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MARDI GRAS FEAST

Greetings Good Populace, Tis I, Dame Marsaili de Meucci, announcing the Mardi Gras Feast tonight! This feast will follow the fun filled day planned by Squire Luren on Saturday, March 6th. The feast will be held in the same room used for the Jubilee Feast last December. For those who did not attend that feast, it is located on the event site at Yorba Linda and has room for approximately 48

people. This is a dry site. The cost is \$12.00 per adult, \$6.00 per child ages 6 - 10 and FREE for children 6 years and under. The RSVP deadline was February 28th, so any remaining seats are on a first-come-first-seated basis. Please see me or Her Majesty for details. Guests attending the Feast will be announced at the door.

Some items on the menu: Cock-a-leekie soup, honey butter & bread, Alows de beef in wine sauce... to name a few. There will be entertainment. I am looking forward to serving the fine populace of Esperance. This is promising to be an exciting event! In Service, Dame Marsaili de Meucci Baroness of Marrakesh

"During the Mardi Gras people will throw beads of purple, gold and green. Each of these stones has a meaning. What do the colors represent?"

The colors are derived from the gifts of the magi: Gold for wealth; purple for power; green for good health.

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

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. Boulle 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 14th - Brothers of Saint Patrick Demo - Autocrat Sir James of Bloodstone.*
- *March 13th & 14th - Imperial Estates Meeting - Kingdom of Umbria, Phoenix, AZ.*
- *March 19th, 20th, & 21st - Palm Springs Ren Faire.*
- ***April 3rd - Kingdom of Esperance Fool's War/Event - Autocrat Sir William Ce'Wolf.***
- *April 9th - South Gate Middle School Demo - Autocrat Mistress Anne Bryce of Kincaig.*
- *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.

In Service,
Sir Jamie the Red

APRIL KINGDOM EVENT NOTICE

Due to the Park being unavailable on the Kingdom's regular event day, the event has been moved to April 3rd. Please take note of this and plan you calendars appropriately.

Sir William Ce'Wolf is Autocrat for the event and is including plans for a Fool's War. Further information regarding the event will be posted soon.

Again, please note that the April Kingdom event is to be held on the 3rd of April - the first Saturday of the month.



FROM THE ARTS AND SCIENCE MINISTER

Greetings,

Well we only had one arts entry again this month, MINE! Where is everyone? Should I start issuing some challenges?

I would like to thank my

judges; HRM Dame Marion, Sir Royal, Dame Marsaili, and Dame Lenora.

Also, the on site embroidery competition went well, I hope those that entered had a good time. I am hoping to do

it again in the coming months.

YIS,
Dame Milisent de Lilley
Esperance A&S Minister

SUBSTITUTION IS PERIOD

Discussions on viable substitutions for period tools, fiber and foods are held during the documentation review of an art's entry. Substitution is period. Almond milk was a substitution for animal products when the ecclesiastical calendar obliged the cook to be imaginative - the 40 days during the season of Lent. Now, was a person really suffering by using Almond Milk in lieu of animal milk?

Almonds are a remarkably versatile ingredient for the cook in the form of nut, thickener, milk sauce, paste, oil, and cooking liquid. Almond milk is beautiful and white; fulfilled all it's functions in a culinary system that gave an important place to aesthetics and to the symbolism of colors, the dry fruit of the almond tree deserved its high status and the cooks deserved all the grace and ob-

served all the lenten rules when they blanched and pinched every one of those almonds to remove the hulls to smash the almonds to release the milk.

FROM THE MINISTER OF ARCHERY

Once again we had a good turnout at Mile Square Park for the monthly archery tournament. We had a combined list as we seem to be running out of bowmen to hold a tournament for.

The winner of the tourna-

ment was a close battle. With HRM Dame Marion edging out HRM Sir Terrin literally by millimeters. Final score: HRM Sir Terrin scored a 40, while HRM Dame Marion scored a 41.

On a side note, that was the

3rd tournament in a row taken by Dame Marion. I challenge every able bodied archer to come to the next tournament and prevent her from making it 4 in a row.

Sir Connor O'Riordain
Minister of Archery

SQUIRE WUNER MEMORIAL SHOOT UPDATE

While we were waiting for the scores from Terre Neuve, they have not been received at press time.

These are the current scores for Esperance.

The Wuner Memorial Shoot top 4 contenders are:

Sir William Ce'Wolf	197
Dame Marion Leal	195
Sir Terrin	173
Sir Jamie the Red	154

The full report will be posted to the file section of the Kingdom of Esperance website.

UNTO THE KINGDOM OF ESPERANCE ESTATES

This is a gentle reminder of the Imperial Estates Meeting to be held on March 13, 2004 in Phoenix, Arizona to held within the borders of Umbria.

We encourage each of you to review the agenda and discuss

the issues with your households. We encourage you to contact the appropriate authors and ask questions of those proposals that leave you with questions.

It is important that you advise

the Crowns as to the thoughts of your households and estates that we may fully represent the thoughts and wishes of the Kingdom of Esperance.

Marion Regina

FROM THE MINISTER OF ROLLS

Good Populace,

The February event was a well-attended with a total of 31 participants, some of whom only attended the archery shoot on Sunday. Speaking of Archery, there were nine archers present with the victory in the huntsman's list going to Her Majesty Dame Marion. There were only two Bowmen present, so there was no bowman's list.

We did have an arts entry this month. Dame Milisent de

Lilley presented not one, but two Cherry Liqueurs. These were made with different bases and were to be compared. Both were quite good.

In combat, there were not enough Shinai combatants to make a list. However, the Renn list had six combatants and was won by Sergei. The steel list had only four combatants and was also won by Sergei. His lady was awarded a considerable bouquet of roses due to Sergei's prowess

upon the field. Many another lady left the tourney carrying a bundle of flowers. Many challenge matches were fought with all combatants fighting challenges receiving flowers to present to their ladies.

To top off this report, a total of sixteen ministry points were awarded for the day's activities.

In service,
Sir Jamie the Red
Minister of Rolls and Lists



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

JEWELER'S GUILD HAPPENINGS



As many of you already know, the Crowns of Esperance are in serious need of replacement rings to add to their sumptuary. While the old rings served well for a time they have seen better days and deserve to be retired.

Seeing that this need existed, I, as Thane of the Blue Rose as well as a member of the Jewelers Guild of Esperance had a brilliant idea: The Domain should sponsor a raffle to gather the funds necessary to purchase the findings for new rings for the Crowns. I'm thrilled to announce we were able to raise \$73 towards our goal of about \$165 for the two rings!

The February event was the first opportunity we had to hold a raffle and what a wonderful success it was! Tickets were sold for \$1 each for a chance to win a basket full of great stuff: a tablecloth, 2 amber colored glass goblets, a bottle of Norfolk Punch, miniature glass salt and pep-

per shakers (great for adding to your feast gear!), a box of crackers, a round of camembert cheese, a glass votive holder with 4 cinnamon scented candles and a bag of chocolate hearts all within a sturdy basket. The contents including the basket totaled a little more than \$35! His Royal Majesty was kind enough to pull the winning ticket which belonged to Sir Govanno of Terre Neuve!

This month there will be another "basket" full of culinary items including various spices, a spice rack, wooden spoons, apron, and lots of other surprises!!! The winner of that prize will be drawn and announced at the Mardi Gras feast that evening!

This is a reminder that I will have another "basket" of goodies to raffle off at the upcoming March event! Last month was a basket full of "treats" meant to be shared with a "special someone". This next raffle "basket" will

have a culinary theme. It includes a cookbook of medieval recipes, wooden spoons, spice rack with spices (even saffron!) and much more!

You can purchase tickets for \$1 each during the event. The actual time of the drawing is still up in the air...could be at the feast that evening...we'll wait and see how the day turns out.

To refresh your memories these raffles are being held to raise funds to purchase new rings for the Crowns of Esperance. These new rings will be real gold with real amethyst cabochons and they will be passed along to each new Crown.

Thanks to everyone who participated last month! I wish everyone good luck in this next drawing!

Respectfully submitted,
Dame Aleta van Hansard
Thane of the Blue Rose
Esperance Jewelers Guild

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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*

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 Brothers of Saint Patrick Demo	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			

April 2004

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3 Kingdom of Esperance Event/Fool's War
4 Kingdom of Esperance Archery Tournament	5	6	7 Fighter Practice	8	9 South Gate Middle School Demo	10
11	12	13	14 Fighter Practice	15	16	17 Wayze-goose Faire Demo
18	19	20	21 Fighter Practice	22	23	24
25	26	27	28 Fighter Practice	29	30	



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