

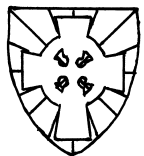
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Calendar of Events (From the Kingdom Calendar)

January 2010 (AS XLIV)

1-3Steppes 12th Night - Steppes (Dallas, TX)
8-10..... Crown Tournament - Raven's Fort (Huntsville, TX)
15-17.....Centurion War College - Kingdom of Ansteorra (Austin, TX)
22-24.....**Fall Ball in the Small Hall Take II - Shadowlands (College Station, TX)**
King's Round Table – Namron (Norman, Oklahoma)
29-31Coastal Invasion - Seawinds (Corpus Christi, TX)
Bonwicke's Artisan - Bonwicke (Lubbock, TX)

February 2010 (AS XLIV)

5-7..... Candlemas - Bryn Gwlad (Austin, TX)
Winter Kingdom - Northkeep (Tulsa, OK)
12-14..... Kingdom A&S - Steppes (Dallas, TX)
Out of Kingdom: Estrella War XXVI - Kingdom of Atenveldt(Florence, AZ)
19-21Bjornsborg Spring Event - Bjornsborg (San Antonio, TX)
26-28Quest for the Round Table IV - Tir Medoin (Rockdale, TX)

Populace Meetings

February 2.....TBA

March 2.....TBA

Practices

Practice	Time	Location	Contact
Archery	Sun 3:00PM	Austin's Colony Park	Lord Bastian jed.tressler@gmail.com
Chivalric	Thur 7:00PM	TAMU Main Drill Field	Lord Bastian jed.tressler@gmail.com
Rapier	Thur 7:00PM	TAMU Main Drill field	Don Conner benjamin.white@gmail.com

Guilds

Guild	Time	Location	Contact
Benders (Brewing and Blacksmithing)	2 nd & 4 th Wed 7:00PM	TBA check the list	Lord Bastian jed.tressler@gmail.com
Cooking	3 rd Wed 7:00PM	Isabelot's House	HL Isabelot isabelotdeforess@gmail.com
Dance	Sun 7:00PM	See below	Lady Morina elwenaduialloth@yahoo.com
Musicians	1 st Mon 7:00PM	Brigid's Apt	Lady Brigid sarah.gray.88@gmail.com
Scribes	2 nd & 4 th Mon 7:30PM	Kaitlyn's house	LADY Luciana pchanjeni@sbcglobal.net
Singing	3 rd Mon 7:00PM	Brigid's Apt	Lady Brigid sarah.gray.88@gmail.com

Dance Rooms

Dance is on Sunday nights at the General Services Complex, at the corner of F&B Road and Agronomy Road. It usually starts at 7:00PM, except on the days we do Italian, when it starts at 6:00PM.

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The Shadow Notes

Congratulations to "Lord" Faolan, who received "his" Award of Arms at Stargate Yule! Congratulations also to HL Maggie (Iris), Lady Isolde (AoA), and Lady Petra [who used to be Lady Lorien] (Sodality of the Sentinals of the Stargate), all of Shadowlands South.

It was announced at Stargate Yule that HL Isabelot di Firenz will be the new Kingdom Treasurer. Huzzah!

The Shadowlands, (mostly Mistress Kaitlyn) won the table decorating competition at Stargate Yule. Yay! Big like moose!

If there is anyone you think is deserving of an award, and you would like to see them get it at Fall Ball, send your award recommendations in NOW! It is not too late (but its reeeeeaaaaa close!)

Lady Catan's term in office as Treasurer of the Shadowlands will end in April. This office MUST be filled. It requires only basic accounting skills and looks GREAT on a resume. Interested parties should send the Ansteorran Application for Kingdom Office (available at the Kingdom webpage { www.ansteorra.org }) to the Kingdom Treasurer and the Southern Regional Treasurer (HL Isabelot), with copies to the local Seneschal (Sir Rhodri) and the local Treasurer (Catan). As with all officer positions you must be a paid member to hold this office. This position will be open for applications until the first of March.

Sign up for the Shadowlands group email list at:
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/shadowlandssca/>

Visit the Shire webpage at:
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Thanks and Credits

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Officer Reports

From the Seneschal

The shire has survived the usual winter shutdown and is gearing up for a new year. Benders will meet 3 weeks in January, covering metal bending once and brewing twice.

We are preparing for our event this month. Everyone should try and come out if you possibly can. Fall Ball in the Small Hall Take 2 will be a lot of fun.

Rhodri

From the Treasurer

NO REPORT RECEIVED

From the Fall Ball Event Steward

NO REPORT RECEIVED

From the Minister of Arts and Sciences

NO REPORT RECEIVED

From the Chivalric Marshal

We will continue to practice throughout the month of January on Thursday, weather and attendance permitting, 7:30 at the Drill Field. There will be fighting activities at the Fall Ball, so everybody get your game on for that. The first Sunday practice will be the 31st of January at Austin's Colony Park (where we have archery). All fighters who are able should attend the Centurion War College (weekend of the 16th) as well, if you need to borrow gear, let me know ASAP so we can get it cleared with the financial committee.

In Service,
Bastian Eisengart

From the Hospitaler

Nothing to report this month.

Alfrun

From the Rapier Marshal

NO REPORT RECEIVED

From the Web Minister

NO REPORT RECEIVED

From the Chronicler

New Year, same old problem with officers not submitting reports. Thank you, Catan, for the photo used on the cover. Thanks to Bastian and Alfrun, who DID submit officer reports... And Rhodri, who's was late...

Pædric, Chronicler

From the Historian

There's a rumor that Crown Tourney may be fought on the Shire of the Shadowlands beautiful hand-painted listfield... Don't miss Fall Ball, coming up on January 23 (see the event announcements elsewhere in this newsletter for more details). It should be, if not historical, then at least hysterical.

Pædric, Historian

**This space was left
blank because only half
of the Shire Officers
bothered to submit
reports for publication!**

Getting Started in Calligraphy – Part 3

By Lord Pædric O'Mullan

So, you have your calligraphy pens and paper. You have a lapboard, pencils and rulers and erasers. Now you are ready to start doing calligraphy, right? Almost.

All you need now is a book on how to write the right way. You can go to almost any book store or hobby store and look in the arts section, where you may find five or six books on calligraphy (you may even find 10 or 12). Since you are just getting started in calligraphy, any or all of these books would probably be helpful, so how do you know which is the best?

Most calligraphy books are written by modern calligraphers trying to supplement their income. They may contain one or two more or less period style scripts, and several variations designed by the author, plus, usually, information similar to what I have written in Parts 1 & 2 of “Getting Started in Calligraphy.” They often include information on designing invitations, announcements, greeting cards, etc, as well as sections on adding color to your work, and other information which doesn't really pertain to SCA calligraphy.

The only calligraphy book I recommend is *Medieval Calligraphy: Its History and Technique*, by Marc Drogin. In this carefully researched and well laid-out book Drogin traces the evolution of the written word from the Roman period to the Renaissance, including Insular, Carolingian, Gothic, and several other hands. He also shows how the letters of each script should be formed, based on extensive study of period manuscripts. Samples from many period texts are included for each script, showing variations from different regions, or even just different scribes. Drogin also explains how to lay out a project in a period fashion, how to add period style flourishes and write period numerals, and even how to obtain facsimile prints from libraries and museums.

Medieval Calligraphy: Its History and Technique has been recommended to me several times, by several different people, all (or almost all) of whom have described it as “The Calligrapher's Bible”. If you are interested in learning to do calligraphy, and do it right, you need this book!

This Month in the Middle Ages – January

- 1** In 1527, Croatian nobles elect Ferdinand I of Austria as king of Croatia in the Parliament on Cetin.
- 2** In 1492, during the Reconquista, the emirate of Granada, the last Moorish stronghold in Spain, surrenders
- 3** In 1496, Leonardo da Vinci unsuccessfully tests a flying machine.
- 4** In 1490, Anna of Brittany announces that all those who would ally with the king of France will be considered guilty of the crime of lese-majesty.
- 5** In 1477, at the Battle of Nancy, Charles the Bold is killed and Burgundy becomes part of France.
- 6** In 1540, King Henry VIII of England marries Anne of Cleves.
- 7** In 1558, France takes Calais, the last continental possession of England.
- 8** In 871, at the Battle of Ashdown, Ethelred of Wessex defeats an invading army of Danes.
- 9** In 1431, Judges' investigations for the trial of Joan of Arc begin in Rouen, France, the seat of the English occupation government.
- 10** In 1072, Robert Guiscard conquers Palermo.
- 11** In 1569, First recorded lottery in England.
- 12** In 1539, Treaty of Toledo signed by King Francis I of France and Holy Roman Emperor Charles V.
- 13** In 888, Odo, Count of Paris becomes King of the Franks.
- 14** In 1129, Formal approval of the Order of the Templar at the Council of Troyes.
- 15** In 1559, Elizabeth I is crowned queen of England in Westminster Abbey, London.
- 16** In 1547, Ivan IV of Russia aka Ivan the Terrible becomes Tsar of Russia.
- 17** In 1377, Pope Gregory XI moves the Papacy back to Rome from Avignon.
- 18** In 1486, King Henry VII of England marries Elizabeth of York, daughter of Edward IV.
- 19** In 1419, Hundred Years' War: Rouen surrenders to Henry V of England completing his reconquest of Normandy.
- 20** In 1265, In Westminster, the first English parliament conducts its first meeting held by Simon de Beaufort in the Palace of Westminster, now also known colloquially as the "Houses of Parliament".
- 21** In 1189, Philip II of France and Richard I of England begin to assemble troops to wage the Third Crusade.
- 22** In 1506, The first contingent of 150 Swiss Guards arrives at the Vatican.
- 23** In 971, In China, the war elephant corps of the Southern Han are soundly defeated at Shao by crossbow fire from Song Dynasty troops.
- 24** In 1002, death of Otto III, Holy Roman Emperor (b. 980)
- 25** In 1533, Henry VIII of England secretly marries his second wife Anne Boleyn.
- 26** In 1531, Lisbon, Portugal is hit by an earthquake-- thousands die.
- 27** In 1142, Execution, believed wrongful, of noted Song Dynasty General Yue Fei.
- 28** In 1547, Henry VIII dies. His nine year old son, Edward VI becomes King, and the first Protestant ruler of England.
- 29** In 904, Sergius III comes out of retirement to take over the papacy from the deposed antipope Christopher.
- 30** In 1384, death of Louis II of Flanders (b. 1330)
- 31** In 1504, France cedes Naples to Aragon.

Fall Ball in the Small Hall: Take II (they're small)

January 23rd, 2010 in the Shire of the Shadowlands
From 10am until 10pm

The Dreaded Bransle Off! Potluck Feast!

Send out the call, To summon on the thrall.

We swear to all, There's fun at the ball.

I'll give you fair warning, We will fight in the morning,
Though days have grown short, We shall still find our sport.
When we take to gaming, We shall book no complaining

Whether you're spunky, For some English country,
Or if you're stymie, To show off Italian.

Be lost in a daze, In the Minotaur's maze.
If you grow faint, Take time out to paint.

Once more we Eransle, Throughout our snail hall.
We'll turn out the light, At the end of the night.
Knowing it was fun, For each and everyone.

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Fees:
Adult - \$5
17 & under - Free
No Family Max

Location:
The Club House in Eastside Park
Corner of Norwood Ln & Golf Course St.
Heame, TX
For map and directions visit
Shadowlands.Ansteorra.org
Site is Dry, No Pets

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Chivalric Fencing! Heraldic Bingo!

Dancing! Music! Games! Charter Painting! The Labyrinth!

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Activities

Rapier and Armored Combat

- Inspection starts at 10:17 AM
- Scenario depends on attendance
- Room for BIG Melees

A&S

- All day charter painting tables
- Fun crafts for the inner child
- Room for projects

Games

- THE MAZE returns
- Gaming tables all day
- Yard games

Food

- Potluck feast

Dancing

- Ball all evening
- Annual Bransle Off competition

Fees:

Adult - \$5
17 & under - Free
No Family Max

Directions From Austin and
points West

- Take HW 79 to Heame, TX

From All other Directions

- Take best route to HW 6 in
Heame, TX

- Turn onto HW 79 headed
South

- U-Turn when possible

Common Directions

- Continue straight as 79
becomes W Brown St/FM 391
(crossing over HW 6)

- Turn left onto Norwood Ln

- Turn right onto Golf Course
St

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