



## October Newsletter

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## **Important October Dates**

(All times are CDT)

### **October 8, 10:47 pm – New Moon**

Expect to feel more sensitive, sympathetic and comforting towards your loved ones. This new moon brings attention to the rights and conditions of women in nontraditional families, single women, working women and single parents.

The October 2018 new moon square Pluto adds drama and intensity. A health or relationships crisis may force a radical transformation. You may have to become ruthless in eliminating poison from your life. This is a good new moon for starting a new diet, exercise or detoxification regime.

The Libra new moon square Pluto will likely intensify existing problems. You may have to deal with extreme or controlling behavior, conflict and drama that forces to face your fears. Pluto may also complicate or deepen other Ceres and Neptune issues, especially relating to your health. A complete transformation may be needed to improve your health. This could include investigations to find the cause of symptoms and seeking help for mental and physical health problems.

This is a good new moon for starting a new diet or exercise program. Your body and mind may be due for a good detoxification. This is the right time to cut all things from your life that are unhealthy. This includes the common causes of illness like smoking, alcohol and sugar. Think about what you put into your body. Poisonous thoughts like revenge, jealousy and envy can make you ill and harm others. Bad habits and destructive behaviors can also be left behind now.

The October 2018 new moon may force a radical transformation because of a health or relationships crisis. However, it would be better to make the first move and get ruthless about removing toxic influences in your life, whether they be in your diet, your relationships or in your mind. Finally, if you are a parent or look after your own parents, take this opportunity to improve their health and well-being.

### **October 24, 11:45 am – Full Moon**

#### Garlic Moon

When the Full Moon rises in October, thoughts turn to demons and vampires and ghoulies and, of course, how to keep them at bay. Everyone knows garlic is the sure cure for anything paranormal that ails a person. It is a Mars herb but is also special to Hecate. Honor her in October by leaving a handful of garlic at a crossroad.

This silvery globe was once honored as much more than a monster deterrent. Egyptian workers expected to receive a ration of garlic while working on the pyramids. Roman soldiers consumed it to guarantee the blessings of Mars, patron god of Rome.

Pliny, the first-century Roman scholar, recorded that his peers believed garlic could cure over sixty diseases and disorders. Whether for use as food or medicine, gardeners set garlic cloves in well-amended soil in fall, where it matures over winter. In spring, it breaks forth with hollow straps or "scapes" of foliage that will eventually fade. When that happens in later summer or fall, the harvest is ready and the cycle begins again.

~ JD Hortwort in *Llewellyn's Witches' Datebook 2018*

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## **October 31– Samhain (Crossquarter November, 7)**

### Samhain

**Animals/Mythical Creatures** – bats, cats, dogs, pooka, goblin, medusa, beansidhe, harpies

**Gemstones** – black stones, jet, obsidian, onyx, carnelian

**Incense/Oil** – frankincense, basil, yarrow, lilac, camphor, clove, wood rose, wormwood, myrrh, patchouli, apple, heliotrope, mint, nutmeg, sage, ylang-ylang

**Colors/Candles** – black (ward off negativity), orange (good luck), indigo, homemade apple or mint scented herbal candles to light jack-o-lanterns or for altar candles

**Tools/Symbols/Decorations** – black altar cloth, Halloween items, jack o' lanterns, oak leaves, acorns, straw, balefire, besom, black cat, black crescent moon, cauldron, divination tools, grain, magic mirror, mask, bare branches, animal bones, hazelwood, pictures of ancestors

**Goddesses** – The Crone, Hecate (Greek), Cerridwen (Welsh-Scottish), Arianrhod (Welsh), Caillech (Irish-Scottish), Baba Yaga (Russian), Al-Ilat (Persian), Bast (Egyptian), Persephone (Greek), Hel (Norse), Kali (Hindu), all Death & Otherworld Goddesses

**Gods** – Horned Hunter (European), Cernnunos (Greco-Celtic), Osiris (Egyptian), Hades (Greek), Gwynn ap Nudd (British), Anubis (Egyptian), Coyote Brother (Native American), Loki (Norse), Dis (Roman), Arawn (Welsh), Sacrificial/Dying/Aging Gods, Death and Otherworld Gods

**Essence** – magick, plenty; knowledge, the night, death & rebirth, success, protection; rest, new beginning; ancestors; lifting of the veil, mundane laws in abeyance, return, change

**Dynamics/Meaning** – death & transformation, Wiccan new year, wisdom of The Crone, end of summer, honoring, thinning of the veil between worlds, death of the year, time outside of time, night of the Wild Hunt, begin new projects, end old projects

**Purpose** – honoring the dead, especially departed ancestors, knowing we will not be forgotten; clear knowledge of our path; guidance, protection, celebrating reincarnation

**Rituals/Magick** – honoring/consulting ancestors, releasing the old, power, understanding death and rebirth, entering the underworld, divination, dance of the dead, fire calling, past life recall

**Customs** – ancestor altar, costumes, divination, carving jack o' lanterns, spirit plate, the Feast of the Dead, feasting, paying debts, fairs, drying winter herbs, masks, bonfires, apple games, tricks, washing clothes

**Foods** – apple, pumpkin pie, pomegranate, pumpkin, squash, hazelnuts, corn, cranberry muffins, bread, ale, cider and herbal tea

**Herbs** – allspice, broom, comfrey, dandelion, deadly nightshade, mugwort, catnip, dittany of Crete, ferns, flax, fumitory, mandrake, mullein, dragon's blood, sage, straw, thistles, oak (leaf), wormwood (burn to protect from roving spirits)

**Element/Gender** – water/male

**Threshold** – midnight

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## Herb of the Month



**Goldenrod** – Air/Venus; Gender – Feminine; Parts Used – Leaves, flowers; Magickal Properties - Money, Divination; Uses - Held in the hand, flower nods in direction of hidden or lost objects; used in money spells.

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## Stone of the Month

**Moonstone** - Great for divination – many people keep a moonstone with their tarot cards for increased psychic ability. It is helpful in dieting and maintaining a youthful appearance. The moonstone is love drawing and helpful for reconciliation. Moonstone is a gently protective stone, and is extremely useful in protection while traveling by water.



## Rune of the Month



**Gebo** (G: Gift.) – Gifts, both in the sense of sacrifice and of generosity, indicating balance; All matters in relation to exchanges, including contracts, personal relationships and partnerships. Gebo Merkstave (Gebo cannot be reversed, but may lie in opposition): Greed, loneliness, dependence, over-sacrifice; Obligation, toll, privation, bribery.

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## Tarot Card of the Month

**Two of Cups** – When the Two of Cups Tarot card appears, things should be going well for you and life should be very harmonious. The Two of Cups is a very positive card. While it normally relates to unity and love in romantic relationships, it can signify harmony and mutual respect and appreciation in friendships and partnerships. This Minor Arcana card can also signify equality and balance when it appears in your tarot spread. As this is an attraction card, you may find you are popular or sought after in many areas on your life!



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## Correspondence of the Month

### Elements



**Earth** – Earth is the element that rules the north and that is most stable and dependable. It represents abundance, prosperity, and wealth, and is creative but in a practical, physical manner. Earth is that which sustains all life and on which the other elements rest. Types of magick: gardening, grounding, magnet, image, stone, tree, knot, binding. These types of spells should be performed when the moon is in one of the astrological signs governed by this element: Taurus, Virgo, Capricorn.

**Air** – The element of air rules the east and is associated with mental processes and the mind. It is creative and is that which causes magickal intentions to manifest. It is also associated with higher consciousness and wisdom, divination, and purification. Types of magick: divination, concentration, prophecy, visualization, wind magick, karma. These

types of spells should be performed when the moon is in one of the astrological signs governed by this element: Gemini, Libra, Aquarius.

**Fire** – The element of fire rules the south and is associated with change and passion. It is both physical and spiritual, being related to sexuality and to divinity. Fire magick is quickly manifested and filled with primal energy. Types of magick: candle, storm, time. These types of spells should be performed when the moon is in one of the astrological signs governed by this element: Aries, Leo, Sagittarius.

**Water** – The element of water rules the west and is associated with the subconscious mind, intuition, and emotions. As the primal substance of life, it is symbolized by the womb and is related to fertility. Types of magick: magick involving the sea, snow or ice, mirror, magnet, rain, cleansing and purification. These types of spells should be performed when the moon is in one of the astrological signs governed by this element: Cancer, Scorpio, Pisces.

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## **Spell of the Month**

### Spell to Contact Ancestors

Call out only to benevolent and loving ancestor spirits by saying:

"Blood of my blood, you spirits of love,  
Come from below and from above;  
Entities loving who wish me well,  
Come to this circle when I sound the bell."

Ring a bell three times and welcome the ancestors' spirits. Afterwards, ring the bell seven times to send them back through the portal so you can open your circle.



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