



Shire of Dark River

River Runes



November Anno Societatis XXXVIII

Year 25 of the Shire

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Brewer's Guild

Vacant

Sewing Guild

Lady Ellonyia Cedricsdottir (mka Ellie Yenny)

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

November 2003

- 6 Shire Business Meeting
7:00pm Rock Island Masonic Temple
- 9 Second Sunday Sewing Circle
1:00pm Lady Ellonyia's Castle
- 10 European Dance
7:00pm Pierce School Mall
- 11 Middle Eastern Dance Guild
7:30pm Pierce School Mall
- 12 Fighter's Practice
6:30pm Bethel Wesley Church
- 18 Middle Eastern Dance Guild
7:30pm Pierce School Mall
- 19 Fighter's Practice
6:30pm Bethel Wesley Church
- 20 Shire Revel Meeting
7:00pm Rock Island Masonic Temple
- 25 Middle Eastern Dance Guild
7:30pm Pierce School Mall
- 26 Fighter's Practice
6:30pm Bethel Wesley Church

December 2003

- 2 Middle Eastern Dance Guild
7:30pm Pierce School Mall
- 3 Fighter's Practice
6:30pm Bethel Wesley Church
- 4 Shire Business Meeting
7:00pm Rock Island Masonic Temple

Shire Christmas Party – Stay tuned!

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UPCOMING MIDDLE KINGDOM EVENTS

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









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]
- 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]

December 2003

- 6 -    [Boar's Head](#) {Caer Anterth Mawr} [Waukesha, WI]
-   [Christmas Tourney](#) {Flame} [Elizabethtown, KY]
- Wassail {Hawkland Moor} [Romeo, MI]
- Yule Feast {Hrodgeirsfjordr} [Toledo, OH]
- 13 -     Stellar University of Northshield {Tor Aerie} [St. Paul, MN]
- Wassail {Mistig Waetru} [Houghton, MI]
-  [Youth Fighting Symposium](#) {Greyhope} [Lake Station, IN]
- 27 - [Yuletide Feast](#) {Noiregard (Schattentor)} [Spearfish, SD]
- 31 - Ice Crusades {Coldernhale} [Mission, SD]

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>

November

- 15 - [Ransom VII](#) Dun Ard Leavenworth KS
Crystal Ball Shattered Crystal (Midrealm) Cahokia IL
- 22 - Toys for Tots Wyvern Cliffe Jefferson City MO

December

- 13 - [Kris Kinder](#) Forgetting Sea Kansas 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 Eðar



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 Chirurgeon

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 Scriptorium

No article at the time of printing



From the Chronicler

Next Runes deadline is November 30th! 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 Melkalah al-Zarqa



From the Chatelain

There are copies of the Known World Handbook still available for purchase from the Shire. Please contact Lady Norelle for a copy of your own.

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 Brewers' Vats

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 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 Annysse 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 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 15+ 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-Zarqa

European Dance

There's only one dance practice left before Crystal Ball! Join us on November 10th, 7pm at Pierce School Mall to learn some dances that will be done at the Crystal Ball event.

Shire Halloween Party October 26, 2003

Those of you who missed this party missed out on a really fun time. We had 15 attend with good food, lots of desserts, and toasting of smores around the fire pit. Although slightly cool, the weather was nice. Tony's haunted garage was great, and he promises it will be even better next year. Prizes were awarded for the best adult and kid costumes.

Lord Cedar

Celtic Highland Games August 23, 2003

This year's games were successful with attendance again around 6,000, but with more paying attendees. The weather was great. In spite of 4 no-shows, the Shire had 31 workers this year, which rivals our first year attendance. Virtually all of these used their gate passes, and we used up 20 of 24 meal tickets provided to us (new this year). We could have used more help with Friday evening's pavilion set up & Saturday evening's tear down, but we managed with minimal crews. We can always use more volunteers for the parade. Unfortunately, we may be hard pressed to repeat all this next year when the games move to August 21st (3rd Saturday) and will conflict with Pennsic. We have received the \$125 we requested from the games this year. Although our workers were verbally recognized at our September meeting, I believe it bears repeating, and to say "thank you" in print, as follows:

Lord Dafydd – both fighting sessions; parade; pavilion set-up & tear-down; & provided the list & Shire trailer. (His son also joined the parade.)

Steve Wilker – crafts tent

Lady Ceridwen, Lord Conrad, Lady Rosalynd, & the 3 Sherfey kids – all 3 children's games sessions

Lady Ellonyia – information tent; passports; & Shire brochures

Lord Celadon – information tent

Debbie Kolar-Wilker – Crafts tent

Lord Eirik – assistant director & parade

Lady Ghazaalah – information tent

Danielle Lance – parade, along with her 2 daughters

Lord Corkeran – information tent; pavilion set-up & tear down

Lady Rhiannon – information tent

Lord Gunther – afternoon fighting session

Lord Asgir – crafts tent

Lady Finda – crafts tent

Lord Guido – signs

Lord Johann – information tent; crafts displays; & pavilion set up & tear down

Lady Katerina – pavilion set up & tear down (assisted by David)

Lord Cedric – information tent

Lady Bronwyn – information tent

Lord Drogo – afternoon fighting session & parade

Amidst all the day's activities, I may have missed noting additional assistance provided, but it was all appreciated. I hope to see all of you there again in 2004, plus others who couldn't make it this year.

Lord Cedar

Classifieds

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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!
