

Where we gather, we are home.
Where we go, we will raise stones.



The Stones Family Gathering

September 2 - 5 2021
Stone Song Center
& Virtual - Where You Are



WHERE WE SHALL GATHER



EVENT LOCATION: STONE SONG CENTER

Event Dates and Times:

Thursday, September 2, 2021, 12:00pm - Sunday,
September 5, 2020, Late Evening

Virtual - The Gathering Place and Zoom Workshop

Links you ll need for the weekend:

Zoom: To keep things easy, every Zoom event for the weekend will be in the same room-The Workshop. Here is the link information:

<https://tinyurl.com/Workshopscc>

Meeting ID: 756 175 5812 and Passcode: 1293 485

Gatherspace: We've created a new virtual hang out that everyone can use! User friendly and fun to explore, we're hoping you take a chance to visit the Gatherspace and find out more. You don't need any other type of account to use Gatherspace, so if you're not into using Facebook, this is a great way to stay connected with the tribe remotely. There will be several tours all weekend long to help introduce you to how to use Gather and get the most of it, so be sure to stop in for one!

To get to the **Gatherspace:**

<https://tinyurl.com/SCCGatherspace>

Chrome is the recommended browser for Gather. There is also a mobile version, but it's a bit newer so it does not have all the functionality that using Gather in a browser on a computer would have.

Extras:

Facebook:

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

Some events will be streamed live to Facebook. If you don't use Facebook, don't worry, it will also be streamed to Zoom.

Schedule:

There is a google calendar with this weekend's schedule mapped out on it for you! If you don't have it already, you can access it here:

<https://tinyurl.com/Calendar4SCCevents>



Welcome to the weekend of Stones Family Gathering, a

There are many people that have worked hard to make this weekend happen, including you! As we gather for this hybrid Stones Family Gathering we have worked hard to gather safely both in person and virtually. As we continue to navigate the world, we look forward to being with tribe in any way that we can gather. We welcome you and hope you have a spectacular time.

Virtual Campers!

Check the end of this program for a list of things you might want to have handy at home to participate in some of the crafts and workshops. The recipes for the cooking classes are also included.

Spiritual Care Team members will be available throughout the weekend to offer peer-to-peer support. If you are seeking a sounding board, a member of the Spiritual Care Team will be available to listen deeply and be with you in the moment. Spiritual Care Team Members will be wearing purple armbands throughout the weekend, reach out to them if you need to talk. On site are Rosanna Tufts, Robin Woodruff, Wood Woodruff, Shannon Humm, Eric Eldritch, and Liliana Arrington. Eldritch and Liliana are willing to take phone calls from those attending virtually.

Information

Assistance this Weekend

If you need anything at all this weekend, please don't hesitate to reach out:

e-mail:

Admin@stonecirclecouncil.org

call Kate: 443-955-0679

Post on SCC Facebook:

www.facebook.com/groups/StoneCircleCouncil

Donations - We thank you for all the donations that have made this event possible and we thank you in advance for helping us as we continue to move forward. Please consider adding a monthly donation now that we are a registered 501(c) organization to help cover our yearly fixed and quarry expenses. We currently have \$240/month in recurring donations. If we expand the definition of fixed expenses to include \$3K in stones a year we need about \$400 in recurring donations. So we're only \$160/month short! Please consider a monthly donation!

Council Membership - Stone Circle Council is a membership based organization that believes in democracy! Each year we hold elections twice. If you are not a member and would like to vote during the fall elections, please visit our website:
www.stonecirclecouncil.org/



The Schedule - All times are EST



Thursday

5:30 p.m. - **Virtual Coffee Pavilion** - As the event kicks off, join us in the Zoom Workshop for fellowship and community bonding time. Bring your pets, your special crafts and your own coffee and check in with your fellow folks. (In The Workshop)

6:30 p.m. - **Virtual Introduction to Gather!** - Learn about a new virtual space that was made for SCC folks to enjoy anytime! This is a fun place to get together with friends, full of surprises and fun for everyone to enjoy. (In the Workshop) Gather will open this weekend and then stay open to be enjoyed ever after, even when there are no official events going on. Please enjoy it as a virtual community space to use anytime you wish to. If you miss this one, don't worry, there will be a Gather Introduction once each day at different times throughout the event to help introduce folks to our newest addition to the virtual community. (In the Zoom Workshop)

7:00 p.m. - **Virtual Altar Tours and Show and Tools!** - Virtual attendees, show us your altar set up at home! Don't have one set up, but have some cool witchy tools you'd like to show off? Ritual gear, athames, bowls, crystals, etc.? Bring them to Zoom and share them and their stories! (In the Workshop)

8:00 p.m. - **Opening Ceremony: Come Home to Stonesong** - An opening ceremony of Tribal summoning and grounding hosted by Patricia Althouse and John Nunemaker. Please find a comfortable space for meditation. (At the Trilithon and in the Workshop)

Following Ritual - **Fire/Bardic Circle** (at the Fire Circle and in the Workshop and Gather as well!)



The Schedule Cont. (EST)



Friday

12:00 p.m. - **Registration and Coffee Open** - Registration table opens for you to check in and coffee will be available. (Registration Table, In camp Campers only)

3:30-4:00 p.m. - **Introduction to Gather** - Learn about a new virtual space that was made for SCC folks to enjoy anytime! This is a fun place to get together with friends, full of surprises and fun for everyone to enjoy. The space is now open and will be available as a virtual hangout space all weekend and beyond! Check it for helpful links, find the schedule and link for Zoom Workshops and streams within. (In the Zoom Workshop)

4:00 p.m. - **Chanting and Singing Workshop** - Prepare for this weekend's Rituals - learn chanting and singing for working during the weekend rituals. (At the Oak Altar and In the Workshop)

5:30 p.m. - **Drumming Workshop** - Prepare for this weekend's Rituals - learn basic drumming for working during the weekend rituals. (At the Oak Altar and the Workshop)

7:00-8:00 p.m- **Gluten Free Cookie Workshop** - Some truly yummy gluten free cookies sound good? Come join us to learn how to make them! (Virtual Offering in the Workshop)

7:00 p.m. - **Dinner** - meal plan dinner or dinner with your POD. (in camp campers)

8:00 p.m. - **The Night Pull** - with Coriander and the Stones Crew in service - meet at the Trilithon (Live streamed to Facebook and in the Workshop)

After the Night Pull - **Ceremony: Introduction to the Elements** - Journey with us as we reintroduce the elements in the primal way we will be working with them this weekend. (At the Trilithon and in the Workshop)

After Ceremony - **Bardic Circle** - Join us for a special bardic ceremony for
Christina Hoffman. Following, we will have open Bardic and Fire Circle. (At the Fire Circle and in the Workshop)



The Schedule Cont. (EST)



Saturday

8:00 a.m. - **Morning Yoga with James Jones** - Learn about Lu Jong during this morning activity. At the Maypole.

9:00 a.m. - **Breakfast** - meal plan breakfast or breakfast with your POD.

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10:00 a.m. - **The Big Pull** - Coriander and the Stones Crew in service. Gather by the Fire Circle for instructions. (Live Streamed on Facebook and in the Workshop)

After the pull- **Lunch** - meal plan lunch or lunch with your POD. (In Camp Campers)

1:00-2:00 p.m.- **Fry Bread Workshop Redux - Amateur hour** - Kat attempts to teach you James's Fry Bread recipe! On Rising day the tribe onsite will be enjoying Fry bread before the rising. You can too, but in case you don't know how, or you're not going to be up that early since there's virtual stuff all night, Kat will attempt to teach you now! We'll see how that goes! :) (Virtual Offering in the Workshop)

2:00 p.m. - **SCC Town Hall (Fall Elections)**

Join the officers in the tents for our bi-annual meeting. Get updates, ask questions, and learn about elections for your new officers!! (in the Workshop on Zoom)

As a reminder you must be an active Council Member to vote. Update your membership at StoneCircleCouncil.org/membership

3:30 p.m. - **Kids Pull - Fairy Cairn Construction** - summon the fae for tea time! The Youth of this community come together to transform a pile of rocks into a living sculpture of a "Well" a "Crown" and "Four Sentinels" called a Faerie Cairn. Please, everyone, help us bring piles of rocks from home and from the land for to support the Youth build the Faerie Cairn. (On the hilltop and in the Workshop)



The Schedule Cont. (EST)



Saturday Evening and Overnight

4:30 p.m. - **Ceremony: "Faerie High Tea"** (Well! Well! Well! Now that we have a new Faerie Cairn, it's time to lean in and learn the loving lore of the Ways of the Faes! Follow the path to learn to nurture a Faerie Child! (at the Fairy Cairn and in the Zoom Workshop)

5:30 p.m. - **Dance Workshop** - Prepare for Rituals - learn dancing techniques for ritual working. (At the Oak Altar and In the Workshop)

6:30 p.m. - **Divine-in Dinner Divinations** - Divine-in Dinner Divinations-Join us on Zoom and in Gatherspace for readings from our talented diviners. While you await your reading, hang out and enjoy dinner together virtually! (Virtual offering, in the Workshop)

6:30pm- **Dinner** - meal plan dinner or dinner with your POD. (In camp campers)

8:00 p.m. - **Ceremony: Journey to the Center of the Elements** - We gather at the Trilithon and travel into the center of the primal elements, working with each element to ascend more brilliant than we were before when the work is done (begins at the Trilithon, ends at the Oak Altar, and in the Workshop)

After Ceremony - **Warrior Rite** - James Gille in service (At the Oak Altar and in the Workshop)

Following Warrior Rite - **"Vigils of Night"** including, "pimp my pop-up walk, Fire and Bardic Circle at the Fire Circle, and a midnight Boingo at the Stones hosted by DJ Cptn Rose. If you want to host a specific Vigil, a sign-up will be available at the Registration Table. (Also in the Workshop)



The Schedule Cont. (EST)



Saturday Evening and Overnight into Sunday Cont.

Virtual Vigil Offerings

After Warrior Rite - **Crafting Corner** - While battery power lasts, bring your crafts to work on while we enjoy the offerings of the in-camp campers' vigils! (In the Zoom Workshop, guess-estimate start time 10:00 p.m.)

11:30 p.m.-1:00 a.m. - **Jackbox games** - Join us for some online games that everyone can join in on! (Virtual Offering in Workshop)

1:00-2:00 a.m. - **A Pet Rock for the Stone People** - Stone people-does your pet rock? Together, we shall pet rocks! Then we shall bond with them by having your pet rock tell you the weather, teaching your pet rock to sit, stay, play dead, shake and to roll over. (Virtual Offering in Workshop)

2:00-4:00 a.m. - **The Late, Late, Late, Late night movie!** - Join us on Zoom with popcorn for a super late late night movie! (Virtual Offering in Workshop)

4:00-5:00 a.m. - **Late Night YouTube Exchange - Extremely Late Edition** - Bring your favorite YouTube finds to share! Try for 5 min or less so everyone gets a turn or more. If the video is longer than that, show us your favorite 5 mins of it! (Virtual Offering in Workshop)

5:00-6:00 a.m. - **Poetry jam** - Abi is going to run a poetry workshop and I know I'm excited to see what kind of poetry can be created by some sleep deprived brains in wee hours of the morning. Aren't you curious? :) (Virtual Offering in Workshop)




The Schedule Cont. (EST)




Rising Day! - Sunday

8:00 a.m. - **Cooking with the Broken Board - Fry Bread!** - In the Zoom Workshop there will be a broadcast of the fry bread fun. If you missed the Workshop on how to make your own, go here for a recording of a past class on it! <https://tinyurl.com/Fry-Bread-Cooking-Class>

 10:00 a.m. - **The Ceremony of Commitments followed by the Raising of Stones** - with Coriander and Patricia in service. (At the Oak Altar and on the Hilltop, and then live streamed on Facebook and in the Workshop)

Followed by - **Lunch with the Stones** - (Our on site Tech Witches will try to make it so we can have a walking tour of the Stones. (Workshop)

Followed by - **Ceremony: Honoring our Transitions** (On the Hilltop and in the Workshop)

 When the work is done - **Well deserved fun and Rest!**
Youth games - led by the Youth Committee and also time for other games!

2:30-3:30 p.m. - **Astrology Chart Interpretation** - In honor of transitions, Rosanna wants to share with us the astrology chart reading she has done in the past, giving us an in-depth look at someone's life (anonymous to us) going through transition. Virtual Offering, In the Workshop)



3:33 p.m. **Magical Musical Moments** -Stone Song: Faerie Cairn: Setting the Energy. Please bring flutes, fruits, flowers and lutes (anything musical). We'll create a magical moment to honor and connect the drumming, humming to lift spirits and connect to the Stars and Faerie Realm. At the Hilltop and in the Workshop)



The Schedule Cont. (EST)



Rising Day! - Sunday Cont.

 4:00-5:00 p.m. - **Hydrate and Create** - Bring your favorite beverage to enjoy and hydrate with while we try to draw our own versions of the trilithon Bob Ross style. All levels of artistic skill or lack thereof are welcome. A bit like a paint & sip but with an eye towards hydration instead of inebriation ;) You can use whatever media pleases you, but if you don't know where to start all you need is some paper and either charcoal or a pencil. (in the Zoom Workshop) 

5:00-7:00 p.m. - **Movie: The Secret World of Arrietty** - In honor of the Faerie Cairn, let's explore the secret world of the little folk in the classic film from Ghibli studios, the Secret World of Arrietty. This is a film for all ages to enjoy. (Virtual Offering in the Workshop)

7:00-7:30 p.m. - **Meditation and Braiding** - Kat will teach you how to braid a five strand braid as a meditative exercise. (Virtual Offering in the Workshop)

7:30-8:00 p.m. - **Coffee Talk and Gather Tours!** - Sit back and chat, or if you haven't had a tour yet, learn about a new virtual space that was made to enjoy anytime! Gatherspace is now open and will be available as a virtual hangout space all weekend. Check it for helpful links, find the schedule and link for Zoom Workshops and streams within. (Virtual Offering in the Workshop)

The Schedule Cont. (EST)



Sunday Rising day Cont.

8:00 p.m. - **Consecration & Closing Ceremony** - Beginning at the Oak Altar join us to consecrate our stones and close out the weekend.

(Oak Altar, the Stones, and in the Zoom Workshop)

After Ritual - **After Fire** - For those who are spending the night, join us for an after-fire of fellowship.

10:00 p.m. - **Tribal Penpal Workshop** - Snail-mail fun in a world of instant gratification. Writing, conduct and content. Bonus: wax pouring goodness. (Virtual offering in the Workshop)

11:00 PM - **Late Night Games** - Join us for some online games that everyone can join in on! We'll explore some of the game offerings in the Gatherspace and possibly do some Jackbox as well!





The Schedule Cont.



Monday

Darla Open - Saying Goodbyes

8:30 a.m. - **Breakfast** - meal plan breakfast or breakfast with your POD

3:30 p.m. - **Virtual Bon Voyage and Q & A** - Now that most folks have gotten a chance to get home, let's all come together one last time for the weekend in Zoom! We'll say our good-byes and discuss what people thought of our big hybrid event. What did you love? What could you do without? What would you like to see next time? What would help make things more user friendly? What did you think of the addition of the Gatherspace? What would you like to see there in the future? For in-camp folks who missed getting a tour, after the meeting wraps up we can show you around! (In the Workshop)



Upcoming Stone Circle Council Awesomeness:

Sept. 25 - Mabon (Virtual)

Sept. 26 - Maryland Renaissance Festival Hang-out

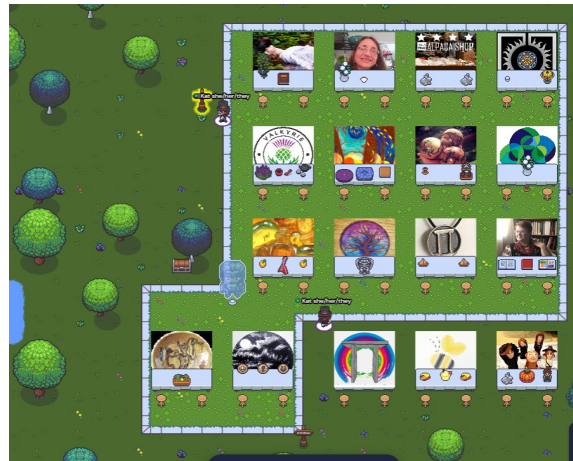
Oct. 29-31 - Samhain Tri re

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ADD YOUR OWN!!! Remember, any Council Member can host their own event! Big, Small, Moon Service, in California! What ever you dream, we can help you do! Just contact an officer via Admin@stonecirclecouncil.org



Virtual Camper Shopping List



Hi all,

If you're attending virtually to this weekend's Stone Family Gathering, we have a few events this weekend you may want to do a quick shopping trip for. These are sorted by event so you know what you need for each and can decide what you'd like to prepare for:

Things you'll just want to have handy that you probably already have:

Your personal Crafting Projects

Your Altar or witchy tools you'd like to show off

Tales and songs to share at bardic

Youtube videos >5 mins you'd like to share with your tribemates

Cooking workshops:

Gluten Free Fry Bread: GF Flour Mix, King Arthur's recommended-1 cup, Sugar 1/6th cup, Milk Powder 2 Tbsp, Vanilla Powder 1 tsp, Water 1 cup, Vegetable Oil for cooking it in as needed for your cooking pot, powdered sugar for dusting, and a honey stick/some honey. Paper towels would also be handy

Gluten Free Cookie cooking: GF Cake mix of any flavor, Krustez recommended-1 full stick of butter, room temp, 1 bar of cream cheese, lil' bit of vanilla extract, 1 egg, and powdered sugar for dusting or powdered sugar and a dash of milk to make a drizzle icing. Parchment paper would also be handy, as would a tupperware.

Crafting workshops:

Pet rock: A good rock the size of your fist or larger, some googly eyes, and whatever crafting bits you have handy: glue, glitter, paint, markers, fabric scraps, etc.

Braiding: 5 even lengths of about 3ft or so of ribbon or string to learn 5 strand braiding with.

For Poetry Jam and Tribal Penpals: Something to write with and paper, or stationary supplies. And as many envelopes as you are hoping to gain in penpals.

Create and Hydrate: Like a paint and sip, save that you can choose your own medium for creating the image and you can drink whatever you enjoy instead of just wine. If you're not sure what to bring, charcoal or a pencil and paper will get you started. If you want to get more exciting with your supplies you are most welcome to do so!



Recipe: Fry Bread



Stones Breakfast Beignet from the Broken Board

SCC Stones morning beignet not the New Orleans one... Pick the honey... or the Sugar... **Note** Scaling Oddity is based on drop size and standard portion

Ingredient 2-4, 12-20, 24-40

GF Flour Mix, King Arthurs	1 C.	6 C.	1 2 C
Sugar	1/6th C.	1 C.	2 C.
Milk Powder	2 Tbsp.	3/4th C.	1 1/2 C.
Vanilla Powder	1 tsp.	2 Tbsp.	4 Tbsp.
Water	1 C.	6 C.	12 C.
Vegetable Oil for Cooking	As Needed	As Needed	As Needed
Powdered Sugar Dusting	Dusting	Dusting	
Honey Stick	1 pp	1 pp	1 pp

Directions:

- 1.) Heat Oil cast Iron Pan or Pot. ~350
- 2.) Combine and thoroughly mix all ingredients except the oil.
- 3.) Form dough on two-spoons and drop into oil cooking until golden brown.
- 4.) Serve with powdered sugar dusting or honey.



Recipe: Gluten Free Cake Cookies



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Ingredients

1 box yellow cake mix
1/2 c butter softened
1/2 tsp vanilla
8 oz cream cheese softened
1 egg
powdered sugar
A splash of milk for the icing

Instructions:

Beat butter, vanilla, egg and cream cheese until fluffy.

Mix in cake mix.

Chill for 30 minutes.

Roll into balls and dip in a bowl of powdered sugar.

Bake at 350 for 10-12 minutes, and sift powdered sugar on top if desired.

Drizzle Icing:

Instead of sifting powdered sugar on the cookies, you can do a simple drizzle icing by mixing some powdered sugar with a splash of milk. The consistency you want is like a thick maple syrup. Add more powder if it flows too quickly, add a bit more milk if it's not flowing at all.

Drizzle over the cookies while they cool on the drying rack.



Recipe: Stone Pickles



Recipe for Stone Pickles from Robin Woodruff

7 cups water

3.5 cups white vinegar

3.5 cups apple cider vinegar

2/3 cup kosher or pickling salt

1 teaspoon sugar

1 tablespoon peppercorns

1 cup garlic cloves

1 teaspoon dill seed

1/2 peck of pickling cucumbers, quartered

2 small Vidalia onions, sliced

3 jalapeno peppers, sliced, de-membraned and seeded

1/2 ounce of dill weed, fresh

Put the water in a large stock pot, add the vinegars, salt, peppercorns, garlic and dill seed. Bring to a slight boil, then turn off the heat and let cool.



Layer the rest of your ingredients, then pour your cooled pickling liquid over it. Make sure everything is submerged. (add a 50/50 mix of vinegar and water if you need.)

I use either a large glass jar (2 gallons?) or one of those plastic “barrels” that they put Bavarian pretzels in. Keep in the fridge.



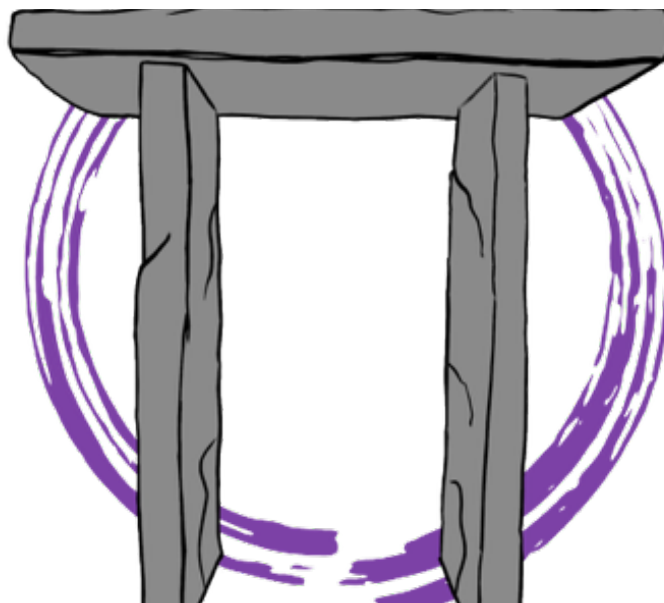


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- I will respect the boundaries of other members/participants.
- I will conduct myself in accordance with the above guidelines.



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- ◆ Hate speech directed toward any group of people.