

Daughters of the Goddess Womyn's Temple

Aloha Moon News

January 23, 2010 Waxing Half Moon in Taurus

Hawaiian Moon Phase: 'Ole Ku Lua

Hawaiian Word of the January Waxing Half Moon: Hinu Hinu.

Meaning: Bright, glossy, shining, lustrous, glittering, as of polished stones or shells; splendid; splendor.

Aloha Dear Sisters!

It is our hope that this finds you well, enjoying the quiet days of winter and the nurturing rain falling from the sky. The 'Ole Ku Lua/Waxing Half Moon came forth this month and wanted to say hello to our community! This beautiful moon, so bright, so symmetrical, is known to farmers in Hawaii as the second of four ole/nothing moons, and is the twenty second moon in the Hawaiian Moon calendar. This phase of Mama Moon brings with her rough waters and high tides, and therefore no fish. Hence the title the second nothing moon! But what does the 'Ole Ku Lua moon want to share with us; Womyn living in North America in 2010? Her gentle whisper flows into our ears. She reminds us to embrace the nothing, the emptiness, the abyss that lies deep beneath the high tide waters. Listen to the beloved quiet camouflaged by the rough waters at the surface. She invites us to go deep and reminds us that there is nothing to fear. The nothing is a part of Her cycle, and so is a part of ours. We welcome you with open arms 'Ole Ku Lua!

Happy Birthday Wishes to you Aquarians!

Calling For Peace in the Presence of White Buffalo Calf Woman

On January 14th, under the Muku/New Moon in Capricorn, and with the added magic of the annular solar eclipse, we were blessed to be in the presence of the four directions and White Buffalo Calf Woman. As we drummed and chanted, we were simultaneously singing to Her **and** Her voice singing out to the world, as we circled into the night ~ sharing in song, story, and reverent smoke. We offer praise and thanks to PtesanWi/White Buffalo Calf Woman for sharing her wisdom and her truth with us. Many years ago as she left the Lakota people after teaching them the seven sacred rituals, she took her leave saying, "Toksha ake wacinyanitin ktelo, I shall see you again." May her daughters forever be blessed by her hinu hinu/splendid wisdom.

Upcoming Open Rituals

Please join us in honoring Her in all Her guises! These rituals are open to all Womyn!

Thursday, February 11. Daughters of the Goddess Temple Dedication Ceremony!

Saturday, February 27. Celebrate Ma'at, Egyptian Goddess of Truth!

Friday, March 19. Celebrate Spring Equinox and Persephone!

Daughters of the Goddess Witch School 2010

Witch School is starting! Witch School is starting! Witch School is starting!

Has the Goddess been visiting you in your dreams? Have you marveled at the wind, been called to stare into flames, put your feet into the ocean, bent down to touch the Earth with your hands? Do you long for a deeper understanding of Womyn's Mysteries? Be among the fourth

*class of hinu hinu/bright, shining, glittering womyn who delight in Daughters of the Goddess Witch School, a year of study in the Dianic Aloha Tradition **beginning Sunday, February 7, 2010!** The class will meet one Sunday each month culminating in the students' initiation as Dianic Witches during an evening ceremony in January 2011! ...And the Goddess Blesses her Womyn!*

Three Cheers for Kokua

Kokua means "the Helping Hands"; the hands that work together to make the mission and visions of our Temple manifest. Kokua Sisters meet once a month to plan and discuss this important work. Once every series, we hold an open Kokua meeting during which we invite all of the womyn of our community to attend. If you are called to help behind the scenes, this is a wonderful place to learn more! Please note that attending the open meeting does not obligate you to join Kokua. Our open meeting for this series will be on March 2 from 7:00-10:30. If you would like to find out more about Kokua, you can click on the "Kokua" link from the Daughters of the Goddess website. If you wish to attend the open meeting, please contact Kealoha via e-mail to RSVP at Anne@DaughtersoftheGoddess.com.

Exciting New Project with Bast Hua!

Please join us on March 4th in a night of sacred art as we create prayer flags together. This project will combine fabric fusing & painting with cotton banners to create one of a kind prayer flags for your sacred space. The event will take place from 7:00 to 10:30 and the cost is \$20-40. If you would like to join us please contact Kealoha Anne: Anne@daughtersofthegoddess.com 510-332-5396 or Sabrina: Sbaxterthrower@yahoo.com 510-316-2617. Pleasanton local given upon RSVP.

She Calls Us

As the wheel turns and Spring fast approaches, excitement builds for our journey to the aina/land as Daughters of the Goddess embarks on the

first Temple Pilgrimage to Oahu. From Wednesday, April 28th through Monday, May 3rd, 2010 we will explore and honor this blessed island with Leilani as she shares her homeland with our community! The cost of this journey is \$850 if paid in full by February 10 and \$950 if paid in full by March 10. There is a non-refundable deposit of \$275 due by January 31, 2010. The price includes lodging and two meals a day. Come for a walk with us in Paradise!

Daughters of the Goddess Newsletter

The Daughters of the Goddess Newsletter contains a letter from Leilani, as well as our ritual schedule for the coming series. It is published and mailed via regular U.S. mail twice a year in September and March on the Equinoxes. The newsletter is also available on our website! If you are not on our mailing list and would like to receive our Spring newsletter, please contact Patrice at Patrice@DaughtersoftheGoddess.com and she will add you to our mailing list for this document. Also, if you are receiving the Newsletter through the U.S. Mail, and would prefer that we e-mail it to you, we can certainly make that change. See you at ritual!

Shopping at the DG Shop

The Daughters of the Goddess Shop is open before and after most open rituals! If you would like to buy a new book to further your study and understanding of the Goddess, a beautiful new piece of jewelry, a hand decorated candle, an exotic item from Thailand or Africa (brought home by our Temple Sister Tanya), or if you would prefer to just peruse until a treasure speaks to you, feel free to pay the shop a visit! Some items are also available on our developing on-line shop!

Offerings from our Priestesses:

Readings and Consultations

High Priestess Leilani is available for private readings and consultations. If you feel that you would like to supplement your ritual

experience with more insight, a reading with Leilani is highly recommended. Please contact her at Leilani@DaughtersoftheGoddess.com.

Website Design

Temple Priestess Patrice, in partnership with Daughters of the Goddess, is now offering website creation and maintenance services, specializing in Spiritual sites. If you are interested in having your own website, or have one that you need maintained or updated, please contact Patrice@DaughtersoftheGoddess.com for more information.

In Closing

May your time spent with the 'Ole Ku Lua/ Waxing Half Moon bring you peace and a deep understanding of yourself and of your relationship with She of Ten Thousand Names!

May you shine resplendently as a hinu hinu/ bright, glossy, shining, lustrous, glittering, splendid Daughter of the Goddess! We look forward to seeing you in circle!

Blessed Be!

For more information about anything that you have read here, please contact us!

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Mysteries.*