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Alchemy, then, aims at a state of consciousness, which is reflected into the physical plane as perfect vibratory equilibrium. That equilibrium already exists in nature, and it is the business of the alchemist to manifest through his own personality. Thus we are told that equilibrium is the basis of the Great Work, and admonished by all books on hermetic practice to "imitate nature."

Paul Foster Case, Esoteric Keys of Alchemy

Meetings/Conferences/Workshops

ORMUS ALCHEMY event, Memorial Day weekend, Saturday, May 26, 2012, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Burbank, California. For more information, go to: http://ormusfest.com/

Mark your calendars! This year's INTERNATIONAL ALCHEMY CONFERENCE will be held at the Kyoto Grand Hotel in Los Angeles, CA on November 2-3, 2012. Sign up for the Conference newsletter http://alchemyconference.com/?amigosid=5



Announcements

HEAR YE! HEAR YE! Alchemy Museum, Rosicrucian Park, San Jose, CA

The first **Alchemy Museum** in the United States will open **June 21, 2013**, at **Rosicrucian Park in San Jose, California**. It will have its own dedicated building on the beautiful campus across from the world famous Egyptian Museum. It will also have a separate building for a fully equipped Alchemy Laboratory for classes in practical alchemy that begin in July 2013.

Dennis William Hauck has been chosen to design the two projects and will be working with the architect and suppliers over the next year.

The **Museum** is looking for <u>old or new lab</u> <u>equipment and glassware, and any donations are fully tax deductible.</u> To arrange delivery or donate, contact Dennis using the form at www.DWHauck.com/contact.htm



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Every Day Alchemy

Letting go – The Alchemical Stage of Separation

I used to be a prime example of "target marketing", a term described by Wikipedia as a group of customers that a marketing effort is aimed towards. When I was young and single, it was clothing and jewelry. Later, as a mother and homemaker, it was filling the house with "stuff" I thought I needed to create a happy family life.

In time, my husband and I became empty nesters and sold our 8-room home of 25 or so years, which gave me pause to reflect on the amount of "stuff" we had acquired over time. Our house sold quickly and we had to move in a matter of weeks. We arranged for a huge construction sized dumpster to be deposited in front of the barn. Things that weren't wanted by family and friends were unceremoniously tossed into it. It took a week to clear out all those years of accumulation and the dumpster overflowed. By the time we were finished, what we kept fit into a small u-haul-it.

Much to my surprise, I did not experience this purging as heart wrenching but rather exhilarating, and I wondered when it would hit me that these "treasures" held dear for so many years were gone forever. As time passed, though, a feeling of freedom overshadowed any perceived "loss". A new awareness emerged. The process of letting go opened new possibilities-possibilities that did not include the responsibility and huge effort required to care for "stuff". The space created by letting go has been replaced by a lifestyle that is "lighter" and more fluid.

From that experience I learned that goods acquired along the way are simply the ribbons and bows of life; that losing a job, a home, even children as they become adults, allows for the opportunity to reassess and move in directions never imagined. I have witnessed that letting go allows those things that are most cherished in life to return in a more elevated form.

Paulette Dager-Harris

The heart has reasons that reason doesn't understand.

Did You Know?

On May 20-21, 2012 a rare and unique event will occur--a full solar eclipse and Pleiadian alignment. The last Pleiadian alignment occurred some 26,000 years ago.

Below are maps depicting the path of the eclipse:





Additional Information: http://www.space.com/

The full solar eclipse will be followed by the transit of Venus on **June 6, 2012**.

Many a night I saw the Pleiads, rising through the mellow shade, Glitter like a swarm of fire-flies tangled in a silver braid.

Lord Tennyson, Locksley Hall

The Seven Sisters of the Pleiades

Several of the most prominent male Olympian gods (including Zeus, Poseidon, and Ares) engaged in affairs with the seven heavenly sisters. These relationships resulted in the birth of their children:

- Maia, eldest of the seven Pleiades, was mother of Hermes by Zeus.
- Electra was mother of Dardanus and Iasion, by Zeus.
- Taygete was mother of Lacedaemon, also by Zeus.
- Alcyone was mother of Hyrieus, Hyperenor and Aethusa by Poseidon.

- Celaeno was mother of Lycus and Eurypylus by Poseidon.
- Sterope (also Asterope) was mother of Oenomaus by Ares.
- Merope, youngest of the seven Pleiades, was wooed by Orion.

From Our Readers

The journey of the sun through the sky can be marked at 4 distinct points: the spring equinox, summer solstice, autumn equinox, and winter solstice. These equidistant points form a cross within the symbol of the 'wheel of the year'. They are a time of connection between the Above (heavens) and the Below (earth), the personal and the divine, the inner and the outer, the material and the spiritual.

For mystics, the cycles of the sun had special significance that goes back to the ancient civilizations of Egypt, India, Sumer, Greece, Rome, Peru, Mexico, and other early cultures. The ancients recognized the seasons as an inner spiritual journey of life and death reflected in the heavens above. Early civilizations associated the sun with a divine savior or messenger who was birthed during the winter solstice. This divine savior came to teach humanity how to achieve enlightenment and become a 'son of God'.

While the summer solstice is the longest day and winter solstice the shortest, the days and nights of the equinoxes are equal. Beginning with the autumn equinox there is a descent into darkness, into the underworld that germinates the seed of new life.

With the advent of the spring equinox, light becomes greater than darkness. It is the season of renewal; seedlings from seeds fermenting in the darkness poke through the earth and the promise of abundance flourishes. To the ancients, it was the time of resurrection.

Summer solstice with light at its greatest was seen as the time of Ascension, after which the days grow shorter and the eternal path to enlightenment begins anew.

Today some alchemists, mages and other metaphysicians feel that working during an

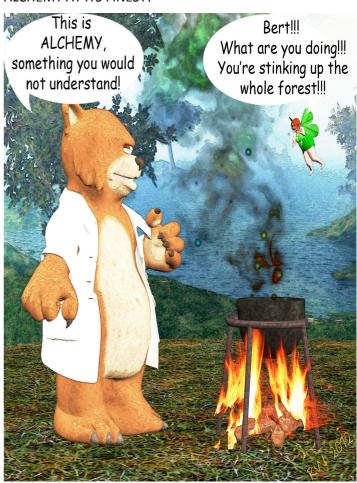
equinox or solstice provides a more powerful result.

For source articles see:

http://www.belsebuub.com/articles/ Sacred Ceremonies and Times of Year Articles

The Wisdom of Humor

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