**International Alchemy Guild Bulletin**

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**EQUINOX March 20, 2012**

Twice a year, around March 20 or 21 and September 22 or 23, the sun shines directly on the equator and the length of day and night are nearly equal in all parts of the world. These two days are known as the March equinox (vernal in the northern hemisphere) and the September equinox.

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**Announcements**

IAG now has 501(c)3 status. Your tax-exempt donations support our spiritual and practical work and enables us to spread the ancient wisdom at a time when it could prove crucial on both personal and global levels.

To learn more about the important projects your contributions will support and three quick and easy choices for making your donation visit:  

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**Annual Membership renewal has returned to the anniversary date of you joining the Guild rather than a general renewal date of January 1.**

**IAG WEBSITE:** Have you visited the IAG website lately? New materials have been added to all categories of the GUILD ARCHIVES during the last six months, doubling the amount of information you will find there. The GUILD ARCHIVES is the largest collection of its kind in the world. Members can access the Archives from the Guild’s home page:  

**Meetings/Conferences/Workshops**

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](http://alchemyconference.com/?amigosid=5)

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**ROBERT ALLEN BARTLETT,** writer, lecturer, teacher and former Chief Chemist and Alchemist of Paralab at Paracelsus College, Salt Lake City, Utah, is giving a 4-lecture series of classes and practicum in Practical Alchemy, an introduction to historical and theoretical herbal alchemy, in the tradition of Frater Albertus. Classes are to be held on the beautiful Tulalip Indian Reservation in the State of Washington. The first series of classes begins in April! For additional information and
the full schedule of classes, visit www.realalchemy.org and www.spagyricus.com
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ALCHEMY STUDY PROGRAM - Alchemy offers a way of living in accord with the basic patterns of the universe that can result in magical transformations in your life and tremendous insight into the true nature of reality. In the ALCHEMY STUDY PROGRAM, these ancient teachings are presented in their purest form. Join our international community of students and instructors dedicated to preserving this ancient wisdom.

The ALCHEMY STUDY PROGRAM is operated under the auspices of the Alchemy Guild to provide spiritual and practical training in the ancient art of transformation. www.AlchemyStudy.com

Publications

The ALCHEMY JOURNAL is now being published in bound copies with lots of full-color images, fascinating articles, and breakthrough research. Subscribe at http://www.alchemyjournal.com/

Check out the exciting new on-line publication, THE RUBY TABLET, compiled and edited by Darcy Kuntz. It’s first Volume No. 1, dated January-February 2012, is available for viewing at http://asiya.org/Ruby_Tablet_No_01.pdf

KAREN BARTLETT introduces her book, The Salts of Life, which may be purchased at: http://www.lulu.com/browse/search.php?flistingClass=0&fSearch=The+Salts+of+Life

spagyric cell salts and tinctures for pets are also available. For more information, contact Karen at: spirithorse322@aol.com

Guild member ROBIN ROBERTSON has written a new book, Indra’s Net: Alchemy & Chaos Theory as Models for Transformation. The author draws parallels between alchemy and the chaos theory and shows how to apply them to our inner development. The model provided addresses all paths of spiritual transformation and describes a framework for the stages through which any seeker goes. Read more on Amazon’s website: http://www.amazon.com/dp/083560862X?tag=robinrobertsh-20&camp=14573&creative=327641&linkCode=as1&creativeASIN=083560862X&adid=03P5BSAYVSTPPNKPS8C6&

PAUL HARDACRE, Publisher at Salamander and Sons, has recently had his third collection of poetry published by Sydney-based literary publishers Puncher and Wattmann; liber xix: differentia liber documents the poet’s journey from alchemical nigredo to “parts unknown”. For additional details and to order your copy, visit http://www.iliaster.com/books/liber-xix.html or http://www.salamanderandsons.com/shop/

Also available from Salamander and Sons is the very limited edition Dark Spirits: The Magical Art of Rosaleen Norton and Austin Osman Spare. Fully bound in black leather with gilt tile and device, silk bookmark ribbon, and containing more than 120 colour and black and white illustrations, this volume is a rare gem for any esotericist or bibliophile. Limited to just 95 copies numbered by hand, very few copies remain available. For more information and to purchase your copy of Dark Spirits go to http://www.salamanderandsons.com/modern-magistry/dark-spirits.html
Salamander and Sons is also publishing two limited edition, fully leather bound books on alchemy – one being the ‘lost book of Lapidus’ (the famous 20th century British alchemist) and the other explicitly detailing the Dry Path of that most enigmatic of alchemists, Fulcanelli. At present, these books are not being made available publicly, and IAG members enjoy the first opportunity to secure copies of these ground-breaking publications. Interested? Email sons@salamanderandsons.com for details, and private website links to where the books can be ordered.

A Rare Occurrence

On Feb. 26, 2012 Jupiter, Venus, and the Moon aligned in what is called a "Triple Conjunction." This phenomenon is a rare occurrence.

Every Day Alchemy

As we elevate ourselves in the seven stages of alchemy, we not only raise our own frequency but also that of the collective. This in effect is Quintessence. It is the Great Work expressed in, “The whole is greater than the sum of its parts.”

From Our Readers

Many of you know how to extract essences/oils from plants so I will not go into the details of that process. Rather, I would like to share here my own experience while making an extraction from eucalyptus leaves.

I had read from different sources that the ancient alchemists believed that the practical, external process was, in fact, taking place also within them.

Since the moment I started crushing the eucalyptus leaves, I perceived as if some little pieces of me that didn’t serve me anymore were being crushed as well. Something like a “solve et coagula” process – an action of dissolving to conjunct them again in a new form. The crushed leaves mixed with water provided me with this “new form of matter”.

As this mixture was put on the fire, my eyes fixed on the process. Gradually, this mixture became a new substance, changing form and color into a blackish brown bubbling paste, as the heat brought it to the boiling state. The subtle separated from the gross and rose, reaching the top of the boiling flask. It then condensed and dropped back to the boiling paste. I then recalled the Emerald Tablet forming an ascending spiral from the Below up to the Above, and then descending back down to the Below, having changed because it combined within itself the powers of both the Above and the Below.

When this process repeated itself several times, the refined product from the ascending and descending spiral began then to pass through the pipe already condensed to become a yellowish-white liquid of most wonderful eucalyptus scent.

As I was observing, it was as if the process and I became one. Through this subtle process, something inside of me detached from the previous reaction, so that the energy which had propelled it could become the force for the next movement, reaching again and again to the Above and then to the Below, until I, too, became the purest substance.

Submitted by Mexican alchemist
Ana Lopez Navarro
**Did You Know?**

An important Universal law is the conservation of energy, which is that energy cannot be increased or decreased, but that energy can change from one form to another even as the total amount remains constant.

**The Wisdom of Humor**

Alchemy, when diligently applied, will always lead to a pot of gold at the end of a rainbow.

To submit comments, information on workshops, Articles or tidbits to the Bulletin, please email paulette.harris@alchemyguild.org