

# THE UMBRIAN MUG

## ***Greetings and Salutations!***

Welcome to this edition of the Umbrian Mug. This edition covers the month of May 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.

## **ROYAL ADDRESS**

Greetings Unto the Populace,

War is only a month away now, and we have two sets of contenders that have been approved by the Estates: Sir Waldham and Lady Celeste (as Queen Consort), and Sir Philippe and Dame Justina. We strongly suggest that you speak to the contenders and find out what they stand for, what they wish to accomplish – this way you will be making an informed decision about who you wish to have as Crown(s) next. If anyone wishes Our personal viewpoint, you make ask in private – We will not be speaking about the contenders in any official capacity as King, but will do so with the understanding Our words are the words of a Knight Civil with a personal interest in the matters of this Kingdom.

The new Arts and Sciences manual will be effective at the Kingdom Tournaments – this includes the Canton Tournaments. The old manual will still be used for all Wars, as the war point issue is still up in the air in the new manual. See Dame Serene for further information.

We have used Our prerogative to elevate a non-Knight to the Brotherhood of Chivalry. Ivan the Forsaken, Viceroy of Trinacria, has been made a Knight Minister by Our hand. We do so in reward and recognition of Sir Ivan's hard work in expanding our borders and numbers on the Island of Sicily. Huzzah to Sir Ivan! We expect great things from him and the rest of Trinacria!

Banner War is here at last! Terre Neuve beckons, with a chance to wrest back control of the Western Banner. We do exhort all Umbrians who can to travel and fight (in combat, arts and archery) in the valiant attempt at reclaiming the Banner. See Sir Waldham and Sir Pavo about arranging to transport equipment in Sir Pavo's trailer, which he is making available for use to the Kingdom.

As usual, if you have any questions, comments, complaints, gripes, moans, suggestions, etc., feel free to speak to Us at any Event.

Sir James the Red, King of Umbria

## **CROWN CONTENDERS**

Good People of Umbria:

As contenders for the upcoming crown war, we have been asked to speak to the populace by the Umbrian Mug chronicler. This is a good way to present some of our thoughts out to those far and near.

We have been a consistent presence in the game we embrace. We understand the passion that this game creates, and are able to appreciate and learn from it.

We have no arguments with anyone in Umbria, and are not politically for or against any of the divisions within Umbria.

We heartily believe that everyone in Umbria has something wonderful to offer our land. Whether they are an Archer, an Artisan, a Combatant, or member of the Populace who enjoys the modern version of the middle ages. All of us have something to offer. This makes Umbria a diverse and interesting place to be. We would like for everyone to be able contribute without having to belong to any particular group.

I, Waldham, like Sir Philippe, have been present in this game since the breakup that occurred causing Pembroke to become Umbria. I have watched her go from a Duchy of 15 to our current Kingdom status. I do not view myself as much of a politician, but as someone who embraces

the game and wants the best for it. As for my politics I have worked to be politically neutral as possible. And prefer to mediate rather than create disharmony that the charge counter-charge atmosphere that can be so divisive to our game.

As Consort, I, Lady Celeste would spice up court with many ideas that will add to the game. We will strive to bring our reputation in the arts back to where it used to be. We were universally recognized as the best and most active Artisans group in the Empire at one point.

Our courts should become colorful and fun. I understand and share the goals of Sir Waldham. He is a neutral in his politics and a mediator who works hard to maintain the survival, and fun growth of our Kingdom. I, Lady Celeste, am eager to communicate to others that YES! WE Umbrians are HERE! And we want you to come HERE, because it is REALLY fun here! Such is the pleasure seeing our friends at all the events.

At the past 2 wars for the throne we have set a precedent of not using mercenaries or outsiders. I will continue that new Umbrian tradition, in addition I am releasing all of those that have Vassal ties me to fight (vote) as they see fit. I am requesting all those who fight (vote) for me to do the same.

This is everyone's opportunity to decide what direction the Kingdom will take for the next year. Choose wisely, but have fun while your participating. This is your game, and if your not having fun, then there is something wrong that needs to be fixed.

Hopefully, with your help, we will ascend to the throne in June and with everyone's help we can become a more cohesive group looking to become the best that we can be in all facets of the Game. And, most importantly, have a great time while we are doing it.

In Service  
Waldham and Celeste

## Collegiums & Demonstrations

Unless otherwise noted, collegiums are held at Encanto Park Fighter Practice, beginning at

**May 18: 1 p.m.** Demo at Patterson Elementary School, Gilbert. It will start at 1PM, and last until 3PM, which is when school lets out for the day. They are doing Medieval studies at this time of year and are looking forward to our presence. Directions: Take the US 60 East to the Lindsey Rd exit Go South on Lindsey to Guadalupe Rd. Turn Left (go East) on Guadalupe to 1211 E. Guadalupe Rd. Please join us there and at Dame Aislynn's demo in Chandler at 5PM Thanks in advance to all, Waldham.

*(Go to dinner, and then cruise over to...)*

**May 18: 5:30-7:30 p.m.** Faire at Knox Elementary School, 700 W Orchid Lane, Chandler. Demo is for all areas – Combat, Arts, and Archery (Combat arrows only). Directions: Take 60 to Country Club. South on Country Club (turns in to Arizona Avenue) to Knox Road (between Warner and Ray). Turn right on Knox, then left on Hartford. The school is located on the NW corner of Hartford and Orchid, with parking accessed from Orchid. Contact Dame Aislynn for more info and to let her know you are attending!

**May 23:** Lord Temple – Collegium: Kilts.

## When it Rains...

...it Pours. We have had a flood of Knightings and Knight Candidates complete the requirements for their accolades: Sir Duncan, Bannerette; Sir Thoma, Archer; Sir Pavo Rosalia, Civil; Sir Michael Sinestro, Civil; and Dame Aislynn de Chartier, Minister. Knight Candidates include Sir Waylan of Winchester, Archer; Dame Serene, Doctor; and Ivan the Forsaken, Minister. Congratulations to all of you!

## Western Banner War

May 26-27, 2001

Banner War West (main site) will be held in the Kingdom of Terre Neuve at Dos Picos County Park, in Ramona, CA.

The site opens at 12pm Friday, May 25 and closes at 2pm Monday, May 28. Pre-registration forms are available in the April 2001 Herald.

Directions (as printed in the Herald): I15 to Scripps Parkway East. Left onto Hwy 67 North to Mussey Grade Road, turn left South 1 mile to Dos Picos Park Rd., which leads to the park entrance. Turn into ↑ park entry. The War site is Area 1 near the pond in the large open area "soccer field".

Please note there have been fire restrictions announced; no tiki torches. No pets. Please see the April 2001 Herald for more information.

## EDITORIALS

*The editorials that follow express the personal opinions of the authors. They are not necessarily the feelings of the King, Chronicler, nor Kingdom of Umbria.*

### Thoughts to Ponder

What have we, as a Kingdom, come to? I see people starting rumors, just to get back at someone. I see a King trying to smooth over the NEW problems arising in the populace; some of the old ones are irreparable.

And some of the things that hurt me most are we go to an Estates meeting, we walk in as friends, and leave as enemies, someone has to make the rules, and if there is any doubt of me voting the will of my house, I still have the agenda with their votes on it, if anyone would care to see it.

The other problem I see is that we play this GAME on an average of 48 hours a month, yet we fight and throw hissy fits when something doesn't go our way. So here are a couple of questions we need to ask ourselves. Is this the way we act when we play other games such as Checkers? Don't we, as adults, teach our children that this kind of behavior is

unacceptable? Why can't we as a Kingdom work together to narrow the rift between us?

Just a couple of things to think about...

With a heavy heart for a Kingdom that is going to kill itself, yet again, if we don't grow up, Charicce

P.S. United we stand, Divided we fall!

## Black and Blue

The Red & Black has been around The Blue made the choice to step down In the name of fun they seek the Crown

Perhaps the second time will be the charm With the book of law in their arm One can only hope there is no harm

For if common sense is not used And in the name of FUN Umbria is abused By the many OR the few, justice will be used

For whoever wins may the spotlight shine bright And those in the shadows with their plots not lose sight All eyes are on you with extreme delight May the Crowns make their own choices, wrong or right

With wisdom and experience under our Belts The cards have been shuffled and have been dealt Our hopes and dreams will not fade or melt For we stand strong as Amazon or Celt

Dame Circe-Skye O'Malley  
Knight Civil  
Amazon Elder  
Lady Baronet of Adria

### Dear Populace:

When I wrote my Knighting Ceremony, the only part I changed drastically from the "Nigel-standard-ceremony" was the part where I expressed my desire to accept not only the privileges of Knighthood, but also the responsibilities. With that weight upon

me, I feel the need to share a thought or two...

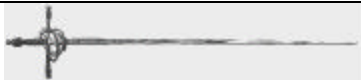
I do not understand why so many of us – and yes, I include myself – find it so difficult to put the past behind us and look toward creating a better future. I was told recently that Kingdom wounds will never heal because no one will apologize or forgive anyone for anything, even if the apology is offered. This saddens me. I am not asking anyone to forget the past; that expects people to do the impossible. I just wish we could let go of the anger.

How is it that this hobby of ours is taken so seriously that we cannot let by-gones be by-gones? Why do we not keep our thoughts to ourselves when they cause hurt over and over again? To what end to we keep opening old wounds that pain everyone? Who benefits?

Please do not think I am casting stones at anyone - I know that at one time or another I have been guilty of all these things. However, I truly feel that you do not always have to be nice, but if you cannot be positive, at least be constructive. Otherwise, what is the point?

With that in mind, maybe we need to reopen the discussion of what is acceptable to us as a Kingdom – from what is said on which side of the “red line” to what is written in the Mug to what is acceptable at the Umbrian Estates Meetings. I invite everyone to the Kingdom of Umbria yahoo-group (<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/KingdomOfUmbria>) to enter into this serious discussion. Please join me. I am interested in your thoughts.

Dame Aislynn



## Ministry Update

Sir Philippe has resigned as Minister of War and Joust, so that he can legally participate in Crown War

## NOTE FROM THE ROYAL ARTS & SCIENCE MINISTER

**ART ENTRY REPORT:**  
*Kingdom Tourney:* No entries

*Canton of Thunar:*  
Dame Serene, K.Food, Carrots  
Lady Celeste, M.Bardic,  
Shakespearean Song  
Dame Draconia, K.Crafted, Pillow (Win)  
Lady Charrise, K.Bardic, Poem

No other Cantons Reporting.

**ART KNIGHTHOOD ADVANCEMENT:**  
Dame Serene achieved her points for 2nd level arts knighthood (Knight Doctor) She will be 2<sup>nd</sup> level knighting at the Thunar Event in May.

**CLASSES FOR MAY:**  
None scheduled with the Arts and Science Minister. (*Note from the Chronicler: There are classes scheduled with the Crown. See page 2 for a current listing.*)

**NEW MANUAL:**  
At our last Umbrian Estate's Meeting it was voted by the Estates to use the 'new' manual ONLY for tourneys. The Documentation Summary Sheet (last page of arts manual) requires ALL artisans to give information for documentation as follows:

1. Period/ Date of Item
2. Country of Origin/Style
3. Description of entry
4. Materials Used (Explain materials used and substitutions in your entry)
5. Processes/Techniques Used (explain period techniques and substitutions)

MASTERWORK/MASTERPIECE requires 3 primary sources.

*FOR WAR, we will continue to use the 'old' manual and the revised documentation checklist.*

Anyone wishing to qualify for judging arts please see your arts minister  
Dame Serene

## Chronicler's Corner

Amazingly, I have nothing official to say. ☺  
Have a great May.  
- Dame Aislynn

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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

### May

Aethlestein May 3  
Pal the Friend May 22  
Sir James (the King) May 17  
Sivlar Dragonlace May 17  
Squire IeLLA May 25  
Jacque Hodges May 26

### June

No Report

Note: Please contact the Royal Steward, Iella, or His Royal Majesty, King James the Red, 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 really are!

Bardic of the Month  
Submitted by Dame Serene

From Relax,  
*You May Only Have a Few Minutes Left*,  
compiled by Loretta LaRouche.

*We the Willing  
Led by the Unknowing  
Are doing the Impossible  
For the Ungrateful  
We have done so Much  
With so Little  
For so Long  
We are now Qualified  
To do Anything  
With Nothing*

-Anonymous

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**Kingdom Event Report**

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APRIL	ARCHERY	HUNTSMAN	(No Report)
		BOWMAN	
	COMBAT	KNIGHT'S RENN	SIR ROLAND
		KNIGHT'S HEAVY RENN	SIR KEEGAN

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**Canton of Thunar Tourney Report...**

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APRIL	COMBAT	KNIGHT'S RENN	SIR PUCK
		KNIGHT'S HEAVY RENN	SIR PUCK
		KNIGHT'S STEEL	SIR CAMERON
	ARTS	KNIGHT'S CRAFTED	DAME DRACONIA

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**Canton of Westraheim Tourney Report...**

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APRIL	COMBAT	KNIGHT'S RENN	SIR PUCK
		KNIGHT'S STEEL	SIR IEVAN
	ARCHERY	HUNTSMAN	BLACKARROW
		BOWMAN	SIR KONOR

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**Canton of Inverness Report...**

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NO REPORT

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**Canton of Valle de Luna Report...**

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NO REPORT

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**Canton of Trinacria Report...**

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NO REPORT

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**Membership Dues are due soon for....**

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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! ☺

**APRIL:**

Marquita Ayala  
Robert Jackson  
Candi Palmer  
Jason Palmer  
Preston Palmer  
Brian Smith  
James Smith  
James Wintermute  
Linda Wintermute  
Andrew Zerber

**MAY:**

Doreen Adkins  
D.J. Adkins  
Autumn Belanger  
Kevin Belanger  
Michael Giovia  
Charlene Maennche  
Hellene Maennche  
Gary Pace  
Billy Parks  
Annette Pedersen  
Raymond Zachary

**JUNE:** No Report

**May 2001 Events**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Canton of Thunar Encanto Park 8 p.m. Collegium	3	4	5 Canton of Westraheim Loma Linda Park 9 a.m.
6	7	8	9 Fighter Practice Encanto Park 8 p.m.	10	11	12 Kingdom Tourney Crown War Archery Banner War Archery El Oso Park 9am
13 Canton of Valle de Luna - TBA	14	15	16 Fighter Practice Encanto Park 8 p.m.	17	18 Demo 12pm Patterson Elem, Faire/Demo Knox Elem 5:30 pm	19
20	21	22	23 Fighter Practice Encanto Park 8 p.m. Collegium	24	25	26 BANNER WAR!! Terre Neuve
27 BANNER WAR!! Terre Neuve	28	29	30 Fighter Practice Encanto Park 8 p.m.	31		

**June 2001 Events**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Crown War Cactus Park 9 a.m.
3 Crown War (if necessary) Cactus Park 9 a.m.	4	5	6 Canton of Thunar Encanto Park 8 p.m.	7	8	9 Canton of Inverness Deer Valley Park 9 a.m.
10 Canton of Valle de Luna - TBA	11	12	13 Fighter Practice Encanto Park 8 p.m.	14	15	16 Kingdom Tourney Cactus Park 9 a.m. Estates Meeting
17	18	19	20 Fighter Practice Encanto Park 8 p.m.	21	22	23 Archery Tourney TBA
24	25	26	27 Fighter Practice Encanto Park 8 p.m.	28	29	30

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