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The Rowan Tree Church Annual Report for 1993-1994

Hallows, 1994

The beginning of our New Year

Dear Members,

The Rowan Tree Church's Board of Directors has completed a most intense and interesting year. If we were one of the mother's gardens, we would have seen patterns of unusual weather move through. Three of the six Directors on the voting Board when this year began have moved on to other gardens. One took her first trip to Europe with her partner where they were married. We extend congratulations to Jami Shoemaker, who provided the Church with many years of service and is now focused upon the construction of her home, marriage and new spiritual endeavors. Another moved to Iowa where she has successfully published her first book (a copy sent a gift for our library) on runes, and is pursuing a successful relationship with her partner and with rural farmland. We thank Tina Houk for her work on the BOD as Scribe. And one is finishing her last year in Los Angeles in preparation for a move to the San Francisco area this coming summer. Deirdré remains close with us through the Pallas Society (now the Educational Society for Pagans) and we thank her for her work as BOD Secretary. When Jami took leave, I returned to the position of President, a post I have held through most of our Church's history.

The Mystery School has also seen a year of changes. We entered this year with Rev. Paul, Thomas Berkham and Rev. Don Schaper as The College of Mentors. Don Schaper subsequently resigned from the Church, having differences of opinion which were unable to be resolved. The effects of this were like an earthquake and The Mystery School was shaken up. It was a time of sadness with our friend taking leave yet there is much for which we give thanks. One of our Initiates will take the Yoking Ritual this coming year, a most significant public declaration of intent to all Church Members as an indication that Ordination into our clergyhood is nearing.

The new endeavor was The Mystery School's production of a series of new books, all spiral-bound with clear, plastic covers. For the first time in our history, we have many of our Tradition's rituals available to the general Membership, with the intent that all Members be able to participate more actively in The Tradition of Lothloriën. In addition to The Ritual of Lothloriën, rituals for rites of passage include those of baby blessing, handfasting and death. A book describing our Tradition's Sabbat customs and the mythic Sabbat rituals for Yule, Candlemas and Eostara are available to Members. The Child of Light Ritual and other books basic to our Tradition complete our initial offering. All books have received exceptional reviews for both content and presentation. The binding is done by hand and is a labour of love.

Newly in print for Hallows is A Wiccan Reader, an anthology of works by Mystery School students. Few books on the market include a similar variety of wonderful fiction, allowing the reader to explore fantasy worlds and exciting stories which provide subtle lore regarding Magick (ritual tools, the four elements, etc.). The anthology contains poetry and well-written prose. This is the first time that works by Mystery School students are being offered to the larger public, although some works have traditionally appeared in The Unicorn. We are honoured to have many participants, both current and former students, offering their writing in support of The Mystery School and its goals.

During the same time, other 'species' in the gardens of The Rowan Tree have undergone major transplanting. The founder and current President of the Board (with your Secretary) are now back in Kirkland, Washington, establishing the Church's central office where the publishing programs, library and many of the archives are managed. This is also the administrative center, handles the bookkeeping (in addition to the primary mailing of

brochures and pamphlets); and manages The Mystery School. Two months after Rev. Paul and Gerry Beyerl completed their move, the Board's Treasurer accepted a position and made a career move, also to the State of Washington. Derek Van Spoor is also the editor of the RTNews. It is to the credit of the Board of Directors that the management of the Church continued uninterrupted despite any shifting of the weather or transplanting of our herbes.

Major projects included the work to create a new flyer and new pamphlet. With all of the new publications provided by The Mystery School and the new, beautiful notepaper designed by Dianne Lorden, a new flyer was much needed. The initial prototype was designed by Don Schaper, to whom we extend our appreciation.

We have many goals for the coming year. One of them is to make changes in the way in which our Church makes itself known through ads run in pagan publications. We completed the legal work for recognition in the State of Washington; will be evaluated to see if we have 'passed' our first five year probationary period with the IRS; and are investigating the process to seek recognition as a legal entity in Canada.

Most important, however, is that the entire Board of Directors is committed to developing new ways in which to involve our entire Membership, to help each of you find ways in which to learn more about Lothloriën and to integrate our Tradition into your life. For us to be successful, each of you must reach out to us as well. Members are invited to participate in BOD meetings (all done by mail); to write me with any questions; to become volunteers in service to Lothloriën through the Galadhrim; to become involved.

As we begin this year, we will begin sending the RTNews to all Members each month. Although designed as a 'thank you' for supporting Members (those who help us survive financially), our hope is that by including all Members, you will find it in your hearts and budgets to keep us going. We cannot guarantee our ability to do this, particularly with last year's deficit. Please take the time and look at the Church's finances. We are much more than a free newsletter. We are a *Church*. We maintain three publications, computers, bookkeeping; file reports with the government; mail out thousands of dollars in fun things to read. It takes real money to pay our bills and help from each of you.

As we turn the Wheel yet again, we are looking at this Hallows as the celebration of our 15th Anniversary. It was just about Hallows, 1979, that the name and concept of 'The Rowan Tree Church' were first developed. As we begin another year, the Land of Lothloriën is fertile. Our Rowan Tree is growing, some branches may be pruned. There is much you can do to join with us in the magical gardens of Lothloriën.

Rev. Paul V. Beyerl
Founder
Eldermentor of The Mystery School
President, Board of Directors

This past year has been filled with great change for the Rowan Tree Church. Several members of the Board of Directors have relocated and, as a result, the central office and the Rowan Tree News now have new homes. In addition, we have seen some new faces on the Board of Directors as departing members see their lives following a path outside the Rowan Tree Church.

With the purchase of a new computer and the relocation of the Church's library, we are not in the best shape financially. However, with the new books by Rev. Paul and the Mystery School, hopefully, the Member interest and growth will be on the rise in the coming year. The Church has also begun to take steps to incorporate in Canada, which will provide legal status; this is exciting, as this is where I live and, in time, I believe the church will be well-received.

When I began the office of Vice-President a year ago, it was decided that another director would handle mailing sample packets and welcome letters to those living in the US; this was for

financial differences between our two countries. John Schuh is to be commended for his work this past year. Presently, I do handle the welcome packets for Canada. The response has been slow but will increase, I am sure, with incorporation and more aggressive advertising, which is a priority of mine for the coming year.

The Rowan Tree Church has much to offer Pagan communities in terms of education and fellowship and I urge everyone to make use of the resources and people we offer. Blessings for Hallows and the coming year,

Ron Weroski, Vice President
525 St. Lawrence St. #210
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Greetings! It is that time of year again that I bestow all the bad (and sometimes, hopefully good) news of this past year's finances. To get right down to the numbers, we are beginning our year with a balance of a *negative* \$585.63. We began this year with a negative balance of just over a hundred dollars, and when you're a non-profit organization, it is difficult to return from that without something drastic happening.

We had a total income of \$1,657.44 with expenses of \$2,243.07.

\$1,477.38 of that income came from Member Donations. Thank you all!

The Mystery School is operated with a separate budget, with an extra boost from the increased book sales and the release of new publications by Rev. Paul and the Mystery School. By the way, according to my records, the highest selling book was the new Painless Astrology by Rev. Paul, followed by the new Holy Books and our old favorites, A Wiccan Bardo and The Master Book of Herbalism. The ritual publications also did well, but I expected better.

(Hint, hint - get a copy of those rituals while they are available, they are both beautiful and useful, wonderfully bound for easy reference during ritual work, some written by Rev. Paul and also by some of your future clergy. Please check them out. Enough of my sales pitch, back to the report.)

Our highest expenses, again as expected with the Membership and Board of Directors scattered about the country, were postage and printing costs. Even with the current deficit, I am excited going into the new year, believing things are going to be even better. Keep up the donations and check out the new publications!

Blessings and Love,

Derek VanSpor, BOD Treasurer

I assumed the office of Secretary in March, 1994. At that time, with the help of the President of the Board of Directors, I up-dated the Membership list. I make monthly copies of the current Membership roster and have instituted a system of reminder letters to those Members who have not sent in forms for 2 or 3 consecutive months. I also send thank you letters to Members who do send in monthly forms, with an extra 'hug' thrown in for those who are contributing to the Church's budget. In each month's Board of Directors response, I list the number of members who have sent in forms for that month, specifically tallying any Members who had been absent three months and have sent in a renewal as well as the number of new members.

Monthly lists are sent to the Editor of the Rowan Tree News naming those Members who have contributed to the Church's budget and therefore receive that month's issue of the RTNews. Complete membership lists are sent to the Editor of the Quarterly, so that all Members may receive the Quarterly. A Membership list was sent to the Coordinator of this year's Annual Retreat, so that all Members had the opportunity to participate in this well-developed event.

I look forward to hearing from all Members in the coming year. *All mail is answered.*

Blessed Be,

gerry Beyerl, Secretary

The Rowan Tree News

I must say as I entered my third year as editor this past May, that this has had to have been the best year thus far for contributions and reader involvement. Rev. Paul and Gerry Beyerl have been extremely helpful with creating a few continuing articles (i.e., the Tarot, Stone Circles, Herb of the Month) along with a regular stream of miscellaneous articles. Other readers have been regular contributors as well and I am beginning to now receive a flow of articles, as the year closes, from those within the RTC's Prisoner Outreach Program, sponsored by the Galadhrim. Congratulations and Thank You! I wish to see the RTNews grow over the next year, both in contributions, financially and articles, and in the readership level. I believe that as the readership and its involvement with any periodical grows, so does the level of quality and enjoyment of that publication. Hint, hint. If you have any questions or comments for the newsletter and/or its editor, feel free to contact me. Blessings and Love,

Derek VanSpoor
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The Unicorn

The Unicorn continues to be stable in subscriptions. There have been changes in the format as the publishing was switched to a more flexible program. The Unicorn has been published through desktop computer publishing for quite a few years. With the Hallows '94 issue, it enters its 18th year. Consideration has been given to observing the 20th anniversary with a 'major' contest, one which would offer as much as \$200.00 in cash and prizes (e.g. books, services). The tenth anniversary issue was successful and it is believed that the twentieth could do considerable good in promoting The Unicorn. As near as can be determined, The Unicorn is the longest-running pagan publication and deserves honor for this achievement. If you don't know who Andrius is, he is like our 'astral mascot.' Andrius does exist, a large, blue Unicorn, within the astral. Andrius and The Unicorn encourage all of you to subscribe to The Unicorn and join our circle of readers.

Rev. Paul

The Littlest Unicorn

In publication since 1985, The Littlest Unicorn is now under editorship of Randy Kellar. For parents and children, we are moving into a new forum of open dialogue within the Community. It enjoys regular contributors and a new environmental column for children. Presently, the circulation is approximately 25 to 30 subscribers. Many of you have ideas regarding the education and entertainment of children whose parents are Wiccan. We invite you to share your ideas. Try a sample issue of The Littlest Unicorn or, better yet, go ahead and subscribe for yourself or as a gift.

Randy Kellar
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The Galadhrim

The Galadhrim Society of Unicorns is now coming into its fourth year of existence. Functioning to serve and support the Rowan Tree Church, there are presently four ministries available to Church Members: The Prisoner Outreach Program (P.O.P.), The Child of Light Healing Rituals, and sponsorship of the Rowan Tree Church's Annual Retreat. The fourth is our

newest service to our Church. It is the Lay-minister, Lay-minstrel program which offers training to Rowan Tree folk to serve and create local communities through ritual, discussion and leadership at a non-clergy level.

Can you join the Galadhrim? Oh, yes. We are fun people and always looking for people who wish to provide ministry and service to our Church. We are making changes so you can join more easily. The Induction Ritual which brings new Members in the Society was formerly held at the Annual Retreat and is under revision. Members-in-waiting will now be joining through simultaneous ritual transcribed to tape.

Ron Weroski

Lay-minister and Lay-minstrel Program

To allow Church Members to be more involved in the regular activities of the Church, a new program of ministry has been developed. This is called the Lay-minister Lay-minstrel Program; it is a program separate from the studies necessary to become an ordained Clergy-person in the Church. Any Member may participate in this program. The program is being administered through the service organization of The Rowan Tree Church, the Galadhrim, with assistance from the College of Mentors of the Mystery School.

To participate, a Member must submit a letter of interest to the Galadhrim. At that time, a list of the requirements for this certification would be sent to the Member. Follow-up correspondence includes more information on completion of the requirements. Finally, an adjudication of the completion of requirements and abilities of the Candidate is held. One who passes the adjudication is granted a one-year Certificate; to continue to hold this position of Lay-minister or Lay-minstrel, yearly renewal is required.

Input for the requirements has come from Members of the Galadhrim and Members of the College of Mentors. Some of the requirements include Monthly Forms being sent on time, ability to organize and perform some of the Rituals of the Church, writing an article about the Church's history for the RTNews and willingness to be in charge of a Sunday Circle group at least once per quarter.

At this time, one person has already applied for this certification. We are looking forward to the completion of his adjudication and the certification of the Church's first Lay-minister. Blessed Be,

gerry Beyerl

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Prisoner Outreach Program

The Prisoner Outreach Program sponsors ten prisoners, sending them copies of the Welcome Packet, the RTNews and maintaining correspondence with them. During the past year the desire by inmates to belong to our Church has exceeded expectations and the Prisoner Outreach Program is full. We have been forced to start a waiting list and there are currently eight prisoners who are waiting to join the Rowan Tree Church. One of our goals for the new year will be to find one or more Church Members willing to handle initial contacts and requests for Membership. Another goal will be to try and increase participation of prison Members in Church activities. I have also added a back page to the issue of the Rowan Tree News containing information that is of special interest to Pagan prisoners. If you are able to provide any help, even correspondence with just one person, don't hesitate in letting me know.

Lizard Frank

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The Annual Retreat 1994

This year saw a change in the way the Annual Retreat of The Rowan Tree Church was held. Due to changes in the Church and availability of leaders, it was decided to make this year's Retreat a solitaire affair. Organized by Gwaihir, this year allowed people to participate as much as they desired or were able no matter where they lived. Gwaihir sent a schedule of events for Members who wished to participate in simultaneous Ritual, suggested 'free-time' activities and meditations, and a crystal which had been blessed in the Mothervalley.

Each day included a meditation or reading of part of the Child of Light Ritual, which the Galadhrim also use for their regular monthly healing ritual. There were suggestions for exploring the area where one lived to see how to become more involved with the protection and nurturing of the Earth. For Lammas Eve, there was also a recipe for Lammas 'Bread' which turned out very nicely. It was even reported that one person made a whole batch and had it all during the Ritual Feast! (Maybe someone who had been fasting for a while?)

The favorable reactions to this change in the way the Church holds its Retreat indicate that this may be a way to allow more Members to 'participate' when they are not able to afford to travel to a central location. We are very excited about the past year's Retreat and looking for one or two people to help the Galadhrim sponsor a similar approach for the coming, Eleventh Annual Retreat. Send your inquiries to gerry Beyerl at the Kirkland address.

Tape Library

As we begin the new year, the tape library has a new mistress. Whether or not you have a desire to subscribe to the library service and check out tapes for your listening and education (for information write to Rev. Paul), the tape librarian is she who can turn on your ears to the Sunday Circle discussions. It's easy. Send a 90 minute cassette (either new or used) to me and I'll erase it and make a copy of the most recent Sunday Circle. After listening to it, you can send your tape back again for the next recorded discussion. Although help with the cost of mailing and for the maintenance of the equipment is needed, it is more important that you can join with other Members in listening to the Sunday Circles. Join in with us and Blessed Be!

Tricia Youngquist
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Subscription Library

The subscription library is undergoing its first major change since I established it in Minneapolis. The nonfiction has been relocated to the Church's new central office in Kirkland. At present about 20% of the books are housed on new shelving. The remaining books are safely stored in a dry, locked storage locker awaiting the construction of additional space at The Hermit's Grove which will lead to an additional one and a half rooms for Church work, more than adequate for substantial growth in the library. The fiction library has yet to be shipped to Kirkland but this is expected to take place in the near future.

Plans for the library include creating a new organization by category which will lead to a new catalog. This should be well underway by the end of the coming fiscal year. Members are encouraged to take advantage of the library as a resource for many titles and subject areas including books not in print or which one may wish to borrow through the library for nominal fees far cheaper than the purchase of texts for a single research project. Requests for books or information on library use should be sent directly to the Church's central office in Kirkland, Washington.

Rev. Paul Beyerl

**Lothloriën
&
The Rowan Tree Church's
1994-95 Wheel of the Year**

November

31 October, 1994 ce

Hallows Eve
Ritual begins 8:30 p.m. local time
The Hallowmas Ritual of Lothloriën
[This ritual is published and available.]

1 November, 1994 ce

The beginning of our religious year

3 November, 1994 ce

New Scorpio Moon¹
Ritual begins 7:30 p.m. local time
The Ritual of Lothloriën² with herbe basil
astronomical time: 8:35 a.m. EST

6 November, 1994 ce

Sunday Circle³ with Rev. Paul & gerry Beyerl

17 November, 1994 ce

Full Taurus Moon
Ritual begins 8:00 p.m. local time
Ritual of Lothloriën using herbe lovage⁴
astronomical time: 10:57 p.m. PST

December

2 December, 1994 ce

New Sagittarius Moon
Ritual begins 7:00 p.m. local time
The Ritual of Lothloriën with herbe sage
astronomical time: 4:54 p.m. MST

4 December, 1994 ce

Sunday Circle with Rev. Paul & gerry Beyerl

17 December, 1994 ce

Full Gemini Moon
Ritual begins 6:00 p.m. local time PDT & MST
[CST & EST may prefer 7:00 p.m.]⁵
The Ritual of Lothloriën with herbe elfwort
astronomical time: 6:17 p.m. PST

20 December, 1994 ce

Yule Eve
Ritual begins 8:00 p.m. local time
"How The Little Unicorn Saw the Birth
of the Sun Child"⁶
Winter begins Wed. at 8:23 p.m. CDT

January

1 January, 1995 ce

New Capricorn Moon
Ritual begins 8:00 a.m. local time⁷
The Ritual of Lothloriën with herbe comfrey
astronomical time: 5:56 a.m. EST
Also Sunday Circle at the Beyerls'

15 January, 1995 ce

Full Cancer Moon
Ritual begins 8:00 p.m. local time
The Ritual of Lothloriën with herbe hyssop
astronomical time: 12:26 p.m. on Monday

30 January, 1995 ce

New Aquarius Moon
Ritual begins 7:30 p.m. local time
The Ritual of Lothloriën with star anise⁸
astronomical time: 5:48 p.m. EST

February

1 February, 1995 ce

Candlemas Eve
Ritual begins 8:00 p.m. local time
A Festival of Light & Regeneration⁹

5 February, 1995 ce

Sunday Circle - Evergreen Community¹⁰

14 February, 1995 ce

Full Leo Moon
Ritual begins 8:00 p.m. local time¹¹
The Ritual of Lothloriën with herbe angelica
astronomical time: 4:15 a.m. Wed. PST

March

1 March, 1995 ce

New Pisces Moon
Ritual Begins 1:00 p.m. local time¹²
The Ritual of Lothloriën with herbe willow
astronomical time: 5:48 p.m. CST

5 March, 1995 ce

Evergreen Community's Sunday Circle

16 March, 1995 ce

Full Virgo Moon
Ritual begins 4:00 p.m.¹³
The Ritual of Lothloriën with herbe lavender
astronomical time: 6:26 p.m. MST

19 March, 1995 ce

Eostara Eve
Ritual begins 8:00 p.m.
The Eostara Ritual of Lothloriën¹⁴
Sun enters Aries Monday 6:15 p.m. PST

30 March, 1995 ce

New Aries Moon
Ritual begins 7:30 p.m. local time
The Ritual of Lothloriën with blessed thistle
astronomical time: 8:09 p.m. CST

April

2 April, 1995 ce

Evergreen Community's Sunday Circle
[Daylight Savings Time in the U.S. begins]

14 April, 1995 ce

Full Libra Moon
Ritual begins 8:00 p.m. local time
The Ritual of Lothloriën with verbena
Sun/Moon opposition Sat. 7:08 a.m. CDT

29 April, 1995 ce

New Taurus Moon
Ritual begins 7:00 p.m. local time
The Ritual of Lothloriën with herbe lovage
astronomical time: 1:36 p.m. EDT

30 April, 1995 ce

Beltane Eve
May Eve ritual begins 7:00 p.m. local time
The Ritual of Lothloriën¹⁵

May

7 May, 1995 ce

Evergreen Community's Sunday Circle

13/14 May, 1995 ce

Full Scorpio Moon
Ritual begins 8:00 p.m. (on the eve)
The Ritual of Lothloriën with herbe sage
Traditionally: a tarot reading for the year.
astr. time: Sunday 1:48 p.m. PDT¹⁶

29 May, 1995 ce

New Gemini Moon
Ritual begins 8:00 p.m.
The Ritual of Lothloriën with elfwort
astronomical time: 5:27 a.m. EDT

June

4 June, 1995 ce

Evergreen Community's Sunday Circle

12 June, 1995 ce

Full Sagittarius Moon
Ritual begins 8:00 p.m. local time
The Ritual of Lothloriën with herbe sage
astronomical time: 10:04 p.m. MDT

20 June, 1995 ce

Midsummer's Eve
Ritual begins 8:00 p.m. local time
The Deva Ritual of Lothloriën
Summer begins tomorrow: 3:34 p.m. CDT

27 June, 1995 ce

New Cancer Moon
Ritual begins 8:30 p.m. local time
The Ritual of Lothloriën with hyssop
astronomical time: 8:50 p.m. EDT

July

2 July, 1995 ce

Sunday Circle in Kirkland

11 July, 1995 ce

Full Capricorn Moon
Ritual begins 8:00 p.m. local time
The Ritual of Lothloriën with herbe comfrey
astronomical time: Wed. 3:49 a.m. PDT

27 July, 1995 ce

New Leo Moon
Ritual begins 9:00 a.m. local time¹⁷
The Ritual of Lothloriën with herbe angelica

&
Opening Ritual for
The Eleventh Annual Retreat
Ritual begins 7:00 p.m. local time

28 July, 1995 ce

Annual Retreat¹⁸

29 July, 1995 ce

Annual Retreat

30 July, 1995 ce

Annual Retreat
Sunday Circle in Kirkland with guests
Closing Ritual begins 3:30 p.m. local time

31 July, 1995 ce

Lammas Eve
Harvest Ritual begins 8:00 p.m. local time¹⁹
The Ritual of Lothloriën

August

6 August, 1995 ce

Sunday Circle: Evergreen Community

9 August, 1995 ce

Full Aquarius Moon
Ritual begins 8:30 p.m. local time
The Ritual of Lothloriën with star anise
A Reading of the Names²⁰
astronomical time: 12:16 p.m. MDT Thurs.

26 August, 1995 ce

New Virgo Moon
Ritual begins 9:00 a.m. local time
The Ritual of Lothloriën with herbe lavender
astronomical time: 12:31 a.m.

September

3 September, 1995 ce
Sunday Circle with Rev. Paul in Kirkland

8 September, 1995 ce
Full Pisces Moon
Ritual begins 7:30 p.m. local time
The Ritual of Lothloriën with herbe willow
astronomical time: 8:37 p.m. PDT

22 September, 1995 ce
Autumn Eve
Ritual begins 7:30 p.m. local time
The Ritual of Lothloriën
Installation of the Board of Directors

24 September, 1995 ce
New Libra Moon
Ritual begins 2:30 p.m. local time
The Ritual of Lothloriën with verbena
astronomical time: 12:55 p.m. EDT

October

1 October, 1995 ce
Evergreen Community's Sunday Circle

7/8 October, 1995 ce
Full Aries Moon
Ritual begins 8:00 p.m. local time
The Ritual of Lothloriën with blessed thistle
Ritual scheduled for Sat. eve
astronomical time: 11:52 a.m. EST Sunday²¹

24 October, 1995 ce
New Scorpio Moon
Ritual begins 7:30 p.m.
The Ritual of Lothloriën with basil
astronomical time: 12:36 a.m. EDT

29 October, 1995 ce
Daylight Savings Time ends in U.S.

31 October, 1995 ce
Hallows Eve
Ritual begins 8:30 p.m. local time
The Halloween Ritual of Lothloriën²²

1. The Sun & Moon are together in Scorpio
2. Copies of The Ritual of Lothloriën are available.

3. Taped copies are available

4. The herbe may be used in the ritual drink, ritual bath, incense or in any way.

5. If you cannot work at the scheduled Full Moon time, please work *earlier* than the exact (astronomical) time. That way the energy will still be waxing (growing more powerful).

6. Published with illustrations.

7. For this date if possible, the earlier in the morning, the more powerful the natural Magick

8. One of the very few herbes *not* grown at The Hermit's Grove.

9. This ritual has been published and is available.

10. The western part of the State of Washington

11. Valentine's may affect your schedulin. Work as early as Monday evening or late as midnight on Valentine's. What Magick for the holiday!

12. If not this afternoon, this evening is best.

13. Note the astronomical time. The Moon is Full EST at 8:26 p.m. Folks there could begin as late as 7:30 p.m. Central Time Members could begin as late as 6:30 p.m., Mountain at 5:30 p.m...

14. Published for Members (only). \$7.00 (\$2 s/h)

15. Not available at this time. Check "The Wheel of the Year" for customs to use with The Ritual of Lothloriën.

16. Some may prefer the astronomical time, which is more powerful. Mystery School students will work simultaneously beginning at 2:30 p.m. CDT

17. You may need to adjust your ritual time. Begin any time *after* 12:13 p.m. EDT on the 27th.

18. Church Members will receive a full Retreat Schedule. The Retreat is for everyone, whether solitary or with others.

19. Please check "The Wheel of the Year" for customs to integrate into The Ritual of Lothloriën.

20. At the Aquarian Full Moon we traditionally read all Members' names. If you have any friends or family whose names you would like to be read to the great Mother as we ask for Her blessing and protection, please send them to Rev. Paul in Kirkland. They *must* arrive on the 9th *at the latest*.

21. *Some may prefer working Sunday morning during the last hour of Her waxing.*

22. *Published and available for Members*

Rowan Tree Church Expenses

November 1, 1993-October 31, 1994

Income

Member Donations	1,477.38
Sample Packages	171.50
miscellaneous	8.56

Total Income:	\$1,657.44

Expenses

advertising	-135.00
postage & box rent	-943.17
printing	-392.91
equipment purchase, repair	-303.81
office supplies	-181.75
telephone expense	-141.78
bank and legal fees	-90.00
miscellaneous	-54.65

	-\$2,243.07

Balance at End of Year - \$585.63

We finish this year with a painful deficit (you should hear our checkbook cry in anguish!). Note: Printing and postage include flyers, pamphlets sent to all Members and to anyone inquiring about our Church; Welcome Packets to new Members; Sample Packets ordered by mail; BOD papers and misc. printing plus the RTNews & Quarterly.

The Unicorn

Income

Member subscriptions	90.00
Nonmember subscriptions	275.00
Sample copies, sample packets & misc.	195.89
Total Income	\$560.89

Expense

Printing	-214.07
postage	-202.24
office supplies & misc.	-128.61
last year's balance	-2.91
Total Expenses	-\$547.83
balance at end of year	\$13.06

The Littlest Unicorn

Income

Subscriptions	65.50
Samples, etc.	213.82
Total Income:	279.32

Expenses

Printing	-53.39
Postage	-77.25
Other expenses	-24.19
Total Expenses:	-154.83
Balance at end of year	\$124.49

The Mystery School and Libraries

Income

Student tuition	1,902.29
Donations from Church Members	278.92
Purchase of rituals & publications	481.55
The Master Book of Herbalism	239.45
A Wiccan Bardo	288.60
Painless Astrology	344.00
The Holy Books of the Devas	250.00
Private gift	300.00
Nonmemb Donations/sample pkg %	427.74
Total Income	\$4,512.55

Expenses

Postage & shipping	-1,153.44
Purchase of books for sale	-983.01
Office supplies	-630.72
Computer equip & mtce	-543.84
Telephone expense	-479.57
Printing	-413.25
Miscellaneous	-227.95
Total Expense	-\$4,431.78
Balance at End of Year	\$80.77

Printing and postage expenses are substantial for The Mystery School. All libraries are Mystery School property and these figures represent combined figures. With students spread over many miles and with the costs of binding equipment, covers and printing for ritual books; the printing of study materials for students; and the costs of communication, The Mystery School operates with a far larger budget than does the Church's General Budget.

1993-94 bookkeeping records submitted to you by your General Manager and bookkeeper, Rev. Paul Beyerl, audited by Derek Van Spoor, Treasurer.