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The Wandering Wiccan

By Rev. WinterGhost

Being a Zhu in China

When living in China, I would not talk about my life within the Correllian Tradition due to the initial horror my new friends/workmates showed when I casually talked about it one time over tea & cookies. They immediately 'sssssshhhhhhhhh'ed me and refused to answer my confused questions about their discomfort, so I went to look for myself via my VPN and Google!

In some parts of the world, witchcraft is still seen as a 'dark art' and can lead to accusations and, according to reports, one community in rural China has accused around 15% of its population of being witches, or, as witches are known locally, 'zhu'.



The inhabitants of this village believe *zhu* can poison people just by making eye contact or by polluting the food that they eat without even making contact with it or raise an infestation of snakes. Offerings of gifts or money from one household to another is seen as a way of transferring curses or bad luck from a witch to his or her neighbours.

Once labelled a *zhu* the gossip quickly spreads out of the village and into the neighbouring communities. Whilst accusing someone of being a witch is illegal in China, the accusations are implied and those labelled as *zhu* are effectively ostracized by their community.



They do not receive help when needed and are less likely to marry or have children and, if they DO start a family, it is usually with another person who has also been labelled *zhu*. Given the number of *zhu* it is thought that the numbers are too great to risk them banding together in retaliation for harsher treatment.

Maybe slightly better than in times past where *zhu* were locked into a contraption similar to mediaeval stocks called a *cangue* to be humiliated and or/tortured by their neighbours.



Due to the subject being considered taboo, or culturally sensitive, it was hard to get any of my friends to express an opinion, but one, quickly and in a whisper, confided to me that *zhu* are predominantly women who head up their families (in a society where men are seen as more important than women!) and are usually either wealthy or beautiful. Which leaves me of the opinion that there is more spite and jealousy involved in branding someone a witch than actual magical evidence and very thankful that I live in a society that may have differing opinions on the subject of witches & witchcraft but where it can, at least, be openly discussed without everyone acting like the air has all been sucked out of the room when mentioned!



Correllians around the World

by Lady WolfCiara

in this series of articles, we are going to focus on a Correllian Member, and learn a little bit more about the said person. I do hope that this will shine a light to all of those, who are giving of themselves, to the Tradition.



This month, we are going to talk with **Raene**, or as she really is named: **Victoria Raene Packery**, and was born and raised in South Africa, with her Wiccan-name: **TekaenSekhmet**, which means "**Illuminated by Sekhmet**". She will be 41 years of age, this year, and living in the suburbs of Parklands, in Cape Town, South Africa.

She is married, with a teenage daughter in High School and 2 boys of 9 and 6 years old.

They have 2 dogs, a lab, Belle and an old Jack Russell, Bart, and sheep. They also have 3 cats, Smeagol, Blaze and her familiar (demon), Salem.

She is born under the Astrological sign Leo, her Patron is Sekhmet and she is Head of the Clan of Kheper



Temple, and enjoys teaching, and mentoring, and guiding others on their path to Clergy. She is a registered civil union marriage officer and has officiated at over 100 weddings over the last 13 years. She really enjoys bringing people together in love, and as a civil union marriage officer, she can solemnize both same-sex and heterosexual marriages which brings

her great joy because she believes that love ultimately has no boundaries. She earns a living as a financial accountant and since Covid, she has been working from home (and with that longer hours). She loves music and singing, and karaoke is high up on her list of fun things to do. When she isn't working, she enjoys chilling with a good Netflix series, or sitting around a fire with a couple of good friends and enjoying some quality family time.



She tries to live her spirituality, and thus most things relate to her spiritual path as a Witch, so one could



say that all things Wicca interest her, but she specifically enjoys designing rituals, and spell craft, and the sense of community when they come together in ritual and was actually hosting the Lustration of Ancestors in 2013 for Correllian Tradition and met up with Lord Don Lewis- HighCorrell. She loves the tarot and a healing would not be complete without her pendulum! She started her path to Correllian Wicca, a long time ago, but if she recalls it correctly, she enrolled for first degree shortly after Witchschool.com had been launched. She was looking for a coven to study with and

found Witchschool which inevitability led her to the Tradition, and that is about 20 years now, she says, surprisingly. She holds Third Degree status and is a member of the Council of Elders.



She has two chartered Orders: **The Order of Tcheft** – dedicated to cooking and baking for the Sabbats, Esbats, Rites of Passage and general Kitchen witching, and **The Order of the Water Witch** – dedicated to dream work and analysis. She is, also, a member of the Order of Artificers, Order of Herbal Studies and Order of Hursini.

Over the years that has gone by, she has taken many courses through WitchSchool and independently on a wide range of esoteric subjects, including Reiki, Crystal Healing, Dream Analysis, Psychism and various forms of Divination, Herbalism, Astrology and anything else she could get her hands on. She loves reading and learning new things.

We thank **Raene** for her time to answer our question for us. Hoping for continued blessings, for her in the Wicca-path and Correllian Tradition, that she is leading.

Tarot of the Month

by Lady WolfCiara



Double Bed – Love, Support, Fellowship

Indicates the support and assistance of friends or loved ones, and we can have absolute confidence in our support system.

Prediction for May 2021

For the coming month, it will give us the strength to tackle difficulties, with help from friends and loved one, and shall not disbelieve the power that comes from loved ones, and friends.

Tarotdeck

Correllian Alphabet by Lord Don Lewis HighCorrell
Correllain Alphabet Divination Deck by Lady WolfCiara

Crafting with Bella



My Goddess Tree

As you know, I have a witchy room inside my house. I have seen others who have used a barn, a trailer or a tool shed to make a little place to perform their craft and rituals outside.

I want a place like that as well, especially because I can't keep my room, but to begin with, I wanted to make an alter for the Goddess. A place to put out gifts and offerings.



Of cause, it had to be the right spot and it had to be special. And then I found the perfect tree and made it magical.



After some times I decided to use these materials:

- wood chips
- plastic plate with white aquarium stone
- a Goddess statuette
- colored sticker butterflies
- colored pins to fasten the butterflies
- colored fairy string light



Before



After

Rune of the Month

By Lady WolfCiara



N -Nauthiz - Hamingja - Emergency Rune - MAGICAL FORCE

This rune at interpretation means restraint; put forward what you most desire; patience; long-time goal; do not overreact to other's feelings and fears; insight and rebirth.

Prediction for May 2021

For the coming month, it will be a testing one, although it sometimes is with tough labour, you will come out from it with new strength and values, in your life, (big or small).

Wolfciara's Wiccan World



By Lady WolfCiara

Merry meet my fellow Wiccans and Welcome to my little corner of the Wiccan World.

So have yet another month passed by, and with that I have had some really sunny and somewhat warm days outside. I do hope that I will get more sunny and warmer days, next month to come.

I have had my middle-brother and his 2 girls over, yet again. This time we went to a nearby museum, that is run by a famous Swedish actor/director. He is known as "Stig-Helmer" and "Trazan"! He has a collection of comic-figurines, and paintings, and also a large collection of Mickey Mouse-stuff.



The museum has one part with the adult museum, and one part with

"Trazan"-things for kids. Yes, he has done a series called "Trazan and Banarne", which is a fun series, that was aired during the 80's. That is still a fun one for the children, that have grown up after that. It's my brother and 2 children, on the photo, as they sit on the tandem-bike, that was figured with "Trazan and Banarne", as the show was with animal-theme in mind, as Banarne was a monkey. Also, was one part of the show, that was with "Secretely Arne's laboratorium", which dealt with fun pranks, within a certain level. We also had our lunch there, and I ate baked potato with shrimp-mayo. My brother ate steak with potatoes and sauce, and the girls ate pancakes with jam and whipped cream. Fun, did we have, nevertheless.

I have fallen in love with a divination-deck, Faery Oracle Deck by Brian Froud, that I have had for years on end, but have not paid so much attention, too. During the month, it has come to that, that I am drawn to it, like a moth towards the light. Playing and handling them, and have at least one time a day, that I am putting them out and dividing them in certain groups, as my mood feels there and then. To let myself, get the vibration and tuning, to do readings with them. As I learn so much from them, and the Faery that comes and is watching me, and are a bunch of really fun being. You do have to take the cards, and the Faery and friends, with a true and sincere heart, and not just meddling around with the cards. 'Cause, they could behave in the wrong way, if you are not serious when you are working with them. So, handle with care, but still have a mind that is opened for learning new things, along the way.

With the pandemic that is swirling around us, and it is a nasty illness. I am soon to get my first vaccination, and it can't be soon enough until I have my have had my two vaccinations. Three of my friends have had theirs, but they are a little bit older than me. SO hopefully, can I take it during the next month, as I want to start a, sorta', normal life, again. The last year, has been so strange, and so much about ourselves has been thrown overboard, and also, one has been forced to just meet the closest family/friends. There are restrictions about this, and restriction about that. On the good note is, that the yearly flu, and other similar

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diseases have gone down, or practically, have been decimated to almost zero, at least here in Sweden.

My temple has had its Founding day on April 11th, and it was 17 years ago, now, since I started it, and the time is moving on quickly. My plan is, that it will grow a little bit more, than what it is at the moment. Although, all in good time, it will happen, when it happens.

Take care until next time. Blessed be all of you. Love and light, hugz and blessings.

WolfCiara



The Temple of Contemplation Formal Shrine

The Temple of Contemplation is now offering a monthly "contemplation" for anyone and everyone who wishes to partake. At this time of the year, we tend to be thinking about the up and coming as well as long anticipated Summer months, but it is easy to forget that not everyone is celebrating Beltane. We at the Temple of Contemplation have been thinking about what people in both hemispheres will be thinking about at this time of the year. From the excitement of summer plans to looking back over the passing of the current wheel of the year are we all either looking forwards or looking back? As continuing year carries on for some of us and the new wheel beginning again for others, what is it that we are asking of ourselves? Or are we asking them of others? Are there other issues or topics that you personally think about or resolve at this changing time of the year?

If you wish to share your thoughts and contemplations with us and have them published in the next edition of the Correllian Herald, then please feel free to email them to – heraldeditor@gmail.com

Blessings and happy contemplating!



School of Reiki

The School of Reiki now has available places for new students to train in the art of Reiki **FREE OF CHARGE** at the online School - <u>School of Reiki Class Site</u> – you can sign up and start your training today and become a reiki Master! For more information visit the school website - <u>School of Reiki</u> – or email admin@schoolofreiki.org

The School of Reiki is registered as an IPHM Approved Training Provider



The Correllian Tradition has many Temples, Shrines, Orders and Groups, but how many of them do you know or know any information about them? Each edition of the Correllian Herald shall feature a brief look at a particular Temple, Shrine, or Order, but first you need to identify which one is to be featured!

Well done to all of you who correctly identified the logo of the Correllian Outer Court! That was the easy part; the colours did stump a few of you and you were not far off. Here is what the sigil of the Correllian Outer Court looks like.



Thank you to all those of you who wrote in and sent copies of your coloured logo and below is a new black and white logo of a particular Temple, Shrine or Order for you to identify and colour in. Name what this logo belongs to! What do you know about this group and can you colour it in correctly?! Answers will be featured in the next edition!



If you have a Temple, Shrine, Order or Group and would like it to be featured here then please email heraldeditor@gmail.com with your logo and brief overview to be featured in the following edition.



The Temple of the 8 Festivals Samhain Word Search

ANCESTORS C R Y F O F N V E S Q W Z R B K X Z I O R B Y H M N V X H F DARWOJVOHNDHCLXWYHDTPSQIVX **APPLE** U R S F Q O O D Z B A E V G Z M B G T Z W S N C A V F S **AUTUMN** LMSKODETMMVENERCFMO TJXDFKANMLH **BEGINNINGS** BXPCL J RSRA LXNH ODXBRWROG **BONFIRE** WGGPGHNOAR JIHQJOH THKOC J C **CANDLE** S L F O O DMJEQL **CERRIDWEN** FKTR D S P R Т U Α L F S D L D S GOFJ 1 - 1 **CRONE** E V S Ε Ρ ZGQ Н ZAV V P нов ı s J 1 ٧ S В OXABS **FESTIVAL** XLIP ٧ D S RY Ε Α Ε В D NBUKZ B G L UVRQUD **GRAND** Ρ PNOWFJMSVANDNXUG KNKV NDCYBY Ρ **HARVEST** NAHBE E H Z A J B M R B C A O A M F Q ADE V T INCANTATION NKOABETLCEPYIQUPWC SPK Ρ IRUAA SNPO LANTERN G O Z F UN Q Т R V B С L Ε AXDSVF HJQC ZGNUVR Ε IEPN I R E D X 1 S D LIFE XGZOL FRWJ **NIGHT** SVOEWJ S M ν SHI BFE IXWFNDX **PERSEPHONE** XPGNK D W A Х S ı SNRS D RGREOC W T **PUMPKIN** F Q Т Υ Ν T W Q ΕP CUL Υ **SABBAT** ZQFDT AWSLD IETEJDH ZDVE YOVN **SPIRITUAL** x v xOMRUC VNWXUFBFK WHEELOFTHEYEAR JWEVA ٧ S UWRABAD GOFUFNI 101 Т G F XBPHA BSFEXKOZL D T C K L L Ν - 1 В 0 D Ν Т Q D L A N J G O Ρ J DAGCDNP VGUBT Ε IXCDLQQOLIOEC LLOIZJSNB KNHH Ρ BYJCNMF Т IELGXGQK Т Z F SOZBODPUMPK NORGQRRW G Ρ С S Q 1 NXJHDWGKOUCSFUEQP MUGFPOEHAAHIAELKHNIGRANDHAPBDL L N U C A O T P W F X S Y S P G J Y T C S Q N W P X P E Z N

Order of Bards

CALLING ALL BARDS!

The Order of Bards is looking for writers to feature their works in future editions of the Correllian Herald. So, if any members of the Order of Bards, or any budding writers in general would like to have their work, short stories, poems etc featured then please send your writings to – bards@correlliantradition.co.uk

PLEASE NOTE: All writings MUST be original, and you MUST be the author of any works submitted. We cannot publish any plagiarised or copyrighted works.



The Order of Divination – Three Card Tarot Spread

This month the Order of Divination is giving you the opportunity to practice and hone your divining skills! Here is a three card spread for you to interpret for either yourself or a querent of your choosing. What are your thoughts, feelings and interpretation of these cards?







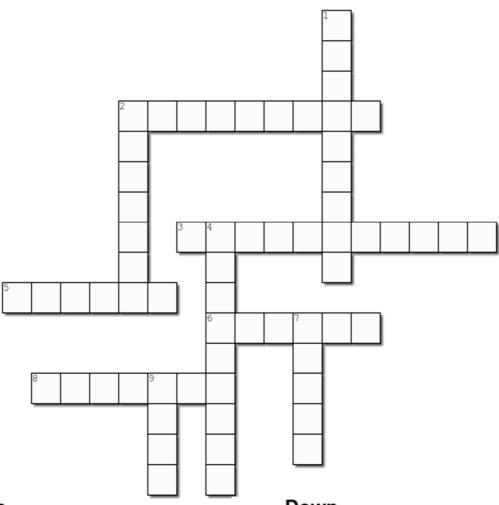
These cards are drawn from the Pagan Tarot Deck

If any of you would like to write in with your interpretations or even have them published in the next edition of the Correllian Herald, or wish to have a spread with your own deck featured then please send them to – heraldeditor@gmail.com



Temple of the 8 Festivals

Beltane Crossword



<u>Across</u>

- 2. Female star of the Festival representing the Goddess
- **3.** Wiccan ceremony joining two people together by the hands
- 5. Goddess in her Youth form
- **6.** Length of material used to dance around the Maypole
- **8.** Act of participating in a ritual void of clothing

Down

- 1. A yellow and blue non-female
- 2. Phallic representation used in May Day celebrations
- 4. The Greek Goddess of Love
- **9.** Type of emotion and feeling of deep devotion

Chartered Bodies of the Correllian Tradition

NEW ORDERS

The Order of Dionysus – The Order of Dionysus: the projection of wicca and paganism through the stage arts, especially theatre.

• **Keeper:** Rev. Ademir Alfonzo

Contact email: ordendedionisio@gmail.com

Full list of Orders here: http://correllian.weebly.com/orders.html

<u>Witan Shrines</u> are the first level of the Temple-Making Process. Witan Shrines are created by Charter of the Tradition and may progress to Full Temple status over the course of several years or remain at Witan Shrine status indefinitely.

A list of current Witan Shrines may be found HERE: http://correllian.weebly.com/witan-shrines.html

<u>Proto-Temples</u> are groups which have progressed beyond the status of Shrines and are on their way to becoming Full Temples but have not yet achieved that status.

A list of current Proto-Temples may be found HERE: http://correllian.weebly.com/proto-temples.html

<u>Full Temples</u> of the Correllian Tradition have completed the Temple-Making Process and, if headed by a Third Degree, have representation on the Witan Council. A Full Temple can perform all of the functions of a Temple and may in some cases have multiple branches.

A list of current Temples may be found HERE: http://correllian.weebly.com/temples.html

<u>Formal Shrines</u> are Shrines that are dedicated to specific activities of a limited nature. Formal Shrines may exist as an aspect of a larger group or may stand alone in their own right.

A list of current Formal Shrines may be found HERE: http://correllian.weebly.com/formal-shrines.html

<u>Personal Shrines</u> are an aspect of an individual Correllian member's personal piety, and are not bodies of the Tradition as such. Personal Shrines exist wholly at the discretion of the member, however the Tradition does acknowledge them upon request.

A list of current Personal Shrines may be found HERE: http://correllian.weebly.com/personal-shrines.html

<u>Orders</u> are associations within the Tradition dedicated to specific skills, tasks, or interests. This sort of Order is not to be confused with the Meritorious Orders which are awarded in recognition of service.

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<u>Houses of Contemplation</u> are established to facilitate the temporary or permanent practice of the contemplative religious life. Depending upon the rules of the specific House of Contemplation guests may come for spiritual retreats of designated length, or to pursue a life of permanent contemplation in the manner of a Monastery.

A list of current Houses of Contemplation may be found HERE: http://correllian.weebly.com/houses-of-contemplation.html

For information on how to start a Shrine, Order or Correllian Study Group or for an application form contact the Witan Herald: witanherald@gmail.com

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Membership Groups

Outer Court Department

https://www.facebook.com/groups/265398186909862

This is a social group for all the members of the Outer Court of the Correllian Tradition. Feel free to share, discuss, and enjoy with all our wonderful Correllian family around the Globe!

Correllian Membership Hub

https://www.facebook.com/groups/CorrellianMembershipGroups

Correllian membership group for all Correllian members

Correllian Clergy

https://www.facebook.com/groups/CorrellianClergy

Group for all members of Correllian Clergy

Witan Herald's Office

https://www.facebook.com/groups/WitanHeraldOffice

This is where general membership and clergy may directly contact the Witan Herald

<u>Correllian Herald - Newsletter</u>

www.facebook.com/groups/correllianherald/

Correllian Herald Publication Group. This group is for the distribution of the Correllian Herald Newsletter.

Correllian Prayers

https://www.facebook.com/groups/2112247592362824

To provide a supportive venue where all Correllians, friends and family may post prayer requests.

Correllian Elder's Office

https://www.facebook.com/groups/133563646851853

This Facebook group is for ALL TRADITION members to enter and submit a comment.

The Correllian Temples, Shines, Groups and Project Keepers

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The Correllian Temples, Shines, Groups and Project Keepers is a place for all Third Degrees, Second Degrees, First Degrees, Temple Heads, Shrine Heads, Group Heads, and Project Keepers. Purpose: is so that all groups can share open communication with each other. Giving each other support and encouragement. As well as hopefully, work on collective projects from time to time.

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