



January Newsletter

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Important January Dates

(All times are CST)

January 1 - New Year's Day

Gratitude Jar

Begin the year with an empty jar, a pen and little slips of paper. Remind yourself to be grateful for something at least once a day. Try to remember to write your "gratitude" on one of the slips of paper and put it in the jar. On New Year's Eve 2016, read all of your "gratitudes."

Gratitude Stone

Find a small stone that you can place in your purse or pocket. It doesn't matter which kind of stone but only that the stone is pleasing to you. Keep it with you and when you encounter it during the day, let it remind you to be grateful for the many wonderful things in your life.

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January 5, 7:06 am to January 25, 3:30 pm - Mercury Retrograde

Mercury retrograde begins with Mercury square Mars from Jan 5 – 10. Mars, strong in Scorpio and very militant, can override whatever Mercury represents. For example; protesters at press conferences, forest fires blocking roads or overheated engines. Actually, any travel early in this retrograde could well be typically problematic. Just give yourself plenty of time. Maybe there is traffic due to those pesky protesters. Impatience and road rage could be rife at this time.

After Jan 11 however, Mercury will trine Jupiter and the North Node which will be a beautifully creative time even if Mercury is technically hot due to its proximity to the Sun. It will be a great time for artists and writers to showcase their work. This brings hope and blessings from the ancestors, so make sure you tap into their inspirational well from Jan 11th to 16th. This can also feel extremely healing. Any water therapy is great at this time. Swim in the ocean if you can or go to a spa.

January 9, 7:31 pm - New Moon

This new moon in Capricorn is a fitting way to start since we'll be 9 days into a New Year and focused on New Year goals. Which sign rules our goals? Capricorn, of course! So this new moon really helps us to focus on our plans for the year, and try to be practical about what we're capable of. We're also focused on our direction, wanting to be on the right path, and what we want to achieve and attempt.

Our goals are affected by Mercury retrograde which rules doing things over again, so starting brand new goals may not be wise right now. Instead, give yourself a second chance with a goal. That's the best way to make use of this new moon. Find the house location in your chart for this new moon, and get ideas of what you can try over again.

Capricorn also rules our governments and politicians, so they can be in the spotlight (for good or bad is anyone's guess!).

January 18 - Martin Luther King Jr Day (observed)

"Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter."

~ Martin Luther King Jr

January 25, 5:12 am - Full Moon

The Wolf Moon

January is called the Wolf Moon because it marks the deepest part of winter when many prey animals die of cold and hunger, thus making good hunting for the wolves. Wolf energy deals in universal thought, planning and teamwork. The alpha wolf leads the hunts. The beta supports the alpha's decisions. Other wolves come in from the

sides. The omega is the pack's peacemaker. By taking different roles, they make the pack stronger.

For this ritual you will need a recording of wolves howling, and at least five wolf images. These can be figurines, photos, or whatever else you have. Place the wolves in a circle on your altar and play the howls. Invoke the spirit of Wolf for support. Think of what qualities you have that are like a leader, a follower, and a peacemaker. Focus the energy of the Full Moon to empower these, your inner wolves.

Afterwards, turn off the recording, give thanks to the moon and the spirit of Wolf. Distribute the wolf images around your home, like a pack scouting through the winter woods, so that you may see them and be inspired as you go through your day.

~ Elizabeth Barrette in Llewellyn's 2016 Witches' Datebook -

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Book of Shadows eBook - Regular Price - \$4.99, Sale Price - \$3.99
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Herb of the Month

Cedar - Fire/Sun; Gender - Masculine; Parts Used - The whole Herb; Magickal Properties - Longevity, Protection, Longevity; Uses - The spirits of the Cedar are said to be both powerful and persistent. Cedar boxes are ideal for storing amethyst and sapphire.

Hung in the home it will protect against lightning. A cedar stick carved into three prongs and set in the ground prongs up will protect the home against all evil. Juniper can be used in place of cedar. Cedar is water and decay resistant, and repels insects and moths, hence its historical use for coffins.

Cedar chips used in rituals or burnt attract money, and are also used in purification and healing. It is a symbol of power and longevity. Cedar can also be added to love sachets and can be burned to induce psychic powers.

Cedar is used for a purifying fumigation and to cure the tendency toward having bad dreams. Some Native Americans use twigs of cedar, smoldering of made into incense, to heal head colds and on hot rocks in sweat lodges for purification.

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Stone of the Month

Snowflake Obsidian - Snowflake Obsidian is an interesting blend of grounding energies and "reaching for the stars." It is a constant reminder that there is no Light without darkness. As a result, this stone is a strong stimulant for the Spiritual Energy Body. While your feet are firmly planted, it allows you to expand your imagination, stimulate your intuitive senses and connect with what is available to you in the current moment. In the Now!

At the same time, there is a strong connection to earth and root energies. So in terms of supporting being grounded, centered and instilling a sense of balance, this crystal can be an ideal ally. However, the ways this particular crystals relates to negative or shadow energies feels completely different than its contemporaries. Rather than absorbing as a way to clear them, Snowflake Obsidian basically honors or ignores them. It treats those energies as if they are a natural part of our environment, not something to be rid of. It honors that the brightest lights shine in from the contrast of the dark.

Through this unique blend of spiritual and physical energies, this crystal helps you to see the bright spots in any situation. This is not a "Polly-Anna" positive spin. Instead, think of this as bringing a balanced view. Similarly, it assists in lifting self-sabotaging thoughts and helps you connect with resourceful and empowering choices, options and the direction that is most aligned to you.

Because Snowflake Obsidian supports you in connecting with your intuitive senses and activates the imagination, it supports seeing your world more clearly, including a more

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profound awareness of the synchronicity and seemingly coincidental events that are aligning to support you.

Rune of the Month

Isa (I: Ice.) – A challenge or frustration; Psychological blocks to thought or activity, including grievances; Standstill, or a time to turn inward and wait for what is to come, or to seek clarity. This rune reinforces runes around it. Isa Merkstave (Isa cannot be reversed, but may lie in opposition): Ego-mania, dullness, blindness, dissipation; Treachery, illusion, deceit, betrayal, guile, stealth, ambush, plots.

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Tarot Card of the Month

The Wheel of Fortune - The Wheel of Fortune is a sign of fates spinning 'round and 'round bringing in a new era. It represents the randomness of life and what comes at you. Positively associated with destiny, movement, vision, good luck, new cycle, and synchronicity. Negatively associated with obstacles, temporary bad luck, and unpleasant surprises.

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Correspondence of the Month

Planetary Influences

Sun – power magick, health, prosperity, exorcism

Moon – intuition, dreams, psychic ability, female fertility

Mars – courage, energy, breaking negativity, physical strength

Mercury – divination, communications, knowledge, wisdom

Jupiter – happiness, luck, wealth, healing, male fertility, legal matters

Venus – love, sexual matters, marriage, friendship

Saturn – psychic ability, meditation, defense, communicating with spirits

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Spell of the Month

Lavender Money Spell

A lucky money spell is made by placing in a conjure bag seven pieces of money, each different, such as a penny, nickel, dime, quarter, a half dollar, \$1.00 bill, and \$5.00 bill, all of which are sprinkled liberally with lavender.

Take the bag with you for seven days and your money should multiply seven times (this would give you \$41.46 above your original investment) or, in some instances if the gods are smiling in your direction, seven times seven! This would result in a tidy sum of \$338.50 and seems well worth attempting!

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