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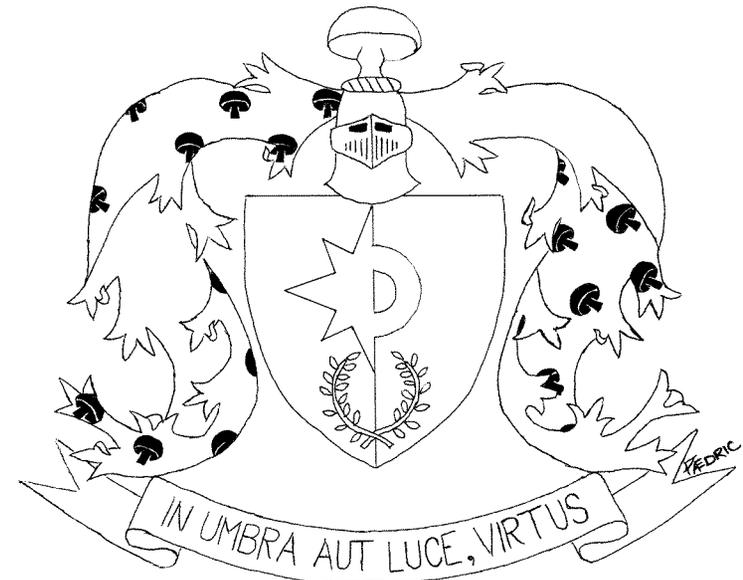
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Newsletter for the Shire of the Shadowlands



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Calendar of Events (From the Kingdom Calendar)

June 2012 (A.S. XLVII)

1-3..... Beltane Games - Namron (Norman, OK)
 8-10..... Champions of Bonwicke - Bonwicke (Lubbock, TX)
 Out of Kingdom: Lilies War XXVI (8th - 17th) - Calontir
 15-17 Hellsgate Commanders Crucible - Hellsgate (Ft. Hood, TX)
 Out of Kingdom: Lilies War XXVI (8th - 17th) - Calontir
 22-24..... King's College - Bryn Gwlad (Austin, TX)
 Out of Kingdom: Known World Music and Dance Symposium 9 (21st - 24th) - Midrealm
 Out of Kingdom: Known World Heraldic and Scribal - East
 29-1..... Lady of the Lake - Adlersruhe (Amarillo, TX)

July 2012 (A.S. XLVII)

6-8..... [Return of the Dragon](#) - Chemin Noir (Bartlesville, OK)
 13-15..... Crown Tournament - Northkeep (Tulsa, OK)
 20-22..... King's Round Table - TBD
 27-29..... Steppes Artisan - Steppes (Dallas, TX)
 Out of Kingdom: [Pennsic XLI](#) (27th-12th) (Land Agent [Mistress Seraphina](#))

Populace Meetings

July 3..... Isabelot's House 7:00PM
 August 7..... Isabelot's House 7:00PM

Practices

Practice	Time	Location	Contact
<u>Archery</u>	Sun 3:00PM	Austin's Colony Park	Lord Ronald ronald_the_archer@yahoo.com
<u>Chivalric</u>	Thurs. 7:30PM	Bee Creek Park, C.S.	Lord Aldred grloots@aol.com
<u>Rapier</u>	Thurs. 7:30PM	Bee Creek Park, C.S.	Lord Tristram qantravon@gmail.com

Guilds

Guild	Time	Location	Contact
<u>Brewers</u>	2 nd & 4 th Mon 6:30PM	Ronald and Catan's House	Lord Josef cj2308@yahoo.com
<u>Blacksmithing</u>	On Hiatus	TBA	Lord Josef cj2308@yahoo.com
<u>Cooking</u>	Occasional	Isabelot's House	HL Isabelot isabelotdeforens@gmail.com
<u>Dance</u>	Sun 7:00PM	G. Rollie White, Rm 256	Lady Caitlin caitlinlabouche@yahoo.com
<u>Fiber arts</u>	3 rd Tues 7:00PM	Kaitlyn and Rhodri's House	Mistress Kaitlyn mistresskaitlyn@gmail.com
<u>Leatherworking</u>	1st & 3 rd Wed 6:30PM	Ronald and Catan's House	Lord Ronald ronald_the_archer@yahoo.com
<u>Scribes</u>	TBA	TBA	HL Catherine barb@tamu.edu

The Shadow Notes

Welcome to our new officers! May all your efforts meet with success!

Please Note that the Table of Contents is now on the back cover of the newsletter.

Thanks to Kenna and Gabriella for organizing the firehouse Subs profit share and Organa for collecting the receipts all evening; it raised \$43 for the Shire.

POSSIBLE demo at the Ringer Library on FM2818 on July 23 to help promote a book with medieval themes; archery, chivalry, dance and the arts might be good.

Summer schedule has indeed changed. Please keep an eye on the Shire list, or Facebook, or check the calendar on the Shire webpage for the most current information.

Thanks and Credits

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Useful Websites for Newcomers

<http://sca.org/> - SCA Inc. web page: the place to go to join the Society, the place to find publications put out by the society, the place to go to find your kingdom. Great place to begin!

<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

<http://calendar.ansteorra.org/> Ansteorra planning Calendar of Events

<http://lists.ansteorra.org/listinfo.cgi> Ansterorra listserves for various interests

The Shadowlands also has a closed group on Facebook.com. Just register as a Facebook user, type in Shadowlands, and ask to join. Or friend Robbin Foster (Mistress Kaitlyn), and ask her to include you.

Officer Reports

From the Seneschal

Greetings,

Mark your calendars for August 31 to September 2 for the Shire's calendar event, 35th Year Shenanigans, and Texas A&M Open House, our biggest recruitment opportunity of the year. HL Isabelot (isabelotdeforens@gmail.com) has volunteered to steward the event portion on September 1. Please let her know if you are interested in coordinating a particular area. It will take all of us to make this anniversary event a success. Be thinking of what you can do during the summer to prepare for our event and demo. Lord Aldred and I will be coordinating the Open House demo on September 2. Please contact me if you will be available for set up/take down/transportation or any form of participation. Someone to coordinate a pot luck meal after the demo would be most appreciated.

Many thanks to Lord Felix for coordinating our chivalric community. Welcome Lord Aldred as our new Knight Marshal. Lady Kite and Sir Rhodri will be coordinating the chivalric combat activities over the summer with Lord Aldred returning in the fall. Similarly, Lord Diederick will be covering rapier activities for the summer until Lord Tristram returns in the fall. Be thinking about a Regional Melee Practice in early July!

The position of Hospitaler is not required for a Shire level group; however, ours would be much enhanced by having someone dedicated to newcomers and demo opportunities. I will be handling these areas until the office is filled or deputies are found. In that vein, we've been asked to provide a demo for the College Station Library summer reading program on Monday, July 23, from 6-8pm. They would like combat and archery discussion at a minimum. We'll discuss this demo at populace meeting in June. As always, everyone

go purchase and/or renew your memberships (www.sca.org) to keep our local status of shire going and avoid the Non-Member Surcharge at the summer events. Now is the time to get all your gear and garb together for the Fall Tourney Season and newcomer infiltration.

The Pot Luck Fridays dinners have been well attended during May with 10-17 people. Bardic, gaming, heraldry, A&S discussions, and of course yummy food and drinks have been much enjoyed by all. As of the writing of this missive, we still need a host place for 6/15 and 6/22. July and August also need to be booked. Thanks to Rhodri, Isabelot, Ronald and Catan, and Caitlin for hosting in May! Finally, I will be on vacation for the majority of June. If there is an emergency requiring the seneschal, please contact the regional seneschal, Lord Colin MacNachtan (southern@seneschal.ansteorra.org). I should be checking email intermittently otherwise.

In Service,

kaitlyn

From the Treasurer

From the Knight Marshal

Hello all this is your new knight marshal. I'm very excited to be given this position and hope you all have a fine summer. In my absence Kite will be deputy until she is no longer able to do so. I'm looking forward to having us participate in more multi group practices and getting are newer fighters authorized.

Aldred

From the Rapier Marshal

Practice has been a little more consistent this month, with 4+ fighters out every practice. We also have our first Youth Rapier fighter! We'll be trying to get a Youth marshal out soon, so that we can have her fight a bit.

-Tristram

The Chronicler's office is always looking for submissions to include in The Shadow Knows. I would like to include more in the way of Bardic; so if anyone in our beautiful shire has a spot of talent for lyrics, please grace us with song! I can promise to find a place for it within the pages of our newsletter.

Special thanks to Lord Ronald fitz Robert for printing the newsletter.

In service,

Ann of Wellborn, called Forgetful

From the Historian

In May of the new year did Lady Kite step down as Seneschal, and then Mistress Kaitlyn McKenna was the Seneschal. In that same month did Lord Paedric retire as Shadowlands Chronicler, and then Ann of Wellborn was the Chronicler.

Also in May did Lord Ronald fitz Robert receive a Sable Talon for Archery AND a Sable Comet for service to the Shire of the Shadowlands - Capital of Ansteorra, and Lord Felix of the Shadowlands received an Award of Arms, all of which would have been given in April of the previous year if Robert and Felix had attended Squires, Cadets and Arcarius.

Finally, Lord Deiterich Andreiszen became the rapier champion of Dragon's Fire Tor.

Pædric

From the Web Minister

You can visit the Shire web page at: <http://shadowlands.ansteorra.org/>

If there is any information you would like to see added or updated, or anything you feel should be removed, please contact the Web Minister at:

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From the Archery Marshal

Greetings to the populace!

Since my last report, the shire had 4 archery practices with an average attendance of 4 archers. For the month of May, the shire moved archery practice to 10 AM in an attempt to avoid the afternoon sun. While I have not received much feedback about the earlier time slot, it seems that gathering at Spoons for frozen yogurt to cool off after practice has been popular.

As we slide into the Ansteorran summer, events with archery become few and far between. But, never fear, the fall tournament season is only a few months away. Archers should take the opportunity, provided by the summer break, to hone their skills.

For the summer, archery practice will be Sundays, 10 AM - 12 PM, at the archery range in Austin's Colony Park. Newcomers and novices welcome. Loaner equipment will be available. Watch the list for updates!

Ronald fitz Robert

From the Minister of Arts and Sciences

Greetings all!

I am so excited at the great turnout we had for our local Squires and Cadet's event! All those long hours spent at dance practice surely paid off for the dance competition, the shire did exceptionally well and I am so proud of all our dancer's who competed! A special congrats goes to our Mistress Kaitlyn who won the dance! Shadowlands Rejoice! Another shout out goes to Demere for teaching the lampworking class April 28th. So please let me know what everybody thinks of the class so we could potentially do more like them. Also lets start thinking of what we want to do A&S wise over the summer so let me and your guildmasters know your summer preferences and we will get a summer schedule set for everybody. Good luck on finals for the students in the group and see you next month!

Lady Caitlin Labouche

From the Chronicler

This is my first report as Chronicler. I want to begin with many thanks to Lord Paedric for helping me to learn the process. Lord Paedric has remained as Historian.

The Shadow Reader

By Lord Paedric OMullan

Title – The King's Grace
Author – Anne Easter Smith
Publisher – Touchstone

The King's Grace takes place in England during the late 1400s. Henry Tudor, also known as Henry VII, has just defeated Richard III, last of the Yorkist kings, to take the English throne. The title, The King's Grace, is a play on words, as the story's central character is Lady Grace Plantagenet. Lady Grace is an actual historical personage, but the only known mention of her in the historical record says only that she was an illegitimate daughter of Edward IV, and that she accompanied the body of Edward's wife, Elizabeth Woodville, on the funeral barge which carried Elizabeth's remains to her final resting place.

At an early age, Lady Grace is brought to be raised in the household of Lady Elizabeth Woodville (whom Henry VII will not allow to be called the dowager Queen.) There Grace grows up in the company of several half-sisters, including another Elizabeth, future Wife of Henry VII and mother of Henry VIII, called Bess to avoid confusion. She also comes to know several cousins, including Edward, earl of Warwick, the son of George, Duke of Clarence, a brother of Edward IV who was executed for conspiring to steal his brother's crown, and John of Gloucester, illegitimate son of Richard III.

Having grown up in a hotbed of Yorkist conspiracy, lady Grace endures confinement to a monastery with her patroness, Lady Woodville, travels to Burgundy to meet her aunt, Margaret, Dowager Duchess of Burgundy, and meets Perkin Warbuck, who claims to be Richard, the Duke of York, one of the "lost Princes", King Edward IV's sons who were imprisoned in the Tower of London and disappeared, a mystery which endures to this day.

At its heart, The King's Grace is a love story, a romance written by a woman, from a woman's point of view, for a female audience. That being said, it is a well written and entertaining tale of mystery and intrigue, well researched and full of interesting and sometimes obscure information about the Yorkist pretenders who continued trying to wrest back the crown from the head of Henry VII at the end of the Wars of the Roses. Anne Easter Smith, includes genealogical charts, maps, and a glossary to help the reader understand this often-confusing period in English History.

This Month in the Middle Ages – June

1. In 1495, Friar John Cor records the first known batch of Scotch whisky.
2. In 455, The Sack of Rome: The Vandals enter Rome, and plunder the city for two weeks.
3. In 1326, the Treaty of Novgorod delineates borders between Russia and Norway in Finnmark.
4. In 1070 Roquefort cheese discovered.
5. In 1341, Edmund of Langley, 1st Duke of York, son of Edward III of England was born.(d. 1402)
6. In 1178 Some monks at Canterbury report an explosion on the moon
7. In 1520 "Field of the Cloth of Gold"
8. In 1405, Richard le Scrope, Archbishop of York and Thomas Mowbray, Earl of Norfolk, are executed in York on Henry IV's orders.
9. In 721, Odo of Aquitaine defeats the Moors in the Battle of Toulouse.
10. In 1539, Council of Trent: Paul III sends out letters to his bishops, delaying the Council due to war and the difficulty bishops had traveling to Venice.
11. In 1381 "John Ball hath rungen his bell" Peasant revolt in England.
12. In 1560, Battle of Okehazama: Oda Nobunaga defeats Imagawa Yoshimoto.
13. In 1329 The Kingship of Robert I, "the Bruce," King of Scots, is recognized by Pope John XXII

14. In 1381, Richard II of England meets leaders of Peasants' Revolt on Blackheath. The Tower of London is stormed by rebels who enter without resistance.
15. In 0923 Robert I, Usurper of the French Crown, killed in battle with the real King, Charles "The Simple"
16. In 1497 The body of Juan Borgia is recovered from the Tiber river
17. In 1128 Marriage of Geoffrey V (Plantagenet) of Anjou to Matilda, daughter of King Henry of England and widow of Henry V, Holy Roman Emperor
18. In 1497 Publication in Florence of the excommunication of Savonarola
19. In 1312 Beheading of Piers Gaveston, Earl of Cornwall, lover of King Edward II
20. In 1499 Isabella, Queen of Spain, condemns enslavement of Indians
21. In 1598 English capture El Morro, the fort at San Juan, Puerto Rico
22. In 1497 BLACKHEATH (Cornish rebellion favoring Perkin Warbeck suppressed)
23. In 1314 The army of Edward II, King of England, crosses the Bannockburn
24. In 1209 The Crusade against the Albigensians sets forth from Lyons
25. In 1560 Gustav Vasa, King of Sweden, abdicates in favor of his son, Eric XIV
26. In 1548 The administration of the Netherlands is made independent of the German Empire
27. In 1095 Death of St. Ladislaus I, King of Hungary
28. In 1483 Howard family takes possession of Dukedom of Norfolk
29. In 1214 The Interdict is removed from Englan
30. In 1559, King Henry II of France is seriously injured in a jousting match against Gabriel de Montgomery