

Reclaiming Teachers Launch Rewards Plan

In a bold attempt to keep pace with spiritual competitors, Reclaiming has instituted a new “Rewards” program for its initiation program.

Under the current initiatory regimen, novices are expected to provide food and drink for teachers at instructional sessions, but no cash payments take place.

As a result, many of the finest trainers and initiatory administrators have been lost to more organized traditions such as WiccanRede and Spirit Matters, which offer structured commissions to their employees.

To provide increased incentive for trainers and recruiters, the Rewards program will be structured like a chain letter.

The original initiator’s name will go at the top of the list. Someone initiated by them goes next, and so on, up to seven generations of initiation.

Applicants for initiation will be given the list and instructed to make “appropriate contributions” to the person at the top of the list. When the new person is initiated, the top name drops off, and everyone else moves up one place.

“It’s one of the compromises we have to make to keep pace in today’s fast-paced Pagan market,” said High Initiatrix Sunshine Moonbeam. “Once

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Mercury Retrograde Foils Pagan Uprising

Global Pagan workers’ revolution was derailed when a malfortuitous planetary configuration caused a breakdown in the vital communications sector.

Plans called for a spontaneous uprising of the Earth-based proletariat of the world, followed by a series of local community forums to draft a new provisional constitution empowering the working class to seize control of all rituals.

To fool the security apparatus of the imperialist bourgeoisie, a series of Beltane Maypole rituals were announced. Facilitators of the revolutionary vanguard then text-messaged an alternate plan to thousands of Pagan proletarians, announcing the revolution and directing workers to begin the spontane-

ous revolt.

However, due to Mercury being in retrograde motion relative to the locus of the revolutionary conjuncture, the text-message was inadvertently sent to thousands of Boston Celtics fans, who obediently rose up and cheered louder than usual.

The executive committee of the vanguard of the Goddess-worshipping proletariat went into emergency session, and only some inspired spin-doctoring by Lucifer “Larry” Hieronymous of the Peoples’ Pagan Party saved the day.

“The true revolution is in the heart,” Hieronymous said. He declared the Maypole rituals had advanced the cause of global magical revolt, and called on

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Modern Pagans re-enact the ancient game of Wackawich, originally played between rival squads of mystics and healers in the south of Wales. Photo by Luke Hauser.