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Do what thou wilt shall be the whole of the Law.

Lodges, Chapters & Camps

FRATER BELARION CHAPTER
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We of BELARION are dedicated to the proposition of reclaiming the Valley of Zion & the surrounding mountains and desert as a power place for the Magick of Thelema. We are further dedicated to bringing the Law of Life, Love, Liberty, and Light into full focus in this place. The prophets of the local ruling class have said that in the 'latter days' this Valley would become the City of Babalon itself. We of BELARION intend to see this prophesy fulfilled. "All words are sacred and all prophets true..."

In the meantime we occupy ourselves with Gnostic Mass, workshops on Cabalah, and T'ai Chi. We are working on a production of The Rites of Eleusis to be performed in full drag on the appropriate dates between 4-13 & 5-13 of this year at various power places in the area. O.T.O. publications are being sold in the local bookstore, as well as BELARION's own edition of Liber AL in two sizes. Interested parties may order copies via the address above at the rate of \$2.00 for the pocket size & \$3.00 for the larger number.

Our numbers recently grew due to the arrival of several initiates from the Grand Lodge area. This last month we had the pleasure of hosting Brother Pat Dolan I^o of Babalon-Tharion. Brother Dolan is one of the original BELARION initiates from Camp days.

We thank him for his wisdom and light-hearted wit in sharing with us tales of Heru-Ra-Ha & the LA area.

O.T.O. initiates who are insanely curious as to how or why there could be a Chapter of our Holy Order in Salt Lake City are encouraged to communicate. I draw attention to the ZIP CODE printed above. This is our correct address. Our ZIP was printed wrong in the last issue of the Magickal Link.

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BROCKEN MOUNTAIN LODGE
178 Cosey Beach Avenue
East Haven, Ct. 06512

The Brocken Mountain Lodge has many monthly activities and it is suggested that anyone interested should write to the Lodge for the monthly calendar of events. There are lectures, slide shows, rituals and initiations scheduled and it is difficult in such a short space to write of such in detail.

The Spring Catalogue for the BROCKEN PUBLICATIONS is available on request by mailing 75¢ to the Lodge. All checks MUST be made payable to Roberta DiFronzo the B.M.Lodge Treasurer.

Enochian ritualistic Magick is still the primary concern and it represents a blend of many diverse ideas. Primarily the structure follows the 'Order of L..B..' of which the B.M.Lodge Master was once an initiate. A complete Temple, fully equipped with all Watchtowers & other implements has long been established within the Lodge.

Enochian chess is also taught to all who desire to learn. This method does not follow the G.D., but rather that established in the L..E.. and is used not only for divination but also for each individuals investigation of the Aethyrs.

An Enochian course is being prepared but at present there are no plans of distributing such outside the Brocken Mountain Lodge.

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The following is a brief run-down of recent and ongoing Lodge activities:

(1) INITIATIONS: Application may be made for 0° through IV° Initiation. Candidates are requested to write for information. Most recently, two Minerval Initiations occurred on Feb. 14. Anyone who has taken Initiation in Syracuse and who is not reporting to another Lodge is requested to write or report in person at least three times per year.

(2) LODGE REORGANIZATION: The emphasis of Lodge activities is shifting from a "social club" approach to one stressing individual initiative and discovery of the transpersonal traditions of the Order. A guild system is being instituted, based on the model developed by Heru Ra Ha Lodge. Two guilds are currently functioning: Drama and Publications.

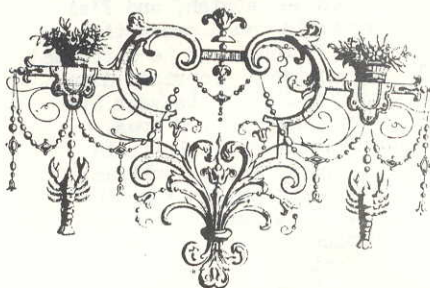
(3) CORRESPONDENCE: Reorganization of our Clerkhouse provides us the ability to respond promptly to letters from interested Thelemites. A priority is long distance Initiation arrangements.

(4) PUBLICATIONS: The long-awaited 6th issue of our journal, KAABA, is in preparation. It will contain the complete text of the Crowley essay on Atlantis (*Liber LI*). Pre-publication orders are being accepted at \$5 per copy. After publication the price will be higher. Projects for upcoming issues include the Paris Workings and the Diary of Leah Hirsig. Back issues #3, 4, & 5 are available at \$2 each.

(5) A possible visit by the Caliph is planned for later Spring.

(6) The Gnostic Catholic Church is active here. Write for information on presentations of the Gnostic Mass, and on plans for Baptisms, Ordinations, etc.

Love is the law, love under will.



THE KNIGHTS OF BAPHOMET

In response to the letters of inquiry about the Knights of Baphomet, this article is addressed. Two parts of the vow which the Knights take, defense of the Caliph's Honor and protection of the Secrets of the O. T. O., are self-evident. However, it has been written (and therefore assumed to be true?) that the age of chivalry is dead. If this is true, the principles of Chivalry are perhaps lost to us. It is to this part of the vow that we will discuss.

The knights of yore were first of all fighting men. They were that arm of the army upon which the success of the battle rested. The foot soldier and archer comprised the bulk of the army, but it was the knight who was most mobile, being mounted, and most armored. As such, he was the most feared of the combatants on the field. The knight also was the only armed man who actually trained for combat and devoted his life to battle. Off the field he had little use, save for the tournaments and jousts, again, the staged battle.

Our present day concept of knightly behaviour rests with the romantic courtly graces, the kissing of the ladies hand and such. This behaviour was common not only to the knight but also to all of the "nobility" or the pseudo-nobles. Therefore it is not proper to view this "courtly manner" as the sole attribute of the Knights of Baphomet regarding the exercise of chivalry. Not only is it not the exclusive "property" of knightly manner, but, today there are many a lovely lady which would take a dim view of the display of the chauvinistic treatment which graced the court. The Knights should display more than this, they should emulate their predecessors, the Knights Templar.

The Templars, while on the Crusades in the "Holy Land" were also exposed to the culture of the eastern mind. During the day they would fight to the death against the Saracan, then pasture their horses in the same fields as their enemy. Further, they would meet and discuss the previous battle, enjoy the hospitality of the enemy's camp, break

bread with them and even took part in the mystical secrets of the Sacacan.

This acceptance of the beliefs of the enemy found in the tapestry of the Templars is the particular type of chivalry the OKB will develop. "Every man and every woman is a star." (Liber Al 1:3). As the article in the last issue of the Magical Link pointed out, we have no right to force another person or to impose our will on another. It is of interest to notice the association of Zain (Sword) with Key 6 of the Tarot, coupled with our "battle cry" DO WHAT THOU WILT SHALL BE THE WHOLE OF THE LAW, and the corollary LOVE IS THE LAW, LOVE UNDER WILL. Could it be that this is the sword of the Knights?

Thelemites interested in the OKB are still encouraged to correspond with either Sir Rusty Sporer, 35023 Lido Blvd., Newark CA 94560



ISIS RESEARCH
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Care Sorcer et Frate. ISIS is an independant research project working through Thelemic-lunar currents. These researches currently are directed towards alchemy in general, Parsons Wicca-Thelemic-Sophia workings as both a research and publishing endeavor. Current research projects include:

1. Compiling material on the alchemical, magickal ritual aspects

of the Song of Songs as a lunar-solar transmutation ritual/mass.

2. Compiling and publishing material in regards to the workings of Fr. 2.1.0. - Belarion. In particular we have a limited edition of his; Manifesto of the

Anti-Christ at the printers.

We are publishing 418 heavy stock posters in two colors.

3. Compiling, researching and experimenting/experiencing alchemy in general. A local guild has been formed, with 10 people running a study group and practice workshops. We'd be pleased to keep in touch with others interested in the Royal Art.

Other projects are always in the works or on the back burner. Coorespondance is welcome.

NOTICE:

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The Grand Lodge Temple Kitty, Leilah is in the process of having Kittens at this writing. The Father is of her Choice this time and a unknown to the rest of us. So far there are 3 black kittens of undetermined sex. If you missed out on the first batch, now is the time to get your order. They will be ready for new homes after April 22nd. Call Beverly at 235-2460.

Member to Member..

Notice: Magician in South-Eastern PA. wishes to correspond with fellow Thaumaturgists in all occult fields. Write Danny Phillips c/o Magicka! Link

Mark A. Krubsack wants to communicate with persons interested in forming a Guild of Explorers of the Shadow and act as a clearinghouse of information dealing with individual experiments with the Tunnels of Set. This would include techniques used in invocation and evocation of such denizens contacted Also, included would be experiments with the Double Current as put forward by the likes of such organizations as the CINCINNATI JOURNAL OF CEREMONIAL MAGICK, the works of Lovecraft and the various Necronomicons in existance, and the theories of Kenneth Grant. Contact at P.O. Box 4341, Port Hueneme, CA 93043

Frater Ed Kirk c/o The New Age Center 2500 E. Curry Ford Rd., Orlando, FL., 32806.

I would like associate members in the Florida area to contact me with the idea of starting an encampment in the Florida Area. One hope would be to be able to arrange for the Caliph's visit to Florida so that initiations could be done, and a Chapter started.

Joe Shockley would like to hear from other Order Members. Write to P.O. Box 1418, Columbus, GA 31902

CHANGES IN THE ADDRESS AND ACTIVITY LIST OF BODIES OF O.T.O.:

Please note the following changes in the contact addresses. The list printed toward the back of this issue is inaccurate in five areas. We will be printing an up-dated list next issue:

LASTAL LODGE IS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

Frater BELARION CHAPTER is listed with the wrong zip-code, and the correct one is necessary. Use the address on the list, but the zip code is 84110, not the one cited on the list.

Hoor-Pa-Kraat Camp has a new address: P.O. Box 937, El Sobrante, CA 94803 U.S.A.

AIWASS CAMP is a new body: 35023 Lido Blve., Newark, CA 94560

To contact Wilfred Smith Chapter, use the address given, but write "Bill Breeze" above the p.o. box number.



Grand Lodge Report:

Thelema Lodge is the headquarters of Ordo Templi Orientis world-wide. If you need to communicate with the Caliph, the Grand Treasurer General or the Grand Secretary General, send your correspondence to the officer involved at:

Ordo Templi Orientis
P.O. Box 2303
Berkeley, CA 94702
U.S.A.

The Supreme Council of the Order (Board of Directors) is also reached through this address.

As usual, we have had a busy month there at Grand Lodge.

The first results of the "advisory billing" are in. This was actually the first audit-billing of personal accounts we have been able to perform at Grand Lodge. All told, there are more than 300 active accounts. Nearly \$2,800.00 in accounts receivable presently exist. The billing was started in January and has reached last names beginning with "N". No more recent audit of the accounts has been made, owing to time. About half of the accounts receivable have no known address. The better part of \$500.00 has been received already in payments. In some cases, as much as three years had gone by without dues being sent in. There has been apparent misunderstanding with regard to the obligation of annual payment of dues in a number of cases. Faults and errors in the bills have appeared in several areas. Most of these have been traced to report procedure errors at the local bodies. If you have received a billing for a debt you have paid, please notify the Grand Treasurer General of that fact. Include receipts and mention dates. Also contact your initiating body for confirmation of the payment. These

problems are most severe in New York State and in Utah. Other areas are less effected. Measures are being taken to insure against a repetition of these problems.

In most instances, it's just a lack of understanding in basic records keeping and reporting. This problem has been complicated by many changes in personnell, by over-work both in the locals and at Grand Lodge and, in a few officers no longer with us, in the area of refusal to record or follow the rules. These rules are made to protect the individual members against abuses of their rights. That has not always been understood.

It must also be said that on the whole the local officers of the initiating bodies have done a fine job. While learning the necessary skills and while being occupied with necessary personal business, some officers have had lapses. If you were caught in such a lapse, take heart. We will give the benefit of the doubt to the individual member every time our records are challenged with any sort of sensible argument. We will investigate to see if the problem can be avoided in the future, and to see if the point made has any basic merit, but we won't take sanctions unless there is no response or unless the response made is provably incorrect.

It's time to get some dialog on the subject of working off dues and the like. Many of our Brothers and Sisters are not in the strongest financial condition. This problem is usually not serious for Minerval or First Degree, because \$30.00 just isn't that much for a serious Thelemite to dig up over a year. When the middle and higher degrees are reached, the tab does go up. Some of us can't make the dues and the fees. There is no stigma to a person not having money. There must be a way to set up

a uniform method of working off the debt. The law of the land requires that such work must be agreed in advance on value in \$. The laws also require that the work must be monitored and reported as \$ income and \$ expense. O.T.O. has requirements on volunteer help and duties of officers — these can't count toward dues and fees. What can be counted, with that prior agreement, is work beyond duty. Because unskilled labor is involved, and because the Order must have actual funds for general operations, definite values must be set in accord with public value in the market-place for similar work. I suggest for general work, an equivalent of \$3.00 per hour. For piece-work, two single-spaced low-error pages of typed work to be equal to \$3.00. Other piece-work, such as collation and fabrication to be assessed at commercial equivalent value. In normal cases, only one-year's debts, plus past debts should be handled this way. Perhaps we could also set a standard of income for qualification for this manner of payment, with different levels for different sizes of debt. It should be possible for any member in good standing to advance to the point of IXth Degree no matter what the level of personal wealth, or hardship in finances. Let's have some reactions to this set of proposals. This is urgent, some of our people are at the point of dropping out just because of low income. We can't have that! If you have problems, yourself, don't indulge in slavish false pride or arrogant self-delusion. Do something about it! Get a job when you can, but don't let pride or embarrassment cut you off from your Brothers and Sisters. Speak up on solutions now!

If you need work done, and expect to pay for it, consider your Brothers and Sisters for the job. Do not hire O.T.O. members out of pity, but if they are ready, willing and able to do

what you want to pay for anyway. If the member can't do the job, but demands a job anyway, tell him or her the truth. Be careful, but be open to the idea.

The Order needs the bread, but there must not be a cutting off of those who don't have it. If you need to use a work-it-out deal, please consider adding some free time too. That will make up for the free time someone volunteered to make it possible for you to work your way through.

The election of directors for the Supreme Council is a week away at this writing. The Council will probably have to limit activity to minor business and urgent stuff until mid April, when the final results of the election are in. All IXth Degree Members have an obligation to participate at least by proxy if not in person. This only happens every other year, and it is vital to be in on it.

No action yet on the Ghost-Story final papers. The present offer will be discussed at the member's meeting, and a poll taken as to the wishes of the members present, both IXth and all others.

Don't forget the Thelemic Holy-days in April.

IMPORTANT NOTICES:

Things have changed a bit since the contact page facing this one was printed last month. We will have a new one next issue.

LASTAL LODGE has closed for the time being. The body was slated to be closed for possible re-designation as a middle-degree facility. In the mean-time, the Master of the Lodge has resigned from the Order. We recognize his Thelemic right. We accord best wishes for a fruitful fulfillment of Will. In New York City, contact TAHUTI.

OTHER ADDRESS CHANGES ON PAGE 4.
FOR BELARION CHAPTER, HOOR-PA-
KRAAT CAMP AND AIWASS CAMP,

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CONTACT ADDRESSES OF OFFICIAL LODGES, CHAPTERS & CAMPS:

This list is incomplete in one respect; a number of bodies have been certificated for activity at some indefinite time in the future. Such bodies are not always included in this list.

Grand Lodge: Θελεμα (Thelema) Lodge, P.O. Box 2303, Berkeley, CA 94702
U.S.A. Phones: 415-841-4833 — residence
415-548-8964 — temple
415-454-5176 — messages (24hours)

The meetings are usually conducted at the temple
at 2822 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley, California.

Lodges: Ra Hoor Khuit Lodge, P.O. Box 6018, Teall Ave. Station
Syracuse, NY 13217 U.S.A.

Tahuti Lodge, 585 W. 214th St., Apt. 6D, New York,
NY, 10034, U.S.A.

LASTAL Lodge, Ordo Templi Orientis, P.O. Box 357,
Bowling Green, New York, NY 10004 U.S.A.

Brocken Mountain Lodge, 178 Cosey Beach Ave. East Haven,
Conn. 06512 U.S.A.

Heru-Ra-Ha Lodge, P.O. Box 3111, New Port Beach,
California 92663 U.S.A.

418 Lodge, P.O. Box 2043, Dublin, CA 94566 U.S.A.

Chapters: Babalon-Therion Chapter, 15121 Casimer, Gardena,
CA, 90200, U.S.A.

Frater Belarion Chapter, c/o P.O. Box 1641,
Salt Lake City, UT 84111, USA

Jane Wolfe Chapter, 10431 92 St., Edmonton, Alberta,
T5H 1T6 CANADA

Wilfred Smith Chapter, P.O. Box 1167, Pointe-Claire Postal Station,
Pointe-Claire, Quebec, H9S 4R6 CANADA

Nuit-Urania Chapter, c/o O.T.O. Grand Lodge, P.O. Box 2303
Berkeley, CA 94702 (Near San Francisco) USA.

Ankh-F-N-Khonsu Chapter, 709 E. 14th St. S., MPLS, Minn.
55404, USA

Camps: ABRAHADABRA Encampment, 156 Camarillo Ave., Apt A,
Oxnard, CA 93030 USA
Camp A.O. Spare, P.O. Box 1418 Columbus, GA 31903

Camps: Ko Yuen, Perdurabo and Sappho can be reached through
Brocken Mountain Lodge.

Camps: Hell Fire and Fenris can be reached through Tahuti Lodge

DeMolay Encampment, P.O. Box 10877, Glendale, CA 91209 USA

Hoor-Pa-Kraat Camp, P.O. Box 5457, Berkeley, CA 94705 USA

Other bodies are in formation. Two or Three of the above bodies may be undergoing reorganization soon. European contacts available in Germany and some other countries. Other contacts in preparation.

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PRESENTS**

THE RITES OF ELEUSIS

**BASED ON THE PERFORMANCE GIVEN IN
1910 BY LEILA WADDELL & ALEISTER CROWLEY**

THE RITE OF SATURN	-	Saturday, March 21, 1981
THE RITE OF JUPITER	-	Thursday, March 26, 1981
THE RITE OF MARS	-	Tuesday, March 31, 1981
THE RITE OF SOL	-	Sunday, April 5, 1981 5:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
THE RITE OF VENUS	-	Friday, April 10, 1981
THE RITE OF MERCURY	-	Wednesday, April 15, 1981
THE RITE OF LUNA	-	Monday, April 20, 1981

All performances start at 8:00 p.m.
(Except for Rite of Sol)



O.T.O. 2822 SAN PABLO

IN BERKELEY NEAR ASHBY
for Information Call 841-4833

DONATION FOR EACH RITE
\$3 NON-MEMBERS
\$2 MEMBERS

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>These events are held at Thelema Lodge, Grand Lodge of O.T.O.; P.O. Box 2303, Berkeley, CA 94702 U.S.A.</p> <p>All meetings are held at the Temple at 2822 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley, at 8PM unless otherwise noted.</p> <p>See below right for phone numbers.</p>			1	2	3 GUILD ORGANIZATION MEETING Dramatic Ritual Guild 8PM TEMPLE	4 EGG BOARD 7PM TEMPLE
5 GNOSTIC MASS 8:00 PM Temple \$1.00 donation suggested	6	7	8 CELEBRATION OF THE WRITING OF THE BOOK OF THE LAW A Night with the Caliph. (also calandar day) 8PM Temple THREE DAYS OF EVENTS: 8:00 PM AT THE	9 Readings from the 2nd Chapter 8PM Temple	10 RITES OF ELEUSIS: Venus. Begins 8PM at the Temple OTO TEMPLE	11 INITIATION I° & II° Call ahead for place and time.
12 GNOSTIC MASS 8:00PM Temple \$1.00 donation suggested	13	14 OPEN MEETING with Bill "Time for another Good Look at Magick in Theory and Practice" General overview and workshop 8:00 PM Temple	15 RITES OF ELEUSIS: Mercury. Begins at 8PM at the Temple	16	17 IMPORTANT! LAST DAY, ALL BALLOTS FOR ELECTION OF EMIRS AND PASSAGE ON AMENDMENTS MUST BE IN TODAY, IX DEGREE.	18 OTO BOARD 7PM TEMPLE FULL MOON WITH BABALON COVEN Call 547-9713 for place and time.
19 GNOSTIC MASS 8:00 PM Temple \$1.00 donation suggested	20 RITES OF ELEUSIS: Luna. Begins 8PM at the Temple	21 OPEN WORKSHOP with Bill "Bookbinding" meets 7PM in San Anselmo, call 454-5176 after 7PM for information.	22	23 OPEN MEETING with Kay "Candle Magick" an entrance level class. 8:00 PM Temple	24	25 INITIATION MINERVAL Call ahead for place and time.
26 GNOSTIC MASS 8:00 PM Temple \$1.00 donation suggested	27	28 INITIATION (reserved for higher degree initiations as needed) Contact well ahead. IIIrd IVth Degree ?	29	30 OPEN MEETING with Don "Liber O" Workshop. 8:00 PM Temple.	Phones: Grand Lodge: 415-841-4833 Temple: 415-548-8964 Messages: 415-454-5176 Love is the law, love underwill.	