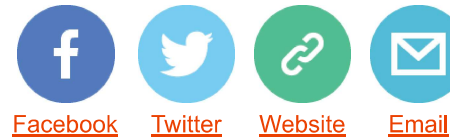


Asatru Folk Assembly's The Voice



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Words from the Alsherjargothi





I am writing this morning with the sun shining in on me, gazing out at the beautiful blooms on the trees outside my apartment. Life is good and I am feeling springtastic! Everywhere I look, the AFA is a buzz with activity and vitality. Mandy and I just returned from Washington State where I was honored to speak at the Northwest Forum hosted by Counter Currents. These folks gave us great hospitality

In the AFA, we are about doing, and with that in mind, Folkbuilder Cameron Mottus has initiated an effort to raise money for persecuted whites in South Africa. For those of you that may not know, white farmers are being savagely abused and impoverished. This abuse is racially motivated and, because they are sons and daughters of Europe, the victims are being largely ignored by the world. This is a tragedy, but take heart! There are tangible ways that your contributions can help these folk and, so far, the generosity of AFA members towards this has been overwhelming!

Speaking of DOING, the AFA is thriving and growing, now more than ever before. We have big things we want to accomplish, for our Gods, for our church and for our folk. We need your help! The AFA is looking for volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact your local Folkbuilder and they will be happy to get your information to the right people. With your help, we have great things ahead of us.

Hexennacht in the South is right around the corner. I cannot stress this enough, if you can make it..... take the leap and make it happen. These events are so very special and important, they literally change lives. I know that going to national events made all the difference in my life and in my soul. Mandy and I are looking forward to seeing old friends and making new ones at this years Hexennacht and we would love to see each of you there and share a horns of warm and fellowship.

Last but not least, embrace the spring that surrounds you. Be inspired to get out, emerge from the hibernation of winter. Seize the might of the spring time sun and happen to life rather than life happening to you. This is a great time to be alive and a great time to be a part of the Asatru Folk Assembly.

Hail the Gods!

Hail the Folk!

Hail the AFA!

Matthew D. Flavel

Alsherjargothi

Asatru Folk Assembly

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**Day of Remembrance
for Jarl Haakon Sigurdsson**



Please join your AFA family and friends as we honor an Asatru hero of old! Jarl Haakon ruled Norway from 975-995, he was a strongly loyal to our Gods and when the King of Denmark tried to push conversion in Norway, Haakon sent the missionaries back to the shores of Denmark. Raise a horn to

This [link](#) will tell you about him briefly but I would encourage you all to read the Heimskringla (Saga of King Harald Grafeld and Saga of King Olaf Tryggvason specifically)for the whole story.

AFA Hexennacht in the South



**HEXENNACHT
IN THE SOUTH 2018
APRIL 27-29 NORTH CAROLINA**

- Frith & Fellowship
- Motivation Speakers
- Best Selling Book Authors
- Amazing Rituals
- Mead Making Classes
- Mead Competition
- Kids Crafts
- Bon Fires & Live Music
- Auction & 50/50 Raffle
- Great Food & Warm Cabins

Find a group of people who challenge and inspire you. Spend some time with them it will change your life.

Hexennacht in the South is just 5 weeks away! We've got some great speakers, rituals, and kids activities planned. There will also be great food, warm cabins, and mead. We truly need for everyone interested to go ahead and register so we can get a head count to plan meals and so forth. A mere \$50 deposit secures your spot. Anyone whose attended know's the motivation, friendships, and spiritual rekindling that's afforded at these events. You can find reservation info [here](#).



Words for a Plight

by Cameron Mottus, Apprentice Folkbuilder

Focus on South Africa

The focus for March has been on the plight of the South African Whites. In my opinion, the situation in South Africa is the thin edge of the wedge for European people around the world. Marxism and anti-European hate are an existential threat to our Folk. What we do now will define our future.



"We are cutting the throat of whiteness."
Joseph Malema, South African Politician

What started out as a challenge put out to the members of my region (Australia, New Zealand and South Africa) has now turned into a fully fledged fundraising campaign supported by the Asatru Folk Assembly.



In just the past few days our ANZ and SA members have raised \$140 for the South African Family Relief Project (SAFRP). I passed on our initial results to Leigh, the founder of the SAFRP, and this is

“Thank you so much for your kindness and the fact that you are willing to share our plight in your country. We truly need all the help we can get. We live without electricity and try to be self-sufficient but it is not easy. Winter is upon us and we are not coping to feed the masses. We are positive and pray every day. Hard work and giving to families in need is our passion and we will continue to do so.”

Granted, most of the folks we are helping are not Asatruar but they are still our Folk and I am taking a personal interest in ensuring that we do what we can to assist them. What I find most inspiring is that the South African Folk, despite the hardships they are facing, keep moving forward and making the best of the situation they are in.



I have spoken to Matt Flavel and the members in America have already raised a few hundred dollars as well. This month, it is official. We would like to extend the fundraising campaign to all of our members across the world. I invite everyone to lend a helping hand to the Folk in South Africa.

\$20.00
USD

Make this a monthly donation [?](#)

South Africa

[Donate Now](#)

Personally, I am committing to \$20 for the next 12 months. If we all do that the Folk in need will get an ongoing, predictable stream of funds.

Where does the money go? Initially, the money will be held by AFA Folk Services. Every month the AFA will make a donation to one or more charities in South Africa. Currently, there are two that we are considering.

1. [The South African Family Relief Project](#) - The SAFRP works on a daily basis to assist people in need.
2. [Suidlanders](#) - The Suidlanders are preparing for the potential of a future emergency (genocide/civil war)

If you know of any other South African charities or you want to help please contact me at cmottus@runestone.org.

by Blaine Qualls, Jr., Gothar Program Coordinator

Greetings all,

The time has come again for the Asatru Folk Assembly Gothar Program to begin accepting applications. We will take applications from the beginning of April until the very end of May. We will review applications the beginning of June and notify our next class around Midsummer with classes beginning in July. This is not an Asatru 101 course, applicants should be well versed in all aspects of Asatru from the lore to performing rituals. We will not teach you the basics, rather we will build upon and expand the foundation you have created thus far. AFA Gothar deserve and command respect throughout the Asatru community; if you would like to step up and begin to give back to your Folk, now is the time. Find your application [here](#) (file is a word document at ~52KB).

Blaine Qualls,
Gothar Program Coordinator

Run to the Sun
A Midsummer's Motorcycle Adventure to Óðinshof



One evening as I was chatting with Bjorn Raido about our two favorite things, The AFA and Motorcycles! We decided what better adventure could there be than riding our bikes from Wisconsin to Óðinshof, and what better reason than to celebrate Midsummer!

Our trip is still very much in the planning stages. So far though with picking up another rider, we plan on going West the northern route then heading south west through Yellowstone and the Mountains. We plan to leave June 18th and roll into the Hof sometime on the 21st. The trip will be around 2,000 miles give or take. We plan on roughing it each night with loose destination points.

We are also in the process of figuring out how to make this a fundraiser to help pay off Óðinshof. If we were going to ride might as well ride for a good cause!!

Feel free to contact me on facebook or jrasmussen@runestone.org

Hail the Gods and Goddess!

Hail the Ancestors!

Hail the Folk!

Cheers!

Jamie (OX) Rasmussen

Apprentice Folkbuilder Midwest

Winter visits The Hof
Submitted by Melody Buckley





ASATRU FOLK ASSEMBLY MILITARY OUTREACH PROGRAM

Hails! I am expected to have the material to begin shipping out to our volunteers that are on or near military bases in roughly two weeks! We will have over 200 books to send out to our bases, these books were purchased with last year's book drive fundraiser. So, if you donated, thank you very much! It is greatly appreciated. Along with books we will be sending our informative tri-folds! So, if you are interested in helping with getting this material in the hands of our military folk, feel free to send me an email and I'll add you to my 'volunteer list'.

Thank you!
Kevin Long
Military Program Coordinator
klong@runestone.org

**Words from the Northern Plains, South Dakota
by Blaine Qualls, Jr., Folkbuilder**



Here in the Dakotas it has been a really good month. We hosted our annual Ostara 3 day long event, these just keep getting bigger and better each year. This year we had over 30 adults and about 10 children come together for the weekend. We had folks traveling from minnesota, South Dakota and from all across North Dakota to attend. Friday evening we opened our weekend with a Rite of Welcome performed by member Les Lauer. Following that we had a nice supper and people were able to get settled in and socialize a bit. While peopling were socializing, the children dyed eggs for Saturday's Ostara egg hunt. They made a terrible mess but they enjoyed every second of it. Nothing better than children's laughter floating through a hall filled with good folk all enjoying themselves.

Saturday morning brought a hearty breakfast to carry us through the mornings events. Our day's events began with member Matt Funk giving a great impromptu presentation on the plight of the South African peoples, what was happening there and what we could do to help. He did a really great job conveying the seriousness and urgency of the situation there.

Then came our first attempt at a Children's Blót here in the Dakotas... I led the ritual with the great assistance of young Tanis Jansen, son of member Jesse jansen. He was a more than able assistant who led us, and the other assembled children, through the calling of the wards (directions). When it came time to share the blessings with the folk he made his round insuring everyone was given the

After the Children's ritual came our Ostara Blót proper led by the always lovely Vronna Qualls. She did a great job calling down the blessings of Ostara upon us and helping to bring Spring back to the land. In all honesty what began as a gloomy, cold, and frosty day within just a few hours after her ritual became a day of warmth and sunshine... more than a few commented on the drastic change and the blessings of Ostara. This ritual was followed by a feast beyond compare; venison, ham, chili, and all the side dishes you can imagine were brought out and shared among the Folk. No one left that table hungry.

Mid-afternoon saw a presentation about the sacredness of fire and the consecrating of a ritual fire before Blót put on by our guest Jason Robertson, hopefully soon to be a member. It was enlightening and thought provoking to be sure.... very much a perspective of things many hadn't seen.

Evening brought our auction led by member Whitney Schlafman who always keeps people entertained and willing to spend a little extra. Following that was a sumbel that was both very emotional and very sincere all at once. Tears were shed, laughs were had, bonds were forged and reforged. And member Mark Cook helped us through it all with his amazing traditional style singing.

Sunday dawned far too early, these celebrations never seem to give a person enough time. Before we began to pack up and say our goodbyes member Anna Szczepanski, helped by member Ryan Hanson's son, Joe, led us in a Wayfarer Blót that would see us all safely home. Truly it was an amazing weekend filled with good folk and frith.





Words from the West, Alaska by Ryan Harlan, Folkbuilder

Ostara at the Hof found a few of us showing up on Friday Night to get things going. I showed up later than most and quickly saw that things were underway, settling in to help where I could. The next morning, we quickly turned to breakfast, and getting the Hof ready for our event. We arranged the

from stores, graced the tables, and we had a bouquet and symbols of Ostara as a centerpiece.





Eggs were dyed and decorated by the children and were hidden by the adults shortly after the finished. There were even a few plastic eggs containing money, waiting for the lucky to find them. A few of our Folk joined in an egg race, in which you balance an egg on a spoon held in the participant's mouth. Each person was tasked with making it from one side of the grounds to the other without dropping their Egg.



We also held another test of our individual luck and did a little Egg Bopping. Everyone selected an Egg, decorated it with Runes and symbols which are holy to our Folk, and once they had been charged with these symbols of luck, power and secret knowledge, we lined up. Egg in hand, we stood across from our challengers and hit our eggs together. The ones whose egg was still intact matched up and tested their luck again. This was done until only one Egg was left unscathed, and the owner of that Egg was deemed to have the strongest luck that day. Congrats to Deedy!

The weather had been everything from wet to dreadful, but, our collective luck, or Hamingja, shone through as the clouds parted, allowing Sunna to grace us for the remainder of the day. Our indoor Blót was quickly transferred outdoors with the change in weather and fortune. Gothi Thorgrun Thompson-Odden conducted Blót to our beloved Goddess of the Dawn, and the Herald of Springs return. We again drew indoors for dinner and continued kinship. Steven Ingle gave a talk on Genealogy research and how we can trace our own lineages. I gave a short talk on the situation which our Brothers and Sisters in South Africa are facing, and reminded the Folk that we are doing our part to help them. With the return of light and life to the world, and the good fortune that we in the AFA have experienced, we see it fitting that we should help to share such blessings with our Boer cousins. To help provide some of that light and life to those who are in need of it. Hail the Boers!





To end the night, we held Sumble with those who remained. Many who were in attendance left early in order to get home before our wet weather returned, or worse yet snow! With Sumble over, a hearty few enjoyed the night by the fire, as it slowly died down. The next morning again saw breakfast, some cleaning up, and some goodbyes until our next event.

Speaking of events, or next event at the Hof will be Sigr Blót! One of the three great Blóts attested to by Snorri. Sigr. Victory. Who doesn't want more VICTORY?! We will be holding Sigr Blót April 14th

6th. And right after May, we have what I think many of us have been waiting for since last year. Midsummer is in the works, and we will be celebrating at the Hof June 22nd-24th. Put in those vacation requests now, and get a sitter booked! We hope to see you there!

For more information on any of these events, please reach out to myself (Ryan Harlan at rharlan@runestone.org), or Jessica Rose at jrose@runestone.org. If you are interested in helping out the Boers in South Africa, please make a donation via runestone.org, and our Folk Services program. Please ensure that you put "South Africa" in the comments, so we can earmark that money for that purpose.

Hail the Gods!

Hail the Folk!

Hail the AFA!

**Words from the Far North, Alaska
by Eric Whisman, Folkbuilder**



At the end of March, AFA Kindred Der Volkstamm auf dem Nordliche Bar, as well as other AFA members, met for a very special weekend. As is tradition amongst the Tribe, our oaths to the tribe are renewed annually on Ostara.

On Saturday we met up at the home of Channcie Alfred and had an anniversary party celebrating the fourth year of Der Volkstamm auf dem Nordliche Bar. There was arts and crafts for the children and good socializing for the adults there. That night, after the sun was long set, the members of Der Volkstamm auf dem Nordliche Bar met around a fire underneath the shimmering Northern Lights and renewed their oaths to each other and to the Tribe.

We also welcomed in a new prospect, Xavier Bird, who took his Affirmation to the Tribe, beginning his year-long process of potentially becoming an oathed member.

The following day, the Folk met at Morrellheim to celebrate Ostara and the coming of spring. Under a

renewing of life and awakening of spring.

After Blót we feasted together and enjoyed one another's company for several hours before eventually heading home.







**Words from the Upper South, North Carolina
by Paul Hester, Folkbuilder**

March has been an extraordinary month in the Upper South with our region now exceeding 80 members. We've also got some great Kindreds with many more on the way. We had a meet and greet this month in Monroe North Carolina that was attended by 13 of our wonderful Folk. We made many plans for 2018 and we anticipate the untapped possibilities that wait.



**Words from the Northern Plains, Minnesota
by Jason Gallagher, Folkbuilder**





Spring is finally here and the weather is starting to get nice again. This month we are hosting our first

well. Im so proud of them! On March 16th several MN members and myself traveled to North Dakota to attend Ostara in the Dakotas hosted by Ulfhednar Clan. And we finished the month off with our last indoor meet and greet for the season.

If you plan to be in the area and would like to attend, please contact me at jgallagher@runestone.org.

- 4/5 Rune study 5:30-8:30 Bloomington,MN.
- 4/8 Crafting and woodworking day 12-4 Bloomington,MN.
- 4/21 Children's story day. 12-3 Bloomington,MN.
- 4/28 Grill and greet 3-6 Hyland park reserve(Chutes and ladders)Bloomington,MN.
- 5/13 Crafting and woodworking Day 12-4 Bloomington,MN.
- 5/26 Memorial Weekend Grill and greet 4-7 Andover,MN.
- 5/19-5/20 First Annual May day plant a tree event.Hosted by the Hanson's on their land in Central Minnesota.
- 6/10 crafting and woodworking day 12-4 Bloomington,MN.
- 6/16 Folkish Family Midsummer Celebration 4-7 Bloomington,MN.



**Words from the West, Southern California
by Heather Nicole Clinkenbeard, Folkbuilder**



TruFolk of San Diego are busy as ever! One thing about living in beautiful weather year round is we get to always enjoy the outdoors. But we know that no matter how busy it gets, we need to always make time for our faith, for our folk, and for our Gods and Goddesses. This month was no exception. With a park moot and a very nice Ostara picnic celebration, we had a fantastic month. We had a member get back from deployment, and a few new people showed up that seem pretty serious. One of our annual traditions is to "beat" winter away. One of our Folk will wear a cloak and run about the circle as we try to hit them with sticks. This year winter was my wonderful son, Devlin Johnson!



This is a time for renewal and we all needed it. Our group continues to grow and build bonds with each other within our groups and outside. Members are having monthly hike moots, and gathering for going out on the town or just to hang out. We are becoming a family. I have noticed how much it has added to the quality of our Blóts and relationships with each other and with our Gods. It is that time of year when interest sparks from all over. I would like to remind you to keep a lookout for new people, make them feel welcome and continue our awesome growth.



Our local members Gray Will and Matthew Waldrum wrote these poems for our Ostara Blót and I would like to share it.

Paganism DIDN'T Perish

Gray Will

Celebrated is this day
To commemorate the Saint
Who drove the Old Ways away.
Replaced them with an Abrahamic Faith,
It is better he did say,
For the Old Gods and Goddesses
No longer hold sway.
Buried into the past they sought to lay
The folks ancestral traditions that day.
And with excommunication did they

Forcing a culturally rich folk
Into the modern world and it's formless gray.
And now a new form from the desert
Comes to threaten us and it is to Allah they Pray.
Yet despite all this our comradery
Of Culture helps to keep the enemies of the folk at bay.
So celebrate and let not hearts be heavily weighed,
And come all that May,
For St. Patrick DIDN'T drive all the "snakes" away!
And Paganism is here to stay
And now thrives upon this day!

Spring Song

Matthew Waldrum

Of melting snow,
Of budding growth,
Of songs by birds in the sun!
Of quenching rain,
Of children born,
Of darkness at last undone!

I call you Eostre!
Of springtime fair!
Bring forth thy gifts of life!
Let green take hold,
In wood, in field!
Let life bloom forth from strife!

I call you Frey,
My chosen God!
Lord of Light Alfheim!
Your gifts, I ask,

I call you Freyja!
Lady so fair,
Balanced with intellect's fire!
Bring forth thy gifts,
If worthy we are,
Of love and gainful desire!

**Words from the Folkbuilder at Large
by Jamie Lynn Souigny, Apprentice Folkbuilder**

We have a new member! Joe Rozanek lives in Portland, Oregon as a part of our Northwest Region! Hail, and welcome home Joe!

Have you had some recent victories in life? A new marriage? A promotion? A new baby? Have you gathered with Folk for a Holy Day or even just a moot? We want to celebrate with you as a community! Please submit anything YOU would like added to "The Voice" to your Folkbuilder Jamie Souigny!

Hail the doers!!!
Hail the AFA!!!
Hail the Gods and Goddesses!!!
Hail our Folk!!!

[AFA Europe](#)

Hailsa to all our Folk in Europe!

A quick reminder that we now have a blog on the AFA website dedicated to all our Folk in Europe. Once again, thanks Anders and Cliff! We need YOUR input to really make it grow!

Hail the AFA!

[AFA Folk Services](#) is intended to provide modest, one-time monetary grants to Asatru Folk Assembly (AFA) members in dire need of basic services. It is also to be a source for referrals and information to help members get help beyond what the AFA can directly provide. For more information, send a private message to the [Folk Services page on facebook](#).

We have had some amazing support to boost our funds for Folk Services as of late. It is the support of our community that helps our Folk in times of unforeseen troubles. Without this support we would not have the levels of success we have achieved and I am looking forward to seeing how far we can go in the future.

Note from the Founder: We need your help! Lots of people "like" our posts, but fewer actually pitch in. I understand--that's human nature--but we need to build at least a small fund for emergencies, rather than simply passing the hat for specific events. Your contributions are earnestly solicited and of course are tax-deductible! Every little bit adds up! Got an extra \$5 this month? Shoot it over to Folk Services!

If even a fraction of the folks who like the page did that each month, imagine the possibilities!

Thanks in advance!
Jamie Souigny
Apprentice Folkbuilder at Large

**Words from Europe, Scandinavia
by Anders Nilsson, Apprentice Folkbuilder**



We had a Frey Blót one the 24th to welcome a late spring to our snow-clad country. On Saturday we all met at our hosts farmstead. Together, we went to a burial place from the Iron Age. In one of the nine big stone circles, the altar and ritual fire were already in place.

Frey and Freya were present at the altar. Seeds and mead were offered to them as well as songs and personal offerings. All were brought to the fire. Spring blessed us with an unmistakable sign; a lonely crane sounded it's mythical cries and flew over our heads. This time we had a lot of new folks participated (and we had a few children in the circle) and we all felt the unmistakable presence of the old powers.







We returned to the farmstead to eat a wonderful dinner. The horn went around the gathered folk and words of honor and praise were blessed by the concentrated sunlight within the horn. As the evening grew, people began to say their goodbyes, and those of us who had traveled far went to an early bed.

This is a growing community with dedicated and strong men and women. We WILL bring the Old Ways back to our country, back to our people, with great honor.

Anders Nilsson,
Sweden



Words from the Northeast
by **George J. Schindler III, Apprentice Folkbuilder & Clifford Erickson, Folkbuilder**

Updates from New England
by **George J. Schindler III, Apprentice Folkbuilder**



Folkish Greetings to all of our AFA Kindred Worldwide! New England Asatruar are rising to the warm rays of Sunna and beginning our day by Hailing our Gods and Goddesses!! May we sing the song of

Our March 10th AFA Pubmoot was a rousing success as many AFA members, along with honored guests, came from all over our region to share a wonderful dinner and celebrate our Tru way of life. By the end of the evening the word SKÅL was burned into the memory of the Wait staff and 5 tables were pushed together to accommodate our jovial group!

For some of us it was a reunion, a time to shake hands and give a warm embrace. For others it was a new experience and a chance to look forward to a reunion of their own. For a few of us, it was a time to seriously plan our for our future. The children kept us beaming with their infectious laughter and they spread the contagion far and wide!

The following Sunnadaeg morning, those of us who spent the night in local lodgings, kept to the plan and drove down to a beautifully secluded area of a state park and dedicated our deeds and words of power to the High ones! We held an Odin Blöt and the emotional impact of our combined energy overwhelmed many hearts and kissed my cheek with tears of elation. POWERFUL indeed!



I am proud to announce that we are hard at work forming a Folkish AFA Kindred here in New England. We have what I believe to be a strong core of stalwart Kinfolk willing to take our DECLARATION OF PURPOSE to those Folk sleeping and awakened. Hail those who DO!!

HAIL OUR FANTASTIC FOLK!!
HAIL THE ASATRU FOLK ASSEMBLY!!

Updates from the Mid-Atlantic by Clifford Erickson, Folkbuilder

Hail Ostara!

AFA members from Pennsylvania, Maryland, and New Jersey gathered to celebrate the return of the dawn goddess Ostara. Some hadn't seen one another for over a year and it was a great chance to see old friends and to acknowledge the spring, which is just starting to show.





Upcoming Event

Sigrblot hosted by Lansdale Tru Folk

Saturday, April 14 at 3 PM - 10 PM

Lansdale, PA

Contact: cerickson@runestone.org

Winter Nights in the Poconos

Dates for the seventh annual Winter Nights in the Poconos is confirmed for October 12 - 14, 2018.

More details will be coming soon!

Words from Central Corridor, Missouri by Christopher Gower, Apprentice Folkbuilder

The IBSK/AFA March/Oestara event was outstanding! Lots of our Folk and Families came to southern

kinder truly enjoyed. We gathered together for meals, a blot and sunbell. Truly enjoying each other, much frith and fellowship. A wonderful event to be sure. We are very much looking forward to our April event in the St.Louis Region. As they are always a lot of fun and full of inspiration and lore. I could not be more proud of everyone that chooses to stand up, to claim their role in building a legacy for our people and our Church. We are looking forward to becoming the beacon that so many are ultimately searching for. We are excited to be building our own traditions in spiritual observances of our holidays within a state that has been dormant for quite some time. The sense of ownership and pride is at an all-time high. So please stay tuned to my little section of the Voice in 2018. I'm sure there is gonna be quite a bit to share and raise a Horn to. I'm excited to be a part of something so important to the spiritual lives of our people. Thank you for taking the time to read my little contribution. I promise to try to be both informative and brief in my submissions in the future. Brevity and Clarity. Folk and Faith. Purpose and Due Diligence.

Christopher

Hail To The Aesir and the Vanir!

Hail the IBSK Folk!

Hail The AFA!







APRIL 2018: Four Corners Region

March was an active month. Classes and Moots continued in both Denver and New Mexico. Jason James Plourde had a nice Ostara Blot in Littleton. It was a pot luck with many new people participating. We are discussing a possible Region Event in the Four Corners. This will be a weekend event for the members of the region. If you would like to be involved in the planning of this event, please contact Nate Hayden at nhayden@runestone.org.

ARIZONA

If there are any members in Arizona motivated to create Events, please reach out. Contact Nate Hayden at nhayden@runestone.org

COLORADO

April 8th - Study Group "The Soul"

Sunday 1pm

Session Coffee

1340 S. Santa Fe Drive, Denver, Colorado 80223

Come join us for this month's folkish study group, as we discuss and review the soul construct and nature of man in the context of being an Asatruar. Hosted by Jason James Plourde. Contact for more information at jplourde@runestone.org.

April 15th - Wotan Blot and Potluck

Sunday 3pm - 6pm

Stern Park

5800 S Spotswood Street, Littleton, Colorado 80120

Join us to honor Wotan with Blot and boasts of victories to come! Followed by potluck style dinner and the company of good folk! Hosted by Jason James Plourde. Contact for more information at jplourde@runestone.org.

April 19th - Asafolk Kindred Founding and Oath In

Thursday at 7am

Stern Park

5800 S Spotswood Street, Littleton, Colorado 80120

Attendance is open to any individuals who would like to observe and participate in opening Blot as we call our

New Mexico

Cecile Johnston will have a Blot and open meeting with the Albuquerque group. Please contact Cecile for dates and times at hypognosis321@gmail.com

Utah

If in, or around, Utah please join the "Utah Folkish Asatru" Facebook page for more information in the area.

Coming soon in Utah:

SFC. Marc J. O'Connor, USA (RET) presents FOLKISH LEADERSHIP: *Military Techniques and Intergroup Communications for Leadership in the Wolf Age*.

Time and location TBA in Northern Utah.

This intensive weekend courses cover Modes and Principles of Leadership, the Five Military Effects, how to apply them in non-permissive environments and methods to inform your audience. The purpose of this class is to develop tactical leadership capable of actualizing projects, influencing their environment that provide a foundation for practical militancy. This is the first part of an instructional series sponsored by Mr. O'Connor and the Forest Society. Contact Marc for more information at mkhemlock@gmail.com.

Circle of Eir - A Call to Healing

AFA Circle of Eir performs a montly healing ritual calling upon Eir and naming those AFA members and families in need of healing. If you would like to become a member of the Circle or would like to submit the name of someone who needs healing, please send an an email to Patricia Hall at patriciahall@runestone.org. This month's ritual will be held on the night of the 19th, a Thursday.

Hail Eir!

AFA Mead Makers Group

Thanks to the generosity of many of our home brewers, mead is abundant at our events. Mead is a fairly easy brew to make, and can be as simple or as complex as you want it to be. In the past, it was mostly women who were in charge of making mead, but these days people from both sexes enjoy the craft.

Are you interested in learning how to make your own mead? We invite you to join our AFA Mead Maker's group on Facebook. We have folk from rank beginners to people who have been making mead for decades, so there's lots of people to learn from. to join, notify myself, Marc or Clifford and we'll add you to the group.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/AFAMeadMakers>

Folkish Business Directory



New for the AFA, Carrie Overton is putting together a Business Directory for our Folk! Send us your contact info (website, business type, etc..) and we will add you to our AFA Business and Crafter's™ newsletter that will be coming soon! This is our chance to promote and support Folkish businesses so we can help each other flourish and grow. Community starts with working together and working in each other's™ interests. Lets make it happen!

Baby Blanket Project

The Women of the AFA would like to announce a brand new project - the Baby Blanket Project! We're committed to ensuring all new babies born within the AFA are gifted a hand made - knit, crocheted, or woven - baby blanket! It just our little way of celebrating our new folk!

If you would like a blanket for your newborn, or would like to donate to help with yarn cost (yarn is expensive!) please notify Jamie (jsouigny@runestone.org) with the subject line: BABY BLANKET.

Greeting Card Project

Hails my Folk!!!

We are in the process of gathering artwork for a collection of greeting cards to be offered for sale to our Folk. To have cards available for all of our observed Holy Days and Special Occasions is our goal here.

I can't draw much more than stick people but I am sure there is a lot of artistic talent in our community. We are also reaching out through our Prison Ministry for art contributions from Folk on the inside. Artwork can be submitted via online email or by mail:

Jamie Souigny
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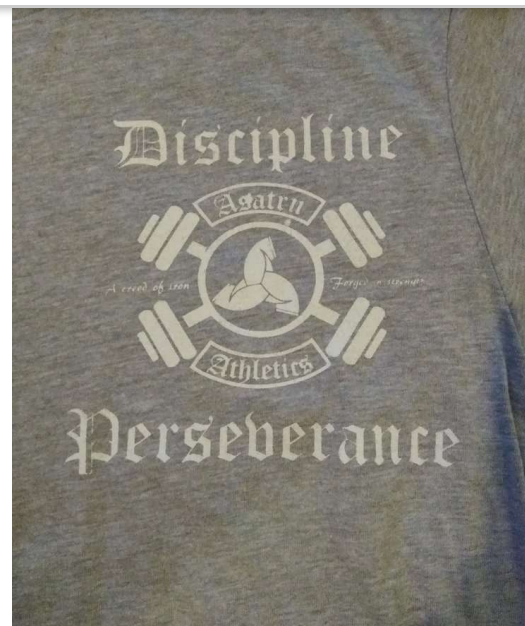
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Item of the Month

Winter is over and that means life is in a stage of renewal. What better way to renew yourself and shake off winter than to hit the gym or the trails? And now you can do so sporting this comfortable Asatru Athletics t-shirt! It comes in sport gray, is made of 100% organic ringspun cotton, and is made here in the ol' US of A. Show your support for a healthy lifestyle and our folk with this shirt for only \$25! Grab yours [here](#).

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