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PRESIDENT'S PLEASURE

By Quicksilver

In these destructive and divisive times reminders of our common humanity are precious indeed. As I write this, Florida is facing its third hurricane in almost as many weeks, smoke fills the Northern California skies, and tomorrow's dawn brings memories of 9/1. Against catastrophes of such magnitude, the ebb and flow of change in our daily lives can seem irrelevant if we let it. But, like a fragile flower whose beauty comes precisely from its delicacy, it is the intimacy of such daily connections that gives them their evocative power and timelessness.

An e-mail from one of my dearest friends reminded me of this last week. "I really liked the metaphor you used in your e-mail to describe my situation," she wrote. "It's an interesting perspective. You said it was a 'magical' metaphor - I'd like to learn more about it. Is there a book you can recommend?"

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WITCHES' BALL OCTOBER 23

Full Circle Events presents The Mysteries of the Silk Road: A Costume Ball, Fantasy Masquerade and Charity Fundraiser for the Humane Society at the Lucie Stern Center, 1305 Middlefield Rd, from 6:00-11:00pm. Come discover a magickal oasis of music, dance, celebration and unique shopping. Welcome weary travelers. From the mulberry groves of China to the sun-drenched roof-terraces of Venice, all manner of merchants, adventurers, and missionaries come to seek fortune, glory, and enlightenment along the Silk Road. Please browse through our website to read more about this year's ball, find costuming ideas, explore links, request the dance music of your choice, and, of course, purchase tickets. Cost: \$20. Information: Info@fullcicleevents.org or visit http://www.fullcicleevents.org/witches_ball_2004/

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GAIA'S GATEWAY

Gaia's Gateway is a monthly open ritual featuring a different Pagan tradition each month. Each Gateway begins with an informative talk, and both the talk and the ritual are led by practitioners of the religion presented. We request a \$5.00 donation from non-members. Gateways are held on the last Sunday of the month from 6pm-9pm in the Fireside Room at the Palo Alto Unitarian Universalist Church (PAUUC, 505 East Charleston Road).

Directions: from Hwy 101, take the San Antonio Road exit West. Turn right on East Charleston. The building is about a mile down on the right-hand side of the road. As soon as you cross Middlefield Road, start looking for the church entrance on your right.

Upcoming Gateways

*Sunday, September 26; 6:00 - 9:00 PM
Drumming as a Path of Power with
Erilar Y Doeth.*

Drumming is one of the most effective techniques available for raising energy and texturing its flow. Tonight's presentation will include a hands-on demonstration of various rhythms for drawing power. Bring your own drum, rattle or other percussion.

*Sunday, October 31; 6:00 - 9:00 PM
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Una has presided over BAPA's dark times ceremonies for the past 3 years. Tonight she will present an actual Samhain ritual on actual Samhain.

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I stared at the e-mail in utter surprise. You see, my friend is a staunch Christian, and though she has known for many years that I am a pagan, Paganism is not her path, and I have been happy enough to live and let live and give thanks for the opportunity to be her friend. As a good pagan, I know it is important to never proselytize.

But her request deserves serious thought. For decades now I have jokingly called myself an "informal pagan" – my tongue-in-cheek way of describing that loosely woven knowledge base eclectically built over decades of mostly solitary and self-taught experimentation, a common enough story in our communities. Where and with what should she start? With what, indeed, did I start? I'm not sure I even remember the process was so "organic." Long ago and far away a seed was sown that lay dormant in the fertile Earth for many years...

And thus my thoughts came round again to the new; to the fact that everything new requires the death of, or a change to, the status quo. I still don't know what books I will recommend (any suggestions?). But I do know that a seed, once planted, has a Life of its own. May the upcoming sabbats of Mabon, Samhain, and Yule, all speak to that quiet corner of your soul where the next idea waits in gentle silence to be called forth.

Blessed Be, Quicksilver

BOOK TALK WITH RAVEN GRIMASSI

Noted pagan author Raven Grimassi will discuss his new book "Witchcraft: A Mystery Tradition," which explores the roots of European traditional witchcraft in myths, legends, verses, and lore. Raven will speak at 7:00 PM on Saturday, October 30 at the San Jose Book Shop, 1231 Kentwood Ave., San Jose. Free Admission. For additional information, call the book shop at 408-446-0590 or write to sjbookshop@mindspring.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Bay Area Pagan Assemblies (BAPA) does not support or sponsor any of these events or contacts unless specifically stated. Please use your own discretion when attending these events or connecting with people you do not already know. This list is intended as an information resource only, and is non-promotional.

September 24 - November 3 - Elements of Magic Class - Boulder Creek

Teachers Copper Persephone and Karen Bleasedale of Reclaiming present a 6-week course (or weekend intensive), Elements of Magic for Men and Women from 7:00-9:30pm. With the art of magic, we deepen our vision and focus our will, empowering ourselves to act in the world. In this class we begin the practice of Magic, Witchcraft, and Goddess spirituality by working with the Elements of Magic: Earth, Air, Fire, Water and Spirit. Techniques include: visualization, sensing and projecting energy, chanting, trance, creating magical space, spellcraft, and structuring rituals. Group experience follows feminist consensus process. We hope to provide a fair and nurturing environment for all participants. Prerequisite: Reading of the first six chapters of *The Spiral Dance* by Starhawk. We ask that applicants be committed to attending all classes. Pre-registration required. Cost: \$60-180, sliding scale. Information: 831-246-2907 or CopperPersephone@aol.com

September 24-26 - Ritual with Purpose - Geyserville

Dolores Ashcroft-Nowicki and Lodge Magdala present an advanced magical intensive, Ritual with Purpose at Isis Oasis, 20889 Geyserville Ave. This residential workshop begins a series of three weekend intensives (to be taught in successive years) designed for people interested in expanding their ritual skills. It consists of lectures, pathworkings and detailed high-level rituals on a central theme. The chosen theme for this weekend is the central pillar of the Tree of Life. The Ritual with Purpose workshops developed as Memorials to the late John Fox, a superb ritualist of High Degree who served the Servants of the Light School of Occult Sciences for many years. These workshops are intended to provide experienced ritualists who are well acquainted with the demands of ritual, a renewed sense of effort, and to provide a high level stimulus that will be challenging and demanding. Each ritual is paired with a lecture that will both instruct and add to its power. Prepare to be exhausted. Cost: \$400 double occupancy/\$375 dorm. Information: 707-256-0661, Kate@LodgeMagdala.org or visit <http://www.lodgemagdala.org/special/rwp.html>

September 25 - Mabon Ritual - Marin

Reclaiming invites you to a Mabon Ritual at Limantour Beach in Point Reyes National Seashore. Gather at 1:00pm; Ritual at 2:00pm. (Take Highway 101 to the Sir Francis Drake Boulevard Exit. Continue West on Sir Francis Drake until you reach Highway 1. Make a right on Highway 1, then make the next left on Bear Valley Road, then take the next left on to Limantour Road. This road is long and winding and ends in the parking lot. We usually set up sacred space on the beach at about a 10 to 15 minute walk to the left of the parking lot.) Information: Georgie at 415-454-8744, gdenison_@hotmail.com or visit <http://www.reclaiming.org/rituals/index.html>

September 25 - The Church of WOW and Axis Mundi - Carmel Valley

The Church of WOW and Axis Mundi World Groove Trance Chant present Amrita and The Temple Within: Fluid Embodiment of the Emotional Soul at Primal Arts Institute and Rejuvenation Spa, 153 Country Club Drive. Doors open at 7:00pm; Festivities and Performances start at 8:30pm - this is an overnigher. Launch off on a shamanic journey and experience primal energy and inherent ecstasy through sound, breath and movement. This truly unique event unites the Church of WOW, Primal Energetics, Voyager Tarot, and Axis Mundi Sacred Sound Ritualists. Enjoy trance dancing to Live Sonic Groove, fire dancers, drum circle, tarot oracles, heated outdoor pool and catered vegan food. Cost: \$20. Information: 800-676-1256, elisafit@aol.com or visit www.primalenergetics.com

September 25 - Goddess Group: Idun Ritual (Women) - Fremont

Full Circle Goddess Group hosts a women-only (ages 16 and up) ritual honoring Norse Maiden Goddess Idun (or Idunna), beginning at 7:00pm. Idun is the Norse maiden goddess who provides magical apples to the Norse gods. These apples keep them young and beautiful. Together we will honor this goddess of immortality by exploring what we need in our lives to stay youthful of heart and full of the joie de vivre! We will enchant some apples of our own to help manifest a future full of fun, excitement and fulfillment :) All traditions, paths and religions that honor the divine feminine are welcome. We meet monthly to honor different goddesses. Please bring items that represent this goddess for the altar, a pillow to sit on and a dish to share. You can also bring instruments such as rattles and drums. Cost: Love donation. Information: 510-673-5173, ajr51594@aol.com or visit <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/FullCircleGoddesses/>

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September 25, 26 - 6th annual Sacramento Pagan Pride Harvest Festival - Roseville

Fun, frolic and fellowship, Vendors, Healers, Children's Activities, Entertainment, Authors, Food, Rituals, Workshops, Raffle and Door Prizes at Placer County Fairgrounds, 800 All America City Blvd, from 10:00am-10:00pm Saturday, and 11:00am-5:00pm Sunday. Lon Milo Duquette, Raven Grimassi, Kristen Madden, Dennis Hauck, James Lee Jobe, Never Cry Wolf, Isina Barrett, Candy Taylor Tutt, and Rachel Harvey will be presenting lectures/workshops. Cost: Free with donation of canned goods for the Cornucopia Food Bank. Cash donations are welcome. Information: 916-208-0916, bastarani@jps.net or visit <http://www.sacpaganpride.org>

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September 26 - Mabon Ritual - San Francisco

Reclaiming invites you to a Mabon Ritual at Magic Meadow, Golden Gate Park. Gather noon: Ritual at 1:00pm. Please bring items for harvest altar and food to share. (Enter park at Lincoln and 41st Ave. Go 2 blocks to parking lot on right. Meadow is to left as you enter parking lot, beyond the clump of trees. Muni: N-Judah to 40th Ave, walk two blocks to park, enter at 41st.) Information: Kala at 510-920-2458, kalawitch@juno.com or visit <http://www.reclaiming.org/rituals/index.html>

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September 26 - Women's Networking and Empowerment Circle - Boulder Creek

Char Lynn invites all women to join her Women's Networking and Empowerment Circles at her home, 20200 Big Basin Way. Potluck begins at 5:30pm, at which time we network our businesses, new events, books, or whatever. At 7:00pm we have circle; to include stringing the beads, meditation, intentions for our goals and future and more. Let us honor the season, the full moon and our unique place in the world through the empowerment of Self. Cost: \$7-15; sliding scale. Information: 831-338-2996 or charlynn@weavingunity.com

September 26 - Dancing with the Devine - Berkeley

ALAYA: the Shaman Supply Store, 1713 University Ave at McGee, hosts Dancing with the Devine: A Sacred Interfaith Movement and Dance Circle with Ouida Joi on the 4th Sunday of each month from 10:30am-12pm. This monthly sacred dance circle is a celebration of movement and dance honoring the Divine within us all. Together we will connect with the Divine Essence through free form movement, breath work, sacred music, and dancing meditation. Come experience the joy, freedom, creativity and fun by dancing with the Divine. No previous dance experience required. Information: 510-548-4701, alayabr@earthlink.net or visit <http://www.angelfire.com/ca7/interfaithceremonies>.

September 26 - Open Goddess Service - Berkeley

Fellowship of the Spiral Path (SPIRAL) invites you to an open Goddess service on the last Sunday of every month at the Berkeley Unitarian Universalist Church at 7:30PM. Information: Diana at 510-658-6033.

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 28 - Tuesdays Mean Tarot: Extreme Tarot - Oakland

Ancient Ways, 4075 Telegraph Ave, hosts Tuesdays Mean Tarot: Extreme Tarot with Thalassa at 7:30pm. Next steps in the ThalassaLand Tarot Method. For three power-packed weeks, we'll discuss ways of deepening and improving the relationship you have with Tarot as a divination toy, an information system, a real world toolbox and a magical device. Bring your questions, remedial issues and sticky points in your study for consideration under Thalassa's big astral microscope. Previous class(s) with Thalassa recommended. Open to both women and men. Cost: \$5-10; sliding scale. Information: 510-653-3244, store@ancientways.com, or visit <http://zope270.iniquinet.com/virt/ancientways.com/portal/events/>

September 28 - Witches Meetup - San Jose, Santa Cruz

Meet up with other witches in your town. Exchange lore, legends and learning at a vote-determined location near San Jose on the 4th Tuesday of every month at 7:00pm. Visit <http://witches.meetup.com/> to sign up, and Meetup.

September 28, October 5 - Wheat Weaving Class - Cupertino

This 2-session, adult education class is being offered at Cupertino High School, Room 88, 10100 Finch Avenue, from 6:30-9:30pm; both nights. Weaving with wheat dates over 8000 years to the Egyptians and is the only art that can be traced to every continent and culture in the world that was grain-based. Wheat is associated with good fortune, prosperity, and love. Learn how to work with wheat to create simple house blessing designs that are hundreds of years old. Class code is 210900. Cost: \$39; A materials fee of \$15 is payable to the instructor at the first class. Information: 408-522-2700 or visit <http://ace.fuhd.org/>

September 29 - Tribal Community Gathering - Berkeley

The Toltec Center of Creative Intent, 2300 Roosevelt at Bancroft, hosts a Tribal Community Gathering from 7:00-9:00pm on the last Wednesday of every month. These Community Circles provide an opportunity for individuals to connect with their divine and creative self as a community. Each evening includes guided meditation, chanting and ritual. All are welcome. Cost: Free; Donations accepted. Information: 510-649-0352, info@spiritweavers.com, or visit <http://www.spiritweavers.com>.

October 2 - Loch Lomond Highland Games and Celtic Gathering - Ben Lomond

The 9th Annual Loch Lomond Highland Games and Celtic Gathering will be held in beautiful Highlands Park, off Highway 9. (All vehicles must park in the San Lorenzo Valley Lumber Yard lot, 5843 Graham Hill Road, next to Roaring Camp.) Traditional Scottish Highland athletics, 3 stages of Celtic music all day long, extensive Celtic marketplace, solo bagpipe competition, traditional dance, clan tents, Machair Ruith (Celtic Run), Celtic critters, societies and guilds, living history and re-enactor encampments, traditional foods and beverages. Cost: \$12 adults, \$10 for 12-16 yrs and 62+, Free 11 yrs and under. Information: 831-457-6716, llcs95@lochlomondceltic.org or visit <http://www.lochlomondceltic.org/games.htm>

October 2 - Film Noir Ball - San Mateo

PEERS invites you to the Film Noir Ball: A Black, White and Shades of Gray Ball at the Masonic Lodge of San Mateo, 100 N Ellsworth Ave. Doors open at 6:45pm; Dance lessons at 7:00pm; Dancing begins at 8:00pm. Private eyes, hired guns, sinister collectors, chorus girls, classy dames with a secret, and even innocent bystanders are invited to an evening of vintage ballroom and Swing dancing at the Noir Club in this sequel to PEERS' highly successful Film Noir Ball. Sara & Swingtime plays hot Swing, cool blues, and romantic ballroom standards in our tribute to the Film Noir classics of the 1940's and 50's. There will be a no host bar, a light cocktail buffet and a period-style floor show for your entertainment. Cost: \$15.00 by September 25; \$20 at the door. Information: 510-522-1731, peers@peers.org or visit <http://www.peers.org/index.html>

October 3 - Create Your Own *Spell Book* - Concord

This experiential workshop will be held entirely within Ritual Space from 12:00-4:00pm. You will create your own 6"x 9" hand bound journal for recording your spells, potions and other magical recipes. This workshop includes: Page making, covering your book, hand sewn binding method, and all materials. The workshop concludes with a special Book Blessing Ritual. Space is limited—Register by September 29th. Cost: \$60. Elayne is a Hereditary Witch, with over 35 years of knowledge and practical experience. Information: Elayne at 925-676-8560 or worldtreepathways@yahoo.com

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 6, 13, 20, 27 - Witchcraft 102 - San Francisco

Erin Johansen is teaching a 4-part Witchcraft 102 series of classes from 7:00-9:00pm. These classes build on the knowledge and experience gained from the 101 classes, but may be taken separately by those already familiar with the basics of witchcraft. This is still a basic course, but provides more in-depth wisdom and experience with spellwork, shielding, cleansing, and other important tools for every witch to master. We will focus on the elements as a means of mastering important tools and harnessing personal power. These are introductory classes, and although they are designed to be taken together, you can take the second without taking the first, as long as you are familiar with the basic tenets and practices of witchcraft. No drop-ins. Tuition fees are non-refundable. Class fees will go toward materials, the instructor's time and energy, and a substantial portion will go directly to a fund for establishing a public Goddess Temple space in San Francisco, thereby being put back into the community. Cost: \$15 per class, or \$55 for all 4 classes. Information: luna@lunadea.com (write "Witchcraft Classes" in the subject line)

October 9 thru 11 - Women's Harvest Time Retreat - Pescadero

Women's Harvest Time Retreat: Embracing Your Shadow at Memorial Park from 11:00am Saturday until 12:00pm on Monday. (Friday optional.) As the nights get colder and longer, come and explore your shadow side with us. Take back your shadow, and become no longer half a person, but a whole woman, fully in her power. This weekend will include working with the Fire Spirits to accomplish this reunion, working with silence (at times), and honest, deep communication with your sisters. You are asked to create a gift for our gift exchange. Make something (material cost less than \$15) with your own hands, and as you create it, think about your shadow, and what you hope to gain from the retreat. Wrap it, and bring it with you. Some of us will go on Friday and get two sites together, so we'll have more privacy. Here is the link so you can take a look.

http://www.eparks.net/smc/department/home/0,,5556687_12313309_12328487,00.html#Facilities

If you've never been camping, don't be afraid to try. This is easy camping. All you need is an air/foam mattress, sleeping bag/bedroll, and a chair for sitting around the campfire. Everything else will be provided. Please RSVP by Sept 22. Cost: \$95, which includes the cost of camping and meals. Information: Laura at Laura@shamanmoon.org or visit <http://www.shamanmoon.org>

October 10 - Sharanya's Annual Fundraiser - San Francisco

Sharanya's Annual Fundraiser with items from India and Beyond from 1:00-4:00pm at The Temple, 1355 Post St. #406. Religious items, worship tools, ritual music and other such goodies (most from India), are being sold to raise funds to help defray our administrative costs, increase our advertising efforts, and maintain our website. If you can assist us with a donation at this time, we would greatly appreciate any contribution. We will be serving tea and Indian snacks. All donations are tax deductible. Information: 415-351-0213, info@sharanya.org or visit <http://www.maabatakali.org/>

October 11, 25 – Tarot In-Depth Class – Los Gatos

Inner Journey, 222 N. Santa Cruz Ave, hosts Ongoing Tarot In-Depth Classes with Lisa Dale Miller from 7:00-9:00pm. Prerequisite: Beginning Tarot or equivalent knowledge of basic card meanings. This ongoing class has evolved into a dynamic learning and sharing environment for intermediate/advanced Tarot students. Though there are many resources for studying the Tarot, most students have trouble finding the right context to practice what they learn. Lisa teaches with the Rider Waite Tarot Deck. No Pre-registration necessary. This is a drop-in class, so come as often as you wish. Cost: \$25.00 per class. Information: Lisa at 408-206-2518, astrotarot@earthlink.net, or visit <http://www.astrowisdom.com/classes.htm>.

October 13 - December 8 - Introduction to Runes Course - Boulder Creek

Air and Fire, 13155 B Highway 9, hosts 2-part Introduction to Runes classes with Willow on 9 consecutive Wednesdays from 6:30-8:30pm. Part 1 of each class is an Intro to Runes and Rune Meditation, and Part 2 is an Intro to Ancient Norse Deities and Philosophy. Bring Runes if you have them. Willow has deep roots in Norse Magic, which go back for generations. Her knowledge of the runes was passed down through her Nordic-Celtic heritage. She has experienced the power of these ancient symbols and has devoted her life to the study of runecraft and sharing her knowledge with others. Willow has traveled the U.S. and Canada doing rune readings at Renaissance Fairs and festivals and now resides in Felton. Pre-registration is encouraged; drop-ins welcome. Cost: \$90 for all 9 weeks or \$15 each session. Information: 831-338-7567, fireflower@airandfire.com or visit <http://www.airandfire.com>.

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October 16 – Beginning Astrology Course – Los Gatos

Inner Journey, 222 N. Santa Cruz Ave, hosts a 5-part Beginning Astrology Course on Saturdays with Lisa Dale Miller from 10:00am-12:00pm. This is a serious class on Natal Astrology. An astrological birth chart is a roadmap of the psyche, providing insight into a person's strengths, weaknesses, and patterns of behavior. It can reveal one's spiritual nature and life direction. Lisa Dale Miller has been teaching astrology for many years and has created a systematic way for adults to learn the basic building blocks of a natal chart. Lisa will provide each student with a printout of their chart to use in class. Students must be 17 or older. Pre-registration is required. Cost: \$125.00 (for a series of 5 classes). Information: Lisa at 408-206-2518, astrotarot@earthlink.net, or visit <http://www.astrowisdom.com/classes.htm>.

October 23 - SF BATS: The San Francisco Bay Area Tarot Symposium - San Francisco

Thalassa and Daughters of Divination (DOD) invite you to The San Francisco Bay Area Tarot Symposium at the Unitarian Universalist Centre from 10:00am-5:00pm. This is "The Mother of all Tarot Events"; an all day extravaganza featuring the best minds of the Tarot world offering workshops, presentations and lectures on all aspects of the Tarot. Also featuring readings and the fabled Tarot Bazaar. Information: 415-753-5041, airndarkness@yahoo.com or visit www.thalassaland.com

October 29 - Spiral Dance (Women) - Orinda

Join Daughters of the Goddess at our 21st Annual Halloween Spiral Dance: Honoring the Crones at 7:30pm. Daughters of the Goddess is a Dianic, womyn-only Goddess Temple dedicated in the Spirit of Aloha to the preservation and perpetuation of Goddess culture, public ceremony, ritual, and Womyn's Mysteries. Please RSVP for directions. Cost: \$23 before Oct 25; \$27 at the door. Information: 925-787-9247, leilani@daughtersofthegoddess.com or visit <http://www.daughtersofthegoddess.com>

October 30 - Psychic Fair - San Jose

Clairvoyants, Tarot Readers, Aura Photos, Past Life Readings, Mediums, Numerology - No Admission Charge, Inexpensive Readings. 11AM - 6PM. San Jose Metaphysical Book Shop, 1231 Kentwood Avenue, San Jose, CA 95129. Call 408-446-0590 or write sjbookshop@mindspring.com.

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