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### “SEEING OFF THE GODS” (送神)

English: 23<sup>th</sup> Jan 2006 (Monday)

Lunar: 24<sup>th</sup> day of the 12<sup>th</sup> Month. (2-4am) (壬子日-丑时)

There is a saying that goes “seeing the gods off early while welcoming them back late”. Adhering to this saying, the northerners of China have a habit of seeing off the gods deep in the night of the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of the twelfth Lunar Month at the time of 8-10pm. However, the seeing off of gods will fall on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of the Lunar Month this year, with the best time being between 2-4am (丑 \* ). The *tian1 de2 huang2 dao4* (天德黄道), *Tian1 Guan1 Gui4 Ren2* (天官贵人), and *Si4 Da4 Ji2 Shi2* (四大吉时). The next best timing will be between 10am-12pm, during the *si4 shi2* (巳时). For those households that have suffered a bereavement of a relative this lunar year, it would be advisable NOT to see off the gods and do any spring-cleaning this year.

### “SHINING OF THE XU1 HAO4 ” (照虚耗)

For 7 days starting from the night that one sends out the gods to the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the first Lunar Month, it would be advisable that all the lights, both in and outside the house, to be switched on. This enables the house to give out light. If for any reason that one is unable to do so, at least one light should be left on in the living room at all times. This is because the light will rid the house from the unlucky *qi4* (气) generated by the Fortune Items as well as sprits and other unlucky “stuff”. By doing so, one can hope to receive better luck and fortune for the upcoming year. There is a saying that says one need to shine a light from under one’s bed to receive good luck and fortune. However, it is actually not required. The saying just wants to emphasize the fact that one should not ignore any dead spots or corners in the house.

### “GETTING RID OF THE USELESS” (除残)

English: 25th Jan 2006 (Wednesday)

Lunar: 26<sup>th</sup> day of the 12<sup>th</sup> Month (2-4pm/10-12 noon)(甲寅日-辰时/未时)

The “getting rid of the useless” is also known as “clearing away of dust” (扫尘). However, it is more commonly known as spring-cleaning. Actually, all the furniture and appliances in the house should be cleaned regularly. The household should take the opportunity to clean the “*shen2 ming2 ting1*” during this time. This is because the statues of the gods, their plaques as well as the table in which they are housed, are not allowed to be cleaned during the course of the year. The traditional view of the Chinese is that they believed that everything under the sun has a “guardian god”. During



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the course of the year, everything in and outside the house should only be cleaned and should not be moved at whim. Only when the gods are see off and an auspicious day is chosen, then they are allowed to do spring-cleaning. Besides spring-cleaning, the walls should also be mend and re-painted. On top of that, brand-new new year couplets as well as auspicious words such as "spring" (春) and "fortune" (福) (written on red paper), should also be hung. Getting rid of the useless and bringing in the new is most suitable during this period.

### "THE DECENDING OF THE HEAVENLY-GODS"(下降天神)

English: 24<sup>th</sup> Jan 2004 (Tuesday)

Lunar: 25<sup>th</sup> day of the 12<sup>th</sup> month (癸丑日)

As the earth-gods would have returned to the heavenly court to make their reports, the heavenly-emperor would order some heavenly-gods to descend to earth in order to keep a check on the people on earth during this time. Therefore, during the period between the seeing off and welcoming back of the earth-gods, the people on earth will keep a tight rein on their behaviours and actions so as not to be punished by the heavenly-gods. Those who are pious and pure of heart can chose to burn incense at the crack of dawn to welcome the heavenly-emperor, and received his blessings in return.

### "KOU3 SHU4 PORRIDGE" (口数粥)

After dusk on the day that the heavenly-gods descend upon earth, the household can cook some red-bean soup, porridge to share among the family members. This is to increase the good luck in the house, as well as getting rid of any bad luck and sickness.

### "SEALING THE "WEN2 CHANG1" PEN & SEAL" (封文昌笔、封印)

English: 26<sup>th</sup> Jan 2006 (Thursday)

Lunar: 27<sup>th</sup> day of the 12<sup>th</sup> month. (6am-8am/10pm-12pm) (乙卯日-卯时/亥时)

The sealing of the seal is part of the preparations for Lunar New Year. The seal can only be sealed on certain days, namely the 20<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> as well as the eve of the Lunar New Year. The sealing of the seal is further divided into 3 classes ; namely the gods, the bureaucrats and the common people. Some people close shop in advance to prepare for this, however, the best time is still the eve of the Lunar New Year. The method for sealing the seal is as followed: firstly, put the seals in the order of gods, bureaucrats, company and personal inside a box or a bag. Next, write the



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year, month, day and time 乙酉年己丑月乙卯日己卯时 or 丁亥时 封印大吉 or 封笔大吉 on a piece of *zhu1 sha1* paper so called red paper (朱砂纸). As for the *wen2 chang1* pen, one can consider buying a more expensive pen for signing important documents and checks. Alternatively, one can also use the pen for exam purposes.

The year, month, day and time should also be written on a piece of *zhu1 sha1* paper as well. For this year, the best timing to do this is would be during the *mao1* hour(卯时) for day operation business. For night operation business the best timing to do is would be during the *hai1* hours (亥时) .

### “THE UNSEALING OF THE PEN & SEAL” (开笔/开印)

English: 08<sup>th</sup> Feb 2004 (Wednesday)

Lunar: 11<sup>th</sup> day of the 1<sup>st</sup> lunar month. (8-10am/8-10pm) (戊辰日-巳时/酉时)

The practice of sealing the pen and seal is let them take a holiday and recharge themselves. Since there is the sealing of the pen and seal, there would also be the unsealing of the pen and seal. To unseal the pen and seal, take a piece of red paper and write the year, month, day and time of the unsealing on it. The time to do this is during the *chen2* hour (巳时) as the *ri4 lu4* (日禄), *ming2 tang2 huang2 dao4* and *si4 da4 ji2 shi2* (明堂黄道, 四大吉时) would be there. Alternatively, one can also choose the *you3* hour (酉时) when the *liu4 he1* (六合) and *tian1 de2 huang2 dao4* (天德黄道) would be there.

### “THE OPENING OF DOOR ON THE 1<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF LUNAR NEW YEAR” (元旦开门)

English: 29<sup>th</sup> Jan 2006 (Sunday)

Lunar: 1<sup>st</sup> day of the 1<sup>st</sup> lunar month. (戊午日)

The burning of incense and opening the door is the most things in the itinerary on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the Lunar New Year. Besides washing of one's hands and burning incense for the gods and spirits and praying to ancestors, one should also choose the correct timing to open the main door of the house. When opening the main door, one should chant the words “Fortune Door, Fortune Door open wide, gold, silver and precious jewels come on inside” (财门财门大大开, 金银珠宝滚进来). This can work effectively in the opening of the “Fortune Door”. The main door should be opened as early as possible. For the upcoming year, one can choose to open it at the *zi3* hour (子时), according to the common practice or during the *mao3* hour (卯时) whereby the *Tian1 Guan1 Gui4 Ren2* , *yu4 tang2huang2dao4* and *si4 da4 ji2 shi2* (天官贵人,玉堂黄道, 四大吉时) would be there.



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### “THE SHUTTING OF DOOR ON THE 1<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF LUNAR NEW YEAR” (元旦关门)

Since the household has opened its main door in the day, one should also know the proper way to shut it in order to trap all the good luck in the house for long periods. The best time for the upcoming year would be during the you3 hour (酉时) ming2 tang2 huang2 dao4 and si4 da4 ji2 shi2 (明堂黄道, 四大吉时). This is because there will only be good sprits around. In addition, this period will also be free of bad omens and sprits. The door needs to be shut for only 120 minutes before being reopened.

### “GOING OUT ON THE 1<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF LUNAR NEW YEAR” (元旦出行)

Commonly known as *xing2 da4 yun4*(行大运), *chu1 xun2*(出寻), *chu1 tian1 fang1*(出天方) or *chu1 tian1 xing2*(出天行), this is the most important practice of the *min2 su2 kai1 yun4 xue1* (民俗开运学) as it is believed to be the most powerful of all practice. For the coming year, in order to received good fortune and avoid the bad, one should consult the *ao2 tou2 tong1 shu1* 《鳌头通书》 and/or the *xiang4 ji2 tong1 shu1* 《象吉通书》. According to them, one should choose the *tian1 de2 he2* (天德合), *tian1 de2* (天德), *yue4 de2* (月德) and *yue4 de2 he2* (月德合) as the best sectors. As the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the Lunar New Year falls on *wu1 wu3* day (戊午日) this year, it would be more suitable to travel towards the East, West directions. The *tian1 de2 he2* will fall between the *Yi3* (乙) coordinates, between 97.5° and 112.5° for the East and eastern side. For the western sector, the *yue4 de2* will fall in the *geng1*(庚) coordinates (between 247.5° - 262.5°) while the *tian1 de2* will be in the *geng1* (庚) coordinates (between 247.5° - 262.5°). The *yue4 de2 he2* will meanwhile be in the *yi1* (乙) coordinates (between 97.5° - 112.5°). One should take utmost care to avoid the Northwest West direction (between 285° - 315°) as it is inauspicious as it will offend the *tai4 sui4* (犯太岁).

The best time for the household to travel out of the house would be between 6-8am. However, it is not to say that one has to travel towards the auspicious directions as soon as one step out of the house. One actually should first take some time to consider the terrain and decide on the starting point. For that day, one can choose the most favourable starting point. Some of the best place to start from would be at where the ground is solid or at a cross junction. When it is time to move off, one should concentrate all of one’s mental strength and bow towards the four directions in a clockwise direction. Next, one should clasp one’s hands together and ask for blessings from the gods. One should first start with his or her name and then voiced the direction where he or she is heading on the first day of the New Year. Next, one should ask for her wish for that year. For the wish, one can only choose one kind and have to be the same wish for the next 2 years as well. This is because 3 years is considered as one cycle. After making the wish, one should then “sound the cannon”. When taking the first step, males should start with the left leg while females should start with the right leg. Embarking on the journey, one should remain silent and shall not double-back for



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anything. If one should meet with any inauspicious things, one should quickly chant “*ji2 li4 ji2 xiang2, ji2 xiang2 ru2 yi4*” (吉利吉祥，吉祥如意).

Last but not least, one should also wear a brand new set of clothing and carry \$168 in new notes in a red packet before embarkation. The notes must be new and in the denominations of \$100, \$50, \$10, \$5, \$2 and \$1.

### THE FORTUNE POSITION OF THE BING3WU3 YEAR (丙午年)

The Fortune Position for the coming year is in the south-east direction, in the Si2 coordinates (between 142.5° - 157.5°). One can choose to re-do the placing of the fortune items when one is doing spring-cleaning. One can placed fresh flowers (which represent fortune) or the fortune gathering vessel or container (聚宝盆) within these coordinates. Alternatively, one can also choose to place a money tree (摇钱树) instead of the afore-mentioned. If for any reason these things cannot be placed permanently, one can choose to keep them after the New Year, on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of the 1<sup>st</sup> lunar month. Other decorative items can also be kept during this time.

### THE BENEFACTOR POSITION (PROMOTION) OF THE YEAR 2006

The Benefactor Position for the coming year is in the westerly direction, those who wish for promotion or give proposal, in the You3 coordinates (between 262.5° - 277.5°). One can choose to re-do the placing of the fortune items when one is doing spring-cleaning. One can placed fresh flowers (which represent fortune) or the water fountain within these coordinates.

### THE BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY POSITION OF THE YEAR 2006

The Business Opportunity Position (for people who want to change job or becoming their own boss) for the coming year is in the south-west direction, in the sheng1 coordinates (between 232.5° - 247.5°). One can choose to re-do the placing of the fortune items when one is doing spring-cleaning. One can placed a pair of horse standing on sparrow (which represent speed of reaching).

### THE WISDOM POSITION OF THE YEAR 2006

The Wisdom Position (for those which do planning and creativity, share market or educational) for the coming year is in the south-easterly direction, in the sheng1 coordinates (between 232.5° - 247.5°). One can choose to re-do the placing of the fortune items when one is doing spring-cleaning. One can placed a set of Chinese calligraphy with four Chinese brush.



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### THE OPENING OF BUSINESS IN THE NEW YEAR (新春开市)

Having a good start is half the battle. In go along with the flow of the economy, one can choose to go to work on the first working day after the celebrations. For those who own their business, they should give out red packets or treat the workers to a grand dinner.

1<sup>st</sup> Feb 2006 (Wednesday) (4<sup>th</sup> day of the 1<sup>st</sup> lunar month) during 12pm - 12.59 pm (day biz) or 1pm - 2pm (night biz). Not favour for person born in the year of monkey.

2<sup>nd</sup> Feb 2006 (Thursday) (5<sup>th</sup> day of the 1<sup>st</sup> lunar month) during 10am-12 pm(day biz), 4pm-6pm(night biz) not favour for person born in the year of dragon.

7<sup>th</sup> Feb 2006 (Tuesday) (10<sup>th</sup> day of the 1<sup>st</sup> lunar month) during 12pm - 12.59 pm (day biz) or 1pm - 2pm (night biz). Not favour for person born in the year of rooster.

8<sup>th</sup> Feb 2006 (Wednesday) (11<sup>st</sup> day of the 1<sup>st</sup> lunar month) during 10am-11.59pm (day biz) or 4 pm-6 pm (night biz). Not favour for person born in the year of dog.

### WELCOMING THE "FIVE ROADS" GOD OF FORTUNE" (接五路财神)

English: 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb 2006 (Thursday)

Lunar: 5<sup>th</sup> day of the 1<sup>st</sup> lunar month. (壬戌日)

During the period between midnight and 2am, one should prepare fresh flowers, tea and fruits, 3 meats and wine to welcome the "Five Road god of fortune". Fish and mutton is a must. The altar with the offerings should be placed in the living room, facing outwards. If the god of fortune decide to take a walk around the house, that household will be blessed this year. Another way to go about this is to collect all the dust and dirt gathered from the 2<sup>nd</sup> day to the 5<sup>th</sup> day of the lunar year and emptied them at a cross junction. On the way back home, one should not turn back one's head and should proceed to pick up a stone (the size of a fist) as the stabilizer stone to contain the fortune that he or she has been blessed with. This stone can be placed on top of the safe, fortune position or in the deep recesses of the house. A full cup of water should be placed in front of the stone, which should take around a month to evaporate. Only when all the water has evaporated, then new water should be added.

### Lucky days for burning incense

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### 退换成中原时间

子时	12am - 2am	丑时	2am - 4am
寅时	4am - 6am	卯时	6am - 8am
辰时	8am - 10am	巳时	10am - 12pm
午时	12pm - 4pm	未时	2pm - 4pm
申时	4pm - 6pm	酉时	6pm - 8pm
戌时	8pm - 10pm	亥时	10pm - 12m