

# November 2010 / Alalkomenios 697.1

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
				Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead
7 <b>Alalkomenios</b> <i>Αλαλκομένιος</i>  Noumenia	8  Agathos Daimone	9  Athene	10  Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	11  Moirai, Tykhe	12  Artemis	13  Apollon
14  Poseidon, Asklepios	15  Ta Mousai	16	17	18	19	20
21	22  <b>Dikhomenia</b>  Full Moon	23	24	25	26  Apollon	27
28	29	30				

# December 2010 / Boukatios 697.2

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2	3	4  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead
5  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	6  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	7  <b>Boukatios</b> <b>Βουκάτιος</b> Boeotian New Year  <b>Noumenia</b>	8  Agathos Daimone	9  Athene	10  Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	11  Moirai, Tykhe
12  Artemis	13  Apollon	14  Poseidon, Asklepios	15  Ta Mousai	16	17	18
19	20  <b>Dikhomenia</b>	21  <b>Kheimon</b>  <b>Lesser Dionysia</b>	22  <b>Lesser Dionysia</b>	23  <b>Lesser Dionysia</b>	24  <b>Lesser Dionysia</b>	25  <b>Lesser Dionysia</b>  Apollon
26  <b>Lesser Dionysia</b>	27  <b>Lesser Dionysia</b>	28  <b>Lesser Dionysia</b>	29  <b>Lesser Dionysia</b>	30  <b>Lesser Dionysia</b>	31  <b>Lesser Dionysia</b>	

# January 2011 / Hermaios 697.2

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 <b>Lesser Dionysia</b>
2 <b>Lesser Dionysia</b>	3 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	4 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	5 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	6 <b>Hermaios</b> <b>Ἡρμαῖος</b> <b>Noumenia</b>	7 Agathos Daimon	8 Athene
9 Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	10 Moirai, Tykhe	11 Artemis	12 Apollon	13 Poseidon, Asklepios	14 Ta Mousai	15
16	17	18	19	20 <b>Dikhomenia</b>	21	22 <b>Eros Day</b> (modern)
23	24	25 Apollon	26	27	28	29

# February 2011 / Prostaterios 697.2

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30 January	31 January	1 <b>Daidala</b> δαίδαλα	2  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	3  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	4  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	5  <b>Prostaterios</b> Προστατήριος  <b>Noumenia</b>
6  Agathos Daimone	7  Athene	8  Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	9  Moirai, Tykhe	10  Artemis	11 <b>Theophania</b> (Delphian)  Apollon	12  Poseidon, Asklepios
13  Ta Mousai	14	15	16	17	18  <b>Dikhomenia</b>	19
20	21	22	23	24  Apollon	25	26
27	28					

# March 2011 / Agrioaios 697.2

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
				Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead
6 <b>Agrioaios</b> <i>Αγριώνιος</i>	7	8	9	10	11	12
Noumenia	Agathos Daimone	Athene	Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	Moirai, Tykhe	Artemis	Apollon
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Poseidon, Asklepios	Ta Mousai	<b>Greater Dionysia</b>	<b>Greater Dionysia</b>	<b>Greater Dionysia</b>	<b>Greater Dionysia</b>	<b>Greater Dionysia</b>
20 <b>Eiar</b>	21	22	23	24	25	26
<b>Greater Dionysia</b>	<b>Greater Dionysia</b>	<b>Greater Dionysia</b>			Apollon	
<b>Dikhomenia</b>						
27	28	29	30	31		

# April 2011 / Thioyios 697.2

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead
3  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	4  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	5  <b>Thioyios</b> <b>Θιοῦϊος</b>  Noumenia	6  Agathos Daimone	7  Athene	8  <b>Feast of Eros</b>  Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	9  Moirai, Tykhe
10  <b>Delphinia</b>  Artemis	11  Apollon	12  Poseidon, Asklepios	13  Ta Mousai	14	15	16
17	18  <b>Dikhomenia</b>	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

# May 2011/Homoloios 697.2

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	3 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	4 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	5 <b>Homoloios</b> <b>Ομολώϊος</b> Noumenia	6 Agathos Daimone	7 Athene
8 Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	9 Moirai, Tykhe	10 Artemis	11 Apollon	12 Poseidon, Asklepios	13 Ta Mousai	14 <b>Hyakinthia</b> (Spartan)
15 <b>Hyakinthia</b> (Spartan)	16 <b>Hyakinthia</b> (Spartan)	17	18 <b>Dikhomenia</b>	19	20	21
22	23	24 Apollon	25	26	27	28
29	30	31 Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead				

# June 2011/Theilouthios 697.2

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	2  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	3 <b>Theilouthios</b> <b>Θειλούθιος</b>  Noumenia	4  Agathos Daimone
5  Athene	6  Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	7  Moirai, Tykhe	8  Artemis	9  Apollon	10  Poseidon, Asklepios	11  Ta Mousai
12	13	14	15	16  <b>Dikhomenia</b>	17	18
19	20  <b>Kharitesia</b>	21 <b>Theros</b>  <b>Kharitesia</b>  <b>Summer Solstice</b>	22  <b>Kharitesia</b>  Apollon	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead		

# July 2011/Ippodromios 697.2

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	2  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead
3 <b>Ippodromios</b> <i>Ιπποδρόμιος</i>  Noumenia	4  Agathos Daimone	5  Athene	6 <b>Aphrodisia</b> <i>Αφροδίσια</i>  Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	7  Moirai, Tykhe	8  Artemis	9  Apollon
10  Poseidon, Asklepios	11 <b>Adonia</b>  Ta Mousai	12 <b>Adonia</b>	13	14	15  <b>Dikhomenia</b>	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	30 <b>Pamboeotia</b>  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead

# August 2011/Panamos & Pamboiotios 697.2

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>31 July</b>  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	1  <b>Panamos</b> <b>Πάναμος</b>  Noumenia	2  Agathos Daimone	3  Athene	4  Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	5  Moirai, Tykhe	6  Artemis
7  Apollon	8  Poseidon, Asklepios	9  Ta Mousai	10	11	12	13
14  <b>Dikhomenia</b>	15	16	17	18	19	20  Apollon
21	22	23	24	25	26	27  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead
28  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	29  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	30  <b>Pamboiotios</b> <b>Παμβοιώτιος</b>  Noumenia	31  Agathos Daimone			

# September 2011 / Pamboiotios & Damatrios 697.2

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1  Athene	2  Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	3  Moirai, Tykhe
4  Artemis	5 <b>Boedromia</b> Βοηδρομία  Apollon	6  Poseidon, Asklepios	7  Ta Mousai	8	9	10
11	12  <b>Dikhomenia</b>	13	14		16	17
18  Apollon	19	20	21 <b>Phthinoporon</b>  <b>Autumn Equinox</b>	22	23	24
25 <b>Pamboeotia</b> παμβοιωτία	26  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	27  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	28  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	29 <b>Damatrios</b> Δαμάτριος  Noumenia	30  Agathos Daimone	

# October 2011/Damatrios & Alalkomenios 697.2

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1  Athene
2  Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	3  Moirai, Tykhe	4  Artemis	5  Apollon	6  Poseidon, Asklepios	7  Ta Mousai	8
9 <b>Thesmophoria</b>	10 <b>Thesmophoria</b>	11 <b>Thesmophoria</b>	12  <b>Dikhomenia</b>	13	14	15
16	17	18  Apollon	19	20	21	22
23	24	25  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	26  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	27  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	28 <b>Alalkomenios</b> <i>Αλαλκομένιος</i>  Noumenia	29  Agathos Daimone

# November 2011/Alalkomenios 697.2

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30  Athene	31  Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	1  Moirai, Tykhe	2  Artemis	3  Apollon	4  Poseidon, Asklepios	5  Ta Mousai
6	7	8	9	10	11  <b>Dikhomenia</b>	12
13	14	15	16  Apollon	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	25  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	26  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead
27 <b>Alalkomenios 2</b> <i>Αλαλκομένιος</i>  Noumenia	28  Agathos Daimone	29  Athene	30  Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite			

# December 2011/BoukatiOS 697.3

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1  Moirai, Tykhe	2  Artemis	3  Apollon
4  Poseidon, Asklepios	5  Ta Mousai	6	7	8	9	10  <b>Dikhomenia</b>
11	12	13	14	15	16  Apollon	17
18	19	20	21	22 <b>Kheimon</b>  Winter Solstice	23  <b>Hekate, Thanatos, &amp; The Dead</b>	24  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead
25  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	26 <b>BoukatiOS</b> <b>Βουκάτιος</b> <b>Boeotian New</b> <b>Year,</b> Noumenia	27  Agathos Daimone	28  Athene	29  Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite	30  Moirai, Tykhe	31  Artemis

# January 2012/Hermaios 697.3

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1  Apollon	2  Poseidon, Asklepios	3  Ta Mousai	4	5	6	7
8	9 <b>Lesser Dionysia</b>  <b>Dikhomenia</b>	10 <b>Lesser Dionysia</b>	11 <b>Lesser Dionysia</b>	12 <b>Lesser Dionysia</b>	13 <b>Lesser Dionysia</b>	14 <b>Lesser Dionysia</b>  Apollon
15 <b>Lesser Dionysia</b>	16 <b>Lesser Dionysia</b>	17 <b>Lesser Dionysia</b>	18 <b>Lesser Dionysia</b>	19 <b>Lesser Dionysia</b>	20 <b>Lesser Dionysia</b>	21 <b>Lesser Dionysia</b>
22  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	23  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	24  Hekate, Thanatos, & The Dead	25 <b>Hermaios</b> <b>Ἡρμαῖος</b>  Noumenia	26  Agathos Daimone	27  Athene	28  Eros, Herakles, Hermes, Aphrodite
29  Moirai, Tykhe	30  Artemis	31  Apollon				

### **ABOUT LUNISOLAR CALENDARS**

Lunisolar calendars are calculated by the phases of the moon – solar calendars, such as the Gregorian (modern secular) calendar, are calculated by the earth’s rotation around the sun. Both lunar and solar calendars have to accommodate the fact that the earth’s rotation around the sun is 365¼ days – solar calendars tend to do this by adding another day every four years while lunisolar calendars tend to add another month every two or three years. Neither calendar system is absolutely perfect because the natural cycle around the sun isn’t a perfect count of whole days. Lunar calendars also differ from solar in that days tend to count as having begun at sundown of the “previous” solar calendar day, whereas solar calendars generally count “new days” by sunrise – then there’s meridian time, which counts days by AM/PM time.

Days on this lunisolar calendar begin at sundown on the previous day of the Gregorian dates, a practise that keeps in line with lunar calendars still in use, like the Hebrew calendar. It just made more sense to do it this way.

### **ABOUT HELLENIC FESTIVAL CALENDARS**

The reconstructed Hellenic calendars available from a few Internet sources are arguably more practical than the typical Wiccan-influenced NeoPagan calendars because of the fact that they’re more urban rather than rural in nature – so few festival dates need to be “reversed” for Hellenistai in the Southern Hemisphere (and I will start marking that where it seems appropriate); Wicca-influenced calendars, on the other hand, are based on seasons, so certain festivals adopted by the Wiccan calendar, like Samhain, are best celebrated during specific seasonal phases, as per the guidelines laid out by Wicca, and so would need to be adjusted for Southern Hemisphere seasons – so in Australia and South America, Samhain would be in early May rather than late October, and Beltaine would be in October rather than May. Hellenic festivals, on the other hand, are based on important dates in mythology or for the polis the calendar is attached to, so no adjustments are necessary – like how those who celebrate Christmas (in either a religious or secular fashion) celebrate it on December 25<sup>th</sup>, no matter where in the world they live.

That said, there was no one universal Hellenic festival calendar. Different regions had different calendars, and even different cities within a region would sometimes have their own variation on the calendar. Furthermore, those who lived in rural areas would have their own seasonal calendars and often their own rituals and traditions associated with the different harvest seasons. Then there were the civic calendars used by politicians, and some sources state that if certain political events would take longer deliberations than usual, this could drag a civic month out far beyond the perimeters of the Noumenia. The Attic calendar offered by Hellenion has a festival to Apollon and another to Athene which are season-based, but since the New Boeotian calendar has taken on mainly Boeotian festivals (in the notes I have indicated which are not of Boeotian origin, but have included them because the cities they were celebrated in had allied themselves with my favourite Boeotian cities), and at this time, I know of none I have included which are historically based on seasonal cycles.

## ABOUT THE NEW BOEOTIAN CALENDAR

Most of the dates on the monthly ritual cycle are outlined by Hesiod in Works & Days, with a few exceptions: Tykhe and Ta Moirai are honoured on the fifth day of the lunar month; Ta Mousai are honoured on the ninth day of the lunar month. I selected these days for a reason – the number five, in traditional Hellenic folklore, is supposedly “unlucky”, which seems like an appropriate date to honour the Goddess of Fortune and the Fates, in hopes of giving one a good day; the ninth day was selected for the Muses because traditionally, their number is nine. Tykhe and Ta Mousai both had famous Boeotian cult worship, and Ta Moirai have both always been a part of my personal cult worship, but I worship Them on the same day as Tykhe, taking a nod from the Boeotian poet Pindar, who was said to have considered Tykhe one of Ta Moirai.

Festivals that are not Boeotian in origin are marked as such, including the modern “Eros Day” – a modern creation of Sexologist Susan Block, and a date she chose because it is the date on the Gregorian calendar that when the planetoid Eros (a large and vaguely phallic body in the asteroid belt between Mars and Jupiter) is closest to Earth. Festivals from outside Boeotia are listed basically because these are the festivals that I honour for several reasons, but mainly because of connection to a particular deity to whom I pay cultus and because the nature of the festival is not one that is particular to that region (at least as best as I can tell). The reason they are included on here is because I simply couldn't be arsed to remove them – if you wish to have a print-ready calendar without these dates, please go back to the website and leave something in my Tip Jar with a note that you would like me to e-mail you a custom calendar PDF, and please include what you would like added or removed. If you do not have ready access to a printer and would like me to mail you something via post, please e-mail me before leaving anything in my Tip Jar. (Anything left in the Tip Jar without a note, by the by, will be assumed to be left simply because you think I'm awesome.)

The following festivals may not be designated for the same dates that they were held in ancient times; as I gain more information, I will update these festivals:

- **1 Boukatios ~ Boeotian New Year** – year starts here; unlike Attika, Boeotia celebrated the New Year around their Winter Solstice.
- **15-27 Boukatios ~ Lesser Dionysia** – celebrated throughout much of Hellas, dates chosen because of Attic correspondence
- **27 Hermaios ~ Daidala** – traditionally held either every seven or every four years (I have conflicting sources), festival in honour of the wedding of Zeus & Hera. Can't find a specified date, so I used the date of the Attic Gamelia festival, which is also in honour of Their marriage. Due to conflicting sources, I'm making the new cycle annual until I can find information sufficient enough to reconstruct the ancient cycle.
- **9-13 Agrioaios ~ Greater Dionysia** – celebrated throughout much of Hellas, dates chosen because of Attic correspondence
- **7 Prostaterios ~ Theophania** – A Delphic festival celebrated in February on the alleged birthday of Apollo; added because of Thebes alliances with Delphi
- **Delphinia** –
- **Dioscuria** – feast of the Doiskuroi, ostensibly celebrated throughout most of Hellas; date selected for the first day of Gemini in the Tropical (Western) Zodiac.

- **10-12 Homoloios ~ Hyakinthia** – This Spartan festival I know very little about, concerning the dates it was held. I know it lasted three days, and was a major Spartan festival. At first, I wanted to place this at the summer solstice, then I was passed along another source link for Hellenic calendars, and it made more sense to place it in equivalent of the Spartan month of Hyakinthia/Delhinios. I have included this because of historic alliances of Sparta with both Thespieae and Thebes.
- **18-20 Theilouthios ~ Kharitesia** – All I know of this is that it's a Boeotian festival of poetry and music games to the Kharites. I've made it a three-day festival and set it at the Summer Solstice to coincide with the flowering of the myrtle trees, which are sacred to Them
- **9-10 Ippodromios ~ Adonia** – all I knew of this one for the longest time is that it was held in early summer, lasted more than one day, and was tied to the Attic month of Hekatonbion; when I first calculated a date, Wikipedia said “two days ... tied to the ninth day of the month”. Traditionally celebrated only by women, it's my personal UPG that this is now appropriate for Fems of all sexes.
- **7 Pamboiotios ~ Boedromia** – According to sources, Apollon's epithet “Boedromios” is actually of Boeotian origin, and this festival was actually widespread through ancient Hellas. Regardless, I've marked it as an “Attic” festival because I've taken the date from a reconstructed Attic calendar.
- **26 Pamboiotios ~ Pamboeotia** – I was able to track down the month for this festival of Athena, but not a set date, so I took the stab at which day of the month it would have been celebrated using the Attic festival Panathenia, which seems otherwise identical, based on both primary and secondary sources.
- **11-13 Damatrios ~ Thesmophoria** – a women-only festival for Demeter and Persephone (for those ladies who wish to participate, anyway); my source simply describes this as being celebrated “in various parts of Hellas”, and while I (being a dude) don't take part in this, I figured I'd add it for the shared version of this calendar.

### Monthly & Seasonal Days

- **Noumenia** – New Moon
- **Dikhomenia** – Full Moon
- **Eiar, Theros, Phthinoporon, Kheimon** – These are the personifications / names for the seasons; Spring, Summer, Autumn, and Winter, respectively. I've placed these at the points of their respective Solstices and Equinoxes. These are marked for the Northern Hemisphere; if you live in the Southern Hemisphere, you may wish to adjust for your seasons.

### Not on the calendar this year

- **9-18 Panamos ~ Mouseia** – Totally new cycle and likely new dates and span. The Mouseia are the every-five-years poetry and music games for Ta Mousai, who had a substantial cult in Boeotia. *Next Mouseia will be in the Gregorian 2015, unless a reconstructed date can be calculated.*
- **7 Damatrios ~ Daphnephoria** – date for this one selected because Athenians had a very similar holiday on their corresponding calendar date; Commemorating a Theban victory over the Aeolians and Pelasgians. The festival involved a procession where one person bears an olive branch, with laurel flower and bronze balls were tied to branch. The name derived from *Daphne* (laurel flower) and *phorein* (wear). *This festival is on a cycle of nine years; the next occurrence will be in 2019 CE, unless a reconstructed date can be calculated.*

I would include a more in-depth description of each festival, but this is already a twenty-one page document – your printer will thank you if you just go check out the links below that have festival descriptions.

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