# The Adrian Herald

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## Unto the Populace

Unto the populace of the Adrian Empire We send Greetings;

This is one of those awkward moments when I get to write about something that hasn't happened yet in the past tense. By the time you read this, The Banner Wars will have been fought. The Tsarina and I do hope that everyone had a wonderful Time, no matter which one you attended.

It is with Great pride that We welcome the New Duchy of Chesapeake, and congratulate them on expanding from a Shire to a Duchy. Congratulations go to the Viceroy, err Duc I mean, Sir Sven for guiding this area through it's first stage of development.

Congratulations go out also to the Kingdom of Aragon, and Their Royal majesties Sir Winfred and Dame Anginette. Vivat for making that final push towards Sovereignty!

We are also happy to announce the passage of the Imperial Archery Manual as an Imperial Writ and the appointment of Sir Morgan Blackthorne, Baron von Lagersuufer as the first Imperial Minister of Archery. Sir Morgan can be reached at:baron@lagersuufer.net. This manual creates a new order of Knighthood, the Archery Knighthood. That gives us four orders of knighthood now!

Other then the additional Writ SIW-4 which is published elsewhere in this newsletter, we are now gearing up for the July Estates Meeting to be held in Los Angeles Ca. By the time you read this, the agenda will have been closed, but We look forward to seeing all the Estates the third weekend of July to do the Business of the Empire.

Until then, Good luck and try each day to embody the Dream.

By Our hand

Stefanus Imperator Katayana Imperator Tsar and Tsarina of all the Adrias

# Imperial Writ SIW-4 Procedures for the Conduct of Courts of Law.

Unto the populace of the Adrian Empire, hear now Our voice most Terrible for it is Imperial:

As is Our right as the lawful and rightful Sovereign of the Adrian Empire We do hereby issue this most Lawful Writ as an addition to those sections of the Imperial By-laws and Codex Adjudicata that are already in existence.

Once charges have been filed with the appropriate chancellor or Magistrate and those charges have been found to be legitimate and warrant trial the following procedure shall be followed:

- 1) The chancellor shall notify the named defendant(s) in writing. This shall be down in any of the following methods:
  - a) hand delivered
  - b) via fax
  - c) via email
  - d) via mail
- e) via phone conversation (in order to setup a meeting to hand deliver)

Notification of a vassals Liege-Lord shall qualify as notification of the individual.

2) Once notified the defendant shall be informed that the date of the trial shall not be less then thirty days of this notification unless the defendant requests Immediate Justice.

Immediate Justice shall be defined as the very next Scheduled Adrian event in the Chartered Sub-Division. This is to include: Normal Crown and Canton events, feasts, Estate Meetings and Wars. They do NOT include fighter/arts practices, collegiums or subdivision meetings (i.e.; a meeting of such and such barony)

- 3) The Magistrate/Chancellor will then request the defendant to choose a date for their trial. This date must be acceptable to Magistrate/Chancellor, Crown and plaintiff as well as the defendant.
- 4) The Magistrate/Chancellor shall select the time and place of the trial, provided Immediate Justice was not called for, in which case it will take place during the next Scheduled event. The Date, Time and Place of this trial shall be published in the Adrian Herald as well as announced at the next Crown Event, unless Immediate Justice is demanded.
- 5) The Defendant shall be afforded every opportunity to prepare a defense. This will include but not be limited to reviewing evidence and questioning witnesses. The Plaintiff shall also be afforded this same opportunity to prepare their case. This 'Period of Discovery' shall continue until 48 hours prior to trial at which point all witness lists and evidence lists shall be frozen and reviewed by the Magistrate. This may be appealed by the Magistrate during the trial, and the opposing council shall have an opportunity to argue against such an appeal, after which the Magistrate shall decide if the added testimony/evidence shall be heard.

Lastly, it shall be understood throughout Adrian Courts that the primary responsibility of the Court is to determine the Truth of the Matter. That this Search for the truth shall be the over-riding determinate in the process, and not procedure. Objections due to procedure should be discouraged if they may be used to hide or diffuse the Truth.

By Our Hand on this Day May 20, 1999

Stefanus Imperator Tsar of all the Adrias

## Greetings and Salutations to All

I am writting at the request of Sir William Baine, Imperial Chancellor. Please be advised that the deadline for submitting items to the July Agenda for the Imperial Estates General Meeting, location TBA, has passed. Due to the limited number of submissions the Imperial Chancellor is making a personal request. If you had items to submit and you missed the deadline please take this opportunity to submit them now. Final date for submissions is May 31, 1999. To all Imperial Ministers, it would be greatly appreciated if you could forward copies of your written reports to the Imperial Chancellor for inclusion in the July Agenda. Please send them as an attached file to an e-mail. These reports will be included in the publication of the Agenda. Please forward those reports by June 4, 1999. The request is made to expedite the Meeting. If you are unable to supply a written report at this time you will not be penalized or admonished; however, copies of written reports for distribution at the July Meeting would also be greatly appreciated. Please send them to: dreye@lvdi.net Specifically to Their Imperial Majesties, please submit a written copy of the State of the Empire Address to be included in the July Agenda. I will also need the names of any newly recognized subdivisions, any changes in existing subdivisions; and, any other Writs (I have the Writs on Archery and Courts). Specifically to Dame Kitara Kell, Imperial Steward, please include in your written report the banking resolution (research and final outcome on finding a new bank), the current status of the Imperial Treasury, Expenditure Items that need to be voted on; and, your review or revision of the current Imperial Steward's Manual. I only have Word 97. Please try to summarize the status of the treasury report in a written form. If you need to include graphs or data please contact me. I may be able to receive and post those files through Countess Lady Dame Serina. Specifically to Dame Rahja Ahmina, Imperial Minister of the Arts, please report on or submit the proposed Imperial Manual for Arts Judging. Thank you for your time and assistance. Always, Rose Secretary to Sir William Baine, Imperial Chancellor

## From the Imperial Arts and Sciences Minister

It is with much sorrow that I come to you on this somber occasion. I come to the populace as I might try to locate a replacement for the EAST COAST DEPUTYIMPERIAL MINISTER OF ARTS AND SCIENCES. Please make your populace, friends, and family aware of my search as I want to give all a faire opportunity to vie for this difficult, but rewarding, position. I especially put the challenge to those in York, Annelynrose, Isenwold, Chesapeake (I know I am forgetting someone but you have the idea) to find a dedicated and understanding person for this position.

Thank you, Al-Farisa Rahja Ahmina bint Husam of Basir Imperial Arts and Sciences Minister

### The new Imperial Minister of Archery

The new Imperial Minister of Archery is Sir Morgan Blackthorne Baron Von Lagersuufer We are please that Sir Morgan has accepted this great responsibilty, as this discipline is in it's infancy and he will have alot of work fine tuning it. Sir Morgan's Deputies shall be announced later, as soon as I hear back from them. Sir Morgan can be reached at: baron@lagersuufer.net

Please contact the Imperial Chroniclers for a copy of the New Archery Manual!!!

## From the Imperial Chronicler's Pen

August is the next Arts & Sciences Quarterly!! All entries must be in by July 20th. Send in your bardics, recipes, documentation of an arts entry (with judges comments, if possible). GET YOURSELF PUBLISHED!

Attention Populace!

Come visit our web site at

adrianempire.org

## Aragon

Firstly, we would like to thank everyone for working so hard to make coronation a most wonderful event. We truly enjoyed ourselves and hope everyone did as well. Kudos to the feastocrats, Sire Squire Beatrice and Squire Donovan, for a great meal under "interesting" circumstances and kudos to Sire Adrian for the site.

Secondly, we want to thank His Excellency Sir Cyrus for all his help this last year as Chancellor and Her Excellency Dame Serina for doing a great job as Rolls & Lists. Both of these two will be putting their skills to other use in Adria and we wish them the best. Thank you.

Also thanks to Sir Camillo for his service as our Sovereign of Arms. We know it only added to his incredibly packed schedule. To all those who served as ministers for part of the year and as deputies, thanks for your hard work as well.

Congratulations to our new Kingdom Champions: Baron Sir David von Albrecht in Steel; Squire Donovan in Ren and Shinai; Marquise Sir Cyrus in archery; and Lord Sire Squire Hrothgar in Arts & Sciences.

And now for the future...

Banner War is upon us during the Memorial Day Weekend in Umbria (Flagstaff, Arizona). Baron Sven has procured a 52 foot box trailer. He will haul anything anyone needs hauled. The Golden Horde is bringing their faire encampment, complete with fence and tower. So everyone come out and help make our "rising star" shine even brighter. It will be a great weekend.

In August we accept Umbria's challenge and will fight the first Cactus War. The site and details are to follow. This will be great practice for the Imperial Crown War in September. Help us win back the ship, "The Indigo Rose" for Her Majesty from "Mad King Duriel."

We would like to welcome our new ministers and deputies for the upcoming year. They will help make sure it is a great (and fun) one for us all.

In Service the Dream,

HRM Earl Sir Winfred and HRM Comtesse Dame Anginette

## Aragon's Coronation – A Regal Event

The Coronation on May 1-2 was wonderful. Saturday's events included a feast by the County of the Black Rose, feastocratted by Squire Donovan and Sire Squire Beatrice. The menu included delicious lemon chicken, pork ribs, bread braids, vegetables, and fruit. The crowns were treated to Cornish game hens as well. Coronation was conducted during the Feast. Sitting at the high table with Their Royal Majesties Sir Winfred and Dame Anginette were:

Sir Francois De Coucy , the Grandmaster of the Dream:

Her Highness, Dame Katherine Marshall;

Her Royal Majesty, Dame Rowyn and His Royal Majesty, Sir Duriel of Umbria

Sir Francois De Coucy crowned their Royal Majesties. Also in attendance was Sir Warhammer of Terra Nueve and several other dignitaries from out-Kingdom.

Several Adrians received their knighthoods during court. Sir Chrysagon de Winter received his second level knighthood in ministry as well as the Order of the Table Round, the highest honor one may achieve in Adria. Sir Francois De Coucy nominated their Royal Majesties for this honor as well as the honor of "Protector of the Dream".

His Royal Majesty Sir Winfred received his second level knighthood in ministry, as did Her Royal Majesty Dame Anginette. Her Highness, Dame Katherine received her knighthood in Arts & Sciences.

Sunday's activities involved the Champions' Tourney in Steel, won by His Excellency, Sir David von Albrecht. All other champions' battles were postponed due to the reckoning of the "Winds of St. Antonio" which were summoned by Sir Chrysagon de Winter in retribution for the attempted canonization of Sir Warhammer by His Excellency, Sir Cyrus during the granting of boons by Their Royal Majesties during court on Saturday.

The Champions' Tourney was rescheduled for Saturday the following week. At the Tourney, Squire Donovan won in shinai and sergeant's ren to become Aragon's champion of shinai and ren. His Excellency, Sir Gwyllum earned

a knight's list in ren. The Arts Champion remained Lord Sire Squire Hrothgar.

#### Fools' War was a Riotous Romp!

Fools' War was an hysterical event in which members of Adria from Aragon, Terra Nueve, and Umbria united for fun and laughter.

The Friday Revel started the event after setting up the site. Members sat around a roaring fire singing songs, telling tall tales, and generally having a great time.

Saturday was even better. The tavern never closed and continued to serve excellent food, cider, and ice-cold water. Highlights of the event include:

Sir David von Albrecht recounted the tale of his quest for the feathered monster required of him by Countess Dame Serene and presented her with his spoils: two ducklings

Sir Camillo di Lombardi won for most outrageous costume

Squire Arden and Lord Edward the Enslaved won the doodle joust - Lord Edward made a most excellent steed for his diminutive rider

In the Captive Carry, the winning team consisted of Sir Crysagon de Winter, Sir David von Albrecht, Baron Squire Gwyllum du Drane, and Lord Gavin MacRaith.

The winning captive was Andrea Malany, who refused be carried completely across the first part of the field

Baron Squire Gwyllum du Drane, and the rest of the members of his team, won the War of the Azure Spheres

Lord Sire Squire Hrothgar groveled most subjectly to Sir William Baine due to his destruction of Sir Baine's marshal's staff while using it to hit one of the azure war spheres...

More highlights from Saturday's festivities include the Bob Tourney, where fighters win upon striking blows upon the both arms of their rivals, was very interesting. The winners were:

Shinai - Lord Edward the Enslaved Ren - Squire Bradley Eriksson (sergeant's list)

Ren - Baron Squire Gwyllum (knight's list)

Steel - Sir David von Albrecht

As part of the Fools' War spirit of fun, a

red, "mushroom" shaped candle was presented to Squire Beatrice in appreciation for opening her house and home to the Barony of the Sea Wolf. The candle, presented by Baron Morgan Murray, was carved by Malcolm, Lord Nigel, and Little John late Saturday evening.

On a more sober note, Sir Chrysagon de Winter was injured during the Sunday steel. His wrist was lacerated, but thanks to the concerted efforts of Adrians from Aragon and Terra Nueve, he will recover completely. We are truly grateful for the skill and kinship shown by our fellow Adrians from Terra Nueve.

## Chesapeake

Greetings! We have been very busy this past month, with the preparations for the Banner War. With Spring finally arriving, the flowers in bloom and skirmish brewing – LET THE GAMES BEGIN!!!! The Banner War will be concluded with the winners, champions, feasting and the populace having returned to their regions. Hopefully all have accomplished what they set out to do. May we see you at the Imperial War in the Fall.

Our May Crown Event was held at the Harte Manor overlooking the waters of the Chesapeake. Our Event was well attended and the combatants list was very challenging. To Baron Aerindane McLorie and Baroness Kyra Evaine of the Barony of Narnia, the populace very graciously welcome you to our Court. We held our first Archery Tournament at the May Crown Event. Baron Aerindane McLorie is our champion Archer and leaving the rest of the archers needing many hours of practice and improvement. May the Arrows fly at the next Tourney. Sire Chris MacDraco our champion of the Shinai and Cormac O'Brien, champion with the Ren. Our combatants are ready to challenge and to do battle. Baron Aerindane McLorie was the winner of the Arts Tourney.

With June in the foresight, our plans is foreseen for the festivities of the Summer Solstice. The park will be full of combatants, music, feasting and activities. The feast shall be of summer foods and nourishment. June is the time to get out and enjoy Mother Earth around

you. Enjoy yourself in your Region and take advantage of the warmth and refreshment of your surroundings.

With this, our hopes and dreams of the game grows and prospers for the Crown and the Populace.

Sven Iceman, Viking Dragon Lord Lord Protector, Shire of Chesapeake

Megan Rhys,

Lady Protector, Shire of Chesapeake

## Esperance

We send greetings!!

We would like to thank all that came to celebrate the Knighting and subsequent crowning of Our Queen. We would especially like to thank: Prince Jehan for officiating the ceremony, amazing as always and a true boon to Our reign..

Aodhgan O'Sionnaigh, The Queen's Personal Guard, for his reading of the Prayer of Saint Patrick and for being there for Us. Aodhgan, you are a dear friend to Us, and We don't see you enough.

His Grace, Lord Galadon Pendragon, Earl of Gondor, Knight Champion, Husband of Our dear sister, and now Captain of the Queen's Guard. Another dear friend whom we don't see enough.

Our dear Chronicler, Lady Lenora, who's patience and mere presence on Saturday night did put Our Queen at ease. You are very dear to Us, and our love is with you.

Their Majesties of Terre Nueve, King Tremain and Queen Josephine. Thank you for coming to share Our Queen's day. We shall attempt to school Our wayward knights in the ways of diplomacy and courtesy towards foreign dignitaries.

And for all who have supported Us and have Wished Us success through Our reign.

We apologize for the lateness of the feast (many did leave before we got everything done), but once it came about it was excellent well. Thank you to all who had brought items to share. Thank you especially to Dame Maedb and the Hedgehogs for their delightful puddings!! Your support and love is something We are most grateful for.

In the very near future we have some big

events happening. Memorial Day weekend is the Banner War in Umbria. Contact King Duriel of Umbria for details. June 26th and 27th (site pending), Lord Gerhard and the March MacCabra will be hosting a William Marshall style tourney and Pas d'Armes. We understand there is an unusual setting for renn! This will be an overnight event, with a site that will be "discreetly wet". More details to come! Esperance is to host the Western Imperial War for Labor day weekend. That site is as yet undetermined.

Another reminder for all Estates holders of Esperance. It is your responsibility to host at least one event per year. Please contact Sq. Michel du Gard, Our Warden to arrange a date!!

And finally, Our chronicler reports that submissions are sparse....please, please, please submit articles to the chronicler for publications, We would like to hear from you all!!

In Service to Esperance and the Empire!
Reilly Elspeth

# Unto the Nobles and Populace of the Empire, We send Our Greetings!!

As was customary in the times of our ancestors, it is hereby the desire of the most noble Kingdom of Esperance to further the honor and renown not only of our own Kingdom, but also of the preux knights, squires and men-at-arms who answer our challenge. We in the Kingdom seek to advance the cause of knighthood and to demonstrate our faithfulness unto the arts of arms, seeking to ennoble both ourselves and the venans by our exercises. Further, we hope to bring enjoyment to the noble members of the gallery, certainly our inspiration on these fine and glorious days. In the words of the 14th century chronicler Froissart, "We beg all those noble knights and squires who are willing to proffer challenge, not to imagine for a moment that we are doing this out of pride, hatred, or malice, but in order to have the honor of your company and to get to know you better, a thing which we desire with our whole hearts. And there shall be no unfair advantage, fraud, trickery, or evil design, nor anything not approved by those

appointed to guard this lists."

First Item: This tournament shall take place on June 26th, in the first year of Reilly and Elspeth's Reign being the year thirteen anno Adriano and ending on the afternoon of the 27th.

Item: On the morning and afternoon of the first day shall be a William Marshall Ransom Tournament in the manner of a behourde.

Item: On the night of the first day there shall be an evening of gentlemenly entertainment in our local tavern consisting of food, drinke, gaming, dueling, and other delights. We ask all wishing to please the visitors with their culinary gifts to prepare to bring forth their best dish for comparison. We also ask all wishing to entertain the visitors of this tavern to bring forth your best Bardic performance for the enjoyment of the populace.

Item: On the morning of the seconde day there shall be a Pas d'Armes held in the customary manner, being contested solely for honor and renown, rather than for the base spirit of victory. We bid all gentles who would demonstrate their prowess on this day to report to the lists, accoutred in the usual way, but with exceptional splendor and bearing their pennant.

Item: There will be no prizes for these tournaments, but it is strongly recommended that the individual combatants bear tokens of their appreciation with them that they can present to the combatants or consorts who strike them as particularly worthy of honor. In this way will the renown of virtuous combatants and fair ladies be strengthened, such being the purpose of the tournament.

Item: The site of this tournament has been deemed "discreetly wet" but all in attendance will follow the right noble Kingdom of Esperance's drinking policy. No fighting after any drinking. But in the evening tavern, we've made accomodations.. details the day of the event.

Item: This Grand Tourney shall be held in North Long Beach at the Campfire Girls Campsite, located near the intersection of Lakewood Blvd and Carson St. Maps will be available. Site Fee is set at \$15 per person age 14 and older, children as always are included (free). This is a camping event starting Friday 6/25 at 4 pm.

Item: More details shall be made available as they become available.

Item: We humbly request all Heralds announce this tournament to their Lords and Ladies so that we may ensure a large gathering of Nobles, Knights, Squires, and Men-at-arms for this tournament.

This Grand Tournament is possible due to the hard work and research put forth by Our wonderous and noble Minister of War and Joust, Lord Gerhard Lagersuufer. We look forward to seeing you all there!!

This Grand Tourney shall be held in North Long Beach at the Campfire Girls Campsite, located near the intersection of Carson St. and Los Coyotes Diagonal. Maps will be available. Site Fee is set at as follows:

From Esperance, Terre Nueve, and Sangreal: \$15 per person age 14 and older.

From Tierre del Fuego, Umbria, Valley of the Kings, and Aragon: \$10 per person age 14 and older.

Points farther (away from Esperance): \$8

Children (under 14) as always are free. This is a camping event starting Friday 6/25 at 4 PM.

Any questions contact:

Lord Gerhard Lagersuufer at geoff@schemel.com or

King Reilly at king\_reilly@bigfoot.com or

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In Service to Esperance and the Empire!
Reilly Rex Elspeth Regina

### Terre Nueve

Greetings one and all,

Terre Nueve has had a busy year. Demos are happening almost every month, We have had many new Knights, our illustrious new Queen as well as the now Dame Allora, just to name a two. Well done one and all. The Kingdom of Terre Nueve is the oldest and the best Kingdom in the Adrian Empire! We have the best Knights, Squires, Lords, Lady's, and populous Empire Wide. Our new King and Queen are Sure to enhance what others began and the Empire will be better for it. They asked me to be their

Chronicler and I agreed to serve them. But alas, those have asked me, that I admire most to take on a great Quest, and this quest will conflict with my duties as Royal Chronicler. I have asked theirs Majesties to relive me of my duties and find another, and they did agree. I wish my successor well. Fear not!!! My Days with the quill are far from over. That is all I may say. But those that will remember my writings in the past will have a hint of what is to come.

At the May event in TN, My Lady Wife, and myself held a collegian for the hobbits 12 and under. We held a drawing/coloring tourney (not an official tourney). We had three judges choose the two best drawings and those hobbits got a blue ribbon and a red ribbon, everyone else will be receiving a white ribbon at next month's event. We will also be holding another of these collegian at our next event. This time we will be starting to teach the children how to cross-stitch with some very simple designs. Our goal with this work is to get the hobbits of the kingdom interested in the game that we all love so much. So far we have barely touched on the need for documentation, we want them to start having fun with it first, The rest will come in time. So a warning to the Empire. Terre Nueve's next generations of Artisans are going to be the best we can make them.

In Service.

Sir Phelan Kell De'Coucy Sub-Chief of Clan Kildarn Chronicler of Terre Nueve

### Umbria

Greetings and Salutations

We have enjoyed wonderful weather as of late, and with the growth of our Populace, we find ourselves having many Tourneys and Practices.

We have a grand total of 5 Cantons now (Not including the Western Cantons of Esperance and Terre Neuve!); Thunar, Inverness, Vestraheim, Valle de Luna and Le Croix de Fir. The Viceroys are Lord Sir Waldham von Torsvan, Lord Sir Iain Mackintosh, Lord Sir Roland of the Icelands, Lord Sir Angus McAllister Kilshannig, and Lord Sir Rashalak von Lombard.

We also have 2 new Marches: The March of the Rising Star (Marquis Waylon of

Winchester and Marquessa Justina) and the March of Fyre Astolat (Marquis Sir Iain Mackintosh and Marquessa Sebile). There have been many Squirings as of late, along with a few Pages and Ladiesin-waitings.

The Kingdom stands firm with approximately 165 members, and continued growth is expected.

We will have had our first Archery Tournament by the time this missive reaches the Populace. We even had our first Heavy Renn Tourney, with the first win going to Lord Sir James the Red. The Queen, Dame Roawyn O'Riley, has gathered a treasure chest full of prezzies for our Kingdom Tourney winners. And such wonderful trinkets to choose from! We recently had a Knight Auction, where the Knights of Umbria were auctioned off for a day of "Squiring" to non-Knights. This was done in an effort to raise money for the Treasury of Umbria. The Crowns, Queen Roawyn and King Duriel, were "bought" for a total of \$70.00 - a sum raised by the Free Amazons! As mentioned on the Tavern walls, any suggestions for the "service" due from the King and Queen would be greatly appreciated! Many other Knights were "sold", and this Auction may occur

The 8th of May, 1999, was a glorious day for the 3rd Canton of Inverness Tournament. The Canton of Inverness lies in the North of the Mighty Kingdom of Umbria, with His Grace Lord Sir Iain Mackintosh as Viceroy.

again in the future!

We had a Knight's Renn List for combat, and the winner was the Herald of the Canton - Herald Jester Captain Just Puck 4 Now.

Our Art's List was graced with a perfect score of 30 for a Calligraphy Poem entered by Lord Captain Michael Sinestro, and a perfect score of 30 for a Leather Spangenhelm entered by His Grace Lord Sir Iain. The judges also felt both deserved to be awarded a Master Work, with the Helm taking the win. As this will be read after the Banner War, we do hope all that attended the West Coast War enjoyed the Umbrian

Until next month...
Respectfully,

hospitality.

Lord Sir James the Red Royal Chronicler of Umbria

### York

Greetings to the Populace of the Adrian Empire,

York was graced with a most beautiful spring day on which to hold the May event. In opening Court, Baroness Dame Brejenne Cunningham took her first Squire. In an impressive Scottish Pagan ceremony, Skye O'Malley Meladuis, took her Oaths of loyalty to Dame Brejenne. Sire Sir Nikademus also took a new Squire, York's Herald, Malcolm. HRM Sir Killian Oakesblood has a new Page, Dylan Meladuis. Page Dylan is not alone. Brach Netherwood became Count Sir Raffe's new Page. There is a new Sheriff in town. The King's Squire Nicola was sworn in as York's Royal Sheriff. The Sheriff collects taxes from those he finds with mundane items at an event. Remember whether you are from York or a visitor, the Sheriff is always on the lookout. Before the winners of the lysts are revealed, I have a correction to make. Due to an error, the winner of the March Knight's Renn lyst was incorrectly listed. Sir Zachary was the victor of this Lyst. My apologizes for any problems this may have cased.

Onto the winners of May. In the Shinnai lyst and Sergeants Renn lyst Alaric Thorne was the double victor. In the Knight's Renn lyst, a creative scenario of find and return the King's Sword, Sir Zachary triumphed. In an impressive and hard fought steel lyst, Squire Elric took his first victory. In the Arts, York had two Masterworks awarded. HRM Dame Jericho received a Masterwork and a tie for the win with her embroidered favor. The person she tied with for the win was Sir Raffe. He also received a Masterwork for his wooden casket, that was adorned with a carved Greenman, oak leaves and acorns.

Our Jester, Raymond, was again up to his entertaining antics. He obtained the service of 4 of York's members to perform an act of balance. He sat them all in small chair's, then laid them back on one another. Finally he removed the chairs, leaving the men suspended in balance. The hard part came when the men had to get up!

In Service to the Dream, Josephine Durand Unto Lord Sir Temjur and Squire Devyn, Unto All within the Lands of Adria, I do send greetings.

I would like to extend a most humble apolgy to Lord Sir Temjur and his squire, Devyn Morgan for any undue heartache caused by My actions.

In recent events within the Kingdom of York, I made an error in counseling Squire Devyn Morgan without her knight, Sir Temjur present. This counseling, concerning matters with regards to misinformation distributed by Squire Devyn, was addressed during a Renaissance Faire where tempers were lost by all who were present. Although matters have been resolved, one issue still needs to be addressed.

The dispute was with a squire under the protection of a knight. As I am sworn to uphold the rights of the Chivalry, it is My duty to maintain and support the squire's protection. By swearing her oath of fealty to her knight, the squire entered the fealty "chain of command," which flows from the Crowns down through the links of vassalage through knights, squires, unto the simplest of pages and retainers. Each knight who enters the Chivalry, and swears the oaths, is elevated by the Crowns and owes fealty to the Crowns. Conversely, the Crowns owe the Chivalry and its vassals all due protections. The Crowns have ultimate power and authority to resolve disputes within a Kingdom, but the Chivalry are a fundamental and indispensable component of that power and authroity. We exist in a feudal heirarchy, and that heirarchy must be respected.

My first act with regard to the squire should have been to ask her the location of her knight. This I did, and it was discovered that her knight was not present. At that point, I should have asked the location of the knight into whose protection the squire had been entrusted for the day. If her knight had failed to entrust her into the protection of another knight for the day, I should have inquired of the squire as to whether there was a knight present who would represent her interests. Of course, if it developed that there was no knight present to protect the squire, the fealty "chain of command" would lead directly to the Crowns, and the squire would be under Our direct protection and authority-- possibly making it necessary

for Us to deal with the squire directly. Under such circumstances, it would have been incumbent upon the Crowns to determine wheter the dispute was an urgent one, requiring immediate resolution, or whether resolution could be delayed to afford the squire an opportunity to avail herself of her knight. In this case, resolution of the dispute was not urgent, although I was anxious to have the matter resolved.

My error was in dealing with the squire directly without first making certain that there was no knight to protect her. In this, I jumped down several levels of the feudal heirarchy and brought the full Royal weight to bear against a squire without her having the benefit of a knight's presence and counsel.

I apologize for this failure.

By my hand,

Lady Dame Jericho Gutte d'Or Queen of York

I have been a bad King, I'm sorry. HRM Lord Sir Killian Oakesblood

## Attention Populace

Do you want a copy of the NEW Archery Manual?? Control Imperial Chroniclers

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Let us know if you want it in electronic form or hardcopy!!

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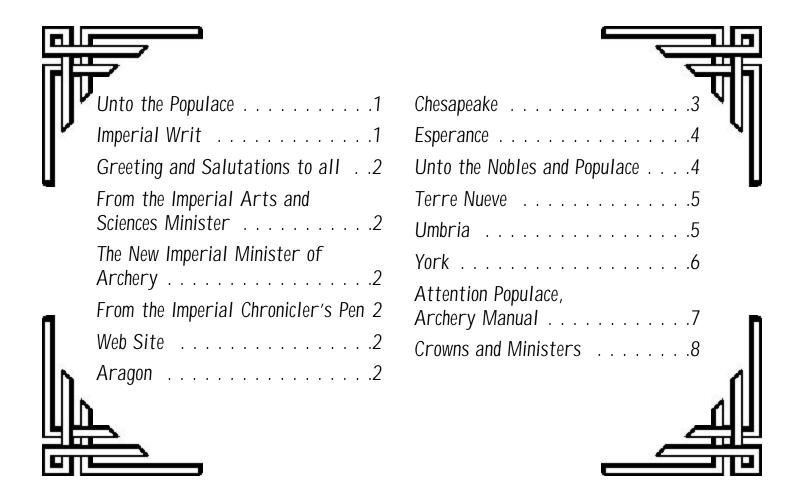
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