

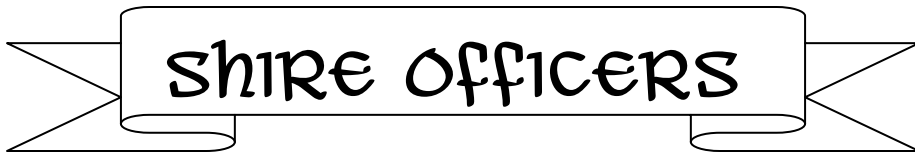
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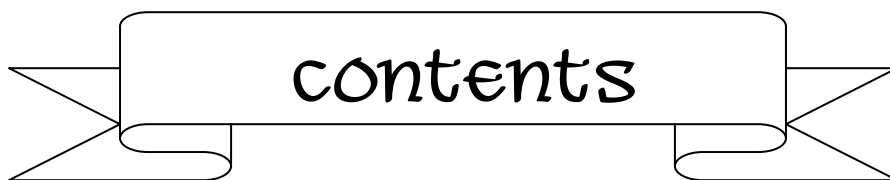
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Submissions of original artwork, short stories, poems, and tidbits of information are always needed. Please send all your talents to the Chronicler!

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OFFICERS' REPORTS



Greetings from the Seneschal...

Coronation has come and gone and a new year has begun. I want to say how very proud I am of everyone who worked so hard to make the Coronation of Ulsted and Cateau a memorable one. I received many compliments on how well the event went. Their majesties were especially pleased. and send their thanks to all of Seawinds.

It was decided among the officers not to be the hosting shire for Coastal Invasion (April 15th-17th)--which is a joint event with our sister shire, Stonebridge Keep. We have worked really hard these last 5 or 6 months with Defender, Ingleside Renfair and Coronation and decided we could use a break. Instead, Stonebridge will be the hosting shire and Seawinds will be their support. Seawinds can either hold a silent auction or possibly do a lunch tavern, as a way to still make money at this event. I urge everyone to volunteer to help Stonebridge Keep with this event. Look for more information in the coming weeks.

I encourage each of you to take this brief break to work on your personal projects that may have been put to the side, or travel to one of the many events around the kingdom. As a shire let us gather at fighter practice and our many guild meetings (herbal & cooking, archery, drumming and dance, A&S night, equestrian), or maybe work on scrolls, and award insignia for the kingdom. But let us not forget we do have Seawinds Defender at the end of October--it will be our 10th!

In Service,

Caitriona



Unto the Grand Populace of the Shire of Seawinds,
Greetings from Señor Jayme Dominguez del
Valle, Seawinds Pursuivant!

My regional has informed me that it is time to start accepting applications for the office of Seawinds Pursuivant. If you wish to apply, you'll need to fill out an application and submit it to the Solstice Herald, who's contact info is located in the Black Star under Deputy Heralds. If you would please also send a copy to myself, and our Seneschal, Lady Caitriona. It has been a privilege to serve the Shire in the capacity of Pursuivant, and I would be very happy to assist anyone who wishes to step up into this office. Please remember you must have a valid SCA membership, in order to apply for the office. You will be required to take the Herald's Warranting Class within 3 months of stepping into the office. Applications will be due May 1st, with the selected applicant to assume the office in June.

If you have any questions, please contact me at jpercer@stx.rr.com or you may find Alden Solstice's contact info in the Blackstar.

Yours in Service,

Señor Jayme Dominguez del Valle

Seawinds Pursuivant, Deputy, Solstice Herald

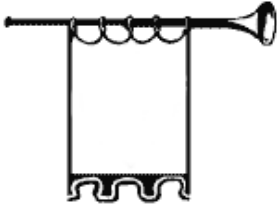


From the Coastal Regional Hospitaler...

I would like to take this time to thank Lord Jason Blackwolf for his dedicated service to this shire as hospitaler. He has done a tremendous job taking care of the newcomers, arranging demos, and providing warm hospitality at our events. I wish him well in his new job and hope to see him at events. Vivat Jason!

It is my pleasure to announce that Varvara Banichova (Rachél) is our new hospitaler. I know she will do a great job.

Caitriona



Announcements From

From our friends to the north:

The Barony of Bjornsborg will be hosting a mini tourney/demo on Sat. April 2nd 2005, in conjunction with Tejeda Middle School's 4th Annual History Faire & Culture Fest. All are welcome to compete.

The site which is at 2909 East Evans Road, San Antonio, TX, 78259 will be open for set up at 8am and open to the public from 10am until 4pm. Armor inspection will be at 9:30am. Prizes will be awarded, including an A&S prize for best educational display.

The History Faire is a 'timeline' history event with re-enactors and performers from many cultures and time periods. It is a free event open to the general public. Crowds have increased each year from about 300 in its first year to over 1,000 last year. Site is dry. School groups sell food and drink items.

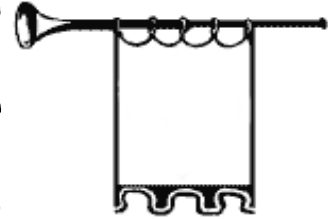
For more information on event & merchant information please contact Rguzm056@neisd.net , for information on mini tourney/demo contact Deboramarzec@aol.com

Upcoming Local Demo in May....

We have been asked to help with a Student Celebration at an elementary school in Alice on Friday, May 6th. The theme for their student achievement program this year was the Renaissance. I am not sure at this time what they would like us to do, it is still in the planning stages. Possibly we would do "Shoot or Fight the Knight" They would like to set this up like a carnival, with lots of medieval activities for the students to choose from. I have been in contact with the school to help them with ideas and resources for their celebration. If anyone is interested in helping, please let me know. I will pass along information as I receive it.

Caitriona

n Around the Kingdom



Waterbearers Challenge -

Household Competition for Gulf Wars

Introducing the Waterbearer's Challenge, sponsored by the Waterbearer's Guild and Hus Ealu Faesten (House Aylekeepe)! Each year the call goes out, "Please bring empty 2-liter bottles to Gulf Wars!" This is a competition for households to see which house can collect the greatest number of 2-liter bottles for the Gulf Wars Waterbearing cause. This activity hopes to fulfill three aspects:

- Supply the Gulf Wars Waterbearers with much needed empty bottles.
- Put all households on the same level in a friendly competition. Size doesn't matter!
- Create a new Gulf Wars annual competition.

Materials to be collected are empty 2-liter bottles and pop tops. Quality will count! Read the requirements for donating empty 2-liter bottles on the Gulf Wars website below. One point is given for each bottle collected, bonuses are given to meeting the 'other' requests. Sheer number can win, but in the event of a tie on number of bottles, quality will decide. Donating pop-tops is an automatic double bonus!

*We are adding Gatoraide, pickles and oranges to the list. These items will be bonus points! 10 points extra for Gatoraide (powdered, any flavor but red), Gatoraide will be 3/4 strength this year instead of the normal 1/4. 10 points for whole/sliced pickles and 10 points for Oranges.

Seawindsrs....If you would like to contribute to the waterbearing supplies for Gulf War, please talk to Isabella.

From the Coronation Autocrats:

From Honorable Lady Katherine Brandon..... Lady Victoria and Lord Gordon, for managing gate, their first time dealing with ACCEPS. Thank you for making the commitment and fulfilling it even though you were very sick. Lady Seanne Tully- for filling in for me early in the morning until I got on site, thank you. Julie Singleton- Thank you for your attentiveness and care with Baron Felix. He had a wonderful time. Thanks to you he was able to be present for this memorable event for Seawinds. You were his entourage! Lady Caley-Thank you for doing such a wonderful job of decorating the head table, it was absolutely gorgeous. Lady Marguerite-Thank you for providing the documentation for gate and for feeding me. Lord Jayme-The ladder man! Jayme thank you for always being there and following directions so well while we were decorating the hall. Also thanks for heralding my many missives to the populace. Your assistance was invaluable. Godric, Ihon and Gerald, thank you so much for letting me bug you to death about bringing the decorations from all parts of the Kingdom. Thanks to Ihon and Isabeau for helping me put up the kingdom banners. WoW! They are really impressive. I got them in plenty of time to get them up and it was beautiful. Thank you for bringing them for us to use and taking responsibility for them after the event. Without your help, the hall would not have been so spectacular. HL Lightfoot, Lord Diego, Lord Soren and Lord Einarr-I sincerely appreciate you helping me with the set up and clean up of the hall and helping carry things to the car. His Excellency Baron William-Thank you for bringing the tables. We're so lucky and glad to have a friend in you. Mistress Hillary-Thanks for keeping me company Friday night. I enjoyed your company. Also thanks for running the Scribe's Table on such short notice. (Your sign was much better than mine!) Thank you to Her Grace Sara and Mistress Kaitlyn for their support and advice for this our first Coronation event. Lady Anna and Lady Isabel-thank you for the feeding and watering of the crazed autocrat! Last but not least my personal thanks to the Lord Jean-Paul and Lord Francois and the Seawinds Shire Guard. This event would not have run so smoothly without their commitment. Thank you for moving tables, unpacking, repacking, hauling and tent pitching and helping in every other way. The new Seawinds signs that Francois made are beautiful. Thank you for all of the hard work and long hours, you deserve a huge Vivat! To all of the others who stayed and helped thank you for making a successful event.

HL Katherine Brandon, Co-autocrat Coronation

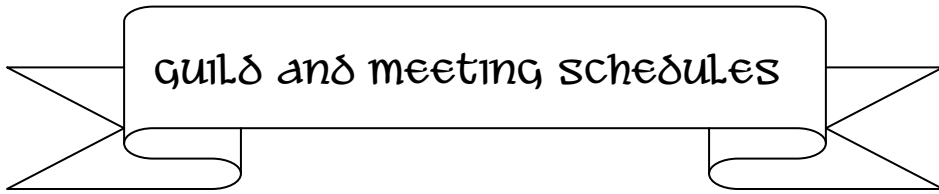
From Honorable Lord John Lightfoot..... I would like to thank....my co-autocrats, HL Katherine Brandon and Ly. Cairiona without you guys, we would have not even thought about hosting Coronation. Ld. Jean-Paul and Ly. Marguerite – you guys should have been called co-co-autocrats! You did just as much work in the planning and stuff as we did. Ly. Marguerite, the royal lunch was amazing! Ld. Francois – the signs were amazing and I could not believe all the running around you did – it seemed like you were everywhere at once! HL Gordon – see, you old dragon, we still do need you! It wouldn't have been the same without you. Thanks so much for all the work you did once you got there, especially in the recreation center and all. Ld. Jayme – you are the ladder man extraordinaire! I could not be that brave to get up on that tall BROKEN ladder to hang banners. Mistress Hillary – Thanks for running the Scribes Point at the last minute. You are always there to offer assistance and believe me it is much appreciated. Mistress Corrinne – Thanks, teacher-mine for running the Laurel's table and helping to keep me sane. You are truly what I aspire to be. To HRM Ulstead and Cateau – Thank you for believing in us. Anything that you ever need, on the throne or off, ask, and if we can do it, we will. Ly. To Ly. Apollonia, Ly. Muirin, and all the kitchen help, servers, etc. You did it again! That was one phenomenal feast! Everyone loved it! Ly. Caley and Ld. Gavin – the head table was just beautiful and the lunch for everyone was wonderful! Caley, you did you Amazon mom proud! Ly. Anna, thanks for being a quiet inspiration. The hospitality table was great! Seeing you on the risers pulling down banners was wild! Thanks for helping me put the pictures back!

Ld. Sancho, thanks for your help this weekend. I know sometimes that you feel like you are looked 9 over, but believe me we needed and appreciated your help with Coronation. To Prince William, thanks for gracing our shire with your presence all the way from Louisiana. It was nice meeting you. If you are ever in the area, look us up and hopefully we can visit more. It was fun. To all of my friends from the Kingdom (HG Patrick and Julia, Count Jason, Sir Randall, Mistresses Lorraine and Stella, etc – thanks so much for being here and being part of Seawinds history! Without your help, we wouldn't be where we are today. HL Iona Niall - thank you for all the scrolls you did - 42 scrolls in two weeks is amazing! I knew you were amazing when I married you, but you let me know all the time! Thanks, love, for your patience through all of this. I know I am missing some people and believe me, I am not meaning to. Seawinds, you all showed that you are not afraid of a challenge and can perform under pressure with the best of them! You guys are truly amazing!

HL John Lightfoot Co-autocrat, Coronation, January 2005

From Lady Caitriona inghen Mhic Lochlainn.....I too would like to thank my co autocrats HL Katherine and HL Lightfoot, it was great working with you both. Lord Wayland--Thank you for making all the site tokens, they were perfect. And thanks goes to Brianna and Lord Owen for putting them all on cords Friday night. Lady Apollonia--Thank you for the beautiful feast tokens. Master Modius--Thank you for taking care of King's Champion, I was sorry to miss the fighting. And thanks to Lord Owen for marshaling. HL Iona Niall and HL John Lightfoot--Your Coronation Announcements were beautiful as always. We can always count on you guys to do a fantastic job. Lady Isabella and Lady Mairead--Thank you for taking charge of the Waterbearing and taking such good care of our fighters and populace. Your group of young waterbearers--Angus, Brianna and Caleb? were wonderful, especially when they made sure the kitchen help was taken care of, even bringing us all lunch. Lady Caley--Thank you for being our Chirurgeon in Charge and making sure we were all safe. Lady Anna, Phylis, Paul and Lady Muirin--thank you for all the hospitality, from the breakfast goodies, to the well stocked bathrooms, you made us all feel welcome. Lady Marguerite--Thank you for taking care of the Royal Lunch, it was fabulous! Lady Caley and Haus Vom Cophus--Thanks you for feeding the fighters and the rest of the populace. To the feast cooks--Lady Apollonia, Lady Muirin, Lady Calena, Lady Diana, Zira and Lady Caitriona--it was a fabulous feast. I enjoyed working with all of you in the kitchen! Lady Muirin was our kitchen manager--she organized the kitchen, made sure we kept on scheduled and rallied us when we got behind--but watch out for her big spoon! To all the wonderful kitchen helpers--Finn, Monica, Brianna, Brigitte, Sancho, Gilli and his lady, Caly, Gavin, "Ogre" and some young lady who I do not know who helped peel eggs-- not one of you complained or backed down from any duty that was thrown your way. To the entire kitchen staff who worked all day preparing feast and then stayed to help clean it all up so we could be out of the hall by 10 pm--we made it with 3 minutes to spare!! Woo Hoo! Gilli--what can I say--with out you bringing not only your kitchen and serving supplies, but Middleford's as well, we would not have been able to cook or serve that wonderful feast. And how you got it all in your car is beyond me??? Lady Gwynafwy--Thank you for being head server and organizing the amazing group of servers who managed to serve feast in a little over one hour!! I am sorry I do not have a list of all the servers--you guys were great! Lady Caley and Haus Vom Cophus--I hear your serving of head table was most entertaining. And Caley your decoration of head table and the stage area was beautiful. I would like to make a special thank you to my daughter, Brianna, who begged me to let her come to this event. She was told she would work if she came and work she did. She swept the entire hall twice, she helped string tokens, she did water bearing, helped prepare feast, served feast and then help wash dishes. Now if I can get her to do the same at home. I know we probably missed some people and I apologize. As you can see it took a lot of people to host this event. As I am also Seawinds Seneschal I would like to thank all the members of Seawinds for working incredibly hard on this event. To our sister shire Stonebridge Keep--what can I say? We love you guys. And to all of our friends from across this great kingdom who came to our aid by bringing tables, decorations, kitchen supplies and manpower, I thank you for your generosity and support. And finally, to all those who traveled to Seawinds to join us for this momentous event, I hope you had as much fun as we did.

Caitriona, Co Autocrat/Coronation, Seneschal/Shire of Seawinds



Officer's Meetings:

Officer's meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month at 6:00 pm, place to be announced. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Populace Meetings:

Populace meetings are held on the Tuesday following Officer's Meetings at 7:00 pm at the Helicopter park on Shoreline Boulevard. Everyone is encouraged to attend in garb.

Fighter Practice:

Tuesdays at 6:00 pm at the Helicopter park on Shoreline Boulevard.

Arts and Sciences General Meetings:

Held the 3rd Wednesday of the month at Hilltop Community Center in Calallen.

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Sewing Guild:

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Or Lady Caitriona: prand@swbell.net

Archery Guild:

Held the 2nd Saturday of the month. All are invited to attend, combat and target archers alike.

Contact Lord Jean-Paul: paulthorne@eathlink.net

Dancing and Drumming Guild:

Monthly meeting schedule to be announced

Contact Lord Dan: dan_the_artisan@yahoo.com

Herbal and Cooking Guild:

Meetings held the Wednesday night after populace at Lady Apollonia's house at 6:00 pm. All are welcome.

Contact Lady Apollonia: apollonia_de_avena@yahoo.com

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February 2005

- 11-13 [Kingdom A&S](#) - Elfsea (Ft. Worth, Tx)
- 16-21 [Estrella War XXI](#) - Atenveldt (Arizona)
- 18-20 Ice Ax XXIV - Middleford - (Killeen/Ft. Hood/
Copperas Cove, Tx)
- 25-27 [RavensMarch](#) – Ravensfort/Bordermarch
(Huntsville/Beaumont, Tx)
[The Axeman...Too!](#) - Skarrgard (Shawnee,
OK)

March 2005

- 4-6 [Queen's Champion](#) - Loch Soillier (Clear Lake,
TX)
June King's College Bids Due
- 11-13
- 14-20  [Gulf War XIV](#)
- 25-27 Queens Children's College and Defender of the
Heirs - Eldern Hills (Lawton, OK)

April 2005

- 1-3   Crown Tournament - Coastal Region -
Bordermarch (Beaumont, TX)
July Queen's Champion Bids Due
September Fall Arts Symposium Bids Due
- 8-10  Stargate Baronial - Stargate (Houston,
TX) *PED*
Festival of Japan X - Brad Leah (Wichita Falls,
Tx)

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