People will pull their children away from you, whispering in their ears. You might get nasty phone calls, eggs thrown at your house, and worse. If you really want to get paranoid, you could get killed. But we know as "they" don't, that we can't be destroyed, and we'll be back, still swinging.

Stand up and be counted! Oh, what a hokey expression, but do it anyway. It is easy to attack one person alone, especially for a mob. One out of a half-million, or a million, or however many of us there are, will not be such a tempting target.

The Fundamentalists may have great numbers on their side, but

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we have the law on ours! Not to mention the Constitution. The Federal Government recognizes Wicca as a religion. It's time the people that government represents (theoretically) recognized it, too. NEVER AGAIN THE BURNING! MAY THE GODS PRESERVE THE CRAFT!

Blessed Be  
Ellen

### THIS IS THE LATEST FROM CIRCLE ON FESTIVALS.

There now appears to be 2 pan pagan festivals in the works for the Midset in 1981, and Circle is now no longer connected with either one and is no longer connected with either of the councils sponsoring these festivals. A national pan pagan festival is no longer happening at the Nature Sanctuary in Southwestern Wisconsin on July 15-18, 1981. The council that Circle was once going to work with to host a pan pagan festival there will be using another site instead now that Circle has withdrawn from that festival and that council, and may be using other dates as well.

If anyone wants more explanation of these changes, see the Yule Circle Network News (Dec. or Jan.)

Circle and Cleveland's Chameleon Club are already at work planning another Pagan Spirit Seminar for Ohio to be held in April or May of 1981, and are also working on a regional camp-out Festival for the Summer to be held in Ohio or Pennsylvania.

In Wisconsin, Circle is now sponsoring ecumenical Pagan Festivals at each of the 8 Sabbats. These are open to Pagan folks from all positive paths and from all over the U.S. & elsewhere.

For more info, see Circle Network News. For a sample copy, send \$1. to Box 9013, Madison, WI. 53715 U.S.A.

AUSTRALIA - Catherine & Kent sent a copy of a very nice article about them with photos which appeared in the SUN on October 15.

Guess now things are opening up for the Craft down under.

Catherine & Kent were also scheduled for a TV show for children.

I'm sure it went well.

They again mention the book OTHER TEMPLES OTHER GODS. Order from Methuen/P/L., St. Martin's Tower, 31 Market St., Sydney, N.S.W. 2000. \$14.95 plus postage. Catherine suggests about \$3.00 for air mail.

Catherine says the whole country comes to a standstill on the first Tuesday in November...for the National race...Melbourne Cup Day. For the first time in history, the race this year was won by an American horse, Beldale Ball. Catherine says she didn't have any money on the winner but got second prize in a sweepstakes... and so she enclosed a cash gift from Epona. Thank you all, Catherine, Kent, and certainly, Epona.

Yes, sounds like all goes well in the land of Oz (hadn't heard it called that before).

ODESSA, TEXAS - Marlene sez: Enjoyed the newsletter as usual. I have to agree that we had better pay attention to the religious/political people. They can become a problem. Maybe we should start our own "party"?!?

I have read a really good book on astral projection.. "Astral Projection" by Ophiel. It gives some good "how-to".

We really like the herb section in the newsletters. The newsletters are never long enough though! or often enough.

We would still like ideas on a magical name for the witchling due before long. We can't think/decide on anything.

Loved the piece on "Witches" Stand Off. My compliments to Mariah.

BLESSED BE

Marlene

KALAMA OO, mi. - Susan sez: To Le Ann and others interested in Wiccan children...I don't know any books specifically relevant (and as an occasional speaker that drives me bats - someone always asks. Maybe one of us should write one!) To me, though, it seems less important what religious practice my kids eventually choose, than that they develop "Pagan" attitudes toward the planet and its beings. And I do want them to remain open to choice, so won't teach them until they ask. At that point maybe they'll be old enough for the books I'd recommend to a grownup.

For Pagan attitudes try:

(young children) Baylor & Parnall, THE OTHER WAY TO LISTEN.

Harry Schecter, CONRAD'S CASTLE.

(older children) Lloyd Alexander's PRYDAIN books

Zilpha Snyder, THE CHANGEING

a "scholastic" book (author unknown) called NO SUCH THING AS A WITCH

(NF) Nancy Garden, WITCHES

Samuels & Bennett, SPIRIT GUIDES

also mythology, lots of it, from day #1.

(for parents) Berens, WHOLE CHILD, WHOLE PARENT.

Eli Chesen, RELIGION MAY BE HAZARDOUS TO YOUR HEALTH

Samuels, WELL BABY BOOK

Rozman, MEDITATION FOR CHILDREN

Alicia Bay Laurel's books, GROWING UP GREEN

This is a partial list, but the whole one isn't very long. I hope some others who know more books will let us (and their local libraries!) hear about them.

Love and light to everyone and their kids

Blessed Be

Susan

NOBLE, Ok. - Georgia sez: I am working 6 & 7 days a week now. Cowboy buckles are really in style, and we make 2500 a week. Even I wear one now and am learning to cowboy dance. Just wish I could find me a High Priest.

I am taking an astrology class at Oklahoma University. Next, I'm going to take a meditation class..or parapsychology.

Blessed Be

Georgia

S.L.O.-PISMO AREA - LADY ALLUSHA sez: Congratulations on the new "official" status of your church. Its nice to see more and more Wicca churches come of age. Too many pseudo-churches claiming to hold Pagan beliefs give us such a bad name. Hopefully some day that will be corrected.

Our Circle is doing well, still meeting on all Esbats & Sabbats.

Some of my people went to Berkeley for the Witches' Ball held Nov 1. Unfortunately, I was unable to attend. They said it was great. Those pictures in the November issue were of our Lammis Festival held Aug. 1.

BEING A WITCH IS.....

...wondering how to get rid of the answer to your love spell.

BEING A HPs is...

...trying not to laugh when you are asked - "Is being incarnated the same as being possessed?"

Love and Blessed Be

Lady Allusha

TUCSON, AZ. - Rik sez: CONGRADS ON THE CHARTER. There is a coven in Phoenix that has claimed legal status for some 18 months but a check with the AZ. Corporation Comm. shows that he has been lying. It is good to hear that someone actually has gone through with the paperwork and succeeded. Again, congratulations and may you last forever.

Wyndel in Dover has done a great job with his article on Rituals. It was done far better than I could have done. Maybe that's my fate, to give an idea and let those better than I do the work.

By the way, did you notice that the Moral Majority has actually done what they said? They voted in all their people. Now they can get their laws passed. Patti even said that the lines are being drawn and we should get organized if we want to survive. I think that if they get enough power, we will be hiding with the Jews, Krishnas, Mormons and Catholics. So, I have this suggestion: Find someone with a talent for organization, and remake the Witches' Anti-Defamation League. I can't because I don't know how nor do I have the energy. But someone out there does have the talent. Get him/her to form the organization and use it to get us our rights. Write letters from an organization that is nationwide to news services attacking us. The Jews, Italians and others did it, we can, too.

Threaten to boycott products that are owned by these people who repress freedom. 51% of the Bank Of America is owned by the Jesuits, ...and most importantly, unite. I will help if I can. I'll write letters, print up the letterheads at my own cost, pay my dues, and give ideas as to how to work.

Check the congressional record to see how they vote, and vote against them if they ignore our letters of protest. BUT WE MUST ORGANIZE OR WE ARE LOST.

Blessed Be. Rik

This letter written by Rick in Tucson as something humorous (or is it?) that might someday come from OSHA.

From: Robert H. Howley, O. S. H. A.

To; Appollo, High Priest, Western Church of Wicca.

Dear Sir:

First, please allow me to transmit my gratitude to your Church for the curtesy extended to my office during this investigation. As you are aware, the new rules governing safety have been extended to the religious areas causing an enormous overload in my office. It is a pleasure to find a Church that cooperates so readily with the goverment.

Next, my investigation of your religion brings to point a number of safety hazards which I am sure can be ironed out. Please be reassured that I am not attacking your religion, that is the job of the I.R.S. My job is to be certain that the worshippers may worship in safety and comfort. To this end I have decided to send you this informal letter listing a few of the more dangerous situations that we saw during the practice of your rituals. I am certain that after you have removed the dangers listed, we can proceed with the hearing to allow you your charter.

- 1). We noted that you use a knife in your rituals, and feel that even though it is dull and blunt, the waving of this tool may accidentally poke out an eye. We suggest that you remove it altogether or replace it with one made of foam rubber.
- 2). The Magick Wand that you may possibly strike someone on the head and therefore we suggest its removal or replacement with foam rubber as stated in item 1.
- 3). You use far too many candles in your rituals and scatter them in innapropriate places, on the Altar is moderately safe but those about your Circle are definately unsafe. They may cause a fire on the carpet or grass or curtains, the robes that you often use may also catch fire or the worshippers may possibly sit upon them. We suggest that you replace them with electric lights, possible those types that are used along airport runways, covered with foam rubber to prevent bruised toes. Also you may think of hanging them close to the ceiling instead of on the floor.
- 4). You seem to use a lot of incense in your rituals. This can be dangerous in an enclosed area due to the reduction of oxgen. Also it is possible toat some of the worshippers may possess some respiratory ailments that could become aggrevated due to the inhalation of the fumes. We suggest that if you must have incense, you provide an exceptionally efficient method

Appollo, High Priest, Western Church Of Wicca Cont.

of drawing the air from the room during the rituals and replacing it with fresh air from outside.

5). Wine is definitely an intoxicant and should be removed from the rituals due to the possibility of someone becoming drunk and having an accident. We suggest that you replace it with grape juice or koolaid.

6). We are alarmed with the dangers of working nude, or Skyclad as you call it. We realise that your Goddess tells you to be so, but as a safety hazard it is far too dangerous. It can lead to cuts, bruises, pneumonia, and all sorts of medical problems. We find the wearing of robes to be almost as dangerous due to the possibility of stepping on another persons hem, tripping over them and setting them afire. We therefore suggest that you wear flame-proof leotards with steel-toed combat boots. Also you may think of wearing a safety motorcycle helmet as well.

7). Your ceremony of Cakes and Wine may be a feast for the Gods, but home cooked food is subject to all sorts of disease and food poisoning. We suggest that you cater your feasts.

8). Many of your dances are quite athletic and could cause a dangerous situation if someone were to trip. This could lead to bruises and possible broken bones. We suggest that you sit in benches or chairs during the rite. The less movement, the safer.

9). Your nine foot circle is far too small to safely accommodate the number of people that you have. We suggest that you provide at least twenty square feet per person during your movements. For a Coven of thirteen people we suggest at least two hundred and sixty square feet of floor space or a circle with diameter of about eighteen feet. We realise that this is a bit too large for the average home which brings me to a related point. The possibility of injury in a home is so great that we suggest that you hold your rituals in a convention center or buy a building for just that purpose.

10). Finally, the most dangerous point of all. I understand that at times during the Ritual, you call your God and Goddess to possess you. May I mention that if all goes well, there is little to worry about, but what if something goes wrong? You could be possessed by something not as nice. Need I remind you of what happened to Linda Blair in the movie The Exorcist? I strongly suggest that you remove this part from all rituals due to the impossibility of sufficient proven safeguards.

Well, Mr. Appollo, these are just some of the more obvious problems that come to mind. I am certain that after these are solved, we can find many others. Eventually, we will be able to make your religion one where everyone may worship in perfect

Appollo, High Priest, Western Church of Wicca Cont.

safety.

I must apologise for sending you a letter and not meeting again in person but we have just been given jurisdiction over the N.F.L. and I must point out some of the safety hazards in football.

Until later;

Robert H. Howley

Occupational Safety Hazards Agency

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### WITCHES' NEED NEW CRYSTAL BALLS

JIMMY CARTER WILL DEFEAT RONALD REAGAN BY "A NARROW, BUT DECISIVE MARGIN".

That was one of the predictions in the annual survey of 290 American Witches conducted by The New York Center For The Strange. The Center's Opinion Research Director, Joyce Clemow, says she gets tired of the "widely held image of Witches as evil, gnarled hags who fly across rooftops astride brooms."

She says among the nation's practicing Witches are three congressmen, a syndicated financial columnist, the president of one of the nation's largest banks, and a well-known television newscaster.

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And now that Ronald Reagan has been elected, the only thing we can be sure of is that there should be some changes..somewhere, somehow, in something....but for good or bad?

Would you buy a used car from Jerry Falwell? If so, I know of some beautiful mountain property you can have cheap...just 200 miles east of Miami.

And here at Thanksgiving time, we present the "Turkey Of The Year" award to the character who told the news media that you can spend as much as \$1,000 for Witchcraft lessons.

I know where you could spend the \$1,000...but you won't learn Witchcraft.

BEING A WITCH IS..... from Rus & Ruthi (Arcane Crafts)

....explaining to Gwenkin that the coven register is gonnaa look a bit ridiculous if she takes "Christina" as her Craft name.

....having a nightmare in which you become a Craft secret.

FROM DEMETER (Ye Full MOON Wicca)

...having a bumper sticker that says "May the Force BEWITCH you".

This new book by the authors of the Witches' Almanac is a fascinating tour of some of the great enchanted places of the Western world - Delphi, Malta, Granada, Stonehenge, Chartres and many more. Here are the places where oracles have spoken and druid priests chanted; the places of magic wells and sacred oaks, of great megaliths and mysterious monuments; sites where witches have met and dragons stalked. Rich with references to the occult, mythology and literature, **MAGICAL AND MYSTICAL SITES** examines the many ways that men have sought to explain and master their world.



# Magical & Mystical Sites

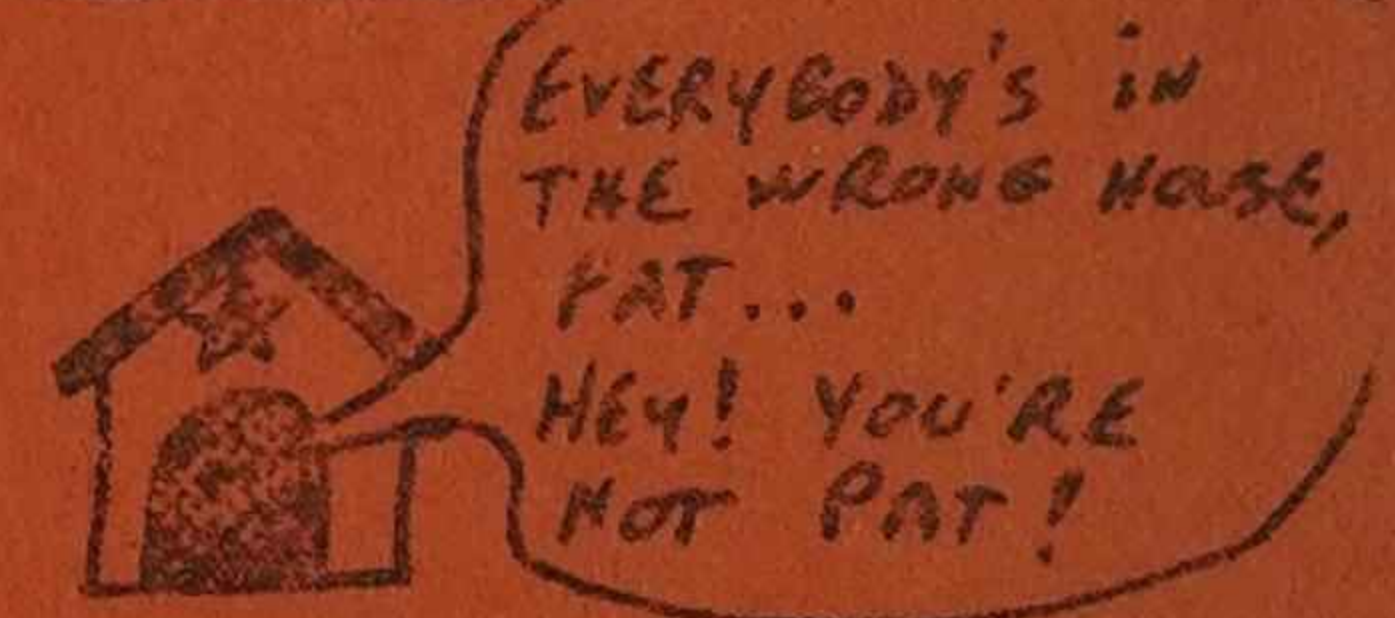
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From the Doghouse. 4/8



EVERYBODY'S IN THE WRONG HOUSE, PAT...  
HEY! YOU'RE NOT PAT!



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## STUFF &amp; THINGS

MODESTO, CAL. - J.M. sez: I was watching Phil Donahue a couple weeks ago, and did I ever get enlightened. Gavin & Yvonne Frost were on along with some Xian cult de-programmer. All the de-programmer said throughout the entire show was, "You are witches, you are of the devil, you must be de-programmed or you must be stopped." The man sounded like a broken record. This guy and others like him are so brainwashed it's damn pathetic. He'll probably go back to his minister and get brainwashed some more, so he can de-program some more helpless victims. People like him are a grave danger whether you believe it or not. You put a gun in their hands and tell them to kill someone, and they would do it without even thinking about it. Just remember, all it takes is one brainwashed Xian to get into a high political office, start arresting Crafters, and you know what you've got. The BURNING TIMES again.

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NO. HOLLYWOOD, CAL. - Ellen says: The Frosts were on the Tomorrow show...oh, mercy. It was terrible. I have written to NBC, asking that they give equal time to someone who is not out to rip off the public. There are many sincere Craft people on the East Coast who would not tell Tom Snyder how delightful orgies are. If anyone else would like to do the same thing, the New York address is: NBC, 30 Rockefeller Plaza, N.Y., N.Y. 10000.

Blessed Be

Ellen

RUNES, Box 9513, N. Hollywood, Ca. 91609  
8 issues per yr., \$7. a year, \$1. an issue.

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Utter confusion with so many Pagan meetings scheduled for different places. Now a Pan-Pagan Festival scheduled for June 11-14 in Delton, Michigan...planned by the Council of Sacred Earth. Circle Pines, a 84 acre coop education center with rolling meadows, like shore, pine groves and hardwood forests. Registration expected to be about \$20. For festival brochure, write Registration Committee, c/o Epiphanes, POB 25129, Chicago, Ill. 60625. Wait for brochure before sending registration.

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KANSAS CITY, MO. - Sefa sez: Yes, I'm going to England. My last Priestly & his Lady are sending for me for Yule. I'm quite excited about it. It's been a life-long dream. I'll be gone about 3 weeks. I'm thrilled.

All's well. Hallow's was quiet, intimate and quite lovely. I won't be here for Yule but Candelmas promises to be busy. Two initiations planned.

BEING A WITCH IS....

...wondering how people can believe in any other religion.

STAR GAZER

DECEMBER 15, 1980 - JANUARY 14, 1981

by LADY FAUNA

- 15 Allow each person some freedom to express their talents. Yellow candles.
- 16 Visionary abilities are strong. Yellow and white candles.
- 17 You're in a party mood! Red candles.
- 19 Organize for a business trip, or get things organized at work before you take that vacation. Green candles,
- 20 The arts or puzzles help release nervous tension today. Blue candles.
- 21 Yule. Full moon. Personality conflicts are overcome with a businesslike attitude. A wild, wonderful, warm Circle tonight! Red Candles.
- 22 New phases at work could cause unrest and jealousy among associates. Blue, green, and white candles.
- 23 Unrest and jealousy at work plays on your nerves. Take the opportunity to retreat and organize personal goals. Blue, green and white candles.
- 24 Family problems are solved perceptively and rationally. Green and red candles.
- 25 There may be obstacles to implementing your brilliant business ideas. Be prepared to make adjustments. Green and yellow candles.
- 26 Although you've got yourself together, your impressions of others may be mistaken. Delay judgments. White and yellow candles.
- 28 Your charm makes you a top choice for a partnership. Consider possible personality conflicts. White and blue candles.
- 29 You want to admire yourself, but you end up being hypercritical. Travel is accented, although you may stay home to save money. White, blue and green candles.
- 30 Avoid all risks, even if you think they are small. If Mount Saint Helens erupts today, scientists will make a new discovery. Blue and white candles,
- 31 If you have a project you have delayed completing, today is a rare opportunity to make tremendous progress. Red and green Candles.

JANUARY ON NEXT PAGE

## STAR GAZER CONTINUED

JANUARY

There will be many new changes at work for the next two weeks. This will create a strained atmosphere. Remaining flexible and clear-headed could be to your financial benefit, but may create hard feelings among associates. Be prepared to try new methods with a positive attitude, and don't be afraid to make suggestions for improvement. Your suggestions, however, may not be implemented immediately.

- 2- Work on art or craft projects. Walk or exercise if you begin to feel tense. Yellow, green and blue candles.
- 4- Spoil yourself with some privacy. Dark blue candles.
- 5- NEW MOON. Meditate on positive personal growth and balance. Blue candles.
- 6- Imaginative moves at work will cause unrest among associates. Yellow and blue candles.
- 7- Spend the day organizing and caring for animals. Travel may have some risks. Orange and dark blue candles.
- 8- Work toward a positive mental atmosphere at the office. Yellow and white candles.
- 9- Delay decisions. Work on art projects. Blue and yellow candles.
- 10- Sacrifices may be made to make financial gains. Do not expect immediate results. Green candles.
- 11- Temper must be controlled to prevent accidents or illness. Blue candles.
- 12- Do some research on astronomy or astrology to share with others. Yellow candles.
- 13- Although the office scene may still be difficult, you find support and comfort from family and arts. Blue and white candles.
- 14- Release tension that may effect health and relationships. Blue and white candles.

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BEING A NITCH DOG IS.....

...making your own circle by putting your mark on all the  
the plants around the yard.

...taking no chances by chasing all cats that are not black.

FIND A WORD By Bobbie in Pittsburg

P E N T G R A R A B T R C Y E K  
 F H G H I O I J D K C E I I U E N  
 R E E C L D T E N A T R A O L R I  
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WORD LIST

air - Pan  
 altar -  
 book of shadows  
 candles pentagram  
 candlemas rite  
 cone of power robe  
 circle ritual  
 song  
 dance tennants  
 Diana the charge  
 earth tarrot  
 elf watchtowers  
 fire wise ones  
 Gods water  
 GODDESS wand  
 herb will  
 heal yule  
 knife  
 lord  
 laws of nature  
 love  
 moon  
 name

Note: Candles & Candlemas are 2 different words.

Solution--next week.

## GOODIES FROM ARMEETA in Pittsburgh

Since watermelon is a good diuretic, balancing and eliminating water in the system, and cleansing the kidneys and bladder, here is a good but rare recipe for WATERMELON PRESERVES. They serve it in the better restaurants in the south off the beaten path (main highways) where they serve through their food the good old Southern Charm.

14 cups cooked watermelon rind (approx. 24 pounds of melon)  
 1 gallon water 3 tablespoons salt  
 4 cups white vinegar  $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon oil of cloves  
 you can use regular cloves but a little more  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon oil of cinnamon  
 you can use cinnamon sticks  
 but a little more  
 2 tablespoons peppercorns 6 cups sugar (hope my Pagan buddies use honey instead)

Mix water with salt (sea salt) if necessary to use salt. Peel rinds and cut in 1 inch cubes. Place in salt water for 24 hours in refrigerator. Remove rinds from salt water, and boil in fresh water until tender.

Measure 12 cups of rind and cover with ice cube water. Make a syrup of remaining ingredients and boil briskly for 30 minutes. Remove chilled fruit from ice water.

Put into hot syrup and boil for 30 minutes more. Seal immediately in hot sterile jars. Let stand 30 days to season before using.

You can also save your seeds. Let them dry, and in the winter, or whenever you may need them, grind and make into a tea. (for water-logged people..what some people mistake for fat). Melon seeds of any kind also may be used for Universal Elixers as one of the ingredients (condensers).

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## HOME MADE HORSERADISH

1 or 2 good-sized horseradish roots  
 2 to 4 beets, cooked soft  
 $\frac{1}{2}$  cup tarragon vinegar or apple cider vinegar  
 (recipe gives  $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon salt but I never use it)

Cook beets on the soft side. Peel and clean horseradish. Grate horseradish and beets on fine side of grater. Add vinegar, and mix thoroughly. Horseradish should be on the moist side; use your own judgement. Store in clean jars.

Or as an alternative, vinegar or sour cream can be used to make the desired consistency but the beets are not used. Vinegar preserves. Kept in the refrigerator it keeps indefinitely.

## MORE FROM ARMEETA

Horseradish is a most wonderful LIVER cleanser, and we all should eat at least  $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon a day to keep the liver clean and healthy. Liver is what its name implies. Good and clean, we function better all around healthwise. An Herb Lady Newspaper reporter in Canada once said that it is as good as ginseng if not better. If a person finds it too strong, place in some water and drink it. It's still strong to take but most wonderful for the well-being of the body. It stimulates every cell in our system, including the glands. It also cleanses the blood.

## A GOOD POTPOURRI

1 quart rose petals (fragrant)     $\frac{1}{2}$  pint lavender flowers  
 1 tablespoon fixative (cut    5 drops oil of Jasmine and  
 orris root - blue flag rhizomes)    rose geranium  
 1 teaspoon anise seed- very good to add  $\frac{1}{2}$  cut fine vanilla bean.

When picking rose petals, try to cut (snip with scissors) the white part or the base of the petals, as they are bitter.) Spread a layer, then salt, let dry, then spread another layer of rose petals, add salt as it dries them. Then mix lavender flowers and fixative (orris root) dried (powdered or cut fine) vanilla bean. Personally, I prefer the jasmine flowers to the oil. This is how the ladies in colonial days made their sachets.

Then when mixed, Place in an air-tight container, an apothecary jar is ideal, for six weeks to blend. Ladies used to uncover the jars when company was coming, to freshen and perfume the air. Then they would close the jar. It lasts almost indefinitely. About 5 to 8 years ago, the Garden of Roses Herb Company charged \$5. for a cupful.

by 1985 parents will select their baby's sex

It's odd because I had the book out a couple days ago (Summer) to report to you on it. Bernard McFadden, a weight lifter, food fadist of several years ago, wrote a book on virility, and it mentioned the theory, but I gave the book away when we sold up Lionier. However, I still have the paperback:

YOUR BABY'S SEX...NOW YOU CAN CHOOSE...by David K. Rorvik and Landrum B. Shettles, M.D., Phd....January 1971..it was 95¢... Bantam Books...non fiction.

This is the first detailed, comprehensive guide to help parents choose the sex of their children based on the latest research findings of leading obstetricians and gynecologists. Especially good for young lovers about to be married or young marrieds about to start raising a family. It goes as far back as the theories of Hippocrates, Democrites and Aristotle. Easy to read. There's the theory of acid douches and food for girl babies, and alkaline for boys. But there is too much more. Please read before starting a family. This is fabulous. Too much for me to elaborate on.

Lady's Names By Lilli in Costa Mesa

The Lady has many names  
 And many varied faces  
 From the shore of England's Thames  
 To exotic far-flung races.  
 Nerthus of the Vanir,  
 Goddess of the Norse.  
 Frigga of the Aesir.  
 Or the Lady of the Horse.  
 Ometeotl, Marzyana,  
 Danu, Ziva, Kybele,  
 Hina-alu-oka-moana,  
 Terra, Erde, Erzulie.

Those are some; there's several more:  
 Kubala of the Hittites,  
 Our Lady of Biblos from Phonicia's shore,  
 Arsai of the Canaanites.  
 Mother of Mountain, Star, and Corn,  
 Inzanami of the Nipponese,  
 Yemanja, the Umbanda born,  
 And Kwanvin is Chinese.  
 This is all but for a few,  
 Diana, Hecate, the Maiden.  
 All in all, it's very true,  
 All Her names are pover-laiden.

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## FROM RUS (ARCANE CRAFTS)

Did you hear the one about....

There were these three characters, a Georgian, a Promethean, and a Satanist, and they're all sentenced to the electric chair. So, the warden first asks the Georgian if she has any last requests. "Naw", sez the Georgian. So they strap her in, throw the switch.. and..nothing happens, so they have to let her go free. Next, they ask the Promethean if she has any last requests. "Naaaah" says the Promethean in her Brooklyn accents. So they strap her in, throw the switch, and...the chair short-circuits, and it's the warden who gets fried instead. So they have to let the Promethean go. Finally, they ask the Satanist if he has any last requests. "Yeah!" sez the Satanist. "I ain't getting in that thing until you fix it!"

BEING A LONG ISLAND WITCH IS....

...getting on the train, doing an invoking pentagram, and the air conditioner immediately kicks into action.  
 (A great way to become popular with your fellow "Dashing Dans.")

THE HIGH PRIESTESS,  
By Shadowhawk of Elevenhearth

A Planetary Division of Plants.

All plants have at least one planetary classification, such as tobacco is considered to be under Mars, or poinsetta being veneral. But the individual parts of plants have classifications too. You might not have the exact plant you need on hand, or you may wish to enhance, compliment, or weaken an aspect, for a particular operation. So, here is a list I've found very helpful.

Saturn: All "odoriferous roots" (strongly scented) such as Pepperwort root or ginger or onions and garlic.

Jupiter: All odoriferous fruits such as cardimon or bayberru, or persimon or nutmeg.

Mars: All odoriferous woods such as aypress cedar lignum sanders and lignum aloed, and/or all spines or thorns-such as rose, blackberry or cactus.

Sun: All resinous gums such as frankincense, mastich musk, benjamin storax, caudanum, and ambergris- also All pollens.

Venus: All flowers such as orangeblossem, rose, violetts and saffron- and all sepals of flowers such as rosehips.

Mercury: All odoriferous seeds: such as coffee, anaise, carraway, cumin and pomergrant. And parrings of wood or fruits: such assass, fras, cinnamon, mace, citrus peels bayberry and ligrum cassia.

Moon: All odoriferous leaves such as myrtle, bay leaf, leaf indum, mint and dock and all leavery leafy? vegetables- such as cabbage, watercress, chard and spinach- also seaweeds- such as kelp, lillyleaves, ceacucumber and snappers.

Next Month- The flowers assigned to the 7 planets--

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BEING A LONG ISLAND WITCH IS..... from Rus (Arcane Crafts)

....seeing a gal at the supermarket. She's wearing a Pentagram, a HPs. bracelet, a runic belt-buckle, a necklace of acorns, has the Goddess tattooed on her shoulder, and the words "SEXY WITCH" on her shirt.

SO YOU WALK UP AND ASK HER: "Er...Are you in the Craft?"

And she jumps back hissing: "Don't say that! It's a secret!!!"

## SOME HOLIDAY NOTES from Lady Selena (Bakersfield)

Now that Yule is here once again, there are a few ideas which we have found to be very helpful during this holiday season.

- Making a Yule Log: always use a piece of wood that has been downed (dead wood). Never take from a live tree. There are books to tell you which kind of bark to look for. Logs that are best used are Oak, Hickory, Elm, Plum, Sassafras...and they also smell good. Try not to use soft woods...pine, fir. These tend to burn too rapidly...and too hot.

You may drill holes into your log at various places..about 1 inch deep. Add some various colored crystals into the holes, then cover them with waxed or wadded paper. Then "watch the show" when the log burns.

If you don't wish to burn your log, just decorate it with holly, ivy, berries, crepe paper, candles, or colored cloth.

## 2- Yule candy: (Witches' Hat Candy)

Take 1 oz. (1 sq.) unsweetened chocolate

16 large fresh marshmallows

3 teaspoons corn syrup

3 cups puffed wheat cereal

Melt together chocolate, marshmallows and corn syrup over low heat. Stir to blend.

While chocolate mixture is melting, place puffed wheat in a shallow pan. Heat in moderate oven (350) for 10 minutes. Place in a greased bowl. Pour the chocolate mixture over the puffed wheat. Stir to coat the kernels evenly.

With greased hands, form the mixture into 8 cone shapes. Roll in chocolate. Place each cone-shaped Witches' Hat in a 3½ inch circle for a brim.

## SAND TARTS -

1 cup butter

2 cups flour

5 tablespoons powdered sugar

2 teaspoons vanilla

1½ cups chopped nuts

Cream butter and sugar. Work flour, vanilla, and nuts into the cream mixture. Form into small balls or crescent moons. Bake on ungreased sheet in oven (350) for 3 minutes or until very lightly browned. Roll tarts in powdered sugar while still warm.

## 3- TREATS FOR YOUR FAIR-FEATHERED FRIENDS

Don't forget to put out their Yule treats. Birds enjoy apples cut in quarters, bread, cornbread, nuts, grain. I have even seen them eat dry dog and cat food. Also, be sure they have a place to get water.

Did you know that a chimney used to be called the "Witches' path?"

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## MORE HOLIDAY NOTES from Lady Selena

## LUCKY STONES

Down through the times certain gems have been considered very lucky. These are the Moonstone, Black Opal, Turquoise, Beryl, and the Cat's Eye. Choose one that appeals to you, and wear it when you need courage and confidence.

Blessed Be  
Lady Selena

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## DOG DAYS (and other friendly animal people)

Ray and Dorothy Whaley of Little Rock, Arkansas, are getting a divorce. Mrs. Whaley petitioned the judge for visitation rights... with their dog.

She says her husband took the dog with him when he moved out, but she says it wasn't his pet alone, and she wants the right to see the animal. She asked the judge to order Whaley to bring the dog by for visits twice a week.

The judge deferred a decision on her request.

PENNAQUID...a five-month-old orphan seal at the New England Aquarium in Boston...has turned over eight-dollars and 97-cents to the aquarium's general fund. Pennaquid is recovering from surgery to remove the coins...tossed by visitors to watch the seal catch them in mid-air.

A deer left damage of two-thousand dollars after crashing through the window of a sporting goods store in Cockeysville, Maryland...breaking fishing rods and shattering glass cases before escaping. Comments shop owner, Dudley Handley, "He came through the same window that had the HUNTING LICENSE signs."

You may remember a report a couple of weeks ago about a young lion found wandering the sidewalks of New York. The lion was taken to the A-S-P-C-A headquarters while officials tried to sort out the various claims of ownership. Well, it has finally been decided that the lion will be adopted by the Terry Lou Zoo. Zoo owner, Frank Terry, has renamed him "Mayor Koch" after the Big Apple's chief executive.

Thought we'd run a few notes from time to time on first aid for your dog.

This first note is for your own protection. If your dog has been injured, he may react wildly or he may lie quietly. But if you try to move him, it may cause great pain. This will often cause the dog to bite at your hands...and this no matter how gentle he may normally be or how much he may love you. So, take a long strip of cloth several inches wide, make a loop, slip over his nose with the loop under, then tie with a bow behind his head. If he fights it, you may have to tie his feet.

Don't forget, this is the last issue for 1980. Time to review your newsletters and send in your nominations for the "Georgies". One for best article, series, cartoons, etc. for 1980, and one for the person or group you believe has done the most for Craft/Paganism in 1980. Winners will be announced in February. We will announce the nominations next month...and then you vote for your choice.

There has certainly been enough confusion about Pagan festivals for the coming year. Hope it's all strightened out by now. Latest info: The Midwest Pagan Council will be holding the 5th annual Pan Pagan Festival August 6-9 at Fuller's Resort & Camp-ground just outside Buchanan, Michigan. \$18.50 for adults, \$9. for children 12 and under, free for under 5. Registration forms should be out in January. Don't send money until you get them. Write Midwest Pagan Council, c/o Parthenon West, POB 613, Richton Park, Ill. 60471. General crrespondence should go to Midwest Pagan Council, POB 664 Chicago Heights, Ill. 60411.

Just noticed the address in the Coven Gardens add didn't come out too clear. It's COVEN GARDENS, POB 1064, BOULDER, COL. 80302

Well, guess that's all for this time. Think we have some of the printing problems figured out so the the next issue should be more clear.

That's all, folks.

LOVE AND BLESSED BE.

PAT AND ALL THE GEORGIANS.

P.S. Almost forgot to thank Luffy Selena for doing some of the stencil typing, and Manon for helping with the printing this month.

P.P.S. Well, we've had our board of directors meeting, and now we're about ready to take applications for charters and minister's credentials. However, we don't have certificates yet. So we'll let you design them. They should be approximately size of typing paper. Each should contain the name of The Georgian Church, Inc. space for the name of the group being chartered or name of person getting minister's credentials. Place for date. Place for signatures. Should also say what the certificate is (Church charter or minister's credentials) and a space for the corporate seal. Winner or winners will recieve a 1 year subscript on to the newsletter.

Those wishing to apply for credentials, do not expect to put few dollars in the mail and recieve a certificate by return mail. These will take time and require paper work from both you and us.

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