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 held in the unnamed shire.
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The Shire of WINDKEEP will be holding the **Second Annual Chocolate Revel** on Saturday 14 February A.S. XXI. Mark the date on your calendars. As autocrat I wish to extend my invitation to all lovers of Chocolate. Chocolate will be the theme and Chocolate will be served in as many ways as possible. There will also be a pot luck feast. I am still working on some of the details but a WIND SWEPT Benefit Auction will be held rather than during our 12th Night.

Serving the Outlands,

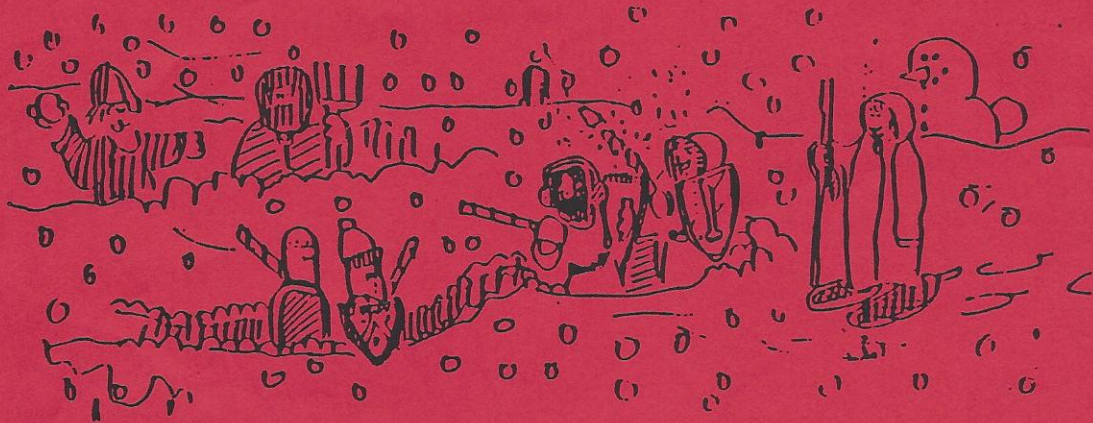


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 CHRONICLER - WINDKEEP

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WINTER IN WINDKEEP

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WINTER IN THE REST OF THE OUTLANDS



Gobus



This time I'll do the
Talking... O.k.?

Glenn

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THE MYTH

It flies.
It soars over the darkened village.
Creating a breeze with its giant wings,
The gentle wind dies away as the myth,
The impossible, folds its wings and comes to rest.
It drops its head to crop the tender grass.

A villager opens his door, scoffing at the tales, and stops.
To listen in surprise tinged with fear
As the sound of horse's hooves are brought to him on a sudden breeze.
Silence, broken by a flutter of giant wings...
The myth is gone.

A singel white feather from a great wing.
Large oval prints in the flinty soil are all that remain
Of a horse that doesn't exist.

Aphra

CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6 WINDKEEP POPULACE MEETING & YULE REVEL - 3:00pm 10205 POWDERHOUSE RD AUTOCRATS: RENATE/ MLODM/CEALLACH/TOD 637-8168/632-8162
7	8	9 MYSTERY GUILD 10205 POWDERHOUSE RD MLODM - 637-8168 7:30pm	10	11	12 BARONESS YULE PARTY CAERTHE (BARONESS KATHERINE)	13 MIDWINTER CAER GALEN (MISTRESS BETVA)
14	15 OFFICERS DOMESDAY REPORTS DUE TO LY CEALLACH	16 BREWERS/TABLE GUILD 7:30pm 10205 POWDERHOUSE RENATE - 637-8168	17	18 COSTUMERS/ MERCHANTS GUILD 10205 POWDERHOUSE MLODM - 637-8168	19	20 MIDWINTER al-Barran (LADY ELINOR & LORD LANCELYTTLE) (505) 523-8406
21	22	23	24	25	26	27 ST. STEPHAN'S DAY SOUP SUPPER (CITADEL)
28	29	30	31 WRITERS GUILD 2820 THOMES 7:00pm LORYN - 635-3882	DEC.		

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
JAN.					2	3 CAERTHEN 12TH NIGHT (MORRIGAN - 303- 423-5023)
4	5	6	7	8	9 POPULACE MEETING -	10 2ND ANNUAL 12TH NIGHT AT WINDKEEP 10205 POWDERHOUSE MLODM/RENATE/TOD CEALLACH 637-8168 632-8162
11	12	13 MYSTERY GUILD 10205 POWDERHOUSE MLODM 637-8168	14	15	16	17 12TH NIGHT CITADEL LY CARRA 915-598-8434
18	19	20 BREWERS/ TABLE GUILD 10205 POWDERHOUSE MLODM 637-8168	21	22 COSTUMERS MERCHANTS GUILD 10205 POWDERHOUSE MLODM 637-8168	23	24 BARONIAL ARTS & SCIENCES COMPETITION al-Barran (Ly Coriander & Ld Dennis - 505- 294-0841)
25 OFFICERS MEETING	26	27	28 WRITERS GUILD 2830 THOMES LORYN 635-3882	29	30	31 CANDLEMAS DRAGONSSPINE LD HAROLD

2nd Annual 12th Night + at WINDKEEP

WHEN
10 January, A.S. XXI/1987
2 pm until ???

10205 Powderhouse Rd.
Cheyenne, WY 82009

WHERE
WHAT

Feasting, Games, Indoor Quests, Banquets, Gift Exchange, WIND
SWEET Donation.

Fee includes Feast
Adults: \$7.00
Children (6-12) \$4.00
Under 6 Free

Site
Not
at
the
Site

Please bring your own. Also bring any other drinks of your choice.

We are Providing
SOME non-alcoholic drinks,
course Gammagun Hydrate

Restrictions
Due to site size, this event MUST be limited to
people. Please get your reservations in so late
phone reservations will be accepted up through 1

Important
IF THE WEATHER PREVENTS YOU FROM ATTENDING, WE WILL SEND YOU A REFUND AFTER 10 JAN

Autocrats
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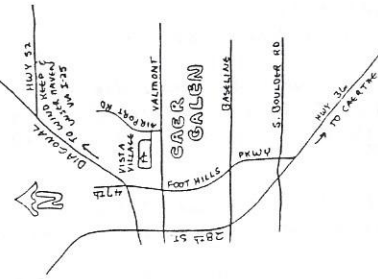
Caer Galen Benefit Revel/Raffle

The annual Caer Galen Benefit Revel Raffle will take place on Saturday, Nov. 29, at 7pm. We will be raffling many donated items. All items will be raffled individually. We would be happy to offer raffle tickets by mail to anyone who won't be able to attend in person. Tickets are \$1.00 each, and may be purchased from the autocrat. For a complete list of raffle items available, please write the autocrat. Most items won by a long distance bidder will sent UPS.

For those attending in person, the site is the Vista Village Clubhouse, 5000 Butte, Boulder, CO. DIRECTIONS: Take US 36 from Denver. US 36 turns into 28th Street in Boulder. Turn right, east, onto Valmont. Turn left, North, onto Airport Rd. Drive one block, and turn left again, into Vista Village Mobile Home Park. The clubhouse is one block ahead. There will be signs.

The revel will be potluck munchies.
The site is dry, so we will provide
hot spiced cider, and a punch.

Autocrat: Lady Elizabeth Freemountain,
570 S. Elizabeth Robinson,
570 S. 43rd Street,
Boulder, CO 80301.
H. 303-499-8807.



What is the S. C. A. ?

(one Person's Viewpoint)

Ly. Ceallach Tremen,
Seneschal, Shire of Windkeep, Outlands

A DREAM. Dreams of Glory, dreams of Honour, dreams of Friendship, dreams of Love. Dreams of achieving perfection in an imperfect world. Dreams of the magic and ideals conjured by the word 'Camelot'. Working to make these Dreams come true for yourself and others.

A LEARNING EXPERIENCE. The Society is about learning. Learning with love, excitedly exploring things you've always wanted to know and do and try.

Another aspect of learning is tolerance. Others will be excited about different areas of Medieval life and culture. We learn to respect their enthusiasms and interests as sincerely as our own.

A SOCIAL GROUP. Friends who meet together to talk about and learn and teach mutual interests. Acquaintances sharing ideas with those of similar ilk. "Family" enjoying just being together. Practicing, always practicing those things we are studying, both physical and mental.

WORK. A dirty word (pun intended) to many in the Society. How unfortunate that there is no magic way to handle the myriad of jobs that keep the S.C.A. functioning so that there is time and space to play. How sad that there are so few willing to work and watch others accept the praises and credit for successful events. Watching others play, with a concealed wistful look while they continue with the work that allows this. Knowing, from experience that it is useless to ask for help. Not complaining, except to themselves, when this happens over and over and over and.....

A GAME. Quoted from the Chivalry Symposium at TJC - "The Rules are serious, but the Game is fun." This is as it should be. There should be time for all in the Society to have fun, each in their own way. If you are going to "play S.C.A.", you have to agree to play by S.C.A. Rules. These rules are made so that everyone, A) Knows them, B) Agrees with them, and C) Abides by them. If you cannot live with this, maybe it is time you found a different "game". The S.C.A. is not for everyone.

What are these Rules?

First, there are the By-Laws and Copora. These are available to paid members sending \$2 to the Stock Clerk and asking for them.

Then there are the BoD governing policies and decisions. These are printed in the BoD minutes and can be obtained by paid members for \$6 per year from the Registry Office.

Next there are your own Kingdom's laws. Copies of these should be available from your Kingdom Seneschal. If not, he/she can certainly tell you who to contact. You may be asked to pay copying and mailings costs.

The hardest "Rules" to define are the unwritten ones that fall under the headings of "Customs and Protocol" and "Chivalry and Courtesy". These vary, not only from Kingdom to Kingdom to Kingdom and Branch to Branch, but even from individual to individual, especially "Courtesy".

As far as personal behaviour, each person must decide for themselves what is proper behaviour both for their 20th Century self, and for each of their personas. It is well to remember that, according to the "Rules", even a barbarian persona is considered, by 'Customs and Protocol' to be high enough nobility to be in court with the sovereigns of all the Kingdoms.

The best advice is to be on your best behaviour at all times. Watch others. When in doubt, ask. Ask someone you know. Ask your Branch or Kingdom Officers. Ask a Peer. Ask your Reigning Royalty.

All of these things are interwoven with each other so much that it is improbable and often impossible, as well as unnecessary to say where one ends and another begins. Rather, they are all part (but only part) of what makes the S.C.A. a unique organization. One final thought - you get out of anything what you put into it, and that is ok!!

Set at Yewwood Manor, by my hand this 6th day of October, A.S. XXI, being
1986 of the Common Era.



THE SOUP STONE

By Thalia Loryn Naomi of Winddragon

A good soup stone is a thing of beauty as well as taste. Well-rounded with no sharp edges, the soup stone should be about fist-sized and can vary in color greatly, though the favorite tends to be peppery in appearance.

Before its first use it must be scrubbed with soap and water and boiled thrice. After each boiling, let cool and check for cracks, etc. A cracked or flaking stone will not hold its flavor and could break teeth.

When preparing the soup, always add the stones when you first fill the pot. They must warm gradually. Secondly, add the spices. Meat, vegetables and grain can follow at the cook's discretion.

It is best to use three stones in each batch of soup to avoid quarrels. At any large event you will have at least two individuals who must have a stone. To avoid brawling, keep three on hand.

After the soup is done you can remove the stone and dump it in the dishwasher. Since the stone retains heat, it will help warm the water. Do not handle a cooked stone with your hands until it is cool!

Wash it well and check it for damage before storing away in a clean muslin bag. A cooking stone, well cared for, may easily last through one generation of a family to the next.

Food and Cooking in 16 th Century Britain: History and Recipes. by Peter Brears

(English Heritage, Historic Building and Monuments Commission for England, Birmingham, U K, black and white, 5 3/4"x8 1/4", 47 pages, \$4.50)

Discussion of Tudor and early renaissance cooking. A chapter on tableware, as well as a large quantity of recipes from the period.

(Source Nov 1986: Scottish Images, P.O. Box 160300, Sacramento, California, 95816. \$4.40 plus \$1.00 postage and handling. # BCMS)

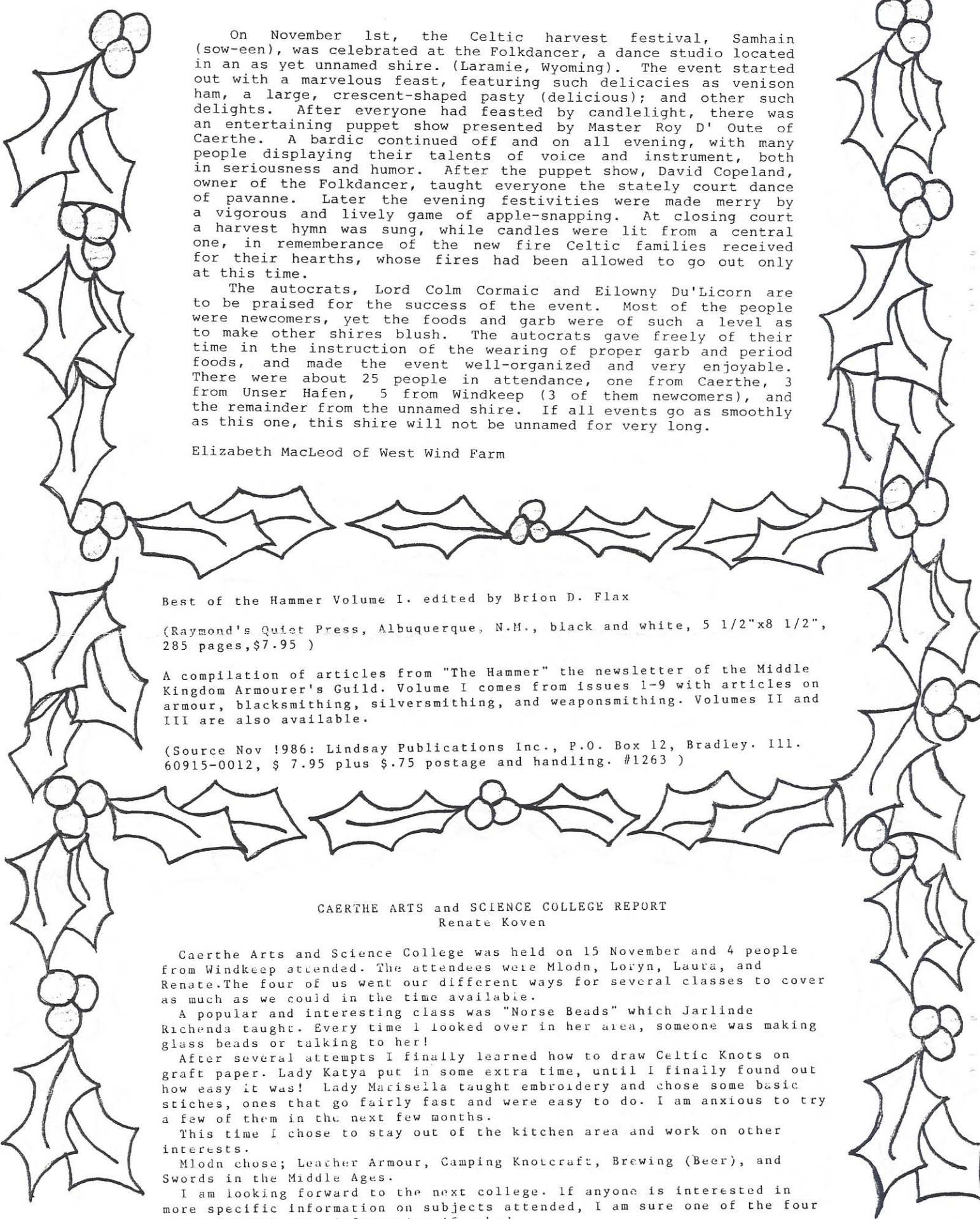
BLIND PEOPLE IN THE MIDDLE AGES

Renate Koven

Several early Christian monasteries and hospitals showed concern for the blind. In the fourth century , St. Basil at Caesarea, in Cappadovia (a Roman province in Asia Minor) established a hospice for the blind. In the following century, similar facilities (refuges, asylums, or retreats) were established in Syria, Jerusalem, France, Italy, and Germany. In 1254 Louis IX created an asylum in Paris in which several hundred blind persons found refuge. This asylum was established mainly to care for the large number of blind crusaders returning to Western Europe. Many were said to have lost their sight as punishment at the hands of the Saracens. This large refuge for the blind attracted considerable attention and similar facilities were subsequently established in many cites of Western Europe.

In the sixteenth century Girolinia Cardano, a physician in Pavia, Italy conceived the idea that the blind might be taught to read through the sense of touch and attempted to provide some instruction in this way. About the same time, Peter Pontanus, a blind Fleming, (Belgian) and Padre Lana Terzi of Brescia, Italy wrote books on the education of the blind. A third contemporary anonymous publication on the same subject appeared in Italy.

The Exceptional Individual by Charles W. Telford and James M. Sawrey



On November 1st, the Celtic harvest festival, Samhain (sow-eeen), was celebrated at the Folkdancer, a dance studio located in an as yet unnamed shire. (Laramie, Wyoming). The event started out with a marvelous feast, featuring such delicacies as venison ham, a large, crescent-shaped pasty (delicious); and other such delights. After everyone had feasted by candlelight, there was an entertaining puppet show presented by Master Roy D' Oute of Caerthe. A bardic continued off and on all evening, with many people displaying their talents of voice and instrument, both in seriousness and humor. After the puppet show, David Copeland, owner of the Folkdancer, taught everyone the stately court dance of pavanne. Later the evening festivities were made merry by a vigorous and lively game of apple-snapping. At closing court a harvest hymn was sung, while candles were lit from a central one, in remembrance of the new fire Celtic families received for their hearths, whose fires had been allowed to go out only at this time.

The autocrats, Lord Colm Cormaic and Eilowny Du'Licorn are to be praised for the success of the event. Most of the people were newcomers, yet the foods and garb were of such a level as to make other shires blush. The autocrats gave freely of their time in the instruction of the wearing of proper garb and period foods, and made the event well-organized and very enjoyable. There were about 25 people in attendance, one from Caerthe, 3 from Unser Hafen, 5 from Windkeep (3 of them newcomers), and the remainder from the unnamed shire. If all events go as smoothly as this one, this shire will not be unnamed for very long.

Elizabeth MacLeod of West Wind Farm

Best of the Hammer Volume I. edited by Brion D. Flax

(Raymond's Quiet Press, Albuquerque, N.M., black and white, 5 1/2"x8 1/2", 285 pages, \$7.95)

A compilation of articles from "The Hammer" the newsletter of the Middle Kingdom Armourer's Guild. Volume I comes from issues 1-9 with articles on armour, blacksmithing, silversmithing, and weaponsmithing. Volumes II and III are also available.

(Source Nov 1986: Lindsay Publications Inc., P.O. Box 12, Bradley. Ill. 60915-0012, \$ 7.95 plus \$.75 postage and handling. #1263)

CAERTHE ARTS and SCIENCE COLLEGE REPORT
Renate Koven

Caerthe Arts and Science College was held on 15 November and 4 people from Windkeep attended. The attendees were Mlodn, Loryn, Laura, and Renate. The four of us went our different ways for several classes to cover as much as we could in the time available.

A popular and interesting class was "Norse Beads" which Jarlinde Richenda taught. Every time I looked over in her area, someone was making glass beads or talking to her!

After several attempts I finally learned how to draw Celtic Knots on graft paper. Lady Katya put in some extra time, until I finally found out how easy it was! Lady Marisella taught embroidery and chose some basic stitches, ones that go fairly fast and were easy to do. I am anxious to try a few of them in the next few months.

This time I chose to stay out of the kitchen area and work on other interests.

Mlodn chose; Leather Armour, Camping Knotcraft, Brewing (Beer), and Swords in the Middle Ages.

I am looking forward to the next college. If anyone is interested in more specific information on subjects attended, I am sure one of the four would furnish more information if asked.

"IT'S A MIRACLE"

On the 8th day of November, there was a miracle in Windkeep. For those of you reading this missive who were not in attendance, please allow me to elaborate.

For the past several months, attendance at meetings and events has been less than great. (To be quite honest, out of a population of about 20-26, depending on how young you wish to count people, we have been averaging 4-6 at each meeting and 6-10 at revels.)

Saturday last, we had 17 (Seventeen) at the populace meeting and 13 (Thirteen) at the following revel!!!!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of these people for coming. It makes me feel that all is not in vain, and that I am not talking to a vacuum. It is wonderful to be able to get ideas and plans worked out among the members of Windkeep, and to feel that the people up here really DO want to be a part of what is happening.

I am overwhelmed, and it is my sincere hope that this is not just a one-time occurrence, but will be an on-going habit. When I leave in March, and turn this office over to my successor, I would like to feel I am leaving a viable and cohesive group, and that my short time in this office has been an asset to Windkeep and the Outlands.



Lj. Ceallach Tremon,
Seneschal

It never fails to amaze me, that when I visit the Shire of WINDKEEP strange things happen there. I was attending a revel recently and witnessed and had a part in the beginning of a Saint. It seems that a particular Lady (not my choice of words), had performed three miracles over the last year. And all she needed was a fourth miracle to complete her apprenticeship for sainthood. The following details were relayed to me concerning said individual.

1. A terminally crippled hedge priest was miraculously healed and now walks without even a limp.
2. The second miracle dealt with the construction and actual on time delivery of the Kneeling Pillows for the newly formed Kingdom of the Outlands at the first Crown Tourney. Truly a miracle if you are at all familiar with the populace of WINDKEEP.
3. As Autocrat for the WINDKEEP Invitational, she managed to get each separate part of the event started within thirty minutes of the scheduled starting time. This is truly a miracle what with S.C.A standard time being anywhere from two to three hours from the real time.
4. Now we enter the realm of fantasy with the fourth miracle. Since taking on the responsibility of Seneschal, attendance at Shire functions has increased to amazing numbers. Her predecessor was lucky if four or five people attended any event. But she has obviously inspired all and people seem to be crawling out of nowhere to attend local events.

After being familiarized with her past record I truly felt she deserved sainthood, but we did lack the actual death and resurrection of said candidate. During a tour of the dungeon with one of the local wenches I heard a most pitiful scream cut through the night. I assumed (wrongly) that one of the wenches was enjoying the attention of some fellow. A short time thereafter I was summoned by the Knight Marshall. He informed me that the Lady had met with a sudden and viscious and anonymous attack and had expired. All attempts to revive her had failed. He suggested that since I was a pursuer and she was basically a wench at heart, I should try to revive her. I then knelt beside her and placed a kiss on her lips. A cry went out as her eyes opened. As she was assisted to her feet she was proclaimed to be a Saint. The first question was what was she the Saint of. She replied, "Why, Frustration of course". She also declared that November the 8th was her Saint's Day and that candied apples should be served to honour her. All was duly noted at this writing. So the next time you are frustrated, then pray to St. Ceallach and who knows your prayers may even be answered.



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