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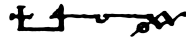


CHAPTER UPDATES

Chapter Head Sly has been involved with defining the initial structure of TST Congregations, in her role as voting representative of our congregation/chapter. She holds Transformation Briefings in the [Official Members' Forum](#) every other Monday evening, to share progress and collect feedback from Members.



TSTAZ is soliciting nominations for seats on our chapter council, which currently consists of [Sly](#) and [Oliver](#). Official Members may nominate themselves or fellow OMs. Nominations are due by 5/15/21, at which time nominees will be announced and given 48 hours to announce or retract their candidacy. We'll have an election on May 31. Visit the [OM Forum](#), or contact Council for further information or to nominate someone!



Social events are returning to Arizona, as many of us become fully vaccinated (according to the CDC, that means two weeks after one's final COVID vaccine). May 13th and May 16th are the next ones so visit our [Forum](#) for details, if you're fully vaccinated as well! If you're not vaccinated yet, please [arrange for one](#) and follow [CDC](#) & [local guidelines](#) to keep our communities safe \m/



Please note that some of the included links in this newsletter go to Official Member only resources, so if you're not able to access them and you are an Official Member, please contact your [local leadership](#) to fix that!

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UPCOMING EVENTS



04/29 - 05/03 - Hexennacht (The Satanic Estate)

Happy Hexennacht! This holiday honors those who have been persecuted by the superstitious throughout history. The Satanic Estate is by hosting a multi-day event including lectures, music, movie viewings, panel discussions, and more. Join the Estate caretakers and your fellow TST members and allies to celebrate.

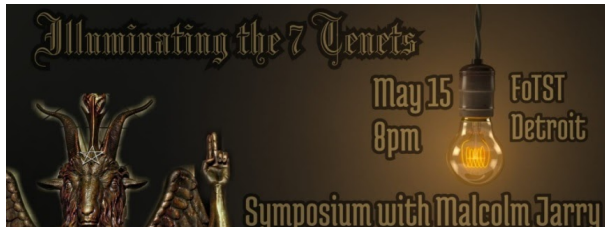
For more information, go to thesatanic.estate



05/04 - Rethinking Church and State with The Satanic Temple (University of Bonn)

The University of Bonn is hosting an online lecture by religious studies professor and *Speak of the Devil* author Joseph Laycock. The lecture will discuss how TST is forcing a public conversation about how we define concepts like religion and religious freedom in America.

For more information, visit [the FB event page](#)



05/15 - Illuminating the Seven Tenets with Malcolm Jarry (FOTST Detroit)

Join the Friends of TST Detroit group as they delve into the background history, and meaning of TST's 7 Tenets with special guest, TST co-founder Malcolm Jarry! After the main session, Detroit invites attendees to attend a discussion group using Malcolm's comments as further inspiration.

For more information, check out [the FB event page](#)



05/23 - The Devil's Playground (TST AZ)

Join TST AZ chapter members in our devilishly good works by cleaning up a public park in the Tucson area. (This event is outdoors. Social distancing and masks required.)

For more information, [view the event](#) on the TST AZ FB page or email tstazevents@gmail.com

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HELLFIRE CLUB



TST AZ's Hellfire Club is having a Movie May! This month, we're exploring one of the lesser-known influences on The Satanic Temple: the mysterious group known as The Process Church of Final Judgement. Join us on **May 29, 2021 at 7 p.m. AZ time on Kast for a showing of *Sympathy for the Devil: The True Story of the Process Church of the Final Judgement*.**

The Kast link will be posted on Slack and [TST AZ's FB group](#) in early May so look for it there or email ms.zee.kay@gmail.com if you'd like to be added to the Hellfire Club mailing list!

MEMBER CONTENT

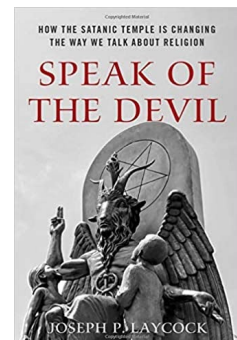
Every month we'll be highlighting some of the awesome things our members are doing. This newsletter's Member Content is...



LESSER KEY CLOTHING! Looking for a summertime wardrobe refresh? TST AZ official member Pope Wonka has you covered! His Lesser Key clothing shop has a wide array of stylish designs (including hard-to-find symbols like bookplates from *The Revolt of the Angels*), community in-jokes, and the rarest of the rare: Satanic imagery in fun, bright colors, like this vaporwave Hail Satan! (left) or a Bowie/LaVey mashup. Check the shop out [here](https://lesserkey.threadless.com) or go to lesserkey.threadless.com

SATANIC SWAG

Is a book swag? We say, if The Satanic Temple online shop is selling it, close enough! This month's swag recommendation is the excellent book, *Speak of the Devil* by Joseph Laycock (Oxford University Press.) If Satanism is a new interest for you, or you saw Penny Lane's documentary *Hail Satan?* and it left you wanting a more in-depth look, or even if you're just plain curious (a good thing for a Satanist to be!), this scholarly but accessible mix of archival research, journalism, and ethnography is the most complete chronicle of TST history available. Covering the founding of TST in 2012 all the way through its explosive growth in the era of Donald Trump, *Speak of the Devil* is a sympathetic yet even-handed account of the birth of a new religious movement.



THE EVIL EYE

The Night of the Hunter (1955), dir. Charles Laughton. Let's face it: lots of old movies kind of suck to watch with modern eyes. It might be interesting to analyze their cultural or artistic influence, but it's rare that something from decades ago can hold the attention of current audiences. Sixty six years later, though, *The Night of the Hunter* still packs a punch. The plot is fairy tale-like in structure: in the Depression-era South, a deceased bank robber's children acquire a sinister new stepfather, a preacher who seems more interested in the children's knowledge of their father's stash than the family's welfare. Anchored by Robert Mitchum's performance as the charismatic yet unhinged Reverend Powell and enhanced by the German Expressionist style of its art direction, the film's explorations of religious hypocrisy, misogyny, and greed are perpetually relevant in any era.



PARTING GIFTS



Many of you probably have better things to do with your time than read accounts of European witch trials from the 1300s to the early modern period. We wouldn't blame you, but if so, you're missing out on one of the most titillating pieces of Satanic lore, sure to set your heart (or other things) quivering and/or throbbing, etc. Yes friends, you are correct - we're talking about the Devil's dick.

The unsuspecting might assume our own sweet Satan to have genitals like everyone else's, but the testimonies given during the trials assure us that his member is anything but standard. Among other things, it's... cold? So educate yourself on Satan's naughty bits with [this quick historic overview](#) and be ready for your next Satanic trivia night!

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