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

Alas, Fair Umbria...

Dame Justina and Sir Ievan are moving...

Our good and fine Queen, Dame Justina, and her good and fine husband, Sir Ievan announced at the December Tourney that they are departing our lands. Words cannot express our sadness, dismay and despair that these Umbrians will no longer be with us.

They take a big part of our hearts in their leaving. We will miss them and hope for their timely return.

Imperial Audit complete...

Lady Nisha, our Steward, made public the results of the Imperial Audit. Several items of concern were brought before the Estates of Umbria for consideration. Please see your Estate representative(s) for a copy of

the report, and Lady Nisha if you have questions.

Ether...

Please be aware that the links to the archived Mugs and the Photo Gallery on the Kingdom website have been broken. This is to comply with Adrian Internet privacy policy and mundane law regarding photos of minors. We will no longer be publishing mundane phone information in the E-Mugs, because upon archival, that information becomes available to the public. Please see Sir James or Dame Aislyne with questions or suggestions of a speedy method to get the info back on line in compliance with policy.

...And Some Good News

Congratulations to Sir Michael Sinestro, the Premier Quadruple Knight in the Kingdom of Umbria. Sir Michael completed his collection of belts upon the completion of the November Archery shoot. Huzzah!

The newest Knight of Umbria is Christof the Meek who was granted the belt of a Knight Combatant by the prerogative of TRM. Congratulations, *Sir Christof*.

Congratulations to Lady Nisha Rosalia on being granted the title of Lady of the Court of Umbria.

The Champions of the Court of Umbria were determined at the Champions Tourney at Estrella Park. Huzzah to Richard, Queen's Arts and King's Shinai Champion; Sir Ievan, King's Steel Champion. (There is also an Queen's Archery Champion, but I have no report! My apologies and look for it next month!

His Majesty Makes a Faux-Pas

Yes, as hard as it is to believe, I, your all knowing and sovereign King, have made a faux-pas. By way of explanation, I was having so much fun that I had a momentary lapse and forgot what I know by heart. I said, at the overnight event, that the King's and Queen's Champions were not Tourney Wins for the month, when in fact, they are. Sir Frederick and Dame Delia brought it to my attention and I told

them they were wrong, when in fact, they were right. Sir Frederick, Dame Delia, I tender to you my sincerest apology and wish for forgiveness. Back to the Tourney wins, all the King's and Queen's Champions garner a tourney win and everyone else gets an event participation for the month.

Humbly,

HRM Sir Philippe, King of Umbria

Upcoming Events

Fighter Practice is every Wednesday night at Encanto Park from 7:30-9:30 pm., except for the 1st Wednesday of the month, which is the Canton of Thunar, held at Encanto Park from 7:30-9:30 pm.

December:

15th- Yule Feast—George and the Dragon, (North of Indian School on Central), 7:30 pm. RSVP to Lady Iella or Lady Knight Keara Craig by Thurs, 12/13

29th- Archery Tourney- El Oso Park. Please see Sir Raymond Picard for time and directions.

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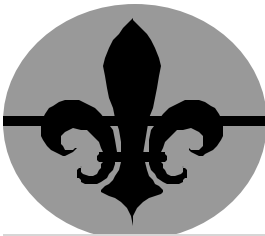
2nd- Canton of Thunar- Encanto Park, 7:30-9:30 pm

5th- Canton of Westerheim — Loma Linda Park, 10am.. For more information, please contact Viceroy Sir Michael Cu or Soren.

13th- Canton of Cherbourg (East Valley), 2:00 pm, Location TBA, For more information, please contact Viceroy/ina Sir Pavo or Dame Aislyne.

19th- Kingdom Event, Cactus Park, 10am

26th- Archery Tourney, El Oso Park.



The Adrian Homepage
has been updated!
Take a look at www.adrianempire.org!

News to Note from the Imperial Government

The updated Imperial Bylaws have been released. The Bylaws can be found at: <http://www.adrianempire.org/library-manuals.html>

The March meeting of the Imperial Estates of Adria will be held March 23 and 24, 2002 at:

Olde World Village
7561 Center Avenue
Huntington Beach, CA
More info: <http://www.oldworldvillage.com/>

The dead line for New Business will be January 23 2002. Send your new business to the IMP Chancellor.

This place is:
4.5 miles from John Wayne Airport
maybe 15-20 miles from Long Beach Airport
maybe 10 miles from Disneyland
maybe 5 miles from Discovery Museum

Sir Karl
Emperor of Adria

Umbrian Communication

If you haven't seen it yet, the Kingdom Yahoo Group is a great site to become a part of. It has bulletin board, chat room, document file and photo storage capabilities. (The photo to the right is one of many Sir Keegan posted recently.) This is a closed group—only Umbrians can join and access the information there. Just don't forget that not everyone has access to the Internet and we need to spread information other ways, too!

Please remember that the Mug is what you make it! If you want something interesting to read, submit! I hope you like the new Mug format I am trying this month. Please let me know what you think. Which format do you prefer?

- Dame Aislyne, Royal Chronicler



Sir Keegan versus Sir Philippe at October's National Steel Championship in Las Vegas.

Chivalric Virtues by Dame Delia

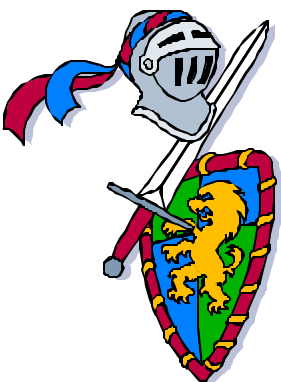
The knights of Umbria gathered to discuss the Code of Chivalry recently. We have in the past discussed raising the bar, but it was determined that we must first discover where the bar is now and where we would like it to be in measuring the Order.

Chivalric behavior is a lot like art. You know it when you see it, but it is difficult to describe the difference between art and non-art. Period authors have provided us with great references as to how knights were expected to act then; many authors have already done the difficult task of translating those works and compiling modern codes of chivalry. I've referred to the works of Brian R. Price and John Chamberlain that are on the Chronique web site as well as the Adrian Collegium presented by Carl and Elizabeth Ontis.

To raise the bar of chivalry, the knights of Umbria must display and encourage the Knightly Virtues that make up what we consider today as The Code of Chivalry. Many of the ideals of the warrior knight apply to all of us in our daily interactions. A great warrior knight must be skilled, courageous, loyal, a man of faith and of good character. He must remember always that he represents the Order and remain humble in respect to the service required of him. The following list of virtues is my own compilation of various works.

Prowess: The display of excellence and skill at arms. In Adria, all of the Knightly Ranks have their own areas of excellence. Prowess can be shown by continuing to display the excellence in those areas that allowed you to be dubbed.

Equipage: To be prepared to defend one's liege. The knights of old were expected to come to their liege's call in time of trouble with everything required to do his job. This included a war horse, armor, weapons and supplies for themselves as well as any in their party. Today we can equate that with all the equipment to play your role in Adria: armor and weapons, bow and arrows, books and projects, bylaws and manuals. All of the knights should have complete garb that is period.



At overnight events they should have a tent, a bedroll, food, and site fees. They should be able to provide for their own squires, vassals, guests and family.

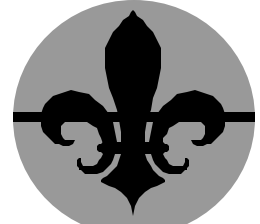
Courage: To display bravery in the face of death or loss. Courage in Adria will often mean acting in a way that is contrary to your own personal advancement, but will benefit the greater good. Often courage is related to "Doing the hard task", doing what is right even if it is unpopular.

Loyalty: To be true and faithful to one's liege and oaths. To act with unwavering commitment to what you hold important, both in beliefs and individuals. A knight must show consistency in word and deed in all that he does otherwise his credibility is undermined. When we say, "His word is his bond", we mean that if a knight promises to do something, it will happen. Loyalty is what makes this so. Honesty is an integral part of loyalty. To act honestly with one's self and with others always supports the consistency that loyalty requires. True loyalty results in honor for both the liege and self.

Faith: To be true to the Church and her teachings. The Christian Faith in medieval times was the cornerstone of everyday life. Today's knights can translate that same virtue into faith in one's beliefs and the resolve to support everyone's right to have their own faith as a cornerstone of their own life.

Largesse: To be generous to the fullest extent of your capabilities. A generous knight is one who gives freely of his time, his goods and his knowledge. Largesse is more than the gift of a fish, it is taking the time to teach the hungry man how to fish. Largesse does not require the knight to pauper himself to make someone else rich, nor does it require him to sacrifice time that is not available to give. Rather, largesse is the generosity of spirit that offsets greed and selfishness. Largesse is the mercy that tempers justice; the looking for good in every situation; the benefit of the doubt if there is a question; and generosity within the bounds of good sense.

Humility: To be humble in word and deed. A knight should not boast of his own deeds or accomplishments. Rather, he should speak that (Continued, page 4)



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<i>Canton of Westerheim</i>	Viceroys – Sir Michael Cu and Soren	
<i>Colony of Trinacria</i>	Viceroy-Sir Ivan the Forsaken	Vicerine-Lady Polgara tyturner_2000@yahoo.com
<i>Colony of Cherbourg</i>	Viceroy-Sir Pavo Rosalia	Vicerine-Dame Aislyne
<i>Game Preserve of Inverness</i>	Game Warden – Lord Arimis de la Rouge arimis_de_la_rouge@yahoo.com	

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first of the great deeds of others. The renown of a knight should proceed him, yet not by his own voice. It is important for those of the Order to speak highly of their brothers and sisters so that they are not tempted to vanity, but rather are allowed the opportunity to show humility by instead speaking of the deeds of others yet greater than themselves.

Franchise: To be a compelling example of rightness; an example for the Order Franchise is a virtue that encompasses all of the other virtues and more. Franchise is the consistent application of the virtues all areas of life. It also encompasses the idea of nobility. Nobility of character is more than the holding of noble titles or ranks. Nobility is the strength of character that encourages others to find the greatness they contain within themselves. This leadership, charisma or virtue is what separates the common from the great, the lowly from the superior. A knight displaying franchise should be an example of courtly manners and

dignified demeanor, consistently display all of the virtues of the Order and be act in a manner that will gain renown not only for himself, but also for the Order.

The virtues of the Order are not unlike the core values of a corporation. They are the goals for which we aspire. They are the driving forces behind every choice that is made. By stating that we want to raise the bar, we are committing ourselves to actively pursuing and upholding the virtues of the Order. We are stating that we will reward virtuous behavior with praise and renown; we will disdain and discourage all deeds and words that are antithesis to the Code. Yet how can we successfully do this? We must each first decide that this is what we want from ourselves and our kingdom. We must stand together once we made the decision to raise the bar and consistently support the virtuous behavior in all members, knights and non-knights alike.