



Shire of Dark River

River Runes



October Anno Societatis XXXVIII

Year 25 of the Shire

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Lady Annyse Lionstone (mka Jacque Chandler)

Brewer's Guild

Vacant

Sewing Guild

Lady Ellonyia Cedricsdottir (mka Ellie Yenney)

Blacksmith's Guild

Lord Gunther Todmacher (mka Rich Faith)

Near Eastern Dance Guild (Troupe Rakset al-Nehri)

Mellilah al-Zarqa (mka Michele Hogren)

Shire Calendar

October 2003

- 2 Shire Business Meeting
7pm Rock Island Masonic Temple
- 6 European Dance
7:00pm Pierce School Mall 3rd Floor
- 7 Near Eastern Dance Guild
7:30pm Pierce School Mall 3rd Floor
- 8 Fighter's Practice
6:30pm Bethel Wesley Church
- 12 Second Sunday Sewing Circle
1pm Lady Ellonyia's Castle
- 13 European Dance
7:00pm Pierce School Mall 3rd Floor
- 14 Near Eastern Dance Guild
7:30pm Pierce School Mall 3rd Floor
- 15 Fighter's Practice
6:30pm Bethel Wesley Church
- 16 Shire Revel Meeting
7pm Rock Island Masonic Temple
- 20 European Dance
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- 21 Near Eastern Dance Guild
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UPCOMING MIDDLE KINGDOM EVENTS

This information can also be found at http://www.midrealm.org/midrealm_calendar.phtml









October 2003

- 1 - PALE DEADLINE FOR NOVEMBER
- 3-5 - Pounce 2 {Catteden (Red Spears)} [Findlay, OH]
- 4 - Commoner's Crown {Mynydd Seren} [Martinsville, IN]
 -   Northshield Investiture and Coronet {Midewinde} [Minot, ND]
 - Squire's Tourney {Vonspring (Northwoods)} [Laingsburg, MI]
- 10-12 - Oktoberfest {Altenberg} [Ray Township, MI]
 - Vikings Come Home {Donnershafen} [Traverse City, MI]
 - War 1066 The Battle of Hastings {Three Towers} [Hastings, OH]
- 11 -  Musicians' Day {Grey Gargoyles} [Chicago, IL]
 -  Rendezvous at the Bridge {Riviere Constelle} [Evansville, IN]
- 17-19 - Known World Academy of Rapier {Outlands} [Denver, CO]
 -  Known World Costuming Symposium {Outlands} [Denver, CO]
- 18 - A Regular Event in Lochmorrow {Lochmorrow} [Macomb, IL]
 - Fighting, Feasting and Frolicking {Korsvag} [Fargo, ND]
 - Muscovites and Mongols: The Bear and Pony Show {Gwyntarian} [Franklin Township, OH]
- 18-19 - What in Samhain {Three Walls} [Ionia, MI]
- 25 -      Crown Tourney {Caer Antherth Mawr} [Waukesha, WI]
 - Toys Tourney {Iron Oak (Northwoods)} [Morrice, MI]
- 31-3 - Real Viking {Middle Marches} [McConnelsville, OH]

November 2003

- 1 - PALE DEADLINE FOR DECEMBER
 -  All Souls Day {Vanished Wood} [Schamburg, IL]
 - Harvest of Souls {Stormvale} [Swartz Creek, MI]
 - Northshield Rapier Academy VI - Swishy Poke at Inner Sea {Inner Sea} [Duluth, MN]
- 8 - A Fall Event {Unicorn} [Oxford, OH]
 - Feast of St. Catherine {Western Keep} [Volga, SD]
 -   Kingdom Heraldic and Scribal Symposium {Cuil Cholium (Mynydd Seren)} [Millhousen, IN]
 - Long Day's Journey into Fight {Mystic Straits (Roaring Wastes)} [Detroit, MI]
- 14-16 - Crystal Ball {Shattered Crystal} [Cahokia, IL]
 - Winter Rose {Drakelaw} [Greenup, KY]
- 15 - Buffalo Snit {Rokeclif & Shattered Oak} [Taylor, WI]
 - [CANCELLED!] Fall Harvest Festival {Dun Traigh} [Muskegon, MI]
- 20 - PALE DEADLINE FOR JANUARY
- 22 -  Bardic Madness South {Three Hills} [Kalamazoo, MI]
 - Princess' Sleeve Tournament {Rockhaven} [St. Cloud, MN]
 -  Royal University of the Midrealm {Swordcliff} [Springfield, IL]

Calendar Key

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|  Crown in attendance |  Chivalry Meeting |
|  Tanist in attendance |  Laurel Meeting |
|  Northshield Coronet in attendance |  Pelican Meeting |
|  Northshield Heir(s) in attendance |  Curia Meeting |

UPCOMING CALONTIR EVENTS

This information can also be found at <http://calontir.sca.org/calendar.html>

September

- 4 - [Autumn Arrows XIII](#) Calanais Nuadh Rolla MO
- 11 - Blood of Heroes Grimfells Fayetteville AR
- 18 - [Known World Costuming Symposium](#) Kingdom of the Outlands - Barony of Caerthe Denver CO
 - Vertigo Lost Moor St. Joseph MO
 - Conquistador's Folly Bull Pitt Kerney NE
- 25 - [Seal Wars II](#) Crescent Moon & Spinning Winds Topeka & Manhattan KS
 - [Fall RUSH](#) Burj al Mudirah sponsored by Three Rivers St Louis Comm. College MO

November

- 1 - [Crown Tourney](#) Ivory Keep Hannibal MO
- 15 - Crystal Ball Shattered Crystal (Midrealm) Cahokia IL
- 22 - Toys for Tots Wyvern Cliffe Jefferson City MO



From the Seneschal

No article at the time of printing.



From the Herald

Those in need of Names or Devices please see me. Get the forms and instruction sheets before working on your Name or Device, then follow the forms and instructions in drafting something. Get this draft to me for a two or three-week review and I'll get back to you with suggestions for a final submission to me, which I will complete and copy for sending up the line. Stay somewhat flexible on your Name and Device until you finalize it for submission. This will give you the best chance for approval on the first try.

Also, please drop me a note regarding the particulars whenever you receive an Award. I need to maintain records on all awards. Information should include the following: Type of Award, Recipients Name (as listed on scroll), Reason for Award (as listed on scroll) and Date of Presentation (as listed on scroll).

Lord Edar



From the Exchequer

No article at the time of printing.



From the Marshal

Fighter practice is held Wednesday nights at 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. The location is: Bethel Wesley United Methodist Church 1201 13th Street Moline, IL 61265. For more information see Daffyd or Gunther.



From the Arts & Sciences Minister

No Article at the time of printing.



From the Chronicler

Next Runes deadline is November 3rd! Officers, **please** keep this deadline in mind when preparing your reports for the Runes. If you would like a standing message, please see that I get it via email or hand it to me at a meeting. I plan to attend at least one of our meetings a month.

Remember, it is YOUR responsibility to provide updated contact information to me for the Runes. If you cannot regularly make it to the Shire business meeting, or you know you are going to miss it, feel free to contact me via email or phone to arrange something so you always get the Runes. If you would like it mailed to you, I can do that if you give me stamps.

The Shire of Dark River also has a Yahoo Groups list on the Internet at:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/shireofdarkriver>. Anyone interested can sign up and get email announcements and reminders. You can be in charge of keeping your own account information correct so you will always be assured of receiving any important shire related information.

Sayyida Melilah al-Zarga



From the Chirurgion

This position seems to be vacant! If you are interested in this position, please see the Seneschal. If you currently hold this position, please see the Chronicler!



From the Archery Marshal

No article at the time of printing.



From the Chatelain

We had seven people from Dark River attend the newcomers seminar in Champaign a few weeks ago. It was a lovely laid back event with some very well attended classes. It was a bit of a drive, but I think everyone had a good time and learned something to. There were fewer teachers this year than last, so if you have a talent or skill that you might be willing to share, this event would be a great time. Keep it in mind for next year.

Our own new person meeting went well also. We had six brand new people come. I don't think we scared anybody and hopefully we will see them at a business meeting or other function very soon.

I ordered some Known World Handbooks to have at the meeting, and there are extras. I have no huge desire to haul a big box of them to business meetings, so please call or email me if you want one and I will bring it to the next meeting or revel. I'll try to bring one extra each time, but those things are heavy, so PLEASE call me to reserve a copy.

Lady Norelle



From the Web Mistress

When checking your list for the upcoming event - please add "Take the Camera!" then, while attending or working our event - please try to grab some pictures. Last year - all I had to put on the web page were shots of archery and a couple of feast - Please try to get candid shots, as opposed to the "line up and take a group picture" variety - action pictures are so much more entertaining. Don't worry if they're not digital - I can scan them and return the original prints to you.

Lady Lia

From the Scriptorium

No article at the time of printing.



From the Cooks' Kitchen

The Cook's Guild is going strong! Recipes are being tested and tasted in preparation for the 25th Anniversary event. Everyone is welcome to join us at our next meeting, call Lady Annyse for the next meeting.

From the Sewing Bower

Everyone is invited to the home of John and Ellie (1033 Kirkwood Blvd. Davenport) the second Sunday of every month for a sewing circle. This month we will be making banners! We need to do a shire banner first for the Midrealm state dinner at Pennsic. After that we'll make any old banners we want! Show up at 1pm, John will have a big pot of something. Whether you are working on an embroidery project or court garb, feel free to stop on over, bring your project and enjoy everyone's company.



From the Brewers' Vats

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From the Blacksmiths' Forge

No article at the time of printing.



From the Caravan

The Shire's Near Eastern Dance Guild is large and strong! We currently have 16 dancers in Troupe Rakset al-Nehri (Dancers of the River). If you wish to dance with us, we hold our practices every Tuesday evening at 7:30pm, at the Pierce School Mall in the Village of East Davenport, up on the 3rd floor. Don't try to come to just watch though, or we'll make you dance! If you want to see Troupe dancers perform, catch us at one of our scheduled performances or at Mellilah's monthly studio Hafla (it means PARTY, talk to Mellilah for more info). If you are interested in learning Near Eastern dance, talk to Mellilah about her scheduled classes or getting a primer class before joining the Troupe.

Sayyida Mellilah al-Zarga

Basket Making

We had two new people join us for basketmaking this month. They aren't SCA member (yet) but the more the merrier. Unfortunately, I'm calling an end to Monday night basket making for a while. If you are interested in learning, I will still be happy to help but it won't be a regularly scheduled thing until after the new year probably. Most likely I will be able to be conned into teaching another class at a 12th night thing (if we have one like last years)

Lady Norelle

European Dance

So Crystal Ball is a month and a half away. In order to prepare, I will start having European dance classes on Monday nights. (has everyone figured out why there isn't basket making on Mondays anymore?) Dance class will be at the Peirce School Mall in the village of East Davenport, the same location as Middle Eastern dancing. Since there are six dance sets at the Ball, and six weeks until the big event, we will try to cover a set each week. Cheat sheets from past Crystal balls are welcome.

Lady Norelle



Hear Ye Goode Shire Folk!

*Michele Hogren and James Ramsey do announce their
immanent vows of matrimony.*

*If you wish to attend, please RSVP to Michele Hogren
(see address list).*

*Duck Creek Lodge
3000 E. Locust Street
Davenport Iowa
2:00pm*

*Reception following which includes
Entertainment and refreshment*

*Most Wedding participants will be
in garb and other fun clothing.
Guests are encouraged to dress for
the occasion!*

Michele & James are not registered anywhere. They have everything (sometimes 2 of things) to fill a house... but no house to put things in. Gifts are not expected, but if you are moved to gift the couple, contributions to the down-payment of their dream castle would be most appreciated! Otherwise, just show up!

Classifieds

Spewy's BIG TV is for sale. He's asking \$300 and you have to move it. (it's about 13 years old, but in good condition.) If you are interested or for more information, call him at 563-505-5948

Do you have old formals gathering dust in your closet? Clean them out and give yourself your closet space back! I am helping with the costumes for my sisters high school musical of Copacabana (the hottest spot north of Havana) and we are in desperate need of formal (prom, bridesmaid, holiday, etc.) dresses. The uglier and the more frills the better, but all dresses can be given a second life on the stage! All sizes and colors welcome. Please contact Ellonyia if you happen to have anything that you would like to donate.

ADVERTISE HERE! For free!

In need of something particular, an item or a service? Do you have something that you just know someone could use? Or perhaps you have a skill you would like make available? Call or email Mellilah about putting your classified ad in this space. It's free and easy!