

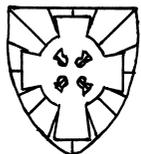
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## **Calendar of Events**

(From the Kingdom Calendar)

### **June 2010 (A.S. XLV)**

4-6 ..... OPEN  
11-13 ..... Out of Kingdom: War of the Lilies (11th - 20th) - Calontir (Smithville, MO)  
Out of Kingdom: Known World Heraldic and Scribal Symposium - Dragon's Mist (Forest Grove, OR)  
18-20 ..... **Just 'Cause Tourney – Shadowlands (Bryan/College Station, TX)**  
Lady of the Lake - Adlersruhe (Amarillo, TX)  
Out of Kingdom: War of the Lilies (11th - 20th) - Calontir (Smithville, MO)  
25-27 ..... King's College - Stargate (Houston, TX)

### **July 2010 (AS XLV)**

2-4 (6/30-7/5) Out of Kingdom: Battlemoor: Mountain Crusades - Kingdom of the Outlands (Rye, CO)  
Fourth of July Weekend  
9-11 ..... Crown Tournament - TBD (Central/Northern)  
16-18..... Round Table - TBD  
23-25..... **OPEN**  
30-1 ..... Out of Kingdom: Pennsic XXXIX

## **Populace Meetings**

**July 6..... Isabelot's House 7:00PM**

**August 3,..... Isabelot's House 7:00PM**

### **Practices**

<b>Practice</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Contact</b>
Archery	Sun 3:00PM 2 <sup>nd</sup> &4 <sup>th</sup> Fri 6:00PM	Austin's Colony Park	Ronald ronald_the_archer@yahoo.com
Chivalric	Thur 7:00PM	Bee Creek Park	Lord Bastian jed.tressler@gmail.com
Rapier	Thur 7:00PM	Bee Creek Park	Don Connor benjamin.white@gmail.com

### **Guilds**

<b>Guild</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Contact</b>
Brewers	2 <sup>nd</sup> &4 <sup>th</sup> Wed 6:30PM	Catan's House	Josef cj2308@yahoo.com
Blacksmithing	1 <sup>st</sup> Wed 6:30 PM	Bastian's house	Josef cj2308@yahoo.com
Cooking	3 <sup>rd</sup> Wed 7:00PM	Isabelot's House	HL Isabelot isabelotdeforess@gmail.com
Dance	1,2,4 Sun 7:00PM	on hiatus	Lady Morina elwenaduialloth@yahoo.com
Italian Dance	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday 6:00PM	on hiatus	Lady Morina elwenaduialloth@yahoo.com
Scribes/Open A&S	Monday 7:00PM	Kaitlyn's house	Mistress Kaitlyn Mistresskaitlyn@gmail.com

### **Dance**

**Dance is on hiatus until the Fall**

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## The Shadow Notes

Congratulations to Mistress Kaitlyn McKenna, who won the archery competition at Guardian of the Tor XIX in Dragonsfire Tor.

The Shire will be holding a Regional Fighter Practice and local recruiting demo on June 12 at Tanglewood Park.

The Shire will be holding an off-calendar event, the Just ‘Cause Tourney, on June 19, at Austin’s Colony Park. As there was no Iron Star at Steppes, this will be the next Iron Star defense as well.

Shadowlands will be having a secondary archery practice on the second and fourth Fridays each month for those who have expressed interest in archery, but cannot make the Sunday practice (or those that just want the additional practice and/or social time).

The shire will be holding open A&S nights with potluck supper at Mistress Kaitlyn’s house every Monday during the summer.

The offices of Knight Marshal, Minister of Arts and Sciences, and Historian are currently accepting applications. Knight Marshal and MoAS will take applications until they are filled. Applications for Historian will close August 31. If no one has applied by then, I will continue in that office for another 2-year term.

## Thanks and Credits

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## Officer Reports

### From the Seneschal

Greetings from the deputy Seneschal!

Summer is busy this year in the Shire. Sir Rhodri, our seneschal, will be out of the Kingdom until September and I will be handling his duties until then. Please send all seneschal related communications to [shadowlands.seneschal@gmail.com](mailto:shadowlands.seneschal@gmail.com).

I’m excited by our efforts to recruit and become better known locally. The Shire had an impressive showing at the Premiere Cinema Robin Hood demo. Thank you to all the resident shire members as well as those that drove from the Stargate and Bryn Gwlad areas to help out. The Shire fighters were also featured in the local newspaper, The Eagle, during May (<http://www.theeagle.com/local/En-garde->).

Another opportunity to interact with the residents in our area is June 12 for a fighter practice in Tanglewood Park, starting at 1 PM. Please plan to bring out A&S activities, games, music, in addition to the combat related activities. Please dress for SCA and plan to talk to anyone interested in our game. If you are shy, just direct interested parties to me or Lady Solange, deputy Hospitaler during the summer. Remember to also bring hydrating liquids with you to the park. Our next recruitment fighter practice will be July 24, park TBA. Thank you in advance for helping recruit new members! This fighter practice is for them.

The next week, June 19, is an event for US! Come out to the Tourney of the Just ‘Cause at Austin Colony Park in Bryan. The park amenities are first come, first serve, so please plan to come out early and help hold our spot while participating in Chivalric or Rapier combat, archery fun shoots (loaner available), or impromptu A&S. If you would like to help with anything contact me or Lord Bastian and watch the e-list for details. Come enjoy a day in the park. I’ll bring the water balloons and popsicles. For the rest of the summer, most of our guilds are meeting regularly. Use the summer months to get your gear and garb ready for Fall Tourney Season and the TAMU Open House. Monday’s will be an open project night at my house and all are welcome. Please see the maps for directions or contact me.

Please bring friends and co-workers out to one of the many activities happening this summer. They may find a new hobby and you may have someone to share the fun with.

In Service,  
Kaitlyn

## **From the Treasurer**

All is well on this front. I'm in the process of compiling the inventory lists I've collected. Once I've finished that the Shire Inventory will be complete. As mentioned at earlier Populace meetings, I will be out of Kingdom for the duration of June and July. Catan will be filling in my place as Treasurer until I return in the fall. Thankees muchly.

Kolfinna

## **From the Hospitaler**

Come to the Fighter Practice/recruiting demo at Tanglewood Park June 12 and help us grow our numbers. Bring a newcomer to our off-calendar event, The Just 'Cause Tourney, on June 19.

## **From the Armored Combat Marshal**

Practice is at Bee Creek Park, Thursdays at 7:00PM, weather permitting. There will be at least one, and possibly as many as three tourneys at the Just Cause Tourney, so bring your armor and come ready to fight.

## **From the Rapier Marshal**

Rapier practice is still going on as scheduled, weather permitting. There will be a rapier tourney and Iron Star defense at the Just 'Cause Tourney, if anyone comes to challenge for it.

## **From the Archery Marshal**

Hey wait... you mean I have to write a report every month for submission to the populace's newsletter? I actually have duties to perform as part of the office? Well, I guess I had better get on with it...

Greetings from your new archery marshal,

Participation in archery practices this month has been a little sparse. <parental voice>All archers need to remember that their skills have short self life. If you don't use it, you loose it. </parental voice>

Catan and I traveled to the Shire of Gate's Edge on May 8<sup>th</sup> to support that group's archery practice. This practice happens once a month and includes a pot luck meal along with all the shooting you can handle. Catan and I intend to make this trip every month. Others would be welcome to join.

The shire had an excellent turn out for our "Robin Hood" demo. The marshal arts parts of the demo didn't generate as much interest as I had hoped, that is, unless you count "Hole in the Wall" and other period dances as marshal arts. Wait, let's see... <checks authorization card>... Nope, period dance is not listed. Oh, well, I did talk to several people about SCA target and combat archery. Thanks to everyone who turned out and helped make the demo a success.

And finally, archery practice is still being held Sundays at 3 PM in Austin's Colony Park. There is some interest in having an alternate archery practice twice a month on Friday evenings at 6 PM for those who want extra range time or cannot make the Sunday practice. No official schedule yet, but watch the list for notifications.

Until next time,  
Ronald

## **From the Chronicler**

Thanks to everyone who submitted reports for this issue, and special thanks to Don Connor for the cover photo. This special edition contains maps & info useful to newcomers, in the hope that our fighter practice/recruiting demo will be successful and bring us newcomers.

As always, I am actively seeking photos and articles to publish in the newsletter.

Pædric

## **From the Historian**

In May of the new year, the Shire did hold a demo at Premeire Cinema in conjunction with the Russell Crowe Robin Hood movie. Also in May did Mistress Kaitlyn win the Archery competition at Dragonsfire Tor, On a Historian's note, as opposed to a historical note, I have been in contact with Master Cadfan, Master Cynric, and Lord Caradoc, old Shadowlanders all, who have offered to contribute memories, photos, or

both, for the Expanded History of the Shadowlands, now under construction.

Pædric

From the Web Minister

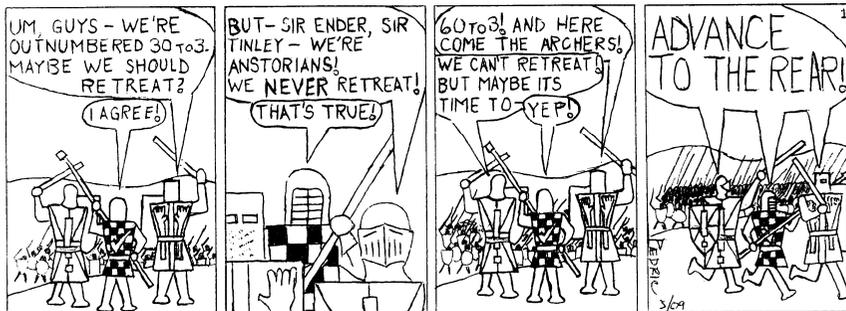
Master Francois is the new web minister. The Shire website will be undergoing a facelift. If you have any ideas or suggestions contact Francois. Contact info on officer's page.

#### Useful Websites for Newcomers

<http://sca.org/> - SCA Inc. web page  
<http://ansteorra.org/> - The Texas/Oklahoma Kingdom web page  
<http://shadowlands.ansteorra.org/> - the Bryan/College Station chapter web page  
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/shadowlandssca/> - the Shire email list used for discussion, announcements, and activity planning

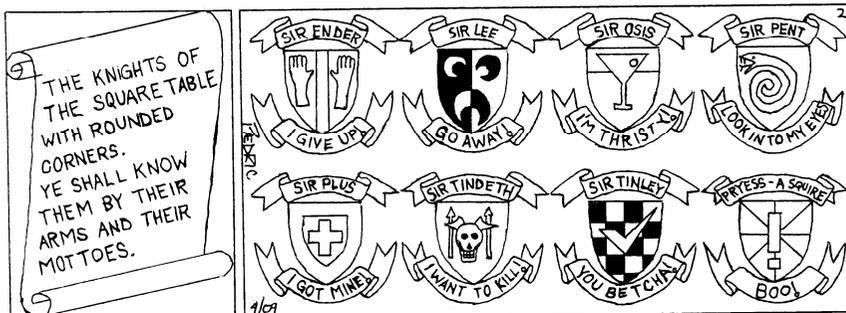
### Press the Unexpected

By Pædric



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# The Shire of the Shadowlands presents The Just 'Cause Tourney

June 19, 2010



(Why are we having a tourney? Just 'cause!  
Why do we have a mushroom on our head? Just 'cause!)

Come one, come all! Join the Shire of the Shadowlands for a day of tourneys, archery and fun (and maybe even a water balloon fight!)

**Last chance to hone your fighting skills before Crown Tourney!**

Activities include (but are not limited to):

- Armored Combat Tourneys (multiple tourneys in multiple formats)
- Rapier Tourney
- Iron Star Defense
- Fun Archery Shoot
- Potluck Feast
- More

**Site is Free! NO NMS Fee! Hooray!**  
**Potluck Feast! Bring something to share!**  
**Site Opens at 9:00AM Closes at 9:00PM**

Location: Austin's Colony Park – Bryan, TX

Take your best route to Highway 6 and William Joel Bryan Parkway/Booneville Road in Bryan. Go EAST on Booneville Road ~1/4 mile to Austin's Colony Parkway (First traffic light). Turn LEFT on Austin's Colony Parkway. Go ~3/4 mile to turn right on Harvey Mitchell School Road (just past the elementary school) Austin's Colony Park is on the right.

Parking in the elementary school lot is fine. Park has some picnic tables on first come, first serve basis, restrooms, but no showers. Adjacent to nearby grocery and food. Site is a public park and open to the public at all times. Monitor your possessions...

Minors must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. They may also attend with a 21 year or older adult with a signed and notarized Minor Event Waiver Form from the parents. Site is DRY! Pets on leashes welcome.

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## This Month in the Middle Ages – June

1. In 1215 Beijing, then under the control of the Jurchen ruler Emperor Xuanzong of Jin, is captured by the Mongols under Genghis Khan, ending the Battle of Beijing.
2. In 1098 during the First Crusade: The first Siege of Antioch ends as Crusader forces take the city. The second siege would later start on June 7.
3. In 1140 French scholar Peter Abelard is found guilty of heresy.
4. In 1584 Sir Walter Raleigh establishes the first English colony on Roanoke Island, old Virginia (now North Carolina).
5. In 1257 Kraków, Poland receives city rights.
6. In 1484 the Inquisition of Toledo writes for instructions in dealing with cases of sorcery
7. In 1099 the First Crusade reaches the walls of Jerusalem
8. In 793 Vikings raid the abbey at Lindisfarne in Northumbria, commonly accepted as the beginning of the Scandinavian invasion of England.
9. In 1310 Duccio's Maestà Altarpiece, a seminal artwork of the early Italian Renaissance, is unveiled and installed in the Siena Cathedral in Siena, Italy.
10. In 1190 during the Third Crusade: Frederick I Barbarossa drowns in the river Saleph while leading an army to Jerusalem.
11. In 1578 Sir Humphrey Gilbert granted a charter to search for the Northwest Passage
12. In 1429 during the Hundred Years' War: Joan of Arc leads the French army in their capture of the city and the English commander, William de la Pole, 1st Duke of Suffolk in the second day of the Battle of Jargeau.
13. In 1392 Pierre de Craon attempts the assassination of Clisson, Constable of France
14. In 1287 Kublai Khan defeated the force of Nayan and other traditionalist Borjigin princes in East Mongolia and Manchuria.
15. In 1381 Death of Wat Tyler; end of Wat Tyler's Rebellion
16. In 1456 The 25 year old judgement of heresy against Jeanne d'Arc annulled
17. In 1391 William Huntingfield brought to trial for the robberies of Geoffrey Chaucer in September of 1390, and found guilty
18. In 1155 Coronation of Fredrick I Barbarossa, King of Germany, as Holy Roman Emperor; 1,000 Romans die in riots
19. In 1498 Machiavelli appointed Secretary to the Signoria
20. In 1294 Edward III, King of England, sends his ambassadors to France, with a declaration of war
21. In 1208 Murder of Philip, King of Germany, by his daughter's rejected suitor
22. In 1533 Suleiman "The Lawgiver," Ottoman Sultan, signs a peace treaty with Ferdinand of Hapsburg, King of Hungary
23. In 930 First meeting of the Icelandic Parliament
24. In 541 Attila the Hun raises the siege of Orleans, France
25. In 1513 Confession of Augsburg, the distinct break between Catholicism and Protestantism
26. In 1284 The Pied Piper of Hamelin, Germany, takes the children
27. In 1352 Zug and Aeusser Amt join the Swiss Confederation
28. In 1245 Council of Lyons convenes to discuss the excommunication of the Holy Roman Emperor
29. In 1377 French raid Rye, Folkestone, Portsmouth, Weymouth, Plymouth, Dartmouth, and Lewes
30. In 1323 Dame Alice Kyteler found guilty of witchcraft, but escapes, with Sarah de Meath

# The Shadow Reader

## By Lord Pædric O'Mullan

Title – *Sarum*

*London*

*The Forest*

Author – Edward Rutherfurd

Publisher – Crown Publishing

*Sarum*, *London*, and *The Forest* are unlike any other works of historical fiction I have ever read, except some of the works of James Michner. Where most historical fiction focuses on a particular person, event, or time in history, these three novels center around places.

*Sarum* is a name which comes from an abbreviation of the Latin name for the area around Salisbury, England. The novel *Sarum* starts near the end of the last Ice Age, when the archeological record in the area begins. It continues through the construction of Stonehenge, Roman settlement, and on through the SCA time period to the present day.

*London* traces the development of London, from the time of the Roman invasion to the present day. *The Forest* tells the history of the New Forest, from the death of King William II, called Rufus, to the present day.

Each book contains a map or maps of the area being written about. Each also has partial family trees of the major characters. One thing I found very interesting was the evolution of names in the stories, especially in *Sarum*.

Obviously, not everything that happened in these places can be covered in a work of fiction, but Edward Rutherfurd has chosen important events from their timelines that help explain the development of these important places in English history.

I thoroughly enjoyed reading all three books, and while I usually only cover books about the Middle Ages and Renaissance, I felt they deserved a place in 'The Shadow Reader.' If you really only care about reading books from our period, I guess you could stop reading them when they reach the end of the Renaissance. Or, at least, you could try.

## Poetry Corner

I know this is a repeat, but I added a new verse.

### The Balled of Ulsted the Unsteady

#### By Lord Pædric O'Mullan

People let me tell you 'bout the Knight Ulsted  
He's earned a lot of honors but they don't go to his head.  
One day while he was out earning fame and great renown,  
Sir Ulsted the Unsteady won the Ansteorran Crown!

Royal, that is.  
Black Star  
Majesty.

Well the next thing you know Ulsted's upon the throne,  
His lady wife Cateau she got a title of her own.  
A lady of such grace the Known World had seldom seen,  
Cateau d'Ardennes became the Ansteorran Queen.

Fancy Chairs,  
Big brass hats.

Then Ulsted sought to prove that it wasn't just a fluke,  
So he won the Crown again, that's how he became a Duke.  
And then somebody told him that the third time was the hardest,  
So he won another Crown to make a Queen of Ebergardis.

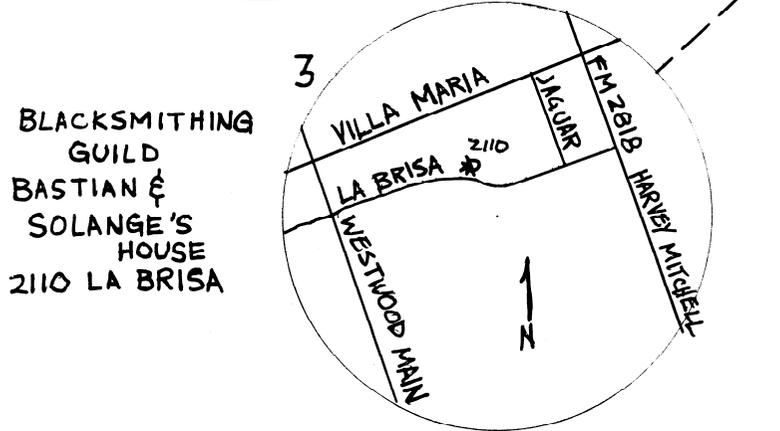
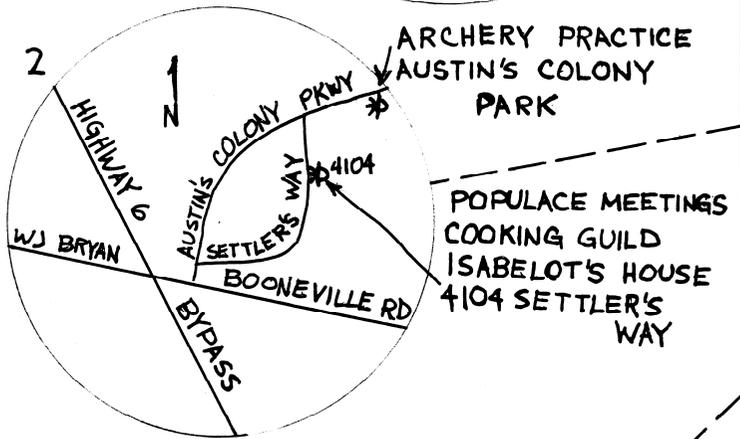
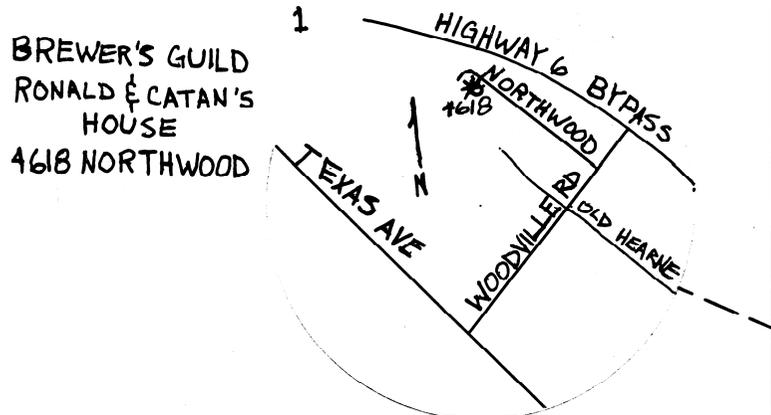
One King, two Roses.  
That's a bouquet.

Well, Ulsted wasn't done, he said "I can win some more."  
He made Ebergardis Duchess after reign number four.  
He could have kept on winning but then Ulsted started thinkin'  
"Winning all these Crowns is interfering with my drinkin'!"

Yeah, right.  
Like that could happen.

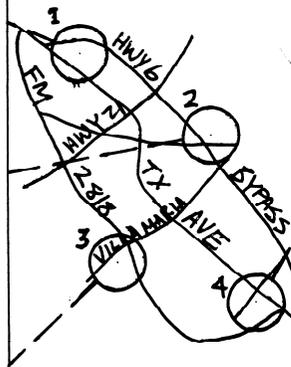
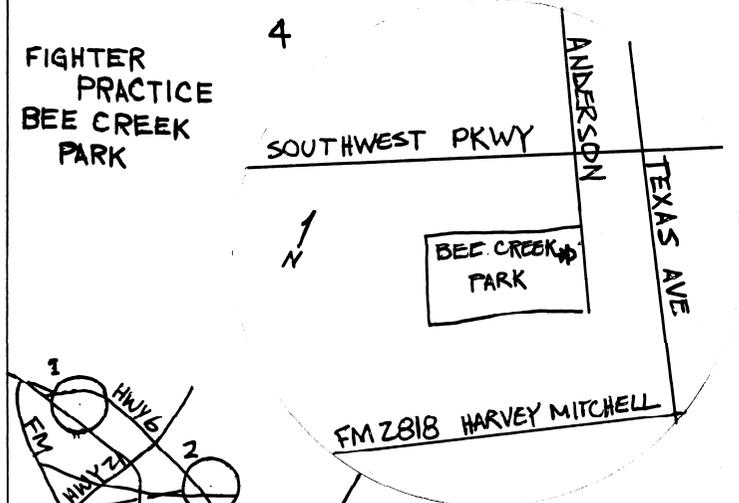
Well, thank you all for listening, my song is nearly done.  
I hope it wasn't boring, and I hope you had some fun.  
But even if you didn't, then I hope you learned one thing:  
For Ulsted the Unsteady it was good to be the King!

Long live Duke Ulsted!  
Bye-bye now.

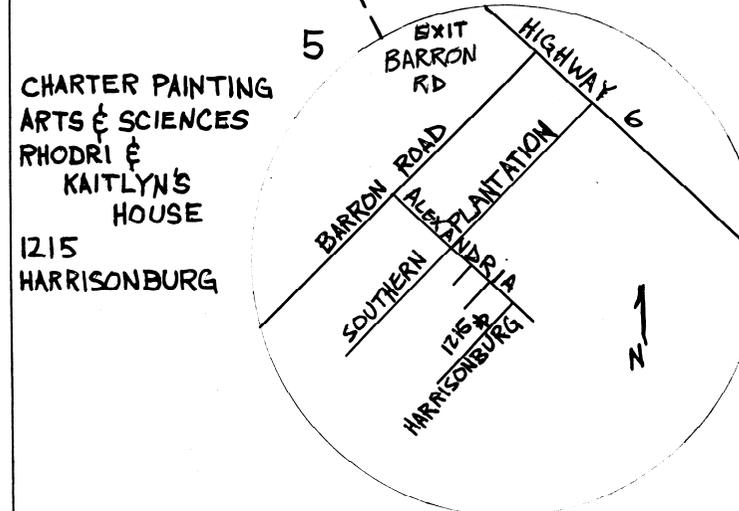


MAPS NOT TO SCALE

PEDRIC



- 1 BREWER'S GUILD
- 2 ARCHERY PRACTICE  
POPULACE MEETINGS  
COOKING GUILD
- 3 BLACKSMITHING GUILD
- 4 FIGHTER PRACTICE
- 5 CHARTER PAINTING  
ARTS & SCIENCES



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PEDRIC 8