

## Re: Mt St Helens Activity

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On Mon, 27 Sep 2004 23:57:42 GMT, in sci.geo.earthquakes, Skywise  
<into@oblivion.nothing.com> wrote:

>"George" <[George@george.net](mailto:George@george.net)> wrote in  
>[news:%c06d.56613\\$as2.8143@bignews3.bellsouth.net](mailto:news:%c06d.56613$as2.8143@bignews3.bellsouth.net):  
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><[Snipola](mailto:Snipola)>  
>> *I believe the Harvest Moon is the first full moon after the fall*  
>> *equinox. Correct me if I'm wrong.*  
>  
>*According to the Old Farmers Almanac,*  
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> *"The Harvest Moon is always the full Moon closest*  
> *to the autumnal equinox."*  
>  
>See <http://www.almanac.com/astronomy/moonnames.php> for a  
>complete list of fullmoon names.

Isn't that a western ethnocentric view? The Dene had a Harvest Moon two months later than the Miwoks, the Tsalagi have yet another month label as "gathering" or reaping moon, then I think the Inuit label yet another month in a similar way?... all the ethnic groups I had looked at use the word "gather" or reaping to describe the moon. It isn't always the same month.

"Harvest Moons" are both regional and ethnic in origin and do they really need to be discussed here or maybe another venue like a cultural discussion group.

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