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The Unicorn Provides These Extra Pages to aid communication between Gay and Lesbian Pagans

"I SEE YOUR IMage"

Now as the waves of sleep Roll OVER my mind I SEE YOUR image beckoning ME to your side We slip into the glade To dance & sing with The Goddess and her Fairies HER CONSORT playing His pipes to some varuely Familiar tune that starts Tugging at OUR fext We dance and sing Laugh and play The Goddess smiles HEARTS bEating Bodies meeting We tumble to the ground In a passionate Embrace That starts the universe Spinning and Wassing Cosmic colors whire Twirl and swirl around Our sweating melting bodies In rhythm of hoof beats and Musical laughter Your breasts are full and lush Your mouth is wet ? inviting. I feel myself slither And slide over your entire being My mouth finds your clitoris and I feel you shiver with delight I feel the Goddess Rising within My body and my soul I feel the Horned One also Fill my being I am aware of the beginning of Something greater than ourselves I enjoy you like no one ever could you take and give every pleasure I find back and give every pleasure As I feel happy and content there Becomes and definite buzz in my ear I wake Realizing that once again we were Astral lovers and not reality OR was it? -The Lady & The Dragon, Unlimited

(for the Southern Woman)

Fairy Moon Retriat May 15-17

With a few reservations already received, The Rowan Tree will definitely sponsor the retreat, although the word "gathering" is more applicable....

We will begin with a Friday evening Fairy Circle, with the ritual lea by faul & Cassidy of the Rowan Tree.

Saturday's program will meet at Lake Nokomis, in a large space in the Community Centur overlooking the lake. It is a beautiful location, and is within the public view, but will do us well. This is the opportunity for any to present workshops, music, etc. If you wish to have some event scheduled, we will allow 45 minute programs in the Centur, & there's alot of space in the area for spontaneous, unscheduled events. If we get it together, the kitchen may have lunch, for a nominal (as cheap as possible) free. Volunteers? Sunday's activities will be held at the Mississippi River - a potluck picnic

Sunday's activities will be held at the Mississippi River - a potluck picnic and a Fairy Circle held at a sacked circle which has been in use for quite a few years.

a few years. This gathering will be different than the Hallows Retreat - a number of local men are offering sleeping space, and we will not include meals. If we can, we can put you in touch with someone local. This enables us to have more men? more fun - Remember! some of our activities will be on public space, so keep those tracture.

together. Projected fer is \$2500; PRE-REGIStration (please) is \$1000 of the fer. More details in the upcoming issues. Sounds like Belle, Chris Sherbak, Ray Nelson are coming...

Have you seen the latest R.F.D? Excellent article by Ray Nelson, on Pan Pagan; R.F.D. is becoming an all-out super journal. The new issue will please you.

#### Waking

you are not the man in my dream Bullnecked and calfeyed Voice like veal, some Relipe to spark an appetite. You have your own hunger.

Even half awake you reach for me Insistent, drawing me back to your hands.

It is not simple: this bed strewn with scraps of light, fine linen of skin, your shoulders/back, warmth across my chest I know as your arm...

Daily we work these pieces into a world, a quilt, our patterns passed down for centuries Starcróssed Doublec Ross Crown of Thorns.

HERE is where we began are beginning again this bed where we kiss with our eyes open.

-JERAH Box 12188 Seattle, Wa. 98102

"Blessed be the sharing of Love in any form-it is thus we find the many facets of the diamond." This quote of Love was on a contact list of dey pagane we received from Ted Byers, 144 Halifax Ave So, #22, Daytona Beach, Flor., 32018. Send along something to cover copying and postage (it's one page - but will grow!)

REVIEW: <u>Fairle Directory</u>, Begun August 1980 at the Spiritual Gathering of Radical Fairles. Available through: Aro (Jairy Scribe) Box 472

Fairfax, Cal. 94930 We suggest a donation of \$3.50° in ordering one. Why would you even want one? Because its adding names (they'd even add yours...) } it's a creative ? fun directory of gay pagand, facriced, New-age faggots & all sorts of addresses & phone num-bers. Very impressive, for much work & love has fone into compiling/editing/layout, etc. ? it should prove to be very much a milestone in the development of gay spirituality. What is hoped for is a "Facric Communications Network" which we hope many will support & contribute

Tapes of workshops which were held at the 1980 Spiritual Gathering for Radical Fairies are being (inexpensively) by Raven's Head. Topics include rituals, poetry readings, music, and workshops of interest. Send a S.A.S.E. out to receive the list & a catalogue of other tapes: Raven's Head Communications PO Box 11472 San Francisco, Cal. 94101

In Honor of Bridgid

Oh beautiful Bridgid, queen of fairies favoring all Who revel in her glory. At Beltane you bring your fruits to bear you are the most blessed of beings you are full & lovely You are ready to bear your children You carry lust in your breast You carry love in your heart. Show us how to best serve you As you and your lover unite to bring Us our newest child of your Love. Goddess of lust fill us Goddess of love show us LET OUR lust and love equal yours FOR OUR SISTERS & brothers And our loutrs Help us to celebrate your flowering to womynhood. As your will so mote it be! - The Lady ? The Dragon, Unlim.

"What I like so much about the Pagan Godesses and Gods is they were not and are not so hung up about sex as we are. They understood its uses for procreation and recreation and it did not make any difference to them whether you were straight or gay. Because, there is proof that in all Pagan religions there was a great deal of bisexuality and some outright dayness." Gary of Dallas

Should we continue articles on sex magick? Do you prefer same sex; ungendered practises; or solitary? Will need feedback before we resume the articles! Let us know!

louk and magick to. Bright Candlemas Risses from Cassidy!

# THE UNICORN

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#### A PUBLICATION OF the ROWAN TREE

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DEAR READERPEOPLE,

HERE I sit, with pen in hoove, and Yule memories dance in my head... An amazing time of the Earth, with nearly two weeks of partying following Solstice. Cassidy ? Paul went out ? carried home the Yule tree.... floor to ceiling in the Music Room, with lights ? trinkets, ? wonderfully magickal ornaments. At the stroke of Solstice, a wondrous tree-blessing ritual was underway, with magick raised in the temple ? taken in ¿ given to the tRek. Unicorns, amulets, baubles, Ribbons.... 2 most fagan tree! Did you know that the Solstice marked one years cycle for Cassidy & Paul? They met at Yule, & this year were blessed. Lots of cards came to the forwan TREE, e as most of them where Unicards, I assumed they were mine .... but we all shared, and Bul put the carde up in the temple.

How did you like the Unicorn dreams we sent out? Weren't they a treat? Special thanks to Alex, who addressed all the enveloped for this issue. Alex is one of our fine tagan neighbors, and also dashing & handsome. As you read this, send him magick sparekles so we can thank him for his help.

This issue begins a new series of articles. With the conjunct of this winter, the Council of Elders became aware of how widespread the effects of 45 == are, for nearly all of Éarth has felt this influence. The archives were consulted, and within many nooms of dusty volumes of handscribed books, certain ones were sought. In history, we knew that the Fellowship of Unicorns is descended from the Ancient Onus, and it was always said they had recorded their predictions within many of the passages of the Ancient Chronicles of the Witzened Elders of the Fallowship of Unicorns.

So, we talked, and Nim Roy lubo is boking for a human home in a coastal area) offered the final tabulation of the last Unicensus, which indicates a delightful increase in Unicorns. This was seen by the Council as indicating a sign of magick upon the Earth, more than at previous times of change.

Thus, a VERY Rake decision was voted - and Faul has been granted access to some of the Ancient Chronicles of the Wizened Elders of the Fellowship of Unicorns, and has spent long days & nights working out the translations. I must add that I have been very helpful. It is hoped that these excerpts will be of help in understanding the energies of this cusp, so that over the 300 years of the change from Pisces to Aquarius the Mysteries will be passed i not lost.

The "Unicoren Chronicles" will begin with this issue, and will continue in the next, & so forth until all of the texts are translated. The Council is hopeful that the "Chronicles" Nill be widely Read, and to aid in their desire, we encourage you to share them with your friends. Should those of you who wish to include these translations in your own publications, permission is given. Please mention the source, & please let us Know. Thanks, on behalf of the Council of Elders.

As soon as I'm done helping Paul : Cassidy with this issue, I'm off, i will be travelling coast to coast. Anyone want a large, blue visitor? Love, Andrius

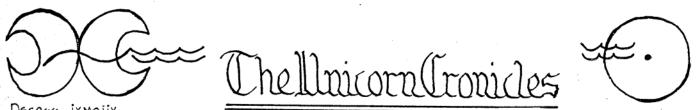
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## The Unicorn Rambles

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The earth lies cold and still, But fires burn In the depths of night: Star-fire in the sky, Moon-fire sparkling On the icy lake. Soon dawn will kindle Brighter fire Across the land. Look within: I burn there always, A flame in mind and soul. -Noel-Anne Brennan



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And it came to pass that the decree was signed, in honour of the Crustal Lady. The Realm of Earth would take the Dance of the Zodiac, to encircle Here with honour, growth and love, and each era would be a different song of praise, a new set of principles to be learned. That each era would be free of the previous, the cusp was set in threes, that the Passing of the Mysteries would take the children through a series of changes, creating challenges so they would do the necessary learning, let go of the past, and embrace the new order of the future. As seen by the Crystal Lady, it would be a means of taking through initiation the planet, Rather than the individual Residents.

through initiation the planet, Rather than the individual Residents. With the Passing of the Mysteries, it was agreed that the signs of change should be kept sacred, and would be shown as an omen in the skies, so that the Mysteries would unfold their secrets to the star-gazers, to the priests and priestesses of those who turned their eyes toward the universe. And the great clock of the San God was set to motion, that those who tell time by this passage would know the cusp, and arrive to guide the children safely through the changes, for children grow to fright easilf, and many would forget the Mysteries, and tase the visions of their Divinity.

#### DECRER iii≈ \$ Jixi

And it came to pass that the decree was signed, that the Wise Ones would know whence the return should begin; for the ancient peophets had fortad of the coming on Earth of a great generation arising on the planet. A generation boen out of times of strife; a generation the magnitude of which had never before risen, and of such peoportion it would be unlikely to ever again manifest. Such would be the times of the Passing Era that many would be called upon to incar-nate to assist the Passing of the Musteries, and the numbers of this generation would long leave their mark upon time. So many would there be, that social order would give way to accomodate them, and their very numbers would cause faulty systems to crumble, that the past could cease in honour. The sign was chosen to indicate the New Era, but was not to the time side its of the New Era,

the past could cease in nonoue. The sign was chosen to indicate the New Era, but was not to be the sign itself. Rather, the sign would carry a star, the power of which was so deep that the stare would be visible but to spiritual eyes. Thus it would move through the path needed to balance the new are, which carries within the sked of its solarity.

age, which carries within the seed of its polarity. All the signing those of the Elders who could see such things made prophecies of this future sign. And it was forseen that though knowledge of the stars being would for shadow its passafe into the sign opposite that of the New Era but by thrice the Lady's number of years, its motion into Lo would coincide with the onset of a brief, but devastating period of global strife upon planet Earth, and the appearance of this seneration would only be noticed as its numbers began to emerge. And it was forseen that this generation of changers would seek answers within the Mysteries, and would attempt to radiate their wisdom outward, yet their notice would be less of their spiritual being than for the magnitude of their social impact.

And it was forsken that this would be the generation upon whom the condition of the midpoint of cusp Responsibility fell, for those born of the Leonine Star would set ready the omen of the midpoint, when the star of the Deep would, itself, enter the sign of the New Era. And at this prophecy, many offered blessings to those who would choose incarnation in that passage, for it would indeed be might work. And it was forseen that this generation would carry the seeds of the Mysteries, and would engender the children of the New Religions, but that even they them-selves need beware the illusions of that which had gone before.

Serves need becake the musions of that which had gone before. It was forsken by the Mastel Elder that this New Era would contain more of the Musteries of the Deco Star than had the Earth Representations for their previous fassings. A gen-eral wish was manifest that it would exist in Wisdom i joy.

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- Editor's notes: Analysis of these exerpts of the Chronicles indicates need for careful interpreta-tion of the text. Correspondences can be mea-sured against our ephemeri, and dates plotted on the Common Era calendar: 1939 Pluto moves into Leo. Although & enterest Leo as Early as 1937 initially, it moved retrograde within two months back into Cancer. It next entered Leo in August, 1938, but again retrograded into Cancer. In June of 1939, & entered Leo, there to remain until Cet. 1956 when it made its first contact with Virgo. VIRGO.
- 1930 Auto was discovered after a quarter of a century of tracking the skies for its posi-tioning. A correlation of this date with the year of Pluto's establishment in Leo might be made, for the "Lady's number of years" is three, and "thrite" would be nine.
- 15 an arbitrary year, a midpoint between 1939 : 1956, which must be near the crest of the baby boom? The reneration of Pluts in Leo surkly fits the descriptions in the text which refer to the size and influence of this "great generation arising on the planet." 1947

on the planet." Great generation arising 2040 The midpoint of the cusp of the Aquarian Age. We estimate of will entre as itself within a few years of 2040, although the ephenerical tables for those years are not available. We are, many of us, likely to experience that transit, and it will indicate the passing of our generation. The passage of Pluto into Leo marked the beginning of World War II, and surely this is the strift we are born into. Conclusions: An indication that we, as a generation may well hold the keys to a more generative.

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#### DECRER XI 5412-11

Decree xi54iv=ii And it was forseen that a sign would be given the Generation of the New Era, and that it would give cause to their purpose. A sign that would contain duality, and set the path for the Passing of the Nusterlies by indicating the need to sever the past and to seek out the opportunity of moving forward. And it was freely discussed by those of the Concil of the effects of this sign, for it was to be preporatory for the moving into the second stage of the cusp, and this sign would appear thrice the lady's number. before that turning Time, when, within the second stage of the cusp, and this sign would pass the sign of Avatar, it plant the seeds of the Era which would follow this. Thus would its intensity be measured. If was seen that the relationship of each self to all things around would be in the sign of balance, that the relationship of each self to all things around would be in the sign of the Generation would be seen vould be more free to embary and this at the set of the Generation would be con-would be more free to embary and the relation of the Generation would be con-then this sign would alfect even the presonal lives of nearly all beings upon Planut Earth. That this would look alter of sign would cause a time of lesson and trial, so that each would be more free to embary and pre-cive its learning with joy. Mad it was seen that this sign would signal a time when those who would be seen indicate the beginning of this generations move into being a new class of Earth ctizen who themselves. And it would signal a time when those who would be called upon to assist the Passing of the Mys-teries would begin to come into the would signal a time when those who would be seen in the beginning as great sign would be seen in the beginning as great with appreciants onset the Dark Woman would apprece to have taken hea sickle i cut of the premise of the sing the times of this sign the would be seen in the beginning as great sign would be seen in the beginn

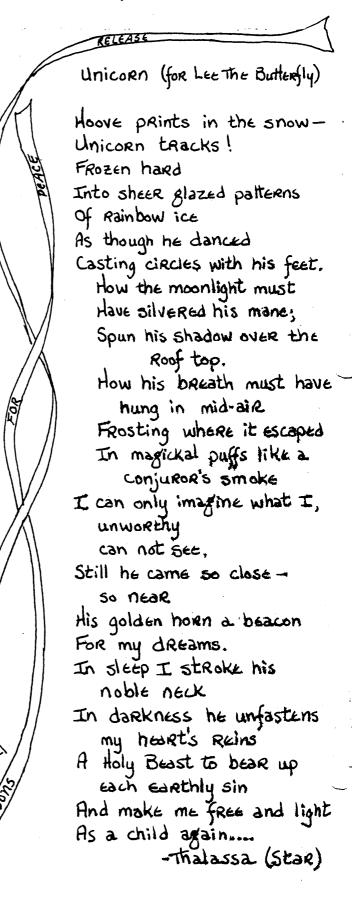
of this sign was to show the path of the true balance, less the Generation of the New Era forget that much of the Old would still be of value. The more intense stare of the duality was that of the sickle, and many would experience its cutting edge, and draw back, and feel the necessity of endurance, and the lesson would be patience, so that only that which had strength would endure. And it was seen that the Re-strictions imposed by death's blade would give the knowledge of Responsibility to the Generation. And those who learned patience, and who found the wisdom in balance, in mediation, in discipline (born of enduring) would come unto their own, and know into prominence, and be able to take over the Reins of power from the leaders of the Old Era. And it was seen that the changing would be in some localities with treust and towe and the Mysteries could be passed down into the

in some localities, with trust and Horz and the Mysteries could be passed down into the Earth in love and joy. And it was seen that in some localities the Old would cling, and fight and sned blood in its desire to survive beyond its, time; but that this could be avoided if a sone of love were to be sung throughout the globe. And it was seen that among the New would be some of unwise ambition ? power who would seek to plurdee and desteoy the old, but that these, too, could be changed by the song. It was at this conjunct of stard that change would be brought, to alert the Earth of dangers, and that the old was slipping into memory.

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Editor's notes: In November Jupiter and Saturn began moving through Libra to their powerful New Year's Eve conjunct. The effects of this conjunct are seen in each of our relationships, in Reason's election, and on a global scale. The conclusion of the Translation of the exterpt discussing this current transit will conclude in the next issue of The Unicorn.



the circle is full the air is high with our crazy laughter who cares what tomorrow brings or the days that tumble after Round and Round the spiral dance Round and Round the wheel of chance that circles the fire the growing bloom the lifelong song to the silver moon for through this night WE are born again into a spell that witches spin through the sabbat bright we go with magick light with magick light with magick light ..... (and flow ever in perfect trust in perfect love what lies below is found above) - Prairie Jackson

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### Books

Entropy by JEREMY Rifkin pub. Viking hardcover \$10.95

I am fortunate to have read Entropy by Jeremy Rifkin. Many, if not most, of us already view the next 15 years as particularly cru-cial in seeing the Earth pass into a New Era, in which life can experience joyful continuity. I hear our community of New the thinkers expound upon the new for change within the bureaucracy, within energy consumption, within Religion, and so forth. Too few New Age people, however are capable of shaking the Establishment though to make audible Sound. Hopefully, Entropy will aid this work.

audial Sound. The first law is E=MC2; the second law of the Entropy Law is the second law of thermodynamics. It should lead to a total change in entropy use, it should lead to a treasuring of the Earth as pare & precious. The first law is E=MC2; the second has here idenared.

The first law is E=MC<sup>2</sup>; the second nos been ignored. <u>Entropy</u> is written to change world views, those of the consumer, the politician, the economist, the corporate people. I wish that each ? every government official was to read and understand Rifkins book. I would feel more secure in the future. I should like to share with you some of the wonderful gems I found: ....the traditional Christian approach to nature has been a major contributing factor to nature has been a major contributing factor to

The Rowan Tree

#### Herbal Shamanism

March 14-15 will have two days of experiential learning in the realms of the shaman. We will take you into the paths of spiritual herbcraft, look at plant auras, and explore the mysteries of herblore.

Saturday, March 14 we will must from 10:00 am to noon, and 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm, with an evening Ritual experience beginning at 8:00 pm. On Sunday we will meet from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm with lunch break.

The cost is \$250, which includes herebs. We can provide sleeping accomodations for those from out of town, & welcome all. Please preregister.

Response to our catalogue has been pleasing. We offer herebs by mail, & many who live in retral oreas without a local nerb shop have been hap-py with our (usually) quick service. This past stason has had more requests for astrological services (we offer cassette taped interpretations of your natal chart, so that it all makes sense.) and the comments are excellent. If you haven't yet seen our catalogue, send a S.A.S.E. to the fowan Tree.

ecological destruction. The overemphasis on otherworldliness

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Ecological destruction. The overemphasis on outerworkworkaliness has led to disregard and even exploitation of the physical workld." pages 235-236 "We moderns take pride in the fact that we only have to work 40 hours a week and that we can take off two or more weeks each year for vacation. Most hunter-gatherer societies would find such conditions intolerable. The fact is, contempor rary hunter-gatherers work no more than twelve to twenty hours per week. and for weeks and months each year they do no hours per week, and for weeks and months each year they do no work at all. Instead, their time is filled with lessure pur-

week at all. Instead, their time is filled with leisure pue-suits including games, sporting events, art, music, dance, ceremo-nics, and visiting with neighbors...?" page 11 Indeed! Rifkin carefully looks at our technological society and shows how so thuch (nearly all?) of it uses far more entry than the value we get in return. the not only shows well the problems, but I whole-heartedly support the solutions he puts forth. Rimarily, he calls for a complete change in the world view, & predicts that coming crises will force this to happen, yet time is of the utmost toncern.

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toncern. I am pleased to see this type of book.... For too long, those who foresaw doom with the current ecological-political policies. Continuing were dis-missed as either traitorous or crackpots. In truth, the true lovers of the Earth are those willing to speak out; those willing to let to of a duing system & learn to survive in conservation & preservation with this beautiful planet. I believe in the Earth. I love there I live in faith that we will move into a New Era, although I realistically believe it will be very difficult. Rifkin's book gives me courage. Please, see that it is widely Read. Rev. Paul V. Beyerl

"Those who receive faerie graces must not talk of them, for faerie etiquette demands secrecy." - The <u>FAERIES Rop-Up Book</u> is a children's version of the adult artibook, <u>FAERIES</u>. It is complete with having a hollow hill that raises on pillars, castles in the siz, and a Leprechaun spinning on his cap. The book is published by Harry N. Abrams, Inc., for \$80, and is an enchanting book that will rive young children hours of enjoyment. They may even be encouraged to be more observant of the things around them. Well worth the few dollars....." K. Weed

- K. Weed

Contacts

There are some pagan folk knowledgeable of pagan ways up here in the North Country. I will soon be organizing a study group & discussion group. There is much to learn & a few who can teach so if any one you know or hear of would like to be informed of these great ways to learn of Gods of old, please give them my address. Oh, yes, anyone, please anyone out here in the great northwest [who] is a musician please let us know. A Pagan band is forming. Kalindra RoseStar

306 NW 62 nd . Seattle, Wa 98:07

Now that I'm settled and about to embark on a new era of life, I would like to start by beginning with a nome blessing. Do you have any simple solitary rituals for this purpose? My new address is: K. Tallock Windy Hill Te. Ct. \*16 Judy Dr. William sburg, Va. 23185

## Fappenings

"The Second Annual Celebration-of-Summer, spon-sored by NEXUS, will be held June 19-21, 1981 at the East Texas NEXUS Retreat. Gathering In will begin Friday afternoon, and the Retreat will close following the Solstice Rite on Sunday, June 21, 1981. If you are interested in attending, or in conducting a workshop on Saturday, please con-tact Garth or Photenix, NEXUS CEXITAL, P.O. Box 45061, Dallas, Texas, 75245.... a pastoral area... a Circle created by Nature for our worship ... Camping only .... accomodations within Worship ... camping only ... accomodations within a fairly short distance... Blessed Be."

"A First Annual Women's Ritual will be held on n riksl tinnual women's Kitual will be held on March 6, 1981, a Friday evening at the Coven-stead of Thirteen Moons, Co-sponsored by Thir-teen Moons 4 Circle of the Unicorn. Those interested in attending, please contact Cassandra Mikosz, 1106 Ontario, Garland, Tx. 75040. This is open to women of the Craft in this region."

"The Pacific Circle, an informal eathering for pagan folk, will be held June 19-21, 1981, at the chilao Campgrounds in the Angeles National Forest. Sothistar and other groups from the L.A. area are sponsoring the gathering. There will be a Midsummer Rite, a Moon Rite, and possibly other surprises! The site... wooded, mountain area... privacy... hidden waterfall. The Pacific Circle, Box 9513, No. Hollywood, Calif. 91609."

Publications

"We are running a contest for best poems and best articles in Pegasus between now and Summer Solstice. There will be sur-prise prizes for 1st ? Ind in both cate-gories." Pegasus Express 433 W. Chew Ave. Phila. Pa. 19120

The first issue of "Children of the Earth" is out, i what pleasure. At last, we see a newsletter devoted to the "joys and hassles of raising (or being) Bagan children. It's alkeady fun to read, has a neat puzzle, toys easy to make, a place to find pen pals; etc. There are growing numbers of children whose parents have reclaimed religions of the Earth. I hope all connect witch this: "Children of the Earth" rft 2 Box' 305 Philippi W. Va. 26416

"Parana" is a quarterly journal for the Parane + Wilcons of Mensa. We hope there are many. This is the rebirth of the "Lunar Priestess" + "Robin Hood's Barn", + it is nice to see! They also offer an "Open Form Lurgy open) + seek contributoes. Subs. available for non-Mensa Pagana Valerie Voigt, Ed. 4130 Piper Dr. #5 San Jose, Cal. 95117

### Merchandise

Acorn sent us a new brochner of their wares. A most interesting company - Run by Jon Symon, who conreates a foregre fore the magicial tools he creates. Also available are demoired, hand-bound books (Rare Knowledge, as some are worked of the Knights of Dorset, Q.B.R.). Jend Jon a S.A.S.E. Request his brochnere. Be patient, as he doid all the work by hand, i we musn't rush so fine a creaternan... Acorn Dept. V.C.O.C. Box 4141 STN D Hamilton, Ont. Canada

From November 4 the hostages were held 444 days. Numerology, anyone?

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#### Dear Readership,

Here I sit, with pen in hoof, and Yule memories dance in my head... An amazing time of the Earth, with nearly two weeks of partying following Solstice.

Cassidy and Paul went out and carried home the Yule tree ... floor to ceiling in the music room, with lights and trinkets, and wonderfully magickal ornaments. At the stroke of Solstice, a wondrous tree blessing ritual was underway, with magick raised in the temple and taken in and given to the tree. Unicorns, amulets, baubles, ribbons... a most Pagan tree!

Did you know that the Solstice marked one year's cycle for Cassidy and Paul? They met at Yule, and this year were blessed. Lots of cards came to the Rowan Tree, and as most of them were Unicards, I assumed they were mine... but we all shared, and Paul put the cards up in the temple.

How did you like the Unicorn dreams we sent out? Weren't they a treat? Special thanks to Alex, who addressed all the envelopes for this issue. Alex is one of our fine Pagan neighbors, and also dashing and handsome. As you read this, send him magick sparkles so we can thank him for his help.

This issue begins a new series of articles. With the conjunct of this winter, the Council of Elders became aware of his widespread the effects of Jupiter Saturn Libra are, for nearly all of Earth has felt this influence. The archives were consulted, and within many rooms of dusty volumes of hand-scribed books, certain ones were sought. In history, we know that the Fellowship of Unicorns is descended from the Ancient Ones, and it was always said they had recorded their predictions within many of the passages of the Ancient Chronicles of the Wizened Elders of the Fellowship of Unicorns.

So, we talked, and Nimroy (who is looking for a human home in a coastal area) offered the final tabulation of the last unicensus, which indicates a delightful increase in unicorns. This was seen by the Council as indicating a sign of magick upon the Earth, more than at previous times of change.

Thus, a very rare decision was voted - and Paul has been granted access to some of the Ancient Chronicles of the Wizened Elders of the Fellowship of Unicorns, and has spent long days and nights working out the translations. I must add that I have been very helpful. It is hoped that these e excerpts will be of help in understanding the energies of this cusp, so that over the 300 years of the change from Pisces to Aquarius the Mysteries will be passed and not lost.

The "Unicorn Chronicles" will begin with this issue, and will continue in the next, and so forth until all of the texts are translated. The Council is hopeful that the "Chronicles" will be widely read, and to aid in their desire, we encourage you to share them with your friends, Should those of you who wish to include these translations in your own publications, permission is given. Please mention the source, and please let us know. Thanks, on behalf of the Council of Elders. As soon as I'm done helping Paul and Cassidy with this issue, I'm off, and will be travelling coast to coast. Anyone want a large, blue visitor? Love, Andrius

I was glad to see a wee photo of a bonnie Griffin in your newsletter, protecting a wee unicorn colt. You seem we are not such grouches after akk, Just serious, stern, that is all. We dina like too much foolin' around, [as do] unicorns and centaurs. (like Andrius and Bjorn). I dina know Nebo, but he sounds like my kind of griffin. A screech and a griffin cheer to him. I dina know who's br-right to make a unicorn but it was varo' silly indeed. But now that he us here we must take care of him. But, creatures of the astral plane dina like to be copies on the earthly plain by mere humans. Even Bjorn agrees with me on that.

Resolutely yours, Eaenfu Griffin

#### The Unicorn Rambles

Toby (The Rowan Tree's Cat) sends thanks to Gary for the catnip mouse. Toby had a wonderful journey to see Airyathny and Mewfus ... Andrius almost got real accordian music for Yule, but Harry and Mickey voted it down ... Andrius said to tell McCrillis it isn't the mistletoe that gets him high ... waved to Chris as he flew south of here on his holiday trip East ... Photos of three Goddesses; Mother and two maidens from Unicorn Haven. Special kisses to Laureli (where is Margie?) ... Marion Weinstein writes that Positive Magic will soon be back in print! ... Ahote and Kiwani sent us sweet dreams for Yule - and they were! ... Blessings to Leesa, as she runs an herb seeking mission for us as she spends time in England ... Andius loves Bree ... Kisses to the Coven of the Universal Star (see you this summer) ... Unikisses to Anne Brennan ... Sandi P. Texas - your card drew raves ... Maud - all the wishes you sent have come true - deepest thanks ... Hello's to the family of the Blue Feather ... Best Blessings to Candra and her lovely partnership ... Blessed Be to Danae, to Claude, to Scott, to the Flanigans, to Charlene, to Paul ... Francille, we still haven't enough snowflakes ... Rich Mueller sent a hand drawn Unicorn Dragon Yule card. It was super ... The funniest thing happened to Gordon Melton on his way to a lecture ... Squeezes to Belle and Eunice ... Stan and Brenda - hello! That was a beautiful card ... Joyce sent the only gnome card ... Special hugs to Nasho, Thor, Niki, Kienan, Gwye, Gyldan, Cyne, Gwernach, Caerau, Tyril, Liu Shien, Kofar, Grwha, Raskohouk, Baldr, Melange, Prav, Wagan, Sotah, Hektor, Samantha, Pepperbox and Hit stuff. Hope everyone is well spelled ... Oh Rick, I have a memory crammed full of Virgo detail and I apologize ... Special thanks to Otter for the book The Living Unicorn, though I've barely been able to get it away from Andrius, he has much curiosity about your Lancelot ... Who sent us poetry from Philadelphia with a letter? We can't publish it without written permission of the poets ... Looking forward to a visit from Ellen's friend Gnorman. Wonder if he'll join us in a Snow Dance? ... Blessings to Cheri for her new home ... Who was the mysterious Ribbon Man in MpIs?

#### Brighid

The earth lies cold and still, But fires burn In the depths of night: Star-fire in the sky, Moon-fire sparkling On the icy lake. Soon dawn will kindle Brighter fire Across the land. Look within: I burn there always, A flame in mind and soul.

- Noel-Anne Brennan

#### The Unicorn Cronicles

#### Decree ixmoiix

And it came to pass that the degree was signed, in honour of the Crystal Lady. The realm of Earth would take the dance of the zodiac, to encircle her with honour, growth and love, and each era would be a different song of praise, a new set of principles to be learned. That each era would be free of the previous, the cusp was set in threes, that the Passing of the Mysteries would take the children through a series of changes, creating challenges to they would do the necessary learning, let go of the past and embrace the new order of the future. As seen by the Crystal Lady, it would be a means of taking through initiation the planet, rather than the individual residents.

With the Passing of the Mysteries, it was agreed that the signs of change should be kept sacred, and would be shown as an omen in the skies, so that the Mysteries would unfold their secrets to the stargazers; to the priests and priestesses of those who turned their eyes toward the universe. And the great clock of the Sun God was set to motion, that those who tell time by the passage would know the cusp, and arrive to guide the children safely through the changes, for children grow to fright easily, and many would forget the Mysteries, and lose the visions of their Divinity.

#### Decree iii Aquarius Pluto Leo ixi

And it came to pass that the decree was signed, that the Wise Ones would know whence the return should begin; for the ancient prophets had foretold of the coming of the Earth of the great generation arising on the planet. A generation born out of times of strife; a generation the magnitude of which had never before risen, and of such proportion it would but unlikely to ever again manifest.

Such would be the times of the passing era that many would be called upon to incarnate to assist the Passing of the Mysteries, and the numbers of this generation would long leave their mark upon time. So many would there be, that social order would give way to accommodate them, and their very numbers would cause faulty systems to crumble, that the past would cease in honour.

The sign was chosen to indicate the New Era, but was not to be the sign itself. Rather, the sign would carry a star, the power of which was so deep that the star would be visible but to spiritual eyes. Thus it would move through the path needed to balance the new age, which carries within the seed of its polarity.

At the signing those of the Elders who could see such things made prophecies of this future sign. And it was foreseen that though knowledge of the star's being would foreshadow its passage into the sign opposite that of the New Era but by thrice the Lady's number of years, its motion into Leo would coincide with the onset of a brief but devastating period of global strife

upon planet Earth, and the appearance of this generation would only be noticed as its numbers began to emerge.

And it was foreseen that this generation of changers would seek answers within the Mysteries, and would attempt to radiate their wisdom outward, yet their notice would be less of their spiritual being than for the magnitude of their social impact.

And it was foreseen that this would be the generation upon whom the condition of the midpoint of cusp responsibility fell, for those born of the Leonine Star would set ready the omen of the midpoint, when the star of the Deep would, itself, enter the sign of the New Era. And at this prophecy, many offered blessings to those who would choose incarnation in that passage, for it would indeed be mighty work.

And it was foreseen that this generation would carry the seeds of the mysteries, and would engender the children of the New Religions, but that even they themselves need beware the illusions of that which had gone before.

It was foreseen by the Master Elder that this New Era would contain more of the Mysteries of the Deep Star than had the Earth generations for their previous passings. A general wish was manifest that it would exist in wisdom and joy.

Editor's note: Analysis of these excerpts of the the Chronicles indicates need for careful interpretation of the text. Correspondences can be measured against our ephemera, and dates plotted on the Common Era calendar:

1939 pluto moves into Leo. Although Pluto entered Leoas early as 1937 initially, it moved retrograde within two months back into Cancer. It next entered Leo in August, 1938, but again retrograded into Cancer. In june of 1939, Pluto entered Leo, there to remain until Oct 1956 when it made its first contact with Virgo

1930 Pluto was discovered after a quarter if a century of tracking the skies for its positioning. A correlation of this date with the year of Pluto's establishment in Leo might be made, for the "Lady's number of years" is three, and "thrice" would be nine.

1947 is a arbitrary year, a midpoint between 1939 and 1956. Which must be near the crest of the 'baby boom'; the generation of Pluto is Leo surely fits the descriptions in the text which refer to the size and influence of this "great generation arising on the planet"

2040 The midpoint of the cusp of the Aquarian Age. We estimate Pluto will enter Aquarius itself within a few years of 2040, although the ephemeral tables for those years are not available. We are, many of us, likely to experience that transit, and it will indicate the passing of our generation.

The passage of Pluto into Leo marked the beginning of World War II, and surely this is the strife we are born into.

Conclusions: An indication that we, as a generation, may well hold the keys to a more gentle process of moving into the Age of Aquarius.

#### Decree xi Saturn Jupiter iv Libra ii

And it was foreseen that a sign would be give the generation of the New Era, and that it would give cause to their purpose. A sign that would contain duality, and set the path for the Passing

of the Mysteries by indicating the need to server the past and to seek out the opportunity of moving forward.

And it was freely discussed by those of the Council of the effects of this sign, for it was to be preparatory for the moving into the second stage of the cusp, and this sign would appear thrice the Lady's number before that turning time, when, within the time of one lunar cycle many planets would pass the sign of Avatar, to plant the seeds of the Era which would follow this, Thus would its intensity be measured.

It was seen that the stars would be in the sign of balance, that the relationship of each self to all things around would be affected. That this sign would affect even the personal lives of nearly all beings upon planet Earth. That each of the generation would become more ready to do the work, this sign would cause a time of lesson and trial, so that each would be more free to embrace the future. And those who could look ahead said that it would feel to many as a winter of discontent, but as the sickle passed, they would look back at the change and perceive its learning with joy.

And it was seen that this sign would indicate the beginning of this generation's move into being a new class of Earth citizen unto themselves. And it would signal a time when those who would be called upon to assist the Passing of the Mysteries would beginning to come into their own. The times of this sign would be seen in the beginning as great difficulty. At the onset the Dark Woman would appear to have take her sickle and cut off the promise of the future. This would the sign of balance cause enture countries and their governing forces to shift to the past, to the ways of the Old Era. But it was to be but one of the last illusions of the time, for in truth the lesson of this sign was to show the path of the true balance, less the generation of the New Era forget that much of the Old would still be of value.

The more intense star of the duality was that of the sickle, and many would experience its cutting edge, and draw back, and feel the necessity of endurance, and the lesson would be patience, so that only that which had strength would endure. And it was seen that the restrictions imposed by death's blade would give the knowledge of responsibility to the generation.

And those who learned patience, and who found the wisdom in balance, in mediation, in discipline (born of enduring) would come unto their own, and grow into prominence, and be able to take over the reins of power from the leaders of the Old Era.

And it was seen that the changing would be in some localities with trust and love and the Mysteries could be passed down into the Earth in love and joy. And it was seen that in some localities the old would cling, and fight and shed blood in its desire to survive beyond its time; but that this could be avoided if a song of love were to be sung throughout the globe. And it was seen that among the new would be some of unwise ambition and power who would seek to plunder and destroy the old, but that these , too, could be changed by the song. It was at this conjunct of stars that change would be brought, to alert the Earth of dangers, and

that the old was slipping into memory.

(cont'd next issues)

Editor's notes: In November Jupiter and Saturn began moving through Libra to their powerful New Year's Eve conjunct. The effects of this conjunct are seen in each of our relationships, in

Reagan's election, and on a global scale. The conclusion of the translation of the excerpt discussing this current transit will conclude in the next issue of the Unicorn.

Ribbons for Peace - Hostage Release

Unicorn (for Lee the butterfly)

Hoove prints in the snow -Unicorn tracks! Frozen hard Into sheer glazed patterns Of rainbow ice As though he dances Casting circles with his feet. How the moonlight must Have silvered his mane; Spun his shadow over the roof top. How his breath must have Hung in mid-air Frosting where it escaped In magickal puffs like a conjuror's smoke I can only imagine what I, Unworthy Can not see, Still he came so close -So near His golden horn a beacon For my dreams In sleep in stroke his Noble neck In darkness he unfastens My heart's reins A holy beast to bear up each earthly sin And make me free and light As a child again -Thalassa (Star) The circle is full The air is high With our crazy laughter Who cares what Tomorrow brings Or the days that Tumble after Round and round The spiral dance

Round and round The wheel of chance That circles the fire The arowing bloom The lifelong song To the silver moon For through this night We are born again Into a spell that witches spin Through the Sabbat bright We go with magick light With magick light With magick light... (and flow ever In perfect trust In perfect love What lies below Is fund above) Prairie Jackson -

#### Books

Entropy by Jeremy Rifkin pub. Viking hardcover \$10.95

I am fortunate to have read Entropy by Jeremy Rifkin. Many, if not most, of us already view the next 15 years as particularly crucial in seeing the Earth pass into a New Era, in which life can experience joyful continuity. I hear our community of New Age thinkers expound the need for change within the bureaucracy, within energy consumption, within religion, and so forth. Too few New Age people, however are capable of shaking the Establishment enough to make audible sound. Hopefully, Entropy will aid this work.

The Entropy Law is the second law of thermodynamics. It should lead to a total change in energy use, it should lead to a treasuring of the Earth as rare and precious. The first law of E=MC<sup>2</sup>; and the second has been ignored.

Entropy is written to change world views, those of the consumer, the politician, the economist, the corporate people. I wish that each and every government official was to read and understand Rifkin's book. I would feel more secure in the future.

I should like to share with your some of the wonderful gems I found:

"...the traditional Christian approach to nature has been a major contributing factor to ecological destruction. The overemphasis on other worldliness has led to disregard and even exploitation of the physical world." pages 235-236

"We moderns take pride in the fact that we only have to work 40 hours a week and that we can take off two or more weeks each year for vacation. Most hunter-gatherer societies would find such conditions intolerable. The fact is, contemporary hunter-gatherers work no more that twelve to twenty hours per week, and for weeks and months each year they do no work at all. Instead, their time is filled with leisure pursuits including games, sporting events, art, music, dance, ceremonies, and visiting with neighbors..." page 11

Indeed! Rifkin carefully looks at our technological society and shows how so much (nearly all?) of it uses far more energy than the value we get in return. He not only shows well the problems, but I whole-heartedly support the solutions he puts forth.

Primarily, he calls for a complete change in the world view, and predicts that coming crises will force this to happen, yet time is of the utmost concern.

I am please to see this type of book... for too long, those who foresaw doom with the current ecological political policies continuing were dismissed as either traitorous or crackpots. In truth, the true lovers of the Earth are those willing to speak out; those willing to let go of a dying system and learn to survive in conservation and preservation with this beautiful planet. I believe in the Earth. I love Her I live in faith that we will move into a New Era, although I realistically believe it will be very difficult. Rifkin's book gives me courage Please, see that it is widely read. Rev. Paul V. Beyerl

"Those we receive faerie graces must not talk of them, for faerie etiquette demands secrecy." The Faeries Pop-up book is a children's version of the adult artbook, Faeries. It is complete with having a hollow hill that raises on pillars, castles in the air and a Leprechaun spinning on his cap. The book is published by Harry N. Abrams, Inc., for \$8.00, and is an enchanting book that will give young children hours of enjoyment. They may even be encouraged to be more observant of the things around them. Well worth the few dollars..." K. Weed

#### Contacts

There are some Pagan folk knowledgeable of Pagan ways up here in the north country. I will soon be organizing a study group and discussion group. There is much to learn and a few who can teach so it anone you know or hear of would like to be informed of these great ways to learn of Gods of old, please give them my address. Oh, yes, anyone, please anyone out here in the great northwest who is a musician please let us know. A Pagan band is forming. Kalindra RoseStar 306 NW 62nd Seattle, Wa 98107

Now that I'm settled and about to embark on a new era of life, I would like to start by beginning with a home blessing. Do you have any simple solitary rituals for this purpose? My new address is: K. Tadlock Windy Hill Tr. Ct. #16 Judy Dr. Williamsburg, Va. 23185

#### The Rowan Tree

Herbal Shamanism

March 14-15 will have two days of experiential learning in the realms of the Shaman. We will take you into the paths of spiritual herbcraft, look at plant auras, and explore the mysteries of herblore.

Saturday, March 14 we will meet from 10:00 am to noon, and 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm, with an evening ritual experience beginning at 8:00 pm. On Sunday we will meet from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm with lunch break.

The cost is \$25.00, which includes herbs. We can provide sleeping accomodations for those from out of town and welcome all.

Please preregister.

Response to our catalogue has been pleasing. We offer herbs by mail, and many who live in rural areas without a local herb shop have been happy with our (usually) quick service. This past season has had more requests for astrological services (we offer cassette taped interpretations of your natal chart, so that it all makes sense) and the comments are excellent. If you haven't yet seen our catalogue, send a S.A.S.E. to The Rowan Tree

#### Happenings

"The Second Annual Celebration of Summer. Sponsored by NEXUS, will be held June 19-21, 1981 at the East Texas NEXUS Retreat. Gathering in will begin Friday afternoon, and the retreat will close the following the Solstice Rite on Sunday, June 21, 1981. If you are interested in attending, or in conducting a workshop on Saturday, please contact Garth or Phoenix, NEXUS Central, P.O. Box 45061, Dallas, Texas 75245 .... A pastoral area ... a circle created by Nature for our worship ... camping only .. accomodations within a fairly short distance .. Blessed Be."

"A first annual Women's Ritual will be held on March 6, 1981, a Friday evening at the Covenstead of Thirteen Moons, co-sponsored by Thirteen Moons and Circle of the Unicorn. Those interested in attending, please contact Cassandra Mikosz, 1106 Ontario, Garland, Tx. 75040. This is open to women of the Craft in this region."

"The Pacific Circle, an informal gathering for Pagan folk, will be held June 19-21, 1981, at the Chilao Campgrounds in the Angeles National Forest. Southstar and other groups from the L.A. area are sponsoring the gathering. There will be a Midsummer Rite, a Moon Rite, and possibly other surprises! The site... wooded, mountain area ... privacy ... hidden waterfall. The Pacific Circle, Box 9513, No. Hollywood, Calif. 91609."

#### Publications

"We are running a contest for best poems and best articles in Pegasus between now and Summer Solstice. There will be surprise prizes for 1st and 2nd in both categories. Pegasus Express 433 W. Chew Ave. Phila. Pa. 19120

THe first issue of "Children of the Earth" is out, and what pleasure. At last we see a newsletter devoted to the "joys and hassles of raising (or being) Pagan children. It's already fun to read, has a neat puzzle, toys easy to make, a place to find pen pals; etc. There are growing numbers of children whose parents have reclaimed religions of the Earth. I hope all connect with this: "Children of the Earth" Rt. 2 Box 305 Philippi W.Va. 26416

"Pagana" is a quarterly journal for the Pagans and Wiccans of Mensa. We hope there are many. This is the rebirth of the "Lunar Priestess" and "Robin Hood's Barn", and it is nice to see! They also offer an "Open Forum (very open) and seek contributors. Subs. available for non-Mensa. Pagana Valerie Voigt, Ed. 4130 Piper Dr.#5 San Jose, Cal. 95117 Merchandise

"Acorn" sent us a new brochure of their wares. A most interesting company - run by Jon Symon, who operates a forge for the magickal tools he creates. Also, available are grimoires, handbound books (rare knowledge as some are works of the Knights of Dorset, O.B.R.). Send Jon a S.A.S.E. and request his brochure. Be patient as he does all the work by hand and we mustn't rush so fine a craftsman...

Acorn Dept. V.C.O.C. Box 4141 STN D Hamilton, Ont. Canada

From November 4 the hostages were held 444 days. Numerology, anyone?

The Unicorn began Yule 1977, and is a newsletter dedicated to sharing the good news of our Craft and Pagan friends. It is a Rowan Tree publication, with eight issues to coincide with the Sabbats.

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I wish to remain secrecy I am interested in making contact with others You may mention my name in The Unicorn You may give my address, also I love Unicorns and nice Pagans \$10.00 US Currency outside of U.S. and Canada

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The Unicorn Provides These Extra Pages to aid communication between Gay and Lesbian Pagans

"I See Your Image" Now as the waves of sleep Roll over my mind I see your image beckoning Me to your side We slip into the glade To dance and sing with The Goddess and her fairies Her consort playing His pipes to some vaguely Familiar tune that starts Tugging at our feet We dance and sing Laugh and play The Goddess smiles Hearts beating **Bodies meeting** We tumble to the ground In a passionate embrace That starts the universe Spinning and weaving Cosmic colors whirl Twirl and swirl around Our sweating melting bodies In rhythm of hoof beats and Musical laughter Your breasts are full and lush Your mouth is wet and inviting I feel myself slither And slide over your entire being My mouth finds your clitoris And i feel you shiver with delight I feel the Goddess rising within My body and my soul I feel the Horned One also Fill my being I am aware of the beginning of Something greater than ourselves I enjoy you like no one ever could You take and give every pleasure As I feel happy and content there

Becomes and definite buzz in my ear I wake realizing that once again we were Astral lovers and not reality Or was it?

- The Lady and the Dragon, Unlimited (for the Southern Woman)

Fairy Moon Retreat May 15-17

With a few reservations already received, The Rowan Tree will definitely sponsor th retreat, although the word "Gathering" is more applicable...

We will begin with a Friday evening Fairy Circle, with the Ritual led by Paul and Cassidy of the Rowan Tree.

Saturday's program will meet at Lake Nokomis, in a large space in the Community Center overlooking the lake. It is a beautiful location, and is within the public view, but will do us well. This is the opportunity for any to present workshops, music, etc. If you wish to have some event scheduled, we will allow 45 minute programs in the Center and there's a lot of space in the area for spontaneous, unscheduled events. If we get it together, the kitchen may have lunch, for a nominal (as cheap as possible) fee. Volunteers?

Sunday's activities will be held at the Mississippi River - a potluck picnic and a Fairy Circle held at a sacred circle which has been in use for quite a few years.

The gathering will be different than the Hallows Retreat - a number of local men are offering sleeping space, and we will not include meals. If we can, we can put you in touch with someone local. This enables us to have more men and more fun - remember! Some of our activities will be on public space, so keep those together.

Projected fee is \$25.00; pre-registration (please) is \$10.00 of the fee. More details in the upcoming issues. Sounds like Belle, Chris Sherbak, Ray Nelson are coming.

Have you seen the latest R.F.D.? Excellent articles by Ray Nelson, on Pan-Pagan; R.F.D. is becoming an all-out super journal. The new issue will please you.

Waking You are not the man in my dream Bullnecked and calfeyed Voice like veal, some recipe To speak an appetite You have your own hunger.

Even half awake you reach for me Insistent, drawing me back To your hands. It is not simple: This bed strewn with scraps Of light, fine linen of skin, Your shoulders back, warmth Across my chest I know as your arm ... Daily we work these pieces Into a world, a quilt, Our patterns passed down for centuries Starcrossed Doublecross Crown of thorns. Here is where we began Are beginning again This bed where we kiss With our eyes open.

- Jerah Box 12118 Seattle, Wa. 98102

"Blessed be the sharing of love in any form - it is thus we find the many facets of the diamond." This quote of love was on a contact list of gay pagans we received from Ted Byers, 144 Halifax Ave So, #22, Daytona Beach, Flor., 32018. Send along something to cover copying and postage (it's one page - but will grow!)

Review: Fairie Directory, begun August 1980 at the Spiritual Gathering of Radical Fairies. Available through: Aro (Fairy Scribe) Box 472 Fairfax, Cal. 94930 We suggest a donation of \$3-\$5.00 in ordering one. Why would you even want one? Because its adding names (They'd even add yours...) and it's a creative and fun directory of gay pagans, feried, New Age faggots and all sorts of addresses and phone numbers Very impressive, for much work and love has gone into compiling editing layout, etc. and it should prove to be very much a milestone in the development of gay spirituality. What is hoped for is a "Faerie Communications Network" which we hope many will support and contribute love and magick to.

Tapes of workshops which were held at the 1980 Spiritual Gathering for Radical Fairies are being (inexpensively) by Raven's Head. Topics include ritual, poetry readings, music, and workshops of interest. Send a S.A.S.E. out to receive the list and a catalogue of other tapes: Raven's Head Communications P.O. Box 11472 San Francisco, Cal. 94101

In Honor of Bridgid Oh beautiful Bridgid, Queen of fairies favoring all Who revel in her glory. At Beltane you bring your Fruits to bear You are the most blessed of beings You are full and lovely You are ready to bear your children You carry lust in your breast You carry love in your heart. Show us how to best serve you As you and your lover unite to bring Us our newest child of your love. Goddess of lust full us Goddess of love show us Let our lust and love equal yours For our sisters and brothers And our lovers Help us to celebrate your flowering To womynhood. As your will so mote it be!

- THe Lady and the Dragon, Unlim.

"What I like so much about the Pagan Goddesses and Gods is they were not and are not so hung up about sex as we are. They understood its uses for procreation and recreation and it did not make any difference to them whether you were straight or gay. Because, there is proof that in all Pagan religions there was a great deal of bisexuality and some outright gayness."

- Gary of Dallas

Should we continue articles on sex magick? Do you prefer same sex; ungendered practices; or solitary? Will need feedback before we resume the articles! Let us know!

Bright Candlemas kisses from Cassidy!