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October 28-30, 2022

Past – Present – Future

As the veil thins, our bonds with our ancestors are calling for care and renewal. We will gather to gain strength in our life stories by honoring and respecting our ancestors. By acknowledging the sacrifices of our ancestors of past and empowering those relationships in our present everyday lives, we can heal and see others and the world differently in the future.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Friday

Noon: Gate opens for arrivals
2 – 3 PM: Connections of Past with Shel in the Cemetery
Let us start off the weekend by preparing the cemetery for the weekend’s festivities and the ‘attendance’
of our community members who have already passed. In the same way that you clean the house before
your company arrives, we will clean up the cemetery, so it is welcoming when they get here. We will
also make gravestone rubbings to be used later in the weekend and have a small ritual where we
formally invite our deceased community members to the main ritual. Items to bring if you are able; a
rake, soft bristled broom or brush, flowers or other biodegradable offerings, songs, chants or poems to
share during the invitation ritual, paper and chalk for the rubbings. And don’t forget coins to leave for
them to use when paying the ferryman on their trip back and forth. Any coin will do but I like to use
the US quarters with the different pictures on the back. Any type of coin that is used with intention and
well-meaning will work.

4 PM: Opening Ritual with Rev. Sharon & Others in the Cemetery

5 PM: Dinner served behind the farmhouse

7:30 PM: Gate is open for those attending only the Witches Ball

9 PM: Witches Ball with the Tooles!
Break out your best costume and come enjoy the lively entertainment of Irish Band - The Tooles! The
Tooles have created their own fiery brand of Irish pub music. Combining traditional tunes with
powerful originals and a few favorite pub songs, Amy, Peter, and Kurt bring together influences from
Dublin to Nashville, with a bit of Midwestern grit thrown in. The Tooles are a three-piece band based
out of Madison, Wisconsin. Amy on fiddle. Peter on bass. Kurt thumping on bodhran and guitar—but
not at the same time. Everybody sings. Loudly. Snacks will be provided.
https://thetooles.wixsite.com/bandotooles/about

Saturday

8 AM: Breakfast is served behind the house beginning at 8am.
Coffee/tea/hot chocolate available in the Summer Kitchen.

9 AM: Newcomers Meet & Greet

9:30 AM: Circle Sanctuary Minister Ordination
Alison Cline of Colorado will be ordained as a Circle Sanctuary Minister. All participants at this year’s
Samhain Festival are invited to attend.

10:30 AM: Annual Meeting in the Temple Room

Noon: Lunch is served behind the house

12:30 – 1 pm: Ancestor Altar Building in Temple Room
Bring a photo, a family heirloom or trinket, flowers, battery operated candles, etc. to give thanks and
say hello to our ancestors as we acknowledge their lives by creating a community Ancestor Altar.

1:30 PM: Healing & Renewal at Samhain with Rev. Selena Fox
Sacred work with Mirrors, Cauldrons, Labyrinth journeys, Bonfires, Ancestors and Beloved Dead
remembrance, Divination, and Nature communion for personal healing, repatterning, and renewal at
Samhain time. Attendance is free to in-person registrants, and will be live-streamed. To register for the livestream, CLICK HERE.

Did you know that the major arcana of tarot tells a story? Come join me for a walk through the journey of the inquirer. Through the first twenty-two cards of the Rider-Waite-Smith tarot, we will explore the inquirer’s growth from the start of their journey, through trials and tribulations, culminating at the end of the cycle.

4:30 PM: Raffle and Silent Auction Results with Rev. Minerva

5:30 PM: Dinner served behind the farmhouse

7 - 8 PM: Beloved Dead & Ancestors Honoring
Personal pre-ritual time at the Ancestor Altar for reflection, meditating and honoring of our beloved dead.

8 PM: Samhain Ritual – with Rev. Sharon, Rev. Jewels & Others

9 - 11 PM: Labyrinth

Sunday

7 AM: Yoga with Amy
Basic yogic stretches, pranic breathing techniques and a loving-kindness mantra-based mediation. When we heal ourselves, we heal our ancestors.

8 AM: Breakfast served behind the farmhouse.
Coffee/tea/hot chocolate available in the Summer Kitchen.

9 AM: Mortali-tea with Rev. Minerva
Table-top discussions on various topics such as death, dying, creating legacies, etc. And tea!

11 AM: It’s in the Cards with Rev. Jewels
Bring your Tarot decks and let’s practice reading or doing your own Past, Present, Future 3-card spread.

Noon: Left-over Palooza served behind the farmhouse

1:30 PM: Closing Ritual

3 PM: Final Departures

Items To Bring:

- An item or two to donate for the Raffle and/or Silent Auction
- Ritual garb and/or brightly colored clothes, as well as a crown of flowers or greens for your head or bells for your feet, to wear during the main ritual.
- Offering of small crystals, fresh flowers, other items for Fairy Shrine.
- Journal and writing implements
- Offering of small stones, crystals, rocks, flowers for the Stone Circle
- Your own refillable water bottle and coffee cup to use for drinks at meals and other times.
• Camping Gear: tent, sleeping bag, pillow, air mattress, flashlight, water jug, towel, biodegradable soap and shampoo, personal toiletries, sun gear, raingear, cold weather gear, insect and tick repellent. Please note that temperatures at Samhain can reach 70 in the day, and below freezing at night. Frost is likely.
• A lawn chair, mat, or blanket for outdoor seating. Many activities will be outside.
• Drum, rattle, or other rhythm instrument.

REGISTRATION

Registration is **CLOSED** for this year's Samhain festival, and no registrations will be accepted at the gate.

Questions?

If you have questions, please contact the Circle Office.