

Living Fire

Fm'toth

A quick correction for the previous issue: Mentions of "Veiled Appellations" should be replaced with "Temple Names". The terminology has been changed for the upcoming Tome.

In May we observe the Festival of the Living Flame and seek to enjoy a sunset or sunrise if able to. Many poets and songwriters have spoken of the romance of the Sun when it changes crests above or below the horizon. It is a show of color and brilliance, heralding either the beginning or end of the day.

Many people, in life or literature, talk about how watching the Sun rise on a new day brings hope. Others talk about being able to live in the moment of a sunset. The scene is one of reflection and contemplation, where even the uninitiated reach something akin to a Zen state; focused on the sunset and yet nothing at all.

The process of the sunset or sunrise only lasts about 2-3 minutes (varies based on latitude). Twilight is the hour before sunrise or after sunset, and the Golden Hour is the hour after sunrise or before sunset. It is during these two-hour windows that the sky lights up in a myriad of colors.

The color of our sky is entirely due to the presence of an atmosphere. In the absence of an atmosphere the sky would be black during the daytime, though stars are not visible because our pupils are constricted to the amount of sunlight received. In a dark enough area, with a window opposite the sun, stars would be visible even during the daytime.

The reason the whole sky lights up revolves around the fact that electromagnetic waves bend when pass from one density to another. This is why you see ripples in the heat across a road, because the less dense hotter air bends light waves at a different rate than light waves in cooler air.

However, not all wavelengths of light bend at the same rate. The angle of the bending depends on how energetic the photons in the wave are. More energetic photons, which have a shorter wavelength, bend more than less energetic waves. Think of it like a collision, a faster (more energetic) object is going to bounce off more when it collides with something.

The density and composition also affect the rate at which the light bends. Crystals bend the light dramatically and cause separation of the various wavelengths over short distances, hence why the Prism can make a rainbow appear immediately. Water, which is less dense, also separates the wavelengths, which is why rainbows appear several miles off, or in the case of sprinklers, within feet.

Our atmosphere is predominantly nitrogen and oxygen. This causes a very wide separation of colors, with the more energetic blue and purple colors being bent at a much sharper angle than the less energetic yellows and reds. This is actually why the Sun appears yellow when it produces white light; the light waves coming directly towards us from the Sun are mostly deflected away from the rest of the light so what we see is white light lacking in the blue and purples of the spectrum.

By that same token, light that is skimming the upper atmosphere bends the blue towards the Earth. So all the parts of the sky which the sunlight hits, but isn't coming at a direct angle from the Sun appears blue. As the sun sets, the far side of the sky appears purple before it turns black because wavelengths associated with purple are the most energetic and were bent the most when they hit the atmosphere, i.e. the purple wavelengths have the greatest angle relative to the sun and upper atmosphere.

The early atmosphere of the Earth still had a lot of nitrogen, but almost no oxygen and more carbon dioxide and methane. This would have caused a less significant shifting of the light, making the atmosphere likely appear orange or red.

As the Sun sets, or as it rises, the angle between the upper atmosphere and the sun decreases. As this angle gets smaller and smaller the most predominant wavelength changes.

First, the blue light is refracted out of the spectrum, causing brilliant yellows and golds. The yellows get refracted out the sky turns orange, then red which becomes ever deeper until we get back to the steep angles



of the purples as light curves around the horizon in the final moments of sunset. This process is reversed for the sunrise.

If there are clouds, they reflect light coming through the atmosphere at slightly differing angles, allowing for the sky to be a myriad of colors all at the same time. As the Earth continues to rotate, the reds, blues, yellows, oranges; all the colors of change in intensity and hue. For an hour every morning and an hour every evening, the sky appears to burn as if by living fire.

From the Nameless Mists

A message from the Council

Dear Members,

I am glad to present you with another issue of the Arkham Advertiser, and I hope it brings joy to your hearts. Two temple holidays are on the horizon Hydras Day (our Mother's Day) as well as the festival of the living flame (a day devoted to Cthugha) please take the time to recognize the nurturing loving and protectively spirited of those around you.

The opening of the university is indeed a significant achievement, and I urge you all to approach it with an open mind. Our new university is far more advanced than the old one and aims to provide in-depth knowledge for personal development. We have a dedicated team that is working hard to ensure that our students get the best learning experience. The university will continue to grow, and new levels will be introduced to challenge and test your knowledge.

We would like to hear from you, and your feedback is crucial to us. Our AA team is working tirelessly to create engaging content, and we want to know what you think. Please feel free to suggest future article topics, puzzles, and activities you would like to see in our upcoming publications using the comment card linked below. Our relationship with the August Derelth Society is growing stronger with each passing day, and we are forming positive relationships within the community. We are also looking for members to join our community outreach, social media, and digital media/art teams. If you are interested in applying, please submit a Nyth application, or speak to our speaker, who can guide you in the right direction.

I am proud of our Nyth Teams and all that they have accomplished. Your tenacity, patience, and unity have held this group together, and for that, I say thank you. Thank you for trusting us to lead this organization in the correct direction.

Sincerely,
Phlegethotep, your Harbinger.

[Nyth application](#)

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Thoughts from the Void: Musings from our Members

Kadorr'ech'aza – Cult Mom

How this name or title came about is a really long story.

Maybe it's due to my age or my activity on the Discord.

It started there a long long time ago in the old cult's Discord. I was impressed by the openness of the people at the time, even though I was barely able to speak a sensible sentence in English. The people welcomed me and I stayed and will stay for a long time.

After a short time I became friends with a lot of people. I have to say I liked the openness and honesty of many people so much that I took part in the cult adventure.

After a short time I gained the trust of many people and it stayed that way. Many cultists came to me about their problems, they discussed them together and solutions were worked out. Often just a listening ear was needed to calm people's minds when they were caused by bad circumstances around them. Mostly it affected the younger cultists with whom I solved everyday problems via private chat or just listened when someone just wanted to get their frustration off their chest.

We often hang out in the cult channels and have had many long discussions about all sorts of topics. At some point the morning coffee meeting in Discord became a habit.

This went on for a while, mostly I sat in the channel with quite young people and during a free conversation the term Cult mom was often used as a joke, a joke that should stay and a joke that has survived to this day, only this joke has become a serious one thing and even become a title. It seems that some young cultists sometimes see me as a replacement mother. So the joke was taken seriously.

I enjoy the continuous work with the young people, not only teaching them the teachings of the cult but also helping them in everyday situations. So, with a lot of time and even more patience, I came up with my name or title.

Now I'm known as Kultmom or just Kadorr. The woman's coffee consumption apparently amounts to the needs of smaller island states.

I gave a lot of readings, managed a few events and spent a lot more time with the people at voice.

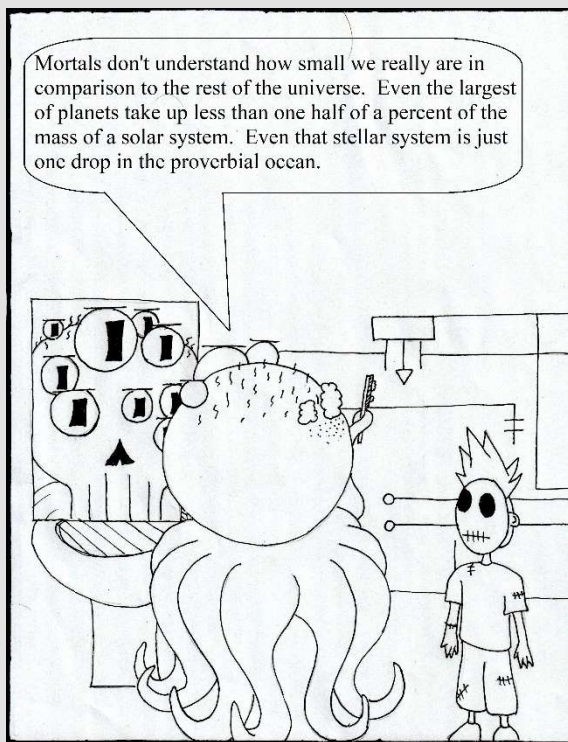
As soon as our new book is available in physical form, I will be happy to give readings again and of course take part in the discussions.

Otherwise, I will always bother you to always keep your altar clean as well as your rooms.

Whatever you can do today, don't put it off until tomorrow.

Praise the great old black bean.

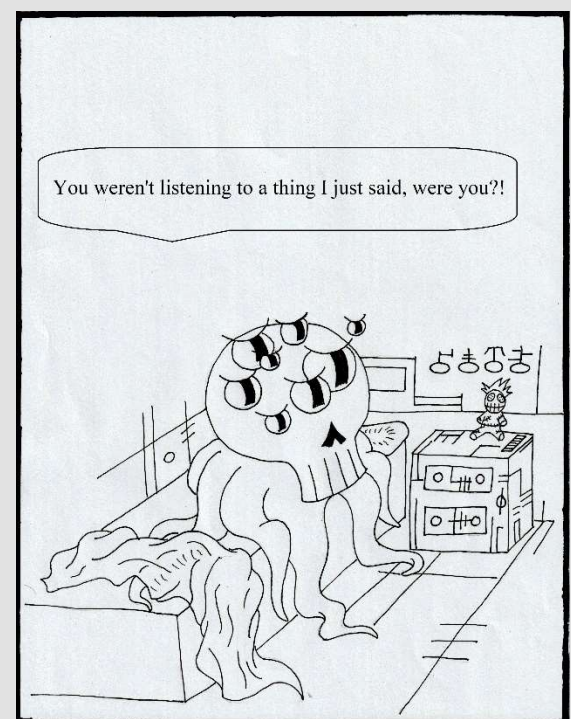
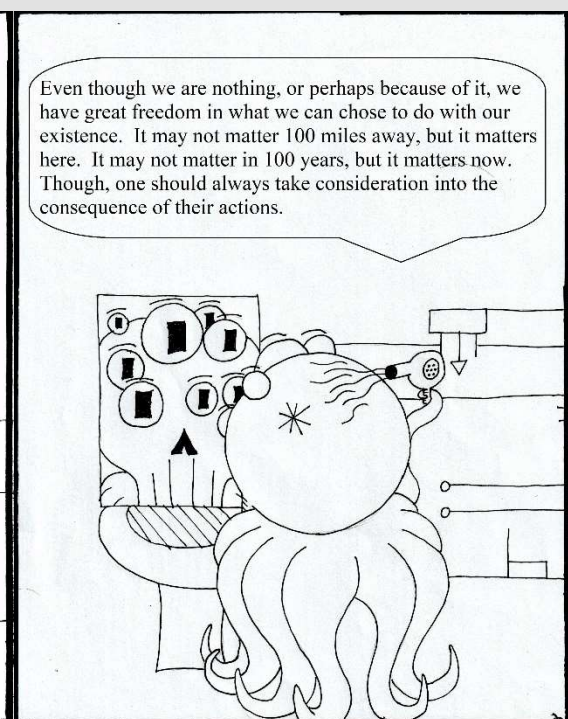
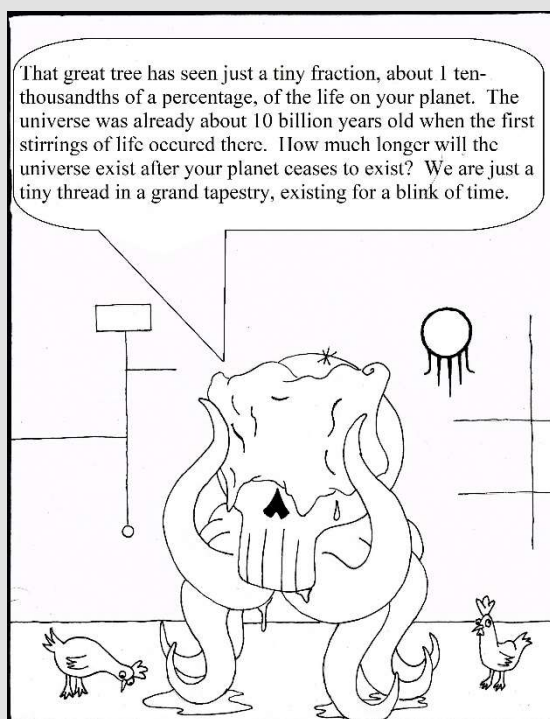
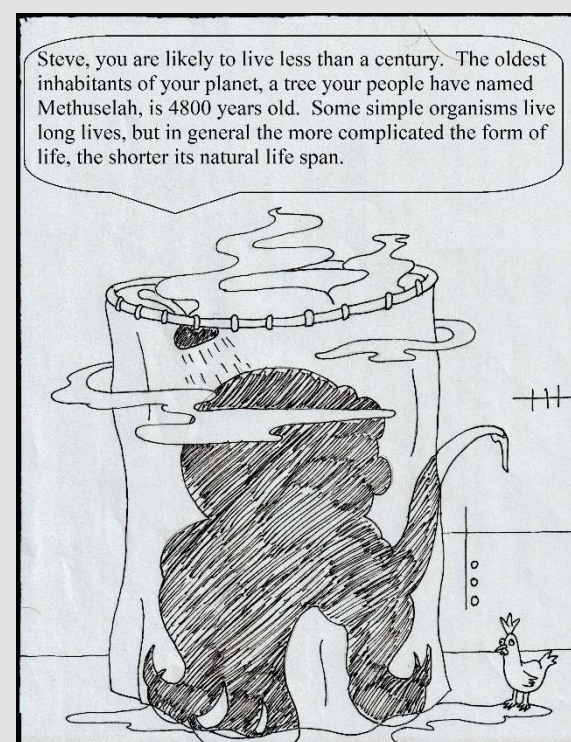
The Further Adventures of Yog and Steve



Yhoundeh

I almost wanted to start this off like a cliché, magazine article-based discussion on motherhood, but I realized I couldn't do it. At my core the only mother I'll be is to my pets. But we're all a part of that cycle in one way or another. Some of us here are fathers (we all know *your* participation /joke), others are aunts, uncles, pet parents (raises hand). Some of us are unable to conceive. Some have tried and have had the pain of losing. May can be a hard month for some of us, which is why I'd like to share a few words.

You don't need to be a mother to see and take part in motherhood. We all have the collective mother, I think, and there is the literal mother, ours who give life. But we all have the collective in us somewhere, and taking a step back to understand the gifts of patience, of caring and concern for others around us, even if they're not blood is something to consider, no matter where you place yourself. Being a mother isn't just about the process of creating and birthing. There's so much more to it. I think we all just need to unlock it, so to speak.



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Shoggoths: Your Flexible Friend

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Every once in a while, we all need a little help, and this article is intended to give you a hand with that. Today we will explore what it means to birth, and keep a personal shoggoth. Shoggoths can help us out by creating a mental link to us, and speaking directly into your subconscious. This allows it to alert us to things that may not be instantly recognizable to our conscious minds.

What is a shoggoth?

It was a terrible, indescribable thing vaster than any subway train—a shapeless congeries of protoplasmic bubbles, faintly self-luminous, and with myriads of temporary eyes forming and un-forming as pustules of greenish light

—H. P. Lovecraft, *At the Mountains of Madness*

Despite its horrifying demeanor to those that lack an understanding of what they are, they can be a great ally and asset to a cultist of the Temple. A shoggoth to us, is a servitor. It is summoned by ritual for the specific purpose of helping out in areas we need a little extra attention. This could be to help you find fine details you may typically overlook in everyday life, find opportunities, or even just to help eat negative emotions. It can take any shape, any size, and live anywhere you house it. It is formless, and summoning one is to help shape it.

How does it help me?

The subconscious mind is a powerful thing. It makes up most of our thoughts, instincts, and intuition. Your subconscious mind takes care of all the extra information that your conscious mind cannot process all at once, and therefore is the majority of your mind. A shoggoth speaks directly into your subconscious mind, and alerts you to things without your conscious mind having to process it.

Let's say for example you summon one for the purpose of gaining better employment. You're not sure where to start looking when you think about it, but the shoggoth may whisper into your mind places to check for opportunities. Perhaps a paper or website, maybe even to check with a friend that runs a business... It would feel like a thought that just comes to you.

Then let's say you get an interview. It would whisper in your mind little tricks on how to best connect with your potential employer. Maybe the interviewer has a sense of humor and really likes jokes. The shoggoth might cause you to let out some of your humor to help connect with this person, possibly resulting in you getting the job. Now, these are just examples of one hypothetical instance, but hopefully it gives you the idea.

How do I feed it?

Your shoggoth also needs to be fed energy to survive. This can be done in any way you choose as well, but must be consistent. One option would be to hold its home in incense smoke, holding it up to the moon, or even simply thanking it regularly.

Toby, courtesy of Kadish Ph'ee



How do I create one?

This is achieved through your focused energy. Creating a sigil for it is one of the best ways to achieve this, but it can also be done using the Temple's meditative method. The Temple will go deeper into these things later on, so if you are not yet familiar with these techniques then this article is a thought to explore for future adventures.

Where does it live?

Once you successfully bring a Shoggoth into this realm you must provide a home for it. As your shoggoth can be any shape and size, so may its home. Perhaps you have a statue, or cauldron that is just taking up space... That could be a new home for your shoggoth.

What should I do when I don't need it any longer?

At some point your shoggoths given task may become complete, and you will realize you have no use for it anymore. At this point it is important that you properly release the shoggoth from its home and this realm. All that needs to be done is simply feed it one last time, and let it know it is free to go. Thank it for a job well done, and dismiss it back to the void. This simple task is important if you ever plan to work with any shoggoths in the future, but also so you don't have a starving shoggoth attached to your subconscious mind.

As many of you know, our tome is nearing completion in the near future. Rituals such as this and for all levels will be included in the working, so stay tuned for greater magick and rituals from The Temple of the Old Ones!

R'Lyeh



Across

- 2. Last name of the art student who created the Cthulhu sculpture
- 4. Sleeps within
- 6. Lovecraft's 'favorite' architectural style, used to mean 'inhumanely large'
- 7. Aklo for 'Sleeps'
- 8. Farthest area from any land in Pacific Ocean. Point _____

Down

- 1. Last name of the Norwegian Sailor who initially survives his encounter with Cthulhu
- 3. geometry of flat space
- 5. Last name of the Detective of New Orleans

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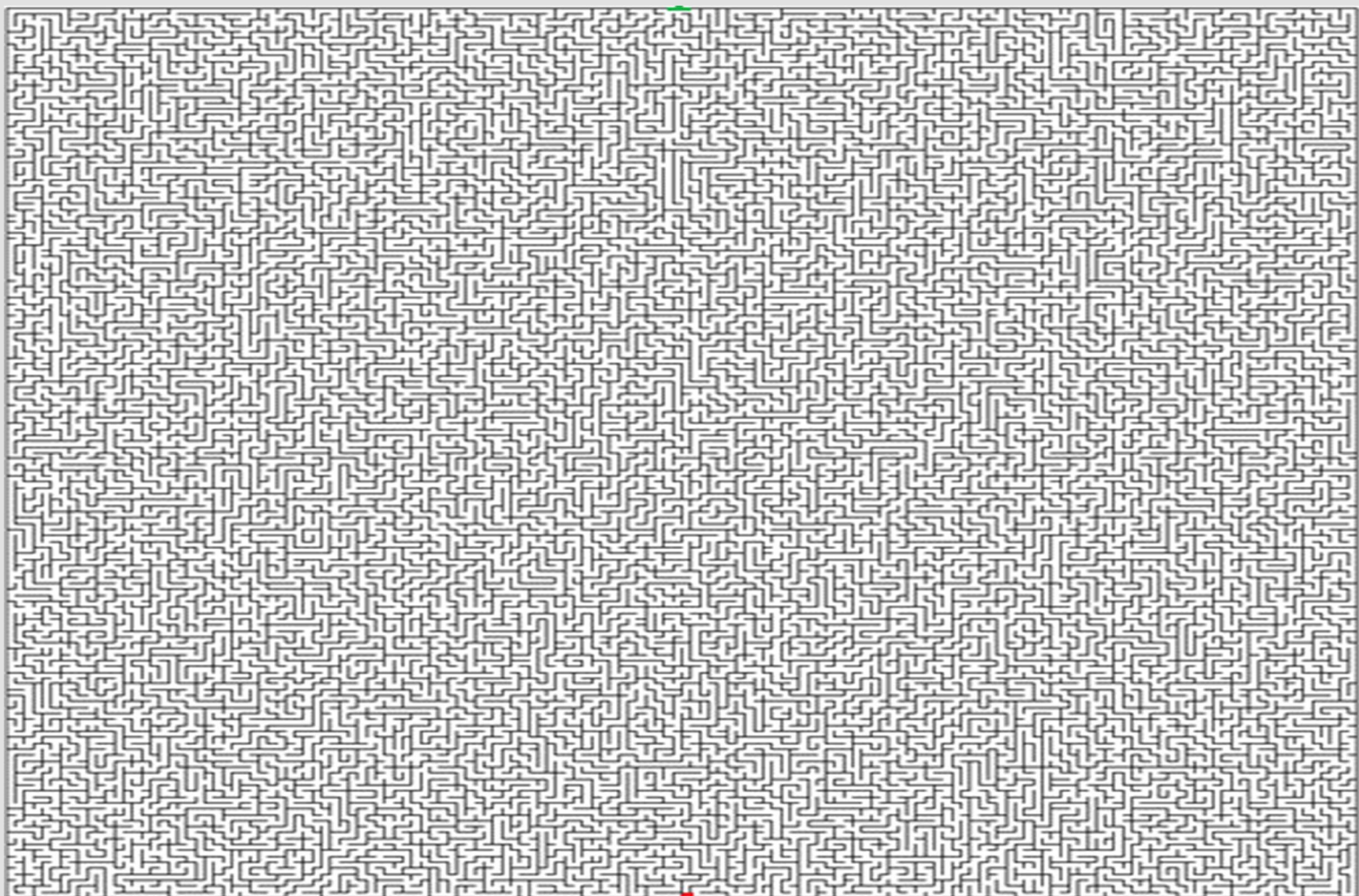
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This Month in the Temple

Current Events

This is the beginning of a chronology of the Temple's History. As we continue to move forward, a complete history for the Temple and Pre-Temple events will be collated for as a record for anyone to view. We will also include notable current events of the world stage, as we expand.

April 1st, Tome Draft completed and opened to all Nyth for final review. Artists have been contracted for inclusion into the Tome. Once artwork is completed and reviewed by all Nyth, Tome will be submitted for printing.

April 1st, General Leadership meeting conducted recently, topics of discussion include the lateral transfer of Yog-Nytharanak into the role of Magister and open call for nominations to fill roll of Antiquarian. Discussed Miskatonic University needs and team assigned to fast-track efforts with goal of opening to the public on April 30th. Basic cultist robe design and standardization of meeting attire mentioned, to preserve aesthetic. A seamstress is known by a Council member, but can only process limited volume. Much debate has also been done on fundraising needs of the Temple. It was decided to move away from membership fees and stick with donations and cult shop. Reaffirmation that leadership wishes to offer scholarship, to those who cannot afford, or for personal/family concerns cannot purchase, books or garb.

April 3rd, Fm'Toth Gna'uln elevated to vacant Antiquarian position by voice of Nyth and ratification by Council.

April 18th, the new Miskatonic University site has been opened for Beta-testing by the Nyth; Initiate and Acolyte lessons have approached completion.

April 18th, decision made by Council to move finances away from PayPal due to difficulties with their terms of service. More specifically they are claiming violations of their Terms of Service without providing information or evidence on *how* those terms are being violated.

April 30th, Miskatonic University goes live: <https://themiskatonicuniversity.co.uk/>

"On the Night of Dark Dreams, we focus on the deep and personal commitment our cultists make to the Old Ones. With this in mind, we launch our version of the 'Miskatonic University' for our siblings to explore.

"The university enables individuals to now officially join the Temple and progress within our organization in a structured way. Starting as an 'initiate' and progressing to 'acolyte' and onward to various 'cultist' ranks. Through the courses which we have crafted, you will learn all about our beliefs, customs and practices to enable you as a member to begin your path of ascension."