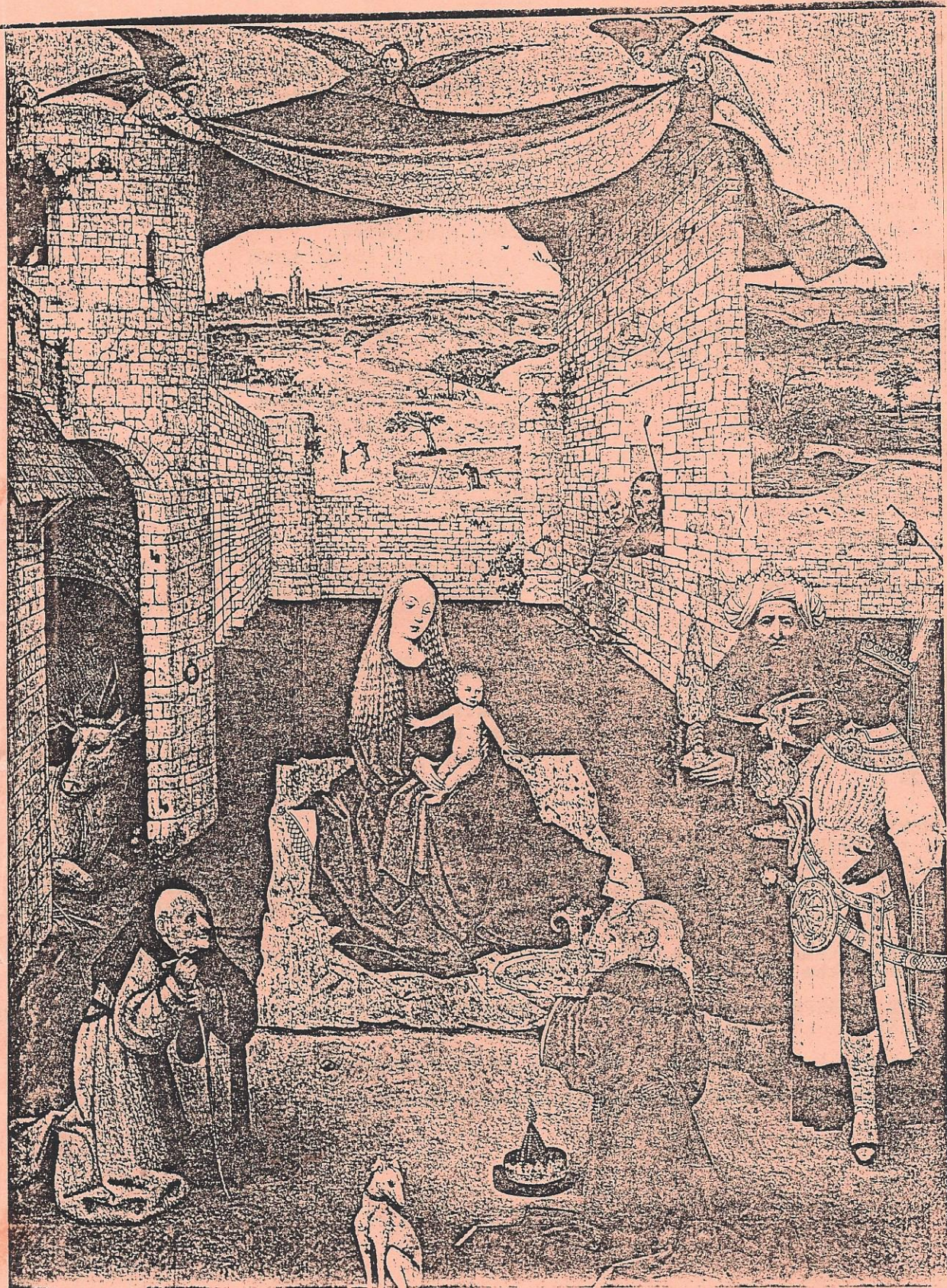


# WINDSWEPT



NOVEMBER XXII







 FIGHTERS! 

ARE YOU READY FOR

 WAR? 

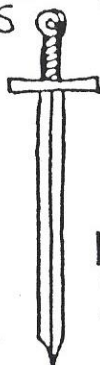
THE SHIRE OF WINDKEEP IS HOLDING A

 WAR PRACTICE 

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28 - NOON TO 6:00 PM - AT  
THE CHEYENNE EQUESTRIAN CENTER

THIS SITE IS INDOORS, SPACIOUS, HAS  
SOFT DIRT FLOORS, AND HAY BALES  
FOR BRIDGE BATTLES AND FOR  
ARCHERY.

SITE FEE: \$2.00 per person.  
Potluck dinner afterwards at 10205  
Powderhouse Rd. - Bring dish or  
donation

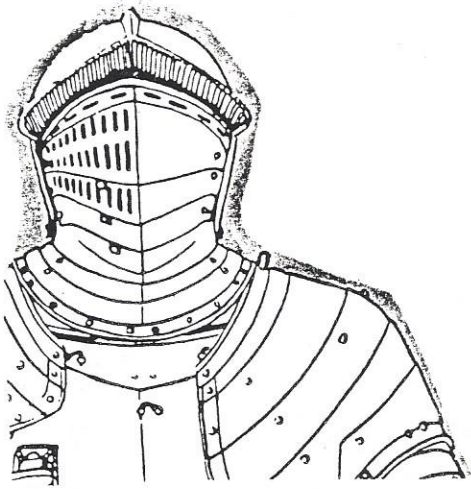


DIRECTIONS: Take I-25 N to the Ridley  
Road exit (8 mi. N of Cheyenne), then  
go 1 mi. west to the center (follow  
sign).

AUTOCRATS:

Lj. Maeve the Hither-dweller (307) 632-8938  
Ld. Mlodn Zupan (307) 637-8168

(ADDITIONAL WINDKEEP FIGHTER PRACTICES: Jan. 5 and 12, 6:00p-10pm, same site)



ATTENTION FIGHTERS

The Shire of Unser Hafen has acquired a very large and very nice site for indoor winter fighter practice. It is the gym at the North Aztlan Community Center, 112 E. Willow, in Fort Collins. Beginning Sunday, November 13, Unser Hafen fighter practice will be from 1:30 pm till 4:00 pm, two Sundays per month, on the dates listed below. We invite all fighters and fencers (and non-fighters, too!) to join us.

As this is a rather expensive site, we ask that all fighters contribute \$2 (or what you can afford) to help cover the rent.

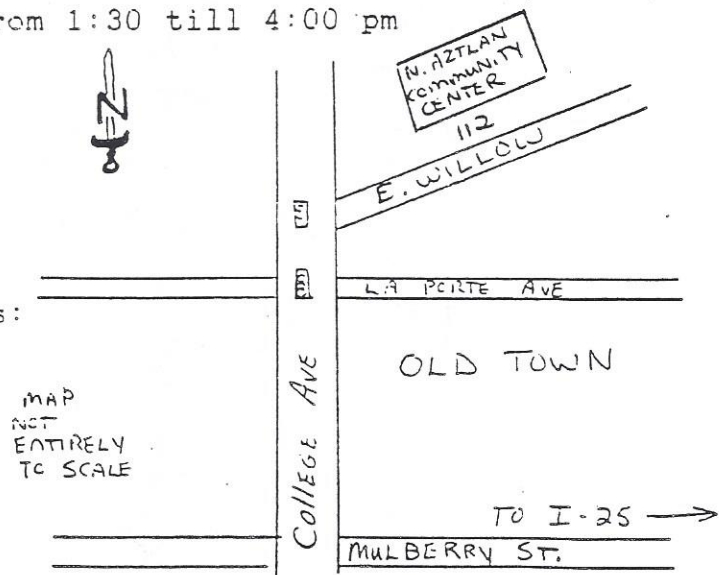
The management insists that we wear only athletic shoes with non-black soles -- this goes for spectators, too.

We only have two hours to use the gym, so it is important that everyone arrives on time so we can use the time to our best advantage. We can come in to stretch and armor up at 1:30 and fight from 2:00 till 4:00.

This place is big enough for small melees -- really!

Fighter Practice will be from 1:30 till 4:00 pm on the following Sundays:

- November 13
- 20
- December  3
- 18
- January   15
- 29
- and tentatively, these dates:
- February  12
- 26
- March     12
- 26



If the gods should see fit to give us good weather on one of the weekends inbetween (what is it the Christians say about a snowball in the Underworld ...), we may have practice outdoors as usual. Call first to be sure.

For more information, contact Lady Llamrei. Farspeaker number: (303) 490-2936.



## Coventry Carol

*Nativity plays were often staged by medieval craft guilds. In 1534, the Shearmen and Tailors' Guild of Coventry incorporated this Christmas carol in their famous play.*

*Lul - ly, lul - la, thou lit - tle ti - ny child,*

*By by, lul - ly, lul - lay O sis - ters too, How*

*may we do For to pre - serve this day This poor young-*

*ling, For whom we sing, By by, lul - ly, lul - lay.*



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City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_  
Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone, Optional ( ) - - \_\_\_\_\_  
Society Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

# Benefit Raffle

Caer Galen Benefit Revel  
January 21, 1989

Site: Crossroads Mall Meeting Place.

Potluck: Theme is The Hunt. Please bring Winter foods such as Savouries, Stews, Bread and Cheese, and so on.

Time: January 21, 1989. Set up begins at 6:30.

We would appreciate it if the populace would start to pledge items for the raffle. Call Conn or Francesca to pledge items. It is easiest if you can bring the item to the raffle yourself, but we have the offer of a small storage locker if you must get it out of your hands now.

Items Pledged So Far.

## A: Jewelry and Garb.

- A1. Crocheted Wool Shawl. Lady Helena.
- A2. Lavender Shawl. Mistress Elizabeth.
- A3. Amber Necklace. Caer Galen Lost and Found.
- A4. Garnet and 14K Earrings. Mistress Elizabeth.
- A5. Cloak. Purple Corderoy. Lord Antoine.
- A6. "Cloakoid" Lord Antoine.
- A7. Crocheted Shawl. Mistress Marisela.
- A8. Crocheted Shawl. Mistress Marisela.

## B: Material, Trim, Textile Crafts.

- B1. Fabric, 10 yards White Twill. Milord Conn.
- B2. Fabric, Black and Coloured Metallic. Mistress Elizabeth.

## C: Books, Musical Instruments, Games, Toys.

- C1. Tudor style Chess Set. Milady Francesca.
- C2. Set of 4 Time-Life Recipe Books. Mistress Elizabeth.
- C3. Erica Wilson's Embroidery Book. Mistress Marisela.
- C4. Paperback "Name of the Rose". Mistress Marisela.

## D: Dishes, Food, Wine.

- D1. Collection of Feast Gear. Mistresses Marisela and Elizabeth.
- D2. Set of 4 Silverplate Goblets with Tray. Mistress Elizabeth.

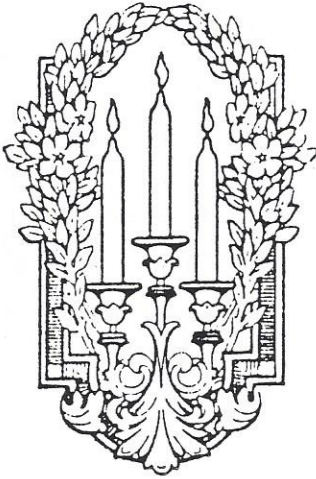
## E: Arms and Armour.

## F: Furniture and Camping Gear.

- F1. Pine Box with Brass Fittings. Lord Simon.
- F2. Decorative Wooden Wall Mirror. Mistress Marisela.
- G. Miscellaneous.

Autocrats: Milady Francesca Di Pavia (Meg McCloskey) 499-3284.  
Milord Conn MacFaelad (Michael McElroy). 494-4222.





# Caer Galen Midwinter A Commoner's Christmas!

The Shire of Caer Galen invites you to join us in a **Commoner's celebration of Christmas** on Saturday, December 17th. We will have a full day of games, dancing, music, food and revelry with a tradition English Christmas Feast. **Activities** will include board competitions, participatory games (Badger in a Bag! Clench a Wench! Miller in the Middle! and more) boffer competitions, dancing lessons in the afternoon, more dancing in the evening, caroling, the ever important Lord and Lady of Misrule, and, of course, mistletoe.

An **informal newcomer's discussion group** will be held during the bring-your-own-lunch. We will discuss what Awards and Grants of Arms are, what the various Orders of Peerages are, what the responsibilities of Peers are, and how peers can help newcomers.

The feast will be autocratted by Lady Morgwen na Lochsolas. It will be served in one course, plus dessert, so that everyone, including servers, can enjoy it together. The Menu: Fresh baked breads and assorted butters. Roast beef, roast goose, spiced crabapples, cranberry sauce. Winter Vegetables. Baked apples. Plum pudding with cream.

**Site fees** will be \$4.00 for members, \$5.00 for nonmembers. Feast fees will start at \$6.00 for members, \$7.00 for nonmembers for PAID reservations postmarked or received by November 15th. After that, the price for the feast will go up to \$8.00 for members, \$9.00 for non-members. No reservations will be accepted after December 10th and only PAID reservations will be accepted. Two people may feast for free in exchange for cleaning the kitchen. Contact Elizabeth Freemountain (Autocrat's Right Hand). For crash space, or to offer assistance, contact the Autocrat or the Autocrat's Right Hand.

**Please bring:** board games, place settings, tablecloth and candles.

This is a **DRY SITE**. No alcoholic beverages, please.

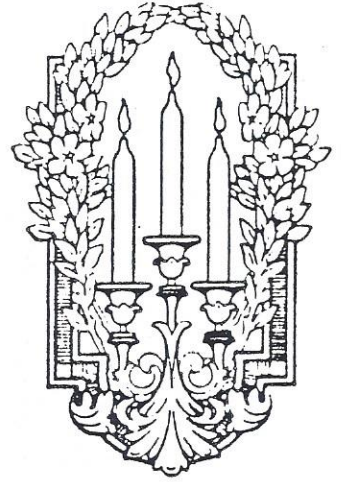
9:00 am	Hall opens
10:00 am	Activities begin
12:00 pm	Bring your own lunch/Potluck (Hot cider provided) Newcomer's discussion group
Afternoon	Games, dancing lessons, etc.
6:00 pm	Feast begins
evening	Dancing, caroling, etc.
10:30 pm	Start clean up
11:30 pm	Empty hall

#### **Reservations**

Caer Galen Reeve  
Mistress Marisela de Broyde  
c/o Patricia Robinson  
550 Hartford Drive  
Boulder, CO 80303

Autocrat  
Mistress Demelza Felinnoir  
c/o Elizabeth Coolbaugh  
5000 Butte #192  
Boulder, CO 80301  
(303) 449-2479

Autocrat's Right Hand  
Mistress Elizabeth Freemountain  
c/o Elizabeth Robinson  
3185 Folsom Street (New Address)  
Boulder, CO 80302  
(303) 499-8807 (I am moving in late  
November, my old housemates should  
be able to give you my new telephone#)



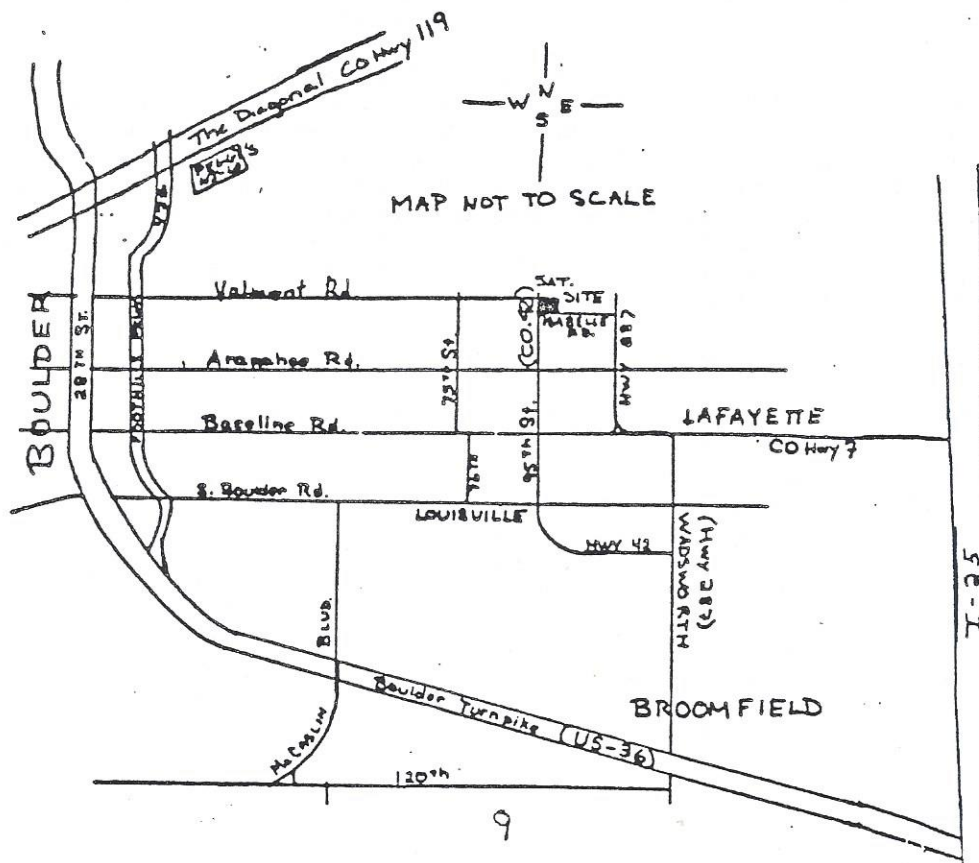
Directions to the Boulder Valley Community Hall:

From the North:

Take I-25 south to Colorado 7 exit. Take CO 7 west through Lafayette where it becomes US 287. Follow US 287 first west and then north to Arapahoe, which is the first light after 287 is heading north again. Take Arapahoe west to CO 42. Turn north on CO 42 to Isabella Rd. Site is on north east corner of CO 42 and Isabella. Park on Isabella, not on CO 42.

From the South:

Take I-25 north to US 36. Take US 36 west to the Wadsworth/Broomfield exit. Wadsworth will become US 287, which heads north through Lafayette. Note that you will need to make a left turn at the light by the school in Lafayette to stay on US 287 which jogs west at that point and then continues north. From here, follow the directions from the north.



CAERTHEN TWELFTH NIGHT FEAST

Twelfth Night A.S. XXIII will be celebrated in Caerthe with a feast to be held on Saturday, January 7, 1989, at Jefferson County Fairgrounds (same as last year). Tentative menu includes lentil soup, fish & apricot pies, salad, Cornish game hens with glaze, pilaf, roast beef on trenchers, and green beans with sour cherries, plus desserts to be announced. Cost will be same as last year, \$12 per person before November 15, \$15 per person Nov. 16-Dec. 15. Reservations will be accepted with full payment ONLY and no reservations will be accepted after December 15. Seating will be limited to 250, so please reserve early.

CHILDREN under age 13 may be seated for half price (\$7.50) ONLY in the separate children's hall, under professional supervision, where they will be served a somewhat smaller and simplified meal. Any children seated in the main feast hall will pay the full price.

You will receive a postcard confirming your reservation. SAVE THIS CARD and bring it with you to the event. If perchance you do not receive a postcard in a reasonable time, call the Autocrat. Your reservation MUST be received by December 15 so we can mail this confirmation to you! NO REFUNDS will be made after December 28, 1988, unless the request is accompanied by a valid death certificate.

SEATING will be assigned (yes, ALL seating) on a first come, first served basis, subject to the obvious limitations, and requests to sit with a group will be honored on the same basis.

Site fee of \$3 is included in the above feast costs. Those wishing to attend but NOT to feast should still send in a reservation and include only the site fee. Off-board seating will be provided if possible.

Autocrat - Lady Sara bat Meir (303) 333-0778  
 Feast - Mistress Margaret of Griffin Tower (303) 399-0518  
 Servers - Lord Iric, of course --see him to volunteer

Does anyone have ideas for children's games, contests, etc.? More details and map will be in next issue. Constructive suggestions & offers of help and/or backrubs are always welcome.

Tentative schedule:	2 P.M.	Hall open for setup
	4 P.M.	Opening Court
	5 P.M.	FEAST BEGINS
	9-10 P.M.	Closing Court, followed by Revel
	11 P.M.	Cleanup
	12 P.M.	We must be out of the hall

RESERVATION FORM - CAERTHEN 12th NIGHT - MAIL THIS FORM with full payment in check or money order made out to SCA - CAERTHE to Lady Sara bat Meir, c/o Sarah Stein, 1050 S. Monaco St. Pkwy., #108 Denver, CO 80224. ONE confirmation will be mailed per reservation form to the mundane name/address given! Persons wishing to be seated together should so specify and when possible mail forms together.

MUNDANE NAME \_\_\_\_\_ (Please Print)

MAILING ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF HOUSEHOLD OR GROUP FOR SEATING \_\_\_\_\_

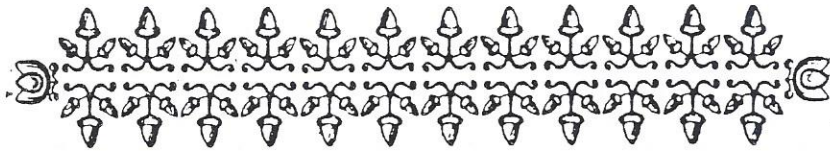
RESERVATIONS FOR THE MAIN FEAST HALL

	Mundane Name	Society Name	Process?	Amt. Encl.
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2.	_____	_____	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____	_____	_____

RESERVATIONS FOR THE CHILDREN'S TABLES

	Mundane Name	Society Name	Age	Amt. Encl.
1.	_____	_____	_____	\$7.50
2.	_____	_____	_____	\$7.50

PLEASE PHOTOCOPY THIS FORM AS NEEDED! COST: \$12 until 11/15/88 \$15 11/15-12/15/88



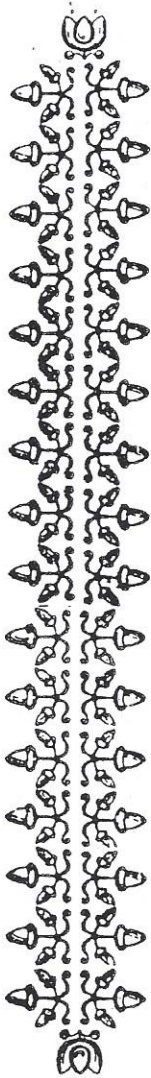
## POTLUCK, SOFT PRETZELS AND GAMES

Lady Tehri Hadeel and Family invite you to join them in a pre-Holiday Revel. There is no site fee, but bring a dish to share for dinner (this is a wet site). Or come later for games such as Shogun, Talisman, or Ceasar Elysia, plus dicing (bring your trinkets and stories), chess, and backgammon, and soft pretzels. We will start the games around 7:00 pm so that we can complete them before daylight.

When: December 10, 1988, 6:00ish.

Where: 622 Whedbee, Fort Collins

Farspeaker: (303)482-6608 evenings.



## BIRD OF DAWNING

Some say that ever 'gainst that season comes  
Wherein our Saviour's birth is celebrated,  
The bird of dawning singeth all night long:  
And then, they say, no spirit dare stir abroad;  
The nights are wholesome; then no planets strike,  
No fairy takes, nor witch hath power to charm,  
So hallow'd and so gracious is the time.

*William Shakespeare*



IN A SHEPHERDS' FIELD, a green-winged angel announces Jesus' birth. This vivid miniature was painted in the 15th Century.

A Hymn  
on the Nativity  
of  
My Saviour

*Ben Jonson, Elizabethan playwright (1572-1637), is firmly associated with Christmas chiefly because of the plays he wrote for court-festivities. Here is his description of mankind's universal joy at the miracle of the Nativity.*

I sing the birth was born to-night,  
The Author both of life and light;  
The angels so did sound it,  
And like the ravished shepherds said,  
Who saw the light, and were afraid,  
Yet searched, and true they found it.

The Son of God, th' Eternal King,  
That did us all salvation bring,  
And freed the soul from danger;  
He whom the whole world could not take,  
The Word, which heaven and earth did make;  
Was now laid in a manger.

The Father's wisdom willed it so,  
The Son's obedience knew no No,  
Both wills were in one stature;  
And as that wisdom had decreed,  
The Word was now made Flesh indeed,  
And took on Him our nature.

What comfort by Him do we win,  
Who made Himself the price of sin,  
To make us heirs of glory!  
To see this Babe, all innocence,  
A martyr born in our defence;  
Can man forget this story?



*PLAYING A LUTE, an angel rejoices at Jesus' birth. The figure illuminates a decorative border in a medieval devotional book.*

## THE FRIENDLY BEASTS

*This bit of Middle Ages' doggerel takes the assumption that animals were present at the nativity one step further: Its simple quatrains endow the animals with speech and generosity.*

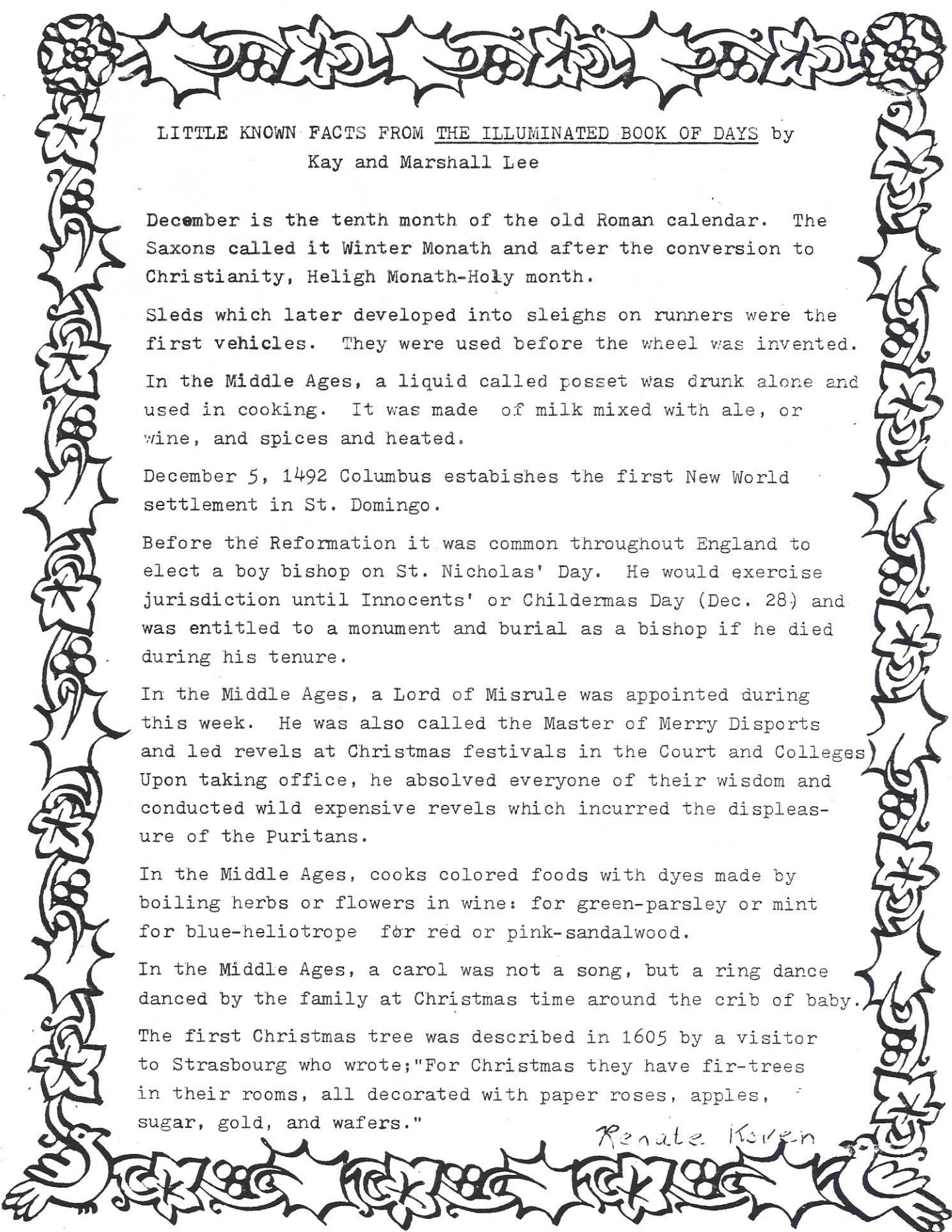
Jesus our Brother, kind and good,  
Was humbly born in a stable rude,  
And the friendly beasts around Him stood;  
Jesus our Brother, kind and good.

"O," said the donkey, shaggy and brown,  
"I carried His mother up hill and down;  
I carried His mother to Bethlehem town."  
"O," said the donkey, shaggy and brown.

"O," said the cow, all white and red,  
"I gave Him my manger for His bed,  
I gave Him my hay to pillow His head."  
"O," said the cow, all white and red.

"O," said the sheep, with curly horn,  
"I gave Him my wool for His blanket warm,  
He wore my coat on Christmas morn."  
"O," said the sheep, with curly horn.

Thus ev'ry beast by some good spell,  
In the stable dark was glad to tell  
Of the gift he gave Emmanuel,  
The gift he gave Emmanuel.



LITTLE KNOWN FACTS FROM THE ILLUMINATED BOOK OF DAYS by  
Kay and Marshall Lee

December is the tenth month of the old Roman calendar. The Saxons called it Winter Monath and after the conversion to Christianity, Heligh Monath-Holy month.

Sleds which later developed into sleighs on runners were the first vehicles. They were used before the wheel was invented.

In the Middle Ages, a liquid called posset was drunk alone and used in cooking. It was made of milk mixed with ale, or wine, and spices and heated.

December 5, 1492 Columbus establishes the first New World settlement in St. Domingo.

Before the Reformation it was common throughout England to elect a boy bishop on St. Nicholas' Day. He would exercise jurisdiction until Innocents' or Childermas Day (Dec. 28) and was entitled to a monument and burial as a bishop if he died during his tenure.

In the Middle Ages, a Lord of Misrule was appointed during this week. He was also called the Master of Merry Disports and led revels at Christmas festivals in the Court and Colleges. Upon taking office, he absolved everyone of their wisdom and conducted wild expensive revels which incurred the displeasure of the Puritans.

In the Middle Ages, cooks colored foods with dyes made by boiling herbs or flowers in wine: for green-parsley or mint for blue-heliotrope for red or pink-sandalwood.

In the Middle Ages, a carol was not a song, but a ring dance danced by the family at Christmas time around the crib of baby.

The first Christmas tree was described in 1605 by a visitor to Strasbourg who wrote; "For Christmas they have fir-trees in their rooms, all decorated with paper roses, apples, sugar, gold, and wafers."

*Renate Koven*

# The 3rd Occasional Roman Bath Revel

(and Birthday Party for a Couple of Celts Jan 21st 6 PM - Midnight)

The Roman Bath returns (with a REAL bath this year) and with it comes more fun and enlightening entertainment.

Some of the games and competitions this year will be:

—Guess which battles the Romans won...

—Most imaginative bath toy...

—Most decadent Roman garb...

—A SPECIAL competition so outrageous it cannot be described without hand motions and silly noises!



***See the Roman Army face Robert the Bruce !!!***

***See your friends wearing funny clothes !!!***

***See the MYSTERY event !!!***

***See the Roman Bath !!!***



Betting on the outcome of Roman battles re-enacted against famous Generals of the Middle Ages is encouraged. Dicing and other decadent betting is also looked upon well. (Use trinkets and baubles its more fun and less painful.) Bring your reclining pillows to supplement the ones we have on hand, it will make the site more decadent.

Site fee is \$3.00 if you just bring yourself, \$2.00 if you bring a fingerfood or snack to share. (Its a little higher than last time, but we are trying to take the sting out of the hot, excuse me, bath.)

Grapes and cider will be provided, the site is WET, so bring your wine as well! The address is the same as last year, Kevin MacKinnon's House: 1500 W Prospect In Ft. Collins. (Grey House on the corner of Lynwood and Prospect.)  
AUTOCRATS: Kevin 303-221-0850 , Llamrei 303-490-2936



With Christmas only a hands breadth away a couple of current books may be of intrest to our current middle agers.

The first book which may be found at remainder prices shares the title with another recent book. "Arms & Armor of the Medieval Knight" the book by David Edge and John Paddock is the better of the two. Both authors have training in the conservation of arms and armor and both are actively employed by museums with extensive collections. The knight in armor jousting for his lady's favor is one of the best known figures in literature and romance. "Arms & Armor of the Medieval Knight" is a brilliant, highly illustrated (170 B&W, 150 color) survey of the real story of knights and their weapons and the often far from chivalrous wars and battles they fought.

For generations the devastating charging power of mounted knights dominated the military affairs of Europe but throughout the medieval period weapons and armor were evolving constantly, and a variety of styles developed. This story is traced from the early days of mail and crude helmets to the vastly expensive and beautifully elaborate suits of full plate armor of the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries.

"Arms & Armor of the Medieval Knight" follows all these themes and also looks at the history of knights in action, in war and in the hazardous melees which tournaments often were in life if not in literature. A comprehensive glossary of terms is provided, and an appendix gives details of the construction of the armor. The development of arms and armor is stunningly illustrated, with many previously unpublished photographs and specially commissioned artwork included.

"Arms & Armor of the Medieval Knight", David Edge and John Miles Paddock, Cresnet Books, division of Crown Publishers, 1988, ISBN. 0-517-64468-1, 189 pages, 310 illustrations, \$12.98

The second book is the just released "The Oxford Guide to Heraldry" by Thomas Woodcock, Somerset Herald and John Martin Robinson, Fitzalton Pursurvant Extraordinary. Both authors are Officers of Arms in the College of Arms of England. This illustrated guide to the history and use of heraldic symbols is the only one currently available to have been wholly written by Officers of Arms with full access to the records and manuscript collection of the College of Arms. It is intended as a non-specialist introduction to heraldry, but is written with full authority, avoiding romantic myths and pseudo-heraldic terms.

The subjects covered includes the origins of heraldry; the composition of arms-shelds, crests, supporters, and so on- and their appearance, how and why arms were, and still are, granted and to whom; the evolution of arms as families grow and intermarry; and the use of arms as decoration. While most attention is paid to Britian, there are separate chapters on American and Continental heraldry.



## Continuation of Book Reviews

The lavish color and black and white illustrations have been taken where possible from the College of Arms library, which contains the most important collection of heraldic manuscripts in the world, many of them unavailable to the public. There is also a glossary of heraldic terms complemented by specially drawn illustrations.

"The Oxford Guide to Heraldry" Thomas Woodcock and John Martin Robinson, Oxford University Press, 1988, ISBN. 0-19-211658-4, 210 pages, 128 illustrations, \$35.00

The third book is "The Oxford Illustrated History of Medieval Europe" Edited by George Holmes.

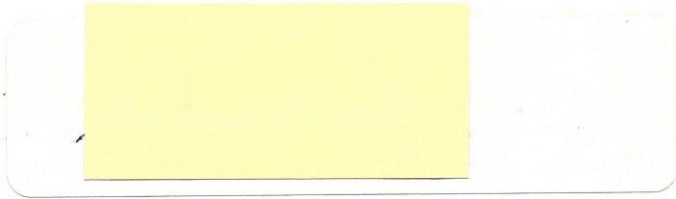
This richly illustrated book tells the story of Europe and the Mediterranean over a thousand years which saw the creation of western civilization. Written by expert scholars and based on the latest research, it gives the reader the most authoritative account of life in medieval Europe between the fall of the Roman Empire and the coming of the Renaissance.

The story is one of profound diversity and change: the political empires of Charlemagne or the Byzantines, contrasting with the new nations which fought the Hundred Years War; the expression of religion in the great monasteries and cathedrals, and in the ideals of ecclesiastical poverty and reform; the mixed ambitions of the Crusades; the cultural worlds of chivalric knights and heroic romance, popular festivals, and the realism of the new arts; economic expansion and social catastrophe, such as the Black Death. The authors describe both the strange and the familiar. Consequently the new attitudes and ways of life that grew up from 900 to 1500 around the cathedrals and universities, the royal courts and commercial cities, remain central in modern societies. Our towns and villages, the nation state and democratic forms of government, our commerce and banking, our university courses, our novels and history books, our concern with the relationship between physical and spiritual realms—all had their origins in the medieval world.

The six chapters in this book are divided between the Mediterranean world and northern Europe to show the movement of the center of gravity in European life from the Mediterranean to the north. The authors explore the contrast between Byzantine and Renaissance cultures in the south and the new complex political and social structures of the north-west Europe, which by 1300 had the most advanced civilization the world had ever seen. Over two hundred illustrations, including twenty-four color plates, amplify the text; and the picture is completed with comprehensive reference material in maps, genealogies, a chronology, lists of further reading, and a full index including personal dates.

"The Oxford Illustrated History of Medieval Europe", edited by George Holmes, Oxford University Press, 1988, ISBN. 0-19-820073-0, 378 pages, 200+ illustrations, \$35.00.

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# MAP WAR PRACTICE

