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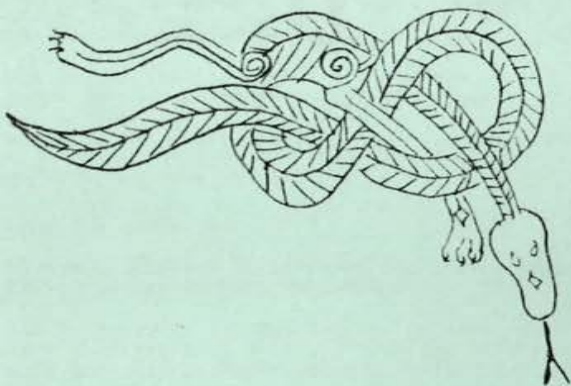


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15. Calontir Coronation, Three Rivers (St. Louis, MO)c  
29. Omens of Doom, NoMountain (Grinell, IA)c

APRIL

6. Officer's Meeting, 5:00pm at David the Silent's.  
5. Calontir Brewer's Guild Meeting, Shadowdale (Iowa City, IA)c  
12. R.U.S.H., Grimfells (Payetteville, AR)c  
25 to May 4 Twenty - Year Celebration, (Houston, TX)  
26 - Ren-Faire, Kansas Newman College, (Wichita, KS)  
27.  
26. Rites of Spring, Bois d'Arc (Independence, KS)c

MAY

2. - Festival of the Axe, Axed Root (Ames, IA)c  
3. See Feb. Dragonflyre for Details.  
10. St. George and the Dragon IV, Oak Heart (Springfield, MO)c  
17. Memorial Event & Stoutheart Tourney, Coeur d'Ennui (Des Moines, IA)c  
24. - Calontir Crown Tourney, Grimfells (Fayetteville, AR)c  
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JUNE

7. Middle/Calontir Interkingdom Event. (Tentative)  
14. Khan's Birthday, Standing Stones (Columbia, MO)c  
17. Seige of Lonely Tower, Lonely Tower (Omaha, NE)c  
28. War Maneuvers/Baronial War, Thousand Hills (Kirksville, MO)

JULY

4. Ansteorra/Calontir Interkingdom Event, V'tavia (Wichita, KS)c  
12. Archery Event, Coeur d'Ennui (Des Moines, IA)c

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THE SENESCHAL

Greetings, good gentles!

Ren-Faire is fast approaching (April 26-27). As in the past, we will be fighting & dancing. We will also be selling hats, garlands & lemonade. Archery and the dragon-toss will also be available.

As you can see, these are the same things we did in previous Ren-Faires. Any new ideas? Call me, we'll talk. Please remember that Ren-Faire can't work without your support and help.

On March 18, Big Brothers - Big Sisters will be having a Powling Tournament. They have asked V'tavia to come up with a team or two. Each team will have sponsor sheets (like the Walk-for-Man-kind). By the time you read this, I hope to have at least one team filled - but the more the merrier. If you can't bowl, please sponsor or donate to this worthy cause.

In service to V'tavia: Ld. David the Silent



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FROM THE KNIGHT-MARSHALL

I am currently looking for a deputy listmistress. If you are interested, please contact me at 685-9565.

In service to V'tavia: Ld. Conn Dryhtguma of Marr

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FROM THE CHAMPION

At the moment, our barony is safe and at peace. But the time could come when we would have need of our warriors. So we need to show up at fighter practice and keep in shape and sharpen our skills.

In service to V'tavia: Ld. Conn Dryhtguma of Marr

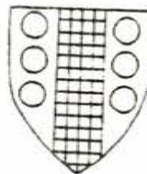
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FROM THE CHRONICLER

As you can see, The Dragonflyre has changed yet again. This month we are including more information, and less of the fun stuff. This change will, by necessity, make The Dragonflyre a trifle dry to read. Only you can change this situation. The Dragonflyre needs articles, artwork, or chronicles. So support your local newsletter, you will be glad you did.

- Many thanks to this month's contributors:
- Aelfric Fritharikkson: Chronicle
  - Iy. Algyth atte Apelyard: Front Cover Art, 6b, 7b.
  - Tuia Kynara of Illyricum: Front Cover c, 5c, 3, 9c, 10b, 11c.
  - The Dragonflyre Archives: Back Cover, Inside Back Cover,
  - The Dover Pictorial Archives: 9a, 11a.
  - Tymn the Mysterious: Officer's Badges
  - Fionbhuelle Mairi O'Melachin: 1b,
  - Domnull MacRath: 1c, Back Inside Cover c.
  - Janos Santa: Flyre pg. 10.
  - Gabrielle the Covert: Limerick
  - Friar Thomas Bacon: Book Reviews

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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE TREASURER

GREETINGS UNTO ALL V'TAVIANS

And first more paperwork. Yes I have just found out that all autocrats of any event or demo which uses Baronial funds MUST fill out an event expense report, a copy of which is included in this very Dragonflyer. For those of you who who ran events last year and didn't fill out this form, well, you were lucky!

A reminder to all who receive or pass along Baronial checks, receipts are required for EVERY check. This includes site fees and personal items as well as feasts and supplies. When receiving a good or service from an individual any piece of paper with the date, amount, purpose and signature is sufficient. These receipts are not to make my job easy but are required BY LAW by the IRS. To enforce this policy, anyone who does not submit a receipt within one month after receiving a check will be required to return the amount not accounted for. A lost receipt is not the end of the world. Just make an itemized receipt as best as you can and sign it.

Lastly I need a deputy, not because I plan to step down anytime soon, but because the event season will soon begin. Thus I will not be able to attend many fighter practices and possibly some mini events or officers meetings. Therefore I need someone willing to collect or distribute checks, money and receipts, connect checks and pen to the Baronage if necessary, fill out forms - and generally make a nuisance of yourself in my absence. Please talk to me at your convience if you wish to volunteer.

In Service to V'tavia

Conrad Martin von Klavius





## MY TRAVELS IN THE FAR WEST

by. Aelfric Frithariksson.

The lights of the city glowered balefully from the low-hanging clouds, lending an eerie brightness to the night as the hosts of Calontir packed their wagons. Our warmth was swiftly swept away by a stiff westerly wind. Finally, the caravan began its trek to Atenveldt, after many tearful farewells.

Just a few miles later, a heavy, wet snow began; obscuring vision and making footing treacherous. To spare our beasts, and hoping for safer roads, we turned southwards toward Namron and soon left the snow behind.

However, our trials were not ended. The slopes in the Outlands, particularly east of Al-Peran, were miles long and very steep. The west wind blew in our faces with gale force. Our valiant beasts struggled, but despite their great-heartedness, we were slowed to a crawl. The exclamations from our drovers must have added years in purgatory to their toll.

In the dark of the night, we arrived in the Parony of the Sun. Under the baleful glance of our great ground dragon, we assembled our camp. The breath of laboring workers misted in the chill air as our work progressed under cloudy and moonless skies. Yet our welcome was less cold than it might have been otherwise; for Id. Andrioxos greeted us with enthusiasm and helped us mightily with intelligences he had garnered. Somewhere in the troops gathered upon the plain was another warrior to add his sword to Calontir's tally: Sir Ethelred. So it was with weary limbs, but hearts lightened with good news, that we threw ourselves into our bedrolls for what sleep we might find in the waning hours of the morning.

Light crept into our tents through low and threatening clouds; and dawn's rosy glow was hidden in low-hung vapors on the eastern horizon. Calontir's fighting men forced wearied bodies from their warm bedrolls into a moist and coldly grey morning.

My leige, Edward, left to confer with other mighty nobles as I emerged from our tent to look around me in the light of day. Everywhere I saw men busily engaged in preparing for war; replacing broken leather buckles, oiling down leather, polishing and sharpening metal. The air was fairly alive with that low-pitched hum of activity; creaking leather, the muffled clank of metal on metal, and the buzz of low-voiced and weary conversation. I added my own note to the sound, replacing the worn laces of my breastplate, and conversing with the comrades-at-arms around me.

Finally, the time for preparation was over, and King Edward led us into court. The Calontir contingent was splendid-looking in purple and gold with the falcon banner shining against the rion grey sky. King Edward and his guard appeared every inch the Warrior-King. There we learned that Calontir would ally with Caid; and surrounded by the splendor of the courts of Atenveldt, Caid, and our won beloved heartland, we cheered for honor and glory.

(TO BE CONTINUED NEXT MONTH)

= Ld. Pavel =

Lord Pavel, the warrior, one day,

As a friend of the hamsters did say--

"They're courageous, forsooth:

As they jump from the roof--

They cry, ever boldly, 'Oy vey!'"

Gabrielle the Covert

Editor's Note: Our thanks to Id. Pavel, without whose kind permission we could not have printed this bit of "poesy." Be thee warned, you may be next!

## Book Reviews

The Borgias, Marion Johnson. Holt, Rinehart, Winston. New York, New York. 1981.

This is a biography of the most notorious family of the Italian Renaissance. The book begins with their roots in Spain and concludes with the collapse of the dynasty in Italy. Shown in the context of time and place, their deeds were not as black as normally portrayed. Indeed, their biggest crime was that they were Spaniards triumphing over Italians in their own game, indeed a triumph of ruthless efficiency. The book portrays Lucretia as more a victim of her families' plots than the arch-typical poisoner that is her reputation. Overall, the book is a fairly good overview of Italian and Papal politics of the last half of the 15th Century, and a fresh look at this notorious family.

The Book of the Courtier. Castiglione. translated by Charles S. Singleton. Anchor Books, Garden City, Michigan. 1959.

Written around 1516, this book quickly became the handbook of courtiers everywhere. It portrays a model of the perfect courtier; his education, his manners, his pursuits, and his loves. The style of the book is that of a debate on the topic among a dozen people (nearly all of them genuine) under the auspices of the Duchess of Urbino. The modern reader will occasionally get bogged down due to the now obscure allusions and references which mark the conversations. A passing knowledge of Italian politics and of Roman history and mythology will help immensely. For those with Renaissance personas, this book is almost required reading.

Ld. Friar Thomas Bacon



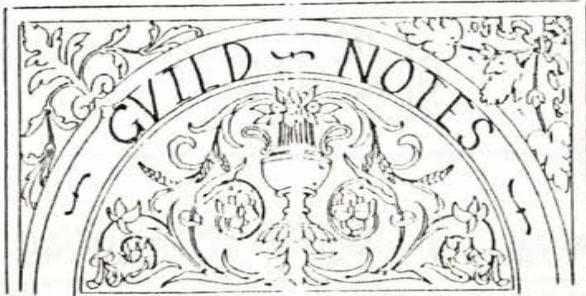
## Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wed
March 9 12:00 Fighter Pop/Mtg 5:00 Bardic 7:00 Drama	March 10 7:00 Sewing	March 11	March 12 7:00 Dance Pop. Mtg.
March 16 12:00 Fighter Pop/Mtg 5:00 Bardic 7:00 Drama	March 17 7:00 Sewing	March 18	March 19 7:00 Dance
March 23 12:00 Fighter Pop/Mtg 5:00 Bardic 7:00 Drama	March 24 7:00 Sewing	March 25	March 26 7:00 Dance
March 30 EASTER	March 31 7:00 Sewing	April 1 APRIL FOOLS DAY	April 2 7:00 Dance M.E.D.
April 6 12:00 Fighter Pop/Mtg 5:00 Bardic 7:00 Drama	April 7 7:00 Sewing	April 8	April 9 7:00 Dance Pop. Mtg.
April 13 12:00 Fighter Pop/Mtg 5:00 Bardic 7:00 Drama	April 14 7:00 Sewing	April 15	April 16 7:00 Dance
April 20 12:00 Fighter Pop/Mtg 5:00 Bardic 7:00 Dance	April 21 7:00 Sewing	April 22	April 23 7:00 Dance
April 27 12:00 Fighter Pop/Mtg 5:00 Bardic 7:00 Drama	April 28 7:00 Sewing	April 29	April 30 7:00 Dance

## of Events

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
March 13	March 14 7:00 Archery (Call in advance)	March 15 Calontir Coronation Three Rivers, St. Louis) Mews Auction
March 20	March 21 7:00 Archery (Call in advance)	March 22
March 27	March 28 7:00 Archery (Call in advance)	March 29 Omens of Doom, NoMountain (Grinnell, IA)
April 3	April 4 7:00 Archery (Call in advance)	April 5 Calontir Prewer's Guild Shadowdale (Iowa City, IA)
April 10	April 11 7:00 Archery (Call in advance)	April 12 R.U.S.H., Grimfells (Payetteville, AR)
April 17	April 18 7:00 Archery (Call in advance)	April 19
April 24	April 25 7:00 Archery (Call in advance)	April 26 Rites of Spring, Bois d' Arc. (Independence, KS)
May 1 MAY DAY	May 2 7:00 Archery (Call in advance) Fest. of the Axe.)	May 3 Festival of the Axe (Cont.) Axed Root (Ames, IA)





- ARCHERY:** Meets of Friday nights at Farry's Archery Range. Call Id. Yves Henri du Peauchasteau, (Glen Echelbarger), if interested. Phone: 722-9788.
- BARDIC RECITATION:** Meets Sunday from 5-7, at the home of Wylfrdd Taliesin. If interested, contact Id. Wylfrdd, (Lance Newcome). Phone: 267-6402.
- DANCE:** Meets Wednesday at 7:00pm at the Piedmont Recreation Center at McConnell Air Force Base. Contact Christianna du Peauchasteau, (Chris Echelbarger) for information. Phone: 722-9788.
- DRAMA:** Meets Sunday 7:00pm at the home of Yves Henri du Peauchasteau, (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:** By 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 Bns. Mammara for details. Phone: 942-1058.
- NEEDLEWORKER'S:** Forming. If interested, contact Christianna du Peauchasteau, (Chris Echelbarger) for details. Phone: 722-9788.
- POPULACE MEETINGS:** There are two currently scheduled populace meetings. One meeting will be held at its regular date and time, Sunday - Noon. (See Fighter Practice), and the other will be held on Wednesday, at 7:00pm THE SECOND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH. This meeting will be held concurrently with Dance, at the same place and time.
- RESEARCH:** By Appointment Only. Contact Yves Henri du Peauchasteau, (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.

THE BARONAGE PLANS TO TRAVEL TO THE FOLLOWING EVENTS. ANYONE NEEDING A RIDE CAN CONTACT THEM FOR POSSIBLE ARRANGEMENTS FOR TRANSPORTATION.

- March 15 - Coronation
- April 25 - Twenty Year Reunion
- May 10 - St. George and the Dragon
- May 17 - Memorial Tourney
- May 24 - Calontir Crown Tourney
- June 17 - Seige of Lonely Tower
- June 28 - War Maneuvers
- July 4 - Interkingdom Event

# Travel Hints

In the near future it is likely that I will resume driving to events all across Calontir and beyond. I would greatly appreciate the companionship of any who would also wish to travel through the land.

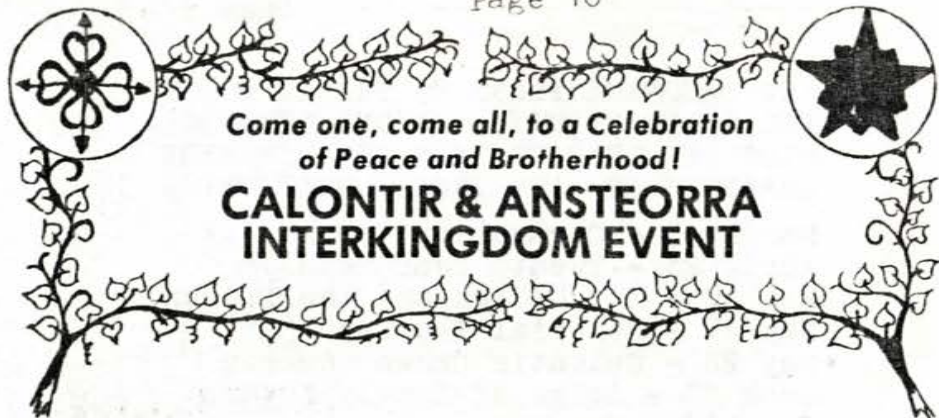
My beast has room for 2 fighters and 2 non-fighters traveling to a non-camping event. With feast and site fee I can help you not, but traveling to an event won't cost too much. To Forgotten Sea with 4 people is only about \$5 each round trip. I am also open to bartering.

The events I will likely attend are the same as the schedule in Mews, but for arrangements for a specific event contact me, preferably at least a week in advance.

In Pursuit of the Dream

Conrad





Come one, come all, to a Celebration  
of Peace and Brotherhood!

## CALONTIR & ANSTEORRA INTERKINGDOM EVENT

### GREETINGS UNTO ALL V'TAVIANS

At last it has been decided, the Calontir and Ansteorra interkingdom event will be held in V'tavia this year. I hope to make it a truly interkingdom event by having as many as possible from both Kingdoms involved. But of course there will still be plenty of work for us V'tavians. However you will very likely get to work with some very interesting people from both kingdoms.

To anyone who would like to volunteer, your help would be greatly appreciated. There are so many things to do that you can almost certainly end up doing something you like. There is one exception to this, there will be no feast so all of you fanatic cooks and servers are asked to direct your talents and energies elsewhere.

At this time I have planned 2 tournaments, arts and sciences competitions (themes needed), classes and demonstrations (including light weapons, and whatever else I can get teachers for). There will be a tavern on site to provide food and drink. Other areas where help will be needed; troll booth, flyers and information sheets, chiurgeon/hospitality pavilion, listing, heralding- and so forth. I have already asked many of you for help in some specific areas and so far I'm real happy with the response I've gotten, thanks. Anyone who has any ideas or anything that they would like to try to do please contact me whenever it is convenient for you.

In Service to V'tavia

*Conrad Martin von Klavius*



### New Addresses:

The following V'tavians have new addresses:

Ld. Janos: Don McClane 808W. 11th Wichita, KS 67203 Phone: 264-3576	Ld. Robert & Ly. Jayce Robert & Jayce Wood 5710 Shoreline Circle S. Ft. Worth, TX 76119	Ld. Bear & Ly. Marfa D. Pitcher - M. Whitley 153 S. Chataqua Wichita, KS 67211
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Ly. Ceithlenn Amy Billington 5035 Elmhurst Wichita, KS 67216 Phone: 681-4701	Michelle Rass 239 N. Ash Wichita, KS 67214 Phone: 263-8816	Rhys (Banana Legs) Doug MacRath 1956 S. Waco Wichita, KS 67213
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### C O N G R A D U L A T I O N S

Are in order to the following V'tavians for their many varied accomplishments:

Ld. Tedric - Order of the Torse - Martyrdom of St. Pavel.  
Ld. Friar Thomas - Honorable mention - "Of Clerks and Clergy"  
Twelfth Night  
Ld. Tedrick - Distinguished himself in the "Winter in Russia"  
Journey - Martyrdom of St. Pavel.  
Ld. Lawrence - Second Place - Novice Tourney - Martyrdom of  
St. Pavel.

And all of the stout warriors who made it to the Estrella Wars:

HRM Sir Edward Ld. Lawrence	Sir William Penda	Ld Robert Ld. Aelfric
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### VIVAT V'TAVIA

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RenFaire:

Remember: Renfaire is April 26-27 at Kansas Newman College. Your help is needed if we are to make a good showing, (Not to mention to have ourselves a good time). Please contact Ly. Christianna or Ly. Katherine Helena to volunteer for the many tasks ahead.  
Ly. Katherine: 522-1658 Ly. Christianna: 722-9788

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The Herb Society of South Central Kansas:

You are invited to attend the monthly meeting of the HSSCK, every third Tuesday of the month. Time: 7:30pm. Place: Zoo Auditorium, 5555 Zoo Blvd. For more information, call: C. Boger, president: 722-8375.

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From the Baronage:

Anyone interested in learning Mideastern dance on a one-to-one basis, please contact Bns. Mammara.

The Baroness is looking for her Medieval cookbook entitled: Cooking Forsoothly. If you have any information as to where this book may be found, please contact Bns. Mammara.

The Baroness is also looking for a seamstress interested in making garb for her for the Twenty Year Reunion. If interested, please contact Bns. Mammara. Phone: 942-1058.

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Medieval Mouse Traps:

Ld. Aelfric & Ly. Tuia have cute kittens to give away to good homes. Three Himalayans and three Standard Black kittens, all healthy, and needing homes. Contact Ld. Aelfric or Ly. Tuia for more information. Phone: 2657997 - Tuia, or 268-0818 -Aelfric

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Need a Ride:

Mary Cook is offering transportation to any V'tavians who would like a ride to Kansas City on March 14-16. She will be leaving late Friday and returning Sunday. Address: Mary Cook, Box 321, Cunningham, KS 67035. Phone:



# Baronial Officers

BARONAGE

- Baron - William V'tavia  
(Bill Vinduska) . . . . . 942-1058
- Baroness - Mammara Leone  
(Annabel Vinduska). . . . . 942-1058

OFFICERS

- Seneschal - David the Silent  
(David Woodworth) . . . . . 522-1658
- Pursuivant - Eone Scott na Daingnige  
(Mike Rogers) . . . . . 522-2473
- Treasurer - Conrad Martin von Klavius  
(Michael Sauer) . . . . . 721-1098
- MOA/MOS - Aelfric Frithariksson  
(Allen Leddon). . . . .(Work) . . . . . 268-0818
- Chronicler - Tuia Kynara of Illyricum  
(Chris Leddon). . . . .(Work) . . . . . 265-7997
- Knight Marshall - Conn Dryhtguma  
(David Dressler). . . . . 685-9565
- Champion - Conn Dryhtguma  
(David Dressler). . . . . 685-9565
- Historian/Archivist - Friar Thomas Bacon  
(David Moreno). . . . . 685-1182
- Lucistnik - Aelfric Frithariksson  
(Allen Leddon). . . . .(Work) . . . . . 268-0818
- Listmistress - Ceithlenn ni Rhuadhri  
(Amy Billington) . . . . . 681-4701

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