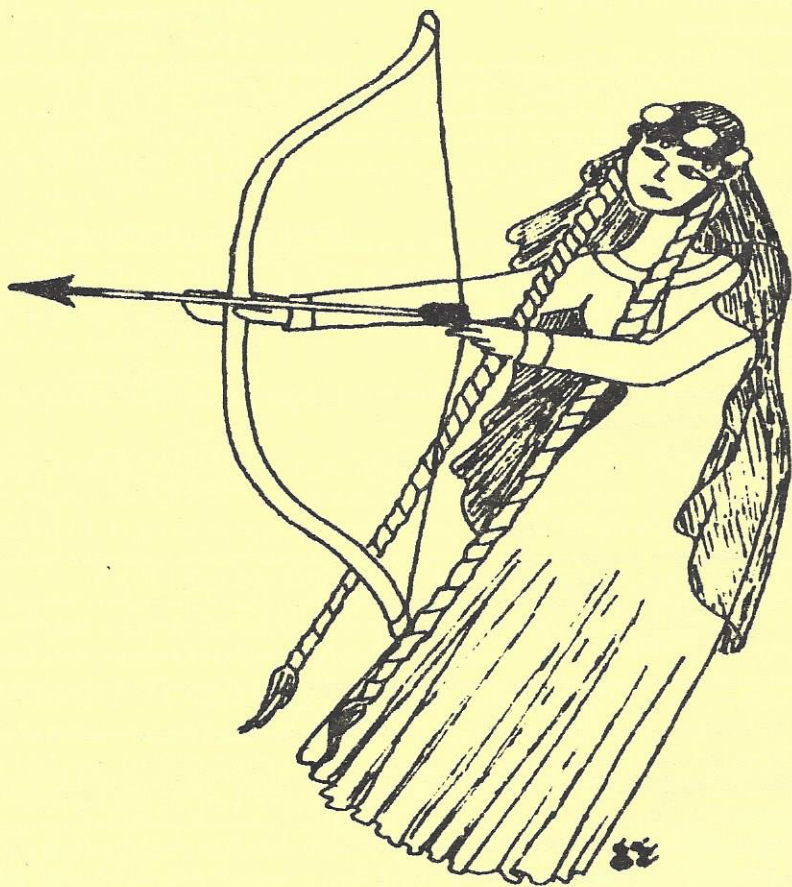


# Windswept

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### *MONDAY SHIRE HAPPENINGS*

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**Archery:** Contact Lord James the Small at 635-3214 or [Inmon@aol.com](mailto:Inmon@aol.com) for information on the sight and times.

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### *TUESDAY SHIRE HAPPENINGS*

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**Research Night:** Held at the Library is normally the second Tuesday evening of the month at the Laramie County Library 2800 Central Avenue. Contact Gwenyth at 624-2730

**Research Night if not at the Library:** Will be held on the second Tuesday evening at 10205 Powderhouse Road. Contact Mlodn 635-1320. This is only if it is not going to be at the library.

**Tasters Revel:** Is the Fourth Tuesday evening of each month at Lion's Park Community Center from 7pm to 10pm. Feast by reservation only. For information please contact Gwenyth at 634-2730

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### *WEDNESDAY SHIRE HAPPENINGS*

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**Windkeep night:** Held at Ldy Noemi and Lord Duncans home. At 900 E. 6th St. From 6:30pm to 10:30pm. For any information please contact Ldy Noemi or L.d. Duncan at 637-5293.

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### *THURSDAY SHIRE HAPPENINGS*

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**Fighter's Practice:** Fighter practice has moved to Saturdays Contact Lord Even at 632-1715 for any questions

**Fencing Practice:** Moved to Saturdays Contact Griffin at 632-0024 for any questions

**Populace Meetings:** Will be held on the fourth Thursday evening of each month at the Laramie County Library 2800 Central Ave. at 7:00pm. Please contact Lady Fekete Noeme at 635-1320 to get on the agenda. May meeting is on the 27<sup>th</sup>.

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### *SATURDAY SHIRE HAPPENINGS*

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**Fighter Practice:** Is now being held at the National Guard Amery..For any question, direction, and dates please Contact Lord Even at 632-1715

**Fencing Practice:** Is now being held at the National Guard Amery....For any question, and dates please Contact Griffin at 632-0024

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### *SUNDAY SHIRE HAPPENINGS*

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**Project Day:** Will be held at Griffin Porthor and Lady Nesta Coed residing at 710 Syemour Ave. On the first Sunday of each month from 10a.m to 6p.m. Potluck type setting and if weather permits a BBQ. If you have any question or concerns call Griffin or Ldy Nesta at 632-0024

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Greetings!

A lot of really wonderful things happened in our shire during November and December. On November 20th we held our Toys for Tots tourney. It was a great success, with the shire collecting 80 toys total. I would like to thank everyone who attended and donated toys, Lady Renate for coordinating the potluck feast, Lord Griffin for running the fencing tourney, Lord Mavrikki for running the heavy weapons tourney, and Mistress Aldyth for collecting toys at the veterinary office she works at. I would like to set a goal for next year's Toys for Tots Tourney of 100 toys and I would like everyone to think of ways we can meet and exceed this goal. Remember every toy we collect makes Christmas a little happier for a child in Wyoming and this Christmas we will be bringing joy to 80 children.

Hunter's Feast was held December 4th and was a fantastic event as usual. Her Majesty Aidrea was kind enough to grace our shire with her presence and I would like to thank Her Majesty for joining us and Master Rhys and Mistress Aldyth for holding such a wonderful event. I would also like to thank all of those individuals who jumped in at the last minute to help with clean up.

A number of our shire members were recognized in court at Hunter's Feast. Stephen McDougal received his Award of Arms, Anya Embleton received the Promise of the Outlands, Lord Evan Embleton was admitted to the Order of the Trefoil, Gavriella Sylvanus received her Award of Arms, Mistress Aldyth was admitted to the Order of the Flower and I was admitted to the Order of the Stag's Heart. Take some time to congratulate all of these gentles on their achievements.

Remember that Bows in the Snow will be January 29th. It is always a fun event and Lord James always has enjoyable and challenging shoots planned for the archers.

I hope to see everyone sometime this month. Check out the calendar in this Windswept to see all of the events we have going on!

In service,  
Fekete Noemi Asszony

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Greetings unto the populace of the Shire of WindKeep.

Not much to say this month, Just a few items of interest to all

1. The dates for the new years fighter practice are as follows:

January 15	March 11
January 22	March 25
February 12	April 1
February 18	April 22
	April 29

2. After April 29, we need to decide where to hold fighter practice. I would like all of you to talk with me or send me an Email and let me know your preference.

In Service

Lord Evan Embleton

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### *CAPTAIN OF ARCHERS*

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Hello all you fine people of the Outlands !!! I James the Small and I am looking for a replacement to take over the Captain of Archery for I am stepping down as Captain in the month of February do to personal problems in my life. I am sure the Populus of Windkeep will welcome my predecessor with open arms. I wish to thank all of you who supported me while I was Captain of Archery for Windkeep.

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### *CHRONICLER'S REPORT*

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Greetings,

Hope everyone's holidays was a safe and joyous one.

I would like to introduce my deputy Stacy Hatt, Other known as Esperanza Elena Garcia. She is a new member to our shire or soon to be. I would like to welcome her, and to let her know that if she has any question, not to hesitate to ask, we all would love to help her.

With the new year here. We are hoping to improve this wonderful newsletter. We have a lot of new ideas and hoping to put them to use here soon.... Please let us know how you like the changes we end up doing.....

Lady Liadan and Esperanza



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*NOEMI'S NOTES*

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Despite the fact that I promised that these would be fun, educational essays this first one is going to be a bit serious. This month I want to talk about writing award recommendation letters. At Hunter's

Feast six members of our shire received awards, and the reason that they did is because someone wrote a recommendation letter about them.

Now you may be asking yourself why it is important to write a recommendation letter. The answer is surprisingly simple. The Crown relies on all of the populace of the Kingdom to let them know what individuals really stand out in each group. Otherwise the Crown would have no idea who deserves recognition.

Writing a recommendation letter is simple. First you need to have the full SCA name of the person you are writing the letter about. Spelling does count, so be sure you have the spelling right. Next write about the things you know they have done in the SCA that you think is noteworthy. That's all there is to it. You can write for anyone but yourself, and some people do not write recommendation letters about their immediate family or household. That is a personal preference and not an absolute.

The most important thing to keep in mind while you are writing is that a recommendation letter needs to be clear and easily understandable. That means that this is not the time to try out your calligraphy, that cool new font on the computer, or to be writing in flowery, fancy language. If the letter of recommendation is hard to understand the person you are recommending may never get recognized.

Letters of recommendation are sent to the current Crown. The contact information for the Crown is listed on the inside front cover of the Outlandish Herald at the very top. Some Crowns do accept recommendation letters via e-mail, others do not. If you aren't sure send your letter through regular mail. You will need to send a new letter each reign, since they do not carry over from one Crown to the next.

One big misconception about writing recommendation letters is that you have to know what award to recommend someone for when you write the letter. Nothing could be further from the truth. All you have to do is describe in detail what the person you are recommending has done and the Crown can look to see what awards that person already has and decide what award they deserve to be recognized with.

If you have any questions about writing recommendation letters please contact me and happy letter writing to everyone!

Noemi

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## *HUNTERS FEAST ARTICLE*

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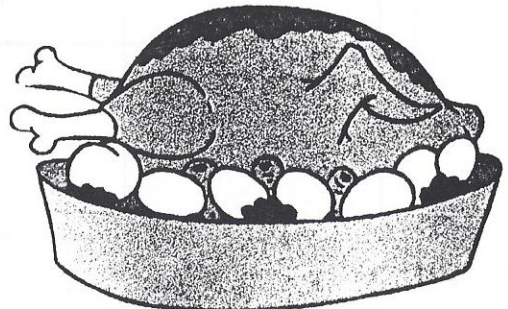
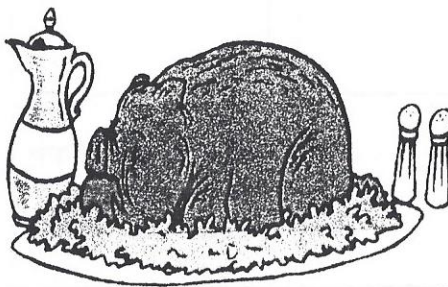
Hunters Feast was fun. Thank you to HRM Aindra for gracing our halls this year. I want to thank Lady Gaviella for doing childrens activities, Lord Bjarki for coordinating servers, THL Duncan and Lord Coengar for trolling, Mistress Aurora, Lady Noemi, Lady Galiana, Lord Gwilim, Lady Sabina, Lady Mirabel, Lady Kira, and THL Thorhalla for helping in the kitchen: Lord Gwilim, Lady Galiana, Lady Sabina, Lady Mirabel, Lady Kira, Lord Stephan, THL Amber, and Warner for cleaning up. To Lord Evan, M'lord Sean, Lady Noemi, THL Duncan, and Master Rhys for coloring site tokens. I am sure I have missed people, and I apologise. Old brain.

Those donating to the feast: HRM Master Rhys and HRM Mistress Aldyth, venison and fowl. Lord Bjarki, venison and trout. THL Duncan and Lady Noemi, fowl. Lord Lief, fowl. Lord James, bread. Chad and Melissa, pheasant and duck, and goose. Lord Lorcan and Lady Moyra, pheasant. Lady Nesta and Lord Griffin, fowl and breads and stew stuff. Lord Evan and Lady Gaviella, fowl. (and many other things). Duke Olaf and THL Thorhalla, carrots. Thanks to Lady Noemi for cooking the mushroom pastries, and Lord Bjarki for the Venison braised in Guinness.

Awards: Lady Gaviella received her Award of Arms. Lord Evan received a trefoil for service to Windkeep. Anya received the Promise of the Outlands. Lady Noemi received her Stags Heart for service to the Outlands, and HRM Aldyth received the Order of the Flower of the Outlands, for contributions to Arts and Sciences.

We had 140 attend this year. Damn the snow.... See you all next year, December 2, 2000.

HRM Mistress Aldyth Trefaldwyn



# January 2000

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 <b>Project Sunday</b> 10 am - 6pm	3	4	5 Windkeep Wednesday 6:30 - 10:30pm at Ldy Noemi and Ld Duncan	6	7	8 <i>12th Night (Caerthe)</i> <i>see pg. 10</i> <i>12th Night (Platteford Vham)</i> <i>see pg. 11</i>
9	10	11	12 Windkeep Wednesday 6:30 - 10:30 pm	13	14	15 <b>Fighter Practice 4pm - 7 pm</b> At Army Nation Guard <i>Winter Oasis</i> <i>see pg. 11-12</i>
16	17	18	19 Windkeep Wednesday 6:30 - 10:30 pm	20	21	22 <b>Fighter Practice</b> <b>7- 9 pm</b> at Army Nation Guard
23	24	25 Tasters 7pm - 10pm At the lions Community Center	26 Windkeep Wednesday 6:30- 10:30 pm	27 Populace Meeting 7pm - 9 pm Cheyenne Library	28	29 <b>Bows in the Snow</b> <b>III</b> <i>see pg. 14</i>
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## 12TH NIGHT (CAERTHE)

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Barony of Caerthe, January 8, A.S. XXXIV (2000)

Site Opens at 9:00a • Site Closes at 11:00p  
Adams County Fairgrounds • Denver, CO

**Fees:** \$5.00 site; Site/Feast thru December 1: \$16.00 Family cap at \$45.00

Site/Feast after December 1: \$18.00 Family cap at \$50.00

Make checks payable to "SCA - Caerthe"

**Site is DRY**

The Barony of Caerthe invite one and all to their annual celebration of Twelfth Night to be held January 8, 2000 at Adams County Fairgrounds in Denver - 9755 Henderson Road., Brighton, CO. The site will open at 9am and close at 11pm. This is a DRY site.

The theme is Shakespeare's Twelfth Night with contests to fit the theme. i.e. cross dressing (female to male & male to female (remember that males played the roles of females)), twins, a pearling contest (most pearls on an outfit). The head cook is TH.Lady Maredudd and she is planning an Elizabethan Feast. Feast is limited to 275.

The feast will begin at 2p.m. courses will be separated by dancing, court and other diversions. Entertainment will be provided by The Clan Tynker (weather permitting). This will also be the last court of Baron Walter and Baroness Fiachra, as they will be stepping down at this event. Grand Processional is scheduled for 11:30am. sign up when you check in or contact one of the autocrats for early sign up. (We ask that if you want to process, please bring a gift of largesse so their Majesties have gillies to use throughout their reign.)

**Fees:** Site fee: \$5.00/ under 13 - \$2.50.; Site and Feast - \$16.00 to December 1st./ under 13 - \$8/family cap - \$45 ; \$18.00 thereafter and at the door/under 13-\$9/ family cap- \$50 (family is defined as 2 adults and 2 children under 13) There will be 100 off-board seats available. First come, first serve.

**Directions:** From the North or South - take I-25 to 120th Street. Go East on 120th to Colorado Blvd. Go left (north). Go right at 128th (east) until it ends at a T-intersection. Go right (south). Take the first left onto Henderson Rd. (east). Go left into the fairgrounds. Look for the domed building. From the East - take I-225 North to I-70 West. Then take I-270 North to I-76 (Mt. Morgan exit). Then take state highway 85 (Greeley/Brighton exit) to 124th street. Go left (west), cross Brighton Rd. 124th will become Henderson Rd. Follow Henderson Rd. west until you reach the fairgrounds.

**Reservations:** TH.Ldy Gabrielle Cartier (Cheryl Baker), 1645 Valentia St., Denver, CO 80220 (303-394-4003), cabaker@milehigh.net (mail payment within a week of making reservation).

**Autocrat:** TH.Ldy Marguerite d'Isere (Pearl Marquez), 19541 E. Bethany, Aurora, CO 80013, (303) 400-5028, pmarquez@pseo.com

**Head Cook:** TH.Ldy Maredudd (Melanie Unrah-Bays), 1904 E. 16th Avenue, Denver, CO 80206, (303) 316-4328, maredudd@caerthe.org

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## *12TH NIGHT (PLATTEFORDHAM)*

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Shire of Plattefordhsm, January 8, A.S. XXXIV (2000)

Site Opens at 6:00p • Site Closes at 11:30p

St. Marks Episcopal Church • Walcott Street • Casper, WY

**Fees:** \$8.00 before January 1, \$10.00 thereafter; Children 6-12 pay half cost

Make checks payable to "SCA - Plattefordham"

**Site is Discreetly Wet**

The time of year is once more upon us when the cold threatens to overwhelm us. Leave all that behind and join the Shire of Plattefordham for our annual 12th Night celebration. Enjoy bardic, dancing, drumming, and most of all an extraordinary feast, including meat pies, soup, dessert, and much more to be announced on site, prepared by our renowned Dob.

Ingredients will be posted on site. Please advise us of any dietary restrictions in advance and we will endeavor to accommodate your needs.

**Directions:** Take I-25 to Casper exit at the Center Street exit, go south to 7th street turn east (left) on 7th St. Mark's will be on the south-east corner of Wolcott and 7th

**Autocrat:** Seamus McQueen (Keith Miller), 503 S. Park St. #5, Casper, WY 82601, (307) 266-2083, colgrin@hotmail.com

**Feastocrat:** Dob (Robert Booth, Jr), 2112 E. 23rd St, Casper WY 82601, (307) 266-5593

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## *WINTER OASIS*

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Barony of Unser Hafen, January 15, A.S. XXXIV (2000)

Site Opens at 7:30p • Site Closes at 1:00a

Har Shalom Temple • 725 Drake • Fort Collins, CO

**Fees:** \$2.50 per person

Make checks payable to "SCA - Unser Hafen"

**Site is Dry, dry, dry as a bone (which aren't allowed on site either)**

Winter deepens further...all ships of the Outlands' Royal Navy are locked in by ice. There is nothing worse than a bored sailor....but wait! Is that the sound of a cannon? Is there someone to fight? Venturing closer, the deep sounds echo out in a rhythmic pattern....Are there many cannons? Surely this is a glorious battle we are missing!

Closer and closer we creep...the rhythms start disentangling themselves...chings of zills accenting the form the drummers create. We creep closer, and more melodies start to take flight. We do not know quite what to do, but now we are stepping in time to the sounds we hear... We are grateful for wearing such ostentatiously shiny sparkly garb underneath our creeping-around-in-the-dark-looking-for-the-battle clothes! And we are happy we thought to bring our coin belts with us. This is not the FIRST time we have mistaken a party for a battle! We nod to each other knowingly, and step into the vision of the Oasis. We set aside our weapons for one fleeting night to celebrate our glorious Kingdom, our brilliant Barony, and the camaraderie each of us shares with each other, and we begin to dance.

Winter Oasis.....

Come one, come all to the Winter Oasis! Bring any music making tool, be it a flute or a rattle, a whistle or an oud, and play it! Sing! Dance! Hold the darkness of Winter at bay by laughing and dancing and eating! If there is a tapestry you cannot live without hanging upon the wall, please come hang it! Please feel free to bring a snack (vegetarian only please) or a drink (of a non-alcoholic nature) to share! There is no alcohol or meat allowed in the Temple. And please be aware there is no crash space for the children as they grow weary in the night.

**Directions:** Exit I-25 at Prospect. Continue West on Prospect to College. Turn South on College. Turn West onto Drake. The Synagogue is on the left (South) side.

**Autocrat:** Magdalina Gregorieva (Sarah Burgess), 1030 W. Vine Dr., Ft. Collins, CO 80521, (970) 495-9630, sarahcranberry@juno.com

## CANDLEMAS

Barony of Dragonsspine, January 22, A.S. XXXIV (2000)

Site Opens at 9:30a • Site Closes at 11:00p

Manitou Springs City Hall • 606 Manitou Drive • Manitou Springs, CO

**Fees:** \$6.00 site only, age 5-12 \$3.00; Site/Feast through January 5:

\$12.00 age 5-12 \$6.00

Site/Feast after January 5: \$15.00 age 5-12 \$7.50

Make checks payable to "SCA - Dragonsspine"

**Site is Discreetly Wet in the hall, Dry in the parks**

Once again the distant horns of war call the Outlands to battle, just as they did in Italy as city-states vied with supremacy. The Great Barony of Dragonsspine invites all in the Outlands to come to a Venetian Candlemas, where teams of the mighty populace will have the opportunity to vie for the honor to carry Her Royal Majesty's Own Favor in the upcoming Estrella War.

### Activities

Candlemas will provide an opportunity for the fighting units, A&S participants, and support persons who are going to war to flaunt their skills in fun and entertaining competitions. If you are a lone fighter looking for a company to fight with, use Candlemas to show your prowess and negotiate. If you are a mercenary unit looking to contract for the war, Candlemas is your opportunity to come to terms. Activities are scheduled to begin at 11am.

### Candlemas

**Teams:** Teams should be made up of those planning to go to war with the kingdom, Estrella or any other war the Outlands participates in. Not all members must participate in all activities. All teams must have at least one herald who will publicize the prowess of the team throughout the entire event. More heralds and bards may be used. Points are awarded for the word fame spread by the heralds. Teams should not exceed 16 members.



Candlemas cont.

**Competitions:** (Times to be announced) Outrageous Outlandish Review- a presentation of Units participating. Each unit may design its own unique manner of presenting itself (as long as it does not violate mundane or Kingdom law) Bannerette Tourney for Heavy and Rapier: Teams of 6

**Gondola Races:** Relay races, teams of 9 which includes 3 heavy fighters, 3 rapier fighters, and 3 either target archers, A&S participants, camp support, or combination of these last.

**Tug of War:** Teams of 9, same team makeup as the Gondola races but does not have to be same people Assorted strategy games in the hall

**War Dance:** Each unit will demonstrate for the Entertainment of the populace their version of a war or victory dance. The populace will choose the winner in the competition.

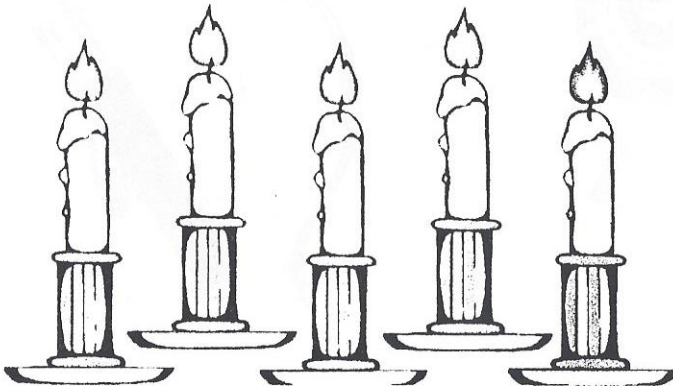
**Special Competition:** Baron Giovanni, great patron of the clothiers that he is, will sponsor a competition for the best Italian Renaissance garb.

Children's activities will also be offered. A special children's (5-12) feast table is planned. A silent auction is also planned. Dancing will follow feast. Court will be held around 5pm, should that please and meet the requirements of the Crown and Coronets. Feast to immediately follow court. Sorry, no merchants are permitted under the town's statutes. Alternative activities will be offered inside the hall should the weather be uncooperative. A kingdom war practice will be held the following Sunday.

**Directions:** Take I-25 to Colorado Springs, then take the Hwy 24/Manitou Springs exit (exit 141). Take Hwy 24 west to first Manitou Springs turn-off. Go right on Manitou Ave. into town. You will pass the swimming pool. The town hall is on your right just past the locomotive.

**Autocrat:** THly Ayslynn merh Guincatan (Patricia Coleman), 3451 Queen Anne Way, Colorado Springs, CO 80917, (719) 597-4944, prmcoleman@hotmail.com

**Reservations and Crash Space:** Lady Irina Vukoslava (Amy Adams), 611 N. Custer Ave., Colorado Springs, CO 80903, (719) 328-9281, amyotter@aol.com



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### BOWS IN THE SNOW III

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Shire of Windkeep, January 29, A.S. XXXIV (2000)

Site Opens at 10:00a • Site Closes at 4:30p

Archery World • 605 S. Greeley Highway • Cheyenne, WY

**Fees:** \$10.00 for archers; \$5.00 for non-archers; Children archers pay\$5.00

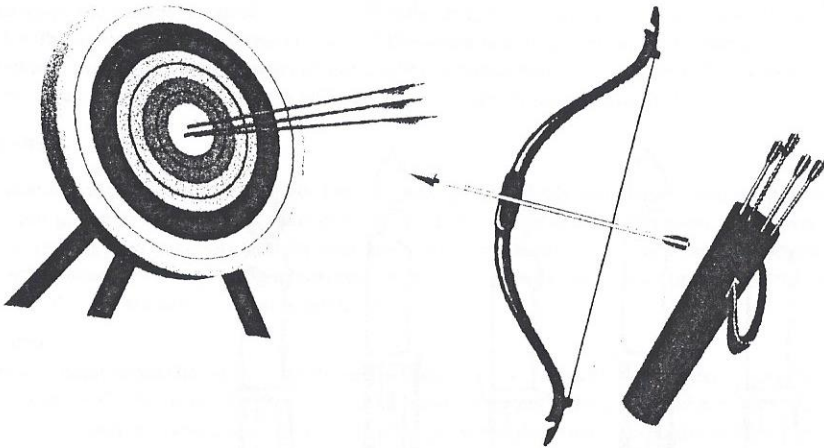
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**Site is Dry**

To Arms ! To Arms ! To Arms ! All Archers ! To Arms ! We are under attack from that dreaded of evil...the snow!!!! The Shire of Windkeep invites all archers, experienced or not, to join them for a day of fun and games on the archery fields. The day will be filled with fun and frolic and for the fighters come out and expand your martial skills by trying your hand at Archery. Site Fees are \$10.00 per shooter, \$5.00 for non-shooter, Children (shooters) \$5.00, which includes mundane archery fees and a light lunch as well as the evenings repast. There will be a break for lunch about noon this year, so no one will go hungry! Reservations for lunch and evenings repast should be made through the Autoerat.

**Directions:** Take I-25 to I-80. Go East to South Greeley Hwy Exit. Turn right and proceed just short of a 1/2 mile to Archery World at 605 South Greeley Hwy. There will be Signs.

**Autoerat:** Lord James the Small (James Inmon), 610 1/2 West 10th Street, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82007, (307) 635-3214, Inmon0@aol.com (that's a number zero, not a letter 'O' before the @ sign)







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Cheyenne, WY.

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"Shire of Windkeep"

