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Ghosts and goblins on the loose at this spooky time of year. ROARSHOCK PAGE does indeed reference the United States Presidential Election scheduled for next week. In many locations across the Nation, new laws require masked voters to present a photographic identification wherein they are wearing their masks. We are Legion. We are Anonymous.



HALLOWE'EN

Farewell the lighter half of 2012, hurtle we now into the darker half. Light great fires in the night, show the stars that we survive. Light the beacons on Teufelberg - Teufelberg - The Hill! Teufelberg - The Sky! Teufelberg - Berlin! The Shire of Teufelberg was named for Mount Diablo ("Devil's Mountain") which dominates its scenery. The Shire stretches eastward from the Oakland Hills to the Brandenburger Tor. Here find memorandum for the Shire of Teufelberg (East Contra Costa County, Concord, Martinez, Moraga, Pleasant Hill, Port Costa, Walnut Creek, Antioch, Lafayette, Orinda, Canyon, Clayton, Clyde.): All harvest to be brought in, foods and the fruits of our labors carefully inventoried, and stored securely against cold dark winter days that lie ahead. First of the four "quarter days" of our year, this Festival goes back much further than few dare contemplate. See David Lynch fly high, like a dark knight of cloud consciousness, from Teufelberg, Berlin, over the deep ocean of mediation and lost ruin of fair Atlantis, to Mount Diablo, California. Followed - by a longshot - by David

Sieveking on magick carpet, girded with movie camera, boom microphone, and mantra. This night the veil between worlds at its thinnest point of the whole year. Let us now recall the directions of The Dreamlands: Out of the North, out of the Plateau of Leng. Out of the East, out of the City of Celephaïs and The Forbidden Lands. Out of the South, out of Isle of Oriab and the Fantastic Realms. Out of the West, out of the Port of Dylath-Leen, the Town of Ulthar (where no man may kill a cat), and the ruins of ancient Sarnath. The Fortunate Isles of the Western Sea still excite the imagination, for they "abound in fruit and birds of every kind... these islands, however, are greatly annoyed by the putrefying bodies of monsters, which are constantly thrown up by the sea" -- According to Pliny the Elder (Natural History). It was ever thus! The dramatis personæ of the Mythological Cycle invite our attention, especially at this time of year, when the physical and supernatural worlds are close and magical things do happen. We are not consumers, we are human beings! Not pumpkins, nor turnips! See Paul Kantner hallucinating on the Kearny Street sidewalk - Inside the "Lusty Lady Theater," River Phoenix takes in the peep-show, while Vincent Price smiles wryly from an adjacent booth. Ignis fatuus, Mr. Jack-o'-lantern! Apples red as port wine float in the old wooden wash basin. Have your woman fetch you one, and get her in the mood, receptive to new worlds. Trick-or-treat? Whirling of the Wheel of the Year. Hobbits, Orcs, great golden dragons with witches on the wing! Witches writhing wildly on broomsticks! Wizards reading runes - at work on mighty conjurings of praeternatural Faeries! Bank and stoke your fires well, and we shall ride-out the long night until November dawn. Our shelters shorn up, prudent insurance when storms are likely. In the buckets and bubbling cauldrons, as we gaze opaquely deep into the past, among the smoke and flame we might see bright glimpses of our future.



OCTOBER ALMANAC

- 10/16 1854 Oscar Wilde born in Dublin, Ireland.
- 10/18 1851 Herman Melville's *Moby Dick* published as *The Whale* by R. Bentley of London.
- 10/21 2003 Images of dwarf planet Eris taken and subsequently used to document its discovery by the team of Michael E. Brown, Chad Trujillo, and David L. Rabinowitz.
- 10/22 1972 Brian Cox, DJ and artist, was born.
- 10/23 1870 Siege of Metz concludes with decisive Prussian victory during the Franco-Prussian War.
- 10/25 1944 Romanian Army liberates Carei, last Romanian city under Axis occupation.
- 10/27 1787 First of 85 Federalist Papers appeared in print in a New York City newspaper.
- 10/28 2012 San Francisco Giants won Major League Baseball's World Series, defeating Detroit Tigers 4 games to 0.
- 10/29 FULL HUNTER'S MOON
- 10/30 1987 Mythologist Joseph Campbell died in Honolulu.
- 10/31 HALLOWEEN
- 1993 Filmmaker Federico Fellini died in Rome.

2nd Witch:
 By the pricking of my thumbs,
 Something wicked this way comes. [Knocking]
 Open locks,
 Whoever knocks!
 [Enter Macbeth]
 -- William Shakespeare, *Macbeth* Act 4, scene 1

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