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Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

The Summer Newsletters will be short to give more focus to the redo of the NEWCOMER EDITION of our newsletter that comes out in September.

The chronicler requests new artwork for this newsletter.

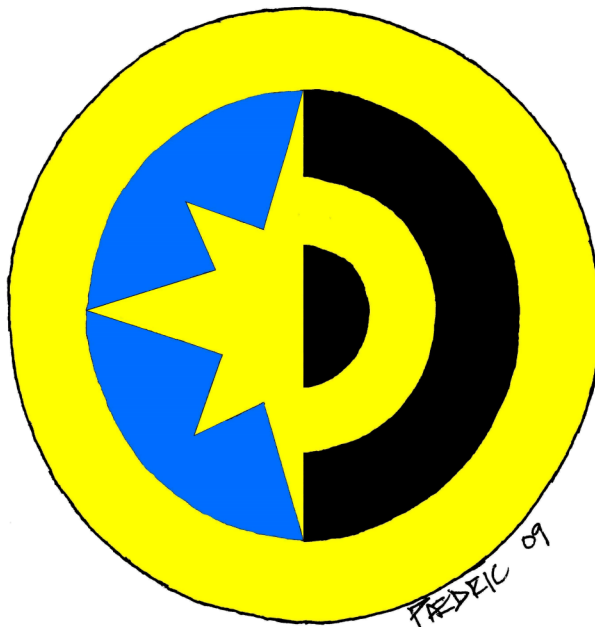
The Newcomer newsletter will be extra long.

It will be
ILLUMINATED.

It will be the first impression students receive of our group at the Newcomer's Meeting.

Let us show the many joys of the SCA!

Let us show the wonders of the Shire of the Shadowlands!



Summer In the Shire

By Anna Maleine

While Fighters in the sun do sear.

What plans have you for garb and gear?
To show off all the joyous year?



Lords and Ladies side by side
Admiring knights and those who ride
As in the summer's heat we bide.

Scribe and herald in the hall
The pen shall e'en the mighty fall
And send the witt to stocks and stall.

Greeting newbies is no chore
Sharing skills and tales and more
Shadowlanders to the core!

Second Summer Edition

Newsletter for the Shire of the Shadowlands

 Capital of Ansteorra 

Their Stellar Majesties

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Shadowlands' Officers and what they do

Seneschal: Theophanes of the Shadowlands

[Modern name: Bryan Wagner]

The Seneschal acts as the local business manager for the group, helps facilitate answers to SCA questions, schedules Shire activities, and helps keep the group on course. Contact at: shadowlands.seneschal@gmail.com or 979-218-8870

Theophanes is his given name, but most know him as Tiffani. He is a citizen of the Byzantine Empire with interests in archery, food, and any other activity time permitting.

Knight Marshal: _____ OPEN _____

Acting or contact: Rhodri ap Gwythyr

[Modern name: Paul Foster]

The Knight Marshal is in charge of the Chivalric activities for the shire. This includes heavy fighting, armor, and learning about chivalry, which is after all, one of the major reasons why anyone would choose to join our society, and guiding all fighters to develop good safety habits. Contact at:

Rapier Marshal: Lord Steven Paul Blakely (Staltus)

[Modern name: Steve Herring]

The Rapier Marshal's job is to ensure that fighters obey the safety rules of the Kingdom and are not presenting a danger to themselves or others. In light of that, it is recommended that everyone go to <http://rapier.ansteorra.org> and read the current Rapier Rules for Ansteorra. It is CRUCIAL that all the fighters make themselves intimately familiar with these rules. Fun must be done safely as possible! Contact at: Staltus@gmail.com

Lord Steven Paul Blakely, also called STALTUS, is an edgy blade, certainly sharp enough for the task of teaching the safe handling of pointy objects, who instructs all comers in the duck and thrust of rapier fighting. He is the proud holder of the Sable Thistle for Juggling, Sable Talon, and winner of Queens Rapier. Enjoy learning!

Archery Marshal: Kaitlyn McKenna

[Modern name: Robbin Foster]

The Archery Marshal supervises the safety of all official shire archery activities, as well as helping archers get started with archery. Marshal training is currently happening. If you are interested in target archery or combat archery, please contact shadowlands.archery@gmail.com. Loaner gear is available at practice.

Mistress (or Baroness) Kaitlyn McKenna is a 15th Century Burgundian lady trapped in marriage with an old Welsh knight. She is recognized in the Arts and Sciences by the Order of Laurel and in many officer positions, but especially as an Exchequer, by the Order of the Pelican. Her interests include costuming, weaving, fiber arts, dance, archery, and anything to do with the 15th century. Kaitlyn is a master instigator, inspiring and helping others to achieve their own goals. Look for a friendly lady with very nice garb. **Kaitlyn McKenna** participates in target and combat archery. She can help you make bow strings, bolts, arrows, leather chivalric armor, and general leather working.

Historian: TH Lord Paedric OMullan

[Modern name: Pat Mullins]

The historian keeps track of the old tales of past members, adventures and misadventures of the populace of the Shire of the Shadowlands. He keeps documents, photos and other items of interest so they can be placed on display to illustrate the long and honorable history of this Shire. Contact at: shadowlandshistorian@yahoo.com or 979-575-7834

TH Lord Paedric OMullan is a late Elizabethan street performer and sometime Shakespearean actor. He has, in the past, been a jester, but now he's unemployed, so he is nobody's fool. He usually wears some combination of red, blue, and/or yellow, the colors of his arms. Paedric is Historian for the Shire of the Shadowlands. His interests include (but are not limited to) Bardic (performance arts), Heraldry, calligraphy and illumination, pewter casting and drumming.

Minster of Arts and Sciences: _____ OPEN _____

The Shire of the Shadowlands does not currently have a Minster of Arts and Sciences; if you need assistance with Arts and Sciences please contact the Seneschal at: shadowlands.seneschal@gmail.com

Herald: _____ OPEN _____

The Shire of the Shadowlands does not currently have a branch herald; if you need assistance with heraldry please contact the Eclipse Herald (Southern Regional Herald) at: southern@herald.ansteorra.org

Hospitaler: _____ OPEN _____

Kaitlyn McKenna (acting hospitaler)

[Modern name: Robbin Foster]

The hospitaler is the keeper of the loaner garb and general go-to person for getting started. They greet newcomers and help them become oriented to and involved in the present middle ages. If someone needs to borrow garb or equipment for an event, the Hospitaler helps them to check out loaner items. Contact at: shadowlands.hospitaler@gmail.com or shadowlands.seneschal@gmail.com

Exchequer: Lady Isabelot de Forens

[Modern name: Anna Lichorad]

The Exchequer is the local treasurer. The Exchequer keeps the ledger of expenses up-to-date and in agreement with the bank statements, sends reports monthly, quarterly, and yearly to the Regional Exchequer, runs all financial committee meetings (typically after Populace meetings), and maintains an up-to-date inventory list including that which is available for loan. To borrow inventory (usually armor or garb) for an event, contact the Hospitaler and then the Exchequer to sign it out. Contact at: shadowlands.treasurer@gmail.com

Honorable Lady Isabelot de Forens is 13th century French lady from the Burgundy region of France. Her father died with no male heirs but was enlightened and left his lands to his only daughter to manage. She enjoys cooking, managing the household accounts, dance and shooting archery.

WEB Minister: Nina of the Lost Caverns

[Modern name: Kim Schrauders]

Manages our web presence. Contact at: vs.shadowlands@gmail.com

Chronicler: Anna Maleine

[Modern name: Ann Seeton]

Produces a newsletter each month to be handed out at the Populous meetings. Everyone is welcome to contribute to make our newsletter wonderful. Contact at: shadowlandschronicler@yahoo.com

Anna Maleine is late 10th century Byzantine; the daughter of a powerful Cappadocian family. She is living and studying in Constantinople during a time of peace and culture under the powerful Emperor Basil II (976-1025).

TAMU Advisor: Rhodri ap Gwythyr

[Modern name: Paul Foster]

The TAMU advisor is a member of the staff at TX A&M and makes possible the existence of this group on campus. Without this person, the local student body might never know the fun that can be had through the SCA.

Contact at: sir.rhodri@gmail.com

Sir Rhodri ap Gwythyr is an old Welsh Knight who has been in the SCA many years, done many brave deeds, and is a reliable source of answers if you are interested in Chivalry!

TAMU Student President: Anastasia

[Modern name:]

The TAMU SCA President is in charge of getting rooms for the SCA to use on campus. The President is a contact person for students and the other student officers. This is an important position and looks good on a resume! Contact at:

Anastasia is a fine upstanding young women of the middle ages with a spirit of service to her fellows. Please welcome her as our TAMU Student President.

Thanks and Credits

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Shadow Notes

Be a Social Shire	Plan to Participate
<p style="text-align: center;">Congratulation to Ron and Kristin Denton (Catan Ingen Michil & Ronald fitz Robert) on the birth of their daughter, Gwendolyn. Shadowlands Rejoice!</p> <hr style="border: 1px solid black;"/> <p style="text-align: center;">AWARDS</p> <p>Let it be known that unless someone recommends another person for an award, the crown is unlikely to know that a wonderful helpful person has gone unrecognized.</p> <p>Think about those persons whose actions make the SCA special for you. List them in the WordFame section. We are a volunteer driven activity and these persons who work to make things happen, from the volunteer at gate and BOB Squad, to the monthly efforts of project night, cooking, leatherworking, Rapier, Chivalric or Archery, all of these volunteers are important.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Together we make the SCA what is for all of us.</p> <hr style="border-top: 1px dashed black;"/> <p>http://byzantiumonbrew.wordpress.com/2014/05/29/lament-for-the-fall-of-constantinople/</p> <p>In May we saw the 561st anniversary of the fall of Constantinople, this is a tribute to the memory.</p>	<p>1st Tuesday of the month is Populace; if you want to influence the way the shire operates, this is the meeting you must not miss! For summer meeting locations, see the Shire calendar.</p> <p>Archery in JUNE is Tuesdays at 10:30AM. July and August are still being discussed. Input welcome!</p> <hr style="border: 1px solid black;"/> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>OPEN POSITIONS</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Hospitaler Knight Marshal</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Remember, the SCA is a volunteer run organization. Together, each doing one part, we can build something truly wonderful. Participation is the key and everyone can find a tiny role to play. Those who can do more, please consider taking on one of the open positions above.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Another round of activities is coming. Be a social shire. Plan to participate!</p>

WORDFAME

HERE WE HAVE A PLACE IN WHICH TO RECORD THE COMMON CHIVALRY OF OUR SHIRE. PLEASE FEEL FREE TO SEND IN THE NAMES OF PEOPLE YOU WOULD LIKE TO THANK AND A SPECIFIC EXAMPLE OF WHAT THEY DID. –CHRONICLER

Once again goes our thanks to our marshals and marshals in training.

Many Thanks to the hosts and hostesses of the activities in May. Brewing: Joe & Marina, Movie and Project Night, Archery, Fighter Practice, and even a shire lunch happened and were enjoyed!

For all of those persons who have stepped up to fill offices and help to make all the activities of the shire happen—especially those who are not mentioned often enough—

THANK YOU ALL!

King's College is the Next Shire Goes To Event!

Please post on our lists if you are going.

OFFICER'S REPORTS

From the Senechal

Howdy,

I would like to add a note that both the WebMinister and Hospitaller positions are open and accepting applications.

Thanks,
--Theophanes

From the Historian

In May, Nothing of historical importance happened or if it did, nobody told me.

In Service,
TH Lord Pædric OMullan

From the Archery Marshal

Greetings to the Shire from your Archery Marshal,

June will be Tuesdays at 10:30 only. As always, the Shire needs more marshals. If you are interested in training to be an archery marshal, please let me know. The kingdom manual is a good place to start and can be found at <http://marshal.ansteorra.org/archery/> .

Congratulations to the following archers who have achieved Archery ranks during the last quarter:

Bowman/Black Tassel: Elizabeth of Shadowlands and Theophanes.

Archer/White Tassel: Anastasia, Anna Maleine and Nina of the Lost Caverns.

In Service,
Kaitlyn McKenna, OL, OP

From the Chronicler

Greetings Good Gentles,

This is my **Chronicler's Report From May** which is being repeated here in the hopes that we will have enough officers to make decisions in June!! We are working to make this years newcomers edition HISTORIC! Also, while it will be too late for the 2014 entry, I want to enter this newsletter in the BlackFox competition!

CONTENT:

- What is too old and needs redone?
- What funny story could you tell? (100 words, give or take 50)
- Who are you in the SCA? & What is essential to your persona?
- What do you love most about the Shire, Ansteorra, and the SCA?
- WHO'S WHO—lets help the newcomers connect with us!
- WORDFAME—who can be praise for their fine efforts on the behalf of the shire?
- SHIRE HISTORY—I would like some of those who have been around a long time to share stories!
- THIS MONTH IN THE MIDDLE AGES—our usual column of day by day information

ALL who have arms, or device, do we want to add the images to the Officers Listings and to the Who Is Who? Or are there emblems for marshals and offices that could be used?

Would you be willing to help Paedric with the illuminations for the Newcomer Edition? (contact TH Lord Paedric (our Historian)); there will be illuminations to help color, and scan for this newsletter.

Materials:

I would like to use a light cardstock for the front and back covers to better carry the illuminations. Light weight (65lb) will cost \$10.79 per 100 sheet package which would allow for front and back covers. Could this be tentatively approved with a final vote in June or July?

Do we want to change our paper from the usual, to something else? Binding is 2:79 each so I ditched that idea!

This will be an extra long newsletter, packed with information.

In Service,
Anna Maleine

Calendar of Events

(From the Kingdom Calendar)

JUNE 2014 (A.S. XLIX)

6-8Grand Assembly of Archers - Eldern Hills (Lawton, OK) & Namron (Norman, OK)
Emerald Tourney - Emerald Keep (Waco, TX)

13-15King's College - Hellsgate (Ft. Hood, TX) RP, LC (Shire goes to!)

Out of Kingdom: Lilies War (13th -22nd)

Out of Kingdom: Known World Heraldic & Scribal Symposium Starkhafn, Caid

20-22Out of Kingdom: Lilies War (13th -22nd)

27-29

JULY 2014 (A.S. XLIX)

4-6

11-13Crown Tournament - TBD Kingdom - Canton TX RP, HP, CC

18-20Round Table - Elfsea (Ft. Worth, TX) TBD RP

25-27

AUGUST 2014 (A.S. XLIX)

1-3Heraldic & Scribal Symposium - Steppes (Dallas, TX)

8-10

15-17Steppes Artisan - Steppes (Dallas, TX) RP, PC

22-24Elfsea Baronial College - Elfsea (Ft. Worth, TX)

29-31Bonwicke Event - Bonwicke (Lubbock, TX) *PED*

Out of Kingdom: Known World Bardic Congress and Cooks Collegium

Out of Kingdom: Battlemore - Outlands RP

Out of Kingdom:

Pennsic XLIII
(25th-10th)

- Contact Ansteorra Land
Agent Mistress Saraphina
RP, HP

JULY 25-27—AUGUST

1-3 & 8-10

Populace Meetings

June, July, AugustPopulace MeetingsTBD—see the Shire Calendar!

Practices

Practice	Time	Location	Contact	
<u>Archery</u>	Tues 10:30am	Austin's Colony Park	Mistress Kaitlyn	shadowlands.archery@gmail.com
<u>Chivalric</u>	Thurs. 7:30PM	Bee Creek Park	Sir Rhodri	sir_rhodri@gmail.com
<u>Intermediate Chivalric</u>	3rd & 5th Sun. 1pm	Sir Rhodri's house	Sir Rhodri	sir_rhodri@gmail.com
<u>Rapier</u>	Thurs. 7:30PM	Bee Creek Park	Lord Saltus	Staltus@gmail.com

Guilds and Activities

Name	Time	Location	Contact	
<u>Brewers</u>	2 nd & 4 th Tues, 7pm	Joe & Marina's	Lord Josef	cj2308@yahoo.com
<u>Blacksmithing</u>	On Hiatus	TBA	Lord Josef	cj2308@yahoo.com
<u>Cooking</u>	3 rd Wed. 7 PM	Isabelot's House	HL Isabelot	isabelotdeforens@gmail.com
<u>Dance</u>	4 th Sun	Shannahan's	Mistress Kaitlyn	mistresskaitlyn@gmail.com
<u>Fiber arts/SCA 101</u>	3 rd Tues 7:00	ON Hiatus	Mistress Kaitlyn	mistresskaitlyn@gmail.com
<u>Leatherworking/Armoring</u>	2 nd Mon 7:30	Sir Rhodri's house	Sir Rhodri	sir_rhodri@gmail.com
<u>Movie and Project night</u>	3 rd Tuesdays 7:00PM	Nina & Demere's	Nina of the Lost Caverns	nina@oakenstaff.org
<u>Bardic</u>	5 th Tuesdays 7PM	Sweet Eugene's deck	Anna Maleine	shadowlandschronicler@yahoo.com

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