

## E-Tarot May 2006

May is Mother's Month to me, and every year I dedicate May's E-Tarot to all mothers in the world and of course to the most beautiful and bountiful Mother of us all.

Growing up, every morning we would awaken to mom's spring report; what birds were back, how the flowers and herbs were doing, what mom's expectations were for her tomatoes this year... Of course as a teenager I used to wonder when my mother would ever get a life, now when I look back, my heart fills with love and admiration for this woman who paid such close attention to the budding new life all around us. As I smell the earth bursting back into awareness, I say a heart-felt thank you to her for yearly, and relentlessly urging me to pay attention to this wonder!

I had a vision of my mother the other day. I want to assure you I was wide awake when it happened. I was sitting on my couch when suddenly I had a very strong feeling that she was close. I felt goose bumps running up and down my arms and suddenly she and I were sitting at her kitchen table, in a place she lived in 30 years ago. She smiled at me and I smiled back at her. She motioned that I should come over to the kitchen sink with her. I looked into the stainless steel sink and noticed it was half full of crystal clear water. Gently, she took my hands in hers and plunged both our hands into the tepid water, washing and turning our hands together. I looked at her wondering what she was telling me, but she only smiled. Then I was back in my living room fully conscious. A friend came to visit that morning and when I told her of this vision she said, "Your mother is telling you to wash your hands of it!" For some crazy reason I couldn't figure this out on my own. But when we are so close to a situation, it's difficult to see the forest for the trees as they say. You might wonder what I should be washing my hands of, and all I can surmise on this day is that it was a conflictual situation that was detrimental to everyone concerned. I have since "washed my hands of it" and things are getting much better! My father called me two days after this vision to ask if I'd like to go to mom's grave site on Mother's Day. He was a little discombobulated and stunned into silence when he heard my hoot for joy.

This is not the first vision I've had of my mother but always in the past it was only of her hands. There is something about our mother's hands that link so intimately with our souls.

A lovely client of mine is going through a terrible time at present and the night before she was scheduled to face a gruelling ordeal, I asked the Mother of us all to go to her and cradle her in her arms and take very good care of her this night. The next morning she called to say that she had awakened with a "Snake" earring in her ear, one she hadn't worn, nor thought about for some time. She hadn't put the earring in her ear the night before and had no sense of how it could have gotten there! She said to me, "Isn't the snake a symbol of the Goddess?" I was speechless and awed to be a witness to this miracle, and was reminded again of the miracles we witness every day of our lives that go unnoticed!

Remember that song from the Beatles, years ago? "When I find myself in times of trouble, Mother Mary comes to me, singing words of wisdom, let it Be..."? Next Sunday is Mother's Day! Rejoice, say your prayers and give thanks to all the mothers of the world, your own special mother, and especially the Mother who breathes life into this world, providing us with the joy and pleasure in being gifted with this most glorious eden, and who will welcome you home at the end of your arduous journey on earth.

### Women, the Tarot and Magic ebook



Along with reading, I do a lot of writing in my work as a Tarotist. Many do. My work is profoundly moving, sharing insights, witnessing the very depths of emotion with newfound kindred spirits, and soaring the clouds of inspiration all work to drive me to my computer to write, write, write. I have compiled a series of 8 articles into an ebook which take the reader through an exploration of Tarot as an insightful, healing, and enlightenment tool. I have received several reviews on my work which are available at

<http://tarotbykathleen.com/ebooksstore.html>

If you are interested in the Tarot and how it speaks to a feminine journey to enlightenment, I think you'll enjoy reading my book. It is also available on CD.

## Women-Centred Tarot Readings



People often ask me what is a woman-centred Tarot reader? It means I am going to read your past, present and future from a particular philosophical base. No reader works without one. I have been calling myself a “feminist” since I was 16 years old (1970). Believe me this was hardly a fashionable label in Sudbury ON in those days. But I understood “feminism” to describe a person (man or woman) who believes in the equality between the sexes and I still do. As a Tarotist I interpret the meanings of the cards from the same perspective. When I look at certain cards before me, I am looking at what that card means in terms of personal agency, the true and authentic self, and empowerment.

I am introducing a new section to my personal web site [www.tarotbykathleen.com](http://www.tarotbykathleen.com) that I'm titling “Kindred Spirits” and profiled in this section will be graduates of my training program to Professional Readership who demonstrate a commitment to reading the Tarot from a woman-centred perspective and do readings for my Distance Reading web site [www.psychicanada.com](http://www.psychicanada.com).

## Events

Wednesday May 10. Staff Wellness Day @ Lutherwood. Every year I'm invited by Lutherwood Children's Services staff to celebrate their day of professional wellness with readings. The staff at Lutherwood work hard to bring healing, guidance and support to children who have been ravaged by the effects of family dysfunction, mental illness, and poor impulse control. Not easy work! I'm always honoured when they call to invite them to this day of healing for THEM, these wonderful caregivers.

### QUOTE:

*"The Empress, like The High Priestess, is a yin card, and therefore expresses the feminine energy of the cosmos. However it is a big mistake to see yin as nothing but passivity-that is only one aspect of yin. Yin and yang invariably stand in relative association to one another. In contrast to the purposefulness and directness of the activity of yang, yin is more passive and more receptive. But yin is active in her own fashion. She is not directed, but inspired, she does not aim at perfection, but at wholeness. She is not interested in achievement, but in enjoyment and in the feeling of being able to be. All these yin facets are portrayed by the Empress."*

### Tarot as a Way of Life: A Jungian Approach to the Tarot By Karen Hamaker-Zondag

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