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August Event

The August event was different than those of the past couple of events in that we actually had an arts entry! Being that our Arts Minister, Dame Milisent was unable to attend, Her Majesty Dame Marion asked me to step in and help run the judging.

The entry by XE-Ryder was a buckler of wood, metal and leather. The buckler was very well made and he used many handmade tools and techniques which went to further his craftsmanship score. As first entries go it was a very good one. Good enough to get a tourney win.

For those of you worried about documentation and its length etc. it will please you to know that XE-Ryder presented only the documentation worksheet and oral

documentation, not a 12 page report. Since this was a Journeyman's List entry the judging is not as strict as the Knight's List. However, now that XE-Ryder has his tourney win on the Journeyman's List he will advance to compete on the Knight's List for all future tourneys.

Congratulations to XE-Ryder for his efforts and excellent work. I look forward to seeing much more of his fine work in arts tournaments to come.

Respectfully submitted,
Dame Aleta van Hansard

Sir Morgan Memorial Tournament



Esperance lost one of her most beloved knights July 26, 2004, Sir Morgan (John) McCann. In tribute to his generosity and chivalry, family and friends gathered at the Corona (Norco) Faire site for a camp-out, pot-luck feast, and tournament on August 21 & 22. I do not have the results from the tournament, but by all accounts I have heard the event was true to the spirit of Sir Morgan and enjoyed by all who attended.

As editor of Le' Chronique, I rarely have the chance to voice my own thoughts. In this I make an exception.



I met Morgan at one of the first events he attended as an Adrian. A camping event, though I do not recall which one. The meeting however always stuck in my mind as a sign post of chivalry. I had been busy setting up camp sites for most of the day, and had finally run out of gas as darkness began to fall. Morgan, recently arrived to the event site from work, had brought his dinner along so as to get his stuff organized while there was still daylight. Sitting down at the picnic table across from me with a large bundle wrapped in foil, he began peeling away the layer of aluminum to reveal a ham sandwich of really massive size.

Jokingly I asked him if that was his lunch and dinner combined. He replied that he had already eaten the other half for lunch. My mind reeled. Morgan was fairly large,

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but not huge, and the half sandwich he had unwrapped looked to be 8 -10 inches long with about 3 pounds of ham stuffed between the split loaf of bread. I couldn't imagine anyone eating that much in one sitting, though he appeared to be getting ready to do just that!

But before he took his first bite, he tore off a piece almost a third of the sandwich and handed it to me. Here I was a complete stranger to him, and he was giving part of his dinner to me. I got a couple of cold sodas for us to drink, and we sat there eating that ham sandwich and talking about what was going to happen later that night and the following days of the event.



Over the years following that “snack” as he called it, I watched as he finally received the belt and spurs that marked him as a knight and never once saw him waiver from that same generous spirit he showed me that evening. His dedication to combat, Adria, and just plain having fun, never diminished even when he was too ill to take the field. The chivalry he showed was beyond reproach, it

was in him every hour of every day. I believe that is what I will miss the most of my friend Sir Morgan, his example of being a knight.

Sir Robert de la Fonteyne

Estates Meeting Today

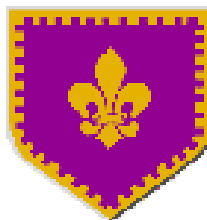
The Kingdom of Esperance estates will meet today.

Today's agenda is as follows:

Item 1. Review and questions of the contenders for the crown of Esperance.

2004

Procedure for Crown Candidates



In recent years, our estates have taken a stronger interest in reviewing potential candidates for the crowns of Esperance. Our estates have asked more and more questions and the crowns have scheduled more time for them to make their decision. In 2002, their Majesties set the deadline of declaration as the October event so that the estates could make their decision and their people could plan before the war. This eliminated an emergency estates meeting at the war and eliminated surprises. In 2003, we as crowns set the deadline of declaration as the September event so that the estates could discuss the candidates with the people that they represented before casting their votes at the October meeting. However, the question and answer session with the candidates did not occur until October. This year, we have an additional refinement to

the schedule.

Let it be known, that in this year of 2004, all candidates for crown of Esperance must submit their written requests (per the bylaws) by the opening of the Esperance Estates Meeting to be held mid-day at the September kingdom event and be prepared to answer questions to the estates at this time. The estates representatives will then be given time to discuss the matters with their estates and be prepared to vote on the candidates acceptability at the Esperance Estates Meeting to be held the date of the October kingdom event.

So say we,
Sir Terrin Greyphis, Esperance
Rex
Dame Marion Leal, Esperance
Regina

Contenders Statements

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Sir Caspain and Raisa Razi

Unto the Populace of Esperance,
Greetings--

This is to announce that Sir Caspain and Raisa Razi will be contending for the Crown of Esperance.

We are aware that you may have some concerns and would like to address them at this time.

We know that some of you remember a time when Sir Caspain indulged a bit too much in the fruit of the vine. We want you to know that this has not been the case for the last three to four years. Also, that he has steady employment and is established in his position.

Raisa Razi is well established in hemodialysis and should have no health issues. Also, she has new transportation. Also, careful research has insured that her garb will be suitable to the nobility rather than the cantina.

If you have other questions please feel free to speak to us at any time.

Sir Caspian Holgar

Raisa Razi bint Sabra al-Wadi al-Shah-Din

Sir Donovan and Dame

Lenora

Unto the populace and friends of Esperance do Dame Lenora Greyphis and Sir Donovan Cadnawon send our most heartfelt greetings. We are vying for the crown of Esperance this year and ask for your support. We'd like to take this moment to introduce ourselves to you.

Dame Lenora Greyphis has been a member of Esperance for eight years and has spent all of her time as a minister of either Esperance or the Empire at Large and sometimes both concurrently. She was squired to Sir Galadon Pendragon while he was crown of Esperance and has also served as the Royal Warden twice, Royal Chronicler twice, Deputy Imperial Steward for six years and Imperial Steward for two. As Imperial Steward, she has had to work very carefully with local crowns as well as their ministers and because of this has a firm working knowledge of many aspects of crown service. She will be stepping down in November from the Imperial Stewards position and the Board of Directors but will remain as an advisory to the office for continuity. Dame

Lenora has been working towards her knighthood in arts, archery and combat but has received her knighthood in ministry as a Knight Premiere (2003). She has been awarded the Imperial Crown Companion (2003), the Kingdom of Esperance's Order of the Eye – Green (2003), the Imperial Culinary Guild's Order of the Golden Spoon (2003), Imperial Order of the Nebula (2000), Imperial Order of the Quill (1999) and is a Lady of Esperance (1999).

Sir Donovan Cadnawon has been a member of Esperance for six years and is a skilled combatant on the combat field. He was squired to Sir Coda der Drachesohn von Rammstein before and during his reign in Esperance. Sir Donovan has extensive experience with setting up and managing demos both inside and outside of Adria. Sir Donovan has served as Royal Crown Marshall for three years, been Lord of the House of Cour de Rose for six years, is the Premiere member of the Royal Order of the Constable of Esperance, member of the Noble Order of the Poor Knights of Solomon in Jerusalem, member of the Domain of the Blue Rose and Battle Captain of the HMS Hedgehog. He is also the personal champion of Dame Katherine Marshall of London. Sir Donovan has earned the rank of Knight Bannerette and Knight Civil.

We are both qualified to be crown and bring together viewpoints from many aspects of Adria. We also come from very diverse mundane backgrounds that will allow us to look at situations from different perspectives and come up with new ways of problem solving. We are both personally financially

sound and expect to continue to be. We plan on continuing Their Royal Majesties example by traveling outside our own subdivision to our neighboring subdivisions and beyond to continue and strengthen relationships they have made. We also will be attending all Imperial Estates meetings and events so that Esperance will be represented and seen.

Our goals for this year are:

1. Have Fun! Create an atmosphere where people will want to come to events and have a good time.
2. Expand the membership of the Kingdom of Esperance through active recruitment at our local Colleges and Universities.
3. Create a marketing/PR campaign.
4. Bring more period style, pomp and courtly aspects to our ceremonies, events and demonstrations.
5. Encourage the chivalry to have a more active role in the direction the Kingdom is going.
6. Encourage and expand our cantons so that our Kingdom may service more members and have more representation.
7. Continue to encourage the arts through classes, symposia and special sessions to give new and old artisans new ideas, breath life into old art forms and make arts accessible to all.
8. Continue to encourage target archery and create

interesting scenarios that will challenge our archers.

9. Create a renewed interest in Combat Archery.

It is our hope that you will support our bid for crown and have a fun time doing it as well. Vivat Esperance!

Dame Lenora Greyphis and Sir Donavan Cadnawon, Knights of Esperance

September						
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
			1 Fighter Practice	2	3	4 Imperial Crown War
5 Imperial Crown War	6	7	8 Fighter Practice	9	10	11 Esperance Crown Tournament
12	13	14	15 Fighter Practice	16	17	18 Esperance Archery Tournament
19	20	21	22 Fighter Practice	23	24	25
26	27	28	29 Fighter Practice	30		

October						
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
					1	2 Esperance Crown Tournament
3	4	5	6 Fighter Practice	7	8	9 Imperial Steel Tournament
10 Imperial Steel Tournament	11	12	13 Fighter Practice	14	15	16 Esperance Archery Tournament
17	18	19	20 Fighter Practice	21	22	23 29 Palms Youth Day
24	25	26	27 Fighter Practice	28	29	30
31 Halloween						



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