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THE SHIRE OF CAER ADAMANT NEWSLETTER

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between two laurel wreaths a sword Or

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Next Meeting: The next Shire meeting will be 7pm, Tuesday, January 16, at the Dover Public Library – included in Directions section).

A Word from the Officers

From the Seneschal, Baroness Valentina Barrows:

The December business meeting was attended by:

Valentina, Kael, Veronica, Pdraig, Hedewigis, Marietta, Susanna, Pappy, Mark IV, Teofilia, Jehan-Yves, Dietrich, Lewin, Nina, Laurens, Keith, Sarah, Geneene, and Hogge

At the January meeting, Letters of Intent will be accepted for the offices of Chatelaine, Herald and Exchequer. Election of those offices will be held at the February meeting.

From the Exchequer, Lord Mikael "Kael" McCue:

Bank balance \$4,246.45.

Kael will be assuming the position of Southern Region Deputy to the EK Exchequer. Therefore, he will have to resign as Exchequer for Caer Adamant. (As a matter of routine, all Caer Adamant reports will then be overseen by someone else in the Kingdom Exchequer's regime.)

From the Chatelaine:

Office is currently vacant.

From the Herald, Lady Marietta da Firenze:

Marietta is resigning as Herald to submit a Letter of Intent for Exchequer.

From the Knight Marshall, Lord Krey MacLeod:

An indoor site for fighter practices has been found, and there is much rejoicing. Practices will begin to be held at the Delaware City Community Center, effective Sunday, January 7, from noon – 5pm.

From the Minister of Arts & Sciences, Lord Jehan-Yves de Chateau Thiery:

Jehan-Yves is not planning to step down. He has taken a new deputy, Master Hogge.

From the Chronicler, Lady Susanna Lockheart:

Report to EK Chronicler was filed on time. The paper copy mailing list has been updated, using responses received via the postcards.

From the Webminister, Wende Brown:

No report.

Highlights from the December Business Meeting

Old Business

Cooking Thyng:

Plans are rolling along. Master Hogge needs class submissions as soon as possible.

Spring Thyng:

Plans are moving along! Handicapped-accessible port-a-castles must be added to the expenses for the event.

Athena's Thimble Collegium:

The event announcement has gone out, and Mistress Ceillach is organizing the classes.

Winter Archery Challenge:

Lewin and sons attended. Future scheduled dates are 1/12 and 1/26 from 5:30 – 7 pm.

New Business

Swamp Thyng

Swamp Thyng is in need of autocrats for this year. The bid was due by January 1.

Fun Stuff

Book Reviews for Adolescent SCAdians

From Lady Veronica Rosso

Nine Days a Queen: The Short Life and Reign of Lady Jane Grey, by Anne Rinaldi

A fictional chronicle of the short life Lady Jane Grey, who was thrust towards the throne after the death of her cousin Edward. This novel shows Jane as the reluctant monarch to be... and the price paid for her family's follies. This novel is rich in detail, evoking many images and sensation in the mind of the reader, from clothing, food and everyday objects you feel yourself taken into Tudor England. While this is a fictional book it well researched and a riveting read.

Catherine, Called Birdy, by Karen Cushman

This fictional novel shows the Middle Ages from a point of view rarely scene in most stories. The Manor life of Catherine is anything but glamorous. The hall is a mess, the rushes filthy, and hygiene non-existent! The dogs have fleas and so do the people. As if living with all this wasn't enough her Father wants to marry her off to a disgusting man old enough to be her grandfather! (ick) This story is told with witty humor through the eyes of Birdy (Catherine) a teenage girl trying to get by in Middle Ages (and wiggle out of her most unwanted nuptials).

Other suggested reads:

The Book of the Lion, by Michael Cadnum

The Young Royals Series, by Carolyn Meyer

The Midwife's Apprentice, by Karen Cushman

Upcoming Events in the Southern Region:

January 2007

- 1/13 [Bellringers ****UPDATED****](#)
[Barony of Carillion](#) - Forked River, NJ
- 1/19 - 1/20 [Al - Hafla ****UPDATED****](#)
[Barony of Bhakail](#) - Clifton heights, PA
- 1/20 [An English Country 12th Night ****UPDATED****](#)
[Shire of Owlsherst](#) - Camp Hill, PA

February 2007

- 2/10 [Black Gryphon Inn: Normans and Welshmen and Sheep, Oh MY!!! ****UPDATED****](#)
[Canton of Gryphonwald](#) - Edison, NJ
- 2/17 [Cooking Thynges III and Brewing Also](#)
[Shire of Caer Adamant](#) - Newark, DE
- 2/17 [Winter Brawl ****UPDATED****](#)
[Barony of Iron Bog](#) - Cherry Hill, NJ
- 2/17 [Feast of St. Andrews](#)
[Barony of An Dubhaigeainn](#) - Huntington, NY
- 2/24  [Kings and Queens Bardic Champions - Noisemakers - A Music and Heraldry Schola ****UPDATED****](#)
[Baillwick of Iveyinrust](#) - Clifton Heights, PA

Local Event

Cooking Thynges III and Brewing Also

Saturday, February 17th, 2007

Hosted by Shire of Caer Adamant - Newark, DE

Come one, come all, to a day of all things edible and potable! Take, or teach, classes in the culinary and brewing arts. Spend time with friends in the large gathering room. Visit the merchants. Enjoy the generous day board. And, for the first time in our fair Shire, partake of a teaching feast, serving food and facts in a delicious combination.

The site is handicapped accessible, discretely wet, and only a short drive from I-95. There are many hotels within a 5 - 15 minute drive. See the website for a list, or contact Hedewigis.

If you have a class you would like to teach, please contact Master Hogge at ctclasses@caer-adamant.org.

Collegium attendees are encouraged to share their culinary talents with potluck additions to the dayboard. This is your chance to "show off" before an appreciative audience. Kitchen facilities will be available for final preparations or reheating.

Due to the capricious nature of February weather, please check the event website before leaving home. Cancellations or changes due to weather will be posted there.

Directions:

From I-95, exit 1-B (in Delaware) to Route 896 North (Newark). Continue straight; road becomes South College Avenue. Pass UofD athletic complex (on your right), cross over railroad bridge. Left at light onto West Park Place. Left onto Willa Road. Right into site. For directions from the west, please contact Hedewigis.

NOTE: State regulations prohibit most temporary signage, so please do not count on "SCA" signs!

Event Website: www.caer-adamant.org
 Site: Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Newark
 420 Willa Road
 Newark, DE 19711
 Site Opens: 9:30 a.m. (classes begin at 10:00)
 Site Closes: 7:00 p.m.

Event Fees:

Site : \$12.00 adult member (the non-member surcharge will apply). \$6.00 ages 6 - 17. Those under 6 years are guests of the Shire.
 Feast: \$6.00 per person, before 8 February. \$8.00 per person after 8 February, or at the door. Feast is limited to 80 participants.

Send Reservations to:

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Merchants -- there is no additional fee beyond the site fee. Please contact
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Make Checks Payable to: SCA Inc. -- Shire of Caer Adamant

Shire Activities

January 2007:	
4:	<u>** CANCELLED **</u> <u>Trivial Thursday</u> 1 st & 3 rd Thursdays each month 7:30 pm at Lord Tomaloc & Lady Kateline's home, Bear, DE This evening get together is open to all. Arts & Sciences demonstrations are welcomed as well as friendly social interaction. Contact tomaloc@marshal.sca.org or khicch@needleworker.sca.org
7:	<u>Period Games</u> 1 st Sunday each month 5 pm at Lady Hedewigis', Hockessin, DE Contact Lady Hedewigis (302)239-9787 Focus on Games of the Middle Ages. Favorites include Bocce, Tarot and Astronomical Tables. Light refreshments are available. This evening gathering is open to all. A&S projects are welcomed as well as friendly social interaction. (Contact for directions.) <u>Heavy Weapons</u> Noon – 5 pm at Delaware City Community Center Rattan fighting, full armor. Contact Lord Krey McLeod for additional info (302)898-5911 or knightmarshal@caer-adamant.org
8:	<u>Arts & Sciences Night</u>

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DON'T FORGET!!! You can always go to www.caer-adamant.org for more updated and detailed calendar information.

Directions:

Baroness Valentina's House

(104 N Main St, St. Georges, DE)

From Points North: Make your way to Rte. 1 South. Exit 152 (Wrangle Hill Rd); turn left at the light. Turn right on Rte. 13 (second light; Getty Station on one corner). Continue from ** below.

From Points South (utilizing Rte. 1): Make your way to Rte. 1 North. Exit 152 (Wrangle Hill Rd); turn right at the light. Turn right at the next light onto Rte. 13 (Getty Station on one corner). Continue from **.

** Just prior to the bridge, bear right at the road at the base of the bridge (HVAC business on the right; if you go over the bridge; you've gone too far). Follow the road around to the right under the bridge. You are on N. Main St. 104 N. Main is down on your right. It is suggested that you pass my house and turn left on Delaware St. and park on this street and walk back.

From Points South (utilizing Rte. 13): Rte. 13 NB, pass Frightland and go over the St. Georges' Bridge. At the very base of the bridge, turn right. This is Broad St. Follow Broad St. to the end, turn right on Delaware. It is suggested that you park on Delaware St. under the trees, and walk down to 104 N. Main St.

Lord Tomaloc's and Lady Kateline's House

(919 Rue Madora Drive, Bear, DE 19701)

From the Route 896 and Route 40 intersection: turn onto Route 40 East. Pass through 2 traffic lights and at the end of the Fox Run Shopping Center make a right turn --- if you cross the RR track you just passed the turn. Continue from ** below.

From the Route 7 or Route 1 intersection with Route 40: turn West onto Route 40 and continue until you cross the RR tracks (they are the only RR tracks that cross Route 40). Just after the RR tracks turn left onto the road goes between the Post Office and Fox Run Shopping Center) Continue from ** below.

** Go to the Stop Sign turn left; you will come to another Stop Sign go straight through; we are the Only Blue house on the right side of the street (6 houses). Call (302) 750-2375 if you have problems getting there.

Baron Bill and Baroness Laurens' House

(311 Black Stallion Road, Townsend, DE 19734)

From the North: Take Route 1 South and as you cross the Canal (big bridge) take exit 148 which is on the south side of the bridge itself. (If you miss this exit, you will be on Route 1 which has no exit available until after you pass Townsend). The exit will put you on Route 13 South. After you pass through the small town of Odessa, look for Willey's Farm Market on the left. Approx. 1.5 miles after the farm market there will be a sign for "Road 471 Blackbird" and a blinking light at the intersection.

** Take this right turn on to Blackbird Forest Road. Follow the road through the forest. Once through the forest there will be a stop sign at the intersection of Route 15. Continue through the intersection and take the first road on the right - Oak Hill School Road. Continue approx. 1.5 miles to a 4-way intersection with Black Stallion Road. Our farm is on the left at this intersection. Make the left on to Black Stallion Road and turn immediately into our drive.

From the South: Make your best way to Rt. 13 North in Smyrna. North of Smyrna, you will pass the truck weigh station. Approximately ½ mile north of the weigh station is the intersection with the blinking light for Blackbird Forest Road. Make the left and continue from ** above.

Call (302) 659-1573 if you have problems getting there.

Lord Pdraig and Helen O'Gealagain's

(936 Marl Pit Road, Middletown, DE 19709)

From the North: Take Route 1 South over the C & D Canal and exit at the base of bridge onto Route 13 South. Continue through two lights to the intersection with a Wawa on the left. Continue straight on Route 13 for 2.2 miles and turn right onto Marl Pit Road (Route 429).

** Go 1.6 miles and turn left into driveway of Helen and Pdraig O'Gealagain.

From the South: Take Route 13 North to Odessa. From light at Route 299 continue North 6/10ths of a mile and turn left onto Marl Pit Road then follow from ** above. Call (302) 378-7444 if you have problems getting there.

Lady Veronica's House

(138 Creekmont Court, Newark, DE 19702)

From the South: Delaware 1 north to Delaware 273 exit, turn left (west) at bottom of ramp. Go to the 3rd light and turn left onto Old Baltimore Pike. Continue from ** below.

From I-95: Take the Delaware 273 exit towards Dover (east). Go to the fourth traffic light and turn right onto Old Baltimore Pike.

** Go to the fourth light and turn left onto Walther Road. Take the third right turn onto Glenwood Drive (neighborhood is Glenwood Station). First right onto Creekmont Court, house number is 138 (third from the end on the right). Try not to park on the street if possible, there's an overflow lot around the corner on the left just before reaching the house.

Lady Hedewigis' House

(1604 Old Wilmington Road, Hockessin, DE 19707)

From the South: North Routes 1 / 13, crossing the C&D Canal Bridge. Bear right at the exit 156 split, following the North to 1 / 95 signs. Road becomes North 1 / 7, then North 7. Follow Route 7 signs, bearing left after Delaware Park. Cross Route 2 / Kirkwood Highway, check mileage. After about 5 miles, road becomes single lane, heading downhill. Turn Right at light at bottom of hill onto Valley Road. (This is approximately 5 ½ miles from Kirkwood Highway / Route 2). Continue through two stop signs, and turn Left at third stop sign onto Old Wilmington Road (end of Valley Road). Drive is first on left. House is a red barn.

From Wilmington: Take Route 48 or Route 41 north / west into Hockessin, passing Happy Harry's at top of hill, PAL Centre midway down hill (On-going road construction makes driving a challenge!). Continue straight through intersection with Yorklyn Road (Fire Station is on near left, Wawa is on far left) continue past Texaco, then Six Paupers Tavern and turn Right at Brewster's onto Valley Road (if you start back up a hill you have gone too far). Left at stop sign onto Old Wilmington Road. Drive is first on left. House is a red barn.

Call (302) 239-9787 if you have problems getting there.

Delaware City Community Center

From the North: I-95 south to the Rt 1/Christiana Mall exit.

From the South (Baltimore): I-95 north to the Rt 1/Christiana Mall exit, then follow from *.

From the South (Delaware): Take Rt 13 north to Rt 1 north. Take the first exit after the new St George's bridge for Delaware City/Rt 72. Bear right onto Rt 72 south. Continue from **.

* Take Rt 1 south. Take the first exit for Delaware City/Rt. 72, turn left at the light onto Rt 72 south.

** Cross old Rt 13 and follow 72-south, which becomes Rt 9 south. Continue south on Rt 9 into Delaware City. Go through the light and the DCCC will be on the left (an old school).

Dover Public Library

From the North: Take Rt 1 South, exit 104 toward Dover. Left onto N. Dupont Hwy/US-13 S. Turn slight Right onto US-13 Alt S/N State St. Continue on N. State St. The library will be on the right, 45 N. State St.

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