Honeybee Divination

FLASH! Message to humans from Mother Nature. Billions of dead bees. More dying.

Consider the Bee.

Bee buzz is a mantra.

The mantra is a continual prayer.

Prayer is carried by butterflies, bats, birds and other creatures who live among the flower blossoms.

Prayer. Mantra. The buzzing of bees.

What fills the space where the buzz was?

A beautiful woman stands in a field of colorful flowers. She is surrounded by spiraling bees, swarming her and sending the primal sound of creation to her center. She is the spirit of the bee hive, the moon goddess. Streams of bees straight from the hive shape a funnel of sound and cast delicate, dancing shadows. Bees are flying all about her vibrating with their revelatory message of sacred ecstasy.

We choose to do a reading with the 2013 Oracle, Ancient Keys to the 2012 Awakening, published by Council Oak Books, www.counciloakbooks.com. 2013 Oracle is a divination system based on knowledge left by the ancient mound and temple building cultures of the Americas who predicted a time of vast planetary change. And that time is now. We see this transition before us and many alarming signs have begun to appear. The Oracle offers guidance and is uniquely fit for the task of divining the meaning of this phenomenon of the vanishing bees.

2013 Oracle, Ancient Keys to the 2012 Awakening may be ordered from the Ark Bookstore in Santa Fe, New Mexico, www.arkbooks.com. The following reading was done in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

The Reading

Question: Why are the honeybees leaving and what does this portend?

(1) Obsidian Knife.



The time is now and a great storm is gathering on the spiritual planes.

2013 Oracle

Yes, the time is now. The sun-dancing bee is at the heart of time-keeping and at its center is Obsidian Knife, the bee's tongue. The knife is sacrificial. We learn our essential nature from the knife which teaches the need for sacrifice. The bee race is impeccable in all ways. Honeybee spends her life creating sustenance for the well-being and survival of the hive. She is not diminished by the sacrifices she makes for the good of all. She creeps along the blade edge of Obsidian Knife in perfect balance.

The Honeybee searches the mirror of creation and cannot find any reflection of the harmony and beauty she strives to embody. Honeybees are choosing to go to the spirit world. One bee is connected to all bees. One bee found a portal and left. Many bees have followed and their departure signals the following. If humans want to shape their planetary destiny based on a beneficial model, we must relearn communal alignment with the spirit of the hive. Time has run out. We must do it now. We must sacrifice.

(2) Cosmic Egg.

The egg of eggs was hatched inside of nothing.

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Follow Venus, the diving bee, the light bringer. Cosmic Egg is truth and light. The egg cracks and a great light is born. Bring bee's purifying energy to the center of the human field. Cosmic egg contains the code to sustain our lives. What is dormant in our species? What is harmful and what is healthy? What are the platelets of new life and being? One must pull from inner sources to hatch a new world. We must act quickly. Soon the severing knife will strike. Old paradigms will fall away. A New Sun is building. No time to mourn the old ways. We must sever from lies immediately and embrace truth. We must cut the umbilicus and live anew in the breath of a new consciousness.

(3) Spirit Canoe.

Go relentlessly into the farthest reaches of your heart and soul.

2013 Oracle

Just as bees are literally showing us a return to spirit, Spirit Canoe asks for a metaphoric examination of the Spirit World. Spirit Canoe signifies a journey and the urgent need to blend matter with spirit. Ultimately, there is no difference. The Spirit Canoe paddlers, old and gruff supernaturals who puff on cigars, offer to take us upstream to explore the cosmos for solutions to war, covetousness and the degradation of life on earth. Spirit Canoe takes us to the gears of the light weaving, the light matrix we call time. No one can define this journey for you which carries you deep within the spirit of spirits. This configuration is a clear message to journey forth in order to bring back an understanding of our true reflection within

the mirror of existence. Seeing the true self at the center of this mirror becomes a love for all creation—from the insignificant to the exalted.

(4) Alligator.

Alligator tells you to find the medicine waters of life.

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Alligator was the first mound and temple builder. The architectural design of temples and mounds is a joining of earth with sky. Alligator was the first force of the cosmos. The ancient watcher Alligator warns of impending change—quick and ruthless. Bees, and their dwindling numbers, also speak of transition and change. Ancient people understood the relationship between bees and the plant world. These connections form a living structure. The precious flowers do not exist without the bee. The welfare of the bee and the spirit of the flower are interdependent. Bees and flowers exist in a band of vibratory harmony. Alligator witnessed the arrival and destruction of all past worlds. She is the watcher and with a flick of her powerful tail she can change the currents of our being. We have just passed Go. Proceed accordingly. Now is the time to seek beauty of the natural world and to seek concord.

(5) Lady Great Skull Zero.

I am waiting for you at the end of night.

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Lady Great Skull Zero says, "Heads up. There is an impending death in your future and it is your own." Death is a mirror furnishing unlimited creative power, a map for going within to find your peace within the infinite silence. The Bee Tribe is

in transition. The handwriting is on the wall, as they say. Lady Great Zero stares at us from the holes in her head. Her hollow bones whisper—whisper.

Quetzalcoatl made a trip to the Land of the Dead. He went to ask for the bones of humans that were kept carefully secured by the Lady and Lord of the Dead. He made the journey to retrieve those particular bones so that he could create humans to live on the earth because a cataclysm had destroyed all life from the previous world.

The gods and goddesses of the underworld looked unfavorably upon Quetzalcoatl. They asked him, "What do you want to do with these bones?" He considered the question carefully and then answered, "I understand your hesitation. You are concerned about who will live on the earth."

The gods dismissed Quetzalcoatl to discuss his request. His venture was regarded by these powerful beings as a lost cause. They had no intention of honoring his proposal. The gods were not inclined to help him. Instead, they agreed to set a trap for Quetzalcoatl so they could be done with him and his preposterous idea of creating humans. Lady Great Skull Zero assigned him a simple task designed to be his downfall.

She instructed Quetzalcoatl. "March around my jade ring with the bones four times, blowing on this conch shell. When you finish this task, the bones can go with you." The conch shell was packed with dense matter that prevented Quetzalcoatl's breath from spiraling along the walls of the shell's chamber. He realized the problem immediately and knew he had to call on the powers of his ally, Bee. After the pair consulted, Bee agreed to help Quetzalcoatl outwit Great Skull Zero. She would help return the human bones to earth. They decided to enlist Worm to tunnel through the clogged chambers of the shell. Bee would empty the shell, piece by piece, under the nose of Great Skull Zero. The chamber was quickly emptied. Quetzalcoatl blew four powerful blasts from the shell as he marched

around the jade ring. The gathering stared in stunned silence as Quetzalcoatl took the bones and turned to leave.

Bee gathered her sisters and brothers and followed Quetzalcoatl to earth. Together they created a subtle grid across the face of the earth to nurture and protect the human. The Bee Tribe vowed to be companions and allies and to share the sweetness of the flowers and plants until the beginning of the next sun.

(6) Grasshopper.

When we protect the earth, we protect ourselves and we protect all future life.

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Grasshopper led sentient life from deep within the earth to our present world. Grasshopper was the first mother and we are all brothers and sisters born of Earth Mother. Grasshopper Mother tells you to relish your life and your place in the cosmos. Reclaim your powers radiating up to the surface of the earth, coming from deep magma—the surging life blood of our planet. Reach down deep into the surging medicine rivers of the waters of old—flowing clean and pure from a time before time. Reach down to the sleeping powers of life pushing up toward you—powers of green and growing things. Bee and Grasshopper are telling you to communicate with others on psychic levels or to send your psychic projections of love and comfort to those who need them. If you have precognition of events, surely, you must act upon this knowledge with confidence.

(7) Deer Man.

Deer man gives the power to act or not to act when confronted with problems that confound the mind.

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Venus, the Dawn Star, also called the Deer Star by the ancients, announces the coming of the New Sun. Bee is a master of alchemy. Deer Man radiates alchemical power with an unfathomable ability to change hearts and minds. He opens the minds of close minded people and touches the hearts of those most spiteful and angry. Deer Man is compassion and has ardor for all life. His antlers are cosmic antennae that channel restorative power on a planetary scale. His horns are said to be yoked to the cosmic tree, our Milky Way galaxy, and as such, tune in to wisdom that surpasses understanding. Deer Man tells you to put your money where your heart is, and if you do, sustenance will return to you full of blessings from the hearts of others. Bee vibrates within the hexagonal cell performing alchemical feats beyond human comprehension. Follow the bee line to the heart of the sun and ever-deepening compassion for ourselves and others.

(8) Moth.

If you seek and find this light you have a spiritual torch to lead you in times of darkness.

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Moth says that the answer to the bee question is to be found in inner light and inner guidance. Prepare for visionary experiences. Dreams become more lucid. Future perceptions will take on a quality of non reality and *vice versa*. You may find yourself touching numinous territories with unfamiliar abilities. You will find

yourself in distant places or see events happening in far away locals. You will have foreknowledge of events. Once hidden doorways open to lead you down passages where you will hear unknown music, where you will touch the invisible and realize its ultimate power. Moth teaches to embrace the darkness in order to prepare for the return of the great light. She is the symbol for inter-dimensional journeys—a search for perfect light. Our lives have drifted slowly toward this "enlightened" world. The approach is accelerating.

(9) Snake Skirted Woman.

Her counsel is to look at the spiritual origin, design and teachings that undergird your problems.

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Snake Skirted Woman asks you to unite your heart with your hands in the work you do. She is the rattle doctor who lifts your energy and gives you the buzz. We are moving to a higher collective state of being and a higher vibration. Throughout this process, the bees are our teachers and protectors. They offer us a model for apprenticeship to build community together under a New Sun. The same spirit can lead humanity to our collective destiny and give us the creative will to fashion new structures of being, structures that serve humankind—not designs that destroy the hive and create a future that is untenable. Call to Bee for the Diving Bee is the Venus Way, the way of controlled energy and the wisdom to bring spirit into matter.

Snake Skirted Woman is a healer and midwife who facilitates birth. Now she eases the birth pangs of a New Sun. She is guardian of plants, both psychoactive and healing. Humanity and the earth need healing as never before. Snake Skirted Woman tells us to rediscover the rhythms of a healthy spiritual and physical life. Control your energy at every level. Snake Skirted Woman holds realized feminine

energy to strike at problems with enormous force. Don't be afraid of this ancient wise energy.

"Hear me now if you have ears," the Old Woman says, "Listen. Shed your imprisoning skins. Move through the dimensions. This is humanity's destiny. And now is our cycle of completion."



Hive Mind

Early in the summer of 2007, David received an email from a woman requesting a replacement bee card for her *2013 Oracle* deck. The email got us thinking about the departing bees. We asked our friend and fellow diviner Rhonda Flemming to sit in for the reading along with our friend Erika Meyer. David expressed some surprise that no Bee card showed up in the reading. After we finished the divination, Nina searched the deck for a bee card and found it was missing. No one could explain why this happened. Perhaps there is no single explanation for all of these phenomena. However, we all agreed the reading had complete divinatory integrity.

A Final Word on Apiculture

The Melipona bee, a stingless, tropical species, was a friend and companion of the ancient Maya. Families had log hives hanging from the eaves of their homes. Bee colonies passed from one generation of a family to the next. Beekeepers produced an entheogenic honey by placing hives near the leguminous tree which has an alkaloid bark.

The Melipona bee is active all year long and produces a dark honeycomb created from tropical plant resins which gives the honey a distinctive flavor completely unlike the honey from the European honeybee. Contemporary Maya beekeepers have abandoned the Melipona in favor of the European honeybee which produces a greater volume of honey. Today they must contend with the aggressive Africanized honeybee. Meliponae honey is rare and highly prized.

Americans owe one in three bites of food to the honeybee who can double the average output of a crop. There are at least twenty popular fruits and vegetables that depend entirely on the bee. 10% of the wild honeybees in northeastern US survive. 70% of the wildflowers they pollinated are extinct. Tens of billions of bees have died worldwide so far.

A pandemic has hit the honeybee population. Experts are calling the apicultural devastation *Colony Collapse Disorder*. The bees vanish from the hive. There are no dead bee bodies. The queen remains with a few newly hatched workers. Capped honey cells and bee bread are untouched. Predators like mites, wax moths and other bee species avoid the hive and do not raid for honey.

Researchers have found every known honeybee disease in some affected bees. The bee is succumbing to an immune related deficiency. Theories point to the disruption of natural electromagnetic frequencies the bees use to travel. Cell phone use by millions of people may be scrambling the bees ability to navigate. The other culprit is a neurotoxin called imidacloprid which is used to coat corn seed. When the bee collects corn pollen, the neurotoxin blocks pathways to the brain leading to paralysis and death. The USDA does not track the number of pollinating bees in a given season and so the agency is at a loss to predict what the outcome of a pandemic may look like.



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