

# LE CHRONIQUE D'ESPERANCE

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## HEARTS AND HONOR

Unto Their Majesties of Esperance and Their Populace do I, Dame Lenora Greyphis, extend greetings and felicitations this day!

It is with great honor that I announce to you that I shall be organizing the February event, with Their Majesties permission, and so shall proclaim it a day of Honor and Love.

Being that the present day calendar for that day is the 14th of February, otherwise known as St. Valentines Day, I will be hosting a tournament for all members of the Kingdom of Esperance for them to show their chivalry, honor and love.

Her most gracious Dame Milisent will be hosting an onsite pick-up embroidery contest with the winner being picked by Their Most Gracious Majesties. Bring your scissors, a hoop and your imagination! All other supplies will be provided.

For the fighting portion of our tournament, our fighters will be fighting for the honor of their ladies or companions. The defeated opponent will be given a flower to present to their opponent's lady or person who bears their favor. Ladies & Companions - please come prepared with a favor for your Man/companion to

bear into battle for you. More details will be revealed at the event!

As a side challenge, all STEEL combatants may challenge each other for their "heart". More to come on this at the event...I don't wish to give it away!

Archery on Sunday will also have a heartfelt slant to it as well!

This humble autocrat hopes to see many of the populace on St. Valentine's day and knows that Honor & Love will rule the day!

In Service to the Great Kingdom of Esperance, Dame Lenora Greyphis

## MARDI GRAS

It is that time of year again! Time for one last binge before the fasting begins. Please come and join the Kingdom of Esperance on March 6th for our annual Mardi Gras celebration at Hurless Barton Park in Yorba Linda, CA. Directions to the event can be found at: [www.kingdomofesperance.org](http://www.kingdomofesperance.org)

It will be a day filled with fun and frivolity. There will be games and activities for all ages. There will be a Jenga tournament that runs

through-out the day. For the steel combatants, we will have a round of prayer tag before the tournament begins. Last year it was certainly a sight to see, and this year promises to be even better! We will also be holding the traditional Shrove Tuesday Pancake Race. This race was traditionally run by the women of the village. They carry skilletts and flip a pancake as they run the course. At the event, women are allowed to choose a "champion" to run for them, but ALL par-

ticipants must wear a skirt. Extra skirts will be provided for those who come without. Boule will be running all day as well as Tug-O-War. There will also be a few board games provided that may be played through-out the day. At the lunch break, there will be a dance collegium taught by Mistress Anne and Sir Tailan of Terra Nueve. Please come and join us for a day of fun!

In Service,  
Sq. Luren de Wisconsin

### IMPORTANT NOTES & UPCOMING EVENTS:

- *March 6th - Kingdom of Esperance Tournament & Mardi Gras Celebration.*
- *March 7th - Kingdom Archery shoot.*
- *March 13th & 14th - Imperial Estates Meeting - Kingdom of Umbria, Phoenix, AZ.*
- *March 19th, 20th, & 21st - Palm Springs Ren Faire.*
- *April 17th - Wayzegeose Festival - UC Irvine - Autocrat Sir Jamie the Red*

*Check the Calendar for more events!*

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## WAYZEGOOSE

It's That Time Again

Wayzeoose is coming. For the third year in a row the University of California at Irvine is welcoming us to their Wayzeoose Festival. The date is the 17th of April. This is an all-day event with

hundreds, if not thousands, of spectators guaranteed.

I still have to verify some of the details, but set-up usually begins at six or seven in the morning. The Festival officially opens at 10 am and doesn't close until 5 pm.

Contact me, Sir Jamie the Red, for more information. [jamiethered@hotmail.com](mailto:jamiethered@hotmail.com)

In Service,  
Sir Jamie the Red

## SQUIRE WUNER MEMORIAL SHOOT

Greetings unto the Populace. I, Sir Connor O'Riordain, send greetings.

As many are you are aware, Squire Wuner of Esperance recently passed away. Many of you may remember him and the great man that he was. He loved archery. He loved it so much that many of you may even have purchased a longbow he made.

In memory of Squire Wuner. The Kingdom of Esperance is hosting the Squire Wuner

Memorial Postal Shoot. This shoot follows the rules of the Imperial Postal Shoot and is running from November 2003 to November 2004. As it seems that the Imperial Postal Shoot is no longer being run, any subdivision who currently has records of participating in on November and December of 2003 may turn a copy of those records into HRM Dame Marion.

Also, since the shoot has technically already started, make up shoots to catch up

will be accepted up to March 7th and no later. You may also participate in a scheduled make up shoot on January 18th at the InterKingdom Tournament. Please direct any questions to Dame Marion or myself.

So please join us in paying our respects to a great man who gave so much to Adria's archery department.

In Service,  
Sir Connor O'Riordain



## FROM THE ARTS AND SCIENCE MINISTER

Greetings to the Populace of Esperance,

Again we only had one arts entry this month. I would like to take the time to thank those who took the time to help me judge this entry; Dame Marsaili, Sir Ce Wolf, Dame Lyrica, and HRM Dame Marion. We also had 3 scribes this month; Squire Chana, her mundane mother Linda Cunningham, and Lady in Waiting Gianette DiRinals. The entry was an embroidered German bag that scored a 26. Not a win but a good event participation.

For those that did not attend the January Inter Kingdom Event you missed out! With over 60 people in attendance a fine time was had by all!

Though we did not have a A&S tournament we did have a wonderful turn out for the people's prize tourney. I would like to take the time to say a heart felt thank you to all those who submitted items for the tables. And to all those who hung out in the art's room working on embroidery, I hope you had a

good as a time as I did!

Look for an on-site embroidery competition in the next couple of months so keep practicing on your stitches!!!

YIS,  
Dame Milisent de Lilley

## FROM THE MINISTER OF ARCHERY

The InterSubdivision tournament was a great success. The archery field was able to do more shoots than I'm sure many have seen. We were able to conduct our first target cloud shoot. Approx 120 yards separated the archers from a 60cm target laid on the ground. 13 archers sent 6 arrows in an attempt to strike the target. While no one was able to do so in the short time frame we had, HRM Dame Marion did come the closest by coming within 30" of the target.

We also had two "wild animals" to shoot at. A fox and a raccoon were targets of another tournament. 12 people involved in that "hunt" resulted in a shoot off between Ahman and Squire Connor McKaskill who each killed the

fox once. Ahman won the single arrow shoot off by a very narrow margin. BTW, the raccoon escaped to go through our trash cans again.

We had a standard tournament as well. With enough participants to run a bowman's and a huntsman's list! The bowman's list winner was Sir Cullen with a score of 41. It however, should be known that his closest rival gave him quite a run. Mistress Amber Lynn O'Riordain scored a 40. The huntsman's list was won by Hamish with a score of 47.

We were also to conduct the Squire Wuner Memorial Shoot which had many participants. We ran out of time for any of the make-up shoots, but I do want to remind everyone that make-ups

for Nov. and Dec. are being accepted until March 7th. After that we continue on our normal schedule.

Finally I would like to thank all the archers for their participation, the number of people that participating was very impressive. And for that I thank TRMs of Esperance King Terrin and Queen Dame Marion for scheduling things in such a way that all the combatants that also enjoy archery were given the opportunity to do both. Because of that we were able to see a great many archers participate.

Thank you everyone. I hope to be able to do similar unique events like this in the future.

In Service,  
Sir Connor O'Riordain

## FROM THE STEWARD

We had 33 members participate on 1/10/04 and we had 77 members participate on 1/17,1/18/04

Sir Royal MacBreaheny

NOTE: The amount of \$962.33 for expenses for the Inter-Kingdom Event - includes a \$500.00 damage deposit that is to be returned.

Event	Income	Expenses	Balance
01/10/04	\$66.00	595.71	3901.56
01/18/04	385.00	962.33	3294.23
01/19/04			

## FROM THE MINISTER OF ROLLS

Good Populace,

We had a good turn-out for the month of January with 31 attendees. Please everyone remember to sign in on the basic sign in sheet! If you don't sign in there, you don't get any points for the month!

We had ten participants in archery. There were four bowmen, with Squire Alwyn winning the list. There were

six huntsmen with Her Majesty Dame Marion Leal winning the list with an exceptional score of 42 points.

We only had a single arts entry. It was an embroidered bag entered by Dame Milisent de Lilley, which received a very good score.

There were ten renn combatants and Sir Jamie the Red won the list. There were four

steel combatants and Sir James of Bloodstone took that list. There were not enough shinai combatants signed up to make a list.

There were sixteen ministry points awarded at the event.

In service,  
Sir Jamie the Red



## FROM THE PHYSICKER

The Kingdom Needs Willing Person!

Well met to the good populace! As many of you know I am graduating from the College of the Desert nursing program this May! That is the good news, however, I am finding this last semester is becoming difficult for me time wise and I am in great need of assistance as the Kingdom Physicker. I need some-

one willing to take on the duties of the Physicker position because, I will be unable to attend many of the next kingdom events until after I have graduated my program.

The requirements for the position are normally that you be First Aid and CPR certified, however, according to the bylaws, the only real certification you need is a cell phone to call 911 and a willingness

to maintain the paperwork and reports of the office. If anyone is interested and would like to discuss this with me you can reach me by email.

I hope the best for you all and will do my best to try and make it to as many events as I can in the future!

In Service,  
Sir Vaissilli Faa

## FROM THE CANTON AGADIR

Ahoy! Sayla from the Canton of Agadir here to make you savvy on the happenings in the Mediterranean.

T'was a mighty gale blowin' during our tourney, and boy could it chill some bones! I could barely see the list mistress for all the cloak she wore.

Our honored guest, as always, Sir Michael was with us again for the day's festivities. He may not have taken a win this time, but he did teach us a thing or two about astro-labes. The Corsairs are always eager to learn new skills and some even took notes.

Sir Troiano The Strong took the steel win (vengeance for his beloved pole arm for sure) while Kaekilius took Ren. Our prayers go with our dear Kaekilius who will be leaving for other lands for some time, and of course with Wolfgar who has already left. To Conner who isn't so far away we say, "Hurry back"!

In Archery Sir Troiano came back from his 'crusade' and showed us a thing or three- perhaps just why he is 'The Strong.' Though Kaekilius did give him a run for his gold. It seems the competition gets better and better

each event (and the wind makes sure it's interesting too!).

In other news, The House di Rinaldo has become House Borasco, and will hopefully be flying their flag soon.

Before I end this, I want to remind you all of the up and coming Palm Springs Faire, as well as wish you all a very Happy Valentine's. All this said it is now time for me to bid you farewell and fair sailing!

In Service,  
Sayla Renheart



## INTER-KINGDOM COMBAT

On January 17th and 18th, Esperance hosted a tournament that we hope will become an annual tradition. Adrians gathered from Albion, Terre Neuve, Brandenburg, and Esperance with the goal of having fun and have fun we did! We have received complements from

many and one knight said that it was the best Adrian event that he had ever attended.

In steel, we had 17 combatants that were divided into two groups. Within each group, everyone got to face everyone, but only for a single point. In one group, Sir

James of Bloodstone took the most wins and in the other, Sir Troiano the Strong went undefeated! Sir James defeated Sir Troiano to become the overall winner of the steel tournament.

Following that portion of

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 2004						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 Fighter Practice	5	6	7 Canton of Loch Lave Event
8	9	10	11 Fighter Practice	12	13	14 Kingdom of Esperance Crown Event
15 Kingdom of Esperance Archery Tournament	16	17	18 Fighter Practice	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 Fighter Practice	26	27	28
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March 2004						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3 Fighter Practice	4	5	6 Kingdom of Esperance Crown Event & Mardi Gras
7 Kingdom of Esperance Archery Tournament	8	9	10 Fighter Practice	11	12	13 Imperial Estates Meeting
14 Imperial Estates Meeting	15	16	17 Fighter Practice	18	19 Palm Springs Faire	20 Palm Springs Faire
21 Palm Springs Faire	22	23	24 Fighter Practice	25	26	27
28	29	30	31 Fighter Practice			

## HISTORIC DATES:

- March 1 - St. David's day in Wales
- March 11, 1302 - Romeo & Juliet's Wedding day per Shakespeare
- March 12, 1559 - Queen Elizabeth 1 makes peace with France
- March 15 - Beware, the Ides of March!
- March 16, 1534 - Henry VIII's England severs relations with the Church
- March 17 - St. Patrick
- March 17, 1328 - Scotland wins its independence from England ending 32 years of war.
- March 18, 1314 - Jacques de Molay Grand Master of the Knights Templar, burned at the stake for heresy.
- March 19 - St. Joseph of Italy - St. Joseph's Table
- March 19, 1549 - Thomas Seymour executed.
- March 21, 1556 - Thomas Cranmer England's Archbishop burned at the stake.
- March 24, 1603 - Elizabeth 1 dies passing the throne to James VI of Scotland, thus joining England and Scotland under one rule
- March 25 - New Year's in England
- March 25, 1199 - Pope Innocent III issues Bull to establish the Inquisition
- March 25, 1330 - William Sinclair takes Robert the Bruce's heart on Crusade
- March 27, 1306 - Robert the Bruce is crowned King of Scotland at Scone
- March 28, 1483 - Raphael Italian artist and chief architect of St. Peter's cathedral in Rome.
- March 31, 1492 - Ferdinand and Isabella sign an edict expelling the Jews from Spain

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## INTER-KINGDOM COMBAT (CONTINUED)

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steel combat, the two arenas were joined together and all combatants joined in a giant oval for a Grand Melee. It was every combatant for himself with no death from behind and your starting opponent could not be the person on your immediate left or right. At one point, the Grand Melee was down to four, half of it royalty, when Duke Karl's pole arm showed the King of Esperance that it was time for him to take a rest. Captain Storm defeated his opponent and then faced Duke Karl. In the end, Captain Storm was victorious.

For light weapons, it looked like we would be able to have both a knight's list and sergeant's list in renn. The knight's renn was huge while there were an even dozen

shinai combatants at the start.

In one arena, knight's list renn took place as a single elimination tournament while in the other arena, sergeant's list shinai was done as a round robin where everyone got to face everyone, but only for a single point.

In knight's list renn, Sir Troiano the Strong once again went undefeated! Following, many challenge matches were fought and some small skirmishes were done for fun. When the shinai list was getting near the end, the knight's list playing shifted to shinai including a couple of small skirmishes in that form.

In shinai, Squire Render followed the example of his knight and also went undefeated! Following the shinai tourney, the arenas were once again joined and the

knight's list combatants and the sergeants list combatants mixed together for some more skirmishes.

Time ran out the first day, so sergeant's list renn was pushed until Sunday morning. Alas, on Sunday morning, there were only three sergeant's list renn combatants to be found, but never fear, they fought anyway! As the day wore on, some came and went to the archery competition, but others joined them and there continued to be light weapons combat for fun and practice.

Overall, everyone had a lot of fun and got the chance to face opponents that they would not normally get a chance to cross weapons with.

Sir Terrin Greyphis  
Esperance Rex



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