

# The Shadow

## Knows

August AS XLIX (AD 2014)

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!

Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

**Moonshadow Agreed!!!!**

**November 7, 2015**

**Is**

**Shadow Wars!!**

**Humor!**

**Many competitions!**

**Two Teams most uniquely chosen!**

**Trivia!**

**Brainstorming in progress!**

**Sites being explored!**

**How will You help?**

**Come!**

**Partake of Shadow Wars!**

**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 Texas 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!

Newsletter for the Shire of the Shadowlands



Capital of Ansteorra



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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](mailto: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](mailto: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; Lord Steven 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 from this fine swordsman!

### 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](mailto: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 15<sup>th</sup> 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 Pædric 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](mailto:shadowlandshistorian@yahoo.com) or 979-575-7834

**TH Lord Pædric 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. Pædric is Historian for the Shire of the Shadowlands and holder of a Star of Merit. 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](mailto: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](mailto:southern@herald.ansteorra.org)

### **Hospitaler: \_\_\_\_\_ OPEN \_\_\_\_\_**

Nina of the Lost Caverns (acting hospitaler)

[Modern name: Kim Schreuders]

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](mailto:shadowlands.hospitaler@gmail.com) or [shadowlands.seneschal@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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 Schreuders]

The Web Minister manages the Shire's web presence, including the website at: <http://shadowlands.ansteorra.org> and the Yahoo Group at: <http://groups.yahoo.com/groups/shadowlandssca>. If you have any problems or suggestions relating to either of these tools, please let me know. Contact at: [vs.shadowlands@gmail.com](mailto:vs.shadowlands@gmail.com)

**Mistress Nina of the Lost Caverns** is an indeterminate (vaguely 5<sup>th</sup> century) Gaul with a much later period name. The Gauls were the "barbarians" that the Romans tried to bring into their fold, with only marginal success, as they slowly migrated west across most of Europe. Nina has interest in many, many aspects of the SCA with an especially strong interest in weaving and other historic technologies, history of the SCA and administering the SCA so that everyone can have fun.

### **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](mailto:shadowlandschronicler@yahoo.com)

**Anna Maleine** is late 10<sup>th</sup> century Byzantine; the daughter of a powerful Cappadocian family. She is living and studying in Constantinople during a time of (relative) 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](mailto: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

FIRST SATURDAY IN NOVEMBER OF ODD NUMBERED YEARS WILL BE OUR EVENT DATE.

NOV. 7. 2015 IS SHADOW WARS!

#### AWARDS

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.

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.

Together we make the SCA what is for all of us.

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### Plan to Participate

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.

#### OPEN POSITIONS

Hospitaler  
Knight Marshal

*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.*

**Another round of activities is coming.  
Be a social shire. Plan to participate!**

## 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 activities.

Mistress Kaitlyn hosted Archery equipment repair days in July—thank you!

Mistress Nina hosted Movie & Project Night—thank you!

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!

**August Populace will decide the Fall Shire Goes To Events!**

# OFFICER'S REPORTS

## **From the Senechal**

Howdy,

I would like to add a note that Hospitaller & Knight Marshal are open and accepting applications.

Thanks,  
--Theophanes

## **From the Historian**

In June did Mistress Kaitlyn win competitions at Grand Assembly of Archers and Lilies War.

In July were held archery and armoring workdays, at which shire loaner gear was refurbished, new arrows and bowstrings made, and personal projects were worked on. And in that same month did the brewing guild try once again to make beer. Third time's a charm.

In Service,  
TH Lord Pædric OMullan

## **From the Archery Marshal**

Greetings to the Shire from your Archery Marshal,

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/> .

In Service,  
*kaitlyn*

## **From the Chronicler**

Greetings Good Gentles,

The NEWCOMER'S EDITION deadline is August 10<sup>th</sup>!

**A proposal: Rather than officers letters in the Newcomer Edition, would it be agreeable to the officers instead to have one letter of greeting with all the officers names on it?**

I need the fall Shire Goes To events for the September Newcomers' Edition of our newsletter.

In Service,  
Anna Maleine

## **OPEN HOUSE SEPT 7, 1-5 pm**

Please note this is NOT the usual weekend! Classes start Sept 1 this year.

Sept 9 and 17—Newcomer Information Meetings: Koldus TBD  
Bryan will reserve the room and announce time & place

### *September Schedule of Meetings (geared to newcomers):*

Sept 16 & 30 Brewing  
Sept 23 Random A&S Showcase  
Sept 24 Cooking Guild—come eat!  
Sept 27 Garb making and Potluck

## Calendar of Events

(From the Kingdom Calendar)

### AUGUST 2014 (A)

- 1-3 ..... Heraldic & Scribal Symposium - Steppes (Dallas, TX)  
 8-10  
 15-17 ..... Steppes Artisan - Steppes (Dallas, TX) RP, PC  
 22-24 ..... Elfsea Baronial College - Elfsea (Ft. Worth, TX)  
 29-31 ..... Bonwicke Event - Bonwicke (Lubbock, TX) \*PED\*  
                     Out of Kingdom: Known World Bardic Congress and Cooks Collegium  
                     Out of Kingdom: Battlemore - Outlands RP

### SEPTEMBER 2014 (A.S. XLIX)

- 5-7 ..... Once Upon A Time...in Agincourt - Rosenfeld (Tyler, TX)  
 12-14 ..... Laurel's Prize Tourney - Loch Soilleir (Clear Lake, TX) RP, LC  
 19-21 ..... Defender of the Fort - Raven's Fort (Huntsville, TX) \*PED\* RP (possible  
 Shire Goes To  
                     Triumpe of the Eclipse - Mooneschadowe (Stillwater, OK) \*PED\*  
 26-28 ..... Loch Ruadh Fest 2014 - A Day of Games - Loch Ruadh (Ft. Worth, TX) \*PED\* RP  
                     War of Ages - Fynnon Gath (San Marcos, TX) \*PED\*

**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

August ..... Populace Meetings ..... TBD—see the Shire Calendar!

## Practices

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

## Guilds and Activities

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

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