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Green Spirit 2023

July 28 - 30, 2023 **IN PERSON** at Circle **Sanctuary Nature** Preserve near Barneveld, WI

The 3 Joys: Gifts, **Gratitude & Grace** Coordinated by Raven & Sharon

Please join us for Green Spirit 2023 as we celebrate not only the first harvest but recognize the abundance in our lives! The bliss of our first gift of crops from our gardens and



fields as well as the gifts we have manifested for ourselves this year. We'll recognize and honor the work we have accomplished and give gratitude to the earth and sun as well as ourselves and each other. We'll prepare ourselves to move forward with joyfulness and grace. Join us!

FEATURED PRESENTERS:

Judy and Nels Linde are artists, ritualists, authors, and community leaders in the Minneapolis area. We have spent thirty years as presenters, teachers, ritualists, and merchants traveling to many regional and national Pagan festivals. We have been guest presenters at the Pagan Spirit Gathering, Heartland Pagan Festival, Pantheacon, Sacred Harvest Festival, and other events. We have sat on guest discussion panels, offered community rituals, and presented workshops on developing community leadership skills, ritual design and production, and community percussion.

Currently we lead a coven in the Blue Star Wiccan Tradition, and have founded a landed Pagan church,





Bear Woman: I am a Crone, artist, energy worker, minister, teacher, student, and always a Spirit trying to have a human experience. I found at the early age of 12 I had to develop my own belief system and set out creating my own through gathering experiences and insights that felt right and true to me. I had several experiences through dreams and visions that helped mold my early Spiritual journey. Later I began to study a more "new age" Spirituality. During this time, I learned a lot of fundamental information on energy, meditation, healing modes, stone and animal beings, and much more. It has been a winding path and often times I didn't feel like I quite "fit". During this journey I spent 10 years helping to build and operate a Spiritual Retreat Center. Through that experience and other



exposure, I began finding some alignment with the Native American belief system. This belief system fit better with my core beliefs and I found that it gave me a better way to express, practice, and talk about my beliefs.

In 1999 a family tragedy threw myself and my family into a whirlwind with no ground to hold on to, let alone sink my roots in and continue to grow. In the time that followed, I found myself having to dig deep down to the very crater of my being and reassess my entire belief system. In the midst of this process, I looked further into what a Shamanic path looked like, the pieces began to fall into

place, and to my amazement, I found my beliefs were aligned with others! I have been studying, allowing, working, living, and following a Shamanic path ever since.

My art has always been created with Spiritual connection. Paintings done from journey work in multitudes of mediums, jewelry, sculpture, pine needle art, journals, drums and rattles, and medicine bags, have all been created with intention and gratitude. My goal is to reconnect humanity to the idea that we are never separated from Spirit, consciously or unconsciously. Whatever we do or say with intention is Spirit connected and affects the whole. I am truly humbled by how the universe works for our highest good and learning.

I don't know everything...not even close! But I will always strive to share the knowledge I have with an open heart. The saying goes, "If you want to learn something better, teach it!". You may just be helping someone else on their path as you learn more yourself! We are all in this together!

About Green Spirit:

Celebrating the Seasons: Lughnasadh

SCHEDULE of EVENTS

1 PM	Gate opens for merchant arrivals.		
3 PM	Gate opens for general arrivals.		
4 PM	Creating Your Own Personal Gratitude Sigil in the Temple Room with Judy & Nels Linde Conversation about the nature of gratitude and the benefits of integrating the concept to enrich your life. Bring pen and paper, and we will together each create a personal sigil. Some materials will be supplied.		
6 PM	Dinner served behind the farmhouse		
7:30 PM	Opening Welcome at the Maypole on the Green with Rev. Sharon, Raven, & Rev. Jake Introduction of "The Three Joys Quest" - follow clues and fill out your game sheet through this festival-long quest! Play on your own, with your family, or with a team you choose! This fun and reflective game has skill levels for families with kiddos, those who like to go far and wide out on the land, and those who want to limit moving around! Do the activities that are right for YOU! Come to the kickoff rally on Friday evening at the Maypole, or get your game sheet from Jake any time in the day or evening throughout the weekend. Come back to the finish spot Sunday morning (read the clue to find out where) to collect your prize for participation!		
8 PM	Opening Ritual at the Maypole on The Green with Rev. MoonFeather Thank you for giving yourself the gift of attending Green Spirit! Together we'll journey		

through the weekend celebrating the 1st Harvest, giving gratitude to each other and to ou	r
personal harvests.	

9 PM

Outdoor Movie Night on The Green

The Spiral Labyrinth: A Journey to the Center at the Labyrinth with Kristol The Spiral Labyrinth creates a sacred space where time slows and the potential for inner growth and spiritual development manifests. It is a powerful meditation tool, helping to quiet the mind and allowing time for personal reflection. As your feet follow the path toward the center, you are drawn deeper into yourself, toward your own center. The center of the spiral is often associated with the Source (Divinity), out of which everything emerges. At the center, you will find a cauldron with gifts inside (please take only one gift during the weekend, even if you take multiple journeys into the Labyrinth). This gift will aid you on your continued Journey of Life. As you trace the path back out, emerge with clarity and with connection to the gifts, gratitude, and grace of your true inner self. The self-guided Spiral Labyrinth will be lit on both Friday and Saturday nights for your journeying pleasure.

Saturday, July 29th

8-9 AM	Continental Breakfast in the Summer Kitchen
9 AM	Gate Opens for New Arrivals Raffle / Silent Auction Tent Opens Merchanting on the Green Opens
9:30 AM	Newcomers Meet & Greet at the Picinc Tables by the Barn with Rev. Jake New to Circle Land? Come meet some of the "old-timers" and learn your way around!
10 AM	Meditation Walk meeting at the Main Entrance to the Barn with Dr. Dennis Carpenter Join Dennis in front of the main entrance to the barn for a leisurely meditative walk. Focus will be upon deepening our sense of presence and connection with the beauty and wonder of Nature at Circle Sanctuary. We will briefly explore walking and nature appreciation from a mindfulness perspective before embarking on our journey together. Be prepared for standing and walking in any weather conditions, including sturdy walking shoes and drinking water. Harvest Jar Craft in the Temple Room with Rev. Sharon Whether we are gardeners or not, we all have a harvest, and now is the time to recognize and give gratitude to our achievements. Join Rev. Sharon for a meditation and intentional creation of your own personal Harvest Jar to envision the future you want to create and plant those seeds.

	Family Programming: Lemonade Making Extravaganza & Story Time at the Tent on The Green with Rev. Florence and Mandie Back by popular demand, the Green Spirit lemonade making extravaganza will return to Circle. Children of all ages will be able to take part in creating this seasonal delicacy. This year's brew will be sold at the children's Lemonade Stand during lunch. After the lemonade is made, Rev. Florence will read a story or two for the littles.
Noon	Lunch behind the Farmhouse
1:30 PM	Lughnasadh Mint Magic in the Temple Room with Rev. Selena Fox Explore and experience some sacred ways of working with different forms of Mint at Lughnasadh and throughout the year. This workshop is free for all in-person attendees, and will also be livestreamed via Zoom. Registration for the livestream is here. Family Programming: Labyrinth talk/tour and Suncatchers at the Labyrinth with Rev. Florence, Mandie, and McKenzie What is a labyrinth? Let's spiral in and spiral out of Circle Sanctuary's labyrinth. Your experience will help you to create a beautiful sun-catcher to take home and remind you of your time at Green Spirit. The labyrinth will be open until dinner for all attendees to enjoy, before transforming for the post-ritual labyrinth.
3 PM	Intro to Shamanic Journeying in the Temple Room with Bearwoman This workshop is designed to give you a brief overview and experience of Shamanic journeying. To go into the depth of Shamanic work would take much longer than the time we have, We will cover some of the basics that help with attaining a trance state through sound, some history, and how one might become a Shaman. Then we will venture on a Guided Shamanic journey to introduce participants to the energy and experience of a journey. A second journey will be offered to follow your own intention. Questions and discussion will follow. Family Programming: Pint-sized Lughnasadh Games at the Tent on the Green with McKenzie Cheer on the kids of our community as they partake in some fun Lughnasadh games on the green.
4:30 PM	Raffle & Silent Auction Ends Join in for what is always an entertaining conclusion to the auction and raffle!
6 PM	Dinner behind the Farmhouse

8 PM

Main Ritual: Gifts, Gratitude & Grace at the Meadowvale Ritual Circle with Judy & Nels Linde and others

At the first harvest we sacrifice the best of our bounty to thank the Gods for our blessings. We acknowledge the gifts we have received, grown, and earned. Bring your internal focus for your gratitude this day. We pray our abundance, gratitude, and grace will become our way. Some movement is involved, bring a chair if needed.

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Sunday, July 30th

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Continental Breakfast in the summer kitchen

9 AM

Journey to Spirit Rock meeting at the Maypole on The Green with Dennis Carpenter *Join Dennis on a Sunday morning hike to Spirit Rock, an ancient sacred site that has a spectacular view of Circle Sanctuary Nature Preserve and vicinity. Be prepared for steep hills and brisk walking.*

10 AM

Spirit Pouch Making in the Temple Room with Bearwoman

During this workshop we will be creating a medicine pouch to hold and carry our personal medicine. We will be using and honoring leather and fur from animals to add the energy from them to our pouches in order to remind us of our gratitude everyday for our strengths, our helpers, and our Gods. You will be invited into a sacred space through a short journey in order to set intention as well as invite the energies that you need in your medicine pouch. In the weeks prior to Green Spirit, you may wish to pay closer attention to your surroundings as things that may want to reside in your medicine pouch may make themselves known.

Family Programming: Nature Hike Bingo meeting at the Tent on the Green with Mandie

Enjoy a morning hike to awaken your senses and play a game of Nature Bingo. Hear the

	sounds of summer, view the beauty of the day, and learn about some interesting plants and/or insects.
11:30 AM	Lunch served behind the Farmhouse
ı PM	Closing Ritual at the Maypole on the Green with Raven We'll wrap up a weekend of full of gifts and gratitude by giving ourselves grace to make the choice to take this goodwill, goodness, and kindness out into the world.
3 PM	Final Departures

Items To Bring:

- An item or two to donate for the Raffle and/or Silent Auction
- Ritual garb and/or brightly colored clothes, as well as a crown of flowers or greens for your head or bells for your feet, to wear during the main ritual.
- Offering of small crystals, fresh flowers, other items for Fairy Shrine.
- Journal and writing implements
- Offering of small stones, crystals, rocks, flowers for the Stone Circle
- Your own refillable water bottle and coffee cup to use for drinks at meals and other times.
- Camping Gear: tent, sleeping bag, pillow, air mattress, flashlight, water jug, towel, biodegradable soap and shampoo, personal toiletries, sun gear, raingear, cold weather gear, insect and tick repellent.
- A lawn chair, mat, or blanket for outdoor seating. Many activities will be outside.
- Drum, rattle, or other rhythm instrument.

VENDORS

Outdoor vending space is available -- please review the FAQ and the Guidelines, and contact the Circle office with any questions.

REGISTRATION

Adults (each):	through 11:59PM on 7/27
3 Days	\$125
Fri - Sat	\$95
Sat - Sun	\$95
Sat. Only	\$75

Children 5+ (each)	through 11:59PM on 7/27
3 Days	\$55
Fri - Sat	\$45
Sat - Sun	\$45
Sat. Only	\$35

Children under 5 are free.

Register NOW!

Questions?

If you have questions, please contact the Circle Office.



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