



When in still air and still
in summertime
A leaf has had enough
of this, it seems
To make up its mind to
go; fine as a sage
Its drifting in
detachment down the
road.
- Howard Nemerov

What's different?
There are 4 differences!



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**Kids
Crafting**

MAKE A HARVEST WREATH

The beautiful colors and textures of the fall season become available at this time of year. Take advantage of them by putting them together in a wreath. Get a grapevine wreath and, using a hot glue gun, attach dried wheat, leaves, flowers, herbs, and seeds. Tie an autumn colored ribbon around it and hang it somewhere- it will make a lovely embellishment to your home until after Thanksgiving.



Voices of the Grove

August, 2007

GSG LUGHNASADH

Lammas is celebrated at the point between the Summer Solstice and Autumnal Equinox. It is one of the cross-quarter festivals occurring one quarter of a year after Beltaine in the wheel of the year. According to ancient Celtic tradition, Lammas marks the end of summer and the beginning of fall. It is the dividing point between the light and warmth of summer and the beginning of the colder and darker days of Autumn. The sun now begins its decline towards the darkness.

The Celtic meaning of Lughnasadh describes what is happening with the Light of the World in relationship to Mother Earth at this special time of year. The Celts have a god named Lugh (pronounced Loo), who is an important solar deity and whose name means "shining one". He is the warrior of light who is inextricably bound with the Earth Mother. The Earth Mother at the time of Lughnasadh (pronounced Loo-nas-ah), gives the fruits of the grain harvest, which she has been able to produce with the help of the light and warmth of the Sun. She is honored at this time as the Great Mother, giving forth of her bounty to the world. "Nasadh", the remaining part of the word Lughnasadh, means tribal gatherings for fairs and games after the hard work of harvesting is completed.

At this time of year, the descent into the darkness of winter has just begun, but the lushness of summer is still apparent in summer gardens, fields of corn and grain, trees full of ripening fruits, and long warm days. The bounty of Mother Earth is all around us, thus Lughnasadh is known as the first of the harvest festivals. The date for this festival is August first, but it actually begins on the evening before.

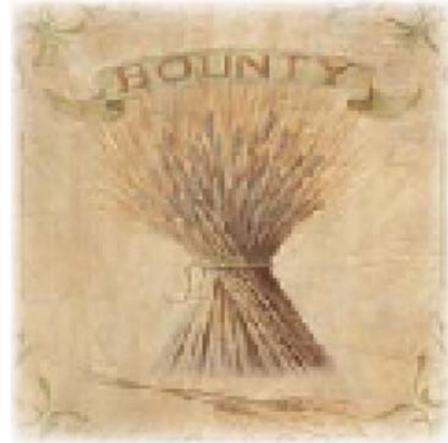
With Lammas also comes the hint of the withering of the plants, which bear the grain and fruits, and so too we look toward the Autumnal Equinox and Samhain where the cold brings with it the forces of death. The plant is willing to sacrifice its life to bear fruit so that others may live and seeds may grow once again into plants. We can ask ourselves in preparation for this time to come to what extent are we willing to sacrifice or suffer deaths or losses of material comforts or possessions for the sake of others that they may grow by our sacrifices. For in death there is also life and out of darkness comes light. Without death there can be no life and without darkness the light cannot exist.



"Uniting our community through communication, spirituality and personal growth." We of Greensong Grove, come together from different circles and traditions, covens and solitary practices to create a Grove, just as the Oaks and Palms and Pines of the forest stand together, co-creating and being at peace with one another. We can stand together, and in doing so, build a strong foundation on which to build our own futures.

Membership includes: \$1 discount to Sabbats, ***Under 18 years old must have parent or legal guardians notarized permission to join.* At no time will GreenSong Grove, Inc. give your name, personal information or email address to anyone without your prior express permission.

**O God of the ripening fields,
Lord of the Grain,
Grant me the understanding of sacrifice as
You prepare to deliver Yourself
Under the sickle of the Goddess and
Journey to the lands of eternal summer.
O Goddess of the Dark Moon,
Teach me the secrets of rebirth
As the Sun loses its strength
And the nights grow cold.**



Apple Bread

Ingredients:
 1/2 cup margarine
 3/4 cup sugar
 2 eggs
 1 teaspoon vanilla
 2 cups flour
 1 teaspoon soda
 1/2 teaspoon salt
 1/3 cup sour milk or orange juice
 1 cup chopped cooking apples (unpeeled)
 1/3 cup chopped walnuts

Directions:

In mixer, cream margarine and sugar. Add eggs and vanilla. Combine flour, soda and salt. Add to mixture and alternate with liquid. Add apples and walnuts. Turn into greased 9x5 loaf pan. Bake for about 1 hour at 350.



July
 7th-☾
 14th-●
 22nd-☾
 29th-○
August
 5th-☾
 12th-●
 20th-☾
 28th-○
September
 3rd-☾
 11th-●
 19th-☾
 26th-○

GSG CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Council Meeting dates

All meetings are the first Wednesday of the month at the Pinellas Park Library @ 7:00 p.m.
 7770 52nd St., Pinellas Park, FL

August 1, 2007 at 7:00 PM - GSG council meetings at the Pinellas Park Library, 7770 52nd St., Meetings begin at 7 PM. All interested parties are invited to attend and volunteer to create a magickal community, all meetings are in the large room to the left of the library entrance.

2007 Sabbats

August 4, 2007 – Lughnasadh - presented by Avalon Rose
 Where: 4600 58th St. North in Kenneth City
 When: Doors open at 7 PM
 Donation: \$4 for members, \$5 for nonmembers
 Phone: 727-804-9370
 Email: council@greensonggrove.org
 Web address: greensonggrove.org

COMMUNITY EVENTS

JULY

July 21, 2007, Saturday- 9AM -4PM - Vendor craft fair and vendor exhibits day of fun! This is a community networking project as well as a fundraiser for Pagan Pride Day 2007. The event is being held at the UU Church of Clearwater located at 2470 Nursery Road Clearwater FL 33764. The event is open to the public from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. to reserve your table(s) \$10.00 per table, please contact Assembly of Friends for an application:
 AOF Craft Fair App
 2020 Magnolia Drive
 Clearwater, FL 33764

July 28, 2007, Saturday - 7:30 pm – Circle in the woods CUUPS Full Moon - 11400 Morris Bridge Road in Tampa - Circle Shalee is asking participants to bring a can or box of food to present to the God and Goddess as part of the ritual in the spirit of “We give back to those who have blessed us” Food will then be donated to St Vincent DePaul Missionary for Migrant Workers in Dover and Blessed Be Baskets (Temple of Ancient Wisdom).



*As Summer passes,
Wiccans remember its
warmth and bounty in the
food we eat. Every meal
is an act of attunement with
Nature.*

EVERYTHING UNDER THE MOON

Saturday, July 14th 2007 from 10am to 4pm – Psychic Fair at the Spiritual Center come to the Spiritual Center for an afternoon of Healings and Psychic readings. The cost is \$12 each or 3 reading for \$35. Each reading is 12 minutes. If you are interested please contact Rev. Debbie Dienstbier at 727-585-4985 to sign up.

Many more classes, workshops and shopping. Visit them on the web at www.everythingunderthemoongallery.com

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Dates for 2008 have been chosen. If you or your group wishes to present a ritual please ask as soon as possible, last years dates were filled by Mabon. Please email council@greensonggrove.org.

Imbolc - Feb 2, 2008
 Ostara - March 15, 2008
 Beltane - April 25- 27, 2008
 Midsummer - June 21, 2008
 Lughnasadh - August 2, 2008
 Mabon - 20, 2008
 Samhain - October – 17- 19, 2008
 Yule - December - 20, 2008

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