



#### JANUARY

28 - Demo, Cub Scouts., 1650 S. Water. (Contact David the Silent for information)

#### FEBRUARY

- DEADLINE FOR THE FEBRUARY DRAGONFLYPE.
- Officer's Meeting, 4:00pm, Baronial Manor.
- Calontir Costume Seminar, Forgotten Sea, (Kannan City,
- 15 Calontir Scribes Symposium, Shadowdale, (lowa City, IA) See inside for flyre.
- 15 Estrella Wars, Barony of Sundragon, (Phoenix, AB)
- 17 Kingdom of Atenveldt.
- 22 Known World Marshal's Symposium, (tentative date), V'tavia, (Wichita, KS). For more information, contact HPM Edward.

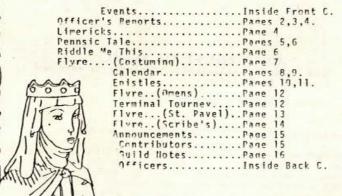
#### MARCH

- 1. The Feast of St. Pavel, Standing Stones, (Columbia, MO) See inside for flyre. DEADLINE FOR THE MARCH DRAGONFLYRE.
- ? Ides of March, Plus..... (V'tavia, (Wichita, KS) Check with David the Silent for date and time.
- 29 Omens of Doom, College of No Mountain, (Grinnell, IA) See inside for flyre.

#### APRIL

- DEADLINE FOR THE APRIL DRAGONFLYRE.
- RenFaire, Kansas Newman College. V'tavia, (Wichita, KS) 26 Contact David the Silent if interested in assisting the preparations.

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# MinisterofArts & Science

From:

Lord Aelfric Frithariksson, Minister of arts and

Sciences in V'tavia:

To:

The Populace of V'tavia:

Greetings and fair wishes for the New Year to you.

Very little has happened concerning my office in the past days since I wrote you last. At the Twefth Night event in Lonely Tower, I was lucky enough to win the brewing competition with a cordial of spearmint and fennel. The cordial was intended for the herbalism contest, but because there were too few entries, Ed. Yves, with whom I sent my entry, decided to enter it in the brewing category instead. I point this out to make a point: you can't win if you don't enter, and you may do better than you had hoped or even thought notable. If I had been in Lonely Tower myself, I probably would not have placed my entry into competition into the competition, because there are so many fine brew-masters in Calentir that "I would never stand a chance!" WRONG: Come on, give it a shot! You never know......

As I announced at the Baronial Christmas Court, I need to know what guilds or interest groups are active in Vitavia. If you are a guild head, or in charge of an interest group, pleas please contact me before February 1, 1986. For an interest group, all I need to know is what the group is interested in, when and where you meet, and who often. For a guild, I would like a copy of the charter as it now stands, including any changes form the original, and a membership list. I would also be interested in any group projects. If I am not contacted by February 1, I will drop that guild or interest group from my report to my superiors, and hence consign that group to essential non-existence.

I can be reached at 269-0818 from 2:30pm until 10:30pm on weeknights. I will also be at the officer's meetings and at all baronial courts. Failing that, please write me at:

400 W. Central #1405 Wichita, KS 67203

Yours in service to V'tavia: Aclfric Frithariksson, Esq.

# From the Seneschal

Office in transition.

## From the Chronicler

Unto the populace of V'tavia:

You have before you the January issue of the Dragonflyre. When you open it, you will find that it is a little different than it has been in the past. By this I mean that there are more "news" items, (ie. flyres, calendar items, ect.,), and less "fun stuff." There are two reasons for this change: one is that being a newsletter requires the inclusion of "news," and the other is that we are not receiving the "fun stuff" that we have been given in the past. The first reason does not bother me, (we need to be current on what is happening), the second item, however, does bother me. Without your submissions, the Dragonflyre could become pretty dull. Sure, I can reprint articles, (in fact, the Something Borrowed column from last month is just that), but after a while, that will become boring, you will lose interest, and I will tear my hair out more than I do.

So please, if you have a frustrated muse who is just dying to find expression, or just want to try your hand at being a writer, give it a try. You have nothing to lose. I DO NOT hold back articles except for three reasons, 1) no redeeming social value, (ie. pornography), 2) science fiction or fantasy based, (on this I AM negotiable), and 3) blatant plagiarism, (no comment). Anything else is fair game. If you have any questions regarding this policy, please let me know. After all, (And I cannot say this LOUD enough) this is your newsletter too. We want the Dragonflyre to represent V'tavia as much as possible, and since YOU are V'tavia, you have to contribute too.

With this little lecture, I am going to close this report with a list of the currently running columns in the Dragonflyre. If you see something you would like to write for, please do. I will look foreward to hearing from you.

CONGRATULATIONS - Let us know what was done, by whom, and when.
EPISTLES FROM FRAY GABRIEL - Already in progress
LIMERICKS FROM GABRIELLE - Already in progress
SOMETHING BORROWED - Anything from another S.C.A. publication.
FLAGONORYER TAYLES - Book Reviews
THE CALONTIR SONGBOOK - Any S.C.A. Top 40 Hit you'd like to have.
RAINWATER IN THE AZORES - Temporarily suspended until I can contact
the author.

THE PENNSIC TALE - Already in progress and various Poems, Cartoons, Artwork and Calligraphy

I remain, in service to Calontir and V'tavia:

TUIA KYNARA OF ILLYRICUM

#### LD. JANOS

Lord Janos, bard of musical might
Maketh garb that's a wonderous sight,
For the Ladies he's treating,
Advancing, retreating:
All dressed up in his doublet and tights.

#### LY. TUIA

The rumor is down at the draper's,
That Tuia succommed to the vapours,
She revived from her swoon,
Indeed, none too soon-She'd been buried 'neath a mountain of papers!

by. Gabrielle the Covert

<u>Dditor's Note</u>: Any resemblance to V'tavians living, or dead is purely intentional, and is done purely in the interest of fun. Fe thee warned, you may be next. Pennsic

v. Lawrence the Leech

The following is a continuation of the Pennsic Chronicle first printed in the September, A.S. XX, issue of the Dragonflyre. My sincere apologies to the author for the delay.

found a light heart to be a good antidote to the grey skies, but these clouds continued to grow heavy and threatened rain.

I was called to serve quard to their Highnesses in the early afternoon, as they met then with other crowned heads. It offered me a chance to talk with guards of other parties and share gossip. You meet some interesting people in the wards of the guard; and hours passed in genial conversation can shed much light on rumors heard or half heard. I collected much information to pass on to those who needed it and would best know its use. I was enthralled by the tales of a guard from Drachenwald...of lands and castles...places I may never see... Well, guard duty has much to offer an active mind. Their Highnesses passed the time with the small talk of nobility while I watched the sky.

All is not fun and games for an event of this magnitude, and duty calls for all. My skills as a chirurgeon were in demand, as were all who traveled from Calontir. We met to organize at Chirurgeon's Point and discussed plans for the uncoming battles. But nature had its own plans. At mid-afternoon, a wind started. It was only a short time before lightning flashed, and torrents fell to the ground - but not straight to the ground...no...it fell sideways with the force of the wind. All hands fell to and prevented tents from blowing away or collapsing from the weight of the water. It was a harrowing passage of time (two hours) with fierce winds and bright flashes of lightning. It was enough to make one believe in Odin and Thor...enough to make one realize how small one is....... But all storms pass, and this one did too, leaving us cold and wet. Innkeeper, you would have been proud of Calontir; our small band say that none suffered more than was fair. We shared our food and our dry cloaks with any in need, and our people saw no want for shelter and friendship. His Highness saw to that. I spent my hours building fires and checking on the welfare of all at his bequest. Once camp was secured again, we joined to swap tales of our days. It was then a strange appar-

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#### PENNSIC, (cont.)

ition appeared ... Count Sir Thoman Shadan Secarius (with paintul foot) was in need of bearers for a rickshaw and was paying in mead....he did not lack for volunteers, and he shared with all his wonderous spirits ... . a warm ending to a cold evening, I can assure you. It helped to keep the wet of the night at bay. As evening progressed, more arrived from Calontir, and helping them set up kept most of us busy for some time. Once the work was done, there was time to savor old friends and good spirits. The night did not pass unmarked.

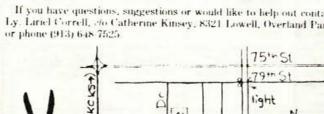
TO BE CONTINUED.....

RIDDLE ME THIS.....

- 1. It wasn't the moon, it wasn't the stars, yet it lighted the fields.
- 2. Down in the dale there sits and stands eight legs and two hands. Livers and lights and lives three, I count him wise that tells this me.
- 3. Little Nancy Etticoat, with a white petticoat, and a red nose. She has no feet or hands, yet the longer she stands, the shorter she grows.
- 4. There are four brothers in the world, the first runs but is never tired; the second eats but is never satisfied: the third drinks but is never full; the fourth sings but his song is not pleasant to the ear.
- 5. First you see me in the grass, dressed in yellow gay next I am in dainty white, then I fly away.
- 6. Two brothers are we, great burdens we bear, by which we are bitterly pressed. In truth we may say, we are full all the day, but empty when we go to rest.

tion, b. A pair of shoes.

13. A candle. 4. Water, fire, earth, and wind. 5. A dande-2. A man on horseback with a hawk on his arm.



\* Map Not to Scale

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COSTUMING SEMINAR

Saturday, February 8, 1986 9 A.M. to 6 P.M.

Renrint, Jan.

XX, Mews

Sponsored by the Clothiers Guild of Forgotten Sea

"Oh dear, the event is in two weeks and I haven't a thing to wear. Maybe I'll do that Tudor I saw in that book or possibly an Italian bodice, or well, maybe a T-tunie with nice trim would do.

Does this sound familiar? Despair not, good gentle! Be ye a total beginner, an intermediate or an out-and-out experienced seamstress, have we got a session for you! We'll try to cover as much as possible from "The Terrors of Tudor Terminology" to "Pattern Drafting". There will be sessions on accessories such as "Leather Boots". And there will be a luncheon Round Robin discussion on whatever you'd like to talk about. Also, for all those materials that looked great at the store, but not so when you got it home or that you've decided isn't the right color after all, we'll have a "Fabric & Trim Swap". Somebody else may think it's just right for them.

The site will be the Overland Park Presbyterian Church at 8029 Overland Park Dr., Overland Park, KS. This is a dry site with plenty of parking available and several fast food places nearby. (Maps will be available at the event.) There will be NO SITE FEE and drinks will be provided. (Crash space must be by your own arrangement.)

If you have questions, suggestions or would like to help out contact: Ly. Liriel Correll, No Catherine Kinsey, 8321 Lowell, Overland Park, KS 66212

ANSWERS.....

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### Calendar

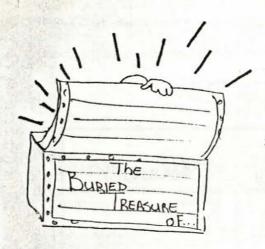
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\*\*\*\*CUILD MEETINGS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE.

### of Events

Friday Saturday Thursday January 24 7:00 Archery January 25 January 23 (See Yves if Interested) January 30 January 31 February 1 7:00 Archery (See Yves if Interested) February 8 February 6 February 7 7:00 Archery Calontir Costume Seminar Forgotten Sea, (K.C.) (See Yves if Calontir Scribes Symposium Shadowdale, (Iowa City) Interested) February 13 February 14 February 15 Estrella Wars, SunDragon 7:00 Archery (Phoenix, AZ) (See Yves if Interested) February 20 February 21 February 22 Knowne World Marshall's 7:00 Archery Symposium, V'tavia (See Yves if (Wichita, MS) Interested) February 28 March 1 February 27 7:00 Archery Feast of St. Pavel (See Yves if Standing Stones, (Colum-Interested) bia. MO) March 6 March 7 March 8 7:00 Archery (See Yves if Interested) March 12 March 13 March 14 7:00 Archery (See Yves if Interested)

\*\*\*\*CHECK WITH THE GUILD LEADER FOR CURRENT DATE & TIME.



EPISTLES FROM FREY

GABRIEL

Well, my friends:

Christmas-tide and Twelfth Night are now past, and the world once again is become mundane and grey with winter's cold. We can but await the coming spring (only 74 days 'til Easter). But at least in this most favored of lands, most of us have our well-gotten gains and Christmas tree plunder to warm our hearts 'til then.

The most avaricious of plunderers, a group of peoples whose greed changed the course of European history were the Danes, Norse and Swedes, known to most of us simply as "the Vikings." A Viking was not neccessarily a blood-thirsty ravager. To go "a-viking" was to embark on a journey of gain, either by trade or by raiding. Which method was used depended upon the circumstances and which promised the greatest gain for the least risk. The vast empire of the Pus was built for more on trade than on conquest. Unfortunately, in Western Furope a great deal of wealth was placed in the hands of our brethern of the Church. Sworn to meek humility, not given to the war-like arts, often isolated from any hope of aid, they were perfect targets for viking raids.

The Viking, if he survived a trio (scurvy, the weather and defenders weapons claimed many), returned to his hearth with a great deal of plunder. On the Isle of Gotland, in the Baltic Sea, five hundred and twenty-five heards of buried viking treasure have been uncovered. Buried treasure was valuable, became a warrior in Valhalla could retrieve his plunder for use in the netherworld but only if it remained undisturbed. One of the Gotland finds yielded 2,673 Arabic silver coins; another hoard consisted of 15 pounds of arm rings and silver ingots. If the idea of Arabic Coins in a Norse treasure survizes you, consider this: a viking treasure hoard at Helgo, Sweden contained a bronze Buddha inlaid with silver from India.

Most Viking plunder was "hack-silver," capured armlets, bracelets, necklaces and other jewelry, some of it of fine workmanship, which were broken into smaller fraoments for ease of transport. The Viking peoples had no interest in any non-Nordic art, and would rather melt down exquisite Byzantine or Arabic meshwork for boullion value, or for Nordic Craftsmen to work into Norse patterns. Indeed, Viking gold and silver-smiths achieved very high standards of skill and were capable of drawing silverwire to one-tenth of a millimeter for use in delicate cloisonne or striking 'rope' patterns.

IPISTLES, Cont.

Warm must have been the hearts of those Norse warriors after a successful Viking, for little is more warming to look upon than the reflected fire-glow on a golden chalice of mead, while beyond the fire-hall a northern winter rages.

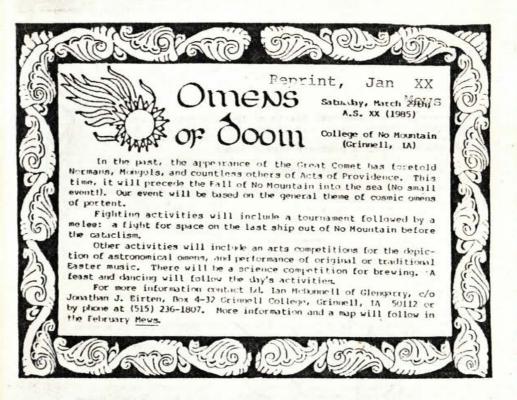
By-the-Bye, a treasure I found buried in the stacks at the Wichita Public Library is:

"How we found the Mary Rose." by Alexander McKee
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Until next month, I remain, Frey Gabriel of York.



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TERMINAL TOUPNEY

by. Tedrick von Wolfschatten



No Shit----- Here it is!

PAVEL The Oaf, the Thug, the Saint (! ? !)

The Shire of the Standing Stones, Columbia, MO announces the Feast and Martyrdom of Saint Pavel to be held on March!, A.S. XXI.

Site: Day Site-Rothwell Gymnasium, University of Missouri at Columbia Feast Site- Calvary Episcopal Church, 123 South 9th, Columbia, Mo

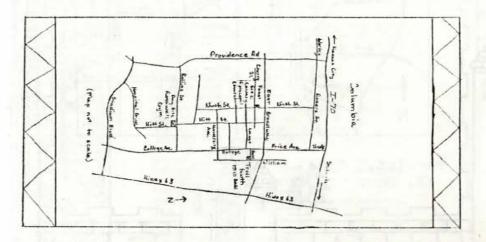
Time: 9:00 am- 12:00 midnight

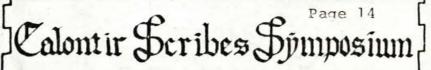
Features: Included are a tournament, martyrdom, and much more. Showers will be available at the dym. Fast food establishments are located nearby for lunch. More detailed information and a schedule of events will be sent in seneschal's flyers or can be obtained from the co-autocrat.

Feast: Hearty Russian dishes will be served. Feast and site fee will be \$6.00 through February 22 and \$7.00 after. Site fee is \$1.00 for those not purchasing feast tickets. Space is strictly limited to 125, so reservations should be made early. Please include any food allergies or restrictions with reservations. The sites are dry.

Friday Night Troll Booth will be at |5|0 Bass Ave. Columbia, Mo. 3|4-874-6036. Limited crash space is available.

Send reservations to: Theron the Bookseller c/c Theron Waldmen 603 Claudell Columbia, MO 65203 314-445-3123 For more info. contact: Theresa Petty 2012 W. Ash, Apt. F13 Columbia, Mo 65203 314-445-6920





February 15, A.S. XX Iowa Memorial Union University of Iowa Iowa City, Iowa

The Shire of Shadowdale invites one and all to the Calontir Scribes Symposium. the Symposium is in the Lucas-Dodge Room of the Iowa Memorial Union on the campus of the University of Iowa.

The Symposium will start at 10:00 a.m. and end sometime that evening. The building will stay open until midnight. Food is available several places within the building.

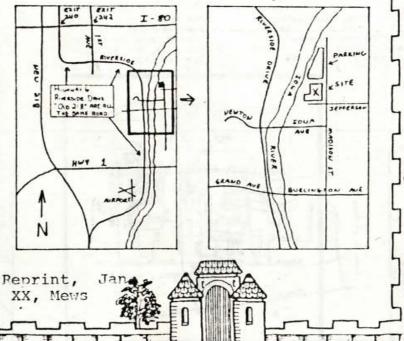
Tentative subjects include workshops for beginning and experienced scribes, left hand calligraphy, a business meeting and much time for exchange of ideas and information between scribes.

Crash space is available by private arrangement.
For those interested in teaching a subject, contact Lady

Zenobia of Rebelswood at (816) 692-4514.

For more information contact Lorell of Shrewsbury, c/o Kevin Richardson at (319) 728-2904.

### Shadowdale - Iona City, IA





#### WHY IS THIS MAN SMILING?

This sourcebook has been put on temporary hold. Because of this, we will not be having the "Naming Competition" listed in last month's Dragonflyre. But don't despair, if you have a great title you are just dying to use, keep it in mind. We will be asking for them again later.

#### MID-EASTERN DANCE.

Bns. Mammara is interested in teaching a one-on-one class of this subject. If you are interested in learing M.E.D., and would like more information, please contact Bns. Mammara.

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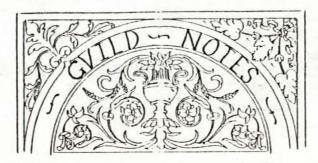
We are giving a demo for a Cub Scout pack on January 28, 1986. It will be at 7:00 at 1650 S. Water. The doors will open at 6:30 for "set up." We have approximately 45 minutes to use, and a good impression is neccessary. So come and join the fun. If interested, contact David the Silent.



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ARCHERY: Meets of Friday nights at Parry's Archery Range.
Call Ld. Yves Henri du Feauchasteau, (Glen Echelbarger), if interested. Phone: 722-9788.

BARDIC RECITATION: Meets Sunday from 5-7, at the home of Wylfrdd Taliesin. If interested, contact Ld. Wyl frdd, (Lance Newcome). Phone: 267-6402.

DANCE: Meets Wednesday at 7:00pm at the Fedmond Recreation Center at McConnell Air Force Pase. Contact Christianna du Beauchasteau, (Chris Echelbarger) for information. Fhone: 722-9788.

DRAMA: Meets Sunday 7:00pm at the home of Yves Henri du Beauchasteau, (Glen Echelbarger). If interested, call Yves at 722-9788.

FIGHTER PRACTICE: When Weather Permits, meets Sunday at 12:00 (noon) at North Linwood Park. Contact Conn Dryhtguma, (David Dressler) for details. Phone: 685-9565.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC: Py Appointment Only. Call Wylfrdd Taliesin, (Lance Newcome) if interested. Phone: 267-6402.

MIDEASTERN DANCE: Meets Wednesday concurrently with Dance on the FIRST Wednesday of the month. If interested, contact Bus. Mammara for details. Phone: 942-1058.

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POFULACE MEETINGS: There are two currently scheduled populace meetings. One meeting will be held at its regula lar date and time, Sunday - Noon. (See Fighter Fractice), and the other will be held on Wednesday, at 7:00pm THE SECOND WEDNESDAY OF THE NONTH. This meeting will be held concurrently with Dance, at the same place and time.

RESEARCH:

Ry Appointment Only. Contact Yves Henri du Reauchasteau, (Glen Echelbarger) for details. Phone: 722-9788.

SEWING: Meets Monday at 7:00pm at the home of Christianna du Peauchasteau, (Chris Echelbarger). Phone: 722-9788.

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