



THE UMBRIAN MUG

Greetings and Salutations!

Welcome to this
edition of the

Umbrian Mug. This edition covers the month of February 2001. If you know of a Kingdom member who isn't getting the Umbrian Mug, please let the Royal Chronicler know so that the problem can be rectified.

Umbrian CIVIL WAR

On January 10, 2001, Dame Justina officially removed the Crown of Umbria and abdicated the Throne.

Immediately following her abdication, Sir Cameron Kilshannig Fitzcanon declared Civil War against the remaining Crown, King James the Red. The Civil War will be held as follows:

Date: Saturday, February 10, 2001

Time: 10:00am to finish.

Place: Deer Valley Park,
19th Ave. and Utopia Ave.

Directions: Take I-17 to Union Hills. East on Union Hills to 19th Ave. North on 19th Ave. Turn Left into the in the Pool parking lot – people have been getting ticketed for parking on the street.

The Crown Tournament will be held after the war, having been rescheduled previously due to Estrella War on the third weekend of February.

From the Throne...

Greetings unto the Populace of Umbria.

Much has happened in the last two months, with a series of events culminating in a Civil War.

As such, I find myself on the defensive, facing an opponent who is suddenly becoming vocal with "concerns". None of these concerns were expressed until after Sir Cameron declared Civil War. It would

have been great if Sir Cameron had stepped up as a Knight and offered his council to the Crowns to prevent the disharmony and division that he had foreknowledge of.

Sir Cameron has publicly stated that his only two reasons for declaration of Civil War were: 1) The fact that Dame Justina spoke openly about abdicating the Throne and possibly declaring Civil War against myself, and 2) that I allowed the Mug to be printed with Dame Circe-Skye O'Malley's article.

Concerning Dame Justina's intentions; it is obvious that she did abdicate, but did not declare Civil War against me. So the first reason is without merit. As for the freedom of speech issue, yes, I did allow the Mug to be printed with Dame Skye's article. I was upholding the Kingdom tradition of allowing free speech with the understanding that the author accepts responsibility for what was written by signing their name. This has been a Kingdom policy since Sir Duriel and Dame Roawyn announced it during their Reign, and as such, editorials have appeared in past issues of the Mug. So, Sir Cameron basically thinks I should be removed due to the fact that I supported free speech, and because of Dame Justina's original intent. Is this a worthy reason for Civil War? I, for one, do not believe so!

I hope that every Umbrian thinks long and hard about what the results of their choices will be. Either there will be a new King, or things will stay stable until the Crown War, which is scheduled for May.

As to the Civil War, I do ask that all members of the Kingdom rise up, and take up arms (and arts, and archery) to defend the Crown. For the declaration of Civil War is an attack on the Crown, and should be defended vigorously. Join your King on the field in battle to defeat the upstart who wishes to enslave the populace of Umbria!! ☺

I do hope that I win, to finish my reign as

your King. I'd be foolish to say I don't want to finish the service to the Kingdom, which I swore to perform. I can only hope that I am allowed to complete my time and tasks, and that I am able to accomplish the things necessary to keep the Kingdom alive and growing, with the help of you, the Populace of Umbria.

With humility and hope,

Sir James the Red
Your King

From the Challenger...

To the Populous of Umbria,

I wish to state that I didn't declare Civil War for any reason as petty as I just didn't like the Crown(s), I didn't want him/her on the throne in the first place, that I can do that much better a job than that the Crown(s) where and are doing, or even that I just want to be King. Because I would like to think that the populous as a whole wouldn't and will not stand for that from anyone who would even think of running for the Crowns of this or any region, because I know that I don't, even if I stand alone in this thinking.

I declared Civil War against the Crowns of Umbria not for the acts of just one of the Crowns, but because both of them had stopped communicating with each other and with the stated intention of one of the crown to abdicate, solely to declare civil war on the remaining crown with a new running mate, after reading the letter in the January Mug titled a Flock of Sheep. Though King James didn't write said article, I believe that he should have known that it would have done more harm than good to him and cause disharmony in the Kingdom, and that Dame Justina and others would take it as a personal attack on them, in allowing it to be published.

And even though Dame Justina did abdicate the position as Queen, I feel that the King has made several bad judgment calls and decisions as the King, and as the sole crown doesn't fairly represent the

Kingdom as a whole after listening and talking with members of both the estates and the populous.

My Goals should I win is to promote a stable and neutral leadership base.

To promote reconciliation among all disgruntled parties in the kingdom.

To Actively increase the Ministers pool by having the experienced Minister train a deputy or two for the first three mouths and than have the deputies take over and run the events/tournaments with the Ministers only there to supervise and help if needed. (So if anyone wants to be a deputy minister for any position please let me know.)

To help and support any and all members that present ideas and goals that will provide for the betterment of the Kingdom and the game for all of us as a whole.

I just wish to say that I do agree with HRM James that all of the Kingdom needs to think on this and make the choice about who they wish to support. And regardless of who wins this War, the True Winner will be the Kingdom as a whole, because as long as we work together to have fun and help the Kingdom grow and prosper. We will all benefit from it.

Sir Cameron Kilshannig FitzCanon

If anyone wishes to get a hold of me, they can do so at: Phone #: 602-433-0624

Email : msfitz@qwest.net

ARTS AT WAR:

1. The Revised documentation checklist is used at war. The Hospitler and the Arts Minister have extra copies.

2. You may enter four arts. One in each category (bardic, fine, crafted, food/alchemy)

3. ALL food entries MUST have a COMPLETE LIST of ingredients with their documentation. We have people who are allergic to certain foods and alcohol. This also includes any alchemy entries, such as rose water, cosmetics, etc.

4. All judges: READ the list of ingredients before tasting.

5. Please have 3 copies of your documentation 'attached' to your art if possible, otherwise place with art when your category is called for judging. This helps facilitate the judging when judges don't have to share the docs.

6. When signing up on each list you will be given your scoring sheets to attach to your documentation. YOU are responsible for keeping it with your docs.

7. Your arts are to be kept with your stuff until that particular list/category is called.

8. There are very few tables at Inverness. Please if you have any card tables etc. bring them to the war. We will need them.

9. Kingdom Tourney will be held after the war. In the event a concession is

made by one of the contenders, you may pull your art from the war list and put it on the Kingdom Tourney list for judging.

I.e.: If you had a food entry and it has been judged for war, you receive a war point, and e.p. for the month and any tourney win if you won it. Pull your other art after concession put on kingdom tourney list. You will receive another e.p. for the month, and if you did not receive a tourney win for war and you receive a tourney win for Kingdom Tourney you receive that win for the month. Masterworks can be won by an individual, as many as you can get for each event.

CONTENDERS: Please speak to me about any judging problems you foresee or anything you need for war.

Dame Serene,
Royal Arts and Science Minister

Collegiums & Demonstrations

Unless otherwise noted, collegiums are held at Encanto Park Fighter Practice, beginning at approximately 8:30 p.m.

February 16: A demonstration will be held at the Estrella War, hosted by Sir Keegan and Lady Aislynne. In attendance will be 70 fascinated 12-year olds. Please see Sir Keegan to sign up; meet at 11:00 at the Black Talon Camp.

February 21: Dame Ekaterina, "How to Make a Tassle Belt."

February 21: Sir Michael and Sire Charicce, "Parliamentary Proceure."

February 23: Squire Caramon, Demo at Roadrunner Elementary School, 1 pm. Please see him ASAP for further information!

February 24: Black Arrow and Margarita, "Beginning Archery." This will be held at the Feb Archery Tourney, time and location TBA.

February 28: Dames Kate and Serene will be holding a class on food. Bring your own spoon and bowl. Those attending class will be tasting our presentation. Dame Kate will be speaking about how to read the recipes from Old English/Medieval and translate to modern language. Dame Serene will be speaking on how to document your entry and present it to the judges. Since this will be after war, we can also discuss problems/or stuff you liked as artists and judges you had at the war.

March 7: Dame Draconia and Sir Pavo, "Heraldry."

March 14: Sir Phillipe, "Revised Combat Manual." There will also be a weapons demo, and therefore a Combat D.P. is available.

March 21: Sire Charicce, "A Sire's Interaction with His/Her House."

KNIGHTINGS!

After a long drought, Umbria has had a deluge of Knightings lately. Setting the trend were Sir Pavo, the Gypsy King, knighting in Ministry at the Imperial Jubilee and Sir Raymond Picard, dubbed the Premier Umbrian Knight Archer. Several others have also taken the Blue Belt recently:

Sir Konor was dubbed Knight Combatant at the January Canton of Westerheim. Sir Morgan took his belt as Knight Minister and Sir Logan also joined the ranks of Knight Combatant at the February Canton of Westerheim.

We had two Second Level Knightings in January as well: Dame Skye O'Malley and HRM Sir James the Red both were dubbed Knight Civil.

Summoning of the Adrian Empire Imperial Estates General March 10 & 11, 2001.

In November Of 2000 the Imp Estates voted to meet on March 10 & 11, 2001. The agenda will be posted on or about February 8, 2001. The address for the March Imperial Estates Meeting:

Aarington Inc./AbsolutePlans.com
120 Corporate Park Dr.
Henderson, NV
(a suburb of Las Vegas)

The Major Cross Streets are Gibson and Lake Mead Dr/I-215. The closest hotel to the Building is The Reserve Hotel (about 5 minutes away).

The Contact person will be
Lori Yerger (Dame Serina).
702-270-3403 Home
702-303-5657 Cell Phone

Thank You,
Sir Karl
Vice Chancellor of Adria

Imperial Collegium and Arts Expo

An Imperial Collegium is being held in conjunction with the March 2001 Imperial Estates Meeting. Artisans from all over the Empire are encouraged to bring their artistic talents and expertise to the Imperial Estates Meeting. Space is available for classes and displays. The idea is for artists to have the opportunity to display their work and teach classes. It is an opportunity for everyone to enjoy the rich diversity and artistic talent of the Empire.

Time slots are available for fifteen classes Saturday night. Classes will be limited to 30 to 60 minutes. Everyone is encouraged to participate by teaching a class in any of the arts areas, documentation, heraldry, history, ministry, archery or combat; however, classes are limited. Interested individuals are encouraged to contact the Collegium autocrat. Participants need to provide multiple copies of their documentation for interested members. Please contact Dame Rose of Aberlone, as soon as possible, via e-mail at roseofaberlone@hotmail.com.

And, for a change of pace the dinner will be an informal potluck feast. Actually, the feast will be a casual themed prize arts tournament whose entries will be used to feed the assembled Imperial Estates and populace. Entries to the arts tournament are limited to food and beverages. Everyone is encouraged to bring a food entry. Bring your favorite homemade "period" dish: breads, soups, main courses, vegetables, salads, pastas, desserts, finger food or beverages (mead, liqueurs, ales, beers, wine, etc.). Food entries should be large enough to feed ten to fifteen people. All entries will be judged prior to dinner. Please contact Squire Nutmeg and Squire Rosa Ravenfeather, via e-mail at seafish7@aol.com

The facilities include a kitchen, currently outfitted with a microwave, refrigerator, dishwasher, sink, and icemaker. The restrooms are spacious with handicap facilities, a shower, electrical plugs and

plenty of room for changing outfits. The conference rooms have VCR and computer compatible projectors; an overhead project and the electrical outlets will be expanded from four to as many as needed with power strips. Security will be provided for displays.

Anyone interested in displaying armorial devices needs to RSVP. No exceptions. Decorations cannot be taped, stapled, glued, gummed, thumb tacked, screwed, or skewered to the walls. However, free-standing display space will be provided to anyone or group whom RSVP. Please contact HRM Dame Serina as soon as possible.

When: Saturday and Sunday, 3/10-11
Displays will be ongoing throughout the day. Classes will begin following dinner clean up.

Where: Aarington Inc/AbsolutePlans.com
120 Corporate Park Dr.
Henderson, NV

The major cross streets are Gibson and Lake Mead Dr/I-215.

Thanks to the Kingdom of Aragon for hosting the Imperial Estates Meeting; and, HRM Dame Serina and Sir Edward who have graciously provided the space for the Imperial Estates Meeting and Collegium.

EDITOR'S NOTE: I have asked how this will be handled for those who are staying in hotels, are not artisans, or do not know how to prepare "period" foods. I will let everyone know as soon as I receive an answer. ☺ A

Congrats!!

Congratulations to Sir Pavo and Elaine Rosalia on the birth of their son, Bavol (mka Jonathan Gregory Kelliagh Ross), born 7:53 pm on January 31, 2001. Both Mom and baby are doing fine! Huzzah!

The Continuing Saga of...



DEMETRIUS

It was a cold night when my father went to the tavern; he took three of my brothers with him. As they entered the tavern, they went directly to the barkeep and asked if he knew who all was involved in the disturbance that rendered Nigel bereft of life. The barkeep said nothing and went about his business. My brothers tense and angry as they were, slammed the glasses off the bar and yelled to the barkeep. "Who killed our brother!" and with that, Antoan threw a glass across the room. The barkeep then took notice and told him to leave or the authorities will be called for. My father told Antoan to calm down, and then, turning to leave, took notice of a man sneaking out the rear door. "We will follow him." My father said. "This man will lead us to where we need to go." "What if he doesn't?" asked Antoan, "What if he leads us to nothing, or if he knows we'll follow, leads us into a trap?" They pursued the man for almost an hour and a half before they found where they were going. The man arrived at a large house near the Thames River and disappeared inside. My father noticed the name on the front gate was "Stuart", "Great! A goddamn Scot." Said father, "It had to be one of them."



Years ago, my father was on a political trip to the Scottish Isles for some treaty that was being settled between the English and the Scots and Irish. My grandfather was a member of the elite guard to the Queen of Scotland. My father, a Frenchman in the employ of the British Royal Council, was not very welcome in these lands by many of the populace but his presence was necessary in order to authenticate the overall situation. Many of the countrymen felt that the Queen was out of her mind for subjugating her people to the British. My grandfather had the unfortunate responsibility of sheltering my father for the duration of his visit by order of the queen. My father was brought to the house and introduced to the family, where he met my mother. When my father met my mother, he fell insanely in love with her. Everyone was polite to him even

though they knew why he was there. The eventual take-over by England was in process as they spoke. After dinner my grandfather took my father to the back room to discuss matters of estate. After five months, there was no advancement on the matters of Scotland joining with England, the nobles were getting anxious for the Brits to leave. War was on the lips and minds of almost everyone involved with the discussions and tempers were starting to flare.

My grandfather, sensing the unfortunate event approaching, asked my father if when he leaves for France if he would, for her safety, take my mother with him. My father agreed. One week later my mother and father were on a ship headed for French waters, two days after their departure, war broke out in Scotland. Exactly one month after their arrival in France they were wed and my mother was with child with the first of us children. After the fourth child was born, my parents received word from my grandfather; he had survived the war and was home well.

He apparently had searched a long time to find my mother, but he had no idea where to begin looking. He did know to start in France because of my father being French. Now, my grandfather isn't what one would call an educated man, but what he lacks in book knowledge, he makes up for in life experience. For instance, an educated man would give directions like, "To get to the market, you must walk thirty meters north, turn left, and about three meters west, it will be located on the right side of the road." Whereas my grandfather would say, "See that steeple over there? Go that way and you'll smell it."

...To be continued next month

Membership Perks!

Along with the busy social calendar, artistic and educational advancements, and the ever-popular "hitting people with big pointy sticks", we get discounts at The Leather Factory (425 N. 19th Ave) and JoAnn Fabrics. All you need is your Kingdom of Umbria membership card – see HRM King James the Red or the Royal Steward, Squire Iella, if you don't have one yet!

World of Ether

The Kingdom now has a yahoo-groups discussion site open to Umbrians only. If you are interested, please see or email HRM King James. This site is to be used as an ***UNofficial*** announcement site, rumor control ("Hey, I heard...is it true?"), and general discussion forum.

If you are interested in receiving the Mug in electronic format, please email Lady Aislyne.

News from Foreign Lands...

Aragon

FOOL'S WAR

March 30, 31 and April 1

Get ready for "the most fun you can have with your clothes on" (--Sir Karl).

The Company de Mortis presents the Seventh Annual Fool's War.

Sam Boyd Silver Bowl, green belt on baseball field east just past the football stadium. Stadium located off Russell Road East of Boulder Highway, Las Vegas, Nevada.

Site opens Friday at 6:30 a.m. and closes 10:00 p.m. Sunday.

A mock crown war encouraging alternate personas and peasants, featuring: two nights camping, feasting, revelry, Bob Tournaments, Grand Melees, Poker Archery Tournament, Humorous Arts Entries, War Ball, Piggyback Jousting, Captive Carry, and the Election of the King (or Queen) of Fool's.

Tentative Site Fee for Fool's War:

\$10 per adult, \$5 per child under 10 years old, toddlers three and under free.

PLEASE RSVP so we can feed you all! RSVP Sir William at dreye@lvcm.com For more information please contact Sir William at dreye@lvcm.com.

Three Huzzahs to...

...All of our new Knights!

...The newest members of Umbria –
Jacque; Edward and Mellisande du
Bald; and Salabiem the Moore,
Antenella of Italy and their son,
Maximus, Samantha Crea, William
McBribe, Robert Stewart, Dominaka,
& DJ Adkins

...Comtessa Dame Justina upon
receiving her retirement title of
Countess Royal from the
Estates of Umbria

...All the Participants and Winners
of this month's Tournaments!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthday greetings to the Members of the
Kingdom for the months of ...

February

Sir Hanzel – 6th
Robert Stewart - 19th
Sir Angus – 24th

March

Pellinore – 2nd
Sir Cameron – 13th
Sir Waldham – 25th

Note: Please contact the Royal Steward,
Squire Iella, or His Royal Majesty, King James
for entering your birth date into the Kingdom
records. We will not ask which year, in case
you are afraid of us knowing how ANCIENT
you truly are!

EDITORIALS

BE AWARE: This section is dedicated to providing a space where members of the Populace can state opinions and address all of Umbria. The opinions expressed are not necessarily those of the Crown or Chronicler. Those who write here are not doing so in official capacity, unless they sign that way. Articles to inform the populace about specific events, announcements, etc. are not included in this section.

Once again, we have a Kingdom fracturing over factions and a lack of communication between them. When are we ever going to break this cycle of self-destruction?

In 1987, Members of a faction of the SCA decided they could no longer play within the confines of the SCA. That faction split from the SCA (with quite a bit of nastiness) and formed The Empire of Chivalry and Steel/Adria and things were fine for a while.

Then in 1990, 2 factions were at odds with each other decided they couldn't play together and split. Thus The Adrian Empire split from the Empire of Chivalry and Steel. This split was so nasty, with so many hurt feelings; it was at one time written that neither group would acknowledge the fact that they were once one. Once again things were fine for a while.

In 1994, Factions arose in the Kingdom of Pembroke causing a split. One March for the most part left forming the core of Gideon's fighters. Things were fine again.

Then in 1995-1996, 2 factions in the Kingdom of Pembroke arose again who just could not get along with each other. So this time we split three ways, forming The Kingdom of Pembroke in Historical Medieval Re-creations, the Kingdom of Avalon, and the Duchy of Umbria in the Adrian Empire. To show how destructive this split was, the Kingdom of Pembroke before the split sat at over 300 people. After the split, the Kingdom of Pembroke took less than 100 people, the kingdom of

Avalon took about 25 people, and The Duchy of Umbria was left with 15 people, about 8 of which played regularly. But once again things were fine for a while.

In 1997-1998, Once again the faction raised their ugly heads. This time however we didn't split, we just made people so uncomfortable they just left. We lost several old time players in those two years.

In 1999-2000 we once again divide into uncommunicating factions, and we again see the mass exodus of people who are made uncomfortable. (Duriel, Frederick, Delia, Rashalak, Alexandria, and most of the March of Fyre Astolat). These groups of people accounted for more than 50 people.

Now in 2001 we are once again seeing factions fight amongst each other. How many people will we lose this time?

When are we going to learn from our History that these constant battles amongst the differing factions are contrary to our purpose? The Kingdom of Umbria has the ability to be something really great, but as long as we keep shooting ourselves in the foot, we will be doomed to continue the cycle of splitting and driving people off.

Respectfully submitted,
Angus Kilshannig MacAllister
Knight Civil, Knight Bachelor
Viscount of Umbria
Baronet of Adria

As a member of the Umbrian Populace I would like to go on record as saying that I agree with the decision to publish the infamous "Sheep" article. There were, of course, a few references that I felt should have been deleted or explained, but on the whole the things said have for some time needed to be aired in some public forum. Keeping so much information quiet in order to spare a few hurt feelings merely leads to the type the sneak attacks and distortion of facts that have led to the current discontent in the game. Silence ultimately leads to protection for those who create trouble, and those whose feelings would

have suffered under honesty and light are forced to endure relancing of their wounds again and again. If the Mug sets itself against informing the populace, an underground press will surely arise and will probably be much more inflammatory than Skye's editorial.

My love for the Queen crosses game, mundane and spiritual bounds. It grieves me to see her torn like a box of chocolates between starving, snarling animals. She had visions of healing rifts in the empire, of bringing the populace together to do wonderful things. Indeed, if a few sorry power grabbers and malcontents hadn't poisoned the pot I think that together you could have accomplished great things for the kingdom.

This is a game. I am personally disgusted at the way this political mess has taken over the lives of my family. I cannot allow my membership in this game to benefit those who would pray on the good nature and honor of those I love (Justina, Morgan, and others) in order to gain domination and political power over those who are guilty of no more than perpetuating hurt feelings because they don't have all the facts.

I, Circe Craft, hereby sever my affiliation with County Falling Star and all political subdivisions thereof. It is my intention to stand as a free citizen of the Kingdom of Umbria. By my hand this 9 January 2001. So mote it be!

To the Crowns of Umbria and the Populace,

I have been a member of the Kingdom for just under two years now and I have seen the way we argue between ourselves and with others of the Empire. In some ways this can be a good thing, for No family can get away with out arguing from time too time. However, the tendency of some of the members of our Kingdom too exaggerate or embellish thing that are said, or have occurred in the past does not lend themselves having meaningful discussions that could lead to the resolution of problems.

People are individuals and are loaded with quirks. Everyone reacts differently too things that are said, or done. I personally do not like the tactics that were used to remove Dame Skye from her office, I do not like what Dame Skye had published in the Mug. BUT that does not mean she does not have the right to speak her mind. If I had been ousted from office the way she was I would be very ticked off myself and would want to vent my anger about it. King James also points out that not all members of the Kingdom have regular access to a computer (myself included) so I have to agree with him that the Mug was the only real choice for Dame Skye to voice her anger. Enough said on that score.

Personal communication between the Crowns is of **UTMOST** importance if they are to reign successfully. This apparently is no longer possible between our current Crowns. Dame Justina is a wonderful woman, who has made me feel welcome in her home on many occasions. Sir James has always struck me as fair man and a straight shooter, and I have the Utmost respect for him. But I do not feel I can stand aside and watch my beloved Kingdom be torn apart by Crowns that cannot work together for the betterment of the Kingdom and the Empire. I hereby declare my support for the Civil War called for by Sir Cameron.

In service to The Dream, and with a heavy heart,

Lord Willum Camaron (1/09/01)



Ministry Update

We have a new Imperial Chancellor, Dame Katherine Marshall. Sir Karl is serving as Vice Chancellor.

Sir Pavo has offered and been gratefully accepted as Deputy Chronicler of Umbria. Welcome to my world... ☺

NOTE FROM THE ROYAL ARTS & SCIENCE MINISTER

JANUARY ARTS:

It really was great to have a Masters' List this last Kingdom Tourney (1/20/01) and such different arts.

Comtessa Justina entered a Fine ceramic dragon and won the Tourney HUZDAH!
Sir Keegan entered a Crafted surcoat, you look lovely in bright red. :) Sire Charicce entered a Bardic original poem, Wonderful! Sir Thoma entered a Crafted leather pouch, good money holder :) Dame Serene entered a Fine pen & ink drawing and earned a Masterwork :) on the Knights List.

CLASSES HELD IN JANUARY, 2001:

1/10/01 Sir James the Red held a class on Courtly Etiquette. We especially liked how Sir Puck demonstrated how to 'grovel' and we will be sure 'not' to turn our back on the Crown and show him our butts.:)

1/17/01 Sir James the Red held a class on the Virtues pertaining to Chivalry. Good class with the populace giving advice on how to handle problems as they come up.

1/20/01 Dame Skye O'Malley held a class on the Descriptions and Duties of the Estate Holders. It sure was informative, especially for the new Houses and reminded the old Houses, Baronies, Counties and Marches of their duties.

1/24/01 Sir Michael Sinestro held a class on Calligraphy. We all had a chance to try out this art. We hope to see some entered soon.

NO Cantons reporting arts participation.

ESTRELLA WAR:

This is a great time for all to attend some classes on art while you are there. Go to sca.org for information on the war and they have a list of classes and the days they will be held. Go to them, you can learn a lot.

Dame Serene
Royal Arts & Science Minister

War & Joust

All combatants should have Combat Cards with them at any tournament in which they plan to participate. If you do not have one, please see the Minister of War and Joust, Sir Philippe Du Bois Gilbert, at the next Kingdom Tournament.

Chronicler's Comments

I was recently asked what it took to publish in the Mug. So...just so everyone knows... While I am the Chronicler, one must submit to me (or my Deputy, Sir Pavo) what is to be published. Basically, that's it.

To define "submit":

It needs to be written and signed, so that I publish and, if necessary, credit it accurately - email or on a scrap of paper is fine. If you hand-write it, it must be readable.

The Royal Herald records business and announcements in court for inclusion in the Mug. It does help if people giving collegiums and demos hand me a written copy of what they want the announcement to say, otherwise I just announce the host, date, and topic.

I do accept "oral reports" from my Crown, the Ministers, and Viceroy.

The deadline is the 6:00 pm on the Monday before the first Wednesday of the month (publication date). That only gives me 2 days to finalize, so earlier is greatly appreciated.

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Hope this makes the process clear.

In Service,
Lady Aislynn
Royal Chronicler of Umbria

AISLYNNE Asks...

Who asked the "Knighting Farty" to approach the thrones?

Who promises pie, but hasn't delivered?

Who hits *other* people's archery targets more often than his/her own?

Who IS the baby Knight of Umbria?
(Or should I ask *what*)?

Recipe of the Month

The original recipe for this pastry is from
*The Good Huswifes Handmaid for
Cookerie in her kitchen* (1588):

For a tarte of apples and orange pillles.

Take your orenge and lay them in water a day and a night, then seeth them in faire water and honey and let seeth till they be soft; then let them soak in the sirrop a day and a night: then take forth and cut them small and then make your tart and season your apples with suger, synamon and ginger and put in a piece of butter and lay a course of apples and between the same course of apples a course of orenge, and so, course by course, and season your orenge as you seasoned your apples with somewhat more sugar; then lay on the lid and put it in the oven and when it is almost baked, take Rosewater and sugar and boyle them together till it be somewhat thick, then take out the Tart and take a feather and spread the rosewater and sugar on the lid and let it not burn.

(<http://www.cs.cmu.edu/afs/andrew.cmu.edu/org/Medieval> - website includes a modern "translation")

Bardic of the Month

Ballade

Dante (1265 – 1321)

from *New Life*

Ballade, I want you to seek out Love,
And with him go before my lady...
With sweet melody when
you are with him,
Begin these words,
After you have asked for mercy:
'My lady, he who sends me to you,
When it pleases you, desires
That if he had an excuse you may
hear it from me...

Tell her: 'My lady, his heart
has attended
With such steadfast faith
That in your service he has been
moulded by every thought:
From the first he has been yours,
and he has never strayed.'

....Through the grace of my
sweet melody
Remain here with her,
And of your servant
speak what you will;
And if through your prayer
she forgives him,
Have her fair countenance
announce him to peace.
My gentle ballade,
when it pleases you,
Go forth at that moment when
you receive honour.

(chosen from *A Medieval Miscellany*
by Judith Herrin)

Kingdom Event Report

JANUARY	COMBAT	KNIGHT'S HEAVY RENN	SIR DUNCAN
		KNIGHT'S RENN	SIR JAMES THE RED
		KNIGHT'S STEEL	SIR KEEGAN
	ARTS	MASTER'S LIST	COMTESSA JUSTINA
		MASTERWORK	DAME SERENE

Kingdom Archery Tournament Report

DECEMBER	ARCHERY	HUNTSMAN	BLACK ARROW
JANUARY	ARCHERY	HUNTSMAN	SIR MORGAN
		BOWMAN	SQUIRE GAWAIN

Canton of Thunar Tourney Report...

DECEMBER	COMBAT	KNIGHT'S RENN	SIR PUCK
JANUARY		SHINAI	DARTAGNON
		KNIGHT'S RENN	SIR KEEGAN
		KNIGHT'S STEEL	SIR KEEGAN

Canton of Westraheim Tourney Report...

JANUARY	COMBAT	KNIGHT'S RENN	SIR KEEGAN
		KNIGHT'S HEAVY RENN	SIR MICHAEL SINESTRO
		KNIGHT'S STEEL	SIR KEEGAN
	ARCHERY	HUNTSMAN	SIR IEVAN

Canton of Inverness Report...

No list for January. Inverness will host the February Kingdom Event.

Canton of Valle de Luna Tourney Report...

DECEMBER	COMBAT	KNIGHT'S RENN	SIR KEEGAN
JANUARY		KNIGHT'S RENN	SIR ANGUS
		KNIGHT'S STEEL	SIR DUNCAN

Canton of Trinacria Report...

Greetings from the shores of Trinacria! Eleven came from different lands to witness the birth of Trinacria. No battle was fought that day and no treaty signed. Just eleven souls that wanted the same thing: A land and home to call their own. They came from Amsterdam, Norway, Morocco, Russia and even Ireland. They came with hopes and dreams of a land where they could be free. A land that they could build upon and nurture and watch grow into something better. They came to be part of the mighty Adrian Empire. They came to be Umbrians and serve her King and populace. They came to be Trinacrians. They came Home. Of the eleven attending the first gathering of Trinacria, six joined immediately but all have promised to join.

When informed of the upcoming Civil War, the Trinacrians became one voice and shouted with vigor and passion "FIGHT!" And so they shall. When the armies of King James the Red and Sir Cameron meet upon the field of honor within the borders of Umbria, on the tenth day of the month, so too shall the people of this land meet in defiance of our enemy, and he will know fear. He will know defeat.

In service,

Ivan the Forsaken, Viceroy of Trinacria

Membership Dues are due soon for....

This section is to announce to the Populace the memberships that are due for continuing the fine Adrian experience. There is a 30-day grace period; please get with the Royal Steward, Squire Iella, promptly and renew! If you have already settled your membership with the Steward, then just smile when you read your name! ☺

JANUARY:
Lawrence Yanez
David Amberson
Joe Lee
Cynthia Starr
Philip Boddy, Jr
Diane Phillips
Sabrina Malon

FEBRUARY:
Frances Burns
Brian Lehmbecker
Michael King

MARCH:
Matt Schlobolt
Phillip Smith
Wayne Winchester
Colleen Winchester
Danielle Haines
Stephanie Westover
Chris Azimi
Caitlin Azimi
Meri Azimi
Clark Edwards
Stacy Kirschner
Roslyn Kirschner
David Kirschner
Carla Crowfoot
David Crowfoot
Williard Gustafson
Alice Gustafson
Joanne Myers
Michael Atkins
George Leach

February 2001 Events

Sun	M	T	Wed	T	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 Canton of Westraheim Loma Linda Park 10 a.m.
4	5	6	7 Canton of Thunar Encanto Park 8 p.m.	8	9	10 Civil War Deer Valley Park 10 a.m Kingdom Hearts and Armor Tourney
11	12	13	14 Fighter Practice Encanto Park 8 p.m.	15	16 Demo - Estrella War 11 am/ Black Talon Camp	17
18	19	20	21 Fighter Practice Encanto Park 8 p.m. Collegiums (2)	22	23 Demo – Roadrunner Elem. 1:00 p.m.	24 Archery Tourney Time TBA Collegium
25	26	27	28 Fighter Practice Encanto Park 8 p.m. Collegium			

March 2001 Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3 Canton of Westraheim Loma Linda Park 10 a.m.
4	5	6	7 Canton of Thunar Encanto Park 8 p.m. Collegium	8	9	10 Canton of Inverness Deer Valley Park 10 a.m. Imperial Estates Meeting Las Vegas
11 Canton of Valle de Luna TBA Imperial Estates Las Vegas	12	13	14 Fighter Practice Encanto Park 8 p.m. Collegium	15	16	17 Kingdom Tourney Cactus Park 10 a.m.
18	19	20	21 Fighter Practice Encanto Park 8 p.m. Collegium	22	23	24 Archery Tourney Time TBA
25	26	27	28 Fighter Practice Encanto Park 8 p.m.	29	30	31

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